



Sound Beach Soccer Club Programs 2012-2013

Intramural program

Intramural soccer is intended to develop players, coaches, and referees in a noncompetitive and supportive environment. This includes a focus on learning the basic skills and rules of the game, sportsmanship and fair play, a commitment to team work, and the value of putting forth your best effort, no matter what level of ability you possess. It also provides an opportunity for adults to get involved with their children and community by volunteering. In order to help integrate the soccer resources and need for soccer volunteers in our area we will undertake responsibility for the intramural program previously run by St. Louis Soccer starting this fall. We hope to have all the families and coaches continue to participate as they have in the past.

- In order to play in the intramural program for 2012-13 children must be 4 years old or older by 12-31-12.
- The current intramural divisions are:
 - Pee Wee (4 and 5 year-olds, typically Pre-K and Kindergarten, co-ed)
 - Juniors (6 and 7 year olds, typically 1st and 2nd grade, co-ed)
 - Intermediates (8, 9, and 10 year olds, typically 3rd - 5th grade, co-ed)
- Not much will be changing in the format for these age groups, except we will try and increase the number of teams in the older age group (8-10 year olds) so they can remain as intramural players if they are not interested in playing travel/developmental soccer (see below). In the future we would like to increase the age groups beyond 10 so older players who wish to do so can continue playing intramural soccer as well.
- On the Pee Wee level we will change the format slightly- We will have trainers at the fields who will do some basic training in a fun environment for the first half hour and then they will play games like they do now for the second half hour.
- As long as the school district allows, we will continue to use the fields at the LADSBS-NCRMS complex in Miller Place
- Registration fees will remain unchanged (\$50/year to include Fall and Spring seasons)
- We will use existing uniforms until Port Jeff Sports uses remaining stock, and then the logo on the uniform will be changed to the SBSC logo
- We will be running additional training for both players and coaches at no charge
- Registration will take place online at www.soundbeachsoccer.org. Information will available next week for registration
- There will be areas on the registration website for special requests and we will do our best to honor requests in the order they are received, especially for the youngest children who are just starting out
- We will continue to need volunteers to coach and help out with the program in other ways (line fields, etc.). These volunteers have priority for special requests.

Developmental Program

The primary focus of the developmental program is to take the next step in improving each player's individual skills by providing extra training, practice and game experience. This builds on the intramural program and introduces players to a more competitive environment.

We will attempt to form both boys and girls teams in the following age groups:

Under 8 (U8): Children born between 8/1/04 and 7/31/05

Under 9 (U9): Children born between 8/1/03 and 7/31/04

Before entering the developmental program players attend "tryouts", which are an evaluation to determine the most appropriate level for them to play. We will attempt to form as many teams as possible within the appropriate age groups. If we don't have enough for an age group we may group 2 age groups together. We have been very successful in finding a place for everyone to play if they wish.

- U8 and U9 teams will play inter-league games and tournaments. They play in a league called *Suffolk Soccer Interleague* (<http://www.suffolksoccer.org/>) with teams from other surrounding communities. The travel is kept as close as possible.
- We work around players playing other sports. At this age we encourage kids to play other sports in addition to soccer to see what sport they really enjoy.
- We ask for a one year commitment from players and parents. We try to put enough players on teams so if there are conflicts with other sports and activities there are enough players for practices and games.
- Players from all local intramural programs are welcome to attend.
- Cost will be \$90 per player. This will cover registration for the year, insurance and a uniform.
- They will train together once a week as an age group and once a week as individual teams, and training fees are additional and will vary per team. The trainers are paid professionals who have additional soccer education and experience teaching physical, technical, and tactical skills appropriate for each age group. Our Director of coaching and training runs the East End Soccer Academy, and he is assisted by current college soccer players from the local community.
- Registration will take place online at www.soundbeachsoccer.org

Travel Program

Our Travel Teams play in the Long Island Junior Soccer League (<http://www.lijsoccer.com>). This is a competitive program, but the things we hope all the kids learn and we try to teach them are teamwork, leadership, improving their skills and most of all to have FUN. Home games are played at SWR/Miller Place. Away games are usually within Suffolk County for the first year or so. Basic costs are ~ \$100 per season for registration fees. Uniforms are ~\$100 and include two shirts, two short, two pairs of socks and logos/numbers etc. Trainer's fees are additional and vary by team and quantity of training sessions. Indoor practice and tournaments are also additional and are up to each individual team as are sweats/ bags/sweatshirts, etc.

In order to be placed on these teams all interested players will be rated on skills and in game situations by our professional coaching staff and college players at tryouts. There are separate teams for girls and boys from ages U-10 to U-19 which are formed based on these ratings. Everyone may not make a specific team, but we will do our best to form as many teams in each age group as possible. We encourage all players to stay within their age group and not to "play up". On older teams this may happen to fill spots where no other players are available.

- If you are selected for a team you must commit for both the fall and spring season. It cannot be one or the other. The season starts in September and practices will start sometime in the summer. Special requests (playing with friends /carpools etc.) will not be honored.

- For U10 teams that start in September 2012 the players must have been born between 8/1/2002 and 7/31/2003
- Most travel for U10 games is within Suffolk County. Tournaments may be out of the area and will be set by each team
- U10 teams are allowed a max of 15 on their roster. They play 9v9. For new teams the first 15 will be on one team, next 15 on another etc.
- We are a volunteer organization and everyone's help is encouraged and needed. If anyone is interested in becoming a coach please let us know. We will take everyone's contact info and will pick the most qualified person or persons to become a coach.
- Coaches will be offered formal training and licenses through the club and are required to upgrade their licenses as the teams get older.
- We will help out new teams and coaches as much as possible by providing trainers (required for new U10 teams) and also an experienced coach from the club will work with a new coach to help with any questions that may come up or just to offer some guidance the first year.
- Registration will take place online at www.soundbeachsoccer.org. Each player will need a passport size photo and a copy of a birth certificate.