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Kenmore Soccer Moving to New Web Platform

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2024-2025 Travel Registration Opens Shortly

Kenmore Soccer is moving its web platform from Sports Connect to Playmetrics, which will provide greatly enhanced capabilities for parents and our coaching staff.

Playmetrics not only retains the features we have enjoyed under Sports Connect, but also incorporates over 200 Lesson Plans for coaches, field maps, on-line player evaluations, the equivalent of Team Snap (but with many more features), as well as dozens of other new features. We will be converting shortly, but the initial upload will not have every feature enabled immediately.

One critical issue is that existing data will not be carried into the new platform. So, you will need to create a new login and password, as well as reinput your parent and player information.

Travel soccer registration for the 2024-2025 season will open in conjunction with the conversion to Playmetrics, and we will alert everyone via a blast e-mail when the conversion occurs. However, we expect some glitches, so please bear with us the first few days. As a reminder, returning players must re-register each season.

Teams that are currently using Team Snap should continue to do so through August, at which time we will have uploaded the 2024-2025 rosters and Playmetrics can become the team communication system.





Register Now (we are almost full) 2024 Celtic FC Summer Camp July 15-19 — Kenney Field



Our Celtic FC Summer Camp, led by professional staff from Celtic FC in Glasgow, Scotland, will be held during the week of July 15-19, 2024 at Kenney Field. Nearly 100 campers participated in the 2023 camp.

Registration is now open via the Kenmore Soccer web site. Register now, as we must limit the number of participants. And we are nearing that limit.

If you delay, please save the date and hope there is still room later for the best soccer camp in the western New York area.

Kenmore United 2014 Boys Royal Have Strong Indoor Season

The Kenmore United 2014 Boys Royal team had a strong showing in their initial indoor soccer venture, by playing in the Winter B session at Sportsplex.

The boys defeated a strong Delaware team in the semi-finals, before falling to a powerhouse Clarence squad in the championship game. It was a great session for the team, and helped get them ready for outdoor play, where they have been placed in the top division and will face some very string opponents.



Kenmore Bluebombers 2012 Gírls Complete undefeated Indoor Season



Congratulations to the Kenmore Bluebombers 2012 Girls on capturing the Winter B championship in the Sportsplex Indoor Soccer League, with a 4-0 victory over the Lockport Lightning in the championship match. The girls finished 12-0-0, scoring 88goals while only surrendering 4.

Kenmore Bulldogs 2012 Boys Go Undefeated to Capture Sportsplex Indoor Soccer League Title

The U12 Kenmore Bulldogs soccer team finished off their undefeated season beating Amherst 1-0 in the Sportsplex championship game. Amherst went into the game as the top scoring team in the league and the team was able to keep them scoreless. The Bulldogs went 9-0-1 in the regular season scoring 38 goals and only had 16 against. Great season boys!!!!



Kenmore Invaders 2009 and 2011 Boys Are Both Victorious at the Akron Tournament

The Kenmore Invaders 2009 boys team won the 2024 Akron Kick-It-In-First Tournament by going 2-0-1 in round robin play and then defeating Lockport 4-1 in the championship game. With many new faces this year, the boys meshed well and all contributed, as it was a great way to start the season and celebrate Mother's Day! Great job boys!



The Kenmore Invaders 2011 boys team also won the 2024 Akron Kick-It-In-First Tournament by going 3-0 in round robin play and then defeating Lancaster-Depew Soccer Club 2-1 in the championship game. All the boys contributed as it was a great way to start the season and celebrate Mother's Day! Great job boys!



Kenmore Boltz 2010 Girls Add Another Championship

Champions !!! The Kenmore Boltz 2010 Girls had a classic final match at the Akron Soccer Tournament. The championship game was tied 1-1 and progressed to penalty kicks to determine the winner. It was tied 4-4 after 5 shooters, before Mae Bahne made a save on Orchard Park's 6th shooter, and Gianna Prezioso buried her shot for the win. Congratulations Girls!



Kenmore Spurs 2007 Boys Capture YMS Epic Tournament

The Kenmore Spurs 2007 Boys captured the YMS Epic Tournament in Pennsylvania, hosted by a fellow Celtic FC affiliated club. Over the course of 4 games, the boys scored 19 goals while surrendering only 2.



Kenmore Boltz 2010 Girls Capture Sportsplex Title

A 5-3 win in the championship game gave the Kenmore Boltz 2010 Girls the championship in the Winter B Sportsplex Indoor Soccer League.

The girls were 8-1-1 in round-robin play before defeating Niagara Wheatfield 10-0 in the semifinal, and Buffalo United in the final.

Over the 12 game schedule, the girls scored 76 goals, while surrendering only 10 goals.



Trivia Question

(answer on page 11)

How many players participated in Kenmore Soccer Club programs in the 2023-2024 season?

Quotes to Remember

No two people have the same perspective. For example, from the referee's perspective the foul that just happened ten feet in front of him, the foul he was hired to look out for, the foul that he has years of training and experience to teach him what that foul is and how to look for it, was, in fact, a foul. But from your perspective 200 feet away, deeply immersed in a lengthy conversation about the coach and his substitution rotation, while also checking your phone for text messages, it was a bad call.

