



JAMES ISLAND YOUTH SOCCER CLUB

OCTOBER EDITION

Dear James Island Youth Soccer Families,

We want to start this newsletter with a BIG thank you to all of our members. We have a wonderful club, and we take our mission seriously in providing quality instructional and educational opportunities for all our players and families.

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CLUB OVERVIEW AND UPDATES

The 2023/24 seasonal year has seen the club grow to 1,000 players just on James Island. The club fields over 60 teams, 40 plus coaches and runs our in-house Juniors and Micro Programs. Additionally, our affiliate programs of both FC Charleston (Mount Pleasant) and FPZ- (Johns Island) have also seen increased growth where FC Charleston fields over 20 teams comprised of 225 players and the FPZ program features 125 players. Our teams are competing in the following leagues:

Carolina Premier League - **CPL**

SC Youth Soccer - **OPEN, PMSL, NL-South Carolina**

US Club Soccer - **NPL South Atlantic League**

Looking forward, we are well into the planning stage of the JI Cup scheduled for November 17-19 and currently we have almost 300 teams who want to participate. We are in the process of making final decisions in the next couple of weeks due to field availability and constraints, and it looks like we will have 225-235 teams for that weekend. The weekend is always a wonderful time, and we are excited to welcome everyone to our community at the end of the season.

CLUB FACILITY UPDATES

JIYSC continually focuses on ways to improve your experience. Here are a few of the items we have been working on this Fall:

- We are in the final permitting stage for the City of Charleston to approve the lighting of all (4) Bayview Fields with permanent lighting. We currently have some portable lights on fields 2 and 3 in the interim. The club is excited about offering this to all our members and we feel this will allow more flexible programming opportunities for practices and games.
- A reminder for parking lot etiquette:
 - Please consider the speed you are driving in both complexes.
 - Abide by the one way system and avoid driving over the grass.
 - Avoid parking on the road so we can prevent congestion.

Thank you for your cooperation.

TOURNAMENT RECAP

Bulls Soccer - Columbia County Cup

2008 Boys Black - **Finalists**

Asheville Soccer - Riverside Summer Shootout

2005/06 Girls Black - **Champions**

2014 Girls Red - **Finalists**

Charlotte Great Clips Independence Cup

2013 Black Thomas - **Champions**

2013 Girls Red - **Champions**

2011 Girls Black - **Champions**

SCUFC Carolina Cup

2005/06 Girls Red - **Champions**

Florence Cup

2015 Boys Red Cepeda - **Finalists**

2012 Boys Black Newman - **Finalists**

2012 Girls Black Nweke - **Champions**

2010 Girls Black - **Champions**

Wags Rael Vodicka Tournament

2011 Girls NPL - **Champions**

2010 Girls NPL - **Champions**

UPCOMING TOURNAMENTS

NC Fusion Adidas Clash - 7 teams attending

NCFC Youth Series - 4 teams attending

JI Cup!

WEEKEND PHOTOS



STAFF HIGHLIGHT

Teams that you currently coach

2005/06 Girls

2008 Girls NPL

Coaching Credentials

USSF C



Personal Information

- **Where are you from:** Augusta, Georgia
- **Where did you play in college (or high school):** Curtis Baptist HS - Captain
- 2 Seasons
- **Educational Background:** BIE, Georgia Tech. MBA, UNC-Chapel Hill
- **Who is your favorite soccer team (beside JIYSC of course):** Liverpool FC ...
YNWA
- **Favorite soccer player:** Steven Gerrard
- **Fun Fact:** Golfer, Single Digit Hcp since High School
- **Fave Charleston restaurant/location/thing to do:** Grill 223 with a nightcap
on the rooftop
- **Coaching Philosophy:** I pride myself on getting to know each player and
helping him or her become a better player, teammate, and most
importantly, a better person!
- **Best piece of advice you've ever been given about soccer:** Don't let your
confidence get too high after a win or too low after a loss. Remember, it's
about the journey and you are the same coach after the game that you
were before it!
- **Favorite thing about JIYSC:** JIYSC is one of the oldest Clubs in the State. We
are a community club where families do many things together outside of
dropping kids at the fields for soccer practice.
- **Other:** Both of my children played at JIYSC for many years.

PLAYER HIGHLIGHT

The club would like to say a massive congratulations to graduating seniors continuing their soccer careers at the following schools:

Lilly Hodge - Lander University

Julia Cosgrove - University of North Florida

Gabriela Redman - Lander University

UPCOMING EVENTS PROGRAMS

US Club ID2 Event - October 22nd

The club will be hosting the US Club ID2 Event for the 2010 Boys and Girls age group at the Bayview Soccer Complex. US Club Soccer's ID2 National Identification and Development Program provides an opportunity for the country's elite youth soccer players to be identified and developed, and scouted for inclusion in U.S. Soccer's National Team programs. ID2 Program directors Gerry McKeown (boys) and Tricia Taliaferro (girls) implement curriculum and direct activities.

