

The Goal Post

October 5, 2006



Let the Soccer Begin!

Our Fall soccer seasons began for all programs last month as teams from our Recreational, Travel and Adult soccer programs began practicing, got organized and kicked off their seasons with a whole lot of great soccer!

We've had some good weather so far, with only one Rec session canceled due to rain, and the soccer has been terrific!

Do you like to take pictures? We'd love to see them! Please e-mail either your shots or a link to an online album to goalpost@wwpsa.org and they just might get published in a future issue! You can also [click here](#) to check out our new online Rec Soccer Photo Album! We've also created an online [Lost & Found](#) page to help you find what you lost or report what you found. Check it out!

Photo Day is Coming!

WWPSA's annual Photo Day will be held on Saturday, October 14th, 2006, at the Millstone River School on Grover's Mill Road in Plainsboro. You should have received your assigned time from your coach, so please contact them if you aren't sure. Remember, everyone receives a free team picture, courtesy of the WWPSA! As always, you may also order individual photos of your child with a variety of printing options, so be sure to place your order and remember to include your check in the envelope provided.

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Can't Get Enough Soccer?

The WWPSA was pleased to present our 4th consecutive year of offering summer pickup games to children in grades K-8. Games were held at Sarnoff fields on Washington Road every Thursday from June 22nd through August 24th. All WWPSA Kindergarteners through 8th graders played free-of-charge.

Have Questions? Try our FAQ Page

Our [Frequently Asked Questions \("FAQ"\) page](#) is constantly updated based on the questions you ask most frequently. You can find answers to common questions such as "Where do I mail my check?" or "What is the non-volunteer fee?" or "How can I contact various members of WWPSA leadership?" We've compiled a list of answers to these questions and more so please check it out; we think you'll find it helpful!

Lose Something?

We've created an online "Lost & Found" to help over 1,600 Rec soccer players reunite with their lost clothing and equipment. [Click here](#) to see what we've found or report something lost. We hope you find what you're looking for!

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Also, we're debuting our new WWPSA-logo merchandise, available for purchase while you wait. We're offering blankets to warm you on the sidelines, umbrellas to keep you dry and car magnets to show your WWPSA pride! We're helping everyone show their WWPSA spirit by giving away one WWPSA car magnet **free** to each family with at least one registered player. Be sure to stop by the merchandise table and pick up yours! You can also purchase other magnets for any other vehicles!

WWCP # 1 Sees First Action!

Planning began in March, renovations began in June and after much anticipation, the inaugural game was played last week on the newly renovated "game-only" field at West Windsor Community Park. The game featured the WWP Pirates U-12 Boys and LSTS Roma in an exciting match. First half play was equal, but LSTS took a 4-1 lead. However, WWP Pirates took charge in the second half and fought back to tie the game in the final minute. The game concluded in a 6-6 draw. WWP Pirates Coach Ken Sandgren crowed that the field was "great" and looks forward to opportunities to use the field again in the near future. Renovations included:

- Removal of the old surface and goals
- Regrading
- Installation of high quality athletic sod
- Installation of Pro Premier® European Match Goals on wheels.

During the fall, all NJYS National Championship / State Cup games, as well as some youth recreational league games and youth travel league games will be played on the new field. Thanks to all those to stayed off while it was growing in!

Become More Involved; Become a Coach

Looking for a way to spend fun, valuable time with your kids? How about becoming a WWPSA Coach? We need over **300** head and assistant coaches each year, so please step up and serve as a role model for our kids.

Little to no soccer experience? That's ok! We have training clinics designed specifically to help you build and develop your coaching skills to feel more comfortable planning practices and instilling skills in your players. We offer these clinics at several times throughout the year, so stay tuned for more details.

www.wwpsa.org

Useful Resources

Weather / Game Info:
<http://www.wwpsa.org/home/127907.html>

Field Maps:
www.wwpsa.org/facilities/index_e.htm

Fundraising Event for Family of Lt. Keith Hillman

RoadDawg5K is organizing a 5K run and walk on Sunday, October 15th at West Windsor Community Park. RoadDawg5k is an organization devoted to helping the family of fallen West Windsor Police Lieutenant Keith Hillman, who recently lost a valiant battle against acute Leukemia. Lt. Hillman was a 20-year veteran of the West Windsor Police Department and a resident of the Township for which he cared deeply.

Lt. Hillman was a loving husband and the father of three young daughters. While we will all miss Keith forever, it is our hope that this organization will be able to honor Keith in a manner befitting a man who devoted his life to his family, to public service, and to West Windsor Township.