...from "The Car Ride Home: You, Your Child and Youth Sports" by Mike Bergstrom

Kenmore SC 1888 Boys Capture 15 and Under Division at RNYFC Showcase

The Kenmore SC 1888 boys won the 15 and Under Division at the RNYFC Cup and Showcase in Batavia on May 5th.

The boys were 2-1 in round-robin play, including a victory over the RNYFC team from Rochester and FC Dutchmen Premier from the Hudson Valley. They avenged their only loss by defeating Orchard Park Dynamo 2-1 in the championship match.

Congratulations boys!



Like many areas of the United States, the Buffalo area has a few clubs that charge thousands of dollars per year for youth players to participate. Read what the president of FIFA had to say about the "Pay-to-Play" system.

FIFA President Infantino Says USA Has To End Pay-to-Play System

by Martina Alcheva

At the 2024 Milken Institute Global Conference in Los Angeles, Infantino disclosed one aspect of soccer in the United States that surprised him: the pay-to-play system. If American soccer is to reach its full potential, the head of FIFA has stated, the nation must end this massive barrier to entry.

"We want to see the best so we need to bring them the best players, but also the best game, and the best spectacle," he told Jim Gray.

"For this, we need to invest in the players because we want to show to the kids who play soccer when they are at school or when they are very young, that there is a path in soccer to glory to become one of these world stars.

"This is what maybe they don't see yet. They see it in basketball, American football, in baseball and ice hockey. But in soccer, it's still kind of far away. You have to go to Europe. And is there really a great American soccer player?"

"One of the things which shocked me here in America is that children have to pay in order to play. We have to stop this. I'm Italian, I grew up in a little Swiss Village in the middle of the mountains. There was a soccer team there, which played in the sixth highest division, so, it was very small and they had 23 teams."

"And this is all organized and privately funded. So, the local guy who has a restaurant gives the jerseys. The lawyer who has a little bit more money spends on shoes. Privately you create this, movement that makes sure that every kid, plays."

Kenmore Bulldogs 2012 Boys Are Champions at Akron Kick-It-In-First Tournament



Congratulations to the Kenmore Bulldogs 2012 Boys on capturing the championship the Akron Kick-It-In-First Tournament.

The boys were 4-0-0 on the weekend, scoring 15 goals while surrendering only 6.

Kenmore World Cup Camp

Ages 9-14

Week of 7/22-7/26 at Kenney Field

Our World Cup Camp will operate the week of 7/22-7/26 at Kenney Field from 9:00am -3:00pm, and is for ages 9-14. Registration can be done through www.kenmoresoccer.com. If you already have an account, simply login and select the camp program. If you do not have an account, just follow the instructions under the "Register with Kenmore Soccer" link.

Led by Nick DeMarsh, the Technical Director for Kenmore Soccer, the camp will focus on technical training in morning sessions, with daily small-sided tournaments and competitions in the afternoons including Power Shooting, Placement Shooting, Breakaways, and Penalty Kicks.

The cost is \$160 for the week paid in advance, or \$35/day if paid on site (and you can attend the days of your choice).



Kenmore Soccer is in the Social Media World

Kenmore Soccer has joined the social media experience by creating sites within Instagram, Twitter, and Facebook. Links to all of the platforms are on the left hand side of our web site landing page.

Teams (or parents for that matter), can post information on these sites by following these instructions:

Instagram:

If someone posts a picture to their account and wants to tag Kenmore Soccer or include us in a comment, tag our account by using @kenmoresoccerclub

Twitter:

Anyone can tweet to the Kenmore Soccer page or include us in a post by tagging us using @KenmoreSoccer

Facebook:

Anyone can post to the wall on the Kenmore page, write a comment on posts, or post a picture/video to the page.

If someone wants to tag Kenmore Soccer Club in a post or picture, they need to type @kenmoresoccerclub

All other photos/videos can be sent to kenmoresoccerclub@gmail.com.

We have a number of followers on these sites, and you might notice that it includes Celtic FC who has posted information. Most importantly, we have uploaded video of several individual training sessions.

Submissions Anyone ???????????

We want this to be your newsletter. We also want you to be a part of the Club web site. So, we are looking for your ongoing input—articles, pictures, match highlights, team and player recognition, etc. Each team should consider having a designee that can channel information to the Club for inclusion in the newsletter or web site.

Send your submissions to us at kenmoresoccerinc@gmail.com. Pictures are welcome, but should be in a jpg or gif format.

Contacting us

Answer to Trivia Question

(from page 6)

During the current season, 1018 players have participated in soccer programs operated by the Kenmore Soccer Club.

Right here for you.

On and off the field. Learn more »









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Fund Raising

The Kenmore Soccer Club is registered to conduct fund-raising, as is required by law, but each activity needs to be approved by our Board of Directors.

If your team wants to conduct any fund-raising, just e-mail us at doc@kenmoresoccer.com with the details of what you propose, and the eventual use of the funds raised. We will get back to you promptly.