

MYS SWEEPER

McLean Youth Soccer Association
www.mcleansoccer.org

September 6, 2009

Chairman's Note

It is hard to believe it is already Labor Day weekend and summer is unofficially over. As we all prepare for fall and the new school year I am excited to welcome back all our returning MYS members and extend a warm welcome to all our new members as MYS kicks off the fall 2009 soccer season. Many of our travel teams have been training and participating in pre-season tournaments in anticipation of their season start and our recreation coaches and players are getting ready for practice and games to start in the next week.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Michael Riemer and Lance Hackett for their service to MYS. Both Michael and Lance served on the MYS Board of Directors and leave a legacy of incredible contributions to McLean and the entire soccer community. Michael, as Chair, was instrumental in growing the club's membership, expanding its programs, encouraging a higher level of sportsmanship, and raising the caliber of the various programs offered to our members, most especially the new U16 and U19 US Development Academy Program. If you have ever played on, run across, or just seen the turf fields at Spring Hill Recreation Center you have been touched by Lance's amazing work. While both these incredible gentlemen have decided to step down from the Board at this point in time to pursue other opportunities, they continue to remain active and invaluable members of the MYS community. Lance has graciously agreed to continue to work on MYS' field development initiatives – we are so fortunate to have him as a resource and advisor as we continue to pursue the development of quality fields for all our members. While Michael is hard at work making our roadways safe with ZoomSafer, he too will continue to be involved in the club in various roles including serving as a U8 coach. Following the formal resignation of Michael Riemer this summer, and in accordance with the MYS by-laws, I have assumed the role of MYS Chair.

It is with some apprehension that I write this Chairman's note to you, the members of MYS, knowing that many extraordinary individuals have served in this role before and that these are tremendous shoes to fill. I humbly ask for your patience and understanding as I learn my role and responsibilities as Chair. MYS is truly the best soccer club in the area, from its top notch technical and professional coaching staff to its incredibly talented and generous volunteers. I hope everyone will have a positive and fun soccer experience this fall. See you on the pitch!

Please take time to review the information below about the Fall 2009 Season.

Regards,

Maureen Dalbec, Chairman MYS

Fall 2009 – Pre-Season Coach's Meetings

Location: Churchill Elementary School – Cafeteria

Time: 7:30 PM

Tuesday, September 8

- Recreation Coaches: U6, U7 and U8

Wednesday, September 9

- Recreation Coaches: U9, U10 and U11
 - General Meeting in Cafeteria will be followed by Draft Meetings for Boys and Girls Recreation Coaches in U9 through U11 groups.

Thursday, September 10

- Combined Meeting of Travel/MPS Coaches and Managers and SFL Coaches

Friday, September 11 and Saturday, September 12

- F License Modules for Recreation Coaches and Assistants scheduled
- Register with MYS Assistant Technical Director, Trevor Parker
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MYS Fields will be emailing practice field assignments to all Recreation & SFL coaches in the next few days.

Recreation/SFL U5 and Top Soccer Programs

MYS welcomes its Recreation families to the Fall 2009 season!!

MYS Coaches will receive their rosters following our Coach Meetings which are scheduled September 8 thru September 10th. Families will then be contacted by their children's coach to notify them when their practice will begin the week of September 14th. SFL Coaches will notify their parents in the next few as their games begin September 12.

Saturday, September 12

- SFL teams (U12 and older) will have their first games; team schedules are now posted on the SFL website: www.sflsoccer.org
- TOP Soccer, for MYS players with special needs, will begin in preparation for a festival on Saturday, September 19th

Saturday, September 19th – Recreation Season will begin

- U5 Soccer (Pre-K) will begin sessions which will be held on Saturday mornings.
- U6 Boys and Girls will attend Parent/Child Sessions by team; coaches will sign up for their slots at the Coaches Meeting. U6 Games will begin September 26th.
- U7 thru U11 will have their first games.

MYS Monday Night Training Sessions Begin September 14

These are a great opportunity for Recreation and Travel Players to enhance their skill development under the leadership of MYS Technical Directors, Clyde Watson and Trevor Parker and the MPS professional staff. Registration is still open for these sessions, if you have not already registered your player. The Technical Directors will finalize staff next week, so be sure to register this week for the sessions this fall.

All sessions will be held at Lewinsville Park, Field #2

Skills Training for Recreation Players:

Monday 5:30 to 6:30 PM (U6 & U7)

Monday 6:30 to 7:30 PM (U8 & U9)

Monday 7:30 to 8:30 PM (U10 thru U13)

Monday Night Travel Training:

Monday 6-7:30 PM (Travel Players U13 and older)

Travel/Recreation Player Keeper Training:

Monday 7:00 to 8:15PM

To register for any of these Training opportunities, please click here, and log onto your family file with your email and password.

<https://register.myssoccer.org/mysregistration/Login.aspx?seasonid=34>

MPS Wednesday Night Training will begin on September 16th

Training is included as part of all MPS player's Fall 2009 registration.

Please view the age group schedule posted on MYS' website:

<http://www.mcleansoccer.org/page/show/39983-mps-training>