



SASA Fall Review

Hello,

In the following newsletter we will be reviewing the fall 2016 season of the SASA Spirits soccer teams, as well providing overall club updates. Our players have trained very hard this past season, and it shows by their many accomplishments. This was a difficult season with the birth year change, but I think that we have taken a step forward in this switch. As Director of Coaching, I want to say thank you to all the coaches and assistant coaches and team managers. Without these people, SASA would not be able to function like it does. I also want to take time to thank all, who has volunteered time at the club to continue to make SASA a great place to play. Lastly, thank you to all of our club families for continuing to choose SASA and for trusting us with the development of your children.

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Director of Coaching thoughts:

The past 5 years at SASA I have seen dramatic changes in the way SASA has grown as a club. SASA has improved the standards at every level and will continue to provide multiple platforms for your child to develop as a soccer player and person. In the past two years I have been humbled by the chance to be more involved in the development process as a Director of Coaching for the girls program and now Director of Coaching for both boys and girls. I have seen membership reach to new heights and some of the growing pains that brings. I am committed to this soccer club and believe in the values and mission of it. This is one of the reasons I am no longer coaching in the college ranks, to focus full time and to continue to move this club forward as the best club in central Illinois.

Dear SASA families as 2016 is winding down, we'd like to call attention to the many changes and accomplishments made by SASA in the past year. Thank you to the members from the SASA board for all that was done in making these accomplishments possible.

We look forward to another great year, but here are just a few items we've been working on:

- 1) Established identification sessions for Birth Year transition;
- 2) Successfully implemented Birth Year transition;
- 3) Adopted new bylaws, which are available for club members to view;
- 4) Began posting Board meeting minutes on website;
- 5) Expanded Youth Academy with a fall season and winter training program;
- 6) Implemented coaching and guidelines for 2016/2017 season;
- 7) 95% of SASA Coaches are USSF Licensed. 100% Goal for 2017;
- 8) Redesigned complex for fields to meet Birth Year guidelines;
- 9) Elected 3 new board members early in 2016 bringing some fresh perspective to the Board. After the resignation of two board members in the fall, the Board established a majority non-board nominating committee to elect 4 new board members, including the appointment of a CPA to serve as Club Treasurer, expanding the board from 7 to 9 members for 2017;
- 11) Transitioning from 2 part-time to 1 full-time Director of Coaching (DOC). Drew Lenhardt is under contract as DOC until 2019;
- 12) Conducted a club wide parent survey to allow for member input, and began creating an action plan to address concerns in the areas of roads/parking, fields and communication in 2017;
- 13) Held one of the most successful Fall Tournaments in recent SASA history, playing host to teams;
- 14) Return of weekly Coaching Corner to communicate upcoming events, highlights of individual and teams accomplishments, picture of the week, juggling club milestones review of programs and progress from DOC and Coaching Spotlight.

Some of the changes you can look for in 2017:

- 1) Developing SASA Player and Parent Handbook, which will be reviewed and approved by the board in the coming months, and will be implemented for the 2017-18 Season;
- 2) Exploring options for potential access to a future turf field and possible additional lit playing surfaces for club use;
- 3) Reviewing possible solutions and bids for Road /Parking improvement, and hope to have a Board decision in the first quarter of 2017;
- 4) Established Juggling Club to begin spring 2017;
- 5) Requiring all coaches to obtain the age group appropriate USSF License;
- 6) Establishing SASA Futsal Games, Second Session of Indoor training.

2008 Blue and White

Team: 2008 Boys Blue & White

Coaches: Justin Stone, Travis Gorrie & Bryce Bilyeu
The U9 Boys enjoyed another outstanding fall season. The pool of players is currently set at 19 players. Practices are primarily based on building the skills necessary to play at a high level. All of the players have been able to play in multiple positions throughout the fall season. Our goal as coaches is to develop complete players that can play in any situation when needed. The group is ready to go each practice and works extremely hard night in, night out. The sky is truly the limit for all of these players as they are definitely a special group.

