Griffins longest standing coach Ernie Cavaliere returns to lead MacEwan University Griffins women’s soccer program

EDMONTON– MacEwan University and MacEwan University Griffins are proud to announce the hiring of Ernie Cavaliere as head coach of the women’s soccer program. The Griffins longest standing head coach, Cavaliere will enter his 13th season with the women’s soccer program. His accomplishments are notable and include eight Alberta Colleges Athletic Association (ACAC) championship medals and two ACAC conference championship titles. His leadership has also earned the Griffins a Canadian Collegiate Athletic Association (CCAA) national championship bronze medal.

“Ernie’s strengths lay in his ability to build a team, his commitment to MacEwan University’s core values and his overall vision for the development of the Griffins women’s soccer program,” commented Director of Athletics, Ken Schildroth. “His roles within the Alberta and Canadian soccer communities, and his proven ability to teach, have and will continue to benefit his career at MacEwan University.”

Cavaliere has been involved in a plethora of extra curricular soccer coaching opportunities during his career. His work with the Alberta Soccer Association’s provincial program as the head coach of teams represented at the Canada Summer Games, Western Canada Summer Games, National All-star tournaments and as a coach/scout for the provincial program high performance training centre, were key in building a successful foundation for the women’s program.

“It is an excellent opportunity to be able to dedicate the majority of your focus to the team and the athletes,” said Cavaliere. “In this era of change there will be more expectations and challenges to be met by all and this is a positive step in having the infrastructure in place to meet those expectations.”

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