



WCU NEWS

West County United Youth Soccer League

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Community Meeting Report

Many thanks from the West County United Recreation Committee to those who made the time to attend our Community Meeting held November 6, 2008. There was a lot of productive discussion which better prepared the Recreation Committee for their follow up meeting and recommendations to the League Board of Directors.

The discussion regarding Club restructuring seemed to be of most concern to the participants at the meeting. While the consolidation of teams in certain Clubs and age/gender bands seems unavoidable due to inadequate numbers, the overwhelming opinion voiced was that the Clubs were invaluable and that the social aspect was of great importance for recreational soccer. The Committee agrees and will continue this season with the individual Club format where teams will be formed primarily by school districts or communities. With the continuation of the "Club Format" comes the inevitable issue of player requests. The Recreation Committee has revised the policy in regards to requests. The primary reason for this is to ensure that teams are more evenly balanced. The registration form reads as follows *"Requests are honored when possible, but are not guaranteed. If you have more than one request, please indicate the one that is the MOST important. You may only request a club in which you reside or attend school."* Once again, the goal is to evenly balance teams in any Club and to that end the policy for team formation now reads, *"Clubs that have more than 2 teams in age groups U-10 and older will have an evaluation day. After the evaluation day, each player will be given a number from 1-5 and teams will be formed with total evaluation numbers equal for each team with request on registration form being considered. Players who miss the evaluation day will be placed on a team randomly."*

Another major issue has become forming teams in a timely manner. To facilitate this goal the **registration deadline this year will be May 29**. All registrations must be received at the WCU Office by 2pm on May 29 to avoid **late fees** and guarantee team placement. Applications received from May 30 - June 30 will be subject to an additional charge of \$25 and from July on will be charged an additional \$50. Registrations **MUST BE COMPLETE** (with County issued birth record-not hospital records-if needed, financial aid documentation if applicable, and complete payment) to be considered **ON TIME** (see checklist). Late fees are not able to be subsidized and will be charged in addition to any fee waivers granted.

In regards to registration, the fee structure has changed to consolidate all costs - **registration, uniform jersey, tournament entry and a memory mate photo**. The fee itself will look like more money at first but upon examination will be very similar to last year's costs totaled throughout the season with a slight increase in registration fees to cover increased costs incurred by the League.

The League will once again do its best to increase team sponsorships. With the exception of the teams in the Russian River area, the recreational teams garnered very few sponsorships. There are many businesses in our area and while we recognize that they are all being tapped by various cash strapped groups in our community we are certainly one of those and need to make an effort to increase the help available from local merchants. If you know of or work for a business that might be willing or able to help by sponsoring a team that information will be available through the office and will be online in the very near future.

Once again thank you for your input and your continued help in the future!

WCU Holds Annual General Meeting

This year's A.G.M. was held January 24, 2009 at the WCU Office. At that meeting Lorinda Bradley, Drake Delzell and Jamie Schiavone were elected to join Art Feagles, Nancy Burkey and Lena Bowen on the League Board of Directors. There are still seats open if you would like to be in on the decision making process for your soccer league. Our meetings are held the 4th Thursday of the month and are open to anyone. Come join us and see if you might like to serve on the Board of Directors.

We need your help!!!!!!!

The following people have volunteered to run their Clubs as their managers:

Forestville: **Lisa Klaus** - lalisalisa9121@sbcglobal.net
Cravenstein-Hillcrest: **Jana Wacholz** - cawacholz@aol.com
Oak Grove: **Glenn Fricker** - gndfricker@hughes.net
Occidental: **Dave Harden** - dave@justtape.com
Russian River: **Jamie Daniels** - vdaniels@yahoo.com
Tri-School: **Greg Ceniceroy** - greg@letthekidsplay.com
Twin Hills: **Craig Hall** - craig2k@yahoo.com

Thank you to these people for volunteering. They will need your help to manage the Clubs effectively. Please contact them to offer your assistance!!

Creative Donation!

Many thanks to **Susan Bryer** and the **Sebastopol Chapter of Realtors**. **Susan was the President for 2008** and in lieu of the thank you plaque she was to be awarded she designated a donation to WCUSoccer. Thank you Susan!

Thank You To Our Valued Sponsors!

Please thank these businesses for their generous support of WCU Soccer!



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www.wescosoccer.org

WCU Calendar of Events

February

26 WCU Board Meeting, 7:00 PM

March

7 - 29 Select Tryouts (times and dates on included flyer).

April

23 WCU Board Meeting, 7:00 PM



Summer Soccer Clinics :

Dates: Monday, June 15th -Thursday, June 18th

Location: Twin Hills School, Sebastopol

Times: 9am-12pm

Dates: Monday, June 22nd -Thursday, June 25th

Location: Guerneville School, Guerneville

Times: 9am-12pm (recreational camp)

9am-11am (5yrs & 6yrs)

Dates: Monday, July 6th - Thursday, July 9th

or Monday August 3rd - Thursday, August 6th

Location: Twin Hills School, Sebastopol

Times: 9am-12pm (recreational camp)

9am-11am (5yrs & 6yrs)

12:30pm-3:30pm (competitive-Select- camp)

Dates: Monday, July 20th-Thursday, July 23rd

Location: Forestville School, Forestville

Times: 9am-12pm (recreational camp)

9am-11am (5yrs & 6yrs)

Costs: Recreational Camp \$85.00 (5yrs & 6yrs-\$60)

Competitive-Select- Camps \$85.00

Ages: 5 years - 15 years

Flyer/Registration Form Enclosed



Referee Class Offering!

The WCU sponsored Referee Training for 2009 has been tentatively set :

Attend the course this summer (you must attend all five sessions)

Tuesday	July 7	6 pm - 9 pm
Thursday	July 9	6 pm - 9 pm
Saturday	July 11	9 am - 3 pm
Tuesday	July 14	6 pm - 9 pm
Thursday	July 16	6 pm - 9 pm

Cost is \$70. \$25 will be reimbursed at the end of the season to register for next season's license once you've been center referee for 10 games.

Refresher Course: If you're already a referee, take our refresher course.

Saturday, August 8, 9 am-2 pm. Cost: \$10

See enclosed flyer/registration form.

