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Welcome New Coaches!



At last count, 140 new coaches were getting ready to join the ranks of head and assistant coaches coaching in the SJSL and/or SJGSL soccer leagues. The two leagues combined resources to offer a new Coaching Education course specific to the South Jersey leagues. The new Level 1 course satisfies the NJ Little League Law statutory requirements and includes a discussion of league specific rules and provides individual skills/technique instruction. The latter two topics were expressly requested by our membership.

The two leagues offered free courses during July and August and provided a choice of 4 locations and different dates for both the classroom and field components of the course. For those who missed out on the free courses, new dates will be posted shortly for a course offering in September and one in November. Other courses will be added depending on demand. Beginning with the September courses, the cost to attend the new course will be \$20, payable by check made out to "SJSL". The fee will be due at the time of the classroom session.



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Mandatory Coaches' Meeting!



Prior to the start of the Fall 2018 season, SJSL will hold a mandatory coaches' meeting for all teams playing in the boys' league.

The meeting for coaches coaching U8-U11 teams will be held on Tuesday, September 4, 2018, beginning at 8:00pm at the Hotel ML, 915 Rte. 73 in Mount Laurel, NJ.

The meeting for coaches coaching U12 and above teams will be held on Wednesday, September 5, 2018, also beginning at 8:00pm at the Hotel ML, 915 Rte. 73 in Mount Laurel, NJ.

All teams must be represented. Attendance is mandatory! The league will be going over changes for the Fall 2018 season and league specific rules and policies, as well as answering any questions regarding the new seasonal year.

Upcoming Member Club Tournaments:



Harrison SC Kickoff Classic Tournament, August 25/26, 2018

<http://sports.bluesombrero.com/Default.aspx?tabid=272815&mid=301745&newskeyid=HN1&newsid=40130564&ctl=newsdetail>

GPS Marlton Labor Day Classic, August 31–September 2, 2018

<https://www.marltonreccouncil.org/page/show/3221009-marlton-soccer-tournament>

Pittsgrove Labor Day Invitational Tournament, Saturday, September 1, 2018

<http://www.pittsgrovesoccer.com/Default.aspx?tabid=21803>

Upper Township SA – Endless Summer Soccer Tournament, Sunday, September 2, 2018

<https://www.globalpremiersoccer.net/gpsendlesssummer>

Cherry Hill Soccer Club Kick-or Treat Tournament. Saturday, October 20, 2018. Play in a team Halloween costume!

<http://www.cherryhillsoccer.com/Default.aspx?tabid=305134>

West Deptford Thanksgiving Tournament, November 23–25, 2018

<https://preview.gotsoccer.com/events.aspx?search=West+deptford&type=&state=&date=&age=&featured=>

US Club Passes

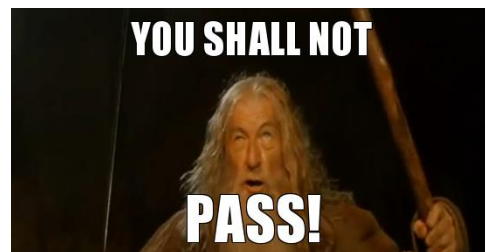


Just a reminder – SJSL is using the US Club Soccer carding platform for the 2018–2019 seasonal year. Only US Club passes will be accepted for SJSL league games.

Only passes that include the official SJSL logo on the back of the pass will be accepted for league games. Passes without the official logo will NOT be accepted for play. If the Game Day Roster includes the player or coach in question, but the pass does not include the SJSL logo, the coach or player in question will NOT be able to participate in that game.

If you have already printed out your coach and player passes and they do not include the SJSL logo, please contact your Club Rep and/or US Club prior to the start of the season. If you paid \$18 for a pass instead of \$15, you likely do not have the SJSL logo on your passes. Again, contact your Club Rep and/or US Club as soon as possible.

The league will not reschedule games because a team has failed to obtain the proper passes prior to the start of the season.



New Classes?



What would you like to see? Which classes or instruction are you interested in? This year, SJSL has already rolled out the new Level 1 class designed for new coaches and coaches who obtained their F license 10 or more years ago. We anticipate rolling out a Level 2 class next year, focusing on more practice-oriented instruction and coaching demos.

In the past, SJSL also arranged for Goal Keeper training for our member coaches, presented by former USWNT GK Jillian Loyden.

If you have any ideas for new classes or courses, please contact Bob Cooper at profcoop27@gmail.com.

New Website



SJSL's new website is powered by GotSoccer. To get a sneak peak, check out <http://sjsl.gotsport.com>. The website is up to date now and can be freely navigated. Once the website goes live, it will switch to the www.sjsl.org URL.

Parents' Meeting



A preseason parents' meeting is important for all teams, both new and established. It allows you an opportunity to outline the objectives and goals of your program. It enables the parents to become acquainted with you, the coach. It gives you an opportunity to remind your parents about the nature (inherent risks) of the sport. It gives you a chance to discuss your expectations of them (the parents) and of their child. It provides a forum for you to address any concerns of the parents. It also helps to establish clear lines of communication between you, the parents, and the players. Importantly, it also allows you to obtain parental support.

It is recommended that you hold a parents' meeting early in the season; preferably before the 1st game. Having the players present is optional. Sometimes it is helpful to prepare handouts outlining what you want to talk about, for example:

- Team roster (with names of parents and players, telephone numbers).
- Schedule of practice and games
- Player rotation and substitution
- Playing time
- Club rules
- Team goals/rules
- Summary or outline of the meeting
- Snack List

It is important to be prepared and organized to conduct the meeting efficiently. These meetings often help the season to run more smoothly.

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- Sept 4 Mandatory Coaches' Meeting U8-U11
- Sept 5 Mandatory Coaches' Meeting U12 & Up
- Sept 9 Fall Round 1 Games
- Oct 7 Columbus Day weekend
- Oct 25 SJSL GM meeting for Club Presidents 8:00pm Hotel ML
- Nov 18 Fall Round 10 Games
- Nov 25 Thanksgiving weekend
- Dec 2 Makeup games
- Dec 13 SJSL GM meeting 8:00pm Hotel ML



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