



MISSOURI YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION

January 2012 Newsletter



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The MYSA Monthly e-Newsletter is used to communicate soccer news, deadlines, and upcoming events. To submit any news or announcements for future newsletters, please contact the MYSA Executive Director, Jake Griesenauer at jake@mysa.org. If you are receiving this email, you or your child is a registered member of Missouri Youth Soccer.

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Message from the President

Each month, we will include in the monthly newsletter a message from the MYSA President. Click below for this month's message from MYSA President, Kelly Ross:

[January 2012 Message](#)



2012 Annual General Meeting Recap

The 2012 MYSA Annual General Meeting in Kansas City was a great success. In all, we had 90 coaches attend the NSCAA Convention as part of the special offer we worked out with the NSCAA. The initial responses were that the classes were very productive and that it was great to see the hundreds of exhibitors at the Convention. I hope that a number of coaches will look to attend next year's NSCAA Coaches Convention to be held in Indianapolis, IN.

It was great to see so many coaches and club administrators attend this year's meeting. I look forward to seeing even more members next year when the Annual General Meeting shifts to Columbia, MO in March 2013.

Additionally, it was a great pleasure to see the 2012 AGM Awards winners attending the meeting.



From left to right: Dalton Burge (Young Male Referee of the Year), Mary Anne Denny (Volunteer of the Year), Annika Herbert (Save of the Year), Law Duncan (Goal of the Year), Mollie Cusumano (Recreational Girls Coach of the Year), Abby Bailey (Young Female Referee of the Year), Rick Luetkemeyer (Competitive Boys Coach of the Year), and Warren Dey (Competitive Girls Coach of the Year).

Going forward from the meeting, we have a lot of work ahead of us as an organization. Some major items that will be discussed at length over the coming months will include:

- Potential Implementation of a Club Pass System
 - Accompanying Player Transfer Policy
- State Cup and Presidents Cup
- The development and growth of the ODP Program

I look forward to positive discussions throughout the state and hope that all MYSA members can provide their feedback moving forward. We're constantly looking to improve our organization, but cannot do so without your help!

Lastly, MYSA also held elections for three new executive committee positions. First, Chris Martinez was elected as our new Vice-President. Warren Brown was re-elected as Treasurer. Finally, Mike Hays was elected as the new MYSA Registrar. I look forward to working with

Chris, Warren, and Mike in the coming years as we continue pushing the organization forward. I'd also like to thank our outgoing board members (Jim Overmann and Vince Gentile) for this work and dedication to the organization for the past years.

New Partnership with SSM Physical Therapy & Select Physical Therapy

I'm pleased to announce a new state-wide partnership with SSM Physical Therapy & Select Physical Therapy, in which MYSA will look to greatly enhance the sports-health education of our members. As the "Official Rehabilitation Provider of the Missouri Youth Soccer Association", SSM Physical Therapy & Select Physical Therapy will provide their sports health expertise through a monthly education article and MYSA coaching classes throughout the state.

Each monthly education article will be aimed at a different type of injury or injury prevention typically found in youth soccer. We're looking to get feedback on what topics you'd like to see each month. To help us, click here by taking a 3 minute survey:

[Help Choose Sports-Health Education Topics](#)

Click Here for January's article on "[Injury Prevention for Knees](#)"



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Concussions Information

In addition to our newly-formed partnership with SSM Physical Therapy & Select Physical Therapy, MYSA has recently built a site with www.mysa.org devoted specifically to Concussions Education. Please take some time out to educate yourselves on the potential risks of concussions in youth sports:

- Concussions Resources from the CDC (Center for Disease Control)
 - [General Information on Concussions](#)
 - [General Information on Concussions in Sports](#)

- US Youth Soccer information and materials: [Concussions Education / Training](#)
- Missouri Bill Regarding Concussions: "[Interscholastic Youth Sports Brain Injury Prevention Act](#)"

Coaching Classes Now Being Scheduled for Spring 2012

Coaching education courses are now being scheduled for spring 2012. Please keep checking the coaching section of the MYSA website for all of the latest scheduled classes!

<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Type of Class</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>To Apply</u>
February 21st, 2012	F License	6:00pm – 9:00pm	\$40.00	St. Peters City Hall - St. Peters, MO	Click Here
March 3rd - 4th, 10th - 11th, 2012	D License	8:00am - 4:00pm	\$200.00	William Woods University - Fulton, MO	Click Here
March 6th, 2012	F License	6:00pm - 9:00pm	\$40.00	Sports City - Blue Springs, MO	Click Here
March 7th, 2012	F License	6:00pm - 9:00pm	\$40.00	Lake Country Soccer - Springfield, MO	Click Here
August 23rd, 2012	F License	6:00pm – 9:00pm	\$40.00	St. Peters City Hall - St. Peters, Mo	Click Here

Remember, each MYSA member can host a free "F" License course once a year. To request a coaching license course, please contact the MYSA Director of Coaching, Denny Vaninger, at statecoach@mysa.org or at 314-409-0300.

New Dates for the Spring Presidents Cup

The 2011/2012 Spring Presidents Cup is fast approaching! This spring's event (U12 - U13 Girls and U12 - U17 Boys) will be held **March 30th - April 1st, 2012 at the Raytown Soccer Complex in Raytown, MO**. If there are more than 10 teams in a particular age group, the knockout rounds (semis & finals) will be played at a later date and time that is convenient for the participating teams.

The Missouri Presidents Cup is the first leg of the US Youth Presidents Cup Series. While the spring event is available for any competitive U12 - U17 boys & U12 - U13 girls teams, only the U13 - U17 champions from Missouri will advance to the Regional Presidents Cup.

