

News and Updates

Manchester North Soccer League

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2011



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On-Line Registration Coming to the Manchester North Soccer League!

The Manchester North Soccer League has some exciting news to share about our registration in 2011! Starting on Monday, April 4th we will be offering ON-LINE REGISTRATION so you will now be able to register your children from the comforts of your own home! The on-line registration link will be available on our website, www.mnsl.org and you will be receiving a letter in the next few weeks to remind you of this new process. We encourage everyone to register in this fashion!

Other Options for registration.

If you have problems registering on-line, or don't have computer access, we will continue to host the MNSL fall sign-ups on Sunday, April 17th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Registration will take place at Mount Saint Mary Academy at 2291 Elm Street in Manchester in the school cafeteria and signs will be posted. Parking will be available in the small lot in front of the school entrance or out on Elm Street.

The other exciting feature of our on-line registration is that the website can process your payment via credit card. We will also accept checks via the mail, please make checks payable to MNSL c/o Sue Bisson - PO Box 58, Manchester, NH 03105.

"Like us".

MNSL has joined the world of social media. Make sure you check our Facebook page often and "like" us. We will be updating the page often with news and event information.

This space is also a great place to connect with the MNSL family, online.



Registration Cost and Information.

- \$50 per player (maximum of \$100 per family).
- After May 31st, 2011 - \$75/player (\$150/family). No exceptions.
- Registrations that are incomplete, not signed, unpaid, or without a copy of the birth certificate will be returned.
- **Registrations are non-refundable**

*Sign-up now.
Late registrations
may be subject to a
waiting list.*

2011 Age and Birth Certificate Requirements

MNSL requires verification of DOB for new players in 2011. If you are registering players new to MNSL at registration night, or online, you MUST include a copy of each player's birth certificate with your registration. If you are registering a player who played in 2010 and/or 2009 and he/she is returning to the league, a birth certificate is not required.

DIV	Ages	Birth Dates
U-6	4.5 - 5	8/1/05 - 1/31/07
U-8	6 - 7	8/1/03 - 7/31/05
U-10	8 - 9	8/1/01 - 7/31/03
U-12	10 - 11	8/1/99 - 7/31/01
U-14	12 - 13	8/1/97 - 7/31/99
U-16	14 - 15	8/1/95 - 7/31/97
U-19	16 - 18	8/1/92 - 7/31/95

Coaches Corner by Joe Silveira – Coach Director.

This year MNSL is making some exciting changes to the U12 and U10 format to improve player skill and to ensure that each player has more of an opportunity to enjoy the game. The U12 division will be playing 8v8 and the U10 division will be playing 6v6 which should translate into more opportunity for your child to touch the ball.

This, in turn, should increase the skill levels of our players and should produce more smiles as each child experiences being an integral part of the game.

In light of these changes, MNSL will be looking for a few more volunteer coaches for the 2011 season. It's great fun, good exercise and another way to support your child. While coaching experience is desired at MNSL, it is not required. Fortunately, there will be opportunities in July, August and mid-season to receive training at no cost to you. So don't be intimidated, we'll show you the way. Check out www.mnsl.org for additional information or contact Joe Silveira at 370-0519 or coaches@mnsl.org, if you have any specific questions.



Refereeing Opportunities

MNSL has always provided referees for all games starting in the U10 division. Where do these referees come from? Parents of players as well as players themselves! Older players in the league are encouraged to work as referees and can make some extra cash! Players can start refereeing as early as age 12 and the experience serves as a great way to develop self confidence. We also invite adults to participate-it's a great way to be involved with kids while providing a valuable community service. The

league recommends new referees get that all MNSL Referees must be patched, current with USSF, and follow the NHSA code of ethics. The process includes taking a course specific to the age level and passing a related competency exam. Complete information can be found at www.nhreferee.net. If you are interested in taking one of the offered courses, MNSL will reimburse you once you have completed the course and passed the exam. The league is very careful about placing referees in

game situations where they will be comfortable calling the game. We do our best to avoid having players referee games at their own age level and we work with the adult refs to leverage experience for the best possible match. The result is a win-win for all as we provide excellent referees while the referees themselves gain confidence and experience. To learn more, contact Howard Sevey at 566-6550 or referees@mnsl.org.

