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**SAVE THE DATE**

**MAY 4 & 5, 2024**  
Kent county Parks and Rec Center  
For more information contact  
recreation@dysa.org

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR DYSA'S 2024 RECREATION TOURNAMENT. [CLICK HERE TO REGISTER YOUR TEAM NOW!](#)**

DYSA IS EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THIS COMING MAY 4 & 5, 2024 WE WILL BE HOSTING OUR FIRST RECREATIONAL TOURNAMENT AT KENT COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION LOCATED AT 1683 NEW BURTON ROAD, DOVER, DELAWARE. RAFFLES, GIVEAWAYS, FOOD, AND SO MUCH MORE! REGISTER YOUR TEAM NOW!

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

### DYSA MEMBERS,

SPRING IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER, WHICH MEANS SOCCER IS ABOUT TO KICK INTO HIGH GEAR. TRYOUTS ARE ALSO CONTINUING TO GET PUSHED FURTHER UP THE CALENDAR. PLEASE DO YOUR PART IN MAKING THE TRYOUT EXPERIENCE SOMETHING THE PLAYERS WILL REMEMBER AND NOT SOMETHING THAT WILL TAKE THE GAME FROM THEM. GOOD LUCK TO ALL THE CLUBS AS THE SPRING SEASON APPROACHES.

THANKS,

CHAD REED  
DYSA PRESIDENT

## US YOUTH SOCCER TO TAKE REFEREES OVERSEAS

FOR THE FIRST TIME, US YOUTH SOCCER (USYS) WILL TAKE A SELECT GROUP OF REFEREES ON AN INTERNATIONAL TRIP TO ENGLAND.

SIXTEEN OFFICIALS, SELECTED ACROSS ALL FOUR REGIONS OF THE COUNTRY, WILL HEAD OVERSEAS FROM MARCH 1-9 ALONGSIDE THE OLYMPIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM'S REGIONAL SELECT TEAMS FOR A ONE-OF-A-KIND OPPORTUNITY IN LONDON. THE FOLLOWING REFEREES WERE CHOSEN BASED ON LONG-TERM OFFICIATING SERVICE AND DEDICATION PROVIDED TO US YOUTH SOCCER.

- LAUREN ALDRICH (LOUISIANA)
- EVAN BARNETT (MICHIGAN)
- SEAN CONLEE (VIRGINIA)
- JORDAN DOWNS (UTAH)
- MARIE DURR (MARYLAND)
- DONOVAN EUBANK (TENNESSEE)
- MIKLOS HENDRICKS (OHIO)
- JAKE JOYCE (FLORIDA)
- ALBERT KYEI-MENSAH (ARKANSAS)
- PATRICIA MCCrackEN (COLORADO)
- ERIN PATTERSON (INDIANA)
- SHEVAH REZAAE (GEORGIA)
- EMILY ROSENKRANZ (ARIZONA)
- LASZLO SANDLER (EASTERN NEW YORK)
- ANTHONY SOBOLEVSKY (KANSAS)
- BOWEN TAYLOR (COLORADO)

### LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING STATEWIDE:

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| MAR. 23-24, 2024     | DE FC SPRING CLASSIC, HOCKESSIN, DE           |
| APRIL 20-21, 2024    | COASTAL SHOOTOUT, THE TURF COMPLEX, DOVER, DE |
| MAY 4 - 5, 2024      | DYSA REC. TOURNAMENT, DOVER, DE               |
| JUNE 24-28, 2024     | RSC SUMMER CAMP, FRANKFORD, DE                |
| JUNE 27-JULY 3, 2024 | NCS REGIONAL TOURNAMENT, CHARLESTON, WV       |
| 7/23 -7/28/2024      | NCS NATIONAL TOURNAMENT, ORLANDO, FL          |



### GIRLS INITIATIVE KICKS OFF THE 2024 SPRING SEASON AT STANTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

DYSA KICKED OFF THE SPRING SESSION ON TUESDAY, MARCH 12, 2024, AT STANTON MIDDLE SCHOOL WITH TWELVE GIRLS PARTICIPATING. YULIANA NAZARIO 7TH GRADER, AND ONE OF THE TEAM LEADERS FOR THIS GROUP STATED, "ON THURSDAY, YOU ARE GOING TO NEED MORE SOCCER BALLS, CAUSE 6 MORE GIRLS WANT TO TRY OUT!" TRUE TO HER WORD, ON THURSDAY THE GROUP OF 12 EXPANDED TO 19 WITH MORE GIRLS WAITING TO JOIN NEXT WEEK.

