



# LOWER MERION SOCCER CLUB

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## FALL INTRAMURAL PROGRAM TO START ON SEPTEMBER 14

Our Fall Intramural Program will be open to boys and girls not playing in the Travel Team Program who were born between 1989 and 1998. Players do NOT have to live within Lower Merion Township. The program will start on Saturday, September 14th and run through November 17th.

Like all of our programs at LMSC, the primary goal of the Fall Intramural Program is: **"To provide each and every youngster with a fun filled experience in a soccer environment."**

The registration deadline is August 10th. There is a late fee for all registrations postmarked after that date. LMSC will not guarantee placement for any registration postmarked after August 10. Registration information is on page 2 of this newsletter. A registration form can be found on page 7.

## 2002 / 2003 TRAVEL TEAMS ANNOUNCED

Tryouts for our 2002 / 2003 Travel Team Program have come to an end. Rosters for all 36 of our fall teams can be found in this newsletter. Our boys travel teams will play in the fall Delco League while our girls teams will play in the Philadelphia Area Girls Soccer League (PAGS). Congratulations to the 540 players who were selected for our Travel Team Program.

Pages 15 - 17 of this newsletter has rosters for all rosters for the upcoming season. Congratulations to all 540 players who made a travel team.

## LMSC HAMMERHEADS WIN UNDER 11 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to our LMSC Hammerheads who captured the Under 11 Boys State Championship this spring. The Hammerheads also won the Indoor State Championship in the winter. Please see page 9 of this newsletter for a team picture and an article on their fantastic season.

# FALL INTRAMURAL PROGRAM INFORMATION

The **Lower Merion Soccer Club** is now accepting registrations for their **Fall Intramural Soccer Program**. The program is open to **boys and girls born in 1989 through 1998**. Players do NOT have to reside in Lower Merion Township.

The 2002 season will be the 35th season for LMSC. Our club is 100% affiliated with the Eastern Pennsylvania Youth Soccer Association (EPYSA) and their parent organization, the United States Soccer Federation (USSF).

The season will start on **Saturday, September 14 and run through November 17**. All soccer events are held at fields within Lower Merion Township. In 2001, we had over 1800 players participate in the Fall Intramural Program. An additional 580 players ages 8-18 play in the very prestigious LMSC Travel Team Program.

For all divisions, except our youngest divisions (Atoms, Neutrons and Pee-Wee Divisions) and the Special Needs Division, there will be a late fee for registrations received after August 10th. This is necessary so that we will have enough time to properly make teams and schedules for the 1800 plus players that we anticipate having.

**To find out which divisions still have openings**, please check our website ([www.lmsc.net](http://www.lmsc.net)). We will constantly update the site to show which players have been accepted into the program as well as show how many openings remain in each division. If the requested division is full, the registrant will be put on a waiting list or have their registration check returned.

## ABOUT THE FALL INTRAMURAL PROGRAM

The Fall Intramural Program is divided into 13 different divisions based on age, gender and athletic ability. Each division uses one of three different formats, each designed to maximize skill development, obtain an optimal competitive level and, most important, maximize the amount of fun that each child has during the season.

One of the primary purposes of the LMSC Intramural Program is to develop the more talented and enthusiastic players for the LMSC Travel Team Program. We offer boys and girls travel teams starting at Under 9 and going up through Under 19. We have up to four travel teams in each boys age group and each girls age group. Since 1989, LMSC Travel Teams have won TEN State Championships. LMSC has had 39 teams reach the State Cup semifinals during that time period. Children with sufficient athletic ability and soccer interest should give serious consideration to trying out for the Travel Team Program when they are old enough. Travel team players, unlike intramural players, generally progress to high school varsity teams and beyond.

LMSC is a not-for-profit entity. It is the **ONLY** local area soccer program that is affiliated with the United States Soccer Federation, meaning that it is the **ONLY** local area program that can offer a Travel Team Program where the more talented and athletic youngsters can aspire to higher levels of play. A total of six former LMSC players have progressed to play at the professional levels, including two currently playing in Major League Soccer. One former LMSC travel team player is currently on the USA Men's National Team. Three former LMSC players have represented our country on National Youth Teams. Another former LMSC player who holds dual citizenship, was a member of Spain's Under 18 Women's National Team. Many of our players have gone on to play League Select, State Select and Division One college soccer.

The objective of all our programs is **"to provide each and every child with a fun filled experience in a soccer environment."** Our number one goal is fun, our number two goal is to develop each player's skills so that he/she may progress to higher levels of play in the future. We try to keep the winning and losing aspect in check for all players, and we expect this philosophy to be followed by the players' parents as well as other spectators at games. Children do **NOT** have to follow the recommended guidelines for our age groups. They may play up in an older division or down in a younger division if the parents see fit.

# INFORMATION ON THE VARIOUS AGE DIVISIONS

## OUR YOUNGEST AGE DIVISIONS

<b>PEE-WEE DIVISION:</b>	Children born in 1998	Sundays: <b>Boys:</b> 11:00, 1:00, 3:00 <b>Girls:</b> 12:00, 2:00
<b>ATOMS DIVISION:</b>	Boys born in 1997	Saturdays at 9:15, 11:45, 2:15 and 3:30
<b>NEUTRONS DIVISION:</b>	Girls born in 1997	Saturdays at 10:30 and 1:00

The emphasis of our Youngest Age Divisions is on enjoyment of the game and basic skill development. Players meet once a week. Each week, they will have a 25 minute skills clinic, followed by games of 5 vs. 5 on scaled down fields to maximize player participation. A size 3 ball is used. These age groups use a "pickup soccer" format where players are randomly placed on different teams each week. This is done in order to minimize the pressures of winning and losing, thereby allowing each child to enjoy the game in a stress free environment.

Because of the small numbers of players on each team, we need to have a large number of coaches in each division. Over 90 percent of our coaches are parents of the players. **Parents are asked to give consideration to volunteering to coach.** You do not have to have playing experience to be a coach. At LMSC, we set aside a large percentage of our budget for coaching materials, (both written and video), coaching clinics, etc. We believe that the best way to have a successful program is to have coaches who are enthusiastic and understand their roles and responsibilities. **While registration will NOT close for these age groups, many time slots will close.**

## OUR MIDDLE AGE DIVISIONS

		Maximum number of players accepted in division.
<b>BANTAMS DIVISION:</b>	Boys born in 1996	160
<b>MICRONS DIVISION:</b>	Girls born in 1996	140
<b>JUNIORS DIVISION:</b>	Boys born in 1994 and 1995 with moderate athletic ability	120
<b>INTERMEDIATES DIVISION:</b>	Boys born in 1994 and 1995 with above average athletic ability	200
<b>PROTONS DIVISION:</b>	Girls born in 1994 and 1995	200

The emphasis of our Middle Age Divisions is on enjoyment of the game, skill development and the introduction of being a part of a "team". Each youngster is assigned to a team of 10 players for the season. All teams play a nine game schedule. Games are played each Saturday. Games are played 6 vs. 6. The Juniors, Intermediates and Protons use a size 4 soccer ball, the Bantams and Microns use a size 3 ball. Each team has one practice a week (held on a weeknight or Sunday afternoon, as determined by the coach). Game times will vary each Saturday and can start as early as 8:30 AM or as late as 4:00 PM. Be sure to note on the registration any night that you have conflicts with other fall activities. This will enable us to put each child on a team that will not practice on nights where there will be a conflict. **Note:** The Juniors Division tends to close out very quickly due to the limited number of parents who volunteer as head coaches.