Highlights: As a whole the Blue and White teams played in 10 complete tournaments with both teams in the Gold Division or one team in the Gold and one in the silver depending on the tournament placement. They were outstanding:
1st Place - 5 Tournaments
2nd Place - 4 Tournaments
34W-2T-5L (1L against ourselves)
235 Goals Scored, 54 Goals Against,

Roster: Carson Berberet, August Bilyeu, Lincoln Brady, Chase Dougherty, Tanner George, Declan Gorrie, Zachary Graham, Gavin Hayes, Logan Heimlich, Jobe Kepler, Noah Lane, Carter Oh, Gavin Olyer, Jack Park, Arielle Robinson, Austin Rutter, Alec Stone, Parker Thomas, Drew Ward

2007 Blue and White

Coaches: Cuneyt Barutcu & Mitch Johnson

Fall was a very productive season for SASA 2007 boys. We started the season working on fundamentals to establish a solid skill set for every player. We are happy to report that every player has shown improvement on their technique and ball control over the course of the season.

The birth year change and the rule changes associated with the U10 age group proved to be a challenge across the board for the soccer community (coaches, players, spectators, referees and clubs) Interpretation and implementation of the rules varied greatly. Our players has shown tremendous flexibility adopting to the rules that changed, not only from tournament to tournament, but also from one game to another within the same tournament.

Later in the season, once we established a baseline set of skills, we focused on decision making aspect of the game for both offense and defense while trying to instill confidence on players to play the ball out of the back.

During the season, opportunities presented themselves so we could work on mental toughness, composure and dealing with adversity as a group and as individuals. I believe we have made great progress on this aspect.

We want to have an industrious winter season. We will attend SASA training. We will supplement our training with Futsal league play in town over the winter. We are also planning to go to a 3v3 futsal tournament in February.

We are extremely proud of the effort and hard work every player put in over the fall. We are also delighted to see the fighting spirit and the desire to win these players bring to their game. We are looking forward to a successful spring season.

Roster

Talha Arshad, Tarkan Barutcu, Ryan Bridal, Joel Brock, Chase Campbell, Elijah Carlson, Alexander Hockenyos, Conrad Lindhorst, Dominic McDonald, Luke Milnes, Kasten Newberry, Jack Reid, Bryce Roman, Aiden Schmidt, Tristan Schwindt, Luke Smith, Tyler Springer, Andrew Stephens, Jeffrey Sturm

2006 Boys Blue

Coaches - Miguel Calderon, Scott Driver, Jason Loftus
Manager - Pratt

The SASA 2006 Blue team enjoyed a successful 2016 Fall season that included finishing undefeated in the Premier Division in SLYSA, Tournament championships in Naperville and Ofallon and being currently ranked #1 in Illinois in the GotSoccer rankings.

The teams success is defined by an increased focused on several core areas: assessment and identification, training and development, and meaningful competition. The winter season will consist of participating in two tournaments - Winter Freeze, Crowne Point Indiana and our own event the 3rd Annual MLK Invitational hosted at Soc-

cer World on January 15&16.

In addition to the tournaments the team will train weekly at FootworX in order to prepare for a challenging Spring campaign that will see the team participate in the top SLYSA bracket and State Cup. This is a hardworking, committed group of boys and the training staff is very proud of their achievements and look forward to their continued development

Roster: Hunter Bilbrey, Miles Calderon, Thomas Davis, Andrew DeJaynes, Connor Dillman, Luke Driver, Cannon Duke, Thomas Garst, Lyncoln Koester, Elliott Mogren, Rafael Onate, Will Patzia, Vincent Pratt, Faizaan Shaikh, Brandon Sims, Lach Sullivan

2006 Boys White

Team: 2006 Boys White

Coaches: Chad Kutscher and Frank Equez

The U11 Boys White had a good fall. We stumbled at the start of the year, but continued to develop, as the season progressed. The development was evident in the Illinois FC and Gateway Rush tournaments as the boys played some very good soccer and finished runner up in each event. While records, rankings, and trophies don't concern me at this age, it was nice to see the boys get some reward for the work that had been put in at the practice sessions and league games. I'm excited to get the team back together for a futsal session, and then look to continue our progress into the spring. The work is far from complete, but I'm very proud of the effort and in-

tensity that I saw from the team in the final tournament.

