



TAY VALLEY SOCCER 2023 SEASON NEWSLETTER



Welcome to all new and returning members! Please retain this newsletter – it has important dates and information for this season. You have been subscribed to the Township's Recreation Programs newsfeed to receive all future game notices and cancellations directly by email. Please note that, for any cancellation, a notice will be sent out by 4:00 p.m. that Monday.

We would like to thank our coaches and volunteers for committing their valuable time this season! As you are aware, our programs are all volunteer based.

TEAM SHIRTS AND EQUIPMENT: Coach and player shirts are issued at the beginning of every season – **these are to be used for soccer only and returned at the end of the season** for re-use. Please do not permanently alter these shirts. If they are too small or too big, please let us know and we will find another size.

MANDATORY DRESS:

Cleats and shin pads are mandatory for playing and players should wear their team shirts, black shorts and socks to every practice.

- cleats (running shoes are acceptable for U6)
- shin pads
- team shirt
- black shorts
- socks
- hat
- water bottle

DIVISIONS: The program is divided into groups, which all play at the same time: 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. on Monday evenings. This is a non-competitive format and every attempt is made to include all players on an equal playing field. If you feel that the needs of your child would be better suited in another group, please let the coach know and we can move them accordingly.

PHOTOS: Photo date(s) are to be determined. You will be notified via website Newsfeed and Facebook.

INCLEMENT WEATHER: In inclement, or very hot weather, or if the fields are too wet to play on, practices may be cancelled. A notice will go out via Newsfeed directly to those who provided their email addresses on the registration forms. Please note that if the temperature exceeds 40 degrees Celsius, there will be no practice.

PRACTICES: The season runs every Monday from May 29th, 2023 to July 31st, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.. The fields are maintained by the Glen Tay Public School Board.

WASHROOMS: Tay Valley Township provides an outdoor accessible toilet for the season – this will be located near the outdoor ice rink.

Please ensure players bring a hat when it is hot, along with water – ***there are no external fountains at the school.*** At the end of every practice, it would be greatly appreciated if players help the coaches move the balls and nets to the storage trailer.

The coaches have been very pleased with the player's performance in past years, however, just a reminder of some expectations to ensure that our players behave in a manner that allows everyone to enjoy their night of soccer:

1. Please arrive 10 minutes before practice starts (5:50 p.m.) if possible. Players are expected to get to their practice area and follow the warm-up instructions given by their coaches.
2. Profanity or disrespectful behavior to players or coaches on or around the fields will not be tolerated.
3. To promote good sportsmanship, all players must return to their coaches at the end of each practice – this is a time to have a quick discussion and announce notices for the following week.
4. It is important that players follow the instructions of the coaches in a timely manner – this means that everyone gets the most out of their time. In fairness to the coaches and players, consistent disruptive behavior will result in the player being given a time-out as determined by the coach.

Parents' assistance and support with the above would be greatly appreciated.

MEDALS AND APPRECIATION: The season ends on July 31st, 2023. This is the night we hand out appreciation certificates to the coaches and medal to all the players. There will be a fun scrimmage period followed by presentations. **Shirts must be handed back this night (they do not have to be cleaned) so bring an extra shirt!** If you cannot attend the final night, please take your shirt to the Municipal Office as soon as possible after the last night and collect your medal.

IMPORTANT DATES

May 29th, 2023 – First Night

June XX, 2023 – Photo Night (to be determined)

July 31st, 2023 - Awards and Appreciation – Final Night



If you have any concerns about how this program is run, please let the Community Services Coordinator know by phone 613-267-5353 ext.137 or email communityservices@tayvalleytwp.ca – it is the coaches' intention to treat everyone fairly and make it fun for all.

Thank you and have fun!