## OUR OLDEST AGE DIVISIONS

		Maximum number of players accepted in division.
<b>SENIORS DIVISION:</b>	Boys born in 1992 and 1993	216
<b>MAJORS DIVISION:</b>	Boys born in 1989, 1990 and 1991	144
<b>ELECTRONS DIVISION:</b>	Girls born in 1992 and 1993	168
<b>COSMOS DIVISION:</b>	Girls born in 1989, 1990 and 1991	144

Our Oldest Age Divisions are open to children who are old enough for the LMSC Travel Team Program but did not make a travel team or who chose to stay in the Intramural Program. Teams in each of these divisions play a nine game schedule. Each team has one practice a week (held on a weeknight or Sunday afternoon, as determined by the coach). Game times will vary each Saturday and can start as early as 8:30 AM or as late as 4:00 PM. Be sure to note on your registration form any night that you have conflicts with other fall activities. This will enable us to put you on a team that does not practice on those nights.

Standings are kept in each of our Oldest Age Divisions. A division championship is held at the end of the season.

The Seniors and Electrons use a size 4 ball, the Majors and Cosmos use a size 5 ball. The Seniors, Majors and Cosmos play full sided 11 vs. 11 soccer. Teams have a maximum of 18 players. The Electrons play 8 vs. 8 and have a maximum of 14 players on a team.

**NOTE: Boys and girls born in 1988 will NOT be accepted into these programs, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

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## **SPECIAL NEEDS DIVISION**

This program is geared toward children ages 6-14 with a wide variety of physical and mental limitations. To find out more about this program, or to determine whether a particular child would be suited for the Special Needs Division, please e-mail us at: [lmisc@netreach.net](mailto:lmisc@netreach.net) or call our club hotline at 610-527-3940.

## **OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE INTRAMURAL PROGRAM**

### **EQUIPMENT**

By rule of the United States Soccer Federation, ALL players MUST wear shin guards to both practices and games. For safety reasons, soccer shoes are strongly recommended instead of sneakers. Intramural players will receive their soccer jersey at their first practice of the season. Intramural players can purchase a pair of our logoed LMSC navy intramural soccer shorts and white soccer socks at Sneaky Pete's (5 West Lancaster Avenue in Ardmore). Sneaky Pete's also carries a full line of youth shin guards and soccer shoes, as well as soccer balls. As our official supplier of soccer items, they also accept orders for other LMSC items such as our LMSC logoed soccer balls, sweat shirts, sweat pants, club jackets, polo shirts and our LMSC baseball hat.

### **FINANCIAL AID**

Our program is not-for-profit, it's purpose is to provide all soccer loving youngsters with a chance to play. Players who are in need of financial assistance for the season may request this on their registration form. One of the goals of LMSC is to not have any child turn away from the program for financial reasons.

### **CAR POOL AND TEAMMATE REQUESTS**

We will attempt to honor car pool and teammate requests written on the registration form. We cannot guarantee that car pool requests or teammate requests will be honored since our first priority is to make teams within each division as fair and balanced as possible. Car pool requests may only be made with players in the SAME division. We will NOT switch players at the start of the season to different teams for this purpose, requests MUST be stated on the registration form. If a player has a good friend who he or she would like to be placed with, please list him or her in this section of the registration. Car pool requests received after August 10th will most likely not be honored since the LMSC Directors must begin making team assignments at that time.

### **COACHING VOLUNTEERS**

Our program is dependent on having parents of players volunteer as coaches. PLEASE give consideration to volunteering as a coach, thank you. We provide head coaches with ample coaching material (both written and video) in order to make the program a success. You do not need to have had played the game, you only need to have an interest in working with a small group of children and an ability to stay one or two steps ahead of them in learning the game.

We also need people to volunteer to be Division Commissioners. Their responsibilities are administrative, i.e., making team assignments for the older divisions, switching players from one team to another when necessary, making phone calls in the event of rainouts, distributing end of season trophies, etc.

If you are interested in serving as a Division Commissioner, head coach or assistant coach, PLEASE indicate this on your registration. Also, if you are planning on coaching, please send in your registration form AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. Your help in this matter will be greatly appreciated so we can mail coaching materials, make coaching assignments, etc.

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**FIELD SITES**

Field locations for each division will not be finalized until late August. Right now, we can only give a **TENTATIVE** field schedule (subject to change) for each division as follows:

<b>Atoms:</b>	Gladwyne Playground	9:15	11:45	2:15	3:30
<b>Neutrons:</b>	Gladwyne Playground	10:30	1:00		
<b>Special Needs:</b>	Penn Valley Elementary School	9:15			
<b>Pee-Wee Division:</b>	Gladwyne Playground	Boys Play Sundays At:	11:00	1:00	3:00
		Girls Play Sundays At:	12:00	2:00	

**Microns, Bantams**

<b>And Protons:</b>	Penn Valley Elementary School	Games running all morning and afternoon
<b>Intermediates:</b>	Gladwyne Elementary School	" " " "
<b>Juniors:</b>	Merion Elementary School	" " " "
<b>Electrons:</b>	Bala Cynwyd Playground (Bala Cynwyd)	" " " "
<b>Seniors:</b>	Amherst Field (Bala Cynwyd)	" " " "
<b>Cosmos and Majors:</b>	McMoran Playground (Bala Cynwyd)	" " " "

Again, this field schedule is VERY TENTATIVE and is subject to change.

**TIME SLOTS CLOSING OUT**

The 9:15 and 11:45 Atoms Division time slots, along with the 10:30 Neutrons Division time slot, will close on August 1st. Players may not register for those time slots after August 1st. The other time slots will remain open. They will not close, registrations will be accepted during the season for these time slots.

Many of the earlier Pee-Wees time slots will also close out. Please check our web page to see which time slots still have openings for the Pee-Wees.

