

NEWSLETTER

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Register before May 1st to win Revolution tickets!



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2005 Fall Registration & Fees

We are NOW accepting registrations for the Fall 2005 Recreation Season and based on the great success of the enforced cutoff date, we will once again NOT be accepting registrations after the June 1st cutoff date. To support this effort, all families who register before May 1st will be eligible to win four free tickets to a New England Revolution Game. Three names will be drawn from all the registrations received before May 1st. You can pick up a registration form at the town libraries, at our Indoor Soccer Facility in Fall River or by visiting our website at www.ssysl.net. We also are pleased to announce that the decision has been made to no longer have a yearly fund-raiser, nor will we have the calendar raffle or any other type of fund-raiser in 2005. Due to this, we will be raising the fees for the Fall Recreation Season since the league's expenses are not going down and we need to make up some of the lost revenue in order to continue building the land fund for the creation of our own soccer fields. This decision has been made since there are so many leagues, activity groups, schools, etc. that are having fund-raisers and we feel it's time to take a break from this activity. Based on our new fee structure the cost to play in the fall actually has decreased when you consider that the cost for one child was \$35 and then we asked for each player to sell \$40 of a fund-raiser (whether it's candy or the calendar raffle).

2005 Fees:	One Child, \$50
	Two Children (same family), \$75
	Three or more (same family), \$85

U-5 Director Needed

SSYSL is a league that has succeeded for over 24 years due to the parents who have volunteered their time to help make this league what it is today. Last year we had over 980 children playing soccer in the fall season and none of this can be done without the help of parents stepping forward to volunteer their time to be coaches, board members, team Moms and Dads and referees. Soccer is a very easy sport to learn, teach and coach. We offer coaching clinics to show new coaches and parents fun games and skills that they can use with the children to teach them the game of soccer. You don't have to be an expert in soccer and it doesn't matter if you never played the game as a kid. All you need to do is be able to relate to kids and be organized. By learning some simple games, the kids will learn the skills practically on their own. You just need to guide and mentor them. If you are willing to volunteer your time to this great game and league, please contact one of the age group directors of the league since they would love to talk to you about how you can help. Call the league at 508.673.6423 and let us know that you want to help and someone will contact you.

Soccer Camp Announced

Mark Your Calendar
MLS CAMPS running
July 25th - July 29th

Soccer Wall of Accomplishment

SSYSL would like to create a special display at it's Indoor Soccer Facility in Fall River. We are looking to receive photographs of any former league player who is playing or has played Soccer in College. We are looking for photo's of them either at practice, playing in a game or a single player photo (in uniform). This will give all the players who visit the facility a sense of what they can accomplish with hard work and dedication to the sport.

If you have a photo that you would like to donate to this wall, please contact Fred Booth at: 508.678.4392.

MLS Camps

This marks our 5th year with MLS Camps and every year it has been an awesome experience for the children. MLS Camps is a well organized group with dedicated coaches that make learning the game of soccer fun. MLS Camps is a world leader in youth sports education with over 30 years of sound coaching experience. Players of all ages and soccer abilities are served through their unique, child-centered program that is tailored to meet the emotional and physical development of players as they grow. This year's camp will take place the week of July 25th and we will offer four programs to choose from.

- ❖ PROGRAM 1: Recreation
5 years and up, 9:00am to Noon, \$105
- ❖ PROGRAM 2: Goal Keeper
7 years and up, 9:00am to Noon, \$105
- ❖ PROGRAM 3: Competitive
7 years and up, 9:00am to 3:30pm, \$155
- ❖ PROGRAM 4: Goal Keeper
7 years and up, 9:00am to 3:30pm, \$155

Registration form included in this mailing.

All campers must bring shin guards and a water bottle. The kids will receive a ball, t-shirt, evaluation and a free companion ticket to an MLS game. Please contact our Soccer Camp Director, Joshua Davies at 508.676.6109 for details.



NE Revolution Tickets for Sale

SSYSL's Board of Directors is pleased to announce that the league has purchased a large number of FLEX Tickets for the 2005 New England Revolution Season. These are general admission tickets that normally retail for \$16.00 per seat and if you purchase a FLEX Ticket from SSYSL you pay ONLY \$13.00 per seat, that's a savings of 19%. A flex ticket can be used for any stand alone regular season game. International matches, double and triple headers games with the Revolution are not included. What's great about Flex Tickets is that you can purchase as many as you like and attend any "stand alone" game.....For instance, maybe you would want to take your family of 4 to two games this season, so you purchase 8 Flex Tickets from SSYSL and SAVE \$24. Then the day that you are planning on going to one game, the weather is not cooperating. Well, since you have Flex Tickets, you can simply choose not go and pick another game to attend when the weather is better. Please contact Joshua Davies at 508.676.6109 for tickets.