For more information about the event, [click here](#) to visit the RoadDawg5k website.

WWP Travel Teams Advance In State Cup

Six WWP Travel teams advanced in the NJYS National Championship and State Cup Tournament for U-11 to U-14 Girls and Boys. The next games are scheduled for October 14 as our teams advance to Rounds 2 and 3; be sure to cheer them on!

- U-14 Girls - WWP Wild
- U-14 Girls - WWP Jersey Girls
- U-14 Boys - WWP Galaxy
- U-13 Girls - WWP Challenge
- U-11 Girls - WWP Kickers
- U-11 Boys - WWP Warriors

Fall Programs Continue: What's Going On?

Our Recreational Soccer league has been inundated with a record number of registrations as we continue to receive requests to play. Four leagues have been closed to new registrants.

Our Travel Soccer program is hoping that our entrants into the NJ State Cup tournament continue their march towards the Cup.

Our Adult Soccer program began accepting registrations for the Adult Competitive League at Mercer County Park.

Our Facilities leadership is now preparing for our next project to repair WWCP Field # 2 and S. Post Road field at Conover Park under the authority of the Facilities Plan.

The Fundraising Committee is scheduling next steps with Graham Pelton to begin executing a Fundraising Campaign to raise funds required to execute proposed facilities improvements detailed in the Facilities Plan.

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What WWPSA is all About

As our army of volunteers cooperates to achieve our common goal of organizing top-quality soccer programs and activities for our constituents, we need to always remember that the spirit of cooperation, teamwork, sportsmanship and fun must permeate everything we do. Let's keep it safe, supportive and energetic to keep the kids enthusiastic about playing and learning soccer.

Thanks to all of our volunteers, from those coaches on the field to the organizers behind their computer screens to the Board in their meetings: we couldn't do it without you!

Interested in Attending a Philadelphia KIXX Game?

The Philadelphia KIXX Men's Indoor Soccer team are offering \$15 tickets to a KIXX game, accompanied by 90 minutes of time on the indoor field at the Wachovia Spectrum for no additional charge! Are you interested? Please [e-mail](#) our Community Relations Coordinator so that we can gauge interest and then schedule a day to make it work.

What's Going On? (continued from page 4)

The Director of Merchandise will be offering merchandise with our newly released logo for sale at Photo Day on October 14th at the Millstone River School.

Our Director of Equipment has furiously prepared equipment and uniform bags for each Recreational Soccer team this fall, and has relied heavily on volunteers to help. We hope you like the new uniforms with the WWPSA logo!

Our Webmasters are becoming more and more comfortable with our new systems and are currently working hard to set up the Travel teams with their own profile pages; hot stuff!

Our KidSafe program has screened all of our volunteer coaches, paid trainers, Board of Directors and Travel and Rec program leadership using our new background check service with glowing results.

WWPSA is Growing and Needs Your Help!

By offering year-round programs and activities that meet the diverse needs of our families, WWPSA is growing quickly and needs to fill several volunteer positions so that we can continue our mission of providing safe, fun soccer activities for our area residents. Won't you please help? The time commitment is less than you think, but the results can make all the difference in the world! Please e-mail volunteer@wwpsa.org with the position that interests you.

Insurance Coordinator

The Insurance Coordinator will proactively work with the various program directors to ensure that our current insurance coverage meets our needs and will help develop consistent guidance for our association to follow regarding permitted programs and activities. Insurance industry experience preferred.



Sponsorship Coordinator

The Sponsorship Coordinator is responsible for acquiring and communicating with WWPSA sponsors and will work closely with our Fundraising Committee Chairperson as we move forward with our Fundraising Campaign later this year. This person also communicates with the Directors of Recreational and Travel soccer to determine the needs of each program and also works with the Director of Equipment to have the uniforms printed with sponsors' names or logos. This position is sorely needed, particularly during this time of year, so please let us know if you're interested.



Fundraising Volunteers

WWPSA is about to embark on an unprecedented fundraising campaign and needs to gather volunteers to help make calls, draft marketing materials, gather information, conduct research, etc.



