

# COVINGTON SOCCER NEWS

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The Newsletter of the Covington Youth Soccer Association

Web Site: [covingtonsoccer.com](http://covingtonsoccer.com)



**Registration** by mail for the coming year started June 1. An application is available on our web site that you can print out and mail in. The **Online registration** system is being tested and should be available on our web site by the middle of July.

On line registration will provide greater convenience for our members and make it much easier to process the large number of players that sign up. We hope everyone who has access to the internet takes advantage of this new system! The fee to maintain this computerized record has been build into our registration fee. Simply answer the online questions and mail in payment with a copy of the player's birth certificate if we don't have one on file. For those that wish to pay by credit card there is an extra transaction fee that is billed to your card.

We still plan to form new teams in late August. **Games start September 1st.** Some Division 1 teams will form this summer. See the levels of soccer explanation later to find the appropriate program.

Fall/Spring Registration fees:

REC U6 thru U10	\$120
REC U12 thru U14	\$130
Division 1 U11 thru U19	\$165

**Levels of Soccer.** Children may play three levels of soccer in Louisiana: Recreational, Division 1, and Premiere for players 4-18 years of age. Players are grouped by their age as of August 1. For example a U6 player is 4 or 5 years of age on August 1. A player that turns 6 in July would be classified as Under-7 (U7).

Strictly recreational teams are formed by balancing talent on U6-U14 teams. These teams typically practice once a week and play one game on the weekend. Older teams (U10, U12, and U14) may play 2 tournaments per year. All players must play at least 50% of a game (50% play rule).

Division 1 (formerly called Rec+) is available for U11 and older more dedicated players (and families). Coaches may use a tryout or other selection process to form the team. The game playing time is not guaranteed. Typically these teams practice more often, play multiple games on a weekend and travel to multiple tournaments during a soccer year. A list of the prospective D1 teams, coaches, and try out schedule follows:

Premier league soccer is for the most talented and most dedicated players. Typically these players practice more often and longer than other players. They have a special league, an independent state championship tournament, opportunities for post season play, and may pay extra for professional coaching. CYSA has only had a few teams in this category in the past and **none are scheduled** to form for the fall of 2007.

### **DIVISION 1 TEAMS**

<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Coach</b>	<b>Try-out Schedule</b>
U11 Boys	new	Cleveland	August 6, 6:00-7:30PM
U12 Boys	Fusion	Inman	August 6, 6:00-7:30PM
U12 Girls	new	Rester	July 14 and August 4, 10AM-noon
U13 Boys	Olympia	Gardner	August 9 & 16, 6:00PM
U13 Girls	Tigers	Lyon	August 11, 9:30-11:30AM
U14 Boys	Magnum	Fox	August 2&7, 6-8:00PM
U14 Girls	Chaos	Schwabe	August 11, 10:30AM - noon
U15 Boys	Clash	Scherer	August 14 & 16, 5:30-6:30PM
U15/16 Girls	United	Thiel	August 4, 10AM-noon
U16 Boys	Cougars	Carty/Saltalamachia	none planned, inquire Web site
U17 Boys	United	Heffernan	July 10, 12, 13, 18, 6-8:00 PM
U17-19 girls	Penguins	Newman	none planned

Check our web site for updated dates and times.

**Referee Course – entry level, August 5<sup>th</sup> 12:30-8:00 PM, Pelican Park White Gym. You must be 12 years of age. Adults welcome!**

**Referee Course – bridge course (advanced) August 12 noon-8:00PM, MSC office. You must be 14 years of age. Must complete the entry level course.**

**The \$50 registration fee is reimbursed if you work for CYSA. Call MSC at 624-8080 to register or check their web site [mscsoccer.org](http://mscsoccer.org).**

Referees are desperately needed particularly for U10 and U12 games. Once trained, there are opportunities to get more experience during the off season officiating at junior high and high school matches. It's a great hobby for teenagers and adults alike.

**Coaching Courses:** LSA and CYSA require that coaches be certified to coach by completing an age appropriate certification course. LSA certification courses will be scheduled later in the year. CYSA reimburses coaches for the cost of their course registration and expects coaches to take a new certification course about every 2 years.

For recreational coaches, coaching clinics will be offered by Mandeville Soccer Club at Pelican Park Yellow #2 field on August 19th. If you have never coached before these are a great way to find out what's expected. U6/8 will meet from 1:30-2:30 PM, U10 will meet from 3:00 – 5:00 PM, and U12-14 will meet from 5:00-7:00 PM.

**Summer Camp Schedule (see our Web site for links):**

**July 30 – August 3<sup>rd</sup> Smothermon's Soccer Camp Series:** We are please to have Coach Louie back for the 10<sup>th</sup> year in a row! Coach Louie is a former professional player and A licensed coach for the previous professional team, the New Orleans Storm. Louie continues to provide southeastern Louisiana with age appropriate professional coaching through camps and clinics for levels ranging from "tiny tots" to premier. The Smothermon Soccer coaching staff consists of licensed professional coaches, former professional players, and former or current college players. His intent is for all the players to improve significantly while developing a love and passion for soccer, improving skill and having fun.

## **Smothermon Soccer Summer 2007**

See his web page at [smothermonsoccer.com](http://smothermonsoccer.com)

**Uniroyal has agreed to be a corporate sponsor again this year! Our local dealer is Phil Meraux Tire Service, 2000 N Hwy 190, Covington**

**Objectives of Uniroyal Soccer Program:**

- To introduce the dealer to your soccer league or club.
- To develop a long-term, mutually beneficial relationship between the soccer league/club, Uniroyal Tire and the local Uniroyal dealer.

UNIROYAL SOCCER PROGRAM REVIEW –

The Program consists of **three** Sections:



**SECTION 1. Free Soccer Ball Giveaway:**

**A customized ball certificate/rebate document will be produced and sent by UPS to the league to distribute to their soccer families. It will inform them that the participating store will provide a free soccer ball redeemable at the store (no purchase necessary, while supplies last). The soccer family will simply bring in the ball certificate to get a high-quality, four-ply ball while supplies last. The soccer ball (official size and weight) will be available in different sizes for children of all ages.**

**SECTION 2. Fundraising Program:**

For each Uniroyal tire sold **to any consumer in your community** during the specified 30-day promotion period, Uniroyal will make a donation of \$2.00 per tire to your soccer league. Your local tire dealer will display a counter card as advertisement for your fundraiser.

**SECTION 3. Exclusive League Rebate Coupon:**

The soccer ball certificate document will also include a manufacturer's mail-in rebate **for league families only. The rebate offer is good for \$50 off a set of four new Michelin<sup>®</sup> tires or \$40 off a set of four new BFGoodrich<sup>®</sup> or Uniroyal<sup>®</sup> tires.** This rebate is good for 60 days.

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**SOCCER HOT LINE: 867-1665** (for weather related field conditions and messages)