MYSA/USYSA 2005 Membership Form

Affiliated with the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) and Federation Internationale de Football Association (FIFA)

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Visit Our Website For League Info: www.ssysl.net

DATE: __/__/__

PLAYER INFORMATION:

SSYSL has eight divisions from U-5 (4 years old by August 1st) to U-14 (still 13 as of August 1st).
(Please Print & Only One Child per Form)

CHILD'S NAME: _____ M / F BIRTHDATE: _____

STREET: _____ TOWN: _____ ZIP: _____

TEL#: _____

MEDICAL PROBLEMS: _____

FEE INFORMATION:

One child: \$50

Two children (same family): \$75

Three or more children (same family): \$85

Check# _____

PLEASE PAY BY CHECK ONLY!

Make check payable to: Swansea-Somerset Youth Soccer League or SSYSL.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT:

Shin guards, sneakers, molded soccer or all-purpose shoes with small, rounded cleats.

NOT ALLOWED: steel cleats, baseball shoes, jewelry or **plastic** elbow/knee pads.

SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION:

Team sponsorships are available for business and/or families. Please check the line below and the Director of Sponsorships will contact you regarding your donation and supplying you with the necessary form. **Thank you for your support!!**

Cost: Team Sponsorship is \$75/PerTeam: ___ Yes, I am interested in Team Sponsorship.

PARENT/VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - PLEASE GET INVOLVED!!!

The success of the league depends upon parent volunteers. Please check as many boxes of interest if you would like to assist the league. Every year we struggle to get Coaches to volunteer and your help would be much appreciated.

COACH: ___ ASST. COACH: ___ FIELD MGMT: ___ REFEREE: ___ DIV. DIRECTOR: ___ OFFICER: ___

I, the parent/guardian of the registrant, a minor, agree that the registrant and I will abide by the rules of USYSA, its affiliated organizations and sponsors. Recognizing the possibility of physical injury associated with soccer and in consideration for the USYSA accepting the registrant for its soccer programs and activities (the Programs), I hereby release, discharge and/or otherwise indemnify the USYSA, its affiliated organizations and sponsors, their employees and associated personnel, including the owners of the fields and facilities utilized for the programs, against any claim by, or on behalf of the registrant as a result of the registrant's participation in the Programs and/or being transported to or from the same, which transportation

I hereby authorize.

Print Name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

REGISTRATION CUTOFF is JUNE 1st and we will "NOT" BE TAKING ANY REGISTRATIONS AFTER THIS DATE.

If you don't have your child signed up by June 1st, DO NOT call asking if you can get your child registered because we will not be allowing LATE Registrations any longer. Please mail your registrations in early and keep a copy of the check. If you register in person at one of our registration days, you will be given a receipt. Don't give the registration to anyone without getting a receipt. The check and/or receipt are your proof that you registered your child before the deadline. Considering that the BoD is made up of about fifteen people, and these people run a league for about 1,000 children, late registration places a huge burden on all of us. The BoD is made up of parents who volunteer their time freely in order for all these children to enjoy the great game of soccer. Because we all have families, full time jobs and we all coach teams as well, having a large number of children signing up in August and September (when the season is suppose to be starting) needed to be resolved. This is why we decided to enforce a deadline.



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Dates to Remember - Mark your Calendar

Visit www.ssysl.net for:

- ❖ Registrations Forms
- ❖ Soccer Camp Info
- ❖ League News & Info
- ❖ Bylaws & Rules of Play
- ❖ Board Members
- ❖ Fall Schedules
- ❖ Meeting Schedules
- ❖ Sponsorship Info
- ❖ Presidents Message
- ❖ Soccer Links
- ❖ Directions to Fields
- ❖ Directions to the Indoor Practice Facility

- April 2nd New England Revolution Season Opener at San Jose
April 9th: New England Revolution Home Opener vs Columbus 7:30pm
- April 9th-10th: Opening Day for Spring Travel Teams**
April 9th: Saturday is Registration Day, Fields at North Elementary from 10am-12pm
- April 13th: Wednesday, Board of Directors Mtg, Indoor Facility 7:30pm (Raffle Drawing)
- April 30th: Registration Day, Fields at North Elementary from 10am-12pm**
- May 1st: Sunday, Registration Deadline for Rev's Ticket Raffle**
- May 10th: Wednesday, Board of Directors Mtg, Indoor Facility 7:30pm (Raffle Drawing)
- May 17th: Tuesday, Registration Day, Somerset Jr. High Foyer 6pm-8pm]
- May 31th: Tuesday, LAST DAY TO REGISTER for FALL SEASON, North Elementary 6pm-8pm**
- June 8th: Wednesday, Board of Directors Mtg, Indoor Facility 7:30pm
- July 25th-29th Soccer Camp, North Elementary by MLS Camps**