Peace Club (was Play Soccer Make Peace) returned to Jordan

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PEACE CLUB received non-profit status in 2014. It builds upon the success of a project initiated by <u>WANGO (World Association of NGOs)</u> in 2004 using soccer for peace, which laid the seeds for a grassroots peace movement within the worldwide soccer community... the original motto was Play Soccer Make Peace.

In 2013 after an absence of 4 years PEACE CLUB returned to Jordan to work with Walid Abu Shanab a soccer and social development trainer. I have been working with Walid since 2005. In 2007, Walid, myself, David Stewart (UTS'85) and Reigo Tõnsberg from Estonia met in Tarrytown, New York to build upon the principles which had been guiding the project since 2004 and come up with shared values. The work on the principles and values to get them right started over the next couple of years. The values (virtues) really began to take shape over the next 4 years and were introduced in 2013 at the Parnu Summer Cup in Estonia. This is how the principles and virtues of PEACE CLUB look today... tried and tested for workability.



A coaches training workshop north of Irbid, Jordan 2016

PEACE CLUB's 5 PRINCIPLES

Play Fair
Develop Excellence
Keep Position
Build Teamwork
Create Excitement

PEACE CLUB's 11 VIRTUES Hope Commitment Self-Discipline Enthusiasm Respect Cooperation Trust Creativity Initiative Responsibility Sportsmanship

The virtues are presented in developmental stages:
Aspiration, Individual, Relationship, Mastery, and Performance.
This is the Champions in Life training



Sportsmanship is practicing peace on the sports field. The development of "sportsmanship character" can be taken off the field and practiced in society: at school, in the family and in the community. It works.



Women coaches training in August 2016, Amman Jordan

Please support the next step in the PEACE CLUB roll out, when a young group from an impoverished side of Amman that Walid has been training for 3 years will travel to Estonia to play in the Parnu Summer Cup.

Here is the link to find out more

and to the Young Jordanian soccer players going to Estonia link to make a donation

Thanks for your support,

Robin James Graham