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BOCA UNITED ACCEPTED INTO ELITE CLUBS NATIONAL LEAGUE (ECNL)

Boca Raton, May 15, 2014 - Boca United FC is proud to announce it has been selected as a member of the Elite Clubs National League, the premier soccer league for females in the country for the 2015-16 season! Boca United is the first and only club in South Florida to be accepted into the ECNL. League play for Boca United will begin in the U14 – U18 age groups for the 2015-2016 season.

Boca United will hold tryouts for female players ages U14 – U18 to identify players for inclusion in the program on these dates **at South County Regional Park, 11200 Park Access Road, Boca Raton, FL 33498**

Tuesday, May 26

U14 – U15: 6:30 – 8:00 PM

U16 – U18: 8:00 - 9:30 PM

Thursday, May 28

U14 – U15: 6:30 – 8:00 PM

U16 – U18: 8:00 – 9:30 PM

Sunday, May 31

U14 – U15: 2:30 – 4:00 PM

U16 – U18: 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM

Additionally, Informal tryouts are available at regular practice times. Please email Mark Chung, ECNL Director of Coaching at bocaunitedecnl@gmail.com if you are interested in attending an informal tryout.

The Elite Clubs National League (the "ECNL") was founded in 2009 to transform the developmental experience of female youth soccer players in the United States through: (i) improving the competitive environment for youth female soccer players; (ii) improving the process for identifying elite female soccer players for the US Soccer youth national teams; and (iii) improving the daily training environment at female youth soccer clubs through standardizing best practices and training and organizational guidelines. The ECNL is the top competition and development platform for youth female soccer players in the United States, and consists of 77 of the top female youth soccer clubs across the country.

As an ECNL member club, Boca United's top players have the opportunity to participate in the ECNL Player Development Programs, which provide additional opportunity for top players for identification for US Youth National Teams and Division 1 College Coaches.

The ECNL is the training ground for the next generation of college stars. Over 90% of the 2015 ECNL graduating class will continue on to play college level, 80% will be playing in Division 1, and 66 players in the 2014 NCAA Division 1 Final Four played in the ECNL as youth.

"We are very excited to be selected as a member of the Elite Clubs National League (ECNL) for the 2015-2016 season. We would like to thank the ECNL board and its members for including Boca United in their prestigious league," said Boca United Director of Coaching and Player Development Eric Eichmann.

"Our players and staff work extremely hard to create the best training and playing environment possible, and this is an excellent opportunity for them to be able to compete against the best teams in the country" Eichmann said.

Mark Chung, Director of Coaching for Boca United's Girls Programs added, "The ECNL represents a tremendous platform that fosters development of players and coaches alike. It allows players to compete at the highest level, in a professional environment and provides competition against elite talent on a weekly basis."

Boca United FC, as a member of the US Development Academy and Elite Clubs National League, is now able to offer its players the highest level of training and competition in the United States, along with unprecedented opportunities and exposure to college, professional and U.S. National Team scouts and coaches.