

Welcome to The O.P.S.L – Brampton, Barrie & Mississauga Divisions – OUTDOOR SUMMER 2012

2012 Outdoor Summer Soccer Information

www.register4soccer.ca

Email: info@register4soccer.ca - for a quicker response contact us by email.

*All Fees are subject to HST and include shirt, shorts, socks, awards, soccer ball and a Fun Day/ Awards Day at the end of the season.

For Fees – Please see the fee schedule on our website at www.register4soccer.ca
Register Early & SAVE – Register online & SAVE

Approximate Start Date: Last week in May, First week of June depending on Location.

Tentative Game Days: Go to our website for details at www.register4soccer.ca (please note that days may need to be changed, without notice, to accommodate league requirements) We will do our best to accommodate day requests but we cannot guarantee. Players should be available for alternative days listed on the website.

League Structure: Age groupings will be decided once registrations are complete. It may be necessary to form coed teams if there are not enough registrations to sustain a boy's only or girl's only division, however this will only be done as a last resort unless otherwise indicated.

Coed Leagues: Totshots – Girls & Boys born 2008 & 2009
Coed Kickers – Girls & Boys High School Age
Divisions that do not have enough registrations to sustain a boy's only or girl's only division.

Field Locations: Please see website for Maps

Brampton: Mayfield Secondary School (Mayfield Rd & Bramalea Rd). In the event that fields at this location are unplayable we will be using Louise Arbour (Father Tobin Rd & Bramalea Rd)

Barrie: Ferndale Park

Mississauga: Meadowvale SS, Stephen Lewis SS or Churchill Meadows Sports Fields. TBA

Important Information:

You can expect to receive a call from your child's Coach on or before May 25, 2011. If you have not received a call by this date, please go to the website at www.register4soccer.ca and click on the "NO CALL from my coach" button.

All participants must wear shin guards and soccer cleats. These can be purchased from any local Walmart, Canadian Tire, Zellers or Sports Store.

SKILL OF THE WEEK: You know the saying: "Practice makes perfect" - No saying could be more true when it comes to skill development in soccer. The more you practice the better you will get! We have provided an ONLINE TRAINING PROGRAM so that you and your child can view and practice different skills and fun tricks each week. We encourage every player to use this tool and to practice each Skill Of The Week at least 20 minutes, 3 times a week. If you really want to improve you will have to do your homework and practice your skills regularly!

You will be required to commit to one day a week. **Games will begin on time**, so please come 5 – 10 prior to your scheduled time. There will be a 20 minute warm up, practice prior to each game. Each Coach will be given a specific skill that will be introduced during these practice session. Additional practices are **optional** and are left up to the team, parents and coaches.

COACHES WANTED !

Coaching: Recreational Youth Soccer teams at the O.P.S.L. are coached by parent volunteers. In this way we can provide children an opportunity to play and participate at an affordable cost. **If you can help out, please check the box on your child's registration form.**

Training Manuals and pre-season coaching clinics are provided to help coaches get started and provide excellent drills and tips for practices, as well as our ONLINE Skills Of the Week Training program.

Sometimes a coach is unable to fulfill their commitment to coach the team. This may be due to changes in their personal life or their work schedule. It is then up to the parents, of the players on the team, to step up and help out. Two or three parents, working together, results in a successful season for all of the kids and often a fun and rewarding experience for themselves. **Teamwork** is what we want to promote and instill in our children and it starts with all parents being helpful and supportive.

It is not necessary to have a strong soccer background to coach recreational house league teams. The best coaches are those who are encouraging, put the kids first and understand that the children sign up to participate and have fun.

Rain Days: In the event of rain, you are expected to show up at the field at your scheduled time. The decision to cancel games due to weather conditions or field conditions is made by the Referee and/or Field Manager and usually **at the time of the game. If a cancellation call can be determined prior to the game time we will try to get it posted on the web site as soon as we can so you may want to check before leaving the house, however, please keep in mind that we are at the field one hour prior to game times and it may not be possible for us to get the posting up.**

A “Rain Delay” will be called if there is any sign of lightening, or heavy rainfall or any unsafe weather condition. Teams will be asked to wait for 15 minutes to see if the weather improves as does many times. If weather persists the game will be cancelled by the Referee or Field Manager. Games are not rescheduled unless there are more than 3 games cancelled over the season due to weather. Any rescheduled games will most likely be played on Friday evening or on weekends.

Zero Tolerance Policy: Harassment of referee, coaches, players and staff will not be tolerated by anyone. All of our referees are trained and for some this will be their first season; they are also learning so be patient. If continual problems persist please report it to the Field Manager or send an email to info@register4soccer.ca with your concerns. Under no circumstance should you approach the referees, coaches or players yourself. Reports of such incidences may be cause for expulsion from the League, the Club and its facilities. In such cases No refunds will be granted.

It is important to remember that we are a recreational soccer club and are here to have fun, teach good sportsmanship, soccer skills and team spirit. Losing is often a part of life and how we, as parents, choose to handle the experience will reflect on our children, so please, lets teach our children good life lessons.

IMPORTANT TO NOTE: There is always a Field Manager or Head Referee on duty at the fields at all times – Please let them know any concerns so that we may address them and fix them in time for you to enjoy your whole summer soccer experience. We cannot fix what we do not know!

Thank you for registering with the O.P.S.L.

Enjoy your season and have FUN!