

Kenmore Soccer News

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Navigating Youth Soccer Through Covid-19

Yellow, Orange, Red, Remote Learning, Curbside Pick-Up, 4 to a Table, No Haircuts or Styling, Gyms Closed, Essential/Non-Essential, High-Risk, Medium-Risk, Low-Risk.....

These are all new terms and rules we are learning to navigate in 2020. In our case, we are continually monitoring the seemingly ever-changing State rules as they relate to youth sports activities, and specifically youth soccer during the colder months when virtually every activity moves indoors.

Our primary focus through all of this is the protection of our youth players, coaches, and families. We want to keep players engaged and active, as permitted, but also take every reasonable step to safeguard them. To that end, we maintained outdoor training for our older teams as long as the weather permitted. We enacted strict rules in the use of indoor training space at the Epic Center, and closely mirrored the steps being taken by the other large youth soccer clubs in the area such as Clarence and Amherst.

At the present time, State rules permit a continuation of youth soccer activities as long as we are not designated as a Red zone. Masks, social distancing, and capacity limitations will be in effect for Yellow and Orange zones. In addition, players and coaches need to stay home if they feel ill or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19. We are all in this together, and must take reasonable steps to protect ourselves and the community.

At the same time, we fully respect that some parents and players may wish to opt out of team activities due to COVID concerns. Those players will remain rostered to their teams, and we only ask that they keep their coach/team manager advised of their status so that they remain connected to the team and can rejoin as seamlessly as possible when circumstances permit.

As we move forward and await a vaccine or miracle cure, we will continue training activities as permitted by State authorities. Should we move into a Red zone status, all youth soccer will be suspended, including both indoor and outdoor sessions. We will continue to e-mail everyone on the status of our activities, and will post any closures on our landing page.

Free Futsal Scheduled for this Winter

Futsal is the world's indoor soccer activity, and is just beginning to grow in the United States. Played on a hard surface with a padded ball that restricts the ability of the ball to bounce, Futsal emphasizes passing and movement without the ball. Played professionally throughout South America and Asia, it is the sport that began the soccer careers of Lionel Messi, Pele, and the late Diego Maradona.

Kenmore Soccer will operate a free Futsal program on Saturdays at the Epic Center. It is currently scheduled for the January-March period. Our target audience is players born between 2009 and 2013. Registration is now open through your existing accounts on the club web site. However, the Futsal program is open to everyone, and we encourage you to market this opportunity to anyone you know who has a child born in the above years.

Parents who are interested in the free Futsal program, but are not currently members of Kenmore Soccer, will need to follow the instructions under the Join Kenmore Soccer link on the web site, in order to set up an account to register their child.

Remember, the Futsal program is FREE, and we can accommodate up to 75 participants under current State rules, so please spread the word!

Schedules for January-March

In a normal year, we would be using school gymnasiums every night of the week for Team, Academy, and Futsal sessions, but as we all know this is not a "normal" year. School gymnasiums are closed, most likely for the school year, and many activities usually held there have been cancelled. As a result, we have rented space at the Epic Center on Saturdays through March 31st, and we kept many of the older teams outside at Sparky Adams Field until the weather changed.

Since we now need to move teams inside, we will be setting up schedules for January-March. Players will have the option for a training session each Saturday, which will generally alternate between Team sessions and Academy sessions. The Goalkeeping Academy and Futsal will operate every week.

All of the schedules for these 3 months will be posted by mid-December via links on the Teams and Schedules page.

Looking to Continue Playing After Your Youth Career Ends?

Lazio United FC is looking for 18+ year old male players for the Buffalo District Soccer League 2021 season.

If you are interested, please feel free to contact Coach Giovanni Cambereri at giovanni.cambereri@gmail.com or (585) 481-3193.

Celtic FC Launches On-Line Coach Mentoring Program

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Kenmore Soccer Staff Selected to Participate

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Celtic Soccer Academy recently announced the launch of their first ever Online Coach Mentoring Program. The program is available to coaches from their current International Partner Clubs, and has been designed to help the selected coaches continue their football education alongside their current coaching commitments at their respective clubs.

Over the course of the next six months, each coach will receive an Individual Coach Development Plan followed by a number of one-to-one meetings, Coach Education webinars and football assignments designed to help them take the next step on their coaching journey.

