

## What is your role with KYSA?

I am the Senior Staff Coach. My primary roles include overseeing the development of players thru all types of different programs such as Prep, Keeners, our Select Program from U11-U18 and on field assistance to house coaches in U8-U10.

# How long have you been involved with KYSA?

I am rolling up to my 2 year anniversary this March. I don't know where the last 2 years have gone as they have flown by, but I figure that's a result of being so busy and enjoying my role here at KYSA!

## Why did you become part of KYSA?

I have always been looking for the ideal place to settle down and grow some roots while working in a Supportive, Secure and Safe Soccer environment. The cost of living and all the fun outdoor activities the Interior has to offer was a helper in my decision to take the job.

## What is your favorite soccer-related memory?

I don't have just one favourite moment as there have been so many great ones in my span as a player and now professional coach. Some that did come to mind would be being selected to the Provincial Team, scoring my first goal as a 16 year old in the top division of Men's soccer in Victoria, being in a handful of Provincial Cup finals as a player and coach, travelling to England to work with Arsenal Soccer Schools when I was 21 and of course, watching a former player I had the chance of working with from ages 9-14 play for Canada at the U17 and U20 ages.

#### What is your favorite soccer team?

This is a double-sided question for me... I'm an Arsenal fan thru and thru but have begun to enjoy watching Liverpool play. On the flip side, my grade 12 high school team and my club U17 team were right up there for me in terms of favourites.

## What do you love about Kamloops?

Probably how easy it is to get around. Growing up in Victoria and living most of my coaching career in the lower mainland, it's nice to finally live somewhere where it take 5-10 minutes to get to your destination. Also, nothing compares to the fields I get to coach on. No club in the province gets to play on fields like ours here in Kamloops so I am very fortunate to have these opportunities.

# Where would you like to go on a dream vacation?

I'm not one to scoot off to Mexico or Hawaii and sit on the beach so I would have to say going to a World Cup and doing some sight-seeing on the side would be my ideal dream vacation.