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HUMP DAY AND STADIUMS: The key to when we got over the hump was when we finally encouraged the Canadian family to get out to the game. Hopefully we attract all segments and when we finally build a new stadium the fan base will be enough to build upon. Stadium talks are ongoing but it is taking longer than I thought it would. The positive is, that the discussions haven't stopped... and Greg Kerfoot continues to persevere — Bob Lenarduzzi on building support for the Caps

BC PROV. CUP girls peter vranjkovic Lower Mainland sweep Finals

■ u14 Finals:

Surrey Breakers Nitro won gold with an easy 3-0 victory over **Lower Island Storm**. Both teams fielded tall, athletic players, with six 5'9" Island players and five on the Surrey team. Surrey was led by **Monica Lan-Feist**, who scored two and had the Breakers first six shots on goal. Surrey coach **Pat Horahan** was pleased to add the championship trophy to the long list of achievements which he and his players have earned.

Canada u19 and u21 women's coach Ian Bridge attended the **BC Provincial Cup** tournament. He believes the current crop of **u14** teams are an improvement over previous years, suggesting, "This years teams are tactically and technically better." These players will be eligible to represent Canada at the inaugural **FIFA Women's u17 World Championship** in 2008.

■ u15 Finals:

North Shore Storm, defending Provincial champion, **2005 Coastal Cup** champion, and **League** champion, added the 2005 Provincial gold, with a 3-2 victory over **Surrey United**

Rage. According to coach **Les Meszaros**, North Shore was led by goalie **Stephanie Canozzo**, defenders **Angie Hall** and **Kelsey Meszaros**, and striker **Kaila Ranard**.

Surrey United coach **Derek Wickland** praised the play of **Chelsea Buckland** in mid-field, **Chantal Whitehead** at stopper and **Julie Armstrong** at forward. Surrey played excellent ball during the qualifying round, including beating the 2003 champions, **Burnaby Titans**.

■ u16 Finals:

Coquitlam City Wild won gold with a 1-0 win over **Burnaby Dynamite**, thanks to a goal mouth scramble, capitalised on by **Michelle Pulice**. Coquitlam, defending Provincial champion, with several national team players on the roster, was favoured to win easily, even though it was held to a tie by Burnaby in the **Qualifying** round. The

Wild's title challenge was led by strikers **Sidney Leroux** and **Paige Adams**, and defender **Stephanie Pagliaro**, while Coach **Danny Pietramala** will lead the team into the **Nationals** in Newfoundland in Oct..

Leroux was a physical presence for Coquitlam in the tournament because of her

speed and power. "Leroux stands out at u16 due to her pace and goalscoring, but there are also excellent defenders in the age group," said an ever-watchful Bridge.

Both Wild vs. Dynamite games were entertaining because the play was very physical, the players were in excellent shape and ran miles each game, and they had powerful shots and long clearance kicks. The Coquitlam players showed more skill than Burnaby, but even they were not equal to the skill displayed by the boys teams. Both Coquitlam and Burnaby launched unnecessary long balls, and players on both teams lost their composure when pressured by their opponents. ●

ALL SMILES: u16 CC Wild (blue) diffused the Dynamite 1-0, July 3



LEROUX: "Stands out at u16"

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