

Strikers Network News

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Letter from the President

Training Facility

Pat Feulner, President

As I have traveled around the country with several of our teams, I have watched hundreds if not thousands of clubs play this wonderful game. I have watched both boys and girls play from U-11 through U-19. I have also received feedback from other clubs parents and coaches about our teams. I continue to notice the difference in skill level between our players and others. This is not to say other kids are not learning the game or are not very good athletes but I have yet to see a team with the overall skill level our players have.

This is one of the main reasons we are very excited about the upcoming spring season. I believe the changes we have made, especially in our younger ages with the hiring of Kevin Ward to head our developmental divisions and Bernie Kehoe starting weekly technical training, will escalate our skill training to a whole new level. It will allow our younger coaches to learn from two of the best skills trainers I've ever seen. The new format will alleviate

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Go to our website regularly for timely updates on all Striker news!

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Aurelio's Pizza and Strikers FVSC

"Super Bowl Special"

***Strikers will receive a percentage of total sales on Take out, Delivery or Take and Bake pizzas.**



Since 1959

February 7th - Super Bowl Sunday
Aurelio's Pizza - 17 North Fourth Street,
Geneva location only - 630-262-8440
Hours: 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Mention this coupon when ordering
Not valid with any other offers or coupons

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unnneeded pressures that are put on our new coaches and allow them to focus on what is important – developing as a coach.

Jim Winslow, Greg Fink and Matt Polovin will oversee the U-13 to senior division. They will be working with all of our coaches to continue continuity in our philosophies and training approach.

As the club grows, our financial obligations also grow. To keep a better handle on our finances we will be implementing a new policy whereby all Striker business will now be handled by our new office manager, Gina King. Starting next season, we will have one set fee per player and all payments will be made directly to the club. We will still offer a payment plan to hopefully make it a little easier for everyone who needs help.

As I start my 16th year as club president, I still enjoy picking up any High School program and see name after name of players who learned to play this game as Strikers. Also I see, more than ever, many of them getting an opportunity to continue to play in college. I want to thank everyone who cares enough about the kids to create an experience they will always remember.

Lastly, I'd like to take a moment to thank both Jim and Laura Lagger for all of the work that they did for the 5 years they served the board. Please thank them when you see them.



Senior Division News

The senior division of the Strikers consists of all players over the age of 14. Over the past years we have been a club made up of players primarily from the Fox Valley. As our club continues to grow, so has the range from where we are drawing kids from.

This year we have 16 teams for both the boys and girls. The boys have three U-15 teams coached by Bill and Jay Andrews, two U-16 teams coached by Matt Polovin and Jimmy Romano, two U-17 teams coached by Mike Magner and Amir St. Clair, and two U-18 teams coached by Greg Fink and Amir St. Clair. As a club our intentions are:

1. To enter the teams at the highest level of competition possible.
2. To enter the teams in National tournaments.
3. To promote International play.
4. To develop a Player Profile Guide on every player noting their background in soccer, academic achievement, and personal information.
5. To promote college contacts and distribute scholarship information.

Visit our web site at:

www.strikersfoxvalley.com

Technical Training

Bernie is scheduling time with each of the coaches in addition to his Saturday schedule which is all posted on the SFV website under the Training tab.

Complimentary Injury Evaluation Clinic
Date: Feb 27, 2009
Time: 11:00 am-12:30pm
Registration: Sign Up Sheet Located on
Front Counter (Parent Permission Required)

Evaluation of Chronic or Acute Sports Injuries

- Sports injury clinic for Strikers Athletes
(Wear comfortable clothing, i.e. shorts and t-shirt)
- Parent Permission required
- Please indicate interest by signing up at facility or emailing Barb at barb.andrews@atipt.com
- Evaluations will be provided by Licensed Physical Therapist and Athletic Trainer
 - 10-15 minute evaluations
 - Written documentation of findings will be provided

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Come try Oberweis products!
Saturday February 27 from 8:30am - 12:30pm
Enjoy our products at home!
Free cooler when you sign up for home delivery.

