



NEWSLETTER

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Board Meetings: Fourth Monday of each month. Coddington Round Table, 7:00 PM. Anyone may attend to listen or speak to the board. The board welcomes all participation.

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President's Message

An excerpt from "A Historical Overview of American Soccer History - Origins 1609-1862"

"Various forms of soccer-style games have been around since Roman times, and the United States was the first British colony to start playing soccer-style games. Some form of football was played in the Colonies as far back as the establishment of the original Jamestown settlement in 1609. The first written accounts of football in the US centered on contests in the major colleges and universities of the Northeast. The freshman and sophomore classes at Harvard had instituted an annual intramural football contest in 1827, played on the first Monday of the new school year. These games were evidently quite rowdy, as the event was known as "Bloody Monday". By the 1840's, they had organized their games into intramural tournaments. The game probably bore little resemblance to the modern game, and in fact the round (originally rubber) ball was not introduced until the 1850's, and games were either pick-up or special annual events. The modern form of soccer originated in England in the early 1830's. The sport grew among working-class communities and was seen as a way of keeping young and energetic kids out of trouble at

home and in the school; they could let off steam and learn the values of teamwork (rampant individualism was considered a problem at the time).

When soccer first started in the United States, it was played primarily by schoolboy and college teams. The Oneida soccer club, formed in Boston in 1862 is often cited as the first soccer club to consist of a regular roster of players, as opposed to the pick-up games commonly played at the time. It consisted of a group of Boston secondary school students from fairly elite public schools in the area (Boston Latin, Boston English, etc.). This club would play matches against pickup teams throughout the Boston collegiate community and went undefeated, and unscored upon during their entire four-year existence. Apparently, teamwork, and familiarity with teammates was a significant factor in winning, and this was not lost on the public. The Oneida Football Club was the first soccer club anywhere outside of England, even predating the formation of Scottish teams. Clubs soon spread to other collegiate communities."

Fast forward to 2003 and approximately 1,100 kids had the opportunity to play soccer in our own Northwest Oaks Youth Soccer Club last season. Believe it or not your Board started preparations for

the 2004 soccer season back in January. We are committed to continuously improving the soccer experience for the youth of the Northwest Oaks

Soccer Club. Like any organization there are areas that need attention or could be improved year to year. This is where all of you reading this newsletter can help out. I am asking your commitment this year to bring any soccer related issue you may be experiencing with your child in a timely fashion to the board's attention so that we can look into it and try to maximize the soccer experience for everyone involved. I'd like to take the time to remind you that there is a formal process in place to bring issues to the board's attention.

1) First approach your child's coach with the issue. If you don't feel comfortable approaching the coach or it's not resolved to your satisfaction proceed to the next step. 2)

Approach the appropriate Coordinator (Class III -> Class III Coordinator, Class IV -> Appropriate Age Group Coordinator) with the issue. If you don't feel comfortable approaching the coordinator or it's not resolved to your satisfaction proceed to the next step.

3) Approach the club President with the issue. Following the above process will ensure that the board will have an opportunity to look into the particular issue you may be experiencing. If at the end of the investigation the issue is still not resolved to your satisfaction then I encourage you to join the board or find other avenues to get more actively involved with your club.

I feel compelled to remind you that this is an organization composed solely of volunteers who donate their time to ensure that your child has the opportunity to carry on the tradition of playing soccer in the United States that started back in 1609. We have a number of challenges to face in 2004: increased field use fees resulting in increased registration costs, field conditions, shortage of referees and the list goes on. In contrast we have some exciting news in 2004: new Class IV uniforms, U13 Class III age pure teams and new board members. We still have a couple of board positions to fill and anyone who is interested please feel free to contact myself or any other board member. Remember this is your club, and your child's ability to continue to enjoy the benefits of youth soccer depends entirely on your support in one form or

another. Soccer is a great sport with a long history in our country and I look forward to seeing you out on the field carrying on the tradition in 2004.

New Uniforms!

Tired of those old ragged teal soccer jerseys? Well, we've done something about it this year...we've ordered new uniforms for all recreational (Class 4) teams! And the new color is...purple! All age groups will have shiny new reversible purple and white jerseys for the upcoming season. To round out our new look we will be using black nylon shorts and new black socks with white roll down tops. Our teams are going to look really great!! The bad news is that in order to help defray the cost of the new jerseys we are going to have to sell socks this year. The good news is that by ordering in bulk we've gotten a great deal on the socks and we'll be able to pass the savings on to you. So during registration, pick up a pair or two of our new black and white soccer sock

What's Going On In Class III?

