



JULY 2012

Greetings to our NRASL Family!

As we begin the month of July and start preparations for the fall season, every aspect of our program must be reviewed to make sure we have the facilities, supplies and equipment, and the budget to support everything we are trying to provide for our players and families. Many of us are unaware of all the factors that play a role in the execution of our seasons and what costs actually go into what we do. This month, our feature article comes from our Treasurer, Jeff Jedlicka, to help explain our fees related to costs and how we use the money received for operations and improvements...

Hello everyone,

Effective July 1, 2012, In-house Soccer registration fees will increase from \$45.00 to \$55.00 for U5-U14 players and from \$20.00 to \$25.00 for Tot program Registration. The increase is necessary due to increased costs incurred by our league. These registration fees cover a variety of expenses associated with our in-house soccer program. These expenses include coaching equipment for each team, t-shirts and trophies for each player; player and coach insurance provided by Ohio Youth Soccer Association North (OYSAN); player registration fees paid to OYSAN; field maintenance costs, referee costs and KidSafe fees. Some of these expenses are obvious, such as the t-shirts and trophies. However, there are many expenses associated with running a successful soccer program which go unnoticed.

While the Root Road Soccer Complex is owned by the City of North Ridgeville, the North Ridgeville Amateur Soccer League (NRASL) has undertaken responsibility for maintaining the fields throughout the year. This includes fertilization and aeration of the fields, lining the fields, reseeding the fields when needed and providing goals and nets. The NRASL is also responsible for utilities at the Root Road Soccer Complex. In the spring of 2012, the NRASL also established soccer fields at Liberty, Lear North and Wilcox Elementary Schools which need to be maintained.

Many people may not be aware that all of NRASL's volunteer coaches must adhere to OYSAN's risk management policy, also known as KidSafe. All coaches are required to submit a risk management disclosure to OYSAN before they are approved to coach a team. There is a minor cost for this disclosure, which is paid for by the NRASL. Over 49 volunteers coached in-house teams during the spring soccer season.

Both in-house soccer and our travel soccer programs continue to experience significant growth. Registration fees for both programs increased in 2012.

Thanks, Jeff Jedlicka NRASL Treasurer

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NOGSL REP Paula Fox The current focus of our Public Relations right now is the push for our

NORTH RIDGEVILLE CORNFEST KICKOFF AUGUST 11TH & 12TH

A flyer for the Cornfest Kickoff is attached to the end of this newsletter. Please feel free to print or email and distribute as much as possible to help promote this tournament. As stated before, as our tournament grows, the potential for positive financial impact of our program and city is immeasurable. Just two of the surrounding area tournaments we attend average an income of \$1,000,000 in revenue for their city's alone!!! Please take an active role in promoting our city and tournament and help this be a successful first tournament year!!!

Our other big focus is the upcoming ball drive

SUPPORT THE SPORT

AUGUST 10th - SEPTEMBER 10th

This ball drive, beginning Cornfest Kickoff weekend and continuing through September 10th, 2012, is an active effort to collect as many new or gently used Soccer Balls as we can and distribute them to our schools, Parks and Rec, and to our soccer families who could use a little more support. We would also like to send some balls to those in harm's way overseas. Not to give away, but for their own enjoyment as well. Please keep these dates in mind. More information is soon to follow.

If you or someone you know may be interested in sponsoring the North Ridgeville Amateur Soccer League, please contact our Public Relations Director, Bret Smith, at <u>coachbret71@yahoo.com</u>. Below is link to a sponsorship package for our league. Packages to sponsor the North Ridgeville Cornfest Kickoff are available as well through Bret Smith.

http://www.nrasl.com/images/images/228/0/nrasl_sponsorship_letter_rev_20120301.pdf

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THE PRESIDENT'S PAGE

There are lots of exciting activities happening with NRASL this month! First, be sure to register for in-house soccer. You can register on-line anytime before August 19th – just visit our website. We'll also be taking registrations in-person at the Library on Saturday July 14th from 11am-3pm, Thursday July 19th from 4pm-8pm, and at our booth at the Corn Festival.



