



# Heatwave Herald

## LFSC Newsletter

### LAST WEEK AT THE FIRE

## News and Results

Last weekend saw 5 of our teams compete in Labor Day Tournaments.

At the Steel City Tournament, the 2014 CP Red Boys went 3-0 and won the U11 super group division. 2012 & 2013 CP Red Boys, under the tutelage of Coach Macca, competed in the U13 super group, playing top MLS Next and ECNL competition. 2013s went 1-1-1 on the weekend; the 2012s went 0-3.

2011 Boys Navy finished as Finalists at the Raising Canes HFC Classic, with a record of 2-1.

2010 Boys White went 2-1 on the weekend in Houston, narrowly missing out on the Final.

***To be featured in the Newsletter remember to send your teams score and write ups to [shayers@lafiresoccer.com](mailto:shayers@lafiresoccer.com).***



## Meet Coach: Corne Eksteen

**Current Teams Coaching:** 2009 Girls Red & 2012 Girls Navy

**Number of years with the club:** 9 years

**Nationality:** South African / American

### Coaching Background:

- Louisiana Fire Competitive Girls Head Coach, 2019 - Present
- Isidore Newman School, Junior Varsity Girls Head Coach & Varsity Girls Assistant Coach, 2017 - 2022
- ODP Assistant Coach, 2018 - 2019
- USSF C license

**Favorite Professional Team:** Manchester City FC

**Soccer Role Model:** Emma Hayes

**Best moment at LFSC:** 2008G Red winning GSPL and playing in the NPL finals in Dever, CO.

**Advice to players:** "Anything is possible with hard work."

**Interesting Fact:** Loves playing Pickleball

**"Hard work beats talent when talent doesn't work hard."**

**Corne Eksteen**



## TEAM OF THE WEEK - 2014 CP RED BOYS



### VHSC Steel City Labor Day Tournament - U11 BOYS RED SUPERGROUP CHAMPIONS

2014 CP Red Boys went 3-0 this weekend, winning the U11 Supergroup in Birmingham., AL.

Despite some weather issues in their first game, the Fire were able to beat a tough team from NGS 3-2.

In the second game a flurry of 2nd half goals lead to a 4-1 victory against tournament hosts.

In their final game of the weekend the boys put in a dominant performance winning 3-0, claiming the title.

Through seven games the 2014 Red Boys are undefeated, outscoring opponents 43-8. Congrats to Coach Stu and the team.



### PLAYER OF THE WEEK

## John Toledano 2014 CP Red Boys

John Toledano is this week's Player of the Week after a strong showing in Birmingham, AL. John not only scored multiple goals and recorded multiple assists during the tournament, he also showed great improvement and coachability in his overall performances. John is a skillful, pacey winger that always puts the team first.

## Alumni Spotlight

### KELSEY MAJOR - LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

**Kelsey Major is one of the most successful players to come out of the Fire program. She was the Gatorade Player of the Year in 2022 as well as a State Champion with Dominican High School. At club, she was a standout performer scoring multiple goals and winning numerous titles. She is currently a Junior at perennial powerhouse LSU on scholarship.**

**Team played on:** 2004 Red Girls

**School:** Dominican (State Champ & Finals MVP 2022)

**Favorite Soccer Team:** LSU

**Favorite Player:** Trinity Rodman & Messi

**Favorite Movie:** Crazy Rich Asians

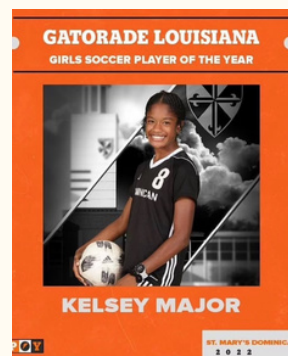
**Favorite Club Memory:** Playing in the National League

