# Athletic Association of the Black Forest - AABF



# Recreational Soccer -2016

## Why Black Forest Soccer??

• All games at Black Forest Regional Park

• Family members play same evening MOST nights

• Non-competitive, co-ed format

**Deadline: May 31, 2016** 

Late Fee: \$10/child subject to availability

Weeknight games keep weekends free!

### Who Can Play

AABF offers recreational soccer for boys and girls who were born between **8/1/2000** and **7/31/2010** (ages 6-15). All who sign up will get to play at least half of every game, regardless of skill level. **Team size will be limited accordingly**. Divisions and numbers below are planned but are subject to change based on response in order to obtain balanced teams and fun for all.

| Division A | 8/1/08 - 7/31/10 | #3 ball | (8 v 8 including a goalkeeper)  |
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| Division B | 8/1/06 - 7/31/08