

BYSA

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June 2020 Newsletter



President's Message

Although our spring season was cancelled we just received some very welcomed news from the town in regards to getting back on our fields!

Field Re-Opening Schedule:

- June 8 - Allow for passive field use. No organized play or field permits issued at this time.
- June 8 - 21 - Use these two weeks to work closely with youth sports organizations to develop and implement safety plans and procedures for each user group.
- June 22 - Resume field permitting to user groups (Youth Sports Organizations and School Department only). Fields will only be available for practices, following safety guidelines.
- June 29 - User groups are allowed to start playing games, following safety guidelines.

*Dates dependent on MA Phase 2 /3 adjustments.

- Ricci DeRosa, President

Player Development

Stay active at home with TopYa!

In May, BYSA went live with the juggling and skills app TopYa to encourage our players to stay active while at-home and competing against their teammates on the leaderboard. Each month BYSA will highlight two players for their TopYa! achievements in both skill development as well as creativity.

For May, please take a look:

Skills Achievement: username - sheak

Skills Creativity: username - 4boys_chase

Wednesday NE REVS Academy FINAL Training

Facebook Live, June 10th @ 4PM - FB Live

Tryouts

The BYSA Travel Tryout Committee has been busy evolving our program. Starting in 2020, BYSA will evaluate our players with End of Season Evaluations from coaches alongside Tryout Evaluations. These two evaluations will help determine team placement for the next soccer season.

In terms of tryout dates, we are still waiting further direction from the state, Town of Billerica, as well Middlesex Youth Soccer on what options we may, or may not, move forward with. Once we are provided some clarity on next steps, we will be sure to send an update out to the BYSA community.

- Bob Wamness, Player Development Director

Uniforms

For current travel players who may require new/larger uniforms for the Fall season, email: BYSAequipment@yahoo.com and place your order. We understand that it is difficult to determine your child's potential new size so if you believe you'd like to go to the next larger size, give me your child's current size and let me know you're increasing it by one size. The sizes are YS, YM, YL, AS, AM, AL.

- Dave Palmerino, Equipment Director

Registration Update

All players that registered for spring with another available season will have their registration fees rolled over for the Fall season unless requested otherwise. Second year U14 players and all High School aged will be refunded. For Refund Requests please email: refunds@billericasoccer.org



To help us plan for the fall, please fill out the **Intent to Play Survey**. - Kevin William, Registrar

Coaches Corner

We are hopeful that BYSA will be back to soccer in fall, which means the Coaching Selection Committee will be selecting coaches for the fall travel season. Traditionally, the committee would go out and evaluate the coaching candidates in action at games and practices. Obviously, we cannot do this traditional evaluation, which makes the selection process this year tremendously different from all prior years.

This year the committee will be evaluating the candidates based the following: **1) Coaching Survey:** The committee will send out a survey to the parents of the players on the candidates fall roster. It is important that each parent fill out a survey for each candidate. **2) Interview Process:** Each candidate will be asked to submit a practice plan and interview with the committee. **3) Coaching Experience:** The committee will assess the candidates ability to teach the game, connect with the kids, help the players improve as soccer players, teammates and as human beings. **4) Commitment to BYSA:** What has the candidate made for contributions to BYSA outside of coaching? If anyone has questions please reach out to bobk@billericasoccer.org. - Bob Kinsella, Coaching Director

Soccer Spotlight

Weston McKennie, Josh Sargent, Zach Steffen, and more all got their start in clubs and colleges in the United States, and were recruited to play professionally in Germany. The Bundesliga has restarted games after being on hold for the COVID-19 pandemic, and live games are broadcast on the FOX family channel [here](#). Check out this story highlighting the progress of these American men so far this season [here](#)!

BYSA BOARD UPDATE

BYSA AGM & ELECTIONS POSTPONED

Once they are rescheduled we do have the below positions up for election.
All positions but President are 2 year terms.

President - (3 yrs) - re-running - Ricci DeRosa	Intramural Director - re-running - Tristan Brawn
Travel Director - re-running - Mary Rogers	Equipment Director - re-running - David Palmerino
Coaching Director - re-running - Bob Kinsella	Communications Director - re-running - Kim Ledoux
In Town Field Director - OPEN	

If you are interested in any of the above positions, please contact Cathy Giordano at t5255c@msn.com