**GAME TIMES FOR MIDDLE AND OLDEST AGE GROUPS**

The Middle Age Divisions and Oldest Age Divisions will have games running all Saturday. Each team's game time will change from week to week. Games start as early as 8:30 AM and as late as 4:00 PM. We CANNOT place a player on a team that has only early games or only late games. The game times will be different each week.

**IF WE DO NOT GET ENOUGH COACHES IN A PARTICULAR DIVISION, WE WILL HAVE TO LIMIT THE NUMBER OF PLAYERS WHO WE ACCEPT INTO THAT DIVISION.**

**PLEASE GIVE CONSIDERATION TO COACHING!!!**



# HOW TO REGISTER FOR THE FALL INTRAMURAL PROGRAM

## REGISTRATION FEES

Please refer to the registration fee schedule below. We can only guarantee placement in a division for registration forms postmarked by August 10. There is a late fee for registrations postmarked after that date. We also cannot guarantee acceptance into the program if the registration is postmarked after that date. We cannot honor car pool and teammate requests for registrations postmarked after August 10 since that is when we start the very difficult task of making team assignments.

<b>AGE GROUP</b>	<b>POSTMARKED BY AUGUST 10</b>	<b>POSTMARKED BETWEEN AUGUST 11 AND AUGUST 31</b> cannot guarantee placement cannot guarantee teammate requests	<b>POSTMARKED ON SEPTEMBER 1 OR LATER</b> cannot guarantee placement cannot guarantee teammate requests
Special Needs	\$25	\$25	\$25
Atoms, Neutrons, PeeWees	\$80	\$80 if there are still openings	\$80 if there are still openings
All Other Divisions	\$80	\$100 if there are still openings	\$150 if there are still openings

Note: Late fees do not apply to families who moved into Lower Merion Township after June 1, 2002.

## REFUND POLICY

Requests for refunds will only be honored if made before September 1st. We will NOT issue refunds for any reason after that date. There is a \$20 service charge for all refund requests made before September 1st.

## REGISTRATION NOTES

- 1) If you are planning to volunteer to coach, please register as soon as possible so we can forward coaching materials to you. This will also help us to better organize teams assignments and plan our season better.
- 2) Players may choose a different division than the one we recommend if the parents feel it is in the child's best interest to play up a year or down a year. This is subject to LMSC approval.
- 3) You MUST use a separate registration form for each child or the registration form will be returned.
- 4) Registration forms and checks are to be sent to: LMSC, Box 469, Gladwyne, PA 19035.
- 5) Car pool / teammate requests cannot be honored for registrations postmarked after August 10!!!!

**The 9:15 and 11:45 Atoms Division time slots, along with the 10:30 Neutrons Division time slot will be closed after August 1st. We will not accept registrations into those time slots after that date.**

**Time slots for the PeeWees Division will be closed as soon as they reach capacity. Please check our web page to see which time slots in the PeeWees Division still have openings.**

## WHAT TO DO AFTER YOU REGISTER

We will post the names of players who have had their registrations accepted on our web page ([www.lmsc.net](http://www.lmsc.net)). If you do not see your name, please let us know. On September 5th, we will post team assignments along with schedules for the September 14 start of season practices. We will also post this information on the front window of Sneaky Pete's (5 West Lancaster Avenue in Ardmore). Please note that Sneaky Pete's is NOT authorized to give this information out over the phone. DO NOT call them for this information, they will not give it out.

Please remember that we need people to volunteer as head coaches (and also assistant coaches) in all age groups. Adults who volunteer to coach in a particular division will have their child assigned to their team, unless specifically requested not to.

## REGISTRATIONS WILL BE REJECTED FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING REASONS

Requested Division is full	Release Statement not signed	Age Division not specified
Division does not have enough head coaches	Registration fee not enclosed	One form used for two players
Birthdate not written on registration	Child born in 1988 or before	

# 2002 FALL INTRAMURAL REGISTRATION FORM

LMSC is affiliated with Eastern Pennsylvania Youth Soccer Association (EPYSA) and the USSF

Use one form for each player      Please print clearly      Registration form must be accompanied by proper fee

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sex: ( ) M ( ) F  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Town, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Parents' Names \_\_\_\_\_  
 E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate 19 \_\_\_\_  
YY MM DD

## YOUNGER DIVISIONS

Please circle desired division and time

### BOYS DIVISIONS

Atoms 9:15  
 Atoms 11:45  
 Atoms 2:15  
 Atoms 3:30  
 PeeWees 11:00  
 PeeWees 1:00  
 PeeWees 3:00

### GIRLS DIVISIONS

Neutrons 10:30  
 Neutrons 1:00  
 PeeWees 12:00  
 PeeWees 2:00

## SPECIAL NEEDS DIVISION

## MIDDLE AND OLDER DIVISIONS

(Please circle desired division)

BANTAMS    JUNIORS    INTERMEDIATES    SENIORS    MAJORS  
 MICRONS    PROTONS    ELECTRONS    COSMOS

**PRACTICE NIGHTS:** Please circle nights you are **NOT** available for practice:  
 Monday    Tuesday    Wednesday    Thursday    Friday    Sunday afternoon

**CAR POOL / TEAMMATE REQUESTS:** Please enter the names of players in the SAME division who you wish to car pool with, or who you wish to have as a teammate. **You may list a MAXIMUM of three players. This does NOT apply to our Younger Divisions. Requests may not be honored if the registration form is received after August 10th.**

**COACHING VOLUNTEERS:** We are in **BIG** need of volunteers to serve as coaches, **ESPECIALLY** as head coaches. Please indicate below if you are willing to serve as a coach. Coaches are placed with their child unless otherwise indicated.

Name Of Volunteer: \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Age Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Circle Preference(s):    Division Commissioner    Head Coach    Assistant Coach

## RELEASE / AUTHORIZATION STATEMENT

**Note:** This Statement must be signed by parent/guardian for minor player; adult player, coach or administrator for him / her self.

I, the parent/guardian of the registrant, a minor, or adult registrant of legal age, agree that the registrant and I will abide by the rules of the LMSC, the EPYSA, and their affiliated organizations and sponsors. Recognizing the possibility of physical injury associated with soccer and in consideration for the LMSC and EPYSA accepting the registrant for its soccer programs and activities (the "Programs"), I hereby release, discharge and/or otherwise indemnify the LMSC, the EPYSA, their affiliated organizations and sponsors, their directors, officers, coaches, administrators, employees and associated personnel, including the owners and tenants of fields and facilities utilized for the Programs, against any claim by or on behalf of the registrant as a result of registrant's participation in the Programs, and/or being transported to or from the same, which transportation I hereby authorize.

