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Dave Brown joins Chinqually Booters Soccer Club and Thurston County United as our new Director of Coaching.

With over 10 years experience as a coaching director, Dave has served with two of Washington's more established Clubs: Whatcom FC Rangers (RCL) of Bellingham and the former Evergreen Soccer Club of Everett – now Washington Rush (RCL). With both programs Dave helped his clubs rise in the league's club-wide rankings system while increasing the depth and diversity of the coaching staffs, developed opportunities for players and coaches and supported parents and other club volunteers.

Dave began coaching in Seattle with his neighborhood team the Woodland Soccer Club before going on to serve as an assistant men's and women's soccer coach at Western Washington University (WWU), the women's coach at The Evergreen State College and more recently as an assistant for the women's and men's teams at Skagit Valley College. He currently helps coach at Grays Harbor College, focusing on goalkeeper training and physical preparation. Dave has also coached at several youth clubs in the Puget Sound area, including with Emerald City FC, Auburn Youth Soccer and the Lake Washington Crossfire, appearing seven times in the Washington State Championship Final; and winning in three. Dave cites one of the highlights of his coaching experience as working as an assistant coach to the legendary Jimmy Gabriel, whose career included being the Seattle Sounders original captain, as well as playing for and coaching at Everton, Southampton and Bournemouth FC of the English Premier League.

Dave has had the good fortune to coach a number of outstanding local players including Anna Boatright, Cindy Broadbent and University of Portland's standout Jody Dutra as well as US Women's National Team player and Parade Magazine Player of the Year Justi Baumgardt for five seasons. Other notable players coached include former player and now assistant coach Ian Russell of the San Jose Earthquakes.

Dave serves on the Washington Youth Soccer Instructional Staff, has been an instructor of soccer for PE teachers, coached in the state ODP program and at the high school and middle school levels. Dave also volunteered for two years with Rob Walker of SMU, working with several top goalkeepers and coaches including Sounders goalkeeping coach Tom Dutra and Oregon State University goalkeeping coach Michelle Voiland. He was also the director of a residential soccer camp in Central Washington for five summers.

Dave holds a US Soccer "B" national coaching license, the NSCAA/USC Director of Coaching Diploma and a master's degree in education from WWU. In June, Dave earned the prestigious NSCA Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist certification after completing a year-long course in exercise science at Skagit Valley College and earning his American Council on Exercise (ACE) personal training certificate. He has additionally had the opportunity to be hosted by several top European coaches and teams, including Juventus, Genoa and Siena in Italy; Manchester United, West Ham United and Glasgow Rangers in the UK; and Ajax, PSV, Feyenoord and Schalke '04 in Holland and Germany, among others. He maintains close ties with the coaching staff of Atalanta (Bergamo) of the Italian Serie A, Italy's top division. Several of his publications can be found at www.WorldClassCoaching.com.

Dave also works as a grant writer and major gift fundraiser, having spent several years with the Boys & Girls Clubs of both King and Snohomish counties, and as the Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations at Western. He is a popular presenter at the NSCAA/USC national coaches' convention, giving workshops on fundraising, sponsorship and grant writing in support of youth soccer.

His wife, Katia Parozci, is an instructor of Italian and French and an award-winning artist, working in contemporary tapestry. When not coaching or fundraising, Dave enjoys bicycle touring and military history.

He is very excited to work with the coaches, players, parents, board and other volunteers at Chinqually Booters and Thurston County United to help further outstanding soccer and life experiences for local youth.