



The Corner Kick

Club News

We are well underway with all of our soccer programs for the winter of 2009/2010. Travel soccer has begun practicing indoors, and we have begun our U8 academy and micro soccer programs as well.

This is going to be a big year for Kenton soccer. We have a few new events that we will be running this year including a 4v4 tournament, golf tournament, and an end of year carnival for all of our families in the club.

We are looking forward to an exciting 2010 season.



Travel Soccer

Travel soccer is well underway with most of our teams now training indoors. Some of our teams are also playing indoor soccer at Sportsplex or Epic Center.

Again, we have grown quite a bit this year. We have added three new under 10 teams and have added almost 40 new travel players to our club.

U8 Academy

This is a new program that we are offering this year. We currently have 25 players that have been training hard on Monday's and Thursday for the last two months. This group of players will continue to train and play occasional games for the rest of the winter, spring, and summer.

If you are interested in joining this team we do have room for a couple more players.

Micro Soccer

Our micro soccer program is for players between the ages of 4 and 8 years of age. Coaches place a strong emphasis on not only the development of soccer skills, but also the development of each player from a cognitive, social, and psychomotor standpoint.

Our first winter session just ended before the winter break. Our winter "B" session is currently underway. Our winter "C" session begins on Monday, March 1st. All sessions are held at Hoover Middle School

Come join the fun!!

U10, U11, U12 Academy

This is a training program for all players that play on a U10, U11, or U12 team. The program runs on Thursday's at 7:30pm. Our next session begins January 7th. For more information or to register please go to our website.

Future of KenTon Soccer

As our club continues to grow so do the future plans of this great community organization.

Over the last couple of years we have added and will continue to add programs for every soccer player in the community. We need to run these fundraisers in order to keep our fees low and to provide the community and club members with outstanding programming.

We are now in the middle of planning two events for this coming year that will help us raise the money to achieve our long term goals. These events will not only help support us financially, but will be great events that all of our members can benefit from.

1. **4v4 Soccer Tournament** - This is a unique tournament that will be held at Kenney Field, and will attract teams from the Buffalo and Rochester areas. There is not a tournament of this type anywhere in NYSW.
2. **Carnival/Club Social** - This event will take the place of the old Club Social/Silent Auction. The main difference with this event is that there will be carnival games and attractions for all of the kids to take part in.

These events will be a large undertaking and I hope we can count on your support.

Some of our long term goals are:

1. To hire a full time Director of Coaching, who will provide outstanding programming and guidance for our coaches and players.
2. Develop an indoor facility for our teams to train and play in during the winter months.

For more information on our long term goals and fundraising efforts please go to our [website](#) or contact [Dave Kreger](#) at 830-5712.

Sponsors

Kenton soccer association is actively looking for businesses to sponsor our organization. We have several high profile events that will not only benefit you, as a business, but also our soccer association. For more information on our fundraising program click [here](#).

Upcoming Events

- January 22nd – “E” Coaching Course Batavia, NY
- March 1st – Winter “C” Micro Begins
- March 1st – Spring Recreational League Registration Begins
- March 12th – Spring Recreational League Registration Ends
- March 21st – Referee Course
- April 24th – Spring Recreational League Begins

Contact

If you have any questions or have any suggestions that would make our club better please contact Dave Kreger at 830-5712, dmkreger@roadrunner.com, or stop by our website at www.kentonsoccer.com.





Just For Kids

Check out this cool online [video](#) to learn a couple of moves to beat an opponent:

Can you do this?

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PUGh2NA-qUw>

From the D.O.C...



Since our last newsletter I have been busy with our fall programs. This past fall we conducted, for the first time, a fall soccer academy for U10 to U12 players. We had about 40 boys and girls take advantage of this program. We also ran a fall micro soccer program in which we had about 35 players attend.

I began training with our U8 academy players in November along with our winter "A" micro program.

Now that January is here you will see me more at some of your practices, as I will be out working with our coaches and players.

Dave Kreger
Director of Coaching



Parent Patrol

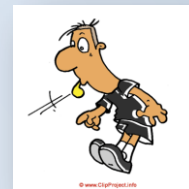
Does your son/daughter know how to honor their opponent?
Click [here](#) to learn more.

Before you Scream at the Ref.
Read this [article](#) if you want to learn more about how to relate to your ref.

Referee Round-Up



Want to be a Referee? Make extra money this summer. Look to this [website](#) for information on upcoming referee courses.



Coaches Corner

Role of Fitness in Youth Soccer

Soccer has four main components: **technique, tactics, fitness, and psychology** (competition). Depending on the age of your players, the competitive level of your team, and how often you train your team will depend on how much weight you will give to each one of these components. There is no right or wrong answer as to how much time you should dedicate to each component. [Read more...](#)