

## ANNUAL RAYSA END-OF-SEASON TOURNAMENT NEED TO KNOW INFORMATION



### What to expect that day

- Tournament games for In-House U6 and U8 age groups
- Lil Rams Showcase game(s)
- Awards Ceremonies for In-House U6 and U8 age group
  - Tournament winners 1st, 2nd, 3rd
  - Player and Coach Raffle Prizes awarded
    - Every registered player and coach entered free automatically
- All Lil Rams players receive a goodie bag
- Kona Ice truck - see below for details
- Inflatable
- Music
- Enhanced concession stand menu with the usual options plus some new options
- Make sure you download from Apple App Store or Google Play Store and use the new Teamsnap Tournaments App for this event. It is free, there is no cost. View your team schedule, receive tournament updates, and track team standings Live all day right in the palm of your hands on your smartphone. Instructions for this are provided in the tournament email.

### Housekeeping:

1. Parking at Palmer Park - plenty available. There are a number of parking areas available around the park. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK ANY VEHICLES IN THE GRASS OR ALONGSIDE THE DRIVEWAY.** For the safety of pedestrians and the volume of vehicle traffic through the park, please park all vehicles only in the designated parking lots available. DO NOT PARK in the pavilion parking lots as they will be rented by other parties that day. There will be signs posted where to park and not to park.
2. Cancellation: only thunder and lightning that morning will cancel the entire tournament. No tournament games, or other activities planned will happen if there is thunder and lightning. RAYSA will play the tournament games as scheduled in the wet weather. The RAYSA board will make the final decision if necessary no later than the day prior. There will be no make-up date with any cancellation.

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### Kona Ice truck:

- Every player and coach will receive one FREE ticket that day. A team coach will get their players' tickets at check-in that morning prior to game 1 when they turn in their coaches bags.
- The ticket must be handed in to the Ice truck server to receive the free Kona Ice. Coaches are encouraged to make this a team activity.
- All family members and spectators are welcome to enjoy the Kona Ice truck as well at regular menu pricing. Players and coaches are able to purchase additional Kona ice treats also at regular menu pricing. 12oz cups are \$4.00 and 9oz cups are \$3.00. Please bring cash as it is not clear if this business accepts card payments.
- Available 9:30am to 1:30pm

### Concession Stand:

- Menu will consist of the regular options plus a number of new surprise options we hope you enjoy
- Available 8am to 2pm

### Inflatable:

- Open for all to enjoy, no ticket or cost associated. Available from 8am to 1pm.
- A waiver will need to be signed at this station by a responsible adult family member in order for a child to play in the inflatable.

### Coaches, Parents, Family Members

Please remember in the end this event and soccer in general at these ages is supposed to be FUN and developmental for every child. The RAYSA board will be actively looking for teams not following the **Mercy Rule Fair Play guidelines** clearly explained in the updated RAYSA Playing Rules posted on the website. There you will find suggestions for leveling the competition between opponents in a lopsided scoring game. **We all realize there are trophies involved, but remember where you are (not the World Cup) and who the players are (4 to 7 year olds in general participating in a grassroots basic community-based recreational youth soccer league).** If a game must be called prior to the scheduled time allotted ending in this situation, then please let the children finish out

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the game anyway after mixing up the opposing players to make it a fair competition until time expires. **Teams could be forced to forfeit a game otherwise they would have won, if a RAYSA board member is not satisfied appropriate measures are attempted** by the winning coach in an uncompetitive game where the outcome is not questionable. ANY ON-FIELD DISRUPTIVE DISPUTES CAN RESULT IN AN AUTOMATIC FORFEIT GAME RESULT FOR BOTH TEAMS SUBJECT TO BOARD MEMBER OPINION.

The RAYSA board members will be spread out on site so you can easily grab one of us with any questions or concerns as the day moves along.

**Itinerary:**

**8:00am Concession stand open and Inflatable available**

**9:00am tournament games begin**

**9:30am Kona Ice Truck opens**

**10:00am Lil Rams Showcase game(s) kickoff**

**1:00pm Inflatable closes**

**1:30pm Kona Ice Truck closes**

**2:00pm Awards Ceremony for all age groups**

- Raffle prizes will also be awarded. Only In-House U6 and U8 players and coaches are eligible. All U6 and U8 players and coaches are automatically entered into the raffle prizes drawing. The Raffle Prize winners announced, players and coaches, **must be present at the awards ceremony** to claim the prize. We will keep drawing names in the age group until all prizes are gone. See attached flier for information on the raffle prizes.

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### The Tournament

Every team must send a coach to check-in upon arrival that day at the scorer's table.

**Coaches bags with supplies provided earlier in the season must be returned as well at check-in that day.**

The team listed first between opposing teams is considered the Home Team. Home Teams wear the Gold Color shirt and Away Teams wear the Blue color shirt. Players must bring both color game jerseys for the entire day, as at some point they will have to change colors from one game to the next. In-House teams U6 and U8 age groups will play with their regular roster on the normal fields and goals.

**EVERY TEAM IS GUARANTEED A MINIMUM OF  
THREE 20-MINUTE TOURNAMENT GAMES**

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