2011 MNSL Board Members



The MNSL Board of Directors is very interested in hearing what you have to say.

Give us a ring or send us an email, we will be happy to chat with you.

Member	Position	Email	Phone
Michael Desmarais	President	president@mnsl.org	(603) 494-3514
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Kay Mulcahy	U8 Division Manager	u8manager@mnsl.org	(603) 626-1189
Open Position	U6 Division Manager		

“British are Coming” 2011 Soccer Camp - 15-year anniversary!

MNSL will once more host the annual "British are Coming" Soccer Camp at Livingston Field in 2011. The one week camp will run July 25th - 30th, 2011. As in prior years, the Camp will offer a choice of full day (8:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.) or half day (8 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.) sessions.

Renowned Coach Graham Hesketh is back with his excellent crew of coaches and we will plan additional fun and frolics during the week. We hope children ages 5 - 15 will join us. Please contact Jim O'Connell at (617) 851-0428 or campdirector@mnsl.org, to register, or for more information.

Do you have a fun story to share about your children's experience at Summer camp? We are celebrating the 15th anniversary of "The British are Coming" this Summer and we are gathering stories and ideas.

Drop us a line at campdirector@mnsl.org.

General League Information.

MNSL is run entirely by volunteers, and we need more volunteers in order to make this a great experience for the players. Experience is not necessary! There are clinics available for those individuals who wish to coach or referee but don't feel they have the skill set (The league will reimburse you for any clinic fees). Simply put, **WE NEED YOUR HELP**. The board welcomes any suggestions, comments and even constructive criticism. Our goal is to make this a very positive experience for all children who participate in the program.

For the 2011 season, here are some bits of information about our league and the requirements for players & families:

- **No smoking, pets or bikes are allowed on the field at anytime.**
- Requests for team placement will be evaluated but not always honored.
- Games begin on Saturday of Labor Day weekend for U-6, U-8 & U-10 divisions..
- Games may begin before Labor Day for the U-12, U-14, U-16 & U-19 divisions.
- Season will end on the weekend of October 22nd.
- The weekend of October 29th will serve as a makeup date (schedule TBD).
- All divisions will have practices once during the week.
- All divisions will have games on Saturdays.
- The U10 and U12 divisions will have a reduced schedule in 2011 to allow for more practice time.
- The U14, U16, and U19 divisions will play at least one weekday game, in addition to Saturday.
- Players are not allowed to wear any jewelry AT ANY TIME including earrings (for safety and insurance reasons). Medical bracelets are OK however they should be taped down. Referees will ask players wearing jewelry of any kind to remove it. Refusal to do so will result in the player not being allowed to participate. We would advise anyone considering piercings before or during the MNSL season to delay having it done until after the season
- Casts must be covered with soft foam rubber.
- Properly sized shin guards are required.
- It is strongly recommended that cups (hard or soft) be worn by the boy players.
- Players are also advised to wear mouth guards during games.
- Team uniforms (socks, shorts and shirts) are supplied by the league. Older division players do not receive shorts. Team uniforms must be worn for games.
- Soccer cleats are not mandatory, but they do provide better traction than sneakers. Baseball cleats (metal or front toe style) are not allowed under any circumstances.
- Players may not play 'down' in a younger age group.

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NEWS AND UPDATES

In the fall of 2010, MNSL had over 625 players and more than 200 volunteers participate during the soccer season. This year, we plan on fielding over 50 teams ranging from U-6 through U-19. Last year several divisions were full and had a waiting list, so we strongly urge all interested families to register early this spring!

About Manchester North Soccer League (MNSL)

Our History

Manchester North Soccer League (MNSL) was founded in 1977 and was the second recreational soccer league established in the city of Manchester. The league was founded by several local parents specifically to counteract what they felt was a trend toward over coaching, over publicizing and over spending. Thus was born a philosophy emphasizing participation, instruction and fun.

Our Mission

To provide a safe, fun and exciting place for kids to learn and play soccer. We are a recreational league, that means we emphasize having fun and learning over winning.

Winning is an important life goal that we teach, but it is not the focus.

Soccer league fall sign-ups
Sunday, April 17th
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
Mount St. Mary Academy

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