

Petoskey Youth Soccer Association's



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March 2008



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Friday & Saturday, April 11 & 12: Grade 9 (new referee) class and Bridge Class - PHS 6-9 & 9-3

Saturday, April 12: Referee recertification class - PHS 9-4

Saturday, April 12: Recreational Soccer Coaching Clinic - Kindergarten 9:00-10:00 and 1st-5th Grade 10:00-11:00, PHS

Monday, April 14: Special PYSA Membership Meeting 7:00, PHS Cafeteria (Please see the attached letter)

Tuesday, April 15: First PHS Girl's Soccer game vs. Gaylord - 5:00 River Road

Monday, April 21: Monthly PYSA Board meeting 7:30, PHS Library

Check www.petoskeyschools.org for the complete Petoskey High School Girl's Soccer schedule

Saturday, April 19: Click Road Opening 9-12. Please bring a ladder.

Saturday & Sunday April 19 & 20: First weekend of NMSA play.

Monday, April 21st: Rec Soccer Begins

Tuesday, April 29th: First u10 Boy's Academy Session 7:00-8:15 (Please see the attached letter for Academy team members)

Wednesday, April 30th: First u10 Girls Academy Session 7:00-8:15 (Please see the attached letter for Academy team members)

June 1: Fall Player Registration Deadline. \$30 late fee assessed after this date.

June 13-15: 26th Annual Petoskey Soccer Invitational

June 16 - 20: PYSA Summer Soccer Camp (Please see the attached brochure).

June 16 - 20 : PYSA Tryouts for Petoskey Breakers and Petoskey Lakers. Details to be posted at www.petoskeysoccer.com in mid-April.

July 21-25: Petoskey High School Soccer Camp, 6:00-8:00 Click Road

September 6&7: Autumn Blast

Contact the PYSA at pysa@gtlakes.com or call 348-2947. Visit the PYSA website at www.petoskeysoccer.com

Indoor Tournament Wrap-up

The first annual Northern Michigan Indoor Soccer Championships were a huge success. The PYSA has already reserved the first two Sundays in March of 2009 for next year's tournaments. Congratulations to this year's division winners:

3rd/4th grade boys—Ben Hoffman, Zach Hoffman, Andrew Hoffman, Gage Paul

5th/6th grade boys—Ethan Cartwright, Evan Altman, Kirk Muller, Austin Kedes

7th/8th grade boys—John Bowers, Chris Howard, Cam Muller, Nick Godfrey

9th/10th grade boys—Mike Swabash, Dan Etter, Tyler VanWerden, Chip Koziara

11th/12th and Men's open Runner Up—Scott Ronquist, Ben Myers, Brian Wierenga, Joe Keedy

11th/12th Men's Champion—Kevin Burns, Beau Platte, Todd Winnel, Peter Platte

3rd/4th grade girls—Brook Redes, Kalyn McCullough, Grace Kelbel, Cydnee Schlueter

5th/6th grade girls—Annie Francis, Kelly Hoffman, Abby Blanchard, Jayne Larson

7th/8th grade girls—Emily Eberhart, Gabbi VandenBrink, Maire Carmody, Zola Murray

9th/10 grade girls—Mariah Sweeney, Claire Audia, Rachel Gutowski, Hayley Betker

11th/12th grade girls—Gina Gero, Ellen Howard, Eden Davis, Kelly Robbins

Women's Open—Wendy Viles, Kim LaVictor, Mary LaVictor, Debbie Esposito

Player/Coach Resource Library Additions

The following DVDs have been added to the Petoskey Public Library by the PYSA. Please stop by and take a look:

2000 Great Premier League Goals

Arsenal Centurions- 100 goals each from Bergkamp and Henry

Developing The Player- Progressive Soccer Technical Training

Heroes Of The Future- 7-12 years, the AJAX education (Famous Dutch Club)

Heroes Of The Future- 12-15 years, the AJAX education

Let'em Play- Soccer coaching tips for youth players U-6 to U-12

Soccer Club Coach- The practice guide to coaching young children

Success in Soccer- Playing and Practicing with five-six-year-olds

Success in Soccer- Playing and Practicing with six-eight-year-olds

Success in Soccer- Playing and Practicing with eight-twelve year-olds

New Kindergarten Recreational Program

The PYSA has partnered with the City of Petoskey Parks and Recreation Department to revamp the Kindergarten program for this spring to better match U.S. Youth Soccer recommendations. This age group will now take part in 3-on-3 "Play Days". Practices in the traditional sense will no longer take place. Teams will be matched up for the night and the coaches will warm the teams up with some tag games to enhance each player's motor development and some fun dribbling games to encourage skill development. After the 15 minute warm-up the players will be broken into 3-on-3 teams and participate in a series of games. No scores will be kept and teams will be mixed up after each game. The new program will take place at Click, so stop by and take a look.