



Schwaben Athletic Club

NEWS



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FROM THE PRESIDENT.....Willy Schaeffer



A chilly brrr and hello to all the members,
Seems like winter just does not want to end this year and here the outdoor season for our teams is just around the corner.

Our youth teams were very successful this indoor season, with several winning championships or placing very high in their competition. Congrats to the coaches, players, managers and all the parents!

As a parent, please remember that besides teaching the game of soccer, our coaches and parents are also charged with instilling sportsmanship and fair play in our youngsters. These are attributes that the youngsters will carry with them to adulthood and will serve them well in being good players and good citizens in our society.

Our men's team fared well during the indoor season, finishing in 6th place, but in the running for one of the top spots until the last two weeks of the season.

By mutual agreement, coach Tony Dallas and the Club decided to go in different directions, starting with the coming outdoor season. Tony brought the AC a National Championship as well as numerous MSL and Illinois State Championships and gained the respect of the national soccer community and the friendship of our club members. Thank you Tony, for a job well done!

Preparations for outdoors will begin by our field committee (U. Seidel, J. Bart, E. Braun) as soon as the weather allows and our tournament directors are starting to sign up teams for their events.

Uli Sanabria, our ad-book chairman, will start approaching teams and members to get ads from businesses and establishments around the suburbs. Every ad we can place will help in keeping our facility first class!

The parking lot needs some serious work, maybe resurfacing, which any homeowner knows is no small expense. Looks like we might finally start work in Crystal Lake this year if all goes as planned.

We've added a second women's team for the outdoor season, if anyone has a daughter or someone else interested in joining, please contact Meredith Vail.

Our condolences go to Gary Weiler and his daughters on the sudden death of his wife Pat. Gary and Pat have been constant supporters of the Schwaben A. C. and good friends to all of us. Also our condolences to Sandi Siegel and her family on the sudden death of her husband Bill Siegel. Both Bill and Sandi have been good members of the AC, always ready to help at any of our doings. Also our condolences to Stefan Kowatsch and to Christa Gehard on the death of her mother, Elizabeth Kowatsch. She and her husband attended many of the Schwaben affairs and were a frequent face around the club.

Elections are around the corner (May 16) and we will need some volunteers to take positions and help run the Schwaben AC. The nominating committee will approach members for this purpose, please don't tell me you don't have time, if you care about the Schwaben AC you can make time!

All the people on the present board have jobs and or a life, but still find the time to assure the functioning of the club!

See you at the games.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2008

- May 16, 2008 Schwaben A. C. Election
Schwaben Center 7 P.M.
- June 13,14, 15, 2008 - Youth Tournament U15-19
- July 12 & 13, 2008 - Senior Tournament
- July 27, 2008 - Schwaben A.C. Family Picnic
- August 22, 23 & 24 - Youth Tournament U 8 - 14
- November 1, 2008 - Schwaben A.C. 82nd Anniversary
- December 7, 2008 - Children's Christmas Party

SCHWABEN CENTER PET POLICY

For safety and health reasons, NO PETS are permitted on Schwaben property. This includes practices, games, and tournaments. Also, members are asked to help enforce this policy regarding our visiting guests by politely asking them to either place their pet in their vehicle or leave the property.

This year's installment of the Metropolitan Soccer League indoor session has come and gone with the newly found squad's results proving impressive. The majority of the team had not played more than a few weeks together before January 6th's opening game versus Polonia.

The idea of infusing youth and previous club members back into the first team side has proven itself challenging but when all was said and done, successful. Finishing the season with a record of 3 wins, 4 losses, and 2 ties gave us 11 points and a 6th spot in the table. In addition, although we recorded 4 losses, we started the season challenging for the title, not having lost a match until week 5. We earned the respect of the league while using a very different lineup from years past.

Week 1: Schwaben 3 - Polonia 1 (1-0-0)

We literally shocked the league and Polonia fans during this game as nobody expected the dominating performance given. We held 3-0 until the last min.

Week 2: Schwaben 1 - United Serbs 1 (1-0-1)

The eventual indoor champions scored first in this battle. The Serbs' goal came at the end of the first half. A good half-time speech by Coach Dallas and some pressure later, we equalized with 12 minutes remaining. Credit to the Serbs' keeper thereafter as he made no less than 6 great saves to give the Serbs the tie. We played so well and felt as if we had won.

