



Haverhill PAL Soccer Newsletter

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Opening Day a Huge Success Thanks to Volunteers

Approximately 800 kids distributed into 88 teams took to the fields at Whittier Middle School on September 6th. Enormous credit for organizing our in-town league goes to Registrar Yolanda Hussein and Director Steve Derman. Many others helped line and rake fields, move and set up equipment, inflate balls, field phone calls, answer questions and much more.

Ask a volunteer why they donate countless hours and they will tell you it's for the children. Of course, it never hurts to hear positive feedback, such as, "Please know that despite (or in spite of) the occasional grumpy parent, we really do appreciate all that you folks do. This is my third season coaching and by far it feels like I'm the best informed ever." Thanks, coach!

Sincere thanks and appreciation also go to all the others who helped get the season underway. We are always looking for volunteers – just contact a board member to find out how you can help! Leave a message at 978-373-8163 or e-mail haverhillpal@comcast.net.

PAL Players Champs in Foxboro

Congratulations to Madison Lewis and Will Cuneo for winning their age divisions in the MLS Dribble, Pass and Score on 9/28 at Gillette Stadium. Peter Maranto finished second and Jared Lewis placed third in their respective age groups. What a great job by these youngsters!

Columbus Day Tournament

Haverhill PAL hosts the 9th annual Columbus Day Tournament 10/11 and 10/12. This MYSA sanctioned tournament is comprised of U10 through U14 teams, playing a 6v6 format. It attracts up to 80 town and travel teams from across Essex County and beyond! This event will be officiated by licensed referees and is the major PAL fundraiser supporting our league.

This tournament is run by dedicated volunteers who would appreciate your participation and support. There is always plenty to do, from setting up on Fri. 10/9 to helping with concessions, field marshalling, manning the grills, and MUCH more on 10/11 and 10/12.

If you are able to volunteer, even on a limited basis, please contact Paul Costello, at PJC91162@aol.com. You may download registration forms on our website: www.haverhillpal.org.

Coaching Corner Licensing courses will be offered over the winter. The courses will likely be F and E, depending on the interest. For more information, contact Bob Roche. You can also visit the MYSA website, mayouthsoccer.org for local courses.

Reminder: In-Town Coaches – you will not receive your team trophies until ALL equipment is turned in at the last game.

Spring Registration

In-town: Oct 25 and Nov 1, 9am -3pm, both days at Whittier Middle School

Travel: Oct 29, 6-8 pm, Citizen's Center and, Nov 1, 9am-3pm, Consentino Middle School