



# AYSO Region 44

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## INTRODUCTION

Hello Coaches -

For those that have been Coaching in AYSO for awhile you will of course be familiar with the Newsletters. For those new to AYSO Region 44, the Newsletter is our main source of communication during the season. The new Fall 2005 Season is almost upon us and it's time to start marking up your Calendars.

Our first Newsletter of the Fall 2005 Season will focus important dates, Region 44's Partnership with the San Jose Earthquakes and Region 44's Partnership with the Positive Coaching Alliance.

Several Coaches mentioned the Newsletter sometimes loses the formatting and the Calendar items are difficult to read. So this year I will be creating a PDF of the Newsletter as well as pasting the text into the Email for those that don't want to be bothered with the attachment.

A few Coaches mentioned reading the Newsletter in the traditional Newspaper reading venue, usually after a coffee break or lunch. I was touched by those that mentioned reading this way as that is truly undivided attention. To be in the same category as the Sports section is all one can ask.

Welcome to the new season!

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## NEWS

### *San Jose Earthquakes*



Our region has established a partnership with the San Jose Earthquakes as part of the Earthquake "Student of the Game" program. We have already had 2 players present during registration as part of this partnership and a 3<sup>rd</sup> player will be present at Picture Day (September 25<sup>th</sup>).

Another benefit of the partnership is every registered player receives a free ticket to an Earthquake game (September 24<sup>th</sup>, Day Game). As part of this package a Coaching clinic will be provided by Dominic Kinnear and Coaches will be allowed to participate in a pre-game/half-time coaching session. One of our scheduled coaching clinics in August will also have another Coach from the Quakes attending for an hour of the session.

More information on these clinics will be provided at the August 3<sup>rd</sup> and August 10<sup>th</sup> Coach Meetings.

## Positive Coaching Alliance Partnership



Our region will also become the 3rd Bay Area region to establish a Local Partnership with the Positive Coaching Alliance (AYSO is a National Partner). The Positive Coaching Alliance (PCA) has already provided a workshop for the Board members and we have scheduled 2 workshops scheduled for our Coaches after which you will be “Double-Goal Coach” certified.

The workshops are contained within the August 3<sup>rd</sup> and August 10<sup>th</sup> Coach Meetings where equipment will be handed out. The August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting is for all U12-U19 Coaches and Assistant Coaches. The August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting is for all U6-U10 Coaches and Assistant Coaches. All Coaches attending one of these meetings will have a chance to attend the pre-game/half-time session with Dominic Kinnear.

## U12 Division Update

The U12 Division will play 9v9 this year. This was a change at the National Level and was agreed upon by a majority of the AYSO regions. Since Region 44 interlocks with the other regions in U12, our region will adapt this format as well.

## CALENDAR

Date	Time	Location	Event
August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	7:00 PM - 9:30 PM	Ortega Park Building	U12-U19 Coach Meeting, Equipment Pickup and PCA Workshop
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Raynor Park Building	U6/U8 Coach Clinic
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Raynor Park Building	Safe Haven
August 10 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 PM - 9:30 PM	Ortega Park Building	U6-U10 Coach Meeting, Equipment Pickup and PCA Workshop
August 13 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Cesar Chavez School, EPA	U10/U12 Intermediate Coaches Clinic
August 14 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Chesar Chavez School, EPA	Intermediate Coaches Clinic
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Raynor Park Building	U6/U8 Coach Clinic
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	1:00 PM - 3:00 PM	Raynor Park Building	Safe Haven
August 27 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Raynor Park	U10/U12 Intermediate Coaches Clinic
August 28 <sup>th</sup>	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Raynor Park	Intermediate Coaches Clinic
September 10 <sup>th</sup> The Season Begins!! - All Day and All Over			

## **AUGUST COACH OBLIGATIONS**

As you can see by the Calendar, August will be a busy month. The Newsletters will probably start coming weekly until the volume of information slows down. For now, please keep the following items in mind:

- If you are planning on attending a Coaching clinic (August 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> events - all Saturdays), please Email [john\\_d\\_robbins@yahoo.com](mailto:john_d_robbins@yahoo.com) to let him know you are planning on attending
- For the above, if you forget or decide late - please show up anyway! The more attendee's the better, the Email is mainly for an estimate
- If you are a new Coach or haven't yet attended a Safe Haven clinic these are mandatory from National AYSO. There are several sessions and you can attend any of the Safe Haven clinics (August 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>) or even look at other Regions and attend a Safe Haven elsewhere
- Please make every effort to attend the Coach Meetings on August 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. If you have teams you will be Coaching or Assisting that would make you attend both nights, let me know. You will only need to attend one of these. If you are an assistant, it is also important to be at the meetings for the Positive Coaching Workshop.

## **EARTHQUAKES NEWSLETTER**

The San Jose Earthquakes are also in on the Newsletter business with some news of their own.

[http://www.mlsnet.com/offsite/newsletter/sje/2005/06\\_2005/06\\_28\\_05/sog062805.html](http://www.mlsnet.com/offsite/newsletter/sje/2005/06_2005/06_28_05/sog062805.html)

Thanks for taking the time to read everything and thanks for volunteering to Coach our kids.

Darin