



# LOTTA KICKS

Saturday April 21, 2007

*The Official Newsletter of the*

*Winslow Township Youth Soccer Association*



### Travel Teams Tryouts: All tryouts are Peter Volpa Fields

**Winslow DiamondBacks U9 Boys** (8/1/98-7/31/99) – May 19<sup>th</sup> 11:30am and May 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:15pm

**Winslow Kixx U12 Boys** (8/1/95-7/31/96) – May 19<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am on the Novice field following the second game.

**Winslow Tigers U10 Girls** (8/1/97-7/31/98) -- May 15<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, and 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 6pm.

**Winslow Wizards U14 Girls** (8/1/93-7/31/94) – May 6<sup>th</sup> from 1pm til 3pm

### FIELD ETTIQUETTE

It's easy to get carried away cheering on our kids on the sidelines. This is just a reminder to keep your comments positive. Please no yelling at referees, coaches or even the players while they're playing on the field. It's distracting to the game, rude and most importantly unsportsmanlike. Remember the coaches are all volunteers, some of the referees are new and are just learning themselves and the players are trying their best on the fields to play the game and use the new skills they have learned in practice. Make the game enjoyable for everyone.

**Be polite!**

### HELP KEEP OUR FIELDS CLEAN!



Please make sure that when your games are over that you pick up all your trash from the fields - whether it is water bottles, Gatorade bottles, snack food wrappers, etc.

The Association and Township do their best to maintain our soccer fields. It's a "no brainer" to pick up trash after your games are over. Thanks!

### Hungry, Thirsty?

Stop by the Concession Stand for some cold or hot drinks - Hot Dogs, Pizza, Tea and Coffee! Guaranteed to satisfy while you are watching your kids play!

### MENU

Hot Dog .....	1.25
Hot Dog w/Cheese.....	1.50
Pizza .....	1.75
Candy.....	.75/.50/.25
Soda/Iced Tea .....	.75
Bottled Water.....	1.00
Pretzel .....	40¢ each 3/1.00
Nachos/Cheese .....	1.75
Coffee/Tea/Hot Chocolate .....	.75
Hot Apple Cider.....	.75

# Winslow Soccer

## TOTS

### Blue Thunder:

What a great morning for soccer! Today we practiced with Team Shriek! What a great time all had. Coach Jim made up a fantastic training session before our game. Great Job Coach Jim! The team played well and had fun today! Zack, Noah and Alexis all looked like pros out there. Andrew and Mel showed us there skills as well. See you all next week.  
1-2-3 BLUE THUNDER

### Red Racers:

What a beautiful weekend this was for soccer! The Red Racer team played a great game and enjoyed being outside in the nice warm sunshine! Amanda, Chase and Lon-nisa were running up and down the field like pros! Tyler, Ciara and Connor worked extra hard at dribbling the ball and shooting on goal. Myah, Noah and Adam looked like soccer stars! The Red Racers had a great time and really enjoyed playing with the Purple People Eaters! Congratulations to all the players for a great game!

### Grey Lightning:

Grey Lightning had another great game. Zachary, Matthew, Jaice, Ethan, Julia, Gorgia, Gabriella, and Courtney did really well. The team is really starting to understand the concepts of soccer and are becoming little stars! Great Job boys and girls!

### Purple People Eaters:

It was an absolute beautiful day for soccer. We are so happy to see that the Purple People Eaters are learning good sportsmanship and teamwork. We all had fun doing the warm up's and played a great game with the Red Racers. Natalie played a great game adding to her goals for the spring season. Cole was back this week and did another fantastic job. Lauren never gave up and gave 110% as usual. Sammy was back and played her best game yet. Coby and Kaylee did an awesome job again and ZJ is getting closer to scoring a goal for the Spring Season!! Keep up the great work Purple!!

## PEEWEE

### Rangers:

Well, another good week for the Rangers. Both teams played extremely well. Madison scored her first goal of the season off an assist from Taylor. Brandon, Jayden, and

Makenzie, all had stellar games on defense. Conner had another good game on offense scoring a hat trick and Jonathan helped out with an all around good game.

### Strikers:

The Strikers played another great game, taking on the team Blaze. Both teams did a great job improving on their soccer skills. Kristen did an outstanding job making 3 goals; Also scoring several times was Jaylin, Endya & Paloma. Ben, Kirstyn & Gage also did a great job with their passing skills. Everyone has improved on their offense, defense and passing skills. The Strikers have really come together as a team.

