



Opeongo Minor Soccer Newsletter 2009

Greetings, everyone! Here we are in the midst of the cold and snow, but we are already in soccer mode! Many exciting things have been in the works this winter in preparation for this coming summer. Although spring might seem like a long way off, things are in full swing for our 2009 soccer season. Registration is coming up quickly, and we encourage everyone to attend one of our three registration nights. Questions or concerns about the up-coming season?? Contact a board member, or you may e-mail the club. Check out our website over the next several months for the latest info updates and schedules! **New Web Address !!!! New E-mail !!!** <http://opeongominorsoccer.net> or e-mail to info@opeongominorsoccer.net or for if interested in referee or coaching clinics please email us at clinics@opeongominorsoccer.net

REGISTRATION 2009

This year we are encouraging everyone to register as early as possible. This is important for forming teams and finalizing divisions. You may register for all aged 4 to 18 by mailing in a signed registration form and cheque to Patty Hamilton, OR come on one of the nights listed below. Extra forms can be downloaded from our website. Final registration date will be March 31, 2009. Any registrations after this date will be charged a \$20 late fee if room still exists on the team. All registrations close April 15, 2009.

Fees this year will be the same as last season:

Under 6 and Under 8 minisoccer- \$55

Under 10 to Under 18 teams- \$70 (to help with referee payments)

There is an extra \$30 fee per team if your child plays on more than 1 team. For the Under 12 division please stipulate whether your child will be playing mini soccer OR full field OR both. There will be a \$5 discount given if registering 3 or more children.

Registration Nights: Monday, March 2, 2009 @ Opeongo High School

6:30-8:00 p.m Tuesday, March 3, 2009 @ Cobden Public School

Final Registration Night: Thursday, March 26th, @ Opeongo High School

Mail in forms to:

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19981 Highway 17, RR#3
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Mini-soccer Nights of play

at Opeongo High School

Under-6 - Mondays

Under-8 - Thursdays

Under-10 - Wednesdays

Under-12 - Tuesdays

Full Field Soccer

Under-12 - boys - Wednesdays at Opeongo HS
girls - Thursdays at Eganville field

Under-14 - boys and girls - Mondays

Under 16 and Under 18 - to be finalized

The age division is determined by the age of your child on December 31st, 2008. Please bring or send a small picture for divisions U10 and up if your child didn't have a player book last year.

Proof of age, (preferably a birth certificate) must be brought if the child is new to our club.

Receipts from last year (if mailed in) will be available at Registration nights.

REFEREES

We need Referees for this season! Especially for the older divisions. Due to new refereeing regulations set out by the Ontario Soccer Association, you must be 14 or older to take the referee course for full field soccer. New minisoccer referee training is for those aged 12 or 13 years as of April 1st. There will be refereeing courses offered locally once approved by the OSA, and it is paid for by the club! You can ref on a weekly basis, or just once in a while, whatever works but we need you!!!! Even if it's just to fill in, refereeing can be a very rewarding experience. It builds confidence, and you will be guaranteed to have a greater understanding of the game. It is good exercise, and you can make some money while being up front and center to the action!! So if you would like to be a referee this summer, please let us know!!!! Contact Mark Jones or Patty Hamilton or e-mail the club.

Valley Youth Recreation Soccer

Over the past few months, our club has been working hard in conjunction with other clubs across the valley to develop opportunities for our kids to play soccer, such as more tournament-style Saturdays and perhaps an Under-10 minisoccer team playing other clubs. Having more competition is great for developing teamwork and skills. As a result the level of play is enhanced, and that makes it more fun! Here at Opeongo Minor Soccer, that will continue to be our main focus: developing players and imparting a love of the beautiful game! Indeed, this is the sentiment in clubs across the valley.

Help! Help! Help! Volunteers are always needed to help with various aspects of our club, so get in on the action! And if you have any thoughts or ideas on how to make our club run more smoothly, please contact a director or e-mail the club at info@opeongominorsoccer.net! Thanks in advance and see you on the field this summer!!!

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ON SALE! Soccer shorts for \$10, socks and soccer balls on sale for \$8 at registration or meet the coach night. Stock up on what you need for next summer and support our club!

Opeongo Minor Soccer Club Incorporated – Good Conduct Guide

To provide a safe and healthy sporting environment for our youth players, coaches, spectators and officials, Opeongo Minor Soccer Club Incorporated will introduce a Good Conduct Guide for the 2009 season on a trial basis.

It is the responsibility of **ALL** players, coaches and spectators to maintain the highest level of conduct for **themselves** at all matches. Abusive, loud and obscene language, violent play, violent conduct, fighting and other behaviour likely to tarnish the reputation of the game of soccer will not be tolerated before, during or after play. It is the responsibility of all players, coaches and spectators to support the referee. No one is to approach the referee at any time before, during or after the game. No one is to address the referee during the game with the exception of the Coach/Assistant responding to a referee initiating a communication, making a substitution or reporting an emergency or safety issue. At the half time or at the end of a game a Coach/Assistant may politely ask a referee to explain a rule, or give polite and friendly feedback.

Any Opeongo player, coach or spectator that has a question regarding these policies or regarding a referee issue **MUST** go through the division coordinator.

Players, Coaches and Spectators

A penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct shall be assessed whenever someone:

1. Openly disputes or argues about any decision by an Official
2. Uses obscene or vulgar language, including swearing, in a boisterous manner to anyone before, during or after play, even if it is not directed at a particular person
3. Openly demonstrates any sign of dissatisfaction with any Official's decision, in a manner that may embarrass the Official or challenges their judgement

In addition, coaches must support and enforce the Good Conduct Guide with regards to the players, parents and spectators associated with their team, without putting themselves at physical risk. Any player or spectator associated with the team that displays unacceptable behaviour must be reported by the coach to the division coordinator. Failure to report unacceptable behaviour will result in a penalty

Anyone who persists in any of these actions shall be assessed a Misconduct Penalty. Referees may award the following for breaches of the Good Conduct Guide; warnings for minor infractions, sending off, being ask to leave, and/or abandonment of a game. The Discipline Committee of SNE may award game suspensions to permanent bans at their discretion. Appeals have to be submitted in writing within 48 hours of notification of a penalty by the Discipline Committee of SNE.

ERSL Competitive Soccer

Training and try-outs for competitive soccer will be on Saturday mornings beginning February 7 at the Kenwood Athletic Center in Arnprior for the following age divisions: Under 11 boys, U 13 boys, U 14 girls and U 16 boys. For more information contact Bill Stevens, AMBUSC at 613-623-2201 or email the.stevens.family@gozoom.ca