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CLSF CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 9	Rec League Opening Day U5-U14
April 17	Boys Rec HSSL Season Opens
May 1	Registration begins for 2016-17 season
June 15	Last Day to Register for 2016-17 Season



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Steve Schofield – President

Here at CLSF we're excited to head back outside for the start of the Spring soccer season for our Recreational teams and **Force** competitive teams. There are still a few days left to register for the spring Rec programs, so if you know anyone who is interested in joining please spread the word (and remember that any players who participated in the fall are registered for the full year, including the spring). More details are available at www.clsf.org.

It was great to see our Recreational coaches and other members at the CLSF Annual Meeting in February, where we held elections for our Board of Directors. Board members Eric Bertalon, Bob Hansen, and Steve Schofield were elected to three-year terms. A special thanks to Nick Deka for stepping up to run for the board, and for accepting an invitation to serve on the CLSF Recreational Committee.

In the coming months we will start preparing for the 2016-2017 soccer year. Registration for the recreational program begins on May 1st. Open tryouts for new players in the CLSF **Force** competitive program are coming up in May and June. More details are provided in the related articles in this newsletter and also at www.clsf.org.

In closing, if there's anything we can do to improve your soccer experience please drop us a note at info@clsf.org or stop by and see us at the soccer house. We look forward to seeing you at Lippold this season.

Introducing your Crystal Lake Soccer Federation Board of Directors and Staff for 2016-17:

Steve Schofield
Tracy Dayton
Eric Bertalon
John Novy
Dave Besterfeldt
Jack Bragg
Joseph Schenher
Bernadine Hansen
Bob Hansen
Ryan Savage

Staff

Greg Cole – Administrator
Dan Quinn – Force Program Director and Director of Coaching and Player Development
Bob Hansen – Referee Development
Donna Bertalon – Bookkeeper

REGISTRATION FOR BOYS' REC HSSL STILL OPEN

Bob Hansen – Rec League Director

Boys Rec High School Soccer League (HSSL) teams (grades 9-12 play an 8-week session beginning in April and ending by the first weekend in June. All games are played on Sundays at Lippold Park. This league is popular for those players who wish to participate with their friends in organized league games, but are unable to practice due to school or other commitments. For the first time registration is also open to girls. Register at www.clsf.org

Fee - \$120.00 per player + \$65.00 family membership fee. If you already have a player registered with CLSF you will not need to pay the \$65.00 membership fee. Program is also open to Eighth grade Boys. Any questions email Bob Hansen at refbob@sbcglobal.net

REC SKILLS AND GOALKEEPER TRAINING SCHEDULE

Dan Quinn – Director of Coaching and Player Development

CLSF Recreational Skills and Goalkeeper training are FREE training programs run by FORCE Staff Coaches for CLSF recreational players looking to improve their technical ball skills and “keeper” techniques. These programs are open to any CLSF Recreational player looking to improve his or her game. During skills training, players will spend most of training sessions with the ball at their feet learning to master different technical elements of the game. During goalkeeper training sessions players will learn the basic techniques of keeper position.

Skills Training Dates:

April 5 - May 12 (no training on school holidays)

Days

Tuesday/Thursday

Times:

5:00-6:00 - U5-U7

6:00-7:00 – U8-U10

7:00-8:00 – U12-U14

Keeper Training Dates:

April 5 to May 11 (no training on school holidays)

Times:

Tuesday 6:00-7:00 – ages 11-14

Wednesday 5:00-6:00 – ages 7-10

Where:

All sessions at Lippold Park Training Area (near Soccerhouse)

NO REGISTRATION IS NECESSARY FOR THESE PROGRAMS!!

REGISTRATION FOR THE FALL 2016 – SPRING 2017 REC LEAGUE SEASON

Greg Cole – Registrar

Registration for the Fall 2015-Spring 2016 Season begins May 1. Register online at www.clsf.org and follow the instructions which will be posted on the Home page. If you encounter difficulties registering online you may stop by Soccerhouse on Saturdays during the month of May. Thereafter, online

registration continues through June 15. Players who do not register by June 15 and desire to participate will be placed on a waiting list. CLSF cannot guaranty anyone on the waiting list a roster spot for the 2016-17 Season. Those players will be subject to the increased base fee rate.

CHANGE IN REGISTRATION OPTION POLICY FOR REC LEAGUE

Greg Cole – Registrar

Beginning with the upcoming Fall 2016-Spring 2017 Rec League Season, you will notice a change in the registration options. We no longer will offer a “Co-ed” option. The options will be for “Girls” and “Boys” teams. We are trying to get more all girl teams to strengthen our girls program. However, any girl currently participating in the coed age group will be permitted to continue on with her coed team if she so desires.

GIRLS REC HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER LEAGUE REGISTRATION (Ages U15-U19, Grades 9-12)

Ken Hopp – Girls Rec H.S.S.L. Coordinator

Registration for the Fall 2016 season of the Girls Rec High School Soccer League (H.S.S.L.) begins May 1. Registration is via our website www.clsf.org.

