



## MEDWAY YOUTH SOCCER

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### VOLUNTEERS ARE THE BACKBONE OF MYS

Dear Medway Youth Soccer Families,

I'd like to take this opportunity to greet everyone as we welcome back the sunshine and continue to enjoy another fantastic spring soccer season!

As I watch the games around town, it makes me think of one of the reasons why Medway Youth Soccer is so successful. We have a tremendous group of volunteers willing to take time out of their day to ensure our children learn and enjoy this great game. These volunteers are the backbone of our organization. They are the glue that holds us together. They range from board members to coaches to travel evaluators to parents that help us with The Medway Cup and Soccer Day.

If you have ever thought of volunteering, I would like to encourage you to do so. The previously mentioned Medway Cup soccer tournament is held at the Medway Middle School over the Memorial Day weekend. As there are nearly 100 teams from around the state that participate in our tournament, we have quite a few volunteer needs.

I would like to thank all of our past and present volunteers for all of their efforts.

I look forward to seeing everyone on the fields!

**Todd Robinson**  
**President**  
**Medway Youth Soccer**

### MEDWAY CUP: HELP NEEDED

The 14<sup>th</sup> annual Medway Cup will take place Memorial Day weekend (May 27 and 28) at Medway Middle School. In addition to great games, competition and trophies, we've also teamed up with the New England Revolution for these extras:



A New England Revolution player appearance on Sunday;



The New England Revolution mascot will be on hand Saturday;



Reduced-price tickets to Saturday's Revs home game against Houston.

**More importantly:** The Medway Cup is Medway Youth Soccer's only fundraiser. Hosting the tournament allows MYS to fundraise and eliminates the need for asking the children to do so.

Medway Youth Soccer is in need of volunteers for this great tournament. Nearly 100 teams from around the state will compete, with a good share of those teams from Medway. This will bring parents and relatives to the Medway Middle School that weekend.

All we request is that parents volunteer a little of their time. If your child is playing in the Medway Cup, perhaps you would be able to volunteer some time in between his or her games. Those of you who have younger children who do not yet participate in the Medway Cup can also volunteer your assistance. It is greatly appreciated.

We are in need of:



Help with concessions



Help with parking

**Contact:** Janice Steffens at [janice.steffens@comcast.net](mailto:janice.steffens@comcast.net).

### **IT'S SAFE TO GO OUTDOORS**

The recent rain obviously caused havoc with our travel evaluation schedule, but we're steadfastly moving ahead. Each age group will continue to remain on its originally designated day of the week, we're just forced to push things back.

So, beginning Monday, May 22 (provided the weather cooperates), it looks like this:



Monday 5/22 (second evaluation): U10 girls, U11 boys



Tuesday 5/23 (first evaluation): U11 girls, U10 boys



Wednesday 5/24 (second evaluation): U12 girls, U12 boys



Thursday 5/25 (second evaluation): U13-14 girls, U13-14 boys



Tuesday 5/30 (second evaluation): U11 girls, U10 boys

**All evaluations will remain 6-7:30 p.m. with the girls at Idyllbrook and boys at Oakland. Coaches should refrain from holding practices during these time periods.**

### **MYS NIGHT AT THE REVS**

Last year, nearly 500 Medway residents and friends attended our first annual get-together at Gillette Stadium, where the Revs notched a thrilling 1-0 victory over the MetroStars. If you were not one of those, mark this date so you don't miss the fun:

#### **SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**

The Revs host the Kansas City Wizards at 7:30 p.m. that night and you and your family not only will watch the game in a section reserved for Medway Youth Soccer, but can be a part of our exclusive Tailgate Party, including an all-you-can-eat buffet. **Stay tuned for more details.**



**And speaking of the Revs,** MYS has purchased flex tickets for New England Revolution games. Tickets are priced at \$12 apiece and they may be used at any Revs home game. The tickets are General Admission seating. Tickets may be purchased by contacting Penny Kelley ([pakelley@comcast.net](mailto:pakelley@comcast.net)).

## SUMMER FUN

Due to its huge success last summer, Medway Youth Soccer is pleased to announce its support for the **CHALLENGER BRITISH SOCCER CAMP** again this year. The camp is being offered **July 17-July 21** and **August 21-August 25**. Half-day, full-day and evening camps are available.

Ask a neighbor or a parent of one your child's teammates – the camp is lots of fun and instructional too.

Each MYS coach has been given camp flyers to distribute to team members. Be sure to ask your child's coach for your copy. Remember to register early because space is limited. You can do this at [www.challengersports.com](http://www.challengersports.com) or by calling 800-285-6861.

## THINGS TO REMEMBER



It is that time of year again when we need to apply bug spray and sun block on the kids before practices and games.



As the recent week hammered home, spring season means rain, and with rain comes wet cleats. Here's a way to dry them out quickly so they can be used the next day. Crumple up a page of the newspaper and stuff it deep into the cleat. Then place the shoes near the heater. They should be fairly dry by the next day.



We all get excited on the sideline, but we need to remember to just let the kids play during games. Soccer is a game that is evolving rapidly. By the time your child processes the many instructions that may be coming from the sideline, the play has gone in the opposite direction and it's time to play catch-up.

## IT'S OFFICIAL

The Spring 2006 Intramural referee assignments are updated and available at:  
<http://www.medwaysoccer.com/intown/referee/default.htm>

## A BIG THANK YOU

Medway Youth Soccer would like to thank all of our generous sponsors, including:

**Leland Siding & Window, Inc**

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We would also like to thank **Starbucks** for its help at the Medway Cup.

A full list of sponsors can be located on our Web site at [www.medwaysoccer.com](http://www.medwaysoccer.com).

## REGISTER, REGISTER, REGISTER

Registration is now open for the fall of 2006. Please do this as soon as possible. You can register at the Web site at [www.medwaysoccer.com](http://www.medwaysoccer.com).

Also, if you are not on our mailing list, you can do that as well, right on the home page.

## **MYS MISSION STATEMENT**

Medway Youth Soccer's main purpose is to provide a recreational youth soccer program for the town of Medway and to ensure all players have an enjoyable soccer experience. Medway Youth Soccer is a non-profit organization dedicated to the youth of Medway. Membership guarantees equal playing time regardless of ability. As an association, we strive to foster fair play, sportsmanship, teamwork, self-confidence, self-discipline, and competition. Medway Youth Soccer's goal is to encourage these values in our players, coaches, parents, referees, and volunteers. We hope to instill a lifetime passion for the sport of soccer and provide an overall safe and fun experience.