Parent / Guardian or Adult Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Dated 20 \_\_\_\_  
YY MM DD

*Please return form and registration fee to: LMSC, Box 469, Gladwyne, PA 19035. A list of all players whose registrations have been received will be posted on our web page: [www.lmsc.net](http://www.lmsc.net). Team assignments and schedules will be posted on our web page and the front window of Sneaky Pete's no later than September 5th.*



# HAMMERHEADS WIN STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The Lower Merion Hammerheads finished a fantastic soccer season, winning the Under 11 State Championship on May 11. The Hammerheads won all six of their games in the State Cup competition, outscoring the opposition 19-1 to win the 28 team tournament.

The Hammerheads, who are currently ranked number two in the nation for their age group, also won the Indoor State Cup in January. They are the first Lower Merion team to win both state cup competitions in the same year since 1990, when the LMSC Gorillas took both titles. Two players from the Gorillas now play in Major League Soccer, our nation's top professional league.

The Hammerheads opened up the State Cup Tournament with a 3-0 win over Super Nova from the Harrisburg area. Colin Fleming, filling in for regular goalie Matt Dilks, earned the shutout in goal for the Hammerheads. This game was followed up the following week with a 7-0 win over Buckingham Soccer Club from the Doylestown area. In the teams' third game, the Hammerheads squeaked by Montgomery Soccer Club 1-0. The only goal of the game came from Alec Weiss who played much of the game with a fractured foot. Weiss would miss the next two weeks of the tournament.

In the quarterfinals, the Hammerheads defeated a strong Manheim team 4-0 as the local team got goals from Wayne Maminski, Jordan Obrant, Danny DiLullo and Georgie McFarland. Due to injuries, the team played the entire game with only 12 players.

The semifinals put the Hammerheads up against F.C. Bucks, the number three ranked team in the state. McFarland scored 15 minutes into the game to give the Hammerheads a 1-0 lead. In the second half, Maminski scored, assisted by Fleming, to give the team a 2-0 lead.

The mighty Hammerheads defense made the lead stand up. Goaltender Matt Dilks earned the team it's fifth straight shutout. Dilks had a tremendous defense in front of him. Sweeper fullback Tom Kalpokas, along with marking backs David Dubow, Sean Gillooly and Danny DiLullo were rock solid all tournament. (continued) —>



**Front Row:** Wayne Maminski, Jordan Obrant, Matt Dilks, Georgie McFarland, Matt Quinn  
**Middle Row:** David Dubow, Alec Weiss, Danny DiLullo, Greg Robbins, Colin Fleming,  
Sean Gillooly, Shaughn Gannon, Tom Kalpokas  
**Back Row:** Ed Weiss, Biff Sturla

The championship game was played against Lower Dauphin from the Harrisburg area. Lower Dauphin was also 5-0 going into the championship game and had allowed only one goal all tournament. The game proved to be a defensive battle as neither team was able to score in the first half. The forward line of McFarland, Greg Robbins and Weiss (back in the lineup after two weeks on crutches) had many good opportunities to score but were unable to beat the Lower Dauphin goalie.

Early in the second half, the Hammerheads finally put one in the net. Wing midfielder Shaughn Gannon got around his man deep on the right side and sent a perfect pass to Matt Quinn whose one time shot gave the Hammerheads a 1-0 lead.

Lower Dauphin tied the score with 10 minutes left in regulation when they scored on a direct free kick from 22 yards out. This proved to be the only goal the Hammerheads would allow during the entire State Cup Tournament. The winning goal for the Hammerheads came with only 90 seconds left in regulation. Robbins took his man 1 on 1 down the sideline, got around him and delivered a great pass to McFarland whose one time shot got past the goalie. Lower Dauphin did not have enough time to even things up and the Hammerheads were victorious.

The Hammerheads concluded the greatest season in Lower Merion Soccer Club's 35 year history. In addition to the Indoor State Championship and Outdoor State Championship, the team also won the highly prestigious Jefferson Cup, held in Richmond, where they faced the top teams in the Eastern United States. The team defeated Springfield, Virginia 4-1, Richmond Magic 3-1, Chesterfield, VA 7-0 and SAC (Columbia, Maryland) 2-1 in the finals. The Hammerheads also won the Delco League's Under 12 championship in the fall, playing up a year in age.

The Hammerheads plan to compete in the Dallas Cup in April, 2003. The Dallas Cup attracts some of the best teams in the world, over 25 countries are represented in the tournament each year. In the team's three year history, they are 63-1-0 against teams their age.

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## DISASTERS REACH SEMI-FINALS OF U-12 STATE CUPS

The U-12A Disasters finished up a successful Spring State Cup campaign reaching the semifinals, losing to Super Nova 4-3 in double overtime. Scoring in for the Disasters in the Semi final were Jonny Fleisher (1 goal) and David Cassanelli (2 goals).

The Disasters notched two big State Cup wins on the way to the semifinals against Yardley Makefield Soccer Club (YMS) and Lower Dauphin. The Disasters shut out a tough YMS side 3-0. David Cassanelli led all scorers with two goals and Max Maguire provided an insurance goal. Cassanelli's first goal, a long range blast into the upper right corner, set the tone for the Disasters' domination of YMS. Alex Gushner and Benny Schwartz shared goalkeeping duties, shutting out the YMS offense.

The Disasters traveled to Lower Dauphin to play for a spot in the State Cup final four and came away with a hard fought 2-1 victory. Nikhil Gregg dribbled through several Lower Dauphin defenders and pounded a low shot into the back of the net to put the Disasters on the board in the first half. Max Maguire provided the game winner in the second half knocking home a cross from speedy forward Bobby Pierce-Cooke who had beaten two defenders.

The successful State Cup run was fueled by Disasters' strong defense which was led by sweeper Alex Melikian, stopper Benny Schwartz, and outside defenders Reid Whelan, Ben Rossman and Ronald Richter.

The Disasters' midfield play was dominant due to the skillful and speedy play of Ryan Goldman, Dan Fedder, Doug Ammon, Scotty Blumenfeld, Jonny Fleisher, Max Maguire, and David Cassanelli.

The high powered offense provided by Martin Goldfarb, Alex Gushner, Nikhil Gregg and Bobby Pierce-Cooke led the Disasters to one of the best LMSC U-12 finishes in Outdoor State Cup Competition.

Overall, the LMSC Disasters had a very impressive 2001-2002 season. They were a finalist in the Delco League Premier Division, finalist in the Indoor State Cups and semifinalists in the Outdoor State Cups. The Disasters are coached by Rick Whelan and Jim Van Dusen.

