

THE NRASL NEWS



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April 2014

Welcome back to spring soccer. We are off to a soggy start but I do think that the weather has turned for the better. Best of luck to all of our teams this spring.

A few dates to remember:

Aaron's donated a 39inch Magnavox TV for us to raffle - tickets are \$5 at the concession stand-drawing will be May 17th.

Pizza Kits are pre-ordered and need to be ordered and paid for by April 26th - pick up is May 7th.

On May 2nd from 4PM to 8Pm Chipotle will hold the 1st fundraiser for the NRASL. We will be sending flyers the week prior so everybody must take to the restaurant so we can get credit for the sale. Chipotle will be donating 50% of the sales in-between these hours, so a maximum effort is needed from everybody in our league.

Let's all have a fun and educational season. GOOD LUCK TO ALL!!!

If you or someone you know may be interested in sponsoring the North Ridgeville Amateur Soccer League, please contact our Public Relations Director, Derrick Cope at, djcope23@windstream.net.



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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

After one of the toughest winters in memory, we're finally starting to break into spring. Spring soccer season can always be challenging with unpredictable weather and this year is no different. Our soccer fields are one of the league's most valuable resources and a big part of creating a positive environment for our young players. Upkeep of the Root Road fields is also one of the most significant expenses our league incurs. Each year NRASL commits significant funds toward fertilizer, weed control, and aeration. After last fall, we over-seeded areas that had been worn. I'm excited to announce NRASL will be partnering with the city of North Ridgeville to



fund a surface drainage project at the conclusion of the spring season. This drainage system should help decrease the impact of the heavy spring rains. Thanks to all of your efforts by participating in our fundraisers and volunteering to work at our annual Corn Fest Kick-Off tournament. Without your support, we would not be able to pursue such ambitious projects.

In late May we'll be holding tryouts for our competitive soccer programs that run fall 2014 through Spring 2015. Players that will be U8 through U14 for the upcoming fall will be eligible for our travel soccer program. Players ranging U9 through U11 are eligible for North Ridgeville Select, our 10 month club-level pro-coached training program. This program is a unique opportunity for players to experience club level training based in North Ridgeville but at a reduce cost compared to traditional for-profit clubs. Please see the website for more details.

Wishing each of you a very fun and safe Spring season!

Sincerely, Jeff Grau President, NRASL

THE DOC CORNER

Hello NRASL Members.

I hope this message finds everyone in our soccer community doing well and excited for the upcoming Spring Season!

One of the program's goals is to create a soccer environment where coaches and players can learn new ways to teach and learn the game. The four components being taught in the NRASL training environment are Technique, Tactics, Physical, and Mental.

To teach these concepts NRASL is working to develop a comprehensive system with the ultimate goal being the NRASL program replicating the training habits, expectations, and style of play of the high school program.

This season we will have the high school coaches continue their work with the travel program and establish more involvement from Force Soccer Academy "Pro Coaching" with the "In House Development Program". These milestones are indicators of the strong commitment the community has shown to improving the environment for the players.

Moreover, this upcoming season the Boys and Girls sides of the program will continue to have the additional support of "Technical Directors". As NRASL continues to look toward the future to develop a "Vertical Structure Philosophy" that develops a cooperative and unified recreational and competitive program, the assistance of Technical Directors and the "Pro Coaching", is vital to long term sustainability of the program.

Vertical Structure Philosophy

- Creates an internal soccer culture with both levels benefiting from the best that recreation and competitive levels have to offer
- Forever positively combining the levels of recreational and competitive soccer programs through player development and coaching development
- Establishment of club wide player development plan through the survey format
- Opens options for players and coaches to move horizontally or vertically through the system
- Consistent, focused and decentralized approach to director and coaching structure
- Allows for a few experienced coaches/directors to establish a workable structure that grows and expands as directors and coaches are produced in the system

The Technical Directors have been a key piece to developing this structure and will continue to help add passion, along with greater leadership abilities to help bring our program to the next level.

Looking forward to an excellent spring and the continued development of the program!

Thanks
Yours in Soccer
Coach Everett Palache

TRAVEL SOCCER INFORMATION

Welcome back everyone. Spring season is underway and I would like to wish everyone a great season. I would like to remind everyone that you are all a representative of the NRASL. Please remember this as we cheer our children on. We always want to make a good and lasting impression on our fellow competitors.

Please remember that all players need to attend tryouts in May in order to be placed on a team for the upcoming Fall 2014 season, this is regardless of whether they are currently playing travel now.

Travel tryouts will take place May 20th 6-8pm for boys and May 27th 6-8pm for girls. All tryouts will take place at Root Rd. Registration will begin at 5pm. Please check the website for registration paperwork closer to the date of tryouts.

James Lally

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LET'S WATCH SOME SOCCER

May 08, 2014	7 PM CT	WNT vs Canada	Investors Group Field; Winnipeg, Canada	ESPN3, espnW.com
May 27, 2014	7 PM PT	MNT vs Azerbaijan	Candlestick Park; San Francisco, Calif.	Find Tickets ESPN2, WatchESPN, UniMás
June 01, 2014	2 PM ET	MNT vs Turkey	Red Bull Arena; Harrison, N.J.	ESPN2, WatchESPN, UniMás
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June 26, 2014	12 PM ET	MNT vs Germany	Arena Pernambuco; Recife, Brazil	