



SALINE AREA SOCCER ASSOCIATION



SASA Sidelines

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Important dates to remember:

- 10/24: Last Friday skill session
- 10/25: Last games of the season
- 11/3-12/19: Indoor session one
- 1/5-2/20: Indoor session two
- 2/23-4/8: Indoor session three

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A Message from President Doug Schantz

We're past our 7th week of Rec and Mini-Kickers soccer and fall is upon us! I hope that your player, whether they're in Mini-Kickers, Rec or Travel, has enjoyed their season so far and progressed in their soccer skills and that your family has enjoyed being part of your "team family."

A few reminders going into the remainder of our season (and beyond):

- Don't go on the field during a game, especially to approach a referee. If a player is injured, the coach will ask permission to enter the field and will call parents on if needed.
- Bring your deposit cans and bottles to

the field to support our club.

- Stay in touch with SASA! Look for information through group emails, our Facebook page and our Twitter feed (@salinesoccer).

In this week's issue of *Sidelines*, you'll see information on our bowling party, travel soccer scores, some rec program pics, and more. Carrie Harris, our volunteer *Sidelines* editor, has brought a new look (and some professional writing) to our newsletter and I hope you'll take the time to thank her!

Have fun playing, watching and enjoying the SASA community!

SASA Bowling Party Details

Are you a bowling kingpin?

Would you like to celebrate the end of the SASA season with your player?

Are you interested in learning more about where our club is going?

Join us as we celebrate a terrific fall season, bowl a few frames, and learn about all the exciting new changes at SASA! The end-of-season bowling party is a great tradition and a lot of fun too.

- Date: Sunday, November 2
- Schedule: Bowling registration 3-3:30,

SASA Annual Meeting at 3:30, Bowling starts at 4:00

- Location: Maplewood Lanes, Saline
- Cost: \$12 per player

The per player cost includes two games, shoes, two slices of pizza, and unlimited soft drinks.

To register, [click here](#) to go straight to the registration form or go to the [SASA web-site](#). You can even pay with a credit card in advance at the SASA site to make things extra easy.

Any questions? Please contact Mike Warden

INDOOR SESSIONS

For travel players:

The practice schedule is available [here](#). Your team will be playing games two out of the three sessions. Your team parent will let you know which sessions your team will be playing.

For rec players:

Interested in getting some winter touches on the ball? We're working on it! Tentative plans are to open Friday training to rec players. A cost will be involved. Stay tuned for more details!

DON'T MISS THESE OPPORTUNITIES TO WATCH SOCCER WITH YOUR SASA PLAYER!

Catch one of these upcoming University of Michigan games:

- 10/21—Men vs Detroit
- 10/26—Men vs Indiana
- 10/29—Men vs Oakland
- 11/5—Men vs Ohio State

Good luck to the Saline High School soccer team! They won the district championship and will be playing in the MHSAA Regional Semi-finals on 10/22 at Grand Rapids Forest Hills.

Coaching on the Sidelines

As parents, we want to cheer for our kids. But how far is too far, and why is it too far? Why is coaching on the sidelines such a big deal when we're just trying to help our kids and their team succeed?

We had those questions too, so we talked to some of our coaching staff to learn more about this issue and why it's so important.

Rec Director and Travel Coach Steve Warren reminds us that shouting out directions from the sidelines can often be confusing for players. Especially when the coach is telling them to do one thing and parents are telling them something else! Those conflicting messages are stressful for our kids, because they don't know who to listen to.

Travel Coach Leigh Rumbold elaborated on that. He notices a lot of parents encouraging

their kids to go after the ball. But sometimes, he says, that's not the right choice. Sometimes standing in open space and waiting for the right moment to act *is* the right thing to do. When we encourage them to leave their position in order to challenge for the ball, we may actually be doing more harm than good to the team strategy.

So what *can* we do? The coaches agree that our support really helps motivate and encourage our kids, so don't stop! But as much as possible, stick to general encouragement and advice, like "Good hustle out there!" and "Don't give up!" or "You've got it!" And if you're faced with a frustrating game, Assistant Coach Mike Warden tells us that sucking on a lollipop is a great way to keep our mouths closed and our dispositions sweet.

