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|  | **You Are Cordially Invited To The****37th Annual Valley Cup Women’s Soccer Tournament****May 19-20, 2018*****Cherry Island Soccer Complex******Sacramento, California*** |

We are pleased to announce our 37th Annual Valley Cup Tournament. The tournament format offers ample opportunity for excellent soccer competition, with four games guaranteed to each participating team.

Applications will be accepted on a FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED basis, according to the POSTMARK DATE (USPS mail or email). We look forward to seeing you in May for another year of friendly competition!

***Tournament Information***

**Tournament Dates:** Saturday, May 19, 2018: Round Robin Qualification

 Sunday, May 20, 2018: Elimination Playoff

**Application & Fee Schedule**

Refer to the application, fee, and roster deadlines below. Postmarks are controlling; there will be no exceptions for any deadline. **Team roster** is due by **March 26, 2018**; if your roster is not received by the deadline your application will be considered incomplete and your application will be placed on the waiting list.

**February 26 Deadline: $545 per team – fees due with this application deadline (roster due on March 26)**

**March 26 Deadline: $595 per team – fees and roster are due with this application deadline**

A check for full fee amount is required with the application based on the deadline. Make checks payable to SVWSL Valley Cup. ***Note: as indicated in the deadline schedule, each team’s roster is due by March 26, 2018. No signatures are required; players will do that at the tournament. Team mangers, you need to include birthdates and must use the roster form provided; an email with the list of players will not be accepted.***

**Application** **\*\*\*This is my residence; be sure to put Deidre Bryant on the envelope\*\*\*
Address:** 502 Cranberry Lane, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

**Tournament** Deidre Bryant, Valley Cup Chair

**Contact**: valleycupsac@gmail.com • [www.svwsl.com](http://www.svwsl.com)

**Team Size:** No less than 14 and no more than 18 players

**Tournament** Cherry Island Soccer Complex in north Sacramento

**Location:** Maps will be provided with acceptance letter.

**Divisions:** Based upon interest/entries, the divisions are:

 Competitive

 Recreational A, B, C, D

 Over 30 A, B, C

 Over 40 *(may have two players between 35 and 40 years old)*

 Over 50 *(may have two players between 45 and 50 years old)*

For the Over 60 division, there is a separate application

Please designate first, second, and third division preference on your application; we will try to accommodate your first choice. Note: Any team that has placed first or second in the same division of play for the past two years may be placed in the next higher division. The Valley Cup Committee reserves the right to place teams as deemed appropriate.

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**Number of Games:** Minimum of four (4) games scheduled.

**Game Length:** Saturday: A maximum of 25-minute halves.
 Sunday: All games, including playoffs or championships, are 25-minute halves with five-minute breaks. In order to maintain the tournament schedule, penalty kicks will be used to break tie games during playoffs or championship games (no overtime).

**Rosters:** An initial roster with a minimum of 14 players and maximum of 18 players is due by

 **March 26, 2018**.

***Note: Signatures are not required on the roster prior to the tournament; you need to include birthdates.*** Once initial roster has been submitted, teams will be allowed a maximum of five player replacements (drop and add) or additions prior to the close of registration/check-in at 4:00 pm on Saturday, May 19, 2018. For convenience, these changes may be made via e-mail prior to registration/check-in (valleycupsac@gmail.com).

Roster changes will not be allowed on Sunday.

Once a player has registered/checked-in/participated in a tournament match, that player may not be replaced on the roster. However, the Valley Cup Committee reserves the right to make exceptions in the case of injury.

**Team** A confirmation by email will acknowledge that your application

**Confirmation:** packet was received. Incomplete packets could be placed on a waiting

 list. Be sure to include tournament application, roster, fees and team standings in your league.

