



From the President

By: Larry Zajac

Welcome to the inaugural NRSC Newsletter! As a Board, we are always striving to improve communication with our families. It is with this thought in mind that we are kicking off a NRSC Official Newsletter.

We hope that The Goal Post will give you a little more insight into the Club's goings on. Our club would not be where it is today without our volunteers who make this all happen. From our board members to our coaches, to our families & players who put in the time and effort to make the chaos of soccer less chaotic. We are always looking for help. If you would like to know more, talk to any of our Board members. Specifically, we are looking for someone to take over the Concession Stand since Dan Sinclair, who has done an AMAZING job running the stand for years, will "retire" from the gig at the end of this Spring Season.

Coming up, we will have our Annual Soccer Days, a great weekend of rec soccer tournaments. This carnival atmosphere is a great time to catch up with neighbors, friends, and teammates. We'll have the grill going all weekend and Kona Ice will be on hand. In addition, don't miss the fun activities that we have planned on top of the matches. If this is your first Soccer Days, don't miss out on the 50/50 raffle or basket raffle in the big tent between fields 1 and 2. Hope to see you on the pitch, - Larry

Around the Pitch

Travel Tales

Travel Players! Have you registered for MIST? Deadline to register was May 6! We extended the deadline to this Friday: **CLICK HERE** to register for the MIST!



- Tuesday, May 28th Birth Years 2010 & 2011, 2013, 2015 • 5:30-6:45 - GIRLS • 7:00-8:15 - BOYS
- Wednesday, May 29th Birth Years 2012, 2014, 2016 & 2017 • 5:30-6:45- GIRLS • 7:00-8:15 - BOYS
- Makeup date Thursday, May, 30th
- 5:30-6:45 ALL GIRLS • 7:00-8:15 - ALL BOYS •
- Tryouts for the 2024/25 soccer year will be held at Heasley Fields, 5100 Wallings Rd. in North Royalton
- RETURNING PLAYER CANDIDATES who are trying out, please wear your numbered purple training shirt or the prior year's purple tryout Jersey. DO NOT wear your uniform Jerseys.
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 Please arrive 15 minutes before the start of your session to check in so we can start on time.
- To Register, go to: nrsc.net/registration

Rec Round-up

It's our favorite time of year! Soccer Days is THIS WEEKEND! See below for so much more information on this fun event. It's also time to register for the 2024/25 Rec Seasons!

Next season, our divisions will change slightly as we will now place players based on their birth year and not their grade level. This creates a great opportunity to create different divisions. We are looking to create a U7 division to help transition our players from the Academy to Rec. This means we will shift divisions slightly to U9, U12 and U15* *Divisions can change based on registration numbers and volunteers.

Beware of the Bears







| Travel Tales <i>Continued</i> (*) It feels like Spring Season just started, but | Rec Round-up Continued |
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| it's time to talk about try-outs for next year! Tryouts are May 28-30 at Heasley Field. Birth Years 2010, 2011, 2013 and 2015 will be May 28. Birth Years 2012, 2014, 2016 and 2017 will be May 29. Makeup day is May 30. (All ages) Girls will try out from 5:30p-6:45p | A friendly reminder that Rec is a learning league not just for the players, but for the coaches and the refs as well. We work with the refs after every game to go over opportunities to grow. Remember, the refs are only human. And in many cases, young humans that are growing right along with |
| and Boys will try out 7p-8:15p Please arrive 15 minutes in advance to check in and have your player wear their tryout shirt from last year or a shirt with a number. CLICK HERE to Sign up for tryouts We are excited to announce new kits starting in the Fall of 2024! CLICK HERE to see more info about it! | your players. Our Rec uniforms are going to change slightly and look more like what the pros wear. On the front will be the shield and the sponsor logo. Thank you to all our sponsors who help make our club happen. |

Just for Kicks

Fundraising News

By: Robin Parsons

Thank you to all the teams who have already turned in your baskets for Soccer Days! For those of you who I have not talked to, please get in touch with me as soon as possible. During Soccer Days, we will have a tent set up between fields 2 and 1 with the basket raffle and 50/50 raffles. It's a lot of fun and you can win some really great prizes, so be sure to visit us between games.

With that being said, we are looking for volunteers. <u>CLICK HERE</u> to sign up - Those who volunteer get **free raffle tickets**. High school students can also volunteer if they need hours for Key Club etc.

Soccer Days

By: Avi Cohen

There is so much to see and do at Soccer Days! If you are new to our Rec program, you may not know what to expect. I can assure you that it is more than just a fun soccer tournament. We will have: Basket raffles, 50/50 raffles, an expanded concession stand, Spirit Wear tent, Kona Ice, Travelin' Tom's Coffee Truck and more! We try to make this weekend a carnival-like atmosphere and a chance for you to hang out with your team and neighbors.

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Soccer Days Continued

All day Sat on field 2 there will be a Skills Challenge. Any player who gives it a try will be given a ticket they can use at the raffle tent. Winners of each age group will receive a Skills Champion T-shirt. The boy & the girl with the best overall score will be crowned the GRAND CHAMPION and will receive a Trophy. T-shirts and trophies will be given out on Sunday. ATTENTION PLAYERS - Challenge your coach to come give it a try! If you come with your coach and beat their time, your coach will give you another ticket for the Raffle Tent. The coach with the best time will be crowned CHAMPION!

Referee News

By: Dan Sinclair

Is your child 13 years or older and would like to earn extra spending money? We are always in need of the next generation of referees. Courses are available through Ohio North Referees and are ongoing. For more information, go to <u>NRSC.net/referees</u>.

As a reminder to families and coaches.... Our rec league is a learning league. Players are learning the game. Coaches are learning how to coach. Spectators may be learning about the game for the first time. The same is true for our referees. These kids have learned the rules, but rec is a time to learn to ref in real situations. There is no need to yell at them, talk down to them or make them cry. (All of which has happened just this season.) Please. Be kind.

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