Useful Links

[WWPSA Home Page](#)
[Recreational home](#)
[Travel home](#)
[Adult home](#)
[Sunburst Tournament](#)
[Training home](#)
[Referees home](#)
[Directions and Facilities](#)
[The Goal Post](#)
[Club Policies](#)
[Rec Lost and Found](#) **New!**
[Rec Photos](#) **New!**

Contact Information

Please use the appropriate method to contact us for the fastest response:

E-mail

Rec: rec@wwpsa.org
 Travel: travel@wwpsa.org
 Adult:
adultsoccer@wwpsa.org
 Sunburst:
sunburst@wwpsa.org
 Training:
training@wwpsa.org
 Registration:
registrar@wwpsa.org
 Photos:
photos@wwpsa.org
 Merchandise:
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 Equipment:
equipment@wwpsa.org
 Facilities:
facilities@wwpsa.org
 Fundraising:
fundraising@wwpsa.org
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Phone: (888) 267-8988

Mail: P.O. Box 757

Princeton Junction,
NJ 08550

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Coaching Clinics Coordinator

The role of Director of Development is being split into three separate roles to better serve the needs of our coaches and players. This position will work with the Directors of Recreational and Travel Soccer to determine the needs of their coaches and ensure that we provide our coaches of all skill and experience levels with the guidance they require to effectively teach the game of soccer to our kids.

Website Tips

Did you know that you can update your household information yourself? Did you know that you can make secure payments online, even if you chose to originally pay by check? Our new registration system offers you two self-service tools that you can use to save time and energy.

Login to <https://ssl.demosphere.com/wwpsa> and choose either the third or fourth options to either update your household information or make a payment towards an outstanding balance, respectively. This will save you the trouble of e-mailing us and will allow us to keep focused on the stuff that's really important!

Chairman's Corner

I'm very proud of the work that the volunteers in this organization have completed in the short time I've been the WWPSA Chairman, and am consistently amazed at the level of dedication they demonstrate time and again. It takes a tremendous commitment to fulfill some of the more demanding roles in this association, but what I've also learned is that everyone can play an important role, from the parent who sells merchandise at a field for 1 hour on a Saturday to the parent who helps prepare equipment bags for Rec coaches; everyone matters, and everyone's contribution is valuable. So from me, thank you for all your continued support of the WWPSA, without which we wouldn't be able to do what we do.

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WWPSA Board

Chairman – Justin Stein
 Secretary – Randie Brazel
 Finance – Pat Trombetta
 Facilities – Earl Deamond
 Rec – Bill Kramer
 Travel – Howard Shemitz
 Adult – David Boate
 Equipment – Larry White
 Merchandise – Steve Per
 Development – Robin Dean
 Fundraising – Marc Herold
 Admin – Andre Maglione
 Webmaster – Brent Nielsen
 At-large – Ken Matthews

Coordinators

Sunburst – Jacqueline Stein /
 Diane Kooker
 Pictures – Cindy Alvarez
 Volunteers – Steve Per
 Referees – Chris Hazen
 KidSafe – Andre Maglione
 Community – Dan Bartell
 Registrar – Brent Nielsen
 Insurance – Open
 Sponsorship – Open

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You've read in my previous communications about my pride in our work at restoring WWCP Field # 1, about how great the new field looks and how we devised a workable plan to improve all of our facilities to make them safer for everyone. Try to imagine my disgust when I learned that someone, a very selfish, reckless and uncaring individual drove a vehicle onto the new field this past week, causing ruts in the surface and forcing us to make repairs. This disgraceful act will force us to commit time, resources and funds to make repairs that will take away from other work that needs to be done. Please be sure to speak with your children about taking pride in our community, showing concern for others and that this kind of act, while considered a prank, is anything but funny. Remember that your registration fees are used to fund WWPSA programs and activities, so a greater portion will now be needed: once to restore the field, and now again to repair it because of this callous act, leaving fewer dollars for other initiatives.

My parting words this month will relay some important reminders:

- **PLEASE DON'T PARK ON ANY GRASSY AREA AT SARNOFF CORPORATION;** they graciously permit us to use their facilities and we must respect their requests. We use Sarnoff for 6 of the 16 Rec soccer leagues, for Travel soccer and Adult soccer games, so we depend on their generosity. **Please park only in paved, clearly marked areas.**
- Photo Day is scheduled for Saturday, October 14 at Millstone River School in Plainsboro. If you haven't received your order envelope, please contact your coach or League Manager immediately.
- The Annual General Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 29 at the WW Municipal Building to elect the 2007 Board of Directors. Stay tuned for voting details.

Thanks again for your help, and I look forward to seeing you out on the fields!

Regards,

Justin D. Stein
 Chairman, WWPSA Board of Directors