Recent WSSL Travel Results

U8 Sting Black 2, Michigan Tigers 2

U8 Sting Black 0, **MI Rush Northville 3**

U8 Sting Gold 5, Michigan Tigers 3

U8 Sting Gold 1, **Ann Arbor United 10**

U8 Sting Gold 0, **Michigan Tigers 2**

U8 Swarm Black 4, Mid MI Elite 0

U8 Swarm Black 2, **Michigan Tigers 5**

U8 Swarm Black 0, **Dearborn Drive 1**

U8 Swarm Gold 10, MI Rush Northville 1

U8 Swarm Gold 2, Wayne-Westland 0

U8 Swarm Gold 3, MPSA Crush 3

U8 Swarm Gold 5, **MI Rush Downriver 7**

U8 Swarm Gold 0, **Michigan Wolves 6**

U9 Sting Black 8, Michigan Wolves 2

U9 Sting Black 7, Dearborn Drive 4

U9 Sting Black 4, Michigan Wolves 1

U9 Sting Gold 1, **Wayne-Westland 10**

U9 Sting Gold 3, Hartland United 3

U9 Sting White 1, **Plymouth Reign 8**

U9 Sting White 0, **Chill White 9**

U9 Sting White 0, **MPSA Crush 3**

U9 Swarm Black 1, La Forza 1

U9 Swarm Black 1, Michigan Wolves 1

U9 Swarm Black 5, Michigan Wolves 4

U10 Sting Black 8, La Forza 1

U10 Sting Black 4, Ann Arbor United 0

U10 Swarm Black 4, Novi Parks 0

U10 Swarm Black 0, **Plymouth Reign 4**

U11 Sting Black 2, **Midland Fusion 6**

U11 Sting Black 3, Michigan Wolves 3

U11 Sting Black 4, Michigan Alliance 2

U11 Swarm Black 0, **MI Rush Downriver 1**

U11 Swarm Black 2, **Chill Black 4**

U12 Sting Black 3, Dearborn Heights 0

U12 Sting Black 0, MPSA Crush 0

U12 Sting Black 2, **MPSA Crush 4**

U12 Sting Black 1, **Adrian Extreme 4**

U12 Swarm Black 1, **La Forza 2**

U12 Swarm Black 0, **Plymouth Reign 2**

U12 Swarm Gold 3, Plymouth Reign 1

WINNING TEAMS!

Congratulations to the U9 Sting Black (Coach Leigh) for winning WSSL Division 1 and to the U14 Swarm Black (Coach Kevin) for winning MSPSP Classic 3! Way to go!

FIELD TEAR DOWN

SASA relies on volunteers to keep our programs running. Please consider taking some time to help tear down the fields at the end of this season. A short amount of your time makes a big difference to our club. Our tear down record is 35 minutes, and we hope to beat it this season!

Tear down is Sunday, October 26th at 2 PM. To volunteer, please email equipment@salinesoccer.org to let us know how many people will be coming and a cell number where we can reach you in the event of a delay. We'll contact you with all the details once they're firmed up.

Thanks in advance for supporting our club!

Q: What lights up a soccer stadium?

A: A soccer match!

This Weekend in Rec



On the Sidelines with Carol Paszkiewicz

This week, we spent a little time with rec coach and Open Division Manager Carol Paszkiewicz. Coach Carol started playing soccer at 15 to help combat the symptoms of juvenile rheumatoid arthritis and soon found herself on the varsity team. Other than taking time off to have her kids, she's played on intramural and rec leagues ever since.

But her love of the sport doesn't just extend to playing—Carol also loves to coach! She started with a U18 team and has been coaching for SASA for four seasons. She says it's worth making the time for such a rewarding experience.

Coach Carol should know—she's a very busy person. When she's not on the sidelines or the pitch, you might find her with her three kids or at her job as the Resident Agent in Charge of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Criminal Investigation Division's Detroit Office.

Coach Carol's mantra is "it's all you." The saying comes from her high school travel coach, who helped teach her to believe in herself. He would yell "it's all you" when she was dribbling down the field, and that became her mantra in life—to believe and rely on herself. Coach Carol passes that confidence on to the girls she coaches, and SASA is lucky to have her!





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