Teams play in the Northern Illinois High School Recreational Soccer League (NIHSRSL) also known as the BLACKMORE LEAGUE in honor of the league's founder. The league is made up of approximately 16 teams from local communities which participate in scheduling matches. League matches are played on Sundays. Home matches are played at Lippold Park. CLSF teams will travel to play some games in opposing teams' communities. The season begins the end of August and runs through the last weekend in October.

Girls NIHSRSL teams may also participate in League sponsored tournaments. The scheduling and location of such tournaments is by the NIHSRSL and not under the control of CLSF. Participation in tournaments is determined by each CLSF team's coach. Traditionally three tournaments are offered throughout the season. Some additional costs may be incurred by players depending on tournament participation and selection of uniforms.

JOIN THE LARGEST COMPETITIVE PROGRAM IN McHENRY COUNTY!

Dan Quinn – Force Program Director and Director of Coaching and Player Development

The **CRYSTAL LAKE FORCE** is the Competitive branch of CLSF. The **FORCE** is run by a full-time staff of professional coaches. Our staff is managed by a full-time Program Director and a full-time Technical Director to ensure your players age appropriate development. The FORCE is the only program in the area operating under this model. We do so to ensure consistent player development from U8-U23!

The **FORCE** boasts the most qualified staff coaches in the area with a unique blend of cultures, experience, and the highest levels of coaching certifications. We have staff coaches from: Argentina, Brazil, Costa Rica, Croatia, England, Spain, & the United States. We have multiple coaches with the highest level of certifications - USSF A Certifications & NSCAA Premier Diplomas. To ensure that your players are learning the game from an experienced, certified staff, all of our coaches have a minimum of a USSF National License!

Our teams also compete at the highest level. In 2015-16 the U17 FORCE Elite Plus Girls were finalists at the Disney Showcase which is one of the top national showcases in Florida and our U17 Elite Girls were finalists in the Illinois State Cup! We also graduate more players into college scholarships than any program in McHenry County!

Our **FORCE** program is able to accomplish all this at a lower cost than any comparable program. Our players train more, compete in more games, and pay less! We believe that competitive soccer can be affordable and still provide an environment to enable your player to get where he or she wants to go. We continue to prove this each year!

2015-16 FORCE Tryout Dates

Is your player looking to take their game to the next level? The FORCE is CLSF's Competitive Program with over 6001 players and nearly 50 teams U8-U23. The FORCE is the largest, most cost effective program in McHenry County, and has the highest level of competition with the most Midwest Regional and IYSA Premiership teams of any club in McHenry County.

As always, tryouts are free, so why not give it a try!

Tryout registration will open on April 1 and begin on the following dates:

High School Girls (U15-U18) - Beginning May 8

U23 Men & Women – Beginning May 18

Youth (U8-U14) - Beginning May 21st

High School Boys (U15-U18) - Beginning June 5

Full details can be found here:

<http://www.clsf.org/tryouts>

2016 Force Graduating Class

The FORCE is PROUD to announce our 2016 High School College Commitments thus far:

Julie Olsson - Olivet Nazarene University
Payton Emond - Lewis University
Sara Bartczysyn - Dominican University
Alexandria Vargas - St. Joseph's College
Joshua Burr - Loras College

Congratulations to these players and best of luck in the next stage of your playing careers!

CLSF SPRING AND SUMMER CAMPS- Registration Now Open

Dan Quinn – Director of Coaching and Player Development

If you are looking for additional playing opportunities for your players this spring/summer, CLSF offers camps and classes to help develop your players love of the game. We have camps for players ages 3-18 and all ability levels, so we are bound to have something for your player!

All CLSF camps are run by our FORCE Staff coaches at Lippold Park.

For camp details and to register, go to the camps and classes tab at [CLSF.org](http://www.clsf.org).

CLSF FIREARMS POLICY

Greg Cole – Administrator

In keeping with state and local laws regulating the use of firearms, the possession of firearms is prohibited in or around Soccerhouse as well as the soccer fields at Lippold Park.

SPECIAL NEEDS ASSISTANCE/REMOTE PARKING PICKUP

Greg Cole - Administrator

If a family member or friend is handicapped and needs assistance accessing the fields, golf car rides may be obtained at Soccerhouse. This service is also

available to families with small children who may have to park in outlying parking lots at Lippold. If you find yourself in this situation, please use your cell phone to contact us at Soccerhouse 459-2573, and we will send someone out to pick you up.

CELL PHONE RECYCLING FUNDRAISER

Money will be earned for each recycled phone. Please drop off your old cell phones at:
Soccerhouse
Or
BOB HANSEN – 4605 DANIEL DRIVE, CRYSTAL LAKE

If you know of a business that will serve as a drop off location, contact Bob Hansen at refbob@sbcglobal.net

CLSF Rec League Facebook Page

By Bob Hansen – Rec League Director



Did you know CLSF rec league has a facebook page? Well we do! Stay up to date with all the fun things happening in CLSF and like our facebook page today! Go to <https://www.facebook.com/clsfrec> and be a part of the fun!

PLEASE PATRONIZE OUR SPONSORS

DICK'S SPORTING GOODS

CLSF shopping event at Dick's Sporting Goods in Algonquin on Sunday, March 20, from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Check the website special flyer.