

NEWSLETTER

December 2004



Director Needed U-5 Division... details inside

Swansea-Somerset Youth Soccer League is hosting a Holiday Soccer School.

SSYSL & MLS Camps will be having a 4 day Holiday Soccer School (Camp) during the week of Christmas Vacation, Monday December 27th – Thursday December 30th. We will be conducting the event at our Indoor Soccer Facility in Fall River. The School will be divided into 3 sessions: U5-U6: 8am-10am, U7-U9: 10:30-12:30, U10-U12: 1pm-3pm.

A registration form is inside this Newsletter and it can be found on our website at www.ssysl.net. This event is limited to 30 players per session so please register quickly. The cost will be \$35 and they will get a T-shirt and a surprise gift.

MYS Skills Academy

Are you willing to do what it takes to become a better skilled player? If so, sign up for a Skills Academy Session offered by Mass Youth Soccer. The Skills Academy will provide intense training for highly motivated players (Boys & Girls) born in 1993 and 1994. The sessions will focus on developing technical skill and speed, while stressing dribbling, passing, shooting, heading, and receiving. All sessions will be run by the Mass Youth State Staff Coaches, including the State Head Coach, Development Coaches, Instructional Staff Coaches and ODP Staff Coaches.

The MYS Skills Academy for Southeastern Massachusetts will take place on Sundays from January 9th thru March 19th at SSYSL Indoor Soccer Facility in Fall River. Sessions: Players born in '93 from 4-5pm and '94 from 5-6pm.

You can register on-line at MYS's website: http://www.mayouthsoccer.org/pages/8_skills_academy.cfm

Coaches interested in observing training or shadowing the instructors will receive a syllabus and attend for free. Coaches are welcome to ask instructors questions at the end of the session. Please contact Tara Pierce, Tpierce@mayouthsoccer.org if you would like to attend a session.



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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

Thank you Sponsors!

Soccer Donation

SSYSL is also very please to announce that this summer we donated over \$500 worth of books and videos to the Somerset Library. This material is for both players and coaches to reference in order to become better players and teachers of the game. These can be withdrawn from the Swansea Library as well,

due to the local Library network that both towns participate in.



SSYSL would like to create a SOCCER WALL of ACCOMPLISHMENT 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.

A Special Thanks goes out to:

Bob Mongeon of Dunkin Donuts of Somerset for all that he does for SSYSL throughout the "Entire Year" and to

Lara Amaral of LEA Designs for all the work she has done in designing and publishing our Newsletters and Fall Booklet.

Soccer Fields

As most of you probably already are aware, SSYSL has been raising money for numerous years for the purchase of land to create our own fields and this is what the money from the yearly fund-raiser is set aside for. We came very close to making this dream a reality about a two years ago. We signed a P&S, put down a deposit, received approval from a local bank for a business loan and hired a Civil Engineer to evaluate the property and develop formal plans. However, to our dismay, it was determined that about 2/3 of the property was considered wetlands and because of this there wasn't enough land left to create the fields and parking lots. Due to this, we ended up having to back out of the deal. We continue to search for land and we are hoping that we can identify a piece of property in the next 6 months that will meet our needs and we can make this dream become a reality. If anyone knows of someone who might be willing to sell SSYSL 15-20 acres of land in the Swansea or Somerset area, please have them contact Fred Booth @ 508.678.4392.

Thank You to our 2004 Fall Sponsors

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2005 Sponsorship Information

We are looking for sponsors!

Would you like to have your business or family name printed on your child's jersey? For a \$75.00 tax deductible donation you can support a team and a great organization.

If you are interested in being a sponsor for the Fall 2005 season Sponsorship forms can be found on-line at www.ssyssl.net. If you have any questions please contact:

Jeff Amaral, Sponsorship Director

Phone: 508.673.2214

Email: jeff@amaralonline.com



Major League Soccer Presents SSYSL Holiday Soccer School

Name:		Age:	
Years Playing Soccer:		Sex:	
		Date of Birth:	
Parent/Guardian Name:			
Address:			
City:		St:	
		Zip:	
Phone:		Phone:	
E-Mail Address:			
Emergency Contact Name:		Phone:	
Family Physician:		Phone:	

This release is made to allow my child to participate in the Major League Soccer Camp. I recognize that my signature on this release is a condition of your permitting my child to participate. I agree that you may photograph and/or videotape my child during camp and that you retain the rights to use these visual images in any manner you wish without compensation to my child. I further agree that you may use and license others to use my child's name, voice, likeness, and any biographical facts which may have been provided to you, including advertising and promoting the camp.

I certify that my child is in excellent physical health, and may participate in strenuous and hazardous physical activities, including the soccer to be played at camp. I certify that there are no physical limits to my child's participation in the camp. Permission is granted for my child to receive emergency medical treatment if needed. I hereby release and discharge Major League Soccer Camps, Major League Soccer, L.L.C., and all their affiliated entities from any and all liability, claims, demands, and causes of action for personal injury, property damage, and / or other loss suffered by my child in connection with his / her participation in the camp.

I represent that I am a parent / guardian of the minor named above and I agree that the grant and release contained therein binds me and the minor to all of its terms.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date:

EQUIPMENT (check one)

Shirt Size	Mail Completed Registration Form To:			
Youth Medium (YM)	Name	Joshua Davies		
Youth Large (YL)	Address	12 Oregon Avenue		
Adult Small (AS)	City	Somerset		
Adult Medium (AM)	State	MA	Zip	02726
Adult Large (AL)	Telephone	508 676 6109		
Adult Extra Large (AXL)	Web site			

CLUB INFORMATION AND FEES

Name of Club:	Swansea-Somerset Youth Soccer League		
4 Day Camp:	Mon Dec 27 th - Thurs Dec 30, 2004	Time:	U5/U6: 8-10am
Camp Cost:	\$35.00	Cash / Check #:	U7-U9 10:30-12:30, U10-U12: 1-3pm

(Checks payable to SSYSL)



**SWANSEA-SOMERSET YOUTH
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SSYSL Looking for Volunteers

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

Volunteers 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.