If you want to catch some youth soccer with an international flair, be sure to come out to Root Rd from July 5th-8th. We're privileged to be a host site for the Continental Cup Soccer Tournament. This tournament will allow some of our area's premier teams to measure their skill against team from across the US, Canada, Central America, South America and Africa. Special thanks to Pat Graham for all his hard work keeping our fields in great shape. This was clearly a significant factor in being selected as a host site.

In our preparation for the inaugural North Ridgeville Corn Fest Kick-Off soccer tournament, we're looking for volunteers to work in a wide variety of areas such as medical tents, team registration, parking, concessions, field marshals, etc. We're also soliciting teams for participation so please be sure to reach out to soccer families from the area and invite them to compete against North Ridgeville's best. Lastly, we're looking for sponsorship from local businesses. If you are able to help us out in any of these areas, please contact our tournament chairman, George Panagiotou.

Registration for our fall in-house season opens on-line July 1st. We look forward to seeing you all again soon and wish you a safe and enjoyable summer!

Sincerely,

Jeff Grau President, NRASL

DIRECT FROM THE D.O.C.

Hello NRASL Members,

I hope this message finds everyone in our soccer community doing well!

In the last newsletter I wrote about the goal of creating a soccer environment where coaches and players can learn new ways to teach and learn the game. The four components being learned/taught in the NRASL training environment are Technique, Tactics, Physical, and Mental. Also, stated in last month's email was the future goal of developing 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.

A tool that has been created to help educate the coaches is the NRASL Player Development Overview. The document covers current issues within the youth development system. It covers such things as players being scouted and recruited at young ages to specialize in a sport and also discusses the importance of putting the "kids" first. In keeping with the development of the soccer training environment designed to educate the players and coaches, we have developed an academic approach to their soccer development.

Key aspects illustrated in the NRASL Player Development Overview training/practice = classroom extra training = extra credit league games = quizzes tournaments = test

The more training sessions you attend the better, just like school. The more "classes" you attend the greater the exposure to the games' lessons. Of course players need to arrive to training focused and ready to learn, just like school, but by being at your sessions you are increasing the opportunity for growth. If you want to excel, "extra credit" is a must! Extra credit is playing in the yard (no mom or dad telling you to play) or seeking out training programs to help develop individual skills.

The league games on the weekend provide a good environment for players to express themselves and show what they learned from training the weeks prior. As the season progresses the team and the individual players within the team should be working to get better week to week. Many of the coaches have been working very hard to provide a strong learning environment during the week for the players, but it is up to the players to be focused and working to take in the information and apply it!

Tournaments are the "tests" because they provide the environment that best replicates the final part of all sports. At the end of the NCAA season there is a tournament; at the end of the NFL season there is a tournament; at the end of the NBA season there is a tournament. Our sport's culture is designed around the concept of working through a season to develop and learn, to then be tested against our peers in a win or go home structure. At the youngest ages U6 - U8 tournaments should be avoided in most cases, but beyond U8 it provides a place to measure progress with a possible reward at the end of the hard work.

The next time you are driving your son or daughter to a game, please take a moment to ask what they learned during the week at training. When they are done explaining, let them know you look forward to seeing them play and use what they told you. This simple exercise will help reinforce what they are learning and help them grow as players. I look forward to seeing each player's/coach's growth and development this coming fall season and the years to come!

Thanks Yours in Soccer NRASL Director of Coaching

RAVING ABOUT REC!!!

This month, our NRASL Registrar Cindy Jackson has written a letter in preparation for the signups and the start of our Fall 2012 Season!

Hello everyone,

We will be having our NRASL in house soccer registration for fall 2012 -2013 season starting July 1, 2012 on line @ <u>www.nrasl.com</u>. Also, our in person registration will be Saturday July 14th from 11:00am to 3:00pm and Thursday July 19th from 4:00pm to 8:00pm at the North Ridgeville Public Library. We will also have in person registration at our annual Corn Festival on August 10th, 11th, and 12th. Our fees have not gone up in a very long time. This season our fees will be TOTS SOCCER \$25.00 per player. U5 PLAYERS thru U14 PLAYERS will be \$55.00 per player. We will offer a family discount if you have over 3 players playing in U5 thru U14 age groups.