Highlights:

- coming together as a team
- developing the ability to play fast
- 2nd Place Illinois FC Tournament
- 2nd Place Gateway Rush Halloween Tournament

Roster: Jake Kepler, Andrew Combs, Eamon Mahoney, Landon Kutscher, Dorian Equez, Ty Dyson, Tucker Spraeetz, Cohen Spengler, Braeden Trello, Cale Elam, Mason Jacobs, Creighton Krippel, Ben Tuxhorn, Sam Rosa(Fall)

2005 Boys Blue

Team: 2005 Boys Blue

Coaches: Chris Owsley, Cory Formea, Anthony Mackay

Got Soccer Rank: 3

The U12 Boys Blue had a great fall. We had a learning period at the start of the year, but develop and grew as a team, as the season progressed. The development was evident in the Illinois FC/Norco/SASA Region II tournaments as the boys played some very good soccer and were Champions in each event. I'm excited to get the team back together for an indoor session, and then look to continue our progress into the spring. The work is far from complete, but I'm very

proud of the effort and intensity that I saw from the team in the Fall.

Highlights

Illinois FC Orange Bracket: Champions

Panathinaikos International Super Cup: Semi-Finalist

SASA Region II: Champions

Norco Invitational: Champions

Westside Invitational: DNP

2005 Boys White

Coaches: Jack Turanchik, Chris Owsley, Chad Formea

Manager: Anthony Mackey

GotSoccer Ranking: 13 in Illinois

This season we saw this group improve immensely across 5 fall tournaments. Training sessions were very competitive and instrumental in the development of each player as we trained with Blue and White together at least once a week. We finished the season with a +14 goal differential. Also, the average goals scored per game was at 3.5, which shows this groups focus was on keeping possession and creative play. We played in several finals and gained valuable

experience that will help us grow and develop as a team.

Highlights: Semi-Finalists at Norco Invitational, Finalists at Panathinaikos International Super-cup, Finalists at Legacy Fall Classic

Roster: Adam Ryherd, Bryce Pound, Colby Olsen, Drew Mirabile, Ethan Greer, Ethan Stern, Griffin Leach, Jack Wolfe, James Kennedy, Miles Renken, Rithwik Chittineni

2004 Boys Blue

Team - SASA 04 Boys

Coaches - Craig Bussell and Brad Hughes

The 04 boys have 21 players in a pool who came together from 5 different teams from the previous year due to the overhaul in US Soccer. Many of the boys took advantage of optional training sessions and pickup games during the Summer to familiarize themselves with their new teammates and coaches. It didn't take long for the team to get on the same page and start playing quality soccer once the season officially began. The team trains three times per week during the season. The training sessions are progressive and focus on developing functional technique and team tactics that are age appropriate for U13 players who play at a premier level.

Highlights - The team compiled a 20-5-2 overall record with 3 tournament wins and 1 second place finish in 6 tournaments. The coaches elected to have the team compete in SLYSA where they were placed in the 2nd highest flight out of 7 flights. The 04 team

finished 3rd with a 5-2-1 record earning a promotion to the top flight for the Spring season. The team reached as high as the #1 ranked team in Illinois at the end of the season. They are currently ranked #2. Going forward, the team plans to compete in the top division at SLYSA in order to go up against the best competition possible. The team also plans to compete in Presidents Cup during the Spring. The season ahead will be a challenge, but the boys love to compete and play in tough games. They are willing to work hard in order to reach the next level.

Roster - Logan Anguish, Parker Boatman, Darren Booth, Reece Butcher, Ryan Dietrich, Alexander Eberding, Carson Franks, Luke Freer, Mason Grove, Jake Hamilton, Aidan Hughes, Bryce Johnson, Josh Klenke, Ian Lamsargis, Nathan McCombs, Keeton Reiss, Joey Seelbach, Austin Shaffer, Adam Staley, Brayden Tucker, Kyle Ward

2003/2002 Boys

Team: 2002-2003 Boys

Coaches: Pat Phillips, Cory Fornea, Dan Butler

Got Soccer Rankings: Boys 2002 #7, Boys 2003 # 4

Paragraph about team: The boys 2002 and 2003 had a great and busy fall season. I want to thank the kids for playing hard no matter what team they were on. With only 9 players on the 2002 team many of the 2003 were able to experience playing up which will only help as they prepare for high school soccer next year. Our goal was also to play the boys in multiple positions throughout the fall season to develop all skill sets. At this age they need to be able to play when and where the coach needs them to play. We want to thank all the parents for having the group ready to go each practice especially when UIS assistant coach helped coach an extra practice each week. Many of these boys grew in confidence and skill this year

and I can't wait to see how we progress in the Spring and as they start playing at the next level!

