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SOCCER

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I am over 60, fit and healthy and my passion for soccer goes back 50 years +. Although I have been involved in adult soccer as a player and a referee, my real pleasure is coaching boys from 12 years to high school seniors.

I have always tried to coach with the intention of influencing the boys to be committed scholars and sportsmen as well as aggressive players. To be fair minded and team players. This I believe will be of great benefit in preparing them for the ups and downs of their future adult lives.

I want to help Louisville Soccer Club become the premier youth club in Kentucky.

I spent my earlier years (up to 1983) in South Africa. I started coaching in 1971 at De la Salle College in Johannesburg. I was licensed the following year after completing a four day course offered by SAHSFA, the governing body that controlled high school sports activities.

In 1974, the English FA contracted with the South African FA to offer a series of youth coaching licenses, similar to what was offered in England. I attended and passed the FA Entry Level course. In 1976 I was accepted for, and passed, the three week Advanced Youth License course (approx. equivalent to the US D license)
I have attended refresher courses over the years. I also attended, together with players and coaches from my previous club in Florida, to two Duke University coaching camps.

SOCCER PLAYING BACKGROUND:

1945- 1951 Played Junior and High School soccer. Won two High School medals. Also gained selection for the Provincial team in '50 and '51. (equivalent to State selection in US)

1952- 1955 Played for the University of Witwatersrand in Johannesburg. Qualified for the University National Tournament in 53 and 55.

1956- 1959 Played for the Delfos FC in '56 and then for the Army from '57 thro '59. (Doing National Service in the Military)

1960 -1963 Played for the Wanderes Club on and off between spells in the Military.

1964-1970 Spent most of these years on Military service but played when I could.

COACHING EXPERIENCE:

1971- 1983 Coached Varsity team De la Salle College (High School), Johannesburg.

1984- 1989 Worked for KFC International. Lived in China for a year and traveled extensively and had very little contact with soccer.

1990- 2005 Lived in Florida where I formed a club, Clermont Soccer Club, but changed it's name to South Lake S.C. in 1993.

Club grew to 14 teams by 1994 and I coached it's boys U14 team to the clubs first major tournament championship by winning the Orlando Cup.

I went on to coach teams to 5 more tournament championships before moving to Louisville.

1992- 2005 I coached the South Lake High School JV team until 1994 and then became head Coach of the Varsity team until I was offered the Head Coach position at the new East Ridge HS. I remained Head Coach until I moved to Louisville in 2005.

I made the District play offs 8 times in 11 years as Head Coach and reached the Regional finals 3 times.

I was honored in 2004 by being selected to coach the County select team in the annual inter-county game.

The Orlando Sentinel newspaper honored me in 2005 by writing a half page article on my contribution to the development of soccer in Lake County.

Finally, the City of Clermont paid me the honor of awarding me the Gem Of The Hills award in 2000 for my contribution to soccer and my work with the young people of the city.