## CONGRATULATIONS ALEX COPE

LMSC would like to recognize Alex Cope, who became the second LMSC player in the last six years to progress from a 'D' travel team up to an 'A' travel team. Two years ago, Alex was selected for the Under 9 'D' travel team. After a year on the team, Alex moved up to the Under 10 'C' travel team, the LMSC Habaneros, coached by John Ailor. Alex helped lead the Habaneros to a second place finish in the Delco League's Division Three.

His outstanding play was noticed by Scott Fagan, head coach for the LMSC Misfits, our Under 10 'B' team. Alex played for the Misfits during the winter and spring season. This year, at tryouts for Under 11, Alex was selected by head coach Miguel Nuila to play for the LMSC Velez, our U-11 'A' team.

Hopefully Alex's rapid rise up the ranks will serve as inspiration for other players in the program. Alex has worked very hard to improve his game. His hard work practicing his skills paid off, and for that, the club would like to congratulate him.

Six years ago, Todd Herman managed to move up one level for three straight years, moving from Under 9 'D' up to Under 12 'A'. Todd continues to be a strong player and will be playing at the high school level this fall. LMSC has had several female players move up the ranks from 'C' to 'A', most recently Ashley Aruffo, currently a member of our Under 14 'A' team, coached by Daniel Barrero.

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## THE LMSC SPECIAL NEEDS PROGRAM



LMSC will again run their Special Needs Program in the fall. This program is geared for youngsters ages 6 - 14 who have physical or mental limitations. This program has been in existence for ten years and offers soccer to players who might otherwise not be able to participate. Originally founded by Susan Reynolds, the program has expanded to accommodate over 30 players. The program is now under the Direction of Steven Spencer.

If you know of a youngster who would benefit by playing in this program, please contact LMSC. The program runs on Saturday mornings during the fall.

# FALL REFEREE AND FIELD CREW APPLICATIONS

Enclosed in this newsletter is an application form for the positions of referee and field crew for the 2002 Fall Intramural Program. A description of each of the different positions is enclosed.

If you are interested in working this fall in any of these positions, please fill out and mail back the application form to our Gladwyne address. Applications should be received no later than August 10th. The intramural season will begin on Saturday, September 14th and run through November 17th. Games are played each Saturday during that time period. There are a limited number of Sunday games as well.

Referees will NOT have to be available each week. They will only be asked to work on days that their personal schedule permits them. We are especially looking for girls who play in the Travel Team Program since most of their games are on Sundays.

**LEVEL 3 REFEREES** - Must be at least 17 years of age OR be at least 15 years of age with at least two years of referee experience. Level 3 Referees will be used for games in our 9-13 year old divisions. Level 3 referees are paid \$14 a game. Games are played on Saturdays and last one hour. Games are at several different locations.

**LEVEL 2 REFEREES** - Must be at least 15 years of age OR be at least 13 years of age with at least two years of referee experience. Level 2 Referees will be used for games in our 7-10 year old divisions. Level 2 referees are paid \$12 a game. Games are played on Saturdays and last one hour. Games are at several different locations.

**LEVEL 1 REFEREES** - Must be at least 13 years of age OR be at least 11 years of age with a minimum of two years of Travel Team playing experience. No prior referee experience is necessary. Level 1 Referees will be used for games in our 4-6 year old divisions. These games pay \$10.00 per session (each session is approximately 75 minutes long). These referees will also be expected to help the coaches teach the basic skills and tactics of the game to the players as well as help with the skills clinic held at the start of each session. All games for level 1 referees will be at Gladwyne Playground.

**ALL Referees will be expected to dress in soccer attire and must provide their own whistle.** The referee assignor will call referees each Thursday to find out which referees are available for that weekend. Rules and regulations will be forwarded to the referees. Referees will need to pass a written test at the Annual Referees Meeting before the start of the season.

**FIELD CREW** - Field crew members must be at least 13 years of age. Field crew workers will be paid \$12 an hour to set up nets, line fields, remove trash and take down nets. Each week, they will need to have nets set up on Friday night or Saturday morning by 9:00 AM.

We will have a Head Field Crew person at each of our fields. The Field Crew head will call people on the field crew list to help complete their work.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please return the enclosed application form by August 10th.



# 2002 FALL INTRAMURAL REFEREE AND FIELD CREW APPLICATION FORM

**This form must be returned by mail no later than August 10th**

I am interested in the following position(s) for the LMSC Fall Intramural Program:

Level 3 Referee

Must be at least 17 years of age OR be at least 15 years of age with two years of referee experience.

Level 2 Referee

Must be at least 15 years of age OR be at least 13 years of age with two years of referee experience.

Level 1 Referee

Must be at least 13 years of age OR at least 11 years of age with two years of Travel Team playing experience.

Field Crew

Must be at least 13 years of age.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Town+Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

List Previous Soccer Playing Experience:

List Previous Soccer Referee Experience (if any):

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Please return this form no later than August 10th to: LMSC, Box 469, Gladwyne, PA 19035



# 2002 / 2003 TRAVEL TEAM ROSTERS

## Boys Under 9 Boca Juniors

Coach: Miguel Nuila

Arronson	Nathan
Borowsky	Sammy
Carabasi	Cary
Garino	Jonathan
Hunt	Billy
Kendall	Harrison
Koven	Eli
Pontecorvo	Matthew
Robbins	Michael
Rubenstein	Danny
Schoenberg	Noah

## Boys Under 9 Red Devils

Coach: Gary Smolen

Blumenthal	Max
Cohen	Noah
Fleming	Blaine
Glen	Josh
Gordon	Daniel
Gural	Will
McAvoy	Billy
Perry	Kyle
Santora	Jordan
Stern	Jeffrey
Vaccaro	Alex
Votto	Shane

## Boys Under 9 Pumas

Coach: Tom Pillion

Cucuel	Robby
Goodman	Jake
Henderson	Sam
Hoffman	Drew
Hutchins	Brett
Lucoff	Jordan
Marks	Sam
Mazer	Aaron
Panagos	Brandon
Pillion	Alex
Weinberg	Charles
Zager	David

## Boys Under 9

Coach: Dave Moyer

Bruner-Henning	Jaimeson
Derman	Blake
Derman	Harris
Farrell	Jay
Gilmour	David
Gingold	Joey
Haab	Connor
Kleiner	Zachary
McAvoy	Derek
Moyer	Danny
Novick	Max
Schupper	David
Smith	Wilson

## Boys Under 10 Roadkill

Coach: Biff Sturla

Beatty	Alex
Crowther	Julian
Dodds	Ryan
Goldman	Michael
Kurtzman	Max
Lemonick	Michael
McLaughlin	Jimmy
Murphy	Shawn
Rosenfeld	David
Rubenstein	Robbie
Sowers	Alec
Squirrel	Rocket