This years coaches for our 2004 season are,
U10G Jason Chodora /
U10B Skip Gray / Steve Marshall
U12G Jose Hernandez /
U12B Bill McKeever /
U13G Phil Staehle /
U13B Ron Jamero / John Nazaroff
U14G Mark Pennewell /
U14B Paul Lomeli
U16 Need

Well-Deserved Recognition

Dan Proctor (caveman)

Coach of the Class III U16G Lightning.

2003 District V coach of the year.

Thank you for all of your efforts over the years.

2004 Board members

President	Paul Lomeli
V.P. Coaching Coord	
Protest & Appeals	Bob Anderson
Treasure & SRYSL Rep.	Brigitte Rocca
Registrar & Picture	Angie Walling
Class III & Newsletter	Skip Gray
Secretary & Co U19/16/ 14 Coord	Raedene Simson
Referee Coord.	Richard Horgan
Equipment Coord.	Rich Gunderson
Field Coord.	Mike Adams
Volunteer Coord. & Co U19/16/14 Coord	Jackie Olson
Rose City Tourn Rep & U8G Coord.	Nikki McKeever
Game Scheduler	Karen Bandiera
U6 Coord & City Cup Rep	Kathy Herron
U12B&G Coord	Mike Hernandez
U10 B&G Coord	Open
U8B Coord	Open
Sportsman Rep	Open
Ways & Means	Open
<u>Volunteers:</u>	
Web Master	Greg Dunlap
Merchandise	Tony Pellegrini

Open Board positions for this year

Ways & Means Coordinator
U10 B&G Age Group Coordinator
U8 B Age Group Coordinator
Sportsmanship Coordinator

And these are just the ones that are open this year, not to mention the other positions that has been open with people doing 2 or 3 jobs.

These are **YOUR CHILDREN** who are in need of your help and direction.

If you would like more information, or interested in joining, please contact club phone or come to a meeting.

Codes of Conduct CYSA

PARENT'S CODE

Children have more need for example than criticism. Make athletic participation a positive experience for your child and others.

Attempt to relieve competition pressure, not increase it. A child is easily affected by outside influences.

The opponents are necessary friends; without them your child could not participate.

Applaud good plays by your team and by members of the opposing team.

Between the exuberance of the winner and the disappointment of the loser we find a person called a referee. They all follow the same creed - to watch every move of every player and to call the game to the best of his/her ability. Do not openly question his/her judgment, and never the honesty of that judgment. He/she is a symbol of fair play, integrity and sportsmanship.

Be kind to your child's coach and officials. The coach is providing a valuable community service by volunteering personal time and money for your child's recreation, often without reward other than personal satisfaction in having served the community.

Parental attitudes at games towards their child, the opposing team, the officials and the coach, influence the child's values and behavior in sports. Sometimes, overly anxious or protective parents bent on immediate success rather than long-range benefits criticize officials and opponents and show disrespect. This inappropriate behavior devalues the sport and creates unnecessary stress for the player. It is not in keeping with the spirit of the game.

COACH'S CODE

Soccer is a game for happiness.

The laws of soccer should be regarded as mutual agreements, the spirit of which should be respected and unbroken.

Visiting teams and spectators are honored guests.

No advantages except those of superior skill should be sought.

Officials and opponents should be treated and regarded as honest in intention.

Official decisions should be accepted without anger no matter how unfair they may seem. Winning is

desirable, but winning at any cost defeats the purpose of the game.
 Losing can be a triumph when the team has given its best.
 The ideal is the greatest good to the greatest number.
 In soccer, as in life, treat others, as you would have them treat you.

PLAYER'S CODE

Play the game for the game's sake.
 Be generous when you win.
 Be graceful when you lose.
 Be fair always no matter what the cost.
 Obey the laws of the game.
 Work for the good of your team.
 Accept the decisions of the officials with good grace.

REFUND AND RETURNED CHECK POLICY

2004-2005 PLAYING SEASON

*Registration Fee is \$67 per player for the 1st

DATE S	<u>Injury or Illness*</u>	<u>Club/League Transfer</u>	<u>Relocation Out Of Area</u>
April to June 30	Registration Fee* Less \$10.00	\$5.00 payable to CYSA	Registration Fee* Less \$10.00
July 1 to August 1	50% of Registration Fee*	\$5.00 payable to CYSA	50% of Registration Fee*
After August 1	Evaluated Case by Case	Evaluated Case by Case	Evaluated Case by Case

& 2nd children, and \$34 for the 3rd or more.
 Raffle tickets are \$15 per player, with a maximum of \$30 per family. Raffle tickets are none refundable.
 All refund requests need to be on the required refund request form to be processed, and then returned to the club registrar. Once the request has been received, please allow up to 30 days for the refund
 Believe in the honesty of your opponents.

