



AYSO Region 206

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Dates to Remember

June 21: Registration at Peter Piper
Pizza from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

June 28: Intermediate and Advanced
Referee Clinic

August 1: Advanced Coaches Clinic

August 15: Intermediate Coaches Clinic

August 16: Basic Referee Class

**All classes are FREE; RSVP is required*

For more information please visit

www.206soccer.com

It's for the Kids!

Summer Season

Don't miss out on AYSO's best kept secret – the 7x7 summer soccer program. The beauty of the AYSO summer soccer is that the games are purely for fun. We play on short fields so that players can develop their passing skills and learn to make quick decisions. All the games are essentially scrimmages and the referees control the match to keep the score close by manipulating the number of players on the field. Did I mention that there are no practices?

With the low pressure format and minimal coaching, players are encouraged to work on their skills and their team play. Nobody gets riled up and everyone gets to play equally.

We will be playing under the lights at Dan Felix Park evenings Monday through Thursday from June 23 to July 28 between 6:30 and 9:30 pm. The age groups will range from Under 6 to Under 19. There is no better way to get your young soccer player off of the couch and into soccer shape just in time for the fall AYSO season. Game schedules and rules are available on our web site:

www.206soccer.com.

To register, please contact Leisa Kinzie, Registrar at Registrar@206soccer.com. The cost is \$25 if you are playing in the fall and \$40 if you are not planning to play in the fall season (\$15 annual AYSO insurance).

Your children will love it and so will you. I hope to see you under the lights!

Bill Oppenheimer

Summer Soccer Coordinator

Ever thought about Coaching?

Think about it now!

The sooner we get enough parents to volunteer to be coaches, the better and sooner we can start forming teams. So think about signing up to become a coach now. You will get free coach training. We give you all the equipment and tools you need to conduct practices. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Howard, the Coach Administrator at: CoachAdmin@206soccer.com



Can my Child Play Up for Summer Soccer?

Every player in AYSO is covered on a liability as well as a secondary medical insurance, which is based on his or her age. For this reason, whatever age division children qualified and played for in the fall season, so must they continue for the summer season. The insurance covers the player from July to July, so when summer season is over and your child is registered in the system for fall, a new year of coverage will begin. Playing up would disqualify any liability or secondary insurance coverage if your child were to be injured and we can't risk losing our AYSO support and program because of a deliberate age move for convenience's sake.

Registration is easy with eAYSO!

When you enter your information online into eAYSO, it is saved so when you need to complete paperwork again in the future, you don't have to waste time filling it out all over again. To create your account, go to www.eayso.org and click on "first time" and you will be guided through the process.

Reminder...

All volunteers must fill out a volunteer form each year, print it out and sign it before turning it in to the CVPA. Use www.EASYO.org to make it easy on yourself. If you have any questions about being a volunteer, contact Frank Brewster, Region CVPA at

CVPA@206soccer.com

Calling all Volunteers...



Board positions as well as long- and short-term volunteer opportunities available.

Become a Referee!

Thank you for letting your child play soccer with AYSO Region 206. As you probably know, AYSO is totally supported by volunteers. Last fall you may have noticed many of our U10 and U12 games only had a center referee. In those cases, several of you were asked to serve as a “club linesmen” helping call the ball in and out of play. Thank You for your assistance. If you will have a U8, U10, or U12 player and are not already signed up to volunteer this fall, I would like you to consider getting a ticket to “the best seat in the house” and become a referee.

You may be thinking, “I don’t know enough about the game” or “I don’t have time.” With one day of training (~7 hours), we will teach you more than most parents, players, and even coaches know about the Laws of the Game (the rules of soccer). Although without any training, I’m sure you can probably already determine which team kicked the ball out and give possession to the other team. Remember that for U10 games and up, 2 out of the 3 referee positions are Assistant Referees and giving direction after the ball is kicked out is what they seem to do 80% of the time.

As for time constraints, referee scheduling is very flexible and fits perfectly with parents who are busy. We do not require our referees to be constantly available; what we need is a little help. Referees are free to choose the games they can do and whether they would like to be a center or a linesman. We have a referee scheduler available online that allows you the convenience to make your own decisions on which games work best with your schedule—for instance the game before or after your child is playing—and the best part of all is that it does not have to be every weekend.

Contact the Referee Administrator at RefereeAdmin@206soccer.com, the Assistant Referee Administrator at RefereeAdminAsst@206soccer.com or Director of Referee Instruction at RefInstruct@206soccer.com to register **or for more information about our upcoming referee class on Saturday, August 16 from 8 am to 3 pm.**

Even if you can’t commit to being a referee, you can make our jobs easier and more enjoyable by being informed parents. Check out our web site at www.206soccer.com for lots of great information. On the Coaches page, review the [Parent Guide to Referee Decisions](#) and the U8, U10 or U12 Division Quick References.

Thanks in advance for your help to make the fall 2008 season a safe, fun, fair and positive experience for all our players and volunteers.

Attention Coaches...

All coaches will need to be certified at or above the level of the divisions they wish to coach. Area has implemented this as a requirement to participate in playoffs and our region will mandate this for all Travel Team coaches. This becomes a National Mandate August 2009.

What this means... To coach in a division, you must have had the training for that division or have a higher certification. To take the Intermediate Coach course, you must have completed the U12 course. To take the Advanced Coach course, you must have completed the Intermediate Coach course.

AYSO has committed itself to raising the level and training of our coaches in order to provide the best experience possible for all players. All trainings are free and you will be provided with booklets, hands-on training, and support throughout the season. Please check our site at www.206soccer.com for all courses up to U12 and visit the Area site at <http://www.ayso12a.org/> for the Intermediate and Advanced coach trainings. For all other questions or concerns, please contact our Coach Administrator, Pat Howard, at CoachAdmin@206soccer.com

U of A Clinic

August 2, 8 am to 3 pm

Dan Felix Park

The U of A women’s soccer team will be putting on their annual clinic exclusively for our AYSO registered players. Don’t miss out on learning from these players.

Register before August 1 and you can attend our FREE soccer clinic to get ready for the fall season.

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