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Greetings families and friends. Sporting California Arsenal FC would like to announce that Martin Maguire (Girls ECNL and ECRL Director) has been offered the opportunity to pursue a lifetime goal of coaching at the collegiate level and will be departing our club to relocate to Alabama to help lead the University of Montevallo. Sporting California would like to thank Martin for his time with the club and for the leadership, integrity, and class that he always displayed. Sporting California wishes Martin the very best in his new endeavors and knows that the University of Montevallo is gaining one of the best coaches in the business.

“It has been a complete pleasure to work with Martin for the past year and half. The knowledge, passion, work ethic and his love for the players was special. To see a program gain so much buzz and excitement in such a short time reflects on Martin directly. Everyone at Sporting is excited for Martin’s new opportunity and wish him nothing but the very best.” - PJ Brown, Sporting Director

“Can I first say my decision has been a very difficult one and I have really enjoyed my time at the club. I know Sporting California Arsenal FC is a club that is growing and moving in a very positive direction and wish the teams and coaches all the very best for the future. I would like to thank Sporting California and PJ for the great time at the club. I have really enjoyed my time with Arsenal and will miss everyone. I know David will do an amazing job with the Girls` program and he will take it on to the next level.”

“To all the players, I am sorry to be leaving you but know you are all in great hands with the coaches. All the best for the season.

“I want to thank all the coaches for their work and effort to improve the program and wish you all well in the future.” - Martin Maguire

Martin will be staying involved with Sporting California Arsenal FC as a club consultant and will be involved with both the Girls ECNL and the ECRL teams at their regional and national showcase events.

With the departure of Martin, Sporting California would like to announce David Baillie as its new Girls ECNL and ECRL Director. David is currently the club’s girls ECNL 2006 and ECRL 2007 Head Coach. David and Martin will be working side by side over the next few weeks to make the transition as smooth as possible.

“Martin, myself and the club’s competition committee feel very lucky to announce David Baillie as our next Girls ECNL and ECRL Director. David’s qualifications, prior experiences, current relationships and his ability to have already built new ones with the Sporting California staff in such a short time, were so very positive to us. We are excited to see David get to work.” - PJ Brown, Sporting Director

“I am very proud and excited to accept the role of Girls ECNL and ECRL Director of Sporting California Arsenal FC. Martin has done an incredible job in such a short period of time at this club and I am honored to be given the opportunity to help continue with the work he has done.” - David Baillie, Girls ECNL and ECRL Director

David will be arranging individual team meetings over the next few weeks to introduce himself and answer any questions families may have. If time allows and you see David on the field, please stop and say hello and welcome him to his new role.