Highlights: The 2002 played in six tournaments finishing first in the SASA and second in the Illinois FC tournament. The 2003 played in four tournaments finishing first in NORCO and second in SASA and Indy. We also had a select 2003 team that played in three tournaments finishing first in CSI Kansas City and first in SLSG.

High School Boys Review

Congrats to all SASA Soccer players and Coaches that represented their High School Teams well this Fall! Special Congrats to SASA Players recognized by IHSA. Big list of SASA players here!

ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER COACHES ASSOCIATION (IHSSCA) 2016 BOYS' ~ ALL-STATE SELECTION

Steven Albers

Nate Cheung

Kelby Phillips — NSCAA All-American

ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER COACHES ASSOCIATION (IHSSCA) 2016 BOYS' ~ ALL-SECTIONAL SELECTION

Patrick Hoyle Sacred Heart Griffin Midfielder Junior

Brandon McCombs Jacksonville Defender Senior

Tyler Moushon Riverton Midfielder Junior

Connor Novy Pleasant Plains Forward Junior

Nash Oldenettel Jacksonville Midfielder Senior

Dylan Satterly Rochester Defender Senior

Levi Slater Williamsville Midfielder Junior

Logan Willard Springfield Forward Senior

Evan Wright Springfield Goalkeeper Senior

ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL SOCCER COACHES ASSOCIATION (IHSSCA) 2016 BOYS' ~ HONORABLE MENTION ALL-SECTIONAL SELECTION

Brandon Bunger Williamsville Midfielder Senior

Jacob Duban Rochester Forward Senior

Cody Frey Rochester Goalkeeper Junior

Philip Nimpson Sacred Heart Griffin Midfielder Senior

2008 Girls Blue and White

Team: 2008 Girls Blue & White

Coaches: Nikki Bull-Eguez, Kevin Lyons

GotSoccer Ranking: N/A

Paragraph about team: The U9 Girls played a great fall season of soccer. Our pool of players is currently 19. Practices are set on skill development and setting a foundation of formation comprehension and ball movement patterns. All of the players have been able to play in multiple positions throughout the fall season. Our goal as coaches is to develop complete players that understand the dynam-

ics of the game and can manipulate space on the field to gain the advantage against opponents.

Highlights: CIYSL played in u10 age group- won some, lost some- competed well within the group.

Won SASA Region II, Gallagher Fall Festival

2007 Blue and White

Coach: Ryan Leach **Assistant Coach:** Evan Seelbach
Trainers: Nick Traina & Dave Sandercock

This is our second year together as a team and we operate under the pool play concept. The team currently consists of 18 players and 2 guest players. We have players on the team from Springfield, Rochester, Chatham, Pleasant Plains, and Sherman. Each tournament we participate in we have a different make-up of players per team. We do not use an A team and B team format, but usually divide our teams equally or balance them out for different brackets. The girls work very hard and we are extremely fortunate to be surrounded by such great families. We have decided not to participate in league play this year but instead played in 5 tournaments.

2016 Fall Tournament Results:

Westside United: **we finished 1st and 2nd**

SASA Region II Cup: **we finished 2nd and 3rd**

FC Peoria Fall Classic: **we finished 1st and 2nd**

Metrofest Sporting STL: **blue team finished 1st**

SLSG Fall Classic: **teams did not place**

Roster applies to both teams:

30 Caroline Cody

#19 Alyssa Day

#9 Ali Fleischli

#23 Mia Gerger

#12 Carsyn Hanken

#28 Kamryn Hoffman

#7 Kelsey Irwin

#22 Lily Johns

#29 Ainsley Johnson

#17 Bailey Leach

#10 Brooklyn Lowder

#11 Hadleigh Maley

#13 Karigan Matthews

#3 Meara Seelbach

#5 Natalie Shafer

#26 Hailey Sobieski

#8 Aliana Stock

#27 Brooklyn Termine (G/P)

#2 Aubrey Warren

#14 Kinsley Zellers (G/P)

2006 Girls Blue

Team: Blue

Coaches/Trainers: R. Bogdanovich, R. Haas, K. Frankie

Managers: J. Gorrie, L. Lambert

GotSoccer Ranking: IL-4th

This season was a new team for all the girls. They all trained very hard and made consistent improvements with their touch on the ball and movement on the field. Many girls were challenged to play in a brand new position as we tried to figure out

the best formation to showcase our players strengths and fit our style of play. The girls played some great competition and several times had to come back and win. Overall, we were pleased with performance of the team as a whole and are excited about the spring season.