If you have any questions, feel free to email me at jacksoncindy67@yahoo.com. I will try to answer your question as quickly as I can. In years past I have tried to do my best to honor all requests.... But it always seems to become very hectic and sometimes impossible. So please understand that these requests may not be honored as I do my best to make everyone happy, but it doesn't always work. No requests after August 12th.

If you are interested in coaching there will be a coach's request form that will be required to be filled out and turned into myself for approval before we are able to assign you to a team. You must have your back ground check KIDS SAFE RISK MANAGEMENT OSYAN completed and approved before you will be assigned to a team. There is a \$5.00 cost for the background check and if you are selected to coach, we will gladly reimburse you for the background check. So if you want to coach, please get all this info to me A.S.A.P.

Thank you, Cindy Jackson NRASL REGISTRAR

2012 FALL RECREATION SEASON DATES:

Online Registration Begins: July 1st

In Person Sign ups: July 14th, 11-3pm @ NR Library July 19th, 4-8pm @ NR Library

Late Fee (\$25) Registration: 08-13-12 (Online Only)

Registration Closed: 08-17-12 is Last Day

FALL Season Begins: <u>To be determined</u>

FALL Referee Clinic Dates: <u>To be determined</u>

2013 SPRING RECREATION SEASON DATES:

Online Registration Begins: <u>To be determined</u>

> In Person Sign ups: <u>To be determined</u>

Late Fee (\$25) Registration: <u>To be determined</u>

> Registration Closed: <u>To be determined</u>

FUTURE LEAGUE DATES

"SUPPORT THE SPORT" 2012 BALL DRIVE August 10 – September 10

2012 CORNFEST KICKOFF SOCCER TOURNAMENT: August 10 - 12

2013 Community Pride Day: TO BE DETERMINED

> **2013 Family Fun Day:** TO BE DETERMINED

LET'S TALK TRAVEL

FROM THE GIRLS SIDE:

No news at this time.

Jeff Hassler Girls Travel Director jeff.hassler@gmail.com

GIRLS TRAVEL DATES:

Upcoming Team Announcements: TBDUniform Night: TBDFall Travel Soccer Camp: August 6-9Cornfest Kickoff Tournament: August 10-12Fall Season:August 26th, 2012Spring Season:To Be Determined2013 Try Outs:To Be Determined

UPCOMING TOURNAMENT DATES:

CONTINENTAL CUP: JULY 5TH, 6TH, 7TH, & 8TH



BOYS TRAVEL DATES:Upcoming Team Announcements: TBDUniform Night: TBDFall Travel Soccer Camp: August 6-9Cornfest Kickoff Tournament: August 10-12Fall Season: August 19thSpring Season: To Be Determined2013 Try Outs: To Be Determined

FROM THE BOYS SIDE:

No news at this time.

Greg Fry Boys Travel Director frygd@yahoo.com

HIGH SCHOOL HOT SPOT



From the High School Girls Side:

Our open practices start Monday and Wednesday this week and will continue until the season starts August 6th.

The girls will also participate in the NOGSL Summer League - playing 8 games on non-holiday Sundays and Wednesdays from June 10 - July 11.

From the High School Boys side:

The Men will first show off their skills at the National Adidas Showcase in Strongsville over the 28th and 29th of July. From there, they will compete in the Lorain County Preview on August 11th.

The North Ridgeville Men's Soccer team will be conducting tryouts the week of August 6th, if you are or will be a student at North Ridgeville High School and wish to tryout please contact Coach Tinsley at <u>CoachTinsley@gmail.com</u> as soon as possible.