## Boys Under 10 Predators

Coach: George Moore

Baker	Garrett
Bowen	Sam
Desatnick	Nick
Eisenstaedt	Colin
Garnick	Adam
Heller	Adam
Kursman	Daniel
Moore	Nick
Moshal	Alex
Posner	Daniel
Seem	Teddy
Seltzer	Charles
Useche-Rodrigo	Lorenzo

## Boys Under 10 Terminators

Coach: Gary Stein

Bernstein	Matthew
Blumenthal	Michael
Buchwald	Michael
Cotler	Paul
DiCicco	Nicholys
Diehl	Nate
Foust	Shane
Ivey	Spencer
Pearlstein	Ian
Peterson	Daniel
Richman	Sam
Schwartz	Griffin
Stein	Eric
White	Anthony

## Boys Under 10 Thunder

Coach: Paul Svigals

Dupre	Alex
Foltz	Charlie
Gordon	David
Hollander	David
Levin	Jacob
Rhodes	Nick
Riesenbach	Matthew
Ross	Larry
Rothschild	David
Schaeffer	Jay
Sussman	Mitchell
Svigals	Bobby
Webb	Andrew

## Boys Under 11 Velez

Coach: Miguel Nuila

Aoyama	Julien
Arch	Zachary
Banecker	Michael
Cope	Alex
Dolezal	Jonathan
Israel	Kevin
Lawson	Patrick
Lovitz	Daniel
Mack	Andy
McAllister	Jonathan
McLaughlin	Brandon
Sanchez	Manolo
Seltzer	Evan
Smith	Derrick
Wolf	Jordan

## Boys Under 11 Misfits

Coach: Scott Fagan

Ben-Maimon	Tal
Blechschild	Jeff
Cooper	Daniel
DeFiero	Antonio
Fagan	Max
Gordon	Andrew
Holm	Spencer
Krantz	Mark
Margolies	Alex
McCann	John
Priffi	Stephen
Selarnick	Michael
Servetnick	Alex
Smith	Ian
VanDenHoof	Bert

## Boys Under 11 Habaneros

Coach: John Ailor

Ailor	Jake
Ancona-Cole	David
Annesley	Billy
Blumenfeld	Zach
Cohen	Pierce
Fallis	Bill
Farook	Kyle
Hoffstein	J.J.
Isdaner	Eric
Loewenstein	Michael
McCue	Slater
Rabinowitz	Michael
Sachs	Adam
Schade	Alex
Siegel	Zack
Steele	John
VanAdelsberg	Jack

## Boys Under 11 Dynamos

Coach: Kevin Smith

Acevedo	Miguel
Aronowitz	Daniel
D'Antonio	Frank
Doolittle	Miles
Greenfield	Sam
Gross	Sam
Ingerman	Kyle
Lanza	Sergio
Moritz	Ethan
Murphy-Trotsky	Eli
Pavel	Max
Riley	Jack
Salinas	Pedro
Sanford	Chris
Smith	Gerry
Smith	Henry
Zelouf	Zachary
Zucker	David

## Boys Under 12 Hammerheads

Coach: Biff Sturla

Cochrane	Greg
DiLullo	Danny
Dilks	Matt
Dubow	David
Gannon	Shaughn
Gillooly	Sean
Kalpokas	Tom
Kass	Jason
Keefe	Sean
Maminski	Wayne
McFarland	Georgie
Orbrant	Jordan
Robbins	Greg
Weiss	Alec

## Boys Under 12 Spider Monkeys

Coach: Tom Pillion

Addis	Will
Adelson	Daniel
Adubato	Peter
Allen	Chris
Barnett	David
Bibbs	Nick
Castellitto	Adam
Dean	Matt
Fleming	Colin
Perry	Jacob
Pillion	Sam
Rodriguez	Julian
Simonian	Stephen
Stahler	Eric
Winthrop	Zach

# 2002 / 2003 TRAVEL TEAM ROSTERS

## Boys Under 12 Menace

Coach: Art Corrado

Assiran	Daniel
Corrado	Justin
Hails	Alex
Holland	Joe
Karlsruher	Jacob
Lunkenheimer	Kraig
MacGregor	Scott
McGrath	Liam
Millan	Josh
Rapiano	Patrick
Reagan	Timothy
Richardson	Brett
Rosner	Dan
Schutzman	Jake
Shapiro	Ezra
Slochower	John

## Boys Under 12 Chargers

Coach: Fred Robinson

Ayella-Silver	Michael
Behler	Matt
Berkowitz	Jake
Berman	Scott
Bonney	Mike
Gerrity	Jimmy
Gerson	Alex
Isdander	Cody
Joseph	Tyler
Levin	Danny
Levin	Noah
Margulies	Mark
Morrison	Jack
Olsen	Tyler
Robinson	Lester
Weinrott	Julien

## Boys U-13 Natural Disasters

Coach: Rick Whelan

Ammon	Doug
Blumenfeld	Scott
Cassanelli	David
Fedder	Dan
Fleisher	Jon
Gallagher	T.C.
Geraghty	Michael
Goldfarb	Martin
Goldman	Ryan
Gregg	Nikhil
Gushner	Alex
Maguire	Max
Melikian	Alex
Pierce-Cooke	Bobby
Richter	Ronald
Rossmann	Ben
Schwartz	Benny
Whelan	Reid

## Boys Under 13 Stingers

Coach: George David

Bernstein	Matt
Chernoff	Scott
Collinelli	Michael
David	George
Emrich	Doug
Fox	Josh
Gordon	Jeff
Greenberg	Jake
Kofsky	Michael
Kramer	Jay
Piitch	Matt
Propper	Sam
Savaria	Danny
Schwab	Robert
Stadlin	Daniel
Udren	Nathan

## Boys Under 13 Cyclones

Coach: Robert Savett

Agoos	Sam
Baron	Charles
Blumenthal	Jordan
Buzby	Alex
Eisenhard	Jake
Goldwein	Eric
Hallowell	Sam
Hyman	Matt
Levinthal	Rob
Mueller	Robert
Pasek	Michael
Pizzutillo	Alex
Savett	Sean
Segal	Andrew
Shafer	Blake
Shell	Ned
Siegel	Michael
Taylor	Matthew

## Boys Under 14 Warriors

Coach: Ron Perilstein

Blechschtmidt	Mike
Broderson	Josh
Buckmann	Eric
Fleishman	Stuart
Foster	Will
Gagnier	Chris
Giorno	Chris
Grant	Ben
Meinster	Andrew
Melvin	Ryan
Perilstein	Alex
Puklin	Jeffrey
Rappoport	Luke
Schneck	Matt
Schwartz	Tyler
Weinerman	Austin
Yoshimura	Brandon

