



SALINE AREA SOCCER ASSOCIATION



SASA Sidelines

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TRAVEL SUMMER CAMPS:

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U8 to U18

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Message from Doug Schantz President, Saline Area Soccer Association

Dear Saline Area Soccer Association Families,

Welcome to the Spring 2016 season! Once again, I will be coaching U8 girls with my son and we're looking forward to our first practice and game! This is my 35th season volunteering for SASA and the start of any season is always filled with eagerness, practice plans and in the spring, the relief to finally get outdoors.

During the course of the season, we'll have some fun opportunities outside of our regular practices and games. Local professional team, AFC Ann Arbor will be playing in the Saline Hornets Stadium, our rec teams will have some special practice opportunities with our paid coaching staff and at the end of the season, we'll have our Buzz Fest along with the annual Rec Tournament.

Finally, I hope your SASA player will develop in their skills and have a great time this season and that your family will enjoy some nice weather and some good soccer out on the fields.

Some reminders and perspective as we go into spring soccer for the almost 900 children in our program:

- We're here for our kids and not for us parents. Keep it fun and always set the example for good sportsmanship. The youth referee for your game is quite possibly your neighbor's child.
- SASA would not exist if not for the hard work from our paid staff and many, many volunteers. While I promise you that things will not always run perfectly, we are eager to receive your feedback (though not in the middle of coaching a game) and we invite you to volunteer in one of many aspects of the club to make things even better.
- We are blessed with fields that Saline Area Schools and York Township allow us to use and we pay tens of thousands of dollars to maintain them. Help us to be good citizens and to show our appreciation by keeping the fields clean and reminding families and players to treat the fields with care.

Have a great season!



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REC SUMMER CAMP:

REC SESSION:

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Message from SASA Director of Coaching, Knox Cameron

The outdoor season is finally here! I am sure we are all excited to see the temperatures increasing and the sun shining brightly. Although the winters are usually rough, I am very pleased with the indoor portion of our season. I have seen technical growth from our players and a greater willingness to express themselves on the ball. With the start of the spring season comes the spectacular opportunity for us to showcase all of the work we have put in since November!

I encourage all of you to come and check out our SASA coaches as they represent AFC Ann Arbor on April 23rd at Saline High School. Coaches Leigh Rumbold, Kevin Taylor and Kevin Robinson will all feature for the Mighty Oak as they take on Northwood University in the Saline Showcase Game. Our fall division winners will also be recognized at halftime for their accomplishments. Come out and cheer on our coaches!



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Coach Leigh Rumbold Returns to SASA



"After several months of negotiations and contracting, I am very excited to announce that coach Leigh Rumbold has returned to SASA. Leigh is an incredible coach with an infectious personality and the keen ability to effectively communicate to the players he coaches. I am looking forward to Leigh playing an integral role in the club's growth moving forward." – Knox Cameron, Director of Coaching

SASA took 1st Place at Saline Craft Shows



Saline Area Soccer Association was the 1st Place winner of the non-profit group entry in the Gift Basket Contest at the Saline Craft Shows! The event was held on March 12, 2016 at Saline Middle School.



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Donate Gently Used Soccer Equipment:

Now that the travel indoor soccer season is wrapping up, please consider donating any gently worn indoor soccer shoes that your child will no longer use to the SASA used equipment sale. The equipment sale will take place near the end of the spring season.

If you have shoes or any other equipment to donate, please contact Amy Lepore at 470-6724 or lepore9@aol.com to make arrangements for pickup.



WSSL Division Champions – Saline '04 Swarm Black

Quick Note:

"US Youth Soccer is the largest youth sports organization in the country and largest member of the United States Soccer Federation, the governing body of soccer in the United States. It registers more than three million players annually, ages five to 19, and over 900,000 administrators, coaches and volunteers in 55 member State Associations. US Youth Soccer programs provide a fun, safe and healthy environment for players at every level of the game."

"US Youth Soccer, An interview with Christopher S. Moore, Chief Executive Officer." Sports Destination Management. March/April 2016: page 88. Print.

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Respect the Game

There is a serious decline in the referee population. SASA would like to ask its members to please exercise the utmost respect at all times for our referees.

The full story about the story of two referees from High Velocity Sports in Canton can be found here: [Referees Under Fire](#)

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U8 Sting Gold and Black teams featured on WSSL website



"The U8 Sting Gold and Black team players are ages 6 - 8 and although though have a small roster for both teams they are united in spirit and there for each other ... Win or lose, these teams are here to stay and grow together. This team is a group of young, hopeful, and passionate players!"



Check Out WSSL's New
Logo

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Register for Summer Camps Now!

Summer camps will be led by SASA coaches Kevin Taylor and Leigh Rumbold and assisted by AFC Ann Arbor and U of M players. You won't want to miss these camps!

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