2012 North Ridgeville Men's Soccer Schedule								
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Date	Opponent	JV Start Time	Varsity Start Time					
8-Aug	@ Westlake	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					
27-Aug	Olmsted Falls	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					
29-Aug	Avon	4:30 PM	6:30 PM					
1-Sep	@ Riverside	1:00 PM	3:00 PM					
5-Sep	@ Lakewood	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					
8-Sep	Oberlin (JV only)	11:00 AM						
10-Sep	@ Amherst	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					
12-Sep	@ Elyria Catholic	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					
15-Sep	Berea	11:00 AM	1:00 PM					
19-Sep	Rocky River	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					
22-Sep	@ Medina	11:00 AM	1:00 PM					
25-Sep	@ North Olmsted	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					
27-Sep	@Bay Village	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					
1-Oct	Cleveland Heights	(Locatio	on & Time TBD)					
3-Oct	Vermillion	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					
6-Oct	Lake Ridge (Varsity only)		6:00 PM					
10-Oct	Midview	5:00 PM	7:00 PM					

SPECIAL EVENT

July 7th is the Boys Golf Outing @ Brentwood Golf Course - \$75 per person includes, lunch at the turn, steak dinner, beverages, door prizes. Tickets can be purchased for the raffle - Lake Erie Monster Tickets and Cleveland Gladiators tickets are just a few of the raffle items.

For more details or to purchase tickets contact Ken @ 440-669-9065.

SOCCER WORLD WIDE

COLUMBUS CREW UPCOMING SCHEDULE

DATE	TIME	HOME		AWAY	VENUE
8-Jul	7:30 ET	Montreal	VS	Columbus	Saputo Stadium
14-Jul	7:30 ET	Columbus	VS	Sporting KC	Columbus Crew Stadium
21-Jul	7:30 ET	Columbus	VS	D.C. United	Columbus Crew Stadium
24-Jul	7:30 ET	Columbus	VS	Stoke City	Columbus Crew Stadium
25-Jul	8:00 ET	MLS		ALL-STARS	PPL Park
28-Jul	8:30 ET	Sporting KC	VS	Columbus	Livestrong Sporting Park



http://www.thecrew.com/

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DATE	TIME	HOME		AWAY	VENUE
	2:00				
21-Jul	PM	Denmark	vs	U.S. Men (U20)	Scroggy Road, Limavady
	3:00				
23-Jul	PM	Turkey	vs	U.S. Men (U20)	Ballymena Showgrounds, N. Ireland
	12:00				
25-Jul	PM	France	VS	U.S. Woman	Hampden Park, Glasgow, Scotland
	12:00				
28-Jul	PM	Columbia	VS	U.S. Woman	Hampden Park, Glasgow, Scotland
	12:15				
31-Jul	PM	Korea	Vs	U.S Woman	Old Trafford, Manchester, England





OTHER GREAT SOCCER WEBSITES:

http://www.concacaf.com/page/Home/0,,12813,00.html - CONCACAF http://www.uefa.com/ - UEFA http://www.premierleague.com/en-gb.html - BARCLAYS Premier League http://www.mlssoccer.com/ - MLS SOCCER http://espn.go.com/sports/soccer/ - ESPN SOCCER

http://www.uefa.com/uefaeuro/index.html - UEFA WEBSITE http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/UEFA_Euro_2012 - UEFA EURO Tournament Info



AC MILAN CONTINENTAL CUP

The AC Milan Continental Cup is on track to being the fastest growing international youth soccer tournament in the United States. Entering its seventh year, this tournament is unique when compared to

any other international youth soccer competition. Participating athletes have the chance of a lifetime to play against top

teams from across the U.S. and around the world.

As Jeff Grau explained above, we have been selected as one of the host sites for this prestigious tournament. If you would like to watch some fantastic soccer, up close and personal, please join us at the Root Road Soccer Complex this weekend and enjoy!



GET YOUR TEAM READY FOR THEIR FALL SEASON BY GIVING THEM JUST WHAT THEY NEED!!!

The North Ridgeville Cornfest Kickoff is a fantastic Pre Season tournament that will allow you to measure your team and make necessary adjustments BEFORE your season starts!

Give them a chance to compete against teams from all over, not just the ones you see every season, Give them the opportunity to work through issues in competitive games before your season starts, and Give them the experience of competing in a well organized, family oriented, tournament to see

just what they/you've got!

PLEASE JOIN US AT THE

NORTH RIDGEVILLE CORNFEST KICKOFF AUGUST 1 1TH & 12TH, 2012

FOR MORE INFO: WWW.CORNFESTKICKOFF.COM

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