

# **Basic Coaching Instructions**

### Pre-season Activities

- Registration with WYSA <a href="http://www.maysa.org/html/coaches/classes.php">http://www.maysa.org/html/coaches/classes.php</a>
- Determine Practice Schedule and Location
  - o Work with Fields and Scheduling Coordinator (Sharon Pink)
  - o U9 and U10, please coordinate your times through Heather Neumann
- Send introductory email to your teams
  - o Introduction to who you are and your experience
  - Your plans and expectations for the season
  - Suggested practice times and places
  - What the players should bring to training
  - When games are planned to start
  - o Reminder to where shin guards, bring water, bring a ball
- Review and reschedule games (if necessary)
  - o <a href="http://events.gotsport.com/events/Default.aspx?EventID=33553">http://events.gotsport.com/events/Default.aspx?EventID=33553</a> (Recreational)
  - o http://events.gotsport.com/events/Default.aspx?EventID=33552 (Classic)
- Please plan on making it to the Annual Meeting and Fall Kick Off Monday, 8/26/2013 5:00 8:00. It will be at Peace Lutheran Church on Water Street in Platteville approximately across from Legion Field. Parents and players may want to meet with you.
- Recently, you should have received a team contact list from Amy (our Registrar.) If you have not, please let me know.
- Receive Team Rosters and Player Pass Cards (Cards are only distributed to Classic teams)
- Receive and Review Medical Waivers so that you are aware of any player conditions
- Receive Equipment
  - o Balls, Pinnies, Cones, Ball Bag, Corner Flags, Medical Kit
- Stay off the fields in the spring until Sharon Pink and Jim Neumann have given the go
- Review Team Resource Guide (linked in resources below)



#### Post-season Activities

- Determine coaching Stipend distribution
- Turn in Equipment
- Thank your players' families!

#### Seasonal Activities

- Point of Recreational Play US Youth Soccer has guidelines in place as to what should be our basic mindset in regard to Recreational play. For the most part this is built into us as parents. The key for our club is this: Player development and enjoyment of the game is our first priority. Each player should be playing at least half of each game.
- Club Pass We would like to take every opportunity to utilize the Club Pass. This is an option that allows us to use players from younger teams as resources for older teams. Try to create opportunities to use the Pass and work with the other teams coach to determine a proper course of action. Some examples of using the Pass could be: Your team will be down in numbers. You are going to a tournament. You wish to give a younger player a chance to play up to give them challenge or to enhance their experience.
- Communication It is vital to maintain communication with your players, your player parents, your assistant coaches, your team manager and the Club's Director of Coaching (Jim Neumann). Communication with the families is the most important tool you have to a successful season.
- Tournaments Most teams expect to go to 1 or 2 tournaments during the year. The larger your roster size, the more you should consider participating in tournaments.
- Keep you equipment and medical kit stocked and safe if you need a resupply of
  equipment, please contact Gavin Mewhirter.



## Game Day Activities

- Show up to field early enough to warm up team.
- Verify safety of Goals and field (home and away)

## If Home game:

- Make Cancellation decision prior to 7:00 AM. If home game is cancelled make sure and notify the Club Referee Coordinator (Sharon Pink)
- Place Corner Flags on corners of field
- Pay referee according to Referee package (Classic pays for away games as well)
- Remove Corner Flags after game
- Call In Score (or use web site)
  - Home coaches are expected to report their game scores. You can do so by following the instructions in the blue box on the middle of this page: http://www.maysa.org/standings.php

