

⚽ FROM THE REGISTRAR
 Martha Katko

Although we are still playing spring soccer, it's already time to start to thinking about the fall season. A number of changes have been made in our registration procedures, as we outlined in the previous issue of *The Soccer Pitch*, so please look at the registration materials carefully. Any child who played this spring will receive materials for the 1999-2000 season in the mail. Detailed information is also available on the League web site (at the URL above).

In response to numerous requests, we have expanded our U6 age group to include 4 year olds. Any child born between August 1, 1993 and July 31, 1995 is eligible to play in our U6 league this year.

Registration for recreational players for the 1999-2000 season begins on May 11, 1999, and runs through July 5, 1999. **There will be no extended deadlines.** Fees double for all registrations post-marked after July 5. Late forms (space available only) must be received and processed by July 25. Due to the additional time and paperwork involved in registering an advanced team, advanced players have an **earlier** deadline of June 15 to turn in forms, fees, pictures and birth documentation. All advanced players should turn in registration materials **to their coach**. The advanced team coaches will pass them on to me as one complete package for their teams. All advanced team registration fees will double after June 15. If your child hopes to play competitively and you will need to get birth documentation, especially from out of state, please start working on that now. If your child is dual-rostering (registering for both an advanced team and a recreational team), please fill out an additional set of forms and indicate that your child is a dual-rostered player.

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LAYSL 1999-2000
 REGISTRATION BEGINS



**NEW
 this
 year:**

Discounted in-person registration!

**Thurs, 13 May 5-8 PM
 White Rock Branch Library**

**Mon, 17 May 5-8 PM
 Home Run Pizza (on the Hill)**

**\$5.00 OFF in person!
 (first two family members)**

Also new for registration this year, we will be having two walk-in registration nights. There will be a \$5 discount for each player (up to two players per family) who registers in person. The first will be held at the White Rock Branch Library on May 13 from 5-8 PM. The second will be at Home Run Pizza in Los Alamos on May 17, also from 5-8 PM.

We have been working on increasing our publicity for the upcoming season. If you know anyone who might like to play, please help us by letting him or her know that registration is beginning. For those of you who feel that more players are needed in certain age groups, now is the time to recruit friends. Player won't be added later to fill up rosters. Forms for new players are available at both branches of the Mesa Public Library and at CB Fox and L.A. Outdoors.

If you have questions, please call me at 662-2181 between 9 AM and 7 PM or send your questions via e-mail to laysl@newmexico.com.



⚽ THE PREZ SAYS

Bob Teller

The State Knockouts held in Los Alamos are now over. On behalf of LAYS�, I want to thank all the volunteers, headed by Tournament Director, John Courtright. They spent a lot of personal time making sure that this was a success and reflects well on the Los Alamos soccer community.

Competitive and recreation leagues are over, and thanks to the coaches and parents who spent time with the kids. We are trying to advertise more on fall registration, and have included those kids born between August 31, 1994 and July 31, 1995. Any input on how to get the word out about fall registration would be appreciated.

Again, thanks to all who have made this a successful spring season and good luck to those teams and players who will be playing in tournaments and on ODP.



⚽ ADVANCED TEAM COACHES SOUGHT for 1999-2000 SEASON

Debbie Smith

Los Alamos Youth Soccer League (LAYS�) announces a call for coaches for advanced teams forming for the 1999-2000 season. Coaches' letters of intent and resumes must be received by Monday, May 10th. Teams are planned for boys and girls in U-10 to U-14 age groups.

The advanced teams are formed on a tryout basis in the latter part of May, and will play in the competitive Duke City League in Albuquerque. Interested coaches must provide a letter of intent (including the preferred age(s), coaching philosophy, position on playing time and player/family/coach expectations), a resume (including playing experience, coaching experience, licenses and training, youth coaching experience or certifications, any other relevant information) and references.

Tryouts for the teams will be the weeks of May 17-21 and May 24-28. Coaches names and schedules for tryouts will be sent to the Monitor after coach selection May 11 and posted on the League web site. Further information and questions may be referred to Debbie Smith, Advanced Teams Coordinator, at 672-1793 (home), 663-2502 (work), or by e-mail at: DebSmithNM@aol.com .



