

Hello All,

First off, we would like to thank you for your interest in our tournament.

We have important news to share with our soccer community: while we are very grateful for so many good memories from these past seven summers, we have decided to end our annual tournament. Starting this year & continuing forward there will be no more annual Connor Timmons Memorial Soccer Tournaments.

This may come as a surprise to some of you, considering the success and positive reviews of this event each summer. The organizers decided, from the start, to make this an extra-special event each July: well-planned, well-run, memorable, lots of extras included, and a great charitable cause. We feel that together, as a large and enthusiastic team, with support from the community, we have certainly accomplished that goal, and then some! Having given this a LOT of thought, we have decided that we would like to end now on a high note, with great memories, having accomplished great work.

After Connor's death, the idea for this tournament was brought forth. Looking back, we can see that making such a positive choice to work together on this project has helped all of us to deal with our grief and loss. And, we are all so amazed at what has been accomplished in Connor's name. Please know that the Timmons clan is immensely grateful to every single volunteer and participant – and there are so many of you! Thank you for being involved in so many ways, with such enthusiasm and generosity. One of the best parts of this whole experience has been the positive *tone* of the tournament. Give yourselves a pat on the back for that.

There were many high points, many tender moments over the years. There was such camaraderie, great soccer fun and competition. AND, we have been able to help so many fellow humans who are struggling in poverty. We have truly been realizing Connor's dream - and it couldn't have happened without you. Your participation and support of the tournament during these past years have provided us with the opportunity to move Connor's dream forward. We have raised many thousands of dollars for our awesome charity – to help others who share Connor's generous dream of helping the poor in concrete ways. We will be able to *continue* to disperse the funds for a few years yet, thanks to the combined generosity of so many.

May you continue to honour his goodness and his *joie de vivre* (*translate as 'exuberant enjoyment of life'*) by the way you embrace life...respecting yourself, affirming others, and opening your heart to recognize the gifts each day brings.

Our sincere gratitude goes out to all coaches, parents, players, fans, volunteers, sponsors, and community members who showed up each July to participate and

support our tournament in various ways. It was a joy to meet you, cheer for you, and share Connor's story with you. Thank you for allowing us to realize Connor's dream & honour his memory in this special way.

Connor wanted to 'Make a Difference'.
Know that you have made a difference.

God bless you.

Sincerely,

The Connor Timmons Memorial Soccer Tournament Board of Directors
&
The Timmons Family.