WAY TO GO STRIKERS! KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK

### Sharks:

The Sharks met the Gators for the first time. Kayla and Brandon scored two goals each. Charlie T. scored his first goal of the season. Charlie M. did an amazing job as goalie. Kevin was a super defender, supported by Kendra and Erin. There was super teamwork in offense by Keyira, Lydia, Naomi and Emilia. We missed Kyle this week and hope he is feeling better soon. Good job all!

### Blaze:

Sorry team that I missed the game but from what coach Patty said you had a great game. Morgan and Zach played great with a couple of goals. Brandon, Brandon and Kaleigh you played great offence and defense. Every week you get better and better. Four weeks left let's keep our hearts into the game and have fun.

### Hurricanes:

The Hurricanes faced off against the Dragons on the best weekend so far this spring. The Canes heated right up in the sunshine, and had a great game. Jeff Alexander (2), Zach Myles (2), and Gabriella Scocca (3) took care of the scoring for the Canes. Eric Acevedo and Meadow McMurren both narrowly missed tallying goals of their own. Kaitlyn Sanderson played her usual strong defense, and Christopher Dolson had another strong game on both ends of the field. Hats off to the Dragons as well for a great game, and here's hoping we have glorious days like this for the rest of the season, we deserve it!

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## **Bobcats:**

The Bobcats could think of no better place to be on a Saturday afternoon than the soccer field on this beautiful day! Everyone brought their team spirit as the offense and defense played a tough game against the Lightning. Matthew, Jordan and Jasmin had a great offensive game while Andrew, Sydney and Freddy played excellent defense. Andrew had an awesome block on defense, great job! Way to show off on your birthday Andrew! Special kudos to Sydney for hanging tough in playing both offense and defense, all while being sick. Great job Matthew with another "hat trick". Great team effort by Daija and Amaya! Keep up the hard work Bobcats!!

## **MICRO-GIRLS**

### **WINSLOW WAVE:**

What a beautiful day! The Wave and Comets showed off their skills in a game that included long-legged Ameerah scoring two goals, and Jolynn scoring her first goal with a ball kicked over the goalie and into the net. WOW! Madison and Emma were awesome as goalies. Playing well on both ends of the field and showing off their passing and blocking skills were: Amanda, Carissa, Carla, Devon, Shakira and Taylor. We are proud of all of you. GO WAVE!!

## **MINI-NOVICE**

### **Kool Katz:**

The Kool Katz faced the Average Joes in the third game of the season; the weather was wonderful just like the Kool Katz. Ibrahim Hassan scored the first goal with the sensational offense assist from Donnell Shuler, Jr., Nolan Coston scored the second goal with an offensive hustle, it was fantastic. Kindall Weems and Ikenna Achu played goalie which was outstanding, Emily Boyle, Ehivi Hernandez and Corrin Ackerman played defense and hustle all the way, great job you guys, Emmanuel Hernandez, Sierra Tung, Sabria Willis and Sharmar Walker played a wonderful job on offense which was terrific. We would like for Briana Janice to know that she was missed this week. You guys played a great game on Offense and Defense. Great Job Kool Katz, keep up the good work. "TEAM WORK ALL THE WAY"

## **Wild Monkeys:**

The Wild Monkeys got off to a slow start in the first half of their game against the Tigers, but they quickly turned things around in the second half. Preston got the Wild Monkeys on the scoreboard with a well-deserved goal. His ball handling and fancy footwork allowed him to create some space and put the ball in the back of the net. Nick (once again) and Phillip were terrific in goal. They both made several great saves and got the ball to their teammates immediately so they could go back on the offensive. Jonathan and William hustled all over the field (I wish I had half their energy), while Daniel, John and Tre' did whatever they could to help the team by constantly rotating between defense and offense. Dominique, Maddie, Micaela and Rachel (The Girl Power) were just as phenomenal as the rest of the team. They hurried after every loose ball and knew exactly what to do once they had the ball in their possession. A special "thank you" needs to go out to Brooke who, even though she was injured and could not participate in the game, sat on the sidelines and supported her teammates throughout the game. Congratulations to both the Wild Monkeys and the Tigers for treating everyone in attendance to such an exciting soccer match. Good job players. Keep up the hard work. Hurry back Jayde. We miss you!