Week 3: Schwaben 3 - Vikings 3 (1-0-2)

This game featured grit and determination. Vikings have done the same as us this year, rebuilding with youth. After taking a 1-0 lead, we conceded 3 straight goals. The last 10 minutes were an uphill battle eventually ending in two goals by our side. Good to see that we could accomplish this task. If the game had been 3 minutes longer we might have gone on to win.

Week 4: Schwaben 4 - Wings 1 (2-0-2)

Wings are a team that will come at you with a continual brute force. It was a game, however, that we needed to have in the "W" column. Teams such as Wings, even though they finish at the bottom of the table a lot, present just as bad of a problem as the Eagles and Serbs of the league. The game was very physical with many 2-minute (blue cards) penalties handed out by the officials. In the end our skill and organization was too much for the Wings as we need not score for the final 10 minutes, still obtaining the victory.

Week 5: Schwaben 0 - Eagles 5 (2-1-2)

A total breakdown: Line changes were not fluid, passes were not made, and heads were not thinking. We had a chance to solidify our spot atop the table in front of larger-than-normal crowd but "choked." Nothing went right in this match. It was to be a focused week of training.

Week 6: Schwaben 3 - Lions 0 (3-1-2)

Back to the form we started the season with. This victory helped us forget about the Eagles match.

Week 7: Schwaben 1 - Zirinski 2 (3-2-2)

Not the best performance of the season but not our worst either. We had many opportunities to put the ball in the back of the net. After not doing so, we left the door for defeat open. Zirinski walked through that door with 3 minutes left proving that every match within the MSL is a tough one.

Week 8: Schwaben 2 - Maroons 3 (3-3-2)

This was the beginning of the end for us this session. Maroons were facing relegation with a loss to us. We wanted to hand them their almost certain doom, jumping out to an early 2-0 lead. The lead made us play comfortable and relaxed soccer. This was not a good sign of things to come as Maroons slid one home just before the half to make it 2-1. They went on to have a stellar secondhalf, as we could never turn on our engines again, scoring 2 more goals to avoid the bottom of the table (at least for one more week) winning 3-2.

Week 9: Schwaben 2 - Sockers 4 (3-4-2)

We went down 2-0 quickly as it seemed that nobody had interest in playing this game. Resurgence, motivated by Coach Dallas, pushed us to equalize before the half. We started out with a furious pace in the second half but our chances were equaled by the Sockers' keeper. And after our pace dropped a bit, Sockers saw the opportunity to capitalize. They put 2 more balls in the back of the net winning 4-2.

It was a good season for the club. We would like to thank all of the member and supporters for coming out and spending their time backing us. As it stands our first MSL outdoor game of the Spring half is the first Sunday in April away against United Serbs. I hope that we can go 2 for 2 in outdoor against the first place side.

METROPOLITAN SOCCER LEAGUE
FINAL STANDINGS - INDOOR 2008
MAJOR DIVISION

POS	TEAM	GP	GF-GA	PT
1	United Serbs	9	24-10	21
2	Eagles	9	26-13	18
3	Sockers	9	21-14	17
4	Vikings	9	23-17	13
5	Zirinski	9	24-24	12
6	Schwaben	9	19-20	11
7	Wings	9	21-29	9
8	Polonia	9	17-21	7
9	Maroons	9	16-27	7
10	Lions	9	15-30	7

Articles for the Schwaben A. C. Newsletter
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METROPOLITAN SOCCER LEAGUE
 MAJOR DIVISION SCHEDULE 2ND HALF
 SPRING 2008

Sunday, April 6, 2008

Green-White vs. Eagles
 United Serbs vs. Schwaben
 Wings vs. Connections
 Sockers vs. Maroons
 Polonia vs. Vikings

Sunday, April 27, 2008

Vikings vs. Wings
 United Serbs vs. Sockers
 Polonia vs. Schwaben
 Connections vs. Green-White
 Eagles vs. Maroons

Sunday, May 18, 2008

Green-White vs. Maroons
 Schwaben vs. Sockers
 United Serbs vs. Vikings
 Connections vs. Polonia
 Eagles vs. Wings

Sunday, April 13, 2008

Connections vs. Eagles
 Vikings vs. Green White
 Schwaben vs. Wings
 Polonia vs. Sockers
 United Serbs vs. Maroons

Sunday, May 4, 2008

Schwaben vs. Connections
 Vikings vs. Maroons
 Eagles vs. Sockers
 Wings vs. Polonia
 Green-White vs. United Serbs

May 25th - NO GAMES
 MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND

Sunday, June 1, 2008

Schwaben vs. Eagles
 United Serbs vs. Wings
 Vikings vs. Connections
 Sockers vs. Green-White
 Polonia vs. Maroons