**Future Plans:** Finish playing at LSU and graduate with a Chemistry degree

**Position:** Forward/Winger

**Advice for Players:** Always play with confidence because that's when you will be at your best

**Fun Fact:** Starred in a movie with Alex Morgan





## Upcoming Games

SEVERAL OF OUR TEAMS ARE HEADED OUT OF TOWN FOR TOURNAMENTS & MID SOUTH ACTION

### Deep South - Gulfport

2007 Boys Navy  
2014 CP Red Boys  
2014 LP Red Boys  
2014 Red Girls

### Cajun Classic - Lafayette

2008 Navy Boys  
2011 White Boys  
2014 CP Navy Boys

### Publix Super Cup - Foley

2013 Girls Red

### Mid South - Huntsville

2009 Red Boys  
2011 Red Boys  
2011 Red Girls

GOOD LUCK TO ALL LFSC TEAMS THIS WEEKEND



## Global Results

EPL & LA LIGA & INTERNATIONAL

### AUG' 31ST & SEPT' 1ST

Arsenal 1 - 1 Brighton  
West Ham 1 - 3 Man City  
Chelsea 1 - 1 Crystal Palace  
Newcastle 2 - 1 Tottenham  
Man Utd 0 - 3 Liverpool  
Barcelona 7 - 0 Real Valladolid  
Real Madrid 2 - 0 Real Betis

[LINK TO FOTMOB](#)

## Coaches Corner

COACH KEIR

PODCAST RECOMMENDATION



"This Podcast is one of my favorites. Gives a great insight into professional sports, and other areas of life, all geared towards being the best you can be." Coach Keir

Episode - E25 - Steven Gerrard: how to make high expectations a reality

[LINK TO PODCAST](#)

# What's Happening at LFSC

## CURRENT EVENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

GOALKEEPER TRAINING:  
TRAIN WITH COACH SAUL

MON: CITY PARK 5:30-7 U10-U13 & 7-8:30 U14-U18

TUES: CITY PARK 5:30-7 U10-U13 & 7-8:30 U14-U18

WED: LAFRENIERE PARK 4:30-5:30 U14-U18 & 5:30-6:30 U10-U13

THURS: CITY PARK 5:30-7 U10-U13 & 7-8:30 U14-U18

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**LET'S CHAT!**



## LOUISIANA FIRE SOCCER CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

Our goal is to educate and develop our youth through the sport of soccer. We believe that soccer provides the best education in all of sports through teamwork, confidence, discipline, character, adversity, and on-field problem solving. We have created a "PATHWAY FOR ALL" concept that benefits all players, at all ages and at all stages of development.

[SEE FULL FIELD SCHEDULE](#)



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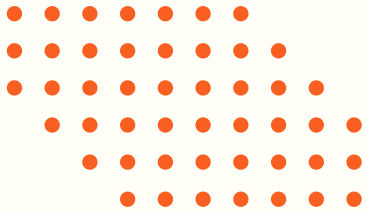
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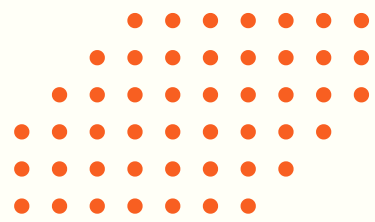
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# SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2024

part of the "Let Them Play" Campaign



## SCHOLARSHIP

Smalls Sliders is proud to partner with LFSC and award financial aid to ONE Pre Competitive Player for the 2024.25 season.

Applicants will be accepted through Sept 9th and selected by Smalls & LFSC management

## REQUIREMENTS

- Pre Competitive Player (2015/16)
- Have a financial need (assessed by LFSC & FACTS)
- Demonstrate positive character traits

## INCLUDED

- Registration Fee Assistance
- Uniform Assistance

## TO APPLY

- Essay explaining why you love soccer and why you should be considered for the scholarship
- Application through FACTS program via LFSC website
- Send all information to, or direct any questions to:
  - [sponsors@lafiresoccer.com](mailto:sponsors@lafiresoccer.com)
  - [shayers@lafiresoccer.com](mailto:shayers@lafiresoccer.com)
- Deadline: Sept: 9th 2024

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**LOUISIANA FIRE**

# HOLIDAY AUCTION

**SUPPORTING THE "LET THEM PLAY"  
CAMPAIGN**



**LFSC Families,**

**We will be conducting a HOLIDAY 2024 auction to raise funds for our "LET THEM PLAY" CAMPAIGN.**

**We are asking families/teams to donate items for the auction.**

- Gift Cards
- Food and Beverage
- Experiences
- Company SWAG
- And everything in between

**We will collect items through the end of the season (November 15th) and then make the items available for bid in the build up to Xmas ( Ending December 13th).**

**Please fill out the google form to participate.**

**GOOGLE DONATION FORM:** [CLICK HERE](#) TO SUBMIT DONATION

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