# WTYSA

## NOVICE

### Knights:

The Knights took the field on a warm Saturday morning against the Tornadoes. Excellent Goaltending was played by Madison and Dometrious. They were backed up by an awesome defense played by Cionni, Itzel, Emoni and Shane. A powerful offense was led by Jenna and Lateef, Sarah, Roland, Avery, Da-Naeya. Great leadership and mid field defense was played by Kelsey and Robert. Everyone had a good time it was a great day for soccer

### Raptors:

The Raptors played a great game on Saturday. Our emphasis this season has been two fold; teamwork and fun. Saturday's game was a tremendous example of both. Megan gave another strong performance as our sweeper, and our defensive line, Angelica, Gabriella, and Kaitlyn, did a great job of working together to back her up. Colin and Adam both did a great job as keeper, blocking every shot that came their way. Our forward line, Darren, Jeremy, Alyssa, and Kimmy, did a great job working as a team and communicating with one another while making their attack. Jamie stepped up to cover center midfield and did an amazing job; it's hard to believe this is his first season. Our left and right midfield positions were covered by Matthew and Kirsten. As a whole, the team gave it everything they had for the entire game. Great job, team!!



## TRAVEL

### Stars – U10 Girls Travel:

Saturday April 21st--The Micro-girls STARS had a super game today. Mariah finally got to play in a game, played goalie and scored a goal. Our other 3 goalies were Allysa, Megan and Kristen, and they did a great job. Stephanie, Megan and Kristen scored goals as well and did a great job on the field. Imani, Kelli and Alana did a great job with defense, and played some offense too. Nayo, Jazzmyn, Shania and Victoria played great offense and worked on passing the ball. Everyone has a good attitude about rotating positions and taking turns. The Stars showed really good sportsmanship towards the other team.

### Tigers – U9 Girls Travel:

The Winslow Tigers have entered the U9 Olympic Division for the first time ever this Spring with awesome fury. Their performances have been nothing less than spectacular. This team has been together less than a year and their soccer development is progressing ahead of expectations. In addition, each player is maintaining outstanding grades in school. It is with great honor that the following Tigers are being recognized for bringing pride to Winslow Township: Tziarra, Amirah, Kelly, Lacey, Daija, Zoe, Sydney, Anonda, Janae, Jenna, Devynn and Giana. Keep up the excellent work girls and continue to lead by example.



# WTYSA

Parents,

For those of you that don't know, my name is Michael Skurnik and I am the General Secretary for WTYSA. My main responsibilities are the fields and equipment. However, as a board member, rec coach, travel coach and parent involved with club, I really focus on the kids having fun. That is why we are here, for the kids. I do this because when my oldest son was in Kindergarten, he came home with a registration form for soccer. I asked if he wanted to play and said yes. And as they say the rest is history! Up until that time, I knew nothing of this fantastic sport having played baseball and hockey in my youth. I came to the field to watch his game when he was a tot player. Then as a pee wee player, all the way making friends with the other soccer parents. I started going to the General Membership meetings, because I had questions and ideas to make this a better organization for the kids. I was asked to be a commissioner for the Micro boys division. They said all you have to do is make teams and find coaches. But there was more, make the teams even and fair, make sure the coaches are communicating to there parents. Make sure everyone is having fun. And the list goes on. By being a commissioner, I was also a board member. Now I was there when the board made decisions that directly impacted our kids. I liked that. My opinion was heard and some of my ideas have been used. When elections came up, I was asked to General Secretary. I didn't know what that was, the position had been vacant before me, because no one would volunteer. Now I sit here writing this letter for our new digital newsletter, thinking how many hours of my week I spend involved with soccer. The answer is between 15 and 20. Between my older son's practice and games, my younger son's games, answering emails, phone calls and dealing with the township. This is a lot of work. I know you are thinking "what is the point of this?"

The point is we all lead busy lives, but WTYSA needs some of your time. We have lots projects. We always need coaches. We always need help in the concession stand. We always want to hear ideas from our parents. For the past six months we have really been trying to boost volunteerism within our club. I am asking that you make time, a couple of hours to come to our General Membership meeting Thursday May 5<sup>th</sup> at 8 PM in the club house (the concession stand) It is here that you can get involved, ask you questions about trophies, coaches, refs. You can learn the how's and why's of the WTYSA.

Hope to see you there!

Michael Skurnik

## General Membership Meeting

Please check our Calendar of events for up coming meeting and events. Our next general membership is on May 3rd. We meet the 1st Thursday of each month. This meeting is open to all parents. It's a great time to see how the organization is run, ask questions, bring issues to our attention or make suggestions on improvements, etc. The more input we receive from you the better. It's also a great way to get involved in the organization. We look forward to seeing you there!



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