

Good evening, everyone.

We know most of you still have your brain set on winter sports, but we wanted to get an e-mail out with some information on the upcoming youth soccer season.

In the coming weeks you'll notice a few teams starting up with assessments/tryouts. These are just some of our age groups that need to do this as they are creating tier 1 or 2 teams. These will primarily run in the weeks from April 5th to 20th weather and coaches availability permitting. Coaches will be reaching out via e-mail if this applies to your child. please always check your junk mail inboxes as coaches private e-mail address may end up there. The above regarding tryouts only applies to the following ages: U10, U11, U12, U15 and u13 Boys

once tryouts have been completed then we can move toward organizing the tier 3 teams. So if you are outside of the above listed ages, you will likely not hear much until the end of April into early May.

Schedules

We expect the schedules for u10 to u16 to come out and be posted on www.emdsl.ca around the **first/second week of May**. we highly recommend using the **E2E App to view your EMDSL schedules**. we are in the EMSA district which is something you'll need to know to find your team. (there will be an e-mail later when the time comes) Tier 1 & 2 EMDSL games will start the 3rd week of May. Tier 3 will start the week of May 24

You can find Game nights for our home games as well as the teams we have at the below link, away games are scheduled by the opponent and dependent on their field availability. Practice nights are set by the coaches based on their and field availability.

<https://www.taxandriasoccer.on.ca/page/show/7002504-game-nights>

The Youth festivals in St Thomas this year are:

U10/11 & U13: July 18th and 19th

U12: July 4th and 5th

U12 and U13 are full tournament from now on with scores and standings.

U8

As in previous years our U8 is a in-house league together with Grand Bend Soccer Club. with games at both centers. They will start getting together the first or second week of May to divide into 5 Boys teams and 5 Girls teams. The game schedule will begin after the May 24 long weekend and once created can be found on our website under the INFO tab. If you have any questions regarding U8 you can reach out to our U8 Convener Angie at: angie.vandervloet@gmail.com

If you have children in any of these age groups and would like to coach, assistant coach, or manager. Please reach out to our coaches coordinator Tanner at: tannergetty@gmail.com

Remember these positions get you your volunteer hours needed!

If you have other questions, please feel free to reach out. We will ask for your patience during start up as we have over 40 teams this year to get up and running and another 250 kids in Timbits soccer. Great numbers, but it puts increasing pressure on our good volunteers.