⚽ HILL COORDINATOR

Dave Goggin

Lessons learned from the '98-'99 season (so far):

1. The scheduling software was unexpectedly 'streaky': some of you got the same field or same color jersey more than I would have liked. I'll evaluate two other software schedulers, as well as a new release of the current one, this summer. I'll devise something to test for this and do better next year.

2. Much as we try for equal, balanced leagues, for the U10 and above it's heavily dependent on how many kids register in LA and in WR. We get situations where 18-22 kids register in one town (too big for one team and a little small for two). The problem is compounded when the other town has much smaller or much larger teams. But there's not much we can do about it. The trend in soccer nationally is towards small-sided games for rec soccer. If we can get the numbers of coaches, we're trying for the small teams. We really need coaches for U12 and above to provide the soccer experience we'd like to offer.

3. Coaches need to call their players right after they know their rosters. Many times only the coaches know who's on their team, because they haven't provided the roster to the Registrar yet. Parents know the season is starting but haven't been contacted and get justifiably anxious. When they call anyone else they're told that their kid is probably somewhere but we don't know where yet. Doesn't reassure the parent.

4. We need a little more time between the end of registration and the beginning of the season to get the administrative stuff done. Especially when we're beating the bushes for coaches. That's one reason we have to have the registration cutoff earlier than you might expect. There are board meetings, coordinator meetings, coaches meetings, and coach and referee training that take place after the cutoff and before the season can start. And lots of phone calls.

Anything I missed? Please let me know at: goggin_david@lanl.gov.

⚽ 1999-2000 ADVANCED TEAM TRYOUTS

17-21 and 24-28 May 1999

Places and times announced soon.

Watch *The Monitor* & our web site for more information

WHITE ROCK COORDINATOR

April Nakaoka

Another soccer year has come and gone. Before we break out the water skis and swimming suits, I'd like to thank all the wonderful volunteers for sharing their time, energy and hard work. Without these generous people, our children would not have this opportunity to learn, grow and experience the world of soccer. The age group coordinators made Dave and my job easier and the League run smoother. They are the link between the LAYSL board and the coaches.

A big thanks to:

U-6 WR	Lisa Inkret
U-6 LA	Marcee Sarracino
U-8 WR	Lorraine Vasilik
U-8 LA	Ann Thomas/Sandy Lucero
U-10C	Allen Baca
U-10G	Kathy Ankeny
U-12C&G	Dee Dee McInroy
U-14C&G	Kathy Vigil (Jaramillo)
U-19C	Karl Braithwaite

And to all of our coaches – thank you for spending so many hours teaching our children, going to ref and coaching clinics, freezing at games and practices, taking time away from your own jobs and families, and for your patience with the players (and their parents)! We sure hope you return in the fall.

U-6 LA coaches

Scott Havemann
Don Branch
Mike Delano
Gary Grider
Steve Capelli
James Robison

U-6 WR coaches

Carl Schepens
Rich Graham
Allen Baca
Gary Cort
Stephanie Archuleta
Shona Neff

U-8 LA coaches

Mike Richins
Don Siebe
Elgin Fellers
Mark Pickrell
Rod Linn
Herbert Funsten
Cindy Lawton
Dave Zerkle
Mitch Sukalski
John Courtright
Ben Neal
Richard Castro
Eric McNamara
Tom Locke
Brian Dyer
Karl Hjelvik
Pete Prince

U-8 WR coaches

Rick Hemphill
Doug Kautz
Larry Goen
David Reagor
Steve Schreiber
Doug Anson
Shirish Chitanvis
Paul Black
Joel Kress
Mary Erwin
Tracy Lattin
Tom Stockton

Scott Havemann

U-10 Coed

Stuart Baker
John Erikson
Steve Birdsell
Dave Jones
Bruce Norman
Stan Prueitt
Mike Altherr
Bob Ecke
Kemal Pasamehmetoglu
Roland Schulze

U-10 Girls

Scott Phillips
Jon Schoonover
Alicia Blumenthal
Jim Pecos
Ginger Rundberg
Raymond Chavez

U-12 Coed

Paul Argo
John Marble
Geoff Mills
Tom Steward
Rich Graham

U-12 Girls

Steve Costigan
Greg Woodfin
Bob Brewer
Rob Hermes
Roger Stutz

U-14 Coed

Douglas Devore
Chuck Farrar
Tom Roelfs

U-14 Girls

Eric Ferm
John Courtright
Jim Sprinkle
Dale Tuggle

U-16/19 Coed

Karl Braithwaite
Jim Soukup
John Huang

Thank you all again and we sure hope to see you again in the fall!