**Team** Team acceptance letters will be emailed no later than the first week of April.

**Acceptance:** A follow-up email, including schedules, maps, and other pertinent

 tournament details, will be available online by the end of April. ONCE A TEAM HAS BEEN accepted, REFUNDS WILL NOT BE issued. Teams that are not selected may elect to: (1) receive an immediate refund in full or (2) request placement on a waiting list in the event an opening occurs. Teams not placed in the tournament will be issued a full refund no later than two weeks after the tournament.

**Other Notes:**

1. We are concerned about the safety of all our players. If you plan to wear a knee brace, please remember that hard surfaces must be covered by 1/4-inch closed-cell slow recovery rubber or equivalent material (neoprene sleeve).

2. Jerseys must have numbers on the back. Alternate jerseys with numbers are required.

***Please return enclosed application form, roster, fees and league standings to:***

Valley Cup Tournament

c/o Deidre Bryant

502 Cranberry Lane

El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

(916) 558-4487 – league voice mail; please leave a message

valleycupsac@gmail.com

[www.svwsl.com](http://www.svwsl.com)

On the enclosed application, please be sure to indicate if you would like to be placed on a waiting listing should your team *not* be selected by the **March 26, 2018**, application deadline.

We will try to accommodate all teams with their first division choice, with consideration given to optimum playoff bracketing, field usage, and maximum number of participating teams.

Thank you, and we look forward to your team’s participation!

***Valley Cup Committee***

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**tournament application**

*Application Deadlines: February 26, 2018 ($545) or March 26, 2018 ($595)*

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| TEAM NAME |  |
| TEAM ALIAS*(list any other teams names)* |  |
| PLAYER SKILLS LEVEL | Will your roster include current college-level players? Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_If Yes, you must disclose the name(s) of the player(s).*(A star by the player’s name on the roster is sufficient.)* |

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| TEAM MANAGER’S NAME |  |
| ADDRESS |  |
| CITY / STATE / ZIP |  |

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| HOME PHONE:  | CELL PHONE: |

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| EMAIL |  |

*(For tournament communication only; will not be distributed)*

***Affiliations***

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| LEAGUE:  | DIVISION: |

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| LEAGUE CONTACT NAME/PHONE |  |
| Is Your Tournament Team the Same as Your League Team | Yes\_\_\_ No\_\_\_ • If No, please tell us in detail how it is different. *(Write on the back if necessary or include in an email to the Committee*.) |

***Team Information***

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| Average years of players’ experience in this tournament. |  |

*Please provide standings for the last two seasons and the current league season.*

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| Tournaments competed in (if any) and positions finished. |  |

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| UNIFORM COLORS (jerseys/shorts/socks) |  |

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| ALTERNATE UNIFORM (jerseys/shorts/socks) |  |

**DIVISION PREFERENCE *1st Choice 2nd Choice 3rd Choice***

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| COMPETITIVE ★ |  |  |  |

★ Teams with players younger than 18 years old must have a waiver signed by a parent/guardian in order to play (no exceptions); players must be 16 years old by Friday, May 18, 2018.

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| REC DIVISION A  |  |  |  |
| REC DIVISION B  |  |  |  |
| REC DIVISION C  |  |  |  |
| REC DIVISION D  |  |  |  |

Players must be 18 years old by Friday, May 18, 2018.

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| O30 DIVISION A  |  |  |  |
| O30 DIVISION B  |  |  |  |
| O30 DIVISION C  |  |  |  |

All players must turn 30 by December 31, 2018.

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| O40 DIVISION ✪ |  |  |  |

✪ With the exception of two players, all players must turn 40 by December 31, 2018. The exception: over 40s teams may have two players between 35 and 40 years old.

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| O50 DIVISION ✚ |  |  |  |

✚ With the exception of two players, all players must turn 50 by December 31, 2018. The exception: over 50s teams may have two players between 45 and 50 years old.

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| O60 DIVISION  | There is a separate application for the O60 division. |

**If your team is not selected by the March 26 deadline, would you like to be placed on the *waiting* list?** Yes No