The 2011 / 2012 Missouri Presidents Cup will be a round-robin format, in which each team will be able to play in up to three (3) pool play games, depending on the number of applicants. Please click below if your team wishes to apply:



Team Application Link: [CLICK HERE](#)

Presidents Cup Rules: [2011/2012 Rules](#)

Important dates

Application Deadline: **Friday, March 16th, 2012**

Draw: Monday, March 19th, 2012 at the MYSA Office

Team Check-In: Friday, March 30th at the Raytown Soccer Complex or 1 hour before your first game.

For more information on this spring's Presidents Cup, click here: [PRESIDENTS CUP](#)

State Cup Application Now Available

The application for the 2012 Missouri State Cup is now available! The 2012 Missouri State Cup will be held June 9th, 2012 - June 13th, 2012 at the Lake Country Soccer Complex in Springfield, MO. This year's event will be a modified round-robin format and available to competitive teams in the U13 - U19 age groups.

State Cup Rules: [CLICK HERE](#)*

**There are changes to this year's playing format. Play-in games will be instituted for age groups depending on the number of teams that sign up for that age group. Please see the State Cup rules for more details.*



State Cup Team Application: [CLICK HERE](#)

Housing Information: [Springfield CVB](#)

IMPORTANT DATES	
Application Deadline	Friday, March 30th, 2012 at 4:00pm
State Cup Draw	To Be Determined
Roster Freeze Date	Tuesday, May 29th, 2012*
Team Check-In	Friday, June 8th, 2012**

* Teams participating in 'play-in' games will have to submit their roster 24 hours prior to their first 'play-in' game.

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Winners from the 2012 Missouri State Cup will travel to the Region 2 Championships, held June 22-27, 2012 in Saginaw, Michigan. Winners from Region 2 will then advance to the National Championships, which will be held July 24-28, 2012 in Rock Hills, South Carolina.

We look forward to seeing you all in Springfield!

US Soccer to host Olympic Qualifying Semis and Finals in Kansas City

The 2012 Olympic Qualifying semis and finals will be taking place this spring at LIVESTRONG Sporting Park in Kansas City, KS. These games will determine who represents the CONCACAF Federation this summer at the 2012 Summer Olympics in London. This opportunity represents yet another chance for members of Missouri Youth Soccer to see world-class soccer right in your own backyard. Here is the current schedule:

CONCACAF Olympic Qualifying Semifinal Doubleheader

Saturday, March 31, 5:00PM and 8:00PM

- Semifinal 1 ([Group B](#) Winner vs. [Group A](#) Runner-Up*) at 5:00PM
 - Semifinal 2 ([Group A](#) Winner vs. [Group B](#) Runner-Up*) at 8:00PM
- Semifinal round winners advance to the 2012 London Olympic Games.



*Note: Should USA finish as Group A runner-up, matches will exchange start times.

CONCACAF Olympic Qualifying Championship Game

Monday, April 2, 7:00PM

Teams in Championship Game advance to the 2012 London Olympic Games.

Group matches will be played in Nashville, Tennessee and Carson, California beginning March 22nd through March 27th. In Group A, the United States is paired with El Salvador, Canada,

and Cuba. In Group B, Mexico, Honduras, Panama, and Trinidad & Tobago will fight for a chance to represent their country at the 2012 Summer Olympics.

Series Tickets, which consist of a ticket for each event scheduled at LIVESTRONG Sporting Park are available now through Ticketmaster. Click here to purchase online today!: [Olympic Qualifying](#)

Message from the Executive Director, Jake Griesenauer

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[Upcoming Tournaments](#)

Below is a list of all the currently sanctioned MYSA tournaments, with each of their dates, location, and host organization. For more information on a specific tournament, please click on the tournament name below.

Date	Tournament	Host Organization	Location
2012 Tournaments			
February 2012			
2/17 - 2/19	Southwest Missouri Showcase 2012	Lake Country Soccer	Springfield
March 2012			
3/30 - 4/1	2012 Missouri Presidents Cup (Spring)	MYSA	Raytown
April 2012			

4/13 - 4/15	City of Roses Spring Invitational	Southeast MO SC	Cape Girardeau
4/13 - 4/15	2012 Kansas City Cup	Raytown SC	Raytown
4/20 - 4/22	Ozarks Coca-Cola / Dr. Pepper Cup	Lake Country Soccer	Springfield
4/20 - 4/22	16th Annual Capital Shootout	Capital SC	Jefferson City
4/27 - 4/29	Lou Fusz Midwest Cup	Lou Fusz SC	St. Charles
May 2012			
5/5 - 5/6	16th Annual Tony Glavin Soccer Classic	Tony Glavin SC	Cottleville
5/5 - 5/6	Champions Challenge	Lake Country Soccer	Springfield
5/11 - 5/13	Avalon F.C. Mother's Day Classic	Avalon FC	St. Charles / Maryland Heights
5/17 - 5/20	Metro Strikers Premier Cup	Metro Strikers SC	Maryland Heights
5/26 - 5/28	J. B. Marine Soccer Memorial Day Cup	J. B. Marine SC	O'Fallon
June 2012			
6/1 - 6/3	SALSA Soccer	Summit SC	Lee's Summit
6/2 - 6/3	Route 66 Kicks for the Cure Tournament	Webb City SC	Joplin
6/9 - 6/13	2012 Missouri State Cup	Missouri Youth Soccer Association	Springfield
September			

2012			
9/14 - 9/16	<u>19th Annual Tournament in the Woods</u>	Raytown SC	Raytown
November 2012			
11/3 - 11/4	<u>Autumn Bash</u>	Raytown SC	Raytown

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