

What is your role with KYSA?

I manage the Soccer Dome and I'm a Staff Coach!

How long have you been involved with KYSA?

I started playing in the house program when I was in U10, so almost 10 years! I began as a volunteer coach 6 years ago and have been a staff coach for 3 years.

Why did you become part of KYSA?

I always played sports growing up. By the time I was 9, soccer was one of the only things I hadn't tried so my mom signed me up and I've loved it ever since!

What is your favorite soccer-related memory?

When I was on the U18 Select team, we did a team bonding event right after our team was formed. We had a lot of turn around and a lot of new faces, including Ciaran taking over as our coach, so there was a lot of hesitancy going into the season. For our team bonding, we rented a house in Kelowna and spent the weekend there. I will never forget everyone doing a lip sync battle at the end of our second night. Ciaran thought it was only fair that the coaches participate as well so he got up on the "stage" (the deck) and did the best dance to Footloose I've ever seen! After that trip, our team just clicked and all the hesitancy vanished.

What is your favorite soccer team?

The Portland Thorns, a team in the National Women's Soccer League.

What do you love about Kamloops?

I love how accessible and versatile it is. I can go to some of the best ski hills in North America and only have to drive a few hours. Then in the summer there are lots of lakes and great camping spots that are very easy to get to as well!

Where would you like to go on a dream vacation?

I would love to go to Italy or Greece - anywhere with really unique architecture.