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A Letter from the Commissioner

Welcome to all and thank you for registering with American Youth Soccer Organization Region 665. I am delighted to see all the new players this year and happily welcome home all of our returning players.

Last season was a huge success due to the dedication and team work of all our volunteers. Many of our league teams did very well in post season playoffs dominating and earning awards at area and section playoffs. All-Star teams have also shared that glory and earned many more championships all over southern California.

The region earned two na-

tional recognitions and certificates for upholding the philosophies of AYSO. We first earned a Platinum Award, the highest possible, which was achieved by enforcing coach certification, fostering AYSO KID ZONE,



and performing an annual regional assessment (RAF) in order to demonstrate all of our efforts to continually

improve.

Second, out of the hundreds of regions that exist nationwide, our region was recognized along with just a few others with a "Green Thumb" award for its growth of more than 10% for the past season. These awards were given out at the recent National Annual General Meeting in Dallas, Texas in May.

This year a sixth philosophy was created so that AYSO can proudly exclaim one of its core focuses, **Player Development**. Although this new philosophy has existed in many forms, the overwhelming consensus

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Region 665 Turns Twenty!

In the latter part of 1988, a handful of optimistic volunteers got together to start an AYSO soccer program in Victorville. On January 13, 1989, Region 665 was formed as a pilot region, with about two dozen teams, some playing co-ed.

Twenty years later, as other optimistic volunteers gather to prepare for the Fall 2009 season, about 1,300 players led by 120+ coaches begin their training sessions, learn soccer skills and form new friendships. The Board of Directors is delighted to be a part of the

league's Platinum Anniversary celebration. We plan on some fun activities throughout the season, and hope that everyone feels as proud of Region 665 as we do.

CONGRATULATIONS to all our hard-working and very dedicated Volunteers!

KIDS CORNER

Look for these famous soccer stars... only the names in all CAPITAL letters.

Michelle AKERS
 David BECKHAM
 Brandi CHASTAIN
 Landon DONOVAN
 Joy FAWCETT
 Julie FOWDY
 Mia HAMM
 Thierry HENRY
 KAKA
 Kristine LILLY
 PELE
 RONALDINHO
 RONALDO
 Cristiano RONALDO
 Hugo SANCHEZ
 Brianna SCURRY
 SISSY
 Abby WAMBACH

Soccer Stars - Then and Now

X J R C N R P P L Z Y O Z L B Y E N H H
 L B O H P B O A K R E B D E V S L G C E
 A V I A Z O G N R G R E C L P Z E O A N
 M B P S K A O U A O E K E O A R P W B R
 I P Z T P A C A U L H N A V O N O D M Y
 M A O A J S K U F A D Y M J Z M O O A C
 B U C I F L D F M Q U I X N Y J W R W C
 M O G N I O G D K O B W N U S V W C B B
 R K C L N Z U O R U H U S H Q C N O G C
 O E L B Y A G D M M A H I Z O Q Q T G S
 N Y G X O K G U Y M C Z G G L E F Y W X
 A K E R S N W X T M W M E S A N C H E Z
 L S A Z L I K U Q D E B K O C E U S G I
 D V M S I R S B F A W C E T T S L I V E
 O P O K P E N W T M O I U E J I P S A J

A List of the “No’s” in AYSO Soccer

The following is a list of items that are disallowed, both during games and practice sessions:

1. **No additional info on the player’s uniforms**— This includes players’ names on the back on the jersey and team sponsors.
2. **No Jewelry**—including earrings, rings, necklaces, watches. The only allowable items are medical alert IDs, which must be taped to the wrist or chest.
3. **No toe cleats**—baseball cleats have toe cleats... if your child has these from playing baseball, shave it off.
4. **No spikes**—or metal cleats.
5. **No casts or splints**— Players who have had these items on during the season must bring a doctor’s release.

Regional Board Members



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 BU12
 GU12
 BU10
 GU10
 BU8
 GU8
 BU6
 GU6
 Uniform/Equipment Recycling Coordinator
 Sportsmanship Program Coordinator
 Newsletter
 Coach Trainer
 Referee Trainer
 Regional Staff
 Regional Staff
 Regional Staff
 Regional Staff
 Regional Staff

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 All positions open at present
 OPEN
 OPEN
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Baby It's HOT Outside... Tips for Keeping Cool During Soccer



With practices beginning and games starting soon, the board wants to remind the Region's families that keeping our players hydrated is high priority. Players are encouraged to bring water to every practice and all games.

Here's a free tip: To keep players cooled down during games, purchase an inexpen-

sive pack of washcloths, saturate with water and put in a gallon-sized Ziploc. Keep the Ziploc in a cooler with ice, and let the players use them at half-time on the backs of their necks and faces to cool down. Spray bottles are another way to keep cool.

During games we encourage players to use not only half-

time for getting a drink, but also quarters as well. The use of the long-sleeved goal keepers jerseys provided by the region are discouraged during games when the temperature makes it dangerous to wear. The goalkeeper only needs to wear a shirt that is a different color from their team and the opposing team... T-shirts are OK.



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SOME IMPORTANT DATES

August 1	Team packets distributed to Coaches
August 1	Season officially begins - Practices may start
August 1	Regional Referee Class
August 5	Beginning Coach Course pt 1- 6:00 to 8:30 PM
August 8	Beginning Coach Course pt 2-8:00 to 1:00
August 19	Board meeting
August 29	Team Manager Meeting
August 30	Regional Referee Class

September 12	Opening Day
September 16	Board meeting
September 25	Fundraiser Turn-in
September 27	Picture Day (This is a SUNDAY!)

October 4	VIP Day
October 31	Coaches turn in player evaluations (U8-U19)

Our full calendar is available on our web site... check it out!



Understanding Player Uniform Sizes

Uniforms are ordered well before the season begins to ensure timely delivery for the season. As such, sizes are ordered based on recommendations from the uniform supplier. When uniforms are distributed, the primary focus is which uniform fits the players... not the jersey number! Helping your player find a connection to a "new" jersey number can make for a fun experience and a well-fitted team.

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was that it is the appropriate timing to state, as with the other five philosophies, what we do as a national organization and the positive impact the AYSO experience has on all of our children including Player Development.

It has often been said by other sport organizations and especially other soccer clubs that AYSO is just a "Rec" league. Well, the truth is, we are. But that is not a flaw, rather a tremendous strength that we continue to build upon. AYSO is the

largest youth soccer league in the nation. Our local region serves the needs of over 1,300 children in the high desert to include a VIP division for players with disabilities. The core philosophies nurture child and player development using soccer as only a tool through positive coaching and sportsmanship. Region 665 opens its registration to everyone and our all-volunteer staff are trained and certified in their positions as board members, coaches, and referees. In short there is a level of passion and commitment to

high standards that help our kids that doesn't exist in other club leagues. So yes, with the loudest voice possible we are a "Rec" league...we are AYSO!!

Sincerely,

Robert A. Olivarez
Regional Commissioner
AYSO Region 665

