



Schwaben Athletic Club

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FROM THE PRESIDENT.....Willy Schaeffer

We are half-way through the spring season and our teams have been very successful so far.

The First Team has won the last three games and is currently in second place, our Reserve Team is in first place and our Over-32 team has qualified for the Midwest Regionals.

The U-19 team is in the semi-final of the Illinois State Cup and the U-15 is also still involved in State Cup Competition.

In other happenings, the youth team tryouts are in full swing and we are hoping to add some teams for the fall season. The attractions for signing up with Schwaben for players are many: we have our own and the best fields in the area, we have excellent coaching, with two of our coaches (J.P. Tokoto and Thomas Gansauge) having "A" licenses. We try to give the youngsters professional coaching in a family atmosphere. All old and new members are the beneficiaries of this philosophy and are welcome to our regular meetings to express their opinions and thereby help to improve the Schwaben AC.

Other events coming up are our June, July and August Tournaments and the Schwaben AC family picnic on July 26. For \$10 per family you can eat and drink all day, it's a fun event and you can meet a lot of other Schwaben members. For the Tournament dates and other events check our website at schwabensoccer.com

At the annual elections, the majority of the board got re-elected. We are still looking for a First Team manager (Rocky Hughes wants to "retire" after the spring season) and a chairperson to head the fieldhouse committee. Anyone interested please contact me at 847-735-0904.

Our fields are in superb shape, thanks to the efforts of the field committee headed by Udo Seidel, who is now being mentioned as the "sodfather" for his continued care of the fields. All we need now is warmer weather so we can enjoy our fields and the beautiful grounds of the Schwaben Center.

FROM THE FIRST TEAM.....Manager Rocky Hughes

First Team:

The spring outdoor schedule and play are now underway. The weather is slowly improving even though rain still finds a way to cancel practices and games. We have been able to find a routine and decide on the make-up of our team.

The team, after an opening loss to the Maroons 2-1 has now settled into a speed - attack type mentality. Applying pressure high and early we look to score and gain momentum in the first 15 minutes. This play has lead to a 5-0 win against an undermanned Zrinski Club and two hard fought wins, 3-2 vs. the Vikings (many cheap shots in this one),and a nice 2-0 win against Connections . The spring wins combined with a very good fall record places the team in "First Place" in the Metropolitan Soccer League as of June 1st.

A highlight of the First Team 's week seems to be our " training days". We practice Tuesday and Thursday 7:30 to 9:30pm. Speed of play, set plays and player skills are improved at these training sessions. Coach Tom Cholewa First Team Head Coach with Assistant Andy Novak (who has a special focus on the goal tenders) provides a fast paced organized practice. With the average attendance in the spring of 23 players at practice, it seems the team appreciates the pace and the great workout.

Coach Cholewa:

Coach "Tommy" Cholewa has over 15 years of soccer coaching experience at the collegiate and club levels with an

emphasis in training, teaching, and skills development. Tom has a Bachelor's in Physical Education from Northern Illinois University. Tom was a member of the Chicago Magic Soccer Club coaching staff from November of 2004 until March of 2008 before joining Schwaben. Currently Coach Cholewa also is Head Coach at Triton College. The Triton College men's soccer team won the 2008 Region IV Division III Championship for the first time in 11 years. For his efforts Tom won " Region IV Coach of the Year honors".

Tom was an assistant coach at Dominican University from 2004-2006. In 2006 Dominican finished with a record of 20-2-1 and was ranked in the NCAA Division III Elite 8. During the summer of 2005 and 2006 Tom was an assistant coach at the Chicago Fire Premier(United Soccer League PDL) where the team was



central division champions in both years. From the 2005 and 2006 campaigns numerous players have gone on to play in the MLS and other professional soccer leagues. He currently holds a United States Soccer Federation "A" coaching license.

Coach Cholewa – Schwaben First Team Head Coach



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SCHWABEN ATHLETIC CLUB
2009 Calendar of Events

June 13 Girl's Team Reunion
June 19, 20 & 21 Youth Tournament U15 – U19
July 11 & 12 Senior Tournament
July 26 Family Picnic
August 14, 15 & 16 Youth Tournament U8 – U 14
November 7 83rd Anniversary Dance
December 13 Children's Christmas Party

MEMBER NEWS

We would like to offer our condolences to Ilse and Klaus Juengling on the death of her father. Mr. Karl-Heinz Langner passed away on May 14, 2009 and was laid to rest in Ridgewood Cemetery. Our deepest sympathies go out to Ilse and her family.



Thank You!

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FIRST TEAM STANDINGS AFTER ONE GAME

POS	TEAM	GP	GF-GA	PT
1	Schwaben	13	28-11	29
2	Sockers	13	39-15	28
3	United Serbs	12	21-10	27
4	Zrinski	13	24-14	27
5	Polonia	14	22-19	22
6	Eagles	11	20-13	15
7	Maroons	14	12-28	12
8	Green White	12	12-19	10
9	Connection	13	9-22	7
10	Vikings	13	12-48	5

SCHWABEN NEWSLETTER HAS
A NEW EDITOR

From the new board list you will notice that we have a new Editor for the Newsletter, Mr. Matt Foster, 214 W. Sheridan Place, Lake Bluff, IL 60044. His telephone number is 847-735-8913 but please email your articles to him at: fostermatt2@juno.com.

After so many years of overseeing the *Schwaben Newsletter*, I have become very stagnate at the job and I appreciate Matt taking over. Please send him information on your teams and any news that is appropriate and help him do a good job. He cannot accomplish this without the help of all the teams and members. He also needs changes of addresses and email addresses. I will be helping him get started and wish him the best of luck!

Arlene Lichtenberger

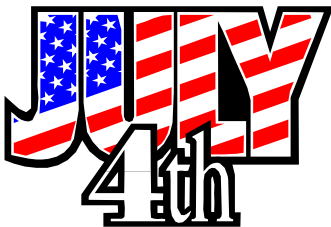
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