



Fort Wayne Sport Club

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Presidents Corner

As everyone is well aware of by now, the COVID-19 coronavirus has changed the world as we know it. Due to the contagious nature of the virus, Governor Holcomb has shut down non-essential travel and businesses to help deter the spread of the novel coronavirus. As a result of the Governor's order, we have cancelled the two remaining Fish Fries of the spring, the April general monthly meeting and the Spring Clean-Up Day. We are also postponing the annual Stiftungsfest celebration until a date yet to be determined. These were not easy decisions to make, but the health and safety of our members is paramount.

The cancellation of upcoming events may have been detrimental to our bottom line, but after years of careful planning and reduction of overhead, we have built up a healthy bank account and, depending on the length of this pandemic, we should be able come out of these events still in good financial shape. However, one thing that you can do to help out is to pay your annual dues, if you haven't already done so. Thank you for your patience and understanding. We will keep everyone informed of events as they transpire.

On a positive note, the 2020 Community Garage Sale Fundraiser generated \$1,545 in sales year with only \$133 in expenses for a total profit of \$1,412. The total sales for the past nine years of the event have been \$16,798. Thank you to everyone who donated their treasures. I would also like to personally thank all of our hardworking volunteers. Their extra effort made this success possible. The rest of this year's fundraisers, like the Garage Sale, are critical in ensuring that the Club can pay monthly bills.

Few Clubs anywhere that can say they are 93 years old, so join us for one, or better yet, all of our upcoming events this year. As always, the trustees and I welcome your thoughts. Dan Kruse

Sport Club Garage Sale Thank You

Thank you all for the amazing amount of donations to the year's Garage Sale. We are also greatly indebted to all of the volunteers who put in endless hours organizing and setting up those donations for the Garage Sale.

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April Trustee Schedule

March 29th – April 4th = The Goelz's

April 5th – 11th = Juan Diaz

April 12th – 18th = The Roberts's

April 19th – 25th = Kevin Warren

April 26th – May 2nd = Jason Schrader

Please send any articles, news, schedules, calendar dates, suggestions or photos to: John Drebenstedt, 11669 Azbury Blvd, Roanoke, IN 46783 or email drebensj@yahoo.com The next monthly newsletter **deadline is Thursday, April 16th**. The monthly newsletter is delivered via email. If you'd like your newsletter delivered via snail mail, let John or the Sport Club know.

Ladies Auxiliary

HAPPY SPRING! Thank you so much to all who volunteered and contributed at the Garage Sale. You are most appreciated. The set-up went so smoothly and it was all a great success.

It looks as if our April monthly meeting and the Spring Clean-Up Day are both cancelled. The Stiftungsfest Banquet scheduled for May 2nd has also been postponed. Judy Diettrich

USWNT Team Wins She Believes Cup



The U.S. Women's National Team won the 2020 She Believes Cup after defeating Japan, 3-1. The victory capped an undefeated three-game tournament for the United States.

Megan Rapinoe opened the scoring just seven minutes into the game, converting a free kick opportunity. Christen Press doubled the lead just under 20 minutes later when she floated in a beautiful shot from just outside the penalty area into the left corner of the goal.

The Americans took a 2-0 lead into halftime and added an 83rd minute insurance goal from Lindsey Horan to stretch their advantage to three.

Prior to the victory, the Women's National Team orchestrated a silent on-field protest in response to an on-going equal pay lawsuit with the U.S. Soccer Federation. Taking the field in their warm-ups, they emerged with jerseys turned inside out—hiding the U.S. Soccer crest, but leaving visible the four stars representing its FIFA World Cup titles.

The protest comes following the controversial tactics taken by U.S. Soccer in its efforts to win an ongoing equal pay case. The tactics concern the argument made by representatives of the women's team that the men's and women's teams perform equal work, a position U.S. Soccer disagrees with.

The defending World Cup champions conceded just a single goal across its three She Believes Cup victories over England, Spain and Japan.

By winning the tournament, the United States has now won three of the first five She Believes Cups.

New coach Vlatko Andonovski improved to 10-0 with the win over Japan.

Spain finished second in the She Believes Cup, followed by England and Japan, respectively.

Youth Soccer News



We have now earned 4 stars in Soccer Indiana's 5-Star Program! The 5th star should be arriving shortly as the state is currently reviewing our paperwork. This is a major step for FWSC as we were the 1st in the state to earn a star and will hopefully be only the 2nd program to earn all 5 stars!

Needless to say, March was an interesting month for our youth. We stated off with our normal winter routine, but ended with several tournament cancellations (including the 16U Berlin Vegas Showcase), holding virtual training sessions and starting up e-sports leagues.



As the news spread and cancellations came in, we suspended our in-person winter training. However, we didn't slow down. Our Coaches, Tech Directors, DOC and Board have been working diligently on making sure our teams are active, engaged and working as a team. Coaches have been holding virtual training sessions and challenging our young athletes. The teams have been responding well and staying together in tough times. While a lot is yet unknown about what will happen in the spring season will happen and what it may look like, we will be working to keep everyone involved and active.

U.S. Men's and Women's National Teams



**ONE NATION.
ONE TEAM.**

All of the upcoming matches for our U.S. Men's and Women's National Team have been cancelled for the foreseeable future, be they competitive games or friendlies.



Senior Night Held for Youth Soccer



The Youth held our annual senior recognition night at Empowered Sports Club. While most of our players have already signed to play at the collegiate level, we did have two players who signed to play at the next level at the event itself. Ty Koenig signed to continue his education and soccer career at Trine University and Nathan Glasser signed to attend and play at Indiana Tech.

