

COASTAL YOUTH SOCCER LEAGUE
2011
PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Welcome to the spring 2011 Coastal Youth Soccer League season. THANK YOU to all the many volunteers, for making this happen for the players. The league has 300+ teams with 5000+ players at the U10 to U19 levels. Those numbers do not include the younger U9 down players who are playing in the individual towns.

An effective coach is quiet and does very little yelling from the sidelines. At the youth level of US Soccer, winning or losing is a minor criteria when evaluating the match or game. To assess whether your players are implementing **techniques** and tactics taught in practice, you have to watch the game carefully. Steve Nicol, the Revolution coach, decides who plays based on the player controlling the ball and passing the ball. Your practice should emphasize these skills.

If you yell at a young inexperienced referee, I guarantee he or she will get more nervous and the game will get worse. Although they might not admit it, you people do expect adults to act like adults. Please read the ZERO TOLERANCE policy and adhere to it. The nervous young boy or girl grows to be the confident young man or woman who you do not even notice at your U14 game. Many of our younger referees quit before they get to the confident stage because adults yell at them. Please do your part to encourage **ALL** referees.

Some schools are in session on Saturdays and we can expect to a few rainouts. Make sure you actively get missed games made up ASAP.

The CYSL playoffs are list in the book. U12s are in Pembroke this year and U14s up are again at Coppens Fields, Chandler St Duxbury. School conflicts that affect the whole team are the only reason for rescheduling a CYSL playoff game. If your team has one of these then let your association know the details of the conflict ASAP. CYSL Executive Board makes the final decision on rescheduling conflicts. Regular season games may end in a tie and no overtime played For the CYSL playoffs, there will be two 5-minute halves then penalty kicks if the game is still tied. There is no Golden Goal during overtimes.

New England Revolution and Boston Breakers information is in the book. Take you team to a game.

Have a fun season. If all your players sign up for the next season, you did a great job!

Dave Coutts