Highlights: Won SASA, Placed Bellville

2006 Girls White

Team: White

Coaches/Trainers: R. Bogdanovich, R. Haas, K. Franke

Managers: J. Gorrie, L. Lambert

GotSoccer Ranking: IL-26th

This was a BRAND new team for the most part. Several of the girls had NEVER played competitive soccer. Our main focus was to strengthen the basics for them. We were experimenting with playing styles, positions, and formations so we could highlight each of our players strengths. It was amazing to see

how quickly many of the girls picked up on the game and were able to adapt in such a short amount of time. You could tell they were all having fun and really enjoyed working hard. Each player on the team made great improvement and they were truly coming together as a squad. These girls never gave up and battled hard all season long. The spring season is going to be an exciting one for this team.

Highlights: Advanced to semis of SASA tourney. Earned 2nd place at Route 66 tourney

2005 Girls Blue

Team: 2005 Girls Blue

Coaches: Jason Vlcek, David Meyer, Rene Troppa (Trainer)

GotSoccer Ranking: #45 in the Nation / #4 Region / #1 Illinois
The 2005 Girls Blue team had a very successful Fall campaign.

It's a new group of girls totaling 14 coming from 5 different squads last year making the results that much more impressive. Practices have been set up into two different formats. One night being a technical session led by Rene Troppa focusing on maximizing the amount of touches the girls get in a high paced and high intensity environment. The second night of training is a Tactical session focused on formation, style of play, organization, set pieces etc. The work ethic of the players has been second to none as the coaching staff has challenged them to play at a high level and the girls have accepted that challenge and thrived in doing so. Our goal as coaches is to develop players that can continue to grow and play at the highest level possible for each girl. The comradery of the group is awesome to watch as so many girls from so many teams and schools have come together so quickly. The potential for this group is exciting.

Highlights: The team played in 4 Tournaments participating in the top flight in each. The girls also made their first journey to the SLYSA league and participated in the top flight there as well. They finished the FALL with a stellar 22 Wins, 0 Losses, and 4 ties.

Westside Invitational (Indianapolis) – 1st Place

SASA Region II Cup -1st Place

Sockers Nike Classic (Chicago)– 1st Place (Zero Goals Allowed)

SLSG Girls Fall Classic (St. Louis) – Semi- Finalist (tied the champion of tourney / didn't advance on Goals)

Winter Freeze (Indiana) – 1st Place

122 Goals Scored, 12 Goals Against, 4.7 Goals For per Game / .46 Goals Against Average / 15 Shutouts

Roster: Charlotte Beatty, Ruth Becker, Ava Danielson, Lily Dietrich, Madeline Foster, Ellie Gegen, Callie Huston, Bella Jostes, Savannah Maley, Ali Matthews, Kaleigh Meyer, Isabella Perryman, Rylie Raufer, Haden Vlcek

2005 Girls White

Team: 05 GIRLS WHITE

Coach: FRANK EGUEZ

GotSoccer Ranking: 24th IN STATE

Paragraph about team: 05 girls white team has come a long way since tryouts. This fall we have built this team as a "team" with our main focus of " development" helping us be better for spring. We have found a full-time Goalie who we moved up from 06 team and has helped huge with our training sessions and our games . As a new squad for me it's been an awesome way to see how much talent we have and I can say these girls are always focused and ready to play for me ... That's all I ask!!

Highlights: I don't really promote winning Trophies or tournaments as highlights but I will say that every girl in this team has improved 100% every week .. To hear other coaches tell me they are impressed with my girls that's all the Highlights I'll share ...

Roster: check out our team site in the SASA WEBSITE...