WHILE THIS GROUP CAN BE DIFFICULT, WE DECIDED THAT WE NEEDED FOR THEM TO BECOME MORE ENGAGED WITH THE PROGRAM. WE DEVELOPED A PLEDGE FOR THE GIRLS TO SIGN AND EMBRACE. ALL 19 GIRLS SIGNED THE PLEDGE AFTER RECITING IT AS A GROUP. WE EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF COMING PREPARED, ON TIME, REMEMBERING THEIR SOCCER BALLS, WATER BOTTLES AND SHIRTS; AND, DRESSED TO PRACTICE. THIS SEASON, WE ARE FOCUSING MORE ON THE GIRLS TO BE A TEAM PLAYER, BEING RESPECTFUL, BUILDING SELF-CONFIDENCE, WHILE HAVING FUN!

ROBERT BOYD, ATHLETIC DIRECTOR FOR STANTON MIDDLE SCHOOL ANNOUNCED TO THE GROUP THAT HE IS WORKING ON A "SOCCER PLAY DAY" WITH ASPIRA ACADEMY TO HIGHLIGHT THE SKILLS OF THE GROUP. JOSELINE OUR NEW 6TH GRADER EMBRACED THE IDEA OF THE PLAY DAY AND SHARED WITH THE GROUP "WE NEED TO GET ON THE FIELD AND PRACTICE AS A GROUP SO WE CAN BE READY TO PLAY!"

WIN OR LOOSE THIS GROUP OF GIRLS SEEM READY TO EMBRACE THE CHALLENGES THAT THIS SPORT OFFERS. MORE UPDATES TO COME!

P.S. DYSA IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THE GIRLS' INITIATIVE IS COMING TO EAST DOVER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THE WEEK OF APRIL 15, 2024!

WORLDSTRIDES, THE NATION'S LARGEST EDUCATIONAL TRAVEL COMPANY, CURATED THE REFEREE-LADEN GROUP'S ITINERARY TO AMPLIFY THE EXPERIENCE FOR THOSE TRAVELING ABROAD. THROUGHOUT THE TRIP, THE OFFICIALS WILL EXPLORE THE HISTORIC CITY OF LONDON, OBSERVE PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SESSIONS, ATTEND PROFESSIONAL SOCCER MATCHES, AND HAVE A GUIDED VISIT TO STAMFORD BRIDGE, HOME OF THE STORIED CHELSEA FOOTBALL CLUB.

"I COULD NOT BE MORE EXCITED TO HELP FACILITATE THIS UPCOMING TRIP FOR THESE 16 ASPIRING OFFICIALS," SAID DANIEL RADFORD, USYS SENIOR MANAGER OF REFEREES. "WHEN I WAS IN THEIR SHOES, I WAS ONE OF THE LUCKY ONES WHO WAS ABLE TO GO ABROAD WITH A YOUTH NATIONAL TEAM FOR THIS KIND OF EXPERIENCE. TWO DECADES LATER – ON BEHALF OF US YOUTH SOCCER – I'M HONORED TO BE ABLE TO BRING THIS BACK FULL CIRCLE."

IN ADDITION TO RADFORD, USYS' NATIONAL REFEREE ADMINISTRATOR RYAN GIGICH AND DIRECTOR OF COMPETITION & EVENT OPERATIONS CHRIS WEBB ARE LARGELY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TRIP'S PROGRAMMING.

"IT IS REALLY EXCITING TO SEE THE WORK BEING DONE AT US YOUTH SOCCER," SAID DAN MEESON, THE ENGLISH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION'S HEAD OF REFEREEING. "THE ENGLISH FA IS DELIGHTED TO WELCOME THE GROUP HERE. WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT THE GAMES, DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES, AND EXPERIENCES PLANNED WILL SERVE THE OFFICIALS WELL IN THE FUTURE AS THEY CONTINUE TO PROGRESS."



THIS SPRING 2024 SEASON, CHRISTIANACARE-GOHEALTH URGENT CARE IS EXCITED TO BE SUPPORTING DELAWARE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION. AS PART OF CHRISTIANACARE-GOHEALTH URGENT CARE'S COMMITMENT TO YOUTH SPORTS, THEY ARE RUNNING THE CHRISTIANACARE-GOHEALTH URGENT CARE COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD, WHICH PRESENTS AN OPPORTUNITY TO RECOGNIZE OUTSTANDING COACHES WHO ARE MAKING AN IMPACT THIS SPRING 2024 SEASON.

