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Virginia Commonwealth Games to host Adaptive Soccer – THIS THURSDAY

The Virginia Commonwealth Games at Liberty University, organized by Virginia Amateur Sports (VAS), is excited to host Adaptive Soccer on Thursday, October 27th, 6pm at Coolwell Recreation Center (640 N Coolwell Rd Amherst 24521). The event will consist of a soccer skills competition. This event is put on in partnership with Amherst County Parks & Recreation and the Amherst County Mountaineers.

Like with all VA Commonwealth Games events, Bronze, Silver and Gold medals will be awarded. Adding this competition opens up more opportunities for even more athletes to be able to participate in the games and to learn about a sport they may not be familiar with – this is the third Inclusive event of the 2022 Games with Adaptive Rugby and Track & Field held earlier this year. With the addition of Adaptive/Inclusive sports, the Games are able to provide more opportunities for kids and adults with physical and intellectual disabilities to play or participate.

“We were very excited when the Commonwealth Games reached out to us about having our Adaptive soccer program compete in the games! This is our first year running the Amherst Challengers, thanks to Mackenzie Pigg who had the vision and brought it to life. We are grateful to fill this need in our community, in addition to being able to host a game!” – Elizabeth Parr, Rec Specialist with Amherst County Parks & Recreation.

For 32 years the Virginia Commonwealth Games have provided excellent opportunities for thousands of Virginians to develop and foster new relationships, establish new goals and personal bests, while at the same time learning teamwork, sportsmanship, as well as individual team responsibilities.

Presented by Centra, ABC 13, Liberty University, and the City of Lynchburg.

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About Virginia Amateur Sports (VAS): The rights holder for the Virginia Commonwealth Games at Liberty University – this event is modeled after the Olympics, the Games welcomes athletes regardless of age or skill level. The Games embody the values of participation, sportsmanship and healthy living amongst residents of Virginia and surrounding eligible states. VAS has been organizing the event for 32 years and it is truly a grassroots effort that relies on the dedication of thousands of volunteers and support from local sponsors and organizations across the Commonwealth. VAS is a member of the National Congress of State Games.

About the National Congress of State Games: The National Congress of State Games (NCSG) is a membership organization comprised of 34 Summer State Games and 9 Winter State Games organizations and a member of the United States Olympic Committee’s Multi Sports Organizational Council. The mission of the NCSG is to support State Games member organizations in the promotion of health, fitness and character building through Olympic – style competitions and physical activities.

For more information on the Games, including images for download, visit: www.CommonwealthGames.org/vasnews

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