Sunday, April 20, 2008

Green-White vs. Polonia
 Eagles vs. United Serbs
 Maroons vs. Wings
 Vikings vs. Schwaben
 Connections vs. Sockers

Sunday, May 11, 2008

Maroons vs. Schwaben
 Wings vs. Green-White
 Sockers vs. Vikings
 Polonia vs. Eagles
 United Serbs vs. Connections

Sunday, June 8, 2008

Polonia vs. United Serbs
 Schwaben vs. Green-White
 Wings vs. Sockers
 Vikings vs. Eagles
 Maroons vs. Connections

Dear Friend:

The Schwaben Athletic Club is asking your support in aiding our senior and youth teams at our

Annual Midwest Tournaments

In June, July and August 2008, the Schwaben Athletic Club of Chicago (Buffalo Grove) will hold their Annual Midwest Soccer Tournaments at their fields at 301 N. Weiland Road, Buffalo Grove, IL. The events have become the most prestigious tournaments in soccer competition.

We hope that you will aid our cause by placing an advertisement in our Souvenir Program Book, which will reach a wide circle of friends and soccer enthusiasts. Schwaben A. C. is a non-for profit organization and your contribution is tax deductible. We have included a contract form for your convenience.

Please return with your instructions by May 15, 2008...

Please enclose the following:

Your Advertisement
Your Check payable to Schwaben A. C.
Our Advertising Contract

To:
Mr. Uli Sanbria
8014 Karlov
Skokie, IL 60076

We sincerely appreciate your support of soccer. The Schwaben Athletic Club is presently sponsoring 12 youth teams, a senior ladies' team, a Pee Wee team and 4 senior teams. Our tournaments help promote and teach both the fundamentals of soccer and good sportsmanship.

Please use the tournament ad contract on the following page. Additional contracts may be printed from this page or the website. These ads may be from one of your favorite businesses or a personal ad to your son or daughter or just from your family to the event.

Yours in sport,

Uli Sanbria
 Program Book Chairman



Schwaben Athletic Club

Organized in the City of Chicago, State of Illinois, October 1926

Advertising Contract

Affiliated with USASA
Illinois Soccer Association
Metropolitan Soccer League
and Schwaben Center



**Schwaben Athletic Club
Schwaben Center, Buffalo Grove
37th Annual Soccer Tournament**



Program Book Chairman: Uli Sanabria, 8014 Karlov, Skokie, IL 60076
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RATES

Inside Cover \$200.00
Back Cover \$250.00
Full Page \$100.00
1/2 Page \$ 70.00
1/4 Page \$ 50.00

Size of Book 6" x 9"
Size of Ad pages 5" x 8"

I/We hereby authorize the committee to insert our advertisement in the Souvenir Program

Size of Advertisement.....

Advertiser.....

Per.....

Address.....

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Team Credit.....

Your Ad will appear in the Program at all **3 Tournaments**

**Under 15—Under 19
Youth Tournament
June 13, 14, 15, 2008**

**Senior Tournament
July 12 & 13, 2008**

**Under 8--Under 14
Youth Tournament
August 22, 23, 24, 2008**

Please enclose the following: Your Advertisement, Your Advertising Contract and Your Check payable to Schwaben A. C.



Receipt

Date..... 200.....

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Name of Advertiser.....

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Schwaben U17 National Boys Win 3v3 World Championship!



Players from Schwaben’s U17 National Boys team along with players from rival team, FC United came together two years ago and formed a 3v3 Team called SMP Black. SMP stands for Sports Made Personal and they are coached by founder, Chad Gruen. They competed last year and finished 5th in the nation.

The Schwaben players are Mac Greenwald, Geraldo Garza, Trevor Rubin and Joel Del Toro. After winning at the Regional level, they traveled again to Orlando to play in the 3v3 World Championships that were held in January 19-21 at Disney’s Wide World of Sports. SMP Black won the World Championship!

Congratulations boys for a job well done.



DONATIONS TO THE SCHWABEN A.C.

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| Fred Rader | Where Needed |
| Heinz Kutsch | Girl’s Team |
| Helen Wenson | Newsletter |
| Mike Lemonidis | |
| Rudy Frank | Newsletter |
| Schwaben Verein | Youth Teams |

Schwaben U-18 Girls take 1st Place

Schwabens U-18 Girls under coach JP Tokoto ended their indoor soccer league achieving 1st place. After a mixed outdoor season the girls really shined indoor by winning all of their games. The Schwaben girls were presented the Odeum Hat Trick Indoor Soccer 2008 Girls League First Place trophy.

