

# MYS SWEEPER

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McLean Youth Soccer Association

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## Calendar

Date	Event	Location	Time
April 22	McLean High School Girls Soccer Games  Wear your jersey and get in free!	McLean High School	5:30 p.m. JV Game  7:30 p.m. Varsity Game
April 24	FINAL TSL Training	McLean High School Room #187	7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
April 29	Rising U9 Parent Meeting	McLean Community Center Room A	7 p.m.
May 6	MYS Cup  Annual Langley/McLean High School Varsity Girls and Boys Soccer Matches.  Wear your jersey and get in free!	McLean High School	5 p.m. GIRLS  7 p.m. BOYS
May 17	McLean Day	Lewinsville Park	11 a.m. to 5 p.m.
June 28-29	3 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Ambassador Cup	TBD	TBD

### MYS YOUTH SOCCER NIGHT

**The final MYS Youth Soccer Night is on Tuesday May 6 at McLean High School.** A long-standing MYS tradition, Youth Night gives all our players and parents the opportunity to go and watch our local high school players compete in their soccer matches. Many of these boys and girls grew up in MYS and greatly appreciate the support of our club members and players! Special events are planned for the MYS players too. Coaches are welcome to bring their teams!

**Players are admitted for free if they wear their MYS jersey or team t-shirt and are accompanied by an adult paying admission.**

### VYSA HONORS MYS COACH

Each year the Virginia Youth Soccer Association honors individuals in coaching, administration, volunteers and special programs who have shown special service in their areas of participation in soccer. Bill Delaney, director of the U9-U11 Boys and Girls Development Programs for MYS, was selected as the Boys Competitive Coach of the Year. Congratulations Bill!

### RISING U9 PARENT MEETING

All families with a player in the U8 age group in the House League this Spring are invited to attend a meeting with our MPS Age Group Directors to learn about MPS (Travel) tryouts for rising U9 MPS teams. Tryouts will occur later this Spring. The Directors will provide parents with information about MYS' MPS Player Development Program.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MCLEAN DAY

MYS is looking for a few good volunteers to help promote McLean Youth Soccer at McLean Day on Saturday, May 17th. Volunteers are needed from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. We welcome all members to come out and promote the club and all of its various programs. This is a great community service project for teens - we will gladly schedule you and your friends together. If you are interested, please contact Maureen Dalbec at [vicechair@mcleansoccer.org](mailto:vicechair@mcleansoccer.org).

Mark your calendar and come out and test your soccer skills at the *MYS Dribble, Shoot and Score* game at McLean Day (located inside the baseball outfield)!

MYS welcomes any and all talents, skills, and volunteers on and off the field. If you are interested volunteering to serve on the MYS Board, any committees, or in any other capacity, please contact Maureen Dalbec, Vice Chair, at [vicechair@mcleansoccer.org](mailto:vicechair@mcleansoccer.org) to learn how you can get involved.

#### **PLASTIC WATER BOTTLES**

Discarded plastic water bottles continue to be problem on our fields. Please bring a refillable water bottle from home or if you must bring a disposable water bottle, recycle it! Let's do our part to help protect the planet.

#### **PET POLICY**

For health and safety reason, McLean Youth Soccer bans dogs from all games and practices regardless of their locations. The Fairfax County School Board has publicized a ban on dogs on all school fields and MYS extends this to events held at all of its facilities as well.

#### **TSL TRAINING**

Several years ago MYS added a new volunteer position, the Team Sideline Liaison (TSL). The purpose of this volunteer position is to improve everyone's (players, parents, coaches, and referees) game time experience by improving the behavior of fans on the sideline. Sideline behavior in MYS is better than most youth clubs but we still have too many problems. The TSL is "the voice of the child," as it is always the players that suffer from sideline behavior problems.

All travel teams are required to have a TSL but MYS's goal is to have a volunteer TSL from each house league team as well. This volunteer cannot be the coach or the coach's spouse. The only requirement for the TSL is to go to one training session, which will be provided by MYS. These sessions are run by an experienced and widely respected Certified Sports Psychologist, Neal Bowes, of "SIMPLYaphilosophy" who has not only theoretical knowledge but a broad background in youth soccer.

The last training session for the spring season is this Thursday, April 24 from 7 to 9 PM at McLean High School in the Lecture Hall--Room #187.

Please direct any questions to Bob Maynes, MYS Director of Coaching, at [rwmaynes@mindspring.com](mailto:rwmaynes@mindspring.com).

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