

Referee Corner

In Preparation for the spring season we have set up referee clinics. All referees must recertify and any new candidates to ref the U9 and older games must take a certification class. We are fortunate to be able to offer these courses here in Tomah.

To become a certified referee, you must be at least 12 years old, have knowledge of the game of soccer, and be willing to learn the rules of the game. The role of the referee is not for everyone so we strongly recommend that you referee some of the U5 to U8 games to get a feel for the role.

The courses are:

Certification (for the new referees) will be

Saturday and Sunday, January 20th and 21st, 8:00 to 5:00 at the VA.

Recertification (for the current referees) will be offered Sunday, January 21st or

Saturday, February 10th 8:00 to 2:00 at the VA.

To sign up for these classes or to look for other scheduled courses you must go to the website www.wisref.org. If you are between 12 and 14, this website may not allow you to register. If you cannot register online, contact Dave Mubarak.

Younger referees will be needed to referee the U5 to U8 games. At registration there will be information regarding training and how to sign up.

If you have any questions, please call Dave Mubarak at 372-6449.

To all soccer parents, fans and coaches: The referees are our kids and these refs are learning their roles. Be courteous to them and support them as they learn by promoting good sportsmanship and being positive in your comments to them. Being a referee is not easy, don't make it harder.

TYSA Playing Up Policy

TYSA places an emphasis on participation and enjoyment, which it considers more important than winning. Having players play up to an older level is a tool used by the TYSA Board. It is a fundamental principle of the TYSA that individual players will be placed on teams to balance teams and optimize numbers on each of the teams. With this principle in mind the TYSA Board will have the ultimate decision to determine the most appropriate team for each player to play on.

Tomah Tournament Dates

This years Tomah Soccer Tournament will be the first weekend of June, June 2 and 3rd, 2007

. Check out our updated website at www.tomahyouthsoccer.com . You'll find our registration form, our scholarship forms, as well as news, maps to the fields and coach and volunteer information.

Fields Update

As many of you may have heard, the grass on the new fields did not take as well as was hoped. In order to ensure a safe and attractive playing surface, it was decided to dig up the old grass, level the fields and replant this spring.

Plans are also being made for a sprinkler system to be installed as part of a grant program.

Hopefully these new fields will be ready to play on next spring for the 2008 season.