2004 Girls Blue

Team: 2004 Girls Blue

Coaches: Drew Lenhardt, Cuneyt Barutcu, Shannon Cormier

GotSoccer Ranking: 32

The U13 Girls enjoyed an outstanding fall season. Practices are primarily based on building the skills necessary to play at a high level and tactics to play 11 v 11. All of the players have been able to play in multiple positions throughout the fall season. Our goal as coaches is to devel-

op complete players that can play in any situation, when needed and solve problems on the field.

Highlights: Blue team went undefeated in league play, 2nd in the SASA Region II Tournament, Played well in the SLSG Girls College Showcase.

Roster: MELIS B, SARAH B, SOPHIA B, LAUREN B,ZOE C, LILY G, MAGGIE G, ABIGAIL J, MADISON J, HANNAH L, MIA O, KAYLEN R, LAKEN R, BRETAUNA S, ANNA S, ELSA W.

2004 Girls White

Team: 2004 Girls White

Coaches: Drew Lenhardt, Cuneyt Barutcu, Shannon Cormier, John Krowe

GotSoccer Ranking: 45

The U13 Girls white enjoyed an outstanding fall season with plenty of accomplishments. Practices are primarily based on building the skills necessary to play at a high level and tactics to play 11 v 11. All the players have been able to play in multiple positions throughout the fall season.

Our goal as coaches is to develop complete players that can play in any situation when needed and solve problems on the field.

Highlights: Champions at Norco Invitational, Competitive all season in league and tournaments

Roster: MEGAN A, EMILY B, ELIZA B, MIA B, ANABEL B, OLIVIA D, MAKAYLA E, AMELIA E, KAMRYN G, JANE G, HANNAH H, EMMA K, KALYN K, ABBAGAIL R, LESLIE S.

2003 Girls Black

Team: 2003 Girls Black
Head Coach: Dax Campbell
Asst. Coach/Trainer: Melinda Lewis
Team Manager: Erin Campbell
GotSoccer Ranking:
 Illinois Rank – 3rd
 Region 2 Rank – 21st

The things that impress me the most about this group of girls is their positive attitudes, strong commitment to the team, and relentless effort in practice and games. I'm very lucky to get the opportunity to be around such a fantastic group of young ladies. Great Season 2003 Black!

Highlights (Fall 2016):

12-6-6 Fall record - 46GF 18GA
SLYSA Premier League 2016- 3rd place
SASA Region II Cup 2016- Champion
Indy Premier Halloween Classic 2016- Finalist
Norco Invitational 2016- Semi-Finalist
Roster: Emma Bellot, Grace Connor, Katelyn Keller, McKenna Lambert, Giovanna Yurevich, Maggie Tuxhorn, Ryleigh Campbell, Kylee Garrett, Alexa Hamilton, Ella Beeler, Grayson Mirabile, Anne Rupnik, Arianna Mills, Ainslie Wilson, Tess Allen, Ella Gorrie

2002 Girls Blue and White

Coach: Klif Schmidt
Asst/Trainer: Mike Witsman
Manager: Heather Arnold
Got Soccer Rankings:
Blue - #12
White- # 120
Highlights:
Blue: NORCO U14/15 -Champs
SASA U15 - Finalist
Great Lakes Soccer Challenge U15-
Finalist

Accomplishment: 5-1-2 (2nd Place) CIYSL
League High School Gold Division

The 2002/2003 team consisted of 30- 8th grade girls who were broken up into 2 teams teams for tournaments so they all could get adequate playing time. League play which we played in the high school division consisted of pool play for the girls. The Blue team played more games in their actual age bracket for the tournaments and had some success while the White team ended up playing up which should help them in the spring when they are back in their actual age group. The fall season was enjoyable, the girls worked hard, they are a lot of fun to be around, we love their snap chat stories and we had some success and they all know what they need to do in the off season and we pre-warned them :

2001 Girls Blue

Coaches: René Troppa and Rhett Mays
The 2001 girls had a good fall season. We had several new girls join SASA. The best freshmen in the Springfield area played on this team. We played on two highly competitive college showcases, playing mostly against sophomores and juniors, with a record of 3 wins and 3 losses. The girls played teams from Illinois, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Missouri and Kansas. The overall record for the fall was 8 wins and 6 losses. The SASA high school program is not about winning every game but to ensure that the girls are ready to compete against all ages in the high school. Our goal is not to have every girl make the high school roster, but play varsity soccer and gain experience to hopefully play college soccer while continuing their education. The freshmen girls took a huge step in the right direction and several players should receive plenty of playing this high school season in their respective high

schools.