## Boys Under 14 Gunners

Coach: Walt Einhorn

Asbury	Zachary
Baumohl	Jake
Blum	Isaac
Einhorn	Walter
Gerrity	Tommy
Goldner	Keith
Gross	Aaron
Hardy	Josh
Kamin	Brandon
Kessler	Sam
Kurz	D.J.
Muosburner	Mark
Overhiser	John
Stahler	David
Yalof	Brett

## Girls Under 9 Lightning

Coach: Rich Schwab

Blumenthal	Marni
Hyman	Sara
Levyn	Emily
MacManus	Leslie
McLaughlin	Allison
Newman	Rachel
Neylan	Elizabeth
Olsen	Brooke
Reiff	Julie
Rizzo	Claudia
Schwab	Jessica
Voluck	Rikki

## Girls Under 9 Screamers

Coach: Dan Sutton

Asch	Elizabeth
Blank	Samantha
Bredt	Nikki
Currier	Alexandra
Dahle	Becca
Gallagher	Julia
Ginsburg	Shelby
McCue	Rory
Robert	Gwanaelle
Robinson	Sarah
Roseman	Hallie
Smith	Julia
Winston	Sophia

## Girls Under 10 Flame

Coach: Steve Blumenthal

Blumenthal	Brianna
Eyre	Libby
Gray	Hilary
Hyman	Jaime
MacManus	Claire
Mayernick	Tori
Rhodes	Lauren
Rubenstein	Megan
Steinberg	Blaine
Sukonik	Carli
Warren	Sloan

## Girls Under 10 Bee Stars

Coach: Rob Gregg

Andrews	Claire
Feinberg	Kristin
Herman	Ali
Kale	Nadia
Myers	Dana
Sawin	Caroline
Shein	Samantha
Shulkin	Jennie
Siegel	Julia
Spector	Sarah
Tintenfass	Allison
Wigrizer	Jennie

## Girls Under 10 Rockets

Coach: Stephen Frank

Blank	Loren
Bogad	Pauline
David	Madeline
Farook	Noelle
Feenane	Caroline
Feldbaum	Julia
Frank	Alison
Gerrity	Erin
Neckowitz	Patricia
Orkline	Sara
Page	Callie
Pierce-Cooke	Abigail
Walzer	Laura
Williford	Shannon

## Girls Under 10

Coach: Jon Rothschild

Badin	Sarah
Berman	Lauren
Blistein	Lenna
Chou	Chloe
Liu	Alessandra
Peterson	Laura
Puklin	Leah
Quinn	Chelsea
Rappoport	Emily
Ritterband	Lauren
Rosenbaum	Cecilia
Rothschild	Molly
Terzian	Amanda
Wortley	Allison

# 2002 / 2003 TRAVEL TEAM ROSTERS

## Girls Under 11 Chili Peppers

Coach: Danielle Fagan

Brady	Theresa
Cavros	Irene
Chamoun	Hana
Damico	Charlotte
Gribbin	Bridget
Hoffman	Alexa
Jakobowski	Kasey
Klebe	Marta
Liss	Madison
Marshall	Bailey
McCaffrey	Kaitlyn
Melikian	Anayis
Sawin	Alexandra
Schoenberg	Elizabeth
Stokes	Tara
Walsh	Kathryn

## Girls Under 11 Firecrackers

Coach: Harold Goldner

Arronson	Olivia
Bonney	Caitlin
Buckman	Julia
Dash	Rachel
Goldner	Kira
Greenspan	Leah
Hall	Jessie
Howard	Rachel
Kenny	Eileen
Lawlace	Margaret
McKinney	Courtney
Nehls	Kristen
Pearlman	Gracie
Rizzo	Madelena
Rosner	Julie
Tow	Molly

## Girls Under 11 Heartbreakers

Coach: Will Haines

Adelman	Lindsey
Birnbaum	Julia
Blum	Amy
Cines	Courtney
Cohen	Rachel
Goldberg-Morse	Hannah
Goodman	Ava
Haines	Jenny
Lashner	Nora
Lindheim	Danielle
McDevitt	Kylie
McFarland	Bonnie
Mezochow	Gabrielle
Partridge	Emily
Whitehead	Madelaine

## Girls Under 12 Stingrays

Coach: Karin Sturla

Becker	Bryn
Blindenbacher	Hanni
Blitstein	Lindsay
Devlin	Courtenay
Gangl	Jenny
Gundersen	Caroline
Haack	Christina
Keating	Caroline
McGovern	Sarah
Newman	Hannah
Pearlstein	Haley
Rosenberg	Allie
Trainer	Megan
Vallet	Mia
Vecere	Julianne
Woods	Amy

## Girls Under 12 Sharks

Coach: Rich McCarthy

Camitta	Sarah
Chapkovich	Larissa
Chitester	Claire
Frank	Danielle
Hanak	Lauren
Lefkoe	Rebecca
McCarthy	Emily
Moskowitz	Mira
Nolan	Lauren
Nunez	Natalie
Rescorl	Sasha
Sears	Elana
Silberthau	Kara
Spiegel	Hannah
Zaleska	Monika

## Girls Under 13 Red Dragons

Coach: Gabe Betancourt

Betancourt	Illeana
Betancourt	Isa
Burgio	Ashley
Day	Roseann
Dobrikovic	Bianca
Dormans	Laura
Eisenstadt	jocelyn
Goode	Tara
Higgins	Tara
Huppert	Cayla
McGovern	Andrea
Morgan	Lauren
Penne	Mara
Platt	Julie
Porter	Becky
Zeller	Eva

## Girls Under 14 Force

Coach: Daniel Barrero

Adelman	Nikki
Aruffo	Ashley
Bradley	Ashley
Crowther	Ludmila
Dugan	Jorie
Golden	Leslie
Goldstein	Jessica
Kovach	Alyssa
Kraus	Kelcey
Lile	Maggie
McFarland	Megan
Roberts	Julie
Somerdyk	Moira
Street	Julie
Tourdot	Nicolle

## Girls Under 14 Whirlwinds

Coach: Joe Bowring

Aiken	Caroline
Arch	Rebecca
Bowring	Andrea
Chitester	Lauren
Frankford	Melissa
Goldstein	Amy
Gregory	Amanda
Mezochow	Alyssa
Mosner	Maya
Mosner	Rachel
Rosenfeld	Cara
Thompson	Kajsa
Vargo	Alex
Wakim	Brittany

## Girls Under 15 Rage

Coaches: Rich Schwab / D.J. Jones

Costello	Liz
Dull	Courtney
Fiorentino	Michelle
Giedgowd	Sara
Haslett	Alida
Jones	Meredith
Kaminskas	Lauren
Komlo	Callye
Komlo	Christie
Nottebohm	Kristin
Peterson	Rosemary
Reis	Julia
Rosner	Lauren
Sack	Myra
Schwab	Amanda
Wallingford	Christine
Williams	Eva

# REFEREE CERTIFICATION COURSE

Many people have expressed an interest in gaining certification to be a licensed referee. This certification enables people to do travel team games as well as other levels of play beyond intramurals. There is a great need for referees, the money that can be made is quite good (much better than at the intramural level). Many adults referee games to earn extra income, in addition to their regular job.

