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## ***Nordic News***

***To: Coaches, Players, and Parents of Nordic Soccer Club.***

Welcome to the November 2010 edition of Nordic News and welcome to the start of our indoor season! By now, hopefully every-one is in full swing at the Nordic Indoor Soccer Center (NISC). The schedules for session 1 are posted on our website ([www.nordicsoccer.org](http://www.nordicsoccer.org)) and our team practice schedules can also be found on our training calendar (<http://www.nordicsoccer.org/html/calendar.shtml>)

Please use this to find out your weekly schedule and make life easier for our Team Managers! 😊

### **Nordic 16 Premier Girls headed to Y League National Championships.**

Nordic 16 Premier Girls will become the 2nd Nordic team ever and the 3rd in Vermont youth soccer history to qualify for a National Youth soccer championship series. After a very successful 5-3-2 season and a 2nd place finish in the New England division of the Y league, Nordic's 16 Premier Girls are headed to Tampa Bay, Florida to compete in the 2010 final championships.

The Super Y-League North American Finals, regarded as one of the top youth soccer events in North America, is a five-day tournament that includes more than 130 of the best U-13 to U-17 boys and girls soccer teams in the U.S. and Canada. Teams qualify from their respective regions and face the best from throughout North America in a quest to become league champions. This year's event will include more than 5,000 players, parents and spectators. This year's event will begin on Thursday, November 18th with the first day of matches being played on Friday, November 19th. Championship matches are scheduled for Tuesday, November 23rd.

Nordic will play Chicago Magic (IL), West Coast Capitals (Canada) and Match Fit Chelsea (NJ) in the group stages.

Team members include:

Annellie Miller, Hannah Martell, Hannah Fraser, Alyssa Benoit, Lauren Bernard, Rachael McDevitt, Jenna Weed, Angela Elcan, Jenna Morrissey, Mary-Ann Kelley, Lara Collins, Olivia Biron, Meredith Corley, Jenna Parry, Gina Abbiati, Madison Schaefer, Kayla Schaefer, Addie Wennar, Charlotte Stuart, Shannon Wells, Madison Loucy, Morgan Young, Alex MacFarlane and Angie Krywanczyk. Coach Todd Wennar

Many thanks to our sponsors for their continued support of our program! A special thanks to the Schaeffer Family Foundation for their very kind donation towards our coaching supplies and soccer balls as well as the generous donation from both the UVM Men's and Women's teams for their donation of Nike soccer balls for our players.

### **Poulin Performance Training**

We do have spaces still available in our Poulin Performance Strength and Conditioning program! Players will spend 1 hour with staff from Poulin Performance working on strength and conditioning specific to soccer. U0's through U14's meet on Tuesday nights from 7pm to 8pm at NISC. U15+ meets from 8pm to 9pm.

### **Players in the News**

Nordic 17 Premier Girl's player, **Lauren Bernard** has given a verbal commitment to Boston College. Bernard, who has played for Nordic since U9, has accepted a full scholarship that starts in the fall of 2012. The Eagles who ranked 19th in the most recent NCAA poll, are preparing for their eighth straight **NCAA tournament** appearance. The Atlantic Coast Conference power reached the Elite Eight last year. A Burlington Free Press all-state first team selection in 2009, Bernard has also received national attention in recent years, making a couple of U.S. youth national teams

### **Alumni**

Nordic alumni **Matt Bombardier** who plays soccer at Union College in New York was recognized by his school at their annual banquet.

Bombardier was given the Bryan Baker Award for his sportsmanship and leadership on and off the field. He played in 13 games and was a member of the defensive unit that kept opponents to under a goal a game.

Meanwhile, **Kirsten Bombardier** was recognized by the Liberty League when it announced its year-end women's soccer awards and two Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) student-athletes were recognized. Sophomore Bombardier was named to the Second Team for the second straight season,

Bombardier started all 17 games for Rensselaer this season, anchoring an Engineers' defense that that surrendered 1.53 goals and 10.24 shots per game.

A Colchester High School graduate, Bombardier helped RPI to a 6-11-1 record during her freshman campaign, starting all 18 games for the Engineers.

The 2010 VSCA Boys' All-State Teams have been announced following the 2010 Fall High School season.

### **Div 1.**

Tanner Tomasi (CVU), Dustan Whitcomb (Colchester), Charlie Vallee, Nate LeClair (both South Burlington) and Sam Greshin (Harwood).

### **Div 2**

Jack Shea (U32), Ethan Roy (Middlebury), Thomas Woolsen (GMV)

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