

Kenmore Soccer News

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2019-2020 Season Wraps up.....Nothing Like Anyone Expected

The first of September marks the start of the 2020-2021 season for youth soccer, and we are all optimistic that it will bring a return to normalcy. No one could have foreseen what we have all endured the past 5 months, but we have all persevered, and Kenmore Soccer even managed to structure an outdoor program for our players. We were the only club in the community to offer programs for players.

While we struggled to get games for some age groups, we played 157 matches over the past 7 weeks. Our thanks to our players, parents, and coaches for their efforts to get the kids back on the field. Special thanks to the Town of Tonawanda Board, and the Youth, Parks, and Recreation staff for their support of our "return to play". We could not have had better partners in making this happen for our players.

We also were able to hold our Summer Camp, and although the Celtic FC staff were unable to travel from Scotland, our own staff ran the 5-day program at Kenney Field with 51 participants. A thunderstorm one morning did not dampen the enthusiasm.

We are already off and running for the 2020-2021 season. Outdoor training and play will continue for our younger age groups at Kenney Field, Irvington Park, and the Hoover Middle School field. The fall program for our older groups will be dependent on what occurs with scholastic sports. Regardless, all of our teams will be back to indoor training in November, with indoor leagues, our Academy program, and our open Futsal program planned for a slightly later start.

Kenmore Soccer Works with Town of Tonawanda on Free Youth Clinics

For many years the Town of Tonawanda has sponsored a fall indoor program at Brighton Arena. For a number of reasons, that program will not run this fall. In its place, the Town is sponsoring three weeks of free soccer clinics to be held at Kenney Field in September, at no cost to participants. Kenmore Soccer is pleased to be helping with this effort.

Members of our staff have volunteered to take the Mini-Mite group (ages 4-6). For three consecutive Tuesdays, we will work with the players by creating small-sided activities that focus on the basic skills of soccer through a series of fun games. The Blessed Sacrament Athletic Club will be working with older players.

We are pleased to be able to support the youth players in our community through this volunteer effort, and our thanks to the Town for including us in this endeavor.

Kenmore Soccer Awarded Grant by Ralph C. Wilson Foundation



Kenmore Soccer was recently awarded a grant by the Ralph C. Wilson Foundation to operate a free Futsal program this winter. As part of their efforts to support free-play activities and keep children active, the Foundation sought out partners who had innovative ideas that matched their desire to have healthy activities that were open to everyone at no cost.

Kenmore Soccer designed a Futsal program to meet this challenge. Anyone between the ages of 8 and 12 will be able to register at no cost and take part in a 15 week program run by our staff. We are currently finalizing the venue, but are excited to be able to offer this for younger children.

Our Thanks to Departing Coaches

While the end of every season means that we must say farewell to players who “age out” of youth play, it is inevitable that we also have some coaches who decide that they need to hang up their whistle. This season is no different, as we say thanks to Shaun Applegate, John Jacobs, and Clarence Boatman. These three gentlemen gave countless hours of their time working with our youth players, and while we are sad to see them depart the coaching ranks, the values they helped instill in our youth players will continue for many years.

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Returning Players Need to Have Re-Registered To Continue Participating

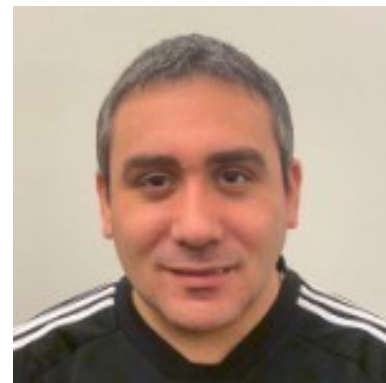
Don't forget that all of our current players who intend to return for the 2020-2021 season must be re-registered through the web site. We have begun to roster new players, and have over 40 who have already joined for next season. We continue to welcome those who have been at other clubs but are looking for a change.