Referees must be at least 14 years of age. Some of the referees currently doing travel team games are adults, some are teenagers.

The Lower Merion Soccer Club will offer a referee certification course in the fall. Anyone at least 14 years of age may sign up for the course. The course will be held at Lower Merion High School in September. The course will run for a total of six nights, with each class lasting three hours. The exact dates and times for the course have not yet been determined.

The cost for the course is \$50, payable to EPSARC. This is a nonrefundable fee. Neither LMSC nor the associated leagues will not reimburse you for this. The money earned while reffing will quickly cover the cost. Referees earn from \$18.00 to \$45.00 per game.

This course is a first step in reffing. The Delco Chapter of EPSARC offers clinics, newsletters and mentors to help develop referees.

Anyone interested in attending this course should contact LMSC Director Dan Sutton. Dan can be reached by e-mail at: [suttond@comcast.net](mailto:suttond@comcast.net) or by phone at 610-664-4890.

Please note that certification is NOT necessary to referee in the LMSC Intramural Program.

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## SECOND ANNUAL RACHEL SAVETT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD WINNER ANNOUNCED

Two years ago, one of our younger soccer players, Rachel Savett passed away due to anaphylactic shock, caused by very bad food allergies. She had just been selected for one of our LMSC travel teams. Rachel's father, Robert Savett, has been a coach in our program for over six years. He is the head coach for the LMSC Demons, one of our Under 13 boys travel teams.

To honor the memory of Rachel, LMSC created a Scholarship Fund in her name. The scholarship is awarded each year to a former LMSC player, referee or field crew person who is currently in college. Last year, this award was given to Tagg Boyle, a junior at Connecticut College. Tagg worked for many years as a referee and field crew worker at LMSC.

LMSC is proud to announce that this year's recipient of the Rachel Savett Memorial Scholarship Fund is Suzie Grech. Suzie spent many years playing in our soccer program. She also worked field crew and refereed. While in high school, Suzie also served as our intramural program referee assignor in the spring and in the fall.

Suzie has had an excellent playing career to date. She is currently the starting goalie at The University of Michigan. She also was a member of Spain's Under 18 National Team and has been competing for a spot on their full national team. Suzie is eligible to compete for Spain since she has dual citizenship.

LMSC plans to award a scholarship in Rachel Savett's name every year. We would like to thank all of you who donated money to this worthy cause. Your generosity is GREATLY appreciated. Anyone wishing to donate to this charity may send a check payable to: "The Rachel Savett Memorial Scholarship", c/o LMSC, Box 469, Gladwyne, PA 19035.

We would like to congratulate Suzie on being our second winner of this award. We also would like to say "Thank You" for all the years that she worked in our program. Best of luck to you in your soccer career and in school.

# ADULT WOMEN'S PROGRAM CONTINUES TO GROW

The LMSC Women's Soccer Program fielded four teams this spring, all competing in the Tri-County Women's Soccer League. The women's program continues to grow each year. The league now offers three divisions of play. Other clubs in the Tri-County league include King Of Prussia, Swarthmore, Nether Providence, Chester County, Greater Chester Valley, Amadeous, Philadelphia Soccer Club, Roslyn, Phoenix S.C. and Amedeos.

Originally founded by Karin Sturla and Nancy Worby in 1995 as a place for adult women to play soccer, the LMSC Women's Program now includes players ranging in age from 18 to 50. Karin Sturla continues to administrate the LMSC Women's Program and is President of the Tri-County Women's Soccer League. Nancy Worby is now Vice President of LMSC and has served as the director of the LMSC Girls Travel Team Program for many years.

LMSC has one team playing in division one, one team playing in division two and two teams playing in division three this spring. One goal of the Tri-County Women's League is to offer soccer to all women, regardless of soccer background or athletic ability. This fall, they sponsored a beginners instructional program at Rocket Sports for players with no previous soccer background. Tri-County again plans to offer the beginners instructional program in the future, in the hopes of getting more interested novice players out.

As the league expands the LMSC program continues to welcome players both new to soccer and those with previous soccer experience. Any women 18 years or older who is interested in joining the LMSC Women's Program may contact Karin Sturla at: [ksturla@netreach.net](mailto:ksturla@netreach.net) or 610-896-9054 to join the program.

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## SPECIAL THANKS TO ....

LMSC would like to thank some of the people who have put in significant time in helping to make our various programs run for the 2800 youngsters who participate each year.

First, we would like to thank the Division Commissioners from our 2001 Fall Intramural Program:

Atoms & Neutrons:	Michael Mark	Microns:	Thomas Smith
Bantams:	Joe McCaffrey	Protons:	Casey Ichniowski
Juniors:	Paul Halpern	Electrons:	Toni Meiers
Intermediates:	Jay Dubow	Cosmos:	Rich Ongirski
Seniors:	Evan Berson	Special Needs:	Steven Spencer
Majors:	Toni Meiers	Pee-Wees:	Andy Kelly

Second, we would like to thank the Division Commissioners from our 2002 Spring Intramural Program:

Intermediates:	Jay Dubow	Electrons:	Toni Meiers
Seniors:	Brant Henderson	Youngest Divisions:	Michael Mark
Protons:	Casey Ichniowski		

We would also like to thank our referee assignors this past year: Rachel Abrahams and Greg Luehrs

Thank you to our field crew heads: Trevor Lord, Luke Zeller, Dan Penne, Kalle Blindenbacher and Brendan Day

Thank you to all the parents who devote countless hours to getting their children to games and practices on time, making sure that uniforms are ready, shoes are tied, water bottles are filled, etc.

But most of all, thank you to all of our 400 plus intramural coaches and 75 travel team coaches.

Sincerely,

The LMSC Directors  
Biff Sturla (President), Marty Rubenstein (Vice President), Nancy Worby (Vice President),  
Harold Goldner, Dan Sutton and Jay Dubow



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