MAKE SURE TO NOMINATE ANY COACHES WHO LEAD BY EXAMPLE AND PUT THEIR PLAYERS FIRST FOR A CHANCE FOR THEM TO WIN A \$2,000 DONATION FOR THEIR LEAGUE!

THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO THANK THE COACHES FOR ALL THE HARD WORK AND TIME THEY DEDICATE TO MAKE SURE EVERYONE HAS A GREAT SEASON.

NOMINATE YOUR COACH HERE BY MAY 15, 2024: ([CLICK HERE](#))

WE'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING AN AMAZING SEASON AND RECOGNIZING THE ONE-OF-A-KIND JOB DELAWARE YOUTH SOCCER ASSOCIATION COACHES DO!



### THE OSPREY'S SCHEDULE FOR 2024:

TUESDAY, JUNE 4 AT 7:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, JUNE 13 AT 7:00 P.M.

THURSDAY, JUNE 20 AT 7:00 P.M.

SUNDAY, JUNE 30 AT 7:00 P.M.

ALL GAMES ARE PLAYED AT ABESSINIO STADIUM IN WILMINGTON, DELAWARE. COME OUT AND ENJOY SOME FUN!



# COACH-MENTOR TRAINING™

## COACH-MENTOR TRAINING

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**“WHAT’S GREAT ABOUT THE TRAINING IS THAT IT TEACHES COACHES HOW TO INTERACT WITH THEIR PLAYERS WITH EMPATHY AND UNDERSTANDING.”**

**CHARNON**

**YOUTH SPORTS RECREATION ADMIN MANAGER**

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- FOR YOUTH-SERVING ORGANIZATIONS TO TRAIN UP TO 40 COACHES AT ONCE
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- CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION FOR ALL COACHES
- ACCESS TO THE COACH-MENTOR TRAINING RESOURCE HUB THAT INCLUDES ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO SUPPORT YOUR MENTORSHIP SKILLS IN COACHING
- THE U.S. SOCCER FOUNDATION COACH-MENTOR TEAM CAN WORK WITH YOU TO CUSTOMIZE THE TRAINING AS NEEDED
- TRAINING VALUED AT \$5,000 - GRANT IN-KIND OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

**[CLICK HERE TO INQUIRE ABOUT AN IN-PERSON TRAINING](#)**

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## CLUB NEWS



CONCORD SOCCER COACH EDUCATION SYMPOSIUM  
22ND & 23RD MARCH 2024  
ABESSINIO STADIUM, WILMINGTON, DE

COST: SINGLE COACH PASS - \$300

CLUB PASS - 10 COACH PASSES - \$2,500

CONCORD SOCCER, COACHFX AND ADIDAS INVITE YOU TO OUR COACHING SYMPOSIUM "CELTIC FC ACADEMY: DEVELOPING PLAYERS & COACHES USING A PHILOSOPHY, GAME MODEL AND ANALYSIS", AN IN-DEPTH LOOK INTO HOW CELTIC FC'S ACADEMY DEVELOP YOUTH PLAYERS AND COACHING STAFF TO PERFORM AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL.

COME AND IMMERSIVE YOURSELF IN A 2-DAY HOLISTIC COACHING EDUCATION EXPERIENCE DELIVERED BY RENOWNED CLINICIAN WILLIE MCNAB, CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB'S HEAD OF CHILDREN'S ACADEMY. YOU WILL DIVE INTO THE CELTIC WAY OF PREPARING YOUTH PLAYERS TO PERFORM AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS OF THE GAME AND LEARN HOW TO USE THEIR APPROACH AT YOUR OWN TEAM OR CLUB.

THE COURSE WILL WALK YOU THROUGH:

- HOW TO CREATE YOUR OWN SOCCER PHILOSOPHY.
- BUILDING A GAME MODEL & INCORPORATING INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT PLANS.
- COACH PERFORMANCE REVIEW
- STAFF SUPPORT & DEVELOPMENT.

WHETHER YOU ARE A TECHNICAL DIRECTOR, YOUTH COACH, OR HIGH SCHOOL COACH, OUR GOAL IS TO HELP EXPAND YOUR MINDSET SO THAT YOU BECOME A BETTER VERSION OF YOU. THIS EVENT WILL HELP YOU DEVELOP YOUR OWN BEST PRACTICES AND METHODOLOGY TO DEVELOP AN ENVIRONMENT THAT YOUR PLAYERS WILL LEARN, DEVELOP, AND THRIVE!

