

Lakewood - Director, Soccer Operations – August 21, 2024

WELCOME DAN KELLY



After an extensive search over the last seven weeks, we are pleased to introduce Dan Kelly as the new Director, Soccer Operations for Lakewood Soccer. Many of you already know Dan as he comes to us from Saskatoon Youth Soccer (SYSI) where he held the positions of Technical Lead and Programs Coordinator over the last six years. Prior to his work with SYSI, Dan was the Operations Coordinator for Saskatoon Adult Soccer (SAS), so he is very familiar with soccer in Saskatoon.

Dan holds numerous licenses with Canada Soccer, including the National B and C License, Child License, Youth License and is a certified soccer learning facilitator. He has coached both for Lakewood and the Saskatoon Alliance over the past few years. As part of his work with SYSI, Dan has organized the Alliance Academy and the Alliance PSL teams in cooperation with the zone technical directors. He comes to Lakewood Soccer with experience in sports coordination, technical leadership and project management.

Dan is highly passionate about soccer and the growth of the sport through the development of strong players and coaches.

Dan lives in the Rosewood area of Saskatoon with his wife Allison, their three children Nora, Declan, and Ronan, and their dog Charlie. Dan prides himself as a family man and takes every minute he can to be with his kids, whether it be teaching them how to ride their bikes, camping or just taking in a movie! As an avid Manchester United fan (don't hold that against him!), he's been showing his kids the love and passion for the game of soccer by subjecting them to hours of commentary, strategy, and transfer news! Dan has also been pitch-side with Lakewood in recent years as a coach with the teams Nora and Declan played for.

Lakewood Soccer has experienced significant growth in recent years, driven by our HEART values. Dan will play a key role in advancing those principles. Please join us in welcoming Dan to Lakewood Soccer starting Tuesday September 03, 2024. We are looking forward to our first season with Dan as our Director, Soccer Operations.