

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD  
SOCCER CLUB



# SOCCER NEWS

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*BBSC Celebrates their  
30th Anniversary this fall!*

*Check the website for special contests!*

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for U7-U10 Rec  
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Weather:

- Any cancellations of week night club training or Friday Tech Nights will be posted on the website.



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## Do You Know Your Team Name?

**P**arents— When arriving at midweek training at Groves, parents are turning up to practices late with their children and then walking through sessions that have already started. This causes disruptions to coaches and players who have to stop what they're doing. The coaches are there to help and teach your children to better their soccer skills. It is imperative that the players be there on time. Another thing we have noticed is that players are not wearing the proper soccer attire; jeans are not acceptable. Please, soccer attire only. This can be shorts or sweatpants. A lot of teams are wearing their game uniforms; this is GREAT!

Many parents and players don't know their team name, age group, or coaches name. Please be aware of this information because if you need help finding your team at the field, we can help you best when you provide us with the basic information. Coaches, please remember to always be prepared with equipment and all coaches need to participate in training. Parents, parent coaches, and players please take all these points into consideration and help us to make our rec program an important and fun time for the kids who love the game of soccer.

1. BE ON TIME
2. WEAR ATHLETIC CLOTHING
3. KNOW YOUR TEAM NAME

### Fall Team Formation

**W**e try our best to keep soccer teams together. All players from a SPRING team that register by the deadline will be placed on the same team they were on in the spring. If the player wishes to move teams, this needs to be noted on the registration form. If there is a request to be placed on a specific team, this will be considered but all returning players to that team have first priority. If players do not register by the deadline, we can not guarantee that they will be placed on a fall team.

### Uniforms...

**U**niforms can be purchased at the Bloomfield Sports Shop, Maple and Lahser Rd. in Bloomfield Hills.



### AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the BBSC Soccer Club will be held Wed, June 18th at 7pm at the soccer office. 16291 W. 14 Mile, Suite 6, Beverly Hills MI. 48025

# Global Soccer News

During the months of April, May, and June, you will find a huge amount of quality soccer on TV. April saw the start of the new 2008 MLS Season with big expectations for L.A. Glaxay and David Beckham along with some other quality players from different clubs, i.e.: Altidan from NY Red Bulls and Ching from Houston. Houston, being the defending champions will be looking to repeat the success again. Columbus are a surprise at the start of the season, playing a very attractive possession game which will be great for the league if they can sustain the level of play.

All of the European leagues are in their final weeks of the season with exciting finales in Italy, Spain, and England. We are also at the Semi-Final stage of the European champions leagues with Chelsea vs. Liverpool, and Manchester United vs. Barcelona. Chelsea will be looking to over Liverpool in their 4<sup>th</sup> appearance in 4 years at this stage including 2 defeats to Liverpool while Manchester United will be hoping to overcome Barcelona in an attempt to reach the final in Moscow and hoping to triumph manager Alex Ferguson's 22<sup>nd</sup> year. Lastly, the European Cup of Nations begins in Austria and Switzerland starting June 7<sup>th</sup>. Watch out for the traditional teams, Italy, Germany, and France.

There will also be a few surprises and my pick would be Croatia, the team that knocked out England playing some high quality technical soccer. Check out your TV listings to find the TV schedule. Channels to look for are ESPN, ESPN2, GOL TV, Fox Soccer Channel, and Se-tanta Sports. All these channels have their listings on the web. Have fun watching this exciting next few months of the beautiful game.

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# Why Small Sided-Games?



US Youth

Soccer has  
thought long

and hard about the answer to the question, “Why Small-Sided Games?”

What does “Small-Sided Games” mean? These are soccer games with fewer players competing on a smaller sized field. There are fun games that involve the players more because fewer players are sharing one ball.

All ages can play “Small Sided Games”, but it has a definite developmental impact on our younger soccer players. US Youth Soccer recommendations for “number of players” at the various age groups are as follows:

**U6:** 3 vs 3 no goal keepers

**U7:** 4 vs. 4 no goal keepers

**U8:** 5 vs. 5 no goal keepers

**U10:** 6 vs. 6 with goal keepers

**U12:** 8 vs. 8 with goal keepers

**U13+:** 11 vs. 11 with goal keepers

Here are some of the reasons why we believe as soccer coaches, administrators and parents must guarantee that our young soccer players play small-sided games:

1. Allows our young soccer player to touch the soccer ball more often and become more skillful with it! (Individual technical development).
2. Because we want our young soccer player to make more, less-complicated decisions during the game! (Tactical development).
3. Enables our young soccer players to have more individual teaching time with the coach! Less players on the field and less players on the team will guarantee this! (Need to feel worthy and need to feel important).
4. Teaches our young soccer players to be more physically efficient in the field space they are playing in! (Reduced field size)
5. Because we want our young soccer players to have more, involved playing time in the game (More opportunity to solve problems that only the game presents).
6. Because we want our young soccer players to have more opportunity to play on both sides of the ball.
7. Because we want our young soccer players to have more opportunities to score goals (Pure excitement)

These are the reasons why we adults must foster “Small-Sided Games” in our youth soccer programs. The “Small-Sided” environment is a developmentally appropriate environment for our young soccer players. It’s a FUN environment that focuses on the young soccer players.

It just makes sense doesn’t it?

# REC COACHES CORNER

## US YOUTH SOCCER COACH ETHICS



1. Strive to maintain integrity within our sport.
2. Know and follow all rules and policies set forth by clubs, leagues, state and national associations.
3. Work in the spirit of cooperation with officials, administrators, coaches, and spectators to provide the participants with the maximum opportunity to develop.
4. Be a positive role model.
5. Set the standard for sportsmanship with opponents, referees, administrators and spectators.
6. Keep sport in proper perspective with education.
7. Encourage moral and social responsibility.
8. Just say no to drugs and alcohol.
9. Coaches should continue their own education in the sport.