PRESENTER:

WILLIE MCNAB HEAD OF CHILDREN'S ACADEMY CELTIC FOOTBALL CLUB

WILLIE STARTED HIS CAREER AS A PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALLER IN SCOTLAND BEFORE MAKING THE TRANSITION TO COACHING AT YOUTH AND FIRST TEAM LEVEL FOR ALBION ROVERS FC.

WILLIE THEN MOVED TO COACH AT BOTH HIBERNIAN FC AND HEART OF MIDLOTHIAN FC BEFORE MOVING TO THE SCOTTISH FA AS A FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER. IN 2007, WILLIE WAS ASKED TO JOIN CELTIC FC WHERE HE HAS COACHED ACROSS ALL ACADEMY AGE GROUPS FROM U12 TO U18. IN ADDITION, WILLIE WAS HEAD OF THE INTERNATIONAL ACADEMY FOR NORTH AMERICA BUILDING ONE OF THE BIGGEST AND MOST SUCCESSFUL CLUB PARTNERSHIP PROGRAMS IN WORLD FOOTBALL. WILLIE NOW HEADS UP THE CHILDREN'S ACADEMY AT CELTIC FC MANAGING ALL ASPECTS OF PLAYER AND COACH DEVELOPMENT.

WILLIE HAS AN EXTENSIVE COACH EDUCATION BACKGROUND IN THE UK AND US HAVING BEEN A REGULAR CLINICIAN AT THE UNITED SOCCER COACHES CONVENTIONS IN 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019 AND 2024. WILLIE HOLDS HIS UEFA A LICENCE, SCOTTISH FA CHILDREN'S LICENCE, SCOTTISH FA ADVANCED YOUTH LICENCE AND HAS A MASTERS IN SPORTS COACHING.

FOR INFORMATION OR QUESTIONS ON HOW TO REGISTER CONTACT:

SOCCERTEC@HOTMAIL.COM



WITH THE SPRING SEASON GETTING UNDERWAY, REMEMBER THAT DICK'S SPORTING GOODS IS THERE FOR YOU AND YOUR PLAYERS WITH MONEY SAVINGS DISCOUNTS ALL YEAR LONG! AS A PARTNER WITH DICKS DYSA HAS A SHOPPING EVENT APRIL 5-7, 2024 AT THEIR CHRISTIANA AND BRANDYWINE STORE. REMEMBER EVERY SEASON STARTS AT DICK'S!

[CLICK HERE FOR DICK'S SPORTING GOODS COUPON](#)



DE Turf is hosting the Coastal Shootout on April 20-21, 2024. This tournament is open to U9 - U19 boys and girls teams. This is a great local option for Zone 1 and Zone 2 teams this spring. Please use the link below to register or for more information [click here](#)



DELAWARE FC SOUTH  
WE ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THAT DELAWARE FC'S COMPETITIVE SOCCER PROGRAM IS BRANCHING INTO MIDDLETOWN & CAPE HENLOPEN

COMPETITIVE SOCCER TRYOUTS  
MIDDLETOWN

LOCATION: ST GEORGE'S TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL  
555 HYETT'S CORNER RD, MIDDLETOWN, DE 19709

WEDNESDAY APRIL 24

6:00-7:15PM - GIRLS U8-U12 (BIRTH YEAR 2018-2013)  
7:15-8:30PM - GIRLS U13-U18 (BIRTH YEAR 2012-2006)

THURSDAY APRIL 25

6:00-7:15PM - BOYS U8-U12 (BIRTH YEAR 2018-2013)  
7:15-8:30PM - BOYS U13-U18 (BIRTH YEAR 2012-2006)

HENLOPEN

LOCATION: CAPE HENLOPEN HIGH SCHOOL  
1250 KINGS HWY, LEWES, DE 19958

THURSDAY APRIL 18

FRIDAY MAY 10

5:30-8:30PM

AGE GROUP SCHEDULE TBD

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER FOR TRYOUTS](#)  
LEARN MORE ABOUT COMPETITIVE TRYOUTS

DYSA IS PLEASED TO HAVE THE SUPPORT OF THESE SPONSORS FOR THE 23/24 SOCCER SEASON:



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PLEASE EMAIL [INFO@SOCREFDE.COM](mailto:INFO@SOCREFDE.COM) IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

SCAN QR CODE TO SIGN UP  
 NEW REFEREES CAN GET REIMBURSED FOR US SOCCER REGISTRATION COST THROUGH DYSA