

Recent SportsManager Enhancements as of June 16, 2006

Please see the list of enhancements below. This list does not contain the many enhancements and bug fixes we make on a daily basis. This list also does not contain some general upgrades and improvements to areas like scheduling, emailing and registration that we are always making. We are working on a number of changes that will come out over the summer. We will send out another notice in the August time frame. Feel free to email us any enhancement request or questions.

Links and Websites: Before we go over the new features I would like to stress how important it is to integrate the SportsManager links into your website unless you are using SportsManager as your website. Links will make your site more informative and easier to maintain. Links like Events list, Registration history checking, About us, Board List, Contact us and the specific links for Registration, Schedules, Standings and Scores should all be taken advantage of.

Website hosting, Website Improvements and SportsManager link integration: SportsManager can update your website and take over the maintenance or hosting. If you need that service please contact us for a quote for these options.

ENHANCEMENTS:

Schedule Emailing will now send those just recently changed:

There is an option near the top of the Schedules/Scores page that allows the admin to email every player/parent a consolidated schedule. An option has been added so you can email just the games changed with in the last 1-3 days. Also, we now display the last change date to the right of the games so the parent/player can see when the game was changed. The option for emailing the schedules looks like this:

8 Scheduled Games/Practices Remaining

Select Year

2006

Select Season

Spring Baseball

Select League

ALL LEAGUES

Select Team

ALL TEAMS

☐

Email All Future Games

☐

Email Games Modified In Last

3

 Days

New registration option for Try out teams:

There is a new registration option called “Registration for assign players only”. It is located in the season area and looks like this: (The default for all season is “no”.)

REGISTRATION FOR PLAYERS ASSIGNED TO TEAMS ONLY:	☒ YES	☐ NO
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How to use it ? This should be used if you require a try out prior to registration/payment of the player. In the case of some summer baseball, for example, a try out will take place for a spot on a team. Then once the teams are determined the registration or collection of the fees can take place. The procedure would be to have the try out and then assign the players to the teams in SportsManager, and then turn this option “on” to require team assignment to register on-line. Once that is done the parent will only be able to select their name or their child’s name if they are already assigned to one of the teams.

Returning only player registration: This is an older but similar registration option. Since it is similar in concept to the “By team registration” I’d like to go over it. If you have a sport where you allow the “returning players” to register first then this option can be used. All you have to do is specify when the other/new player can register and the system will block out all but existing player until that date. It looks like this on the season page and is located just above the new “by team registration” feature.

Registration for returning players only up to or including this date	
HAS RETURNING ONLY DATE:	☒ YES ☐ NO
RETURNING PLAYERS ONLY DATE:	MONTH DAY

The registration page will look like this: Note the red text.

Season	Registration Status	Registration Opens	Registration Closes	Season Starts	Season Ends
Winter Soccer 2007	Open	Feb 2	Feb 2	Feb 5	Apr 2
Registration restricted to players already assigned to teams only					
\$10.00 Early Bird Discount before or on December 31					
8 YEAR OLD BOYS	Ages 8-8 (Born 12/31/98 - 12/30/99)		14 players max	\$60.00	
10 YEAR OLD BOYS	Ages 10-10 (Born 12/31/96 - 12/30/97)		14 players max	\$60.00	

Standings can now be displayed in order of Winning Percentage or Points

The default in the past has been to always display standings in order of Winning Percentage. In the Season area you can choose to have the standings display in order of Points as an option. There is also a tie breaker. You can choose the total points for or against as the tie breaker. We will be adding more tie breaking options in the future. Here are the options for sorting and tie breaking:

STANDINGS ORDER:	☒ Winning Percentage	☐ Points
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STANDINGS ORDER(tie breaker):



Total Scored Against



Total Scored For

Adult Registration List now has an export option (in Registration area)