Uniform and Spiritwear

Uniforms

Strikers FVSC has signed a contract agreement with Soccer 2000 for all of our uniforms and equipment through 2013. Soccer 2000 is located at 136 Ogden Ave., in Downers Grove. If you are in need of any soccer gear, please stop by their store. If you have any uniform issues, email or stop by and see Gina in the office.

Strikers Spirit Wear

SFV Spirit Wear **orders are due by 2/7** – to be received on 2/20. Go to strikersfoxvalley.com, click Spiritwear and follow promoshop link to vendor to place your order. You can chose to have your order directly delivered to your home or come to the monthly pick up date.

Congratulations to our College-Bound Player-Athletes!

Letters of Intent

The following players have signed a letter of intent to play soccer next fall in college or are still in the process of deciding.

Zoie Samaan - Illinois Wesleyan University
Lauren Steimle - Washington University
Maggie Hoscheit – Augustana College
Sarah Tennant - Loras or Carroll College
Madeline Tennant - Loras or Aurora University
Liz Drennan – Calvin College
Maryl Behm – University of Kansas
Paige Dusek – Drake University
Sammi Hill - Northern Illinois University
Elena Mudrak - Eastern Michigan University
Alyssa Peterson - Ball State University
Maggie Hamilton - Ball State University
Leah DeMoss – University of Iowa
Caley Kopp - Undecided
Abbey Schroeder - Undecided
Jaime Rust - Undecided

G.O.A.L.S. Receives Grant

Congratulations to Kim Pedersen and the Striker Players who have been awarded the City of St. Charles Challenge Grant. The group is being presented a grant on Feb. 1st, for their project “Create School Supply Kits for the Children of Riverwoods Christian Center in St. Charles.” This core group of players regularly volunteers in the community. Thank you to Kim Pedersen who coordinates monthly opportunities for the Boys and Girls Senior Division players!

Need service hours for school, want to reach out to others as a team? Anyone in the Senior Division players interested in receiving information about upcoming events, contact Kim Pedersen at: goalsgirls@gmail.com. U8-U14 contact ginaking27@sbcglobal.com.

STATE CUP REGISTRATION

IWSL US Club Soccer State Cup

Registration for the Illinois State Cup is now open ---
Deadline to apply is February 26th.

<http://www.illinoisyouthsoccer.org/Events/statecup.htm>

Registration Fee is:

u12 - \$75
u13 - u19 - \$175

Other Fees

u12 (9v9)
Parking - \$50 (per weekend / per team)
Referee fees - \$40 (per team / per game)
Advance fee - \$100 (paid if you make the round of 16)

u13 - u19
Parking - \$60 (per weekend / per team)
Referee fees - \$75 (per team / per game)
Advance fee - \$30 (per win)

Girls Division Coaches -- please let Dave K. know if
you plan on your team(s) taking part in State Cup.
Teams can register online -- either the coach or parent
rep. can register.

NISL US Club Soccer State Cup

Registration for the NISL US Club State Cup is
now open -- Deadline to apply is February 21st.
Please register online. Submit a team
tournament check request form to the Strikers
Office.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS
CAN BE FOUND AT:

WWW.STRIKERSFOXVALLEY.COM

NOTABLE DATES:

IWSL SPRING REGISTRATION DEADLINE - FEB. 1ST

IWSL SPRING SEATING MEETING - FEB. 20TH

SPRING RANKING AND DIVISION MEETINGS - FEB.
21ST

ALL BOYS TEAMS, CHECK NISL WEBSITE FOR TIMES

SPRING SCHEDULE MEETINGS - MARCH 14TH
ALL BOYS TEAMS, CHECK NISL WEBSITE FOR TIMES

2010 SENIOR GIRLS TRYOUTS - MAY 16TH & 23RD

Manchester United Camp - June 21st - 24th



BLOW YOUR HORN

- Send team news, photos to Robin Munoz via email for submission to newspapers
- Send info to Brian Hoeg for website – Must be approved