

BNSC is proud to announce Matt Billings as Club Director of The Boise Nationals Soccer Club. As BNSC says farewell to Technical Director Coe Michaelson, we look to continue BNSC's tradition of excellence. Coe championed Matt saying, "Matt is the perfect person to lead the club into the future." For the last several years Coe's responsibilities with NNU have meant that Director of Coaching Matt Billings has taken on more and more responsibility to help continue building on BNSC's proven developmental philosophy. Associate Director of coaching, Brad Thorne, said, "Matt has been the driving force of BNSC for the last several years, and has essentially been leading BNSC already. It is also very gratifying to see a player who came through the BNSC program, go on to the next level of soccer, and then return to the club that helped make that possible. I do not think there is anyone more qualified to lead BNSC into the future."

Matt is a BNSC alumni, playing for BNSC from U11 to U19. During his time as a BNSC player, he won 5 state championships. Matt also played for Timberline High school. Matt was recruited to play collegiate soccer, and attended Spokane Community College. From there he played semi-professional soccer for Spokane Shadow. After he returned to Boise, he became a coach for his youth club at BNSC. He also became a coach at Timberline High School holding that position for 6 years. During his time at THS, he was named Coach of the year. Matt left THS to become the Assistant Men's Coach at the College of Idaho. Matt has been involved in every aspect of Idaho soccer, from Youth to College. Matt has also coached several years of ODP, taking an Idaho 96/97 team to the semi-final of the ODP Regional Championship. Matt has coached with BNSC for 10 years, and in the last 3 years taken one team to the Far West Regional Final, and two teams to the Far West Regional Semi-final. Maybe Matt's biggest accomplishment is the time he has spent coaching BNSC youth. Matt has been dedicated to providing the best instruction to BNSC youth knowing that this is the future of BNSC. Matt is truly a student of the game and can never learn enough. As this is being written Matt, is attending the NSCAA Advanced Diploma Course.

"I am honored to get the opportunity to lead BNSC. I want to thank the Board of Directors and Technical Staff for the confidence they have shown in me. I have been a part of BNSC since I was 10 years old, and have nephews still playing in the club. This is truly a labor of love. BNSC has been the top club in Idaho for 30 years, and my goal will be not only to continue that success, but build on it". I know I have some big shoes to fill with Coe leaving, but the truth is BNSC has never been run by one person, it is the people involved that make it great, from the board of directors, to the coaches, to the families, it is truly a special place. Lastly, I want to let BNSC families know that I am aware there is trepidation when there is a change, but when there is change it is also an opportunity to progress. I am excited to lead BNSC into the future."

Matt will be assisted by the Board of Directors, President Chris Billings, current staff; Youth Director TJ Thaemert, Associate Director of Coaching Brad Thorne, and a top technical staff that includes, Erin Luthy, Logan Emory, Abby and Theron Fereday, Jared Vreeland, Tre Baham, Bill Taylor as well as an outstanding coaching staff. Further BNSC staff supporting roles will be announced in the near future.