

GRASSROOTS & COMMUNITY OUTREACH

1st January 2011—31st March 2012

Introduction

During the past 15 months, FAS continued to work towards its aim of bringing together as many people as possible through our grassroots football programmes and community outreach activities.

Through the organisation of tournaments, fiestas and festivals in collaboration with our members partners and stakeholders, we hope to enable as many boys and girls as possible the opportunity to learn to play and enjoy football. FAS also hosted a FIFA Pro-Active Grassroots Coaching Course which aims to train aspiring football coaches to promote children football.

These are the activities that were organised during the reporting period: -

FAS / SPSSC Inter School U-9 Football Fiesta

FAS in collaboration with the Singapore Primary Schools Sports Council (SPSSC) organised the U-9 Football Fiesta on 12 March 2011 at the Jalan Besar Stadium. This fiesta attracted a total of 27 school teams, consist a total of 270 school boys.

FAS / SPSSC Inter School U-10 Football Fiesta

FAS in collaboration with the Singapore Primary Schools Sports Council (SPSSC) organised the U-10 Football Fiesta on 17 May 2011 at the Jalan Besar Stadium. This fiesta attracted 320 players, both boys and girls.

FAS / SPSSC Inter School U-11 Football Fiesta

FAS in collaboration with the Singapore Primary Schools Sports Council (SPSSC) organised the U-11 Football Fiesta on 12 November 2011 at the Jalan Besar Stadium. This fiesta attracted 340 school boys & girls who represented 34 school teams.

FAS / SPSSC Inter School U-12 Football Fiesta

FAS in collaboration with the Singapore Primary Schools Sports Council (SPSSC) organised the U-12 Football Fiesta on 5 November 2011 at the Jalan Besar Stadium. This fiesta attracted 160 school boys who represented 16 school teams.

FAS U-14 7 A-side Football Fiesta

FAS organised the U-14 7 A-side Football Fiesta for secondary two students.

The event catered to those schools that did not qualify for the final rounds (national level) of the inter-schools 'C' Division football tournament. The fiesta attracted 160



school boys who represented 17 school teams in this one day event held on 2nd November 2011, at the Jalan Besar Stadium.

2nd FIFA Grassroots Proactive Course

A major event for the Grassroots football community, the 2nd FIFA Grassroots Proactive Course was held from 10th to 14th March 2012 at the Jalan Besar Stadium as part of FIFA's systematic promotion and development of grassroots football. The objective of this course was to promote the philosophy of grassroots football for boys and girls aged between 6 and 12 years old.

FIFA Grassroots Pro-Active Course Instructor, Samuel Schweingruber was impressed with the progress FAS has undertaken in the past two years said, ***"It is remarkable to see what the Football Association of Singapore has done and achieved. The association has diligently worked for youth development for the sport in Singapore, and they have also developed coaches in the right way. I am very happy to report to FIFA on the progress FAS has made so far, especially in the last two years."***

29 coaches including coaches from the Ministry of Education, FAS JCOE, Special Olympics and Disabled Sports Council participated in this course.

FAS will continue to conduct regular workshops and focus group sessions for the participants to engage and encourage them to hold regular grassroots festivals in their respective schools and organisations.

Singapore Junior 9s

The 4th edition of the Singapore Junior 9s for U-15 boys was held on 17 and 18 November 2011 at the Jalan Besar Stadium.

A total of 240 players were registered by the 16 participating school teams for this 9 a-side tournament.

In the Cup competition, ACS (Barker) beat Geylang Methodist School 1-0 to emerge Champions while the Plate final was won by Coral Secondary School after they beat Swiss Cottage Secondary School 1-0.

Singapore 9's Masters

FAS organised the 5th edition of the Singapore Masters 9s for players 45 years above, from 26th to 27th November 2011 at the Jalan Besar Stadium.

A total of 272 players were registered by the 20 participating teams in this 9 a-side tournament.

In the Cup competition, Shanghai Shenhua FC beat Ser Seng Veterans 4 – 3 on penalties to emerge Champions while the Plate final was won by Singapore Ex-Internationals after they beat Polynites 2 – 1 on penalties. In the Bowl Competition, Old Rafflesian Association emerged as winners after beating GM United 3 – 2 in the final.



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