LAYSL WEB SITE

Visit our web site for much more information about our League activities:

<http://www.roadrunner.com/~laysl/>

Send us e-mail with your input and with suggestions for additional material you would find useful on our web site at:

laysl@newmexico.com

Visit the State soccer website (NMYSA) at:

<http://www.nmysa.com/>

If there is additional information you'd like to see on the State web site, please also write to LAYSL (above), as we are working with the State to add additional content to their site of interest to all member Leagues in the State.



⚽ Fall '98 Ref Training/Certification

Steve Shaw

The fall '99 ref clinics are tentatively scheduled for 11-13 Aug. These clinics provide valuable training for coaches and parents as well as referees. Training consists of 3 evening classes. The first focuses on basic rules and the special need of beginning coaches and younger players. The local rules for small-sided U-8 games are also covered. The second is devoted to the role of the assistant referee (formerly linesman) and the offside law. The third covers advanced rules and concepts and is for referees above the U-8 level. There will also be a weekend field session, particularly for new referees and assistant referees, which provides "hands-on" practice of classroom concepts.

Each U-8 team should send two parents to the first evening, since we aren't able to supply certified referees for all U-8 games. Teams above U-8 are required to provide trained assistant referees and each team should send two parents to the second evening. New referees and those preparing to re-certify should plan on attending all three sessions. All current (and future) referees who wish to referee in 2000 should attend the clinics and take the certification exam this fall.

We are very much in need of new referee volunteers. We were able to certify a number of new High School aged student referees this spring, but most will have limited availability in the fall due to commitments to their school teams. In the spring we were able to cover most games above U-8 and about 60% of the U-8 games. Without some new referees in the fall, however, I fear we may not do as well. We encourage students as well as adults to become referees. Note that students must be at least in the 6th grade, or at least 11 years old. Student referees are paid for the games they referee. If you have any questions about referee issues, please contact Steve Shaw at 662-

⚽ SUMMER CAMPS

Many soccer camps all over the West are now listed at <http://www.gotsoccer.com/camps/>.

Also, LAYS� is hosting the UK camps 2-6 Aug (competitive players) and 9-13 Aug (rec players). For more info, contact Debbie Smith (672-1793).

Graham Ramsay is offering a tactics workshop for coaches 7-8 Aug and two camps for high school players 9-13 Aug, all in Santa Fe. For more info, contact Joyce Levine (984-2891 or 660-0221).

⚽ LAYS� CALENDAR

(visit our web site for more details!)

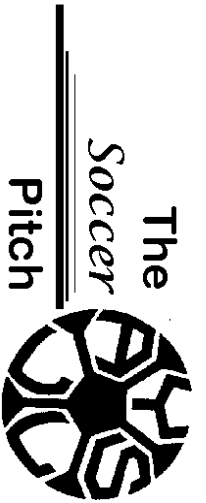
11 May	'99-'00 registration OPENS
14-15 May	FINAL weekend of Spring '99 recreational matches
15-16 May	State Cup semis and final rounds, ABQ
15-16 May	American Cup Tournament, ABQ
17-28 May	'99-'00 Advanced Teams tryouts
24 May	Regular Board meeting (*)
28-31 May	Four Corners Memorial Day Tournament
5 Jun	Southwest Zia Cup, ABQ
15 Jun	'99-'00 Competitive team registration DEADLINE
28 Jun	Regular Board meeting (*)
5 Jul	'99-'00 registration CLOSES
25 Jul	'99-'00 late registration DEADLINE (space available)
26 Jul	Regular Board meeting (*)
28 Jul	Age Group Coordinators' meeting
17 Aug	Rec coaches meeting & Fall draft
23 Aug	Regular Board meeting (*)
30 Aug	'99-'00 Fall practices may begin
10-11 Sep	FIRST weekend of Fall '99 recreational matches
27 Sep	Regular Board meeting (*)
15-16 Oct	FINAL weekend of Fall '99 recreational matches
25 Oct	Regular Board meeting (*)

(*) = see web site for details of place and time

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