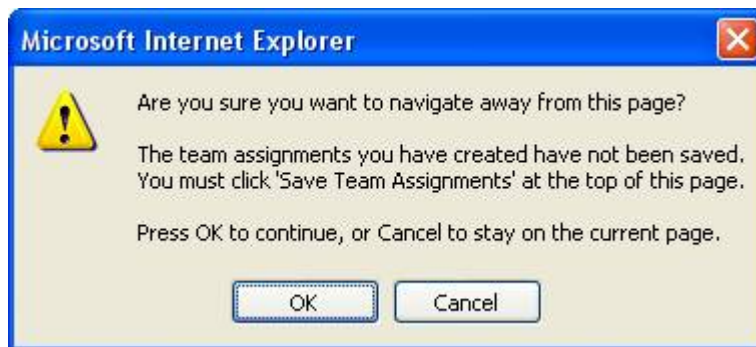
This is the list sorted by who paid and it shows the number of players and an option to “view” the registration. This report has been available for a while but it now has the “email me this info” option at the top.

Draft report now includes Street, Zip and Rating Columns:

Draft Report changes

- 1) The column order was changed around so you can sort on zip.
- 2) Rating column is included if used. Street and zip now display.
- 3) Teams select box is moved to the left, it page scrolls horizontally it is always visible
- 4) The one thing not included yet is the ability to assign non registered players to teams.

The Draft Report will now warn you that you have not saved your team assignments if you try to leave the page. This will only happen if you have made some team assignments that have not been saved. This is what it looks like...



Team Colors:

Teams now include a Color field. The color of a team uniform can be stored in the Team edit area. This field will be exported in spreadsheets that also include a team. For now we just have one generic color field. If necessary we could have a field for the shirt and a field for the shorts. For now you would need to enter that in one field like this Blue/Green or Shirt=Blue, Shorts=Green. This information is also displayed in the Team Report that is in the Reports area.

Registration by team:

This is typically used for Tournaments or for a season where you want to collect the registrations by team instead of by player. This is not a new feature but there have been some enhancements. The team name is now shown on the Player/Team Reg list in the registration reports area and the adult reg list when the registration is by team. You can

now move a team from one league/age group to another and it will keep its registration status.

Black out management page. (In the auto-scheduling area)

You can now filter the black outs by season/league or team. Before it just showed “all blackouts for all seasons”. Black outs are used by the auto-scheduler to skip over bad field time, holidays or team constraints when placing games on the schedule.

Registration Wizard displays open seasons first:

If you are using the general link (as opposed to the by season links) you will see all your seasons when you register. A change has been made to make sure the Open seasons display first and the closed ones last. This will make it easier for parents and players to find and register for the open seasons.

Changes to game editing:

There were some issues with editing play off games. That has been fixed. A number of fixes/enhancements have been made to the way games get confirmed/scored to make that part work better.

Referee/Umpire assignment and management:

This isn't completely new but we have been making enhancements to it. You can now designate referee/ump profiles by league. The auto-scoring features will now get a ref attendance confirmation from the coach for each game. You can set up a separate assigner who will have a login and password to assign and manage the refs. Or you can also do this from the standard Admin or Management level passwords in SportsManager. Schedules can be created for Refs and Umpires and this can be automatically emailed to them along with a note you can attach. Refs/Umps can login on their own to view their schedules. **Youth Refs are now an option on the Referee Management Module. Before we only support Adult refs.**

Exports have been enhanced to add more fields:

SportsManager provides a number of reports that also include a spread sheet export. These exports typically contain all the information we store on players and parents and then the specific information that the report is about like registrations, teams, etc. These reports include export files:

- Player/Team Registration List (In registration area)
- Adult Registration list (This is a new export) (In registration area)
- Draft Report (In registration area)
- Price Break Down report (In registration area)
- Answers to Registration Questions (In registration area)
- Player Report (in reports area)
- Adults report (in reports area)
- Schedule export (in schedule/scores are) (we will provide this in the Fall)

Registration Confirmation Emails can now be sent by season:

In the past all registration confirmations were sent to one or two people in addition to the parent. There is a new option in the Registration Set up area where you can specify by season who a copy of the confirmation email should go to. This can be helpful if you are running a tournament and someone other than the regular registrar is running it. Or if you are running multiple sports or seasons and you want a different person for each one to receive a copy of the registration confirmation emails.