If you have not re-registered, you are not eligible to continue at this time, as we must re-insure everyone and will not do so for those who have not committed to return. If you have questions about the registration process, please contact Operations Manager Ken Voght at voght@msn.com.

Kenmore Soccer Adds Goalkeeper Coach

- As Kenmore Soccer continues to grow and evolve, we have added a Goalkeeper coach for the 2020-2021 season. We are pleased to have Giovanni Cambraeri join our staff, following his move to the Buffalo area.

- Currently the Men's Club Soccer coach at Canisius College, Giovanni possesses a D License from United States Soccer, as well as a Canadian Goalkeeper Coach Diploma and Certificate, and a Scottish FA Level 1 Goalkeeper certification.



- Goalkeeping training will begin in November, with Saturday sessions on Field 2 at the Epic Center in Williamsville.

Here are the 2021 playing dates for the Buffalo/WNY
Junior Soccer League

8/10/20

2021 B&WNYJSL PLAYING DATES

FINAL

	Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
MAY	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	9	10 B11/12 (1)	11 G11/12 (1)	12	13	14 U10 (1)	15
	16	17 B11/12 (2)	18 G11/12 (2)	19 U10 (2)	20 B11/12(3)	21 Holiday	22
	23	24 Holiday	25 B13/14 (1) G11/12 (3)	26 U17 (1) U19 (1)	27 U15 (1) U16 (1)	28 U10 (3)	29
JUNE	30	31 B11/12 (4) G13/14 (1)	1 B13/14 (2) G11/12 (4)	2 U17 (2) U19 (2)	3 U15 (2) U16 (2)	4 U10 (4)	5
	6	7 B11/12 (5) G13/14 (2)	8 B13/14 (3) G11/12 (5)	9 U17 (3) U19 (3)	10 U15 (3) U16 (3)	11 U10 (5)	12 Odenbach
	13 Odenbach	14 B11/12 (6) G13/14 (3)	15 B13/14 (4) G11/12 (6)	16 U17 (4) U19 (4)	17 U15 (4) U16 (4)	18 U10 (6)	19
	20	21 B11/12 (7) G13/14 (4)	22 B13/14 (5) G11/12 (7)	23 U17 (5) U19 (5)	24 U15 (5) U16 (5)	25 U10 (7)	26
	27	28 B11/12 (8) G13/14 (5)	29 B13/14 (6) G11/12 (8)	30 U17 (6) U19 (6)	1 U15 (6) U16 (6)	2 U10 (8)	3 Holiday
	JULY	4	5 Holiday	6 B13/14(7) G11/12 (9)	7 U17 (7) U19 (7)	8 U15 (7) U16 (7)	9 U10 (9)
11		12 B11/12 (9) G13/14 (6)	13 B13/14 (8) G11/12 (10)	14 U17 (8) U19 (8)	15 U15 (8) U16 (8)	16 U10 (10)	17
18		19 B11/12 (10) G13/14 (7)	20 B13/14 (9) G11/12 (11)	21 U17 (9) U19 (9)	22 U15 (9) U16 (9)	23 U10 (11) G13/14(8)	24
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NOTE: Week #11 is for Divisions that have a bye week due to an uneven number of teams in the Division

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 commence collection at Kenney Field on Wednesday September 9th and 16th from 6:00-7:30pm in the shelter area by the Brighton Road parking lot. We will have additional donation dates and locations this fall, which we will publicize later.

Trivia Question (answer on page 7)

Using a combination of fouls and yellow/red cards issued, what team was the "dirtiest away team" in the English Premier League for the 2019-2020 season?

Kenmore Soccer Joins the Social Media World

Kenmore Soccer has joined the social media experience by creating sites within Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook. Links to 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!

Follow Us on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook!!!

Answer to Trivia Question
(from page 5)

Everton led the way with 293 offenses on the road, led by 22 alone in a July match against Sheffield United.

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 with the New York State Attorney General 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.