*Welcome the New Faces to BBSC:*

Lisa Pakulak (Office Administrator)

Lisa has spent most her life growing up in Imlay City, MI. Once college arose, she attended Grand Valley State University for two years and then transferred to Oakland University to pursue her bachelors degree in Nursing. She is twenty-one years old and currently resides in Rochester Hills, MI. Although a big fan of sports, Lisa doesn't know much about the game of soccer but is slowly and surely learning from working at BBSC.

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CELEBRATING 30 YEARS OF PROVIDING SOCCER FOR AREA YOUTH!

BIRMINGHAM-BLOOMFIELD SOCCER CLUB
Fall 2008 REGISTRATION FORM

Cost: \$85 per player. Make check payable to BBSC or register on-line at bbscsoccer.org.

REGISTRATION: DEADLINE IS: August 1, 2008. Registrations POSTMARKED later than 8/1 deadline will be considered late. Late Registration Fee is \$115. NO special requests considered for late registrations. Late registration will be placed on wait list in order received. Checks will be returned if player is not assigned to a team. ELIGIBILITY: All players must reside within the Birmingham Public School District, or attend a school within the Birmingham School District.

Table with 4 columns: Age Group (U-6, U-7, U-8, U-10, U-12, U-14), Birth Date Range, and Grade Level (K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th, 7th & 8th).

INSTRUCTIONS: If your player's birth date is between 8/1 and 12/31, you may make a play-up request (See form on back) to play in a grade level age group. NO play-ups if not requested on form at time of on-time registration. A copy of the player's birth certificate is required if they are new to the BBSC. Detach form and return with registration fee to: BBSC, 16291 W. Fourteen Mile, Ste. 6, Beverly Hills, MI 48025. (248) 644-2255 Fax (248) 642-0076

On-Line registration available at: www.bbscsoccer.org - June 1, 2008

(PLEASE PRINT ALL PLAYER INFORMATION)

\*LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ \*FIRSTNAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\*ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\*CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ \*ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

\*TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

\*E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ \*GRADE (2007-2008 YR.) \_\_\_\_\_

\*DATE OF BIRTH: MONTH \_\_\_\_\_ DAY \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR \_\_\_\_\_ \*SEX: M F (CIRCLE)

\*SCHOOL YOU ATTEND \_\_\_\_\_

PARENTS/GUARDIAN NAME \_\_\_\_\_ TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT \_\_\_\_\_

COACH? Y N (CIRCLE)

As parents and/or legal guardian for the registered player, on behalf of the player and all others, we will abide by the BBSC rules and recognize that soccer is a contact sport and we will accept all risks of injury. We release the BBSC, its Board Members, coaches, and referees from any and all liability. By signing this registration form, I(We) agree to abide by all the rules and regulations of the MSYSA and USYSA and BBSC.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

\* required information CHECK NO. \_\_\_\_\_

CIRCLE CHANGES IN ADDRESS, TELEPHONE OR EMAIL!!

Play-up request YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ (SEE FORM ON BACK)

## Fall 2008 SEASON INFORMATION

- You will need to purchase a uniform at the Bloomfield Sports Shop. (15 Mile Rd. and Lahser) The uniform consists of a red jersey (home), gray jersey (away), black shorts, 1 pair red socks, 1 pair of gray socks. Also, **soccer** cleats and shin guards. All players must have the new uniform.
- The coaches will contact their players with game and team information after the coach's meeting on August 25, 2008.
- The season starts the weekend of **September 13** and ends the weekend of **November 1**.
- U6 age group (kindergarteners) have practice and games on Sunday afternoon for about an hour total.
- All other age groups practice during the week and play their games on Saturday or Sunday afternoon.
- An 8 game season is planned.
- All games are played within the Birmingham School district.

### BBSC training schedule

- BBSC scheduled training starts **September 8**.
- The BBSC scheduled training sessions are:
  - U7 and U8 boys/girls practice either Monday or Tuesday 6-8pm
  - U10, U12, and U14 boys/girls practice either Wednesday or Thursday 6-8pm
  - Friday Tech Night – Friday 5-6pm
  - All teams are expected to attend the league scheduled training sessions.
- The Friday Tech Night is a voluntary, no cost, extra training sessions. You will receive information from your coach regarding this activity. You must register separately for Tech Night.
- The location for the training sessions is TBD.

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### Play-up request form

I request my son/daughter play in the      age group as he/she is in the      grade for 2007-2008 school year.

Parent signature \_\_\_\_\_



## Summer Camps for U7-U10 Players 2008

During the summer of 2008 Coerver Coaching in direct partnership with the BBSC will be hosting two summer camps for u7 – u10 players.

These camps are designed to enhance the basic skills and soccer fundamentals of the game in a fun and challenging format.

Coerver Coaching is the Worlds #1 Soccer Skills teaching method used by many of the Worlds top federations and clubs; it is also the curriculum for the BBSC program.

Information with details on the camps and how to register are below.

Dates:

Week 1, July 28<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup>

Week 2, August 4<sup>th</sup> – August 8<sup>th</sup>

Times:

U7 & U8: 8.30AM – 10AM

U9 & U10: 10AM – 11.30AM

COST: \$75.

LOCATION: Berkshire Middle School.

To register please go to [www.coerver.com](http://www.coerver.com) click on regions and go to the Michigan page. On this page you will find camp details and a secure online registration service.

If you require any further information or assistance please contact:

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