About registration confirmation emails:

Please keep in mind that the emails are just notices that are sent to the parents/players and a copy sent to you. You should not be using them to determine who is registered. You should always go to the registration reports like the Player Reg list to see who is registered and the Reg list by Day/Week/Month to see how the registration are coming in. Email should not be relied upon as the final answer because sometimes due to internet factors or your own email server, you may not receive the confirmation.

When registrations don't go through:

There are times when a parent will register and pay but the registration will not be recorded. This can happen when someone loses their internet connection before they complete it or if they don't click the correct buttons at the end. We check for these situations on a weekly basis and enter any incomplete but paid for registrations. If you hear about this happening you can contact us and we will confirm it when we do the weekly review.

Waiver field in the player edit area:

There has always been a Waiver field but you could not control it in the Player Profile area (under registration set up) like you could the other player profile fields like school, hgt, wgt, medical, doctor, etc. Now you can control the waiver field for on/off and choose to display it on the roster and to get exported with player information.

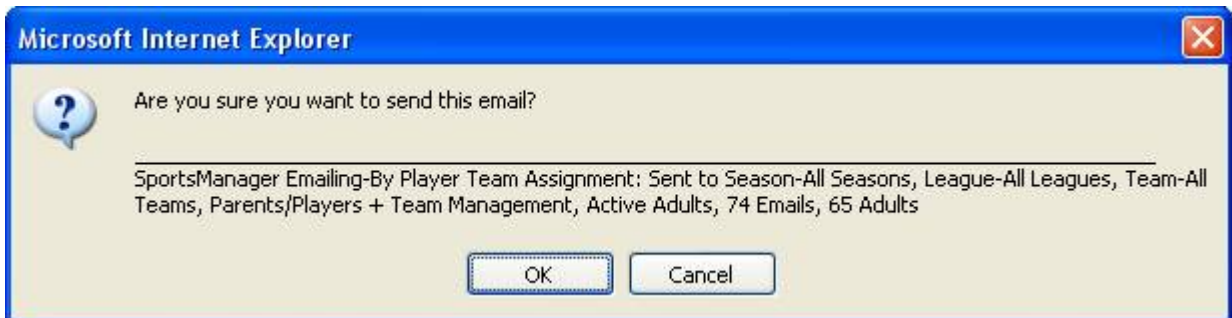
Emailing:

The mass emailing works the same but a new message will appear at the bottom of each email that shows how the email was sent (i.e. by volunteer, player, team, registration) and the option chosen and the number of emails sent. This information will help the receiver understand why they are getting the email and will help the sender understand who they are sending. This message will also show up in the email send confirmation so the sender will be less likely to make a mistake. Below are examples of four different confirmations the sender will see before they click on the final send button. We will be adding a "leading" and "Trailing" email that will help the sender know when the emails start sending and approximately when they should be finished. That will be available for the Fall. Please keep in mind that emails take some time to send. From the time you send them to when they are received can be 1-2 hours depending on the quantity and back log here. Always give yourself 4-8 hours of lead time for when an email needs to be received just to be on the safe side. In most cases it will only be minutes not hours...

It will look like this along the bottom of every email (will change depending on the method used):

SportsManager Emailing-By Player Age: Sent to -Ages 19 - 19, Active Players, Male + Female Players - 7 Emails, 6 Adults
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This messages pop up when you click send instead of just the old message.



For OrgManager:

Leagues that create and manage the schedule for a number of SportsManager users, now have control over when/if they can edit the schedule as follows:

ORGANIZATIONAL SCHEDULE PERMISSIONS

These settings determine scheduling permissions for the organizational level

ALLOW SCHEDULE VIEW:	☒ Yes	☐ No
ALLOW EDITING TEAMS:	☐ Yes	☒ No
ALLOW EDIT HOME GAME DATE:	☐ Yes	☒ No
ALLOW EDIT HOME GAME TIME:	☒ Yes	☐ No
ALLOW EDIT HOME GAME LOCATION:	☒ Yes	☐ No
ALLOW EDIT HOME GAME DATE/TIME/LOCATION FOR GAMES WITH REFS:	☐ Yes	☒ No
ALLOW ADD SCRIMMAGE GAMES:	☒ Yes	☐ No
ALLOW DELETE HOME GAME:	☐ Yes	☒ No

That is the end of the enhancement list at this time.

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