Coach JP was pleased with the teams successful indoor results. He and the girls wish the parting seniors Good Luck in college. The remaining girls are looking forward to return this summer for another exciting year of Schwaben soccer with coach JP Tokoto.



FROM THE LADIES TEAM

The Schwaben Women have two teams that will play in the IWSL (Illinois Women’s Soccer League), one in the Major Division and one in the 1st Division during the summer months of June through August.

We are looking for qualified, competitive and experienced players to participate on either of the teams.

The Major Division is a highly-competitive, younger division (age 18-30) that will compete against primarily college level players.

The 1st Division, though still competitive is comprised of older (age 30-50) former college players that will compete against similarly experienced teams as well as younger teams new to the league.

Practices for both teams (not mandatory for the 1st division) will be Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30pm at the Schwaben Athletic Center in Buffalo Grove.

Games will be on Sunday mornings beginning the 1st weekend in June. Home games are played at Schwaben at either 9:00 or 10:00am. Away games are to be determined.

If you are interested in playing on the 1st division women’s team please contact Laure Kosey at lkosey@riverside.il.us.

If you are interested in playing on the Major division women’s team please contact Meredith Vail at meredithv@sportsmadepersonal.com

Thank you.

MEMBER NEWS

FROM THE CARETAKER.....John Bart

Patricia Weiler, wife of Gary, mother of Lisa (Ron) Hoffman, Lori (Larry) Kerulis and Amy Weiler; passed away on January 1, 2008 at the age of 71 years. A memorial service was held on January 5, 2008. Pat also leaves four grandchildren: Kelly and Paul Kerulis and Garrett and Patrick Weiler. Memorials in her honor may be made to Adult & Child Rehab Center for McHenry County, 708 Washington St., Woodstock, IL 60098 or to Main Stay Therapeutic Riding Program, 6919 Keystone Road, Richmond, IL 60071. All her friends at Schwaben will sorely miss Pat's friendly face and genuine laughter.

William (Bill) Siegel, husband of Sandra and father of Janet (David) Hoekstra and Phyllis (the late Michael) Fay passed away on March 4, 2008 at the age of 72. He was the proud grandfather of Amy (Jason) Flores, David, Jodi (Keith) Lee and Rebecca Hoekstra and great grandfather to Connor and Carter Flores. He was laid to rest on March 8, 2008 from Immanuel Lutheran Church and interment was in the Immanuel Lutheran Church Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1850 Chestnut, Glenview, IL 60025 or to St. John's Lutheran Church, 6821 N. Main Street, Union, IL 60180. Bill's happy and enthusiastic help will be missed by all of us.

We wish to congratulate **Monica and Armin Matheis** on the birth of their new son on January 31, 2008. Little Adrian Thomas was a not so little 9 pounds and 1 ounce and has the proud grandparents of **Liz and Leo Defort**.

We are very happy to see that member, **Norm Rockel**, is out and about and recuperating from his by pass surgery. Keep up the recovery!

We offer our condolences to **Stefan Kowatsch and to Christa and Joe Gehard** on the death of Christa's mom, Elizabeth. Our sympathies to you and your children, Linda and Steve.

It will not be long before we are back playing soccer at the Schwaben Center. The actual date cannot be determined at this time, as we have to wait and see what the weather does.

While some facilities may open early we do not want to jeopardize our fields. We have incurred considerable expense in seed and fertilizer. The practice and game fields need time to recover from both last year and a harsh winter.

The cooperation of the managers, coaches and trainers last season was very much appreciated, however, there remains room for improvement. Specifically, please make sure the players use the trash containers provided. Also, on the practice fields, keep moving around—do not stay in the same area. For warm-ups, go to a side or corner, not in the middle. While this does not make a big difference in field maintenance, it does make a huge difference in the quality of the practice fields. Also, move the goals even during the course of a training session.

Schwaben takes great pride in the facilities provided for its members. To maintain them at the level we desire; it takes not only considerable expense and labor, but also the vigilance of managers and trainers, cooperation of players and parents and respect for the facility by all who use it.

WORK DAY

There are several things that need to be done around the property in preparation for the Spring Season, i.e.: ball catches nets and general clean up, which requires more than one person. Therefore, a "Work Day" has been scheduled for Saturday, April 19th at 10:00 A.M. weather permitting. The more people that come out, the less time it will take. It will require about 4 hours of your time. Come out and help and socialize with the rest of the guys!

FIRST CLASS MAIL

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