The 12 coaches selected as the first group to go through this exciting new program are:

- Addison Reyes – Yardley Makefield Soccer, USA
- Tori De'Angelo – Yardley Makefield Soccer, USA
- Andy Staberg – Elkhorne Soccer, USA
- George Hageage – Midland SC, USA
- Jason Wall – North Texas Celtic, USA
- **Nick DeMarsh – Kenmore SC, USA**
- **Victoria Colotti – Kenmore SC, USA**
- Bradleigh Howard – Albury Hotspurs SC, Australia
- Aidan Kilroy - Albury Hotspurs SC, Australia
- Justin Wild - Albury Hotspurs SC, Australia
- John Irvine - Albury Hotspurs SC, Australia
- Derek Lennon – Churchie Soccer, Australia

Celtic's Senior International Soccer Academy Manager, Chris Smith, said: "We are absolutely delighted to launch this new initiative and we look forward to working with this select group of coaches over the next six months. The exposure these coaches will get to the football staff within the club will be invaluable to their development and going forward we see this initiative becoming an integral part of our Coach Education Program."

We are excited to announce the Kenmore Club has their own masks and gaiters available for sale!

Adjustable over the ear Kenmore Soccer Club Mask: \$10.00 each



Kenmore Soccer Club Neck Gaiter: \$10.00 each - Two sizes available: S/M or L/XL



How to Order:

Option 1: Venmo your order details and payment information to **@Dianna-Scott-2**

Option 2: Email kenmoremaskorder@gmail.com with your order details and then a cash payment will be required upon delivery

When you decide which option you would like to use to purchase your masks and/or gaiters please include the following when submitting your order:

- Child's Name
- Team Name/Coach Name
- Quantity of each product you choose to purchase
- If ordering gaiters please make sure to specify which size (S/M or L/XL)
- Best contact information (cell and/or email)

These have already arrived and are available now. Orders will be dropped off at team practices.

If you have any questions, please email kenmoremaskorder@gmail.com.

Let's continue to keep our players and families healthy and safe!

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Goalkeepers Wanted



Kenmore Soccer is looking for individuals who are current goalkeepers looking for a change, or for players interested in becoming a goalkeeper. We offer specialized training and playing opportunities, and all you need is a desire to play the position and a willingness to work hard (and a set of gloves!).

We have spots in most age groups, so if you are interested, or know someone who may be interested, please let us know - e-mail at voght@msn.com, or telephone Operations Manager Ken Voght at 837-1627.

A Use for Gently Used Uniforms and Equipment

Due to the current health concerns and limitations involving International travel, the mission trip to Africa led by Evans Christian from our 16U Kenmore Blue Devils team was rescheduled to 2021.

If you have gently used uniforms or equipment, and are willing to donate them, we will hold periodic collections this winter, and will e-mail the dates and locations at that time.

Our thanks to everyone who has donated so far. To date, we have collected 7 boxes of uniforms and gear that we know will be put to good use by the kids.

Trivia Question (answer on page 8)

What is the record for most goals scored by one team in a Men's World Cup match?

Kenmore Soccer is in the Social Media World

Kenmore Soccer has joined the social media experience by creating sites within Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook. Links to the all of the platforms are on the left hand side of our web site landing page.

Teams (or parents for that matter), can post information on these sites by following these instructions:

Instagram:

If someone posts a picture to their account and wants to tag Kenmore Soccer or include us in a comment, tag our account by using @kenmoresoccerclub

Twitter:

Anyone can tweet to the Kenmore Soccer page or include us in a post by tagging us using @KenmoreSoccer

Facebook:

Anyone can post to the wall on the Kenmore page, write a comment on posts, or post a picture/video to the page.

If someone wants to tag Kenmore Soccer Club in a post or picture, they need to type @kenmoresoccerclub

All other photos/videos can be sent to kenmoresoccerclub@gmail.com.

We have a number of followers on these sites, and you might notice that it includes Celtic FC who has posted information. There are also photos from the Buffalo State Futsal Tournaments, featuring a number of our Kenmore Soccer teams. Most importantly, we have uploaded video of several individual training sessions.

Join in by following Kenmore Soccer, and by submitting information to post and share with the world!

Answer to Trivia Question

(from page 6)

Hungary defeated El Salvador 10-1 in 1982, which stands as the record for most goals scored by one team in a World Cup match, and is also tied for the record for the largest margin of victory.

Submissions Anyone ??????????????

We want this to be your newsletter. We also want you to be a part of the Club web site. So, we are looking for your ongoing input—articles, pictures, match highlights, team and player recognition, etc. Each team should consider having a designee that can channel information to the Club for inclusion in the newsletter or web site.

Send your submissions to us at doc@kenmoresoccer.com. Pictures are welcome, but should be in a jpg or gif format.



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Fund Raising

The Kenmore Soccer Club is registered to conduct fund-raising, as is required by law, but each activity needs to be approved by our Board of Directors.

If your team wants to conduct any fund-raising, just e-mail us at doc@kenmoresoccer.com with the details of what you propose, and the eventual use of the funds raised. We will get back to you promptly.