Conduct yourself with honor and dignity.
 Honestly and wholeheartedly applaud the efforts of your teammates and your opponents.
 CYSA games must provide opportunities for: Fun, enjoyment and many other recreational satisfactions.
 Achievement, recognition and the pursuit of excellence relative to the skill potential, personal and competitive goals, and physical/psychological needs of the participants.
 The development of physical, mental, social and emotional fitness.

Registration Fees for the 2004-2005 Season

Number of Children	Total Registration Fees	Registration Fees	*Raffle Tickets
1	\$82.00	\$67.00	\$15.00
2	\$164.00	\$134.00	\$30.00
3	\$198.00	\$168.00	\$30.00
4	\$232.00	\$202.00	\$30.00
5	\$266.00	\$236.00	\$30.00

*Raffle tickets are \$1.00 each and come in a book of 15. The maximum of raffle tickets is 2 books per family. If you choose to sell the raffle tickets, you keep the money as you have already paid for them.
 If your check is returned, your child (ren) will not be placed on a team, but will be on the waiting list, until we have received the money, in either cash or cashiers check form, along with the fee of \$5.00 that our bank charges us. As soon as the money has been paid your child will be placed on a team.

Hey Current and Future Referees:

The upcoming 2004 Soccer Season is approaching. This means that preparations are already being made by the club board members. As the referee coordinator, this means the time has come to let you know what's going on. It appears that being the referee coordinator is like having a baby; you eventually forget about all the pain and want to do it again. So I've signed on for another year, assuming that I've learned from my mistakes and everything will run smoothly.

This year will be a challenge to pick up where we left off last year and continue our success of meeting the high demand of scheduling, performance and patience. It's my hope that most of the 2003 referees will return. I'm also hoping that there will be new referees to fill vacancies left by those who are moving on. This is a good opportunity for individuals to get involved in refereeing. I continue to dedicate myself to making this refereeing experience a positive one, where you feel protected and respected. I will continue to stand in your corner and make sure you are treated fairly.

The Northwest Oaks sign-ups begin in April, so please make an effort to let me know if you want to continue to referee. And please let those individuals interested in refereeing know that the sign-ups are a good place to start. I will have a table set up for sign-ups for the referees.

I'm looking forward to the upcoming season. I'm sure all of you have been wondering what to do with yourselves on Friday night, not hearing from me must be horrible. Thanks to all of you.

Richard Horgan-Referee Coordinator

How does Northwest Oaks fit in?

The Northwest Oaks Youth Soccer Club is one of the seven clubs that make up the Santa Rosa Youth Soccer League (SRYSL), the second largest soccer league in northern California. The other six clubs are Laguna, Rincon Valley, Central, Annadel, Kenwood, and Santa Rosa United. SRYSL is part of District 5 of California Youth Soccer Association-North (CYSA-North). District 5 extends from the Golden Gate up to the Oregon border along the coast, including all of Marin, Sonoma, Napa, and Lake counties. CYSA is in turn affiliated with United States Youth Soccer, the United States Soccer Federation, and ultimately the worldwide soccer association FIFA.

Together the seven SRYSL clubs have about 6000 members playing soccer at various levels in and around Santa Rosa. Northwest Oaks has around 1000 of those players. All of the clubs except United have recreational (Class IV) and most have developmental (Class III) teams. The recreational teams play against only other SRYSL teams. Our U10 and younger teams play their games against other Northwest Oaks teams, and the U12-U19 teams play against opponents from both Northwest Oaks and the other clubs. All of these games are held in Santa Rosa. U10 and older teams often participate in the SRYSL City Cup Class IV tournament held each October, and occasionally enter regional CYSA Class IV tournaments held following league play. The developmental Class III teams play in flights that have teams from throughout CYSA-North District 5. As such they play can play some of their league games as far away as Humboldt, Mendocino, and Lake Counties. Northwest Oaks Class III teams often enter regional tournaments and participate in the State Cup competitions held at the end of each season. Santa Rosa United is the only SRYSL club that fields competitive (Class I) teams. These teams also play throughout District 5, and commonly enter out-of-state as well as regional tournaments.

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Registration

**All registrations will be at Schaefer
Elementary School. April 3, 9-3:00,
April 21, 5:30-8:00 and April 24, 9-3:00**

City Cup Tournament

Santa Rosa Youth Soccer League (SRYSL)
SRYSL is looking for City Cup Tournament Director.
With this position not being filled, there may not be a
City Cup for all of Santa Rosa Class IV (rec) players.
*If you are interested, please contact **Brigitte Rocca** at*
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