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## ***Nordic News***

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

Welcome to the Nordic 2009-10 season and hopefully every-one is into the full swing of games and practices with their teams. We have made several changes to our schedule this year, with teams practicing twice per week and the use of the Field House in Shelburne. Part of the thought process behind this is to improve our coaching environment for our players and coach's alike.

We have a 3 session season in line for the winter season with session 1 during November and December, Session 2 through-out January and February and session 3 rounding out our indoor season in March and April.

The Nordic calendar is up and running and is a great way to find out your teams practice schedule. There are dates (especially in session 2) where we have to close our indoor facility at CVE but the Field House will be open for practices!...Please get to know the Nordic calendar on our website ([www.nordicsoccer.org](http://www.nordicsoccer.org)) Your Team Manager will also greatly appreciate this!!!!!!

We currently have 25 teams for the 2009-10 season with record numbers for our younger teams! We have over 33 Boys enrolled in our U10 Program, 26 Girls in our U10 Girls Program and 24 Boys in our U11 Program. On top of that, Charley Amblo, our Youth Technical Director for our younger teams, has initiated a U6 Co-ed Program and a U8 School-Boy and U8 School-Girl Program on Saturday afternoons at CVE with close to 50 kids enrolled in those programs. With 90 players aged 5 to 10 enrolled in our Junior Academy program on Saturday mornings, the Nordic coaching staff is certainly very busy right now.

There are a limited amount of places available on some of our teams...we are looking for players on the following teams:

10 Boys, 11 Premier Boys, 12 Premier Boys, 12 Club Boys, 14 Premier Boys, 15 Premier Boys, 17 Premier Boys, 18 Premier Boys, 10 Girls, 11 Premier Girls, 13 Premier Girls, 14 Premier Girls, 16 Premier Girls and 18 Premier Girls.

Interested players should contact Jim Goudie at (802) 288 9577 or e-mail [thecalfee@aol.com](mailto:thecalfee@aol.com)

### **Club Meeting**

We will be hosting a club wide meeting on Wednesday December 9<sup>th</sup> for all Nordic parents. Nordic Director of Coaching, **Jesse Cormier** and Nordic Club President, **John Myhre** will be chairing the meeting alongside Nordic coach's and Board members. All Nordic parents are invited to join us at 7pm in the Blue Ribbon meeting room at CVE for an update and/or introduction to our coaching staff and Board members.

### **College Night**

This is a must for all High School aged players with plans to play college soccer. Wednesday December 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Blue Ribbon meeting room at CVE, Jesse Cormier, UVM Men's Head Soccer Coach, Kwame Lloyd, UVM Women's Head Soccer coach and James Franklin, Head Men's Soccer Coach at St. Michaels College will be heading up our list of local college coach's on hand to answer all your questions about the College Soccer recruiting process. Pick the brains of 3 local College Soccer coach's. Free to all current Nordic Soccer players and parents.

## Indoor Soccer Tournaments.

As well as our regular indoor leagues through-out the winter, we will be hosting 2 indoor tournaments.

1. **Jarred Williams Tournament**...this will be held between the Xmas and New Year's holiday. We are very proud to be hosting our annual Jarred Williams tournament for the 7<sup>th</sup> consecutive year with proceeds raised going to the Jarred Williams Foundation. This has been a very popular tournament over the years with 50 to 60 teams every year from through-out the state and upper New York state!...we will have age groups for U10, U12, U14 and High School Boys and Girls.
2. **Valentines Co-ed Tournament**...this will be our third year of the Co-ed tournament with divisions for U10, U12, U14 and High School...all leagues will be Co-ed

## Players in the News

5 Nordic players have been invited to Y league National ODP camps to be held in Tampa Bay, Florida in March 2010. After outstanding seasons with their team's through-out the summer of 2009, players have been invited to the camps based on their high level of play and coach's recommendations.

**Tanner Tomasi** (15 Premier Boys), **Nate Freiburg** (16 Premier Boys), **Lindsey Bushey** (14 Premier Girls) **Linnea Willey** (15 Premier Girls) and **Olivia Biron** (16 Premier Girls) will all be attending their respective camps with the hope of catching the eye of the US National team coaching staff.

The Nordic 14 Premier Girls rounded off their visit to Y league National Finals in Tampa, Florida with a 0-3-1 record. On Day one, in hot conditions, Nordic lost out 2-1 to West Pines United from Florida. After going down by 2 goals early in the second half, Nordic responded well with an **Addison Wenner** goal before pressuring the host team but could not find the 2<sup>nd</sup> goal. Game Two was against Mequon United from Wisconsin with another 2-1 loss, this time **Brooke Philips** scoring the lone goal. In the final group game, Nordic salvaged some pride with a 1-1 tie against eventual runner, Rage SC from New Jersey on an **Erin Turner** goal. In their final game, a consolation game vs. Kings Soccer Academy from Kentucky, Nordic fell 3-0.

Altogether though, a great learning experience as these girls became the first Vermont youth soccer team to advance to a National Finals event.

Now that the College soccer season is over, leagues and schools have been recognizing their players. Nordic Soccer Club is very proud of their alumni and you can find a list of our alumni on our website:

<http://nordicsoccer.org/html/alumni.shtml>

The Liberty League has announced its year-end women's soccer awards and former Nordic player Kirsten Bombardier has been named to the Liberty League Second Team.

Bombardier, a defender from Colchester, Vt., started all 18 games in her rookie season, anchoring an Engineer's defense that surrendered 1.83 goals and 10.9 shots per game. Offensively, she recorded 11 shots, including six on goal.

A Colchester High School graduate, Bombardier helped her Nordic Soccer Club team win the Vermont State Championship for seven straight years. She was a captain and four-year member of her high school soccer team as well as a four-year member and captain of the track & field team.

Another Nordic 2009 graduate, Caitlin Nedde, currently plays at Gordon College where she had a great freshmen year and was selected to the All Conference Second Team. She lead the team in goals with 13 and finished 3<sup>rd</sup> in the conference in goals scored.

Matt St Peter had a great freshman year at Rivier College in New Hampshire. They play in the Division III GNAC Conference and of the 17 games they played, St Peter played in 14 of those games, eight of them as backup goalie and as an attacking midy the other games!

If you have any news for upcoming Nordic News, please e-mail your stories to Jim Goudie at [thecalfee@aol.com](mailto:thecalfee@aol.com)