Highlights:

Chicago Inter College Showcase 1 win and 2 losses
Kansas City College Showcase 2 wins and 1 loss
NORCO 1 win and 3 losses SASA 4 wins and tournament champions

2000 HSG Blue

Team: 2000 HSG

Coaches: Drew Lenhardt, Mike Whitsman, Nikki Bull Equez

GotSoccer Ranking: 36

Paragraph about team: The U17 High School Girls enjoyed an outstanding fall season with plenty of accomplishments. Practices are primarily based on building the skills necessary to play at a high level and tactics to be successful in High School and College. All the players worked hard and showed well in three College showcases, as well the Region II Tournament.

Highlights: Played well in College Showcases, 2nd in Region II Tournament, League Champions

Roster: Alexandra J, Lilly D, Alexa K, Mandy W, Mariah I, Lauryn M, Emma B, Paige G, Darby D, Emilie L, Madisen C, Tayli S, Kaelee D, Abbey C, Corinne S, Aspen T

1998 HSG Blue

Team: 1998 HSG

Coaches: Drew Lenhardt, Mike Whitsman, Nikki Bull Equez

GotSoccer Ranking: 36

Paragraph about team: The U19 High School Girls enjoyed an outstanding fall season with plenty of accomplishments. Practices are primarily based on building the skills necessary to play at a high level and tactics to be successful in High School and College. All the players worked hard and showed well in three College showcases, as well the Region II Tournament.

Highlights: League Champions, Champions Region II Showcase, Placed in three college showcases.

Roster: Kalynn Clearwater, Kylie Tucker, Katie Cochran, Beverley Watson, McKenna Mathiot, Macy Vorreyer, Rachel Mays, Maysel Gibson, Madyson Schmidt, Lauren Bima, Julia Mayes, Madeline Sperry, Emma Chapman, Caroline Crouch, Brooke Steil, Riley Ross, Meghan Rupnik, Sarah Wagner, Alyssa Crum, Karmen Vicari-Endres, Madelyn Wilson

Youth Academy



Coaches: Pat Phillips, John Krowe, Franklin D'Oh, Rene Troppa, Dave Meyer, Joe Eck, Drew Lenhardt
Youth Academy had a great fall. Coaches taught basics to 3-9 years old's and instilled the love of the game to the next generation of SASA soccer players. This year youth academy has grown over %100 percent and implemented the USSF small sided mandate. Thank you again to all coaches, parents, directors, that made this possible! Indoor Session One, was a great success with about 100 participants. This was

incredible fun sessions with lots of technique and games.

Farewell Letter from Joe Eck

To the SASA Family,

As we put another season behind us at SASA, I want to express my thoughts on last season and where we are headed as a club. This past season I worked with all of our Boys Teams and was very pleased with their improvement, both in team play and individually. The purpose of our training curriculum is to provide the quality of training that will provide the players with the tools to become skillful, confident, smart soccer players so that they can reach their potential. Across the board I believe we are seeing results of that training. Our boys' teams were very successful on the field this past season, but the most important measure, individual player development, was even better. Our coaches are doing a great job teaching these young players how to play the game.

I want to let all the parents know that having coached soccer for over 40 years at all levels, from Youth, Club, Olympic Development Program, to College, I can honestly tell you that I am extremely impressed with the quality of coaches we have in SASA. I believe without a doubt that we have one of the best staffs anywhere in the Midwest, both on the boy's side and the girls' side.

As some of you may know, Drew and I split the DOC duties last year and we are now transitioning to just one fulltime DOC, with Drew overseeing both the Boys and Girls teams starting December 1. Drew is a great asset to our soccer community and we are fortunate to have him fulltime at SASA, as he will do a great job with our club going forward. I will continue to stay on with a lesser role with SASA, helping out as a trainer. I want to thank SASA, as it has definitely been a pleasure to have served as DOC, and was wonderful for me personally to work with all our coaches. I see a very bright future going forward with the club.

Joe Eck

