Topic: Striking Volleys

Objective: To improve the players technique of striking volleys

Technical Warm up Organization Coaching Pts. **Introduction to Striking Volleys:** • Keep eyes open and focused on Groups of two players with a ball the ball • Use arms for balance • Step 1: Players will self-serve the soccer **Inside of the foot** ball and strike the ball to his/her partner • Bring the knee up to the side and who will catch the soccer ball and repeat get the toe up, heel down and the action ankle locked • Step 2: One partner serves to the other. • The foot should make contact The serve is knee high and underhanded through the middle of the ball • Step 3: In 3's. One player moves and • The plant foot will help the volleys and the other two serve the ball. player aim for the target, keeping the head and shoulders straight. Switch players after a few services. Instep All technical exercises will: • Knee higher than the ball o Let ball bounce and vollev • Lock ankle and point toe down o Not let the ball bounce and volley for instep (laces) volley Players will try to volley the ball with the Time: 15 minutes right and the left foot. **Small Sided Game** Organization Coaching Pts. • Do not let the ball strike you **2v2 Soccer Tennis:** • Strike the ball on the upper half of Play 2v2 in a 10x15 yard grid. A player starts the ball to drive it down; the off with a ball and serves it with a volley over middle of the ball to drive it level; a line or net in the middle of the area. The the lower half of the ball to drive it ball can bounce once, to return the ball to the other side both players must have a touch and • Lock ankle and turn toe up for the ball can bounce again then must be inside of the foot volley; players returned. A point is won on a bad serve or should lock ankle and point toe when one team fails to return the ball. down for instep (laces) volley Coach: Play 5 minute games. Time: 15 minutes Players can use inside or instep volleys. Exp. Small Sided Game Organization Coaching Pts. 3v3/4v4 Headers and Vollevs: • Use inside of the foot volley to Organize players into teams of 3 or 4 players. pass to a teammate Set up a 25 yard x 30 yard rectangular field • Use Instep volley for power to with goals centrally located at each end. The score and for a distance pass, team in possession passes the ball by volleying clearance away from goal or to his/her teammate and catching it. The only way to score is by volleying the ball to goal. cross to goal Players can only take a maximum of 3 steps with the ball; then they must pass the ball to a teammate. Goals can only be scored by one touch volley into the goal for 5 points or heading the soccer ball for 3 points. If the soccer ball bounces more than twice. Time: 20 minutes possession goes to the other team Organization Coaching Pts. Game Play with Goalkeepers in a 45-60 yard long • All of the above 6v6 Scrimmage by 35-45 yard wide field. Time: 30 minutes Activities to reduce heart rate, static stretching & review session —Time 10 min. COOL DOWN