More information

Soccerween - October 27th

5 v 5 TOURNAMENT

JIYSC Main Complex | 871 Fort Johnson Road | October 27th 6PM – 9PM

\$125 team entry fee to benefit the JIYSC Scholarship Fund. Open to all players regardless of club affiliation. Age groups from 2010 – 2016, 5-7 players per team.

Teams will play 3 games each. Prizes for the best-decorated team tent and costumes! Food Truck, Kona Ice, Charleston Battery Truck. Fun challenge contests between games.

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Winter Training Program - November 28th - December 14th

This program is designed to offer players an opportunity to continue their development during the Winter break. Sessions will be led by Executive Director Clark Brisson, Asst. Directors Liam Watt and Ryan Hedley and other guest coaches.

Sessions will focus on skill/technique mastery along with small -sided games and finishing. Additionally, sessions will look at preparing players physically for their HS Seasons. Goalkeeper training will also be on offer.

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UPCOMING EVENTS PROGRAMS

Supplemental Tryouts - December 9th

The JIYSC additional tryouts are for all players regardless of club affiliation who are interested in joining our Junior Academy and Academy Select teams for the remainder of the 2023/2024 season.

Tryouts will be held at the JIYSC Bayview Complex.

Time: 11 - 12.30pm.

Ages: 2016 - 2010

Date: 12/9/22

Location: 871 Fort Johnson Road, Charleston, SC, 29412

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Micro Winter Training Program - November 7th - December 16th

JIYSC hold their second Winter Micro Session for all players born in 2016 and 2017 only. The session will commence November 7th with practices taking place on Wednesdays and games on Saturday.

Program Details and Dates:

All practices will be from 5:30pm-6:30pm at the Main Complex

Practice Dates: November 7, 14, 28, Dec 5, 12

Games will take place at 10:00am at the Main Complex. All games will be 5v5 or 4v4 plus GK

introduction on bigger goals.

Game Dates: November 11, December 2, 9, 16

Staffing: JIYSC winter micro program will be led by USSF "B" Licensed Coach David Jordan and other JIYSC staff members.

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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

October 22nd

US Club Id 2 Event

October 27th

Soccerween

October 28th

Micro Jamboree

November 7th

Winter Micro Program Begins

November 17-19th

Jl Cup

November 20-26th

Thanksgiving Break

November 28th

Winter Training Program Begins

November 28th

Post season training and tournaments (if qualified)

December 16th

Winter Shutdown

SOCCER PARENTING

Welcome to the Soccer Parent Resource Center!

James Island Youth Soccer Club understands the importance of engaging and educating soccer parents and has therefore secured a club-wide membership to the SoccerParentResourceCenter.com, the parent education platform from the Soccer Parenting Association. You now have complete and free access to the interviews, articles, webinars, videos, courses and amazing community of level-headed parents at the SoccerParentResourceCenter.com.

To activate your free membership, simply click the link below:

[Click Here](#)

The mission of the Soccer Parenting Association is to inspire players by empowering parents.

- We believe youth soccer parents will be difference makers when it comes to improving the game.
- We believe when parents seek information about how to best support their player, great things will happen.
- We believe a collaborative environment between coach, parent, club, and player is in the best interest of player development.
- We believe a strong and supportive community of level-headed and like-minded parents and coaches will inspire players.



FUNDRAISING

As the 2023-2024 JIYSC season gets underway, we have once again kick-started our annual fundraising campaign. A large percentage of the funds raised are used for player scholarships, ensuring that financial limitations never keep our players off the field.

How You Can Help?

If you're a business owner - or interested parent - please consider becoming a JIYSC sponsor.

Packages start at just \$250 and offer high-visibility options including field signage, presence at events, web and social media mentions, and jersey naming rights.

We have over 1100 players participating in JIYSC programs, with local tournaments and league games drawing visitors from across South Carolina and throughout the Southeast region.

Your generosity will increase the profile of the club and assist in making our program stronger. Your sponsorship will help your company build an image of community support while positively impacting youth development WHERE YOU LIVE, and it is tax deductible.

If you are interested please contact our fundraising chair, Shelley Hough at fundraising@jiyisc.org

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www.jiysc.org/parent-resources/

We thank you for your support of the club!

Kind Regards,
Clark Brisson
Executive Director