



CONTINENTAL FOOTBALL CLUB



DOWNTOWN, PA – Continental FC have hired Skip Thorp as the new Technical Director of the club.

“In four short years since the merger of Spirit United and FC DELCO, Continental FC has grown to one of the most successful clubs in southeastern Pennsylvania, we are excited about the future and proud to announce the hiring of Skip Thorp as our new Technical Director”.

Skip has experience and a proven track record in soccer on both the Girls and Boys side. He was heavily involved with the Michigan Wolves and Hawks before accepting the position with Continental FC. He is currently the Head Coach of the U18 Michigan Wolves USSF Academy Team, ranked number 9th in the Nation; also, the Co-Coach of the U18 Michigan Hawks ECNL Team, ranked number #1 in the Nation and defending National Champions. The Michigan Wolves and Hawks are one of the most dominant clubs in both boys’ and girls’ soccer. Between both programs they have won 13 National Championships and produced several professional and National Team players along with many College All-Americans and Freshman players of the year in numerous conferences. The Michigan Hawks have been rated in the top 2 Nationally over the past few years. In addition, The Michigan Hawks have produced more National Team Players than any other club in the US.

“I am honored to be named the Technical Director of Continental Football Club, and would like to thank the Continental FC Board of Directors” said Thorp. “I will support the players, teams, coaches and club to become the best that it can be! Together we will make Continental FC the envy of every club in the area! My broad experience with professional and college teams as well as with girls and boy’s youth teams will afford me a unique opportunity to serve all players within the club. While our goal will be to provide a level of competitive soccer commiserate with the player’s goals, we want all our players to be capable playing soccer at the next level!! “

Skip will be starting April 15, 2017 and can be reached at skipthorp@continentalfc.org

COACHING EXPERIENCE

Current

Michigan Wolves and Hawks Soccer Club



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Professional

Portland Thorns, NWSL, Assistant Coach (2014 – 2015)
New York FURY, WPSL Elite, Assistant Coach (2012)
Philadelphia Independence, WPS, Assistant Coach (2010- 2012)
Carolina Dynamo, USL and the Piedmont Spark, "W-League" (1999- 2000)
Delaware Wizards, U.S.I.S.L. and the Delaware Genies, U.S.W.I.S.L. "W-League" (1996-1998)

Club

Albertson Soccer Club, Technical Director of Coaching, Long Island, NY (2012 – 2014)

International

FIFA Instructor

National

- Trinidad & Tobago Coaching Staff for the CONCACAF qualifier for the World Cup (2008)
- Assistant Coach for the Under-19 Women's National Camp in Carson, CA (2005)
- Guest Coach of the Under-20 Men's National Team at the Olympic Festival in Rhode Island (2000)
- Assistant Coach for the Women's Under-18 National at camp in North Carolina (1999)
- Guest Coach for the Men's Under-23 National Team for Olympic qualifier (1999)
- Guest Coach of the Under-18 Boys National Team at camp in Allentown, Pennsylvania (1998)
- Guest Observer for the Men's US National Team prior to the qualifying match against Jamaica (1997)

College

Assistant Women's Soccer Coach

- Wake Forest University, NCAA I, Atlantic Coast Conference, 1999-2008
- Virginia Commonwealth University, NCAA I, Colonial Athletic Association, 1998-1999
- University of Delaware, NCAA I, America East, 1996-1998

Assistant Men's Soccer Coach

- Wake Forest University, NCAA I, Atlantic Coast Conference, 1999, 2000
- University of Delaware, NCAA I, America East, 1997-1998

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

- Goalkeeper: Carolina Dynamo, USL – 1999
- Delaware Wizards, U.S.I.S.L - 1994 – 1998
- Goalkeeper/field-player: Grange Woodbine, Dublin, Ireland - 1993/94
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EDUCATION

- University of Delaware - B.Sc. in Electrical Engineering, 1996

