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L. V. Summer Soccer League

Promoting summer recreational soccer since 1971

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Text of email sent to team representatives

Hello Everyone!

Welcome to our 48th consecutive season!

Attached are PDF files of your playing schedule, playoff draw, league rules and regulations, map of field layouts and high school graduation dates. Please make sure your team members are aware and get familiar with these documents. We suggest you forward this email with all attachments to every member of your team.

The objectives and goals (no pun intended) of the League are the same as has been for the past 47 years: to provide supervised, friendly, enjoyable recreational soccer activity for its members. Please keep this in mind every day you are playing in this league.

PLAYING SCHEDULE - WOMEN'S SENIOR DIVISION (both Open & Rec Groups)

All games are played at Lehigh University's Murray H. Goodman Campus per attached schedule. Since less than 4 teams entered the Open Group, the two teams entered, Storm and Scrubs, are combined with the Rec Group for round-robin league games. The two groups will have separate playoffs.

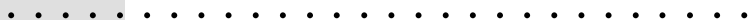
The Team Number was assigned by random draw for scheduling purposes.

Draw - 2019

No.	Team
1	Happy Hour
2	OAA
3	Storm
4	Black River FC
5	FC Stay Ready
6	Panthers
7	Booters
8	Exhausted
9	Hat Trick
10	Majestic Pioneers
11	Scrubs

The detailed playing schedule is attached. Note that there are no games scheduled for your division on June 6 because there are not enough fields available. Please note the field change on June 11: you will be playing on fields 1-3 located just north of the traffic circle. We did not schedule any games for July 4.

Soccer – a game for life!



Standings are based on total points accumulated during league play (3 - win, 1 – tie, 0 – for loss). In case of a tie in the standings, the following will be used to break the tie:

1. Head-to-head competition
2. Goal differential (GF - GA) up to ± 4 per game
3. Least goals allowed
4. Coin flip.

Please note the maximum goal differential of ± 4 per game is considered for standing purposes. For clarity here is an example of how the goal differential is calculated:

<u>Final Score</u>	<u>Winning Team</u>	<u>Losing Team</u>
6-0 = 4-0	+4	-4
7-2 = 6-2	+4	-4
2-1 = 2-1	+1	-1

Also note that the 'most goals scored' criteria is not used as a tie-breaker. By limiting the goal differential to 4 and not using the 'most goals scored' in the standings, we hope this eliminates the incentive to 'run up the score' in order to place higher in the standing.

PLAYOFFS

Rec Group: The top four (4) Rec Group teams qualify for the playoffs. The teams will be paired-off as shown on the attached playoff draw.

Open Group: Both teams qualify for the playoffs; see attached playoff schedule.

Playoff dates are July 18 and 23. For results, standings, and announcements, check out www.lvssl.org. Small trophies will be awarded to Group winner, playoff champion and runners-up.

LEAGUE RULES & ROSTER CHANGES

Please know the rules (attached). No protests will be allowed. Please see us or contact us with any questions, issues and suggestions.

Roster changes (additions or deletions) can be made until playoffs start at \$15/player. Player added must sign the Team Roster to be eligible to play – contact Ed Csongradi to do so. Alternatively, the player can sign the Injury and Liability Release Form (ILRF) available from the league website and send/give same to Ed Csongradi with the \$15 player registration fee. Anyone playing but not on the roster with signature, or without the ILRF form is an *ineligible player* and she and the team is subject to the penalties listed in the Team Roster, and in the League Rules and Regulations. Most importantly, it is also a liability issue. A player can only play for one team during the season; no transfers are allowed.

PARKING, SPEEDING & TAILGATING

Please tell your players that they should park only in the designated parking areas. Please remind the players when arriving and departing the fields to obey speed limits in and around the parking lots, there is a lot of foot traffic and we want to avoid accidents due to reckless driving. Drive on the paved road and not on the dusty lower parking lot when possible.

There are several high school commencements at Stabler Arena from June 3 thru June 13 so traffic congestion will be very heavy on these days, so leave early when possible. See detailed list attached and also posted on the league website.

The League's contract with Lehigh University states the following: "No alcoholic beverages of any kind will be served or permitted as BYOB at the Event." The Event is the LVSSL games. Please advise your players if you have not done so already of this requirement and make certain they follow it. Violators are subject to expulsion from the league. We cannot jeopardize the opportunity to play for the other 79 teams other than yours playing this summer.

Fields and parking lot must be cleaned up prior to leaving. We have to vacate campus at dusk or at 9:00 PM, so plan accordingly.

GAME POSTPONEMENT

In case of inclement weather, please check the LVSSL website at www.lvssl.org for the latest announcement. We update it daily by 4:30 p.m. We will make an effort to reschedule postponed games using the available dates and fields for the whole league. Please note that these dates are *limited* to some Fridays in July.

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY OR INJURY

In case of injury or other medical emergency, please see the Trainers on duty. There will be two on duty when all 10 fields are used and one if 5 fields or less are used. One trainer will be located next to field #7; other is near field #2, unless they are attending an injury. The Trainer or the league representative will call 911 for an ambulance via Lehigh University police in case of serious injury.

Unfortunately, Kal Sarkozy will not participate and be present at the fields this summer due to health issues.

Have a great season!

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