



TO OUR MEMBERS AND OUR COMMUNITY

Firstly,

We want to thank all members for their understanding during the recent adjustments to parks and facilities as a result of Hurricane Irma. It was not easy for all involved to adjust so fluidly to different locations for practices and games but I must say everyone's attitude was impeccable regarding these adjustments.

We want to also thank the City of Lakeland Parks and Recreation Department for affording us the opportunity to use multiple facilities during Lake Parker Park closure. We would also like to thank Polk County Parks and Recreation Department for allowing us the continued usage of Loyce Harpe Park during the clean-up phase of Irma.

All facilities are now open and we are back to our original schedule so, again, thank you all for providing us the opportunity to continue to play this beautiful game.

Secondly,

We would like to officially announce that the Board of Directors of Lakeland Futbol Club have approved a partnership with Tropics Soccer Club. As part of this partnership Lakeland Futbol Club will apply to FYSA for a name change to: '*Lakeland Tropics Futbol Club*'. Proceeding approval, Lakeland Futbol Club will begin the process of a name change. Please see below what this means for our club and your child.



Inter-League/ Recreation

Annual Fall and Spring Season Opening Clinic run by Tropics players

In-season training sessions by Tropics players

All-Star training from Tropics players

Ticket to indoor/outdoor games

Travel

Pathway to Professional Game for aspiring players

In-season training sessions by Tropics players

Exposure from Professional Coaches

Ticket to indoor/outdoor games

Operations

Centralized office for all of our members needs at the current Tropics office.

Lakeland Futbol Club will remain a 501 C3 governed by the elected Board Members.

Collaboration with Tropics Staff on all events within both organizations.

Collaborative branding process will start upon all pending approvals.

The following benefits will be at no additional cost to our members. We will provide our members with further updates as this change moves forward. Should you need anything further please contact our office 863-644-4381 or email eoghan@lakelandfc.org

Sincerely,

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Technical Director