Here is the entire Senior Class of 2020 (and where they'll be continuing their education): Alec A'Hearn, PFW*; Tucker Arnold, Ball State*; Aseel Batuuq; Mary Cotter, Huntington University; Audrie Day; Jacob Donlan; Ashleigh Fender; Nathan Glaser, Indiana Tech; Christopher Gerken, Manchester University; Dairian Goelz, PFW*; Emily Gutman; Johnathan Hernandez; Rhenn Holliday, Purdue University*; Benjamin Jennett; Elizabeth Knorr, Siena Heights University; Ty Koenig, Trine University; Harley Kruschwitz; Jesus Leon-Maldonado, University of Saint Francis; Kyle McGinnis; Kevin Pinkley; Skye Roberts, Anderson University; Reagan Sanderson, Huntington University; Zoe Simmons, Franklin University; Gabby Siren, Bethel University; Olivia Sloffer, Purdue Fort Wayne; Gabby Torrez, Eastern Kentucky University; Mallory Turnbow, University of Saint Francis and Trevor Wise, Aquinas College.

* Attending, but not playing collegiate soccer.

Registration is currently open for our camps, spring rec, summer rec and 2020-21 travel season. These are all tentative at this time, but we are prepared for when we are permitted to return to the pitch. We look forward to hitting the field again and enjoying the beautiful game!



The 2020 Major League Soccer season has been postponed! When everything resumes back to 'normal', make sure to follow our regional teams closely and even try to attend some Chicago Fire, Cincinnati FC or Columbus Crew SC home games!



Unfortunately, we've had to cancel the March Fish Fry and also, the April Good Friday Fish Fry.

Thank you for another great Fish Fry season. We'll see you in September for the beginning of the Fish Fry season next fall.



As things are planned, this year's Fort Wayne Germanfest will be held June 7th – 14th in downtown Fort Wayne at Headwaters Park. Germanfest is a joint venture of the Fort Wayne Sport Club, the Fort Wayne Turners, the Männerchor & Damenchor and the German Heritage Society. Each summer, the four clubs join together for the festival which promotes and fosters German culture within the Fort Wayne community.

The Sport Club will be hosting "Spaten Night" on Tuesday, June 9th at the Club. The celebration will feature a 6v6 tournament where German-style beer, food and music will be served.

Volunteers are encouraged to consider serving in all the various areas, food and pop servers, admission gate, ticket sales and beer and wine servers.

Cindy Parlow Cone Now US Soccer President



New U.S. Soccer President Cindy Parlow Cone's first challenge will be to confront the fallout over the federation's widely condemned legal stance in the gender discrimination lawsuit filed by the women's national team.

The first woman president in the 107-year history of the governing body will also oversee the appointment of a new chief executive and early preparations for the 2026 World Cup.

A former national team midfielder who became the federation's vice president last year, Parlow Cone took on her new role when President Carlos Cordeiro abruptly stepped down.

Cordeiro was facing a growing outcry from players, board members, supporters and sponsors over assertions made in court documents filed this week. USSF lawyers suggested the women's team was inferior because the players had fewer responsibilities and less physical skill than male national team counterparts. Former teammates rallied in support of Parlow Cone, who has the unenviable task of damage control.



You'll have to wait to help us celebrate the 93rd birthday of Fort Wayne Sport Club by attending our anniversary and founder's day celebration, Stiftungsfest. The event has been postponed until a later date yet to be determined. We will celebrate 93 years of the Sport Club and honor the members who have made it possible. Please make plans to spend the evening with us, whenever it may yet be.

Adult Competitive Soccer



The Fort Wayne Sport Club Men's 1st Team won the Winter II session of the International Indoor Soccer League on March 1st after winning the semi-final in a penalty shootout over Real Union and the final over RedFli with a score line of 5-2

The 1st Team's 8v8 season was interrupted with only two league games left while they sat at the top of the table with a 6 and 1 record.

The 1st Team has entered the Amateur Cup for the first time in a quite a while, although that has also been put on hold, along with everything else. We are anxious to find out who our first opponent will be as we intend to field a very strong team in all of this year's cup competitions, including State Cup, Tournament of Champions (TOC) & Nationals.

We have new uniforms in the works! We'll have some more info and even pictures to come next month.

We are working hard across all men's age groups (Open, Over-30, Over-40 & Over-50) to get teams pulled together and prepare for our cup competitions. We intend to perform well wherever and whenever play resumes after all of this gets cleared up.

Please contact Competitive Sports Director Dave Bennett at bennett.fwsportclub@gmail.com or 260-750-0325 for more information about the 1st Team.

Check out all of the Men's 1st Team action on Facebook: www.facebook.com/pages/Fort-Wayne-Sport-Club-Mens-Soccer/249989078887

April Events

Monthly Meeting	3 rd ,	cancelled
Spring Clean-Up Day	4 th ,	cancelled
Good Friday Club Fish Fry	10 th ,	cancelled
Officer's Meeting	14 th ,	cancelled



Upcoming May Events (subject to change)

Monthly Meeting	1 st ,	8:00 pm
Stiftungsfest	2 nd ,	6:00 pm
Frühlings Turnier	8 th ,	6:00 pm
Officer's Meeting	12 th ,	7:00 pm
Cultural Night	22 nd ,	8:00 pm
Adult Rec 6v6	27 th ,	6:30 pm
Adult Rec 6v6	29 th ,	6:30 pm

2020 Officers

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Youth

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Flowers

The Fort Wayne Sport Club provides memorials for Members' funerals. Please contact Dan Kruse @ 260-466-0831 or Judy Diettrich @ 260-625-4049.

Trustees

The Atarama's
The Goelz's
Jason Schrader

Juan Diaz
The Roberts'
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Club Rentals

Contact Phil Wisniewski @ 260-515-1695 for information.



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