

## 2021 GRTYSA 6-A-Side Tournament Report



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Washington State Youth Soccer Association

The 2021 Greater Renton Tukwila Youth Soccer Association (GRTYSA) 6-A-Side Tournament was held on Saturday, August 14, 2021 at the large grass field on the west side of Renton High School in downtown Renton. This was the 35th annual 6-A-Side tournament, and is the primary fundraising activity for GRTYSA and its Southlake Select Soccer program. The main focus of the 6-A-Side tournament was for players and families to have fun, hence the fast-paced, 6v6 game format. By this measure, the 6-A-Side was a great success and also a good fundraiser for our club. Normally 6-A-Side is part of Renton River Days but due to COVID, Renton River Days was canceled this year.

A total of 75 teams participated, 48 boys and 27 girls teams. All teams were from the state of Washington.

Teams were organized into 9 different brackets, with adjacent age groups pooled into the same group. There were sufficient teams to make a bracket for all age groups from U7-U19 except for GU15/16, although both U7-U8 and U9-U10 were coed divisions. This year only, players born in 2002 were allowed to play in the HS divisions due to the missing COVID year.

Games started at 9 AM and ran continuously until the last championship game concluded at 6:20 PM. All games were 15 minutes in length, 2 7-minute halves and a 1-minute halftime. The large grass field was divided into 6 soccer pitches, 2 of which were MOD-sized fields for U7-U8 and U9-10 games.

Champions were determined in all age groups except U7-U8 and U9-10, with preliminary group play consisting of a minimum of 3 games, followed by an elimination round that in some cases included both semifinal matches and a championship match, as proscribed by the 6-A-Side tournament rules. Medals for individual players were awarded for both first and second place. All players received 2021 6-A-Side tournament participation pins.

The quality of play reflected good sportsmanship, with no significant incidents of unsporting behavior or referee abuse. No cards were reported by Rich Turner, 6-A-Side tournament referee assignor.

The following table summarizes the results of the tournament:

Age/Gender	Number of Teams	Champion	Runner-Up
Coed U7-U8	7	N/A	N/A
Coed U9-10	11	N/A	N/A
Boys U11-12	6	Pumas Seattle	Southlake Select B11 Red

Girls U11-12	4	NSC G10 Green Ladd	Southlake Select G10 Red
Boys U13-14	9	STU Evolution B08/09	PacNW
Girls U13-14	14	PacNW G08 Yellow	Southlake Select G08 Red
Boys U15-16	12	Seattle Cafessa B06	SHB SC B06
Boys HS	8	TUSK FC White	TUSK FC Blue
Girls HS	4	Mercer Island Maroon	Southlake Avalanche

Many volunteers associated with our club donated their time to help ensure 6-A-Side went smoothly. Vendors included Joe Alonzo's Concessions and Taco Jr food truck.

Additional information, such as tournament rules, scorecards and teams entered, is available on the Southlake Soccer web site at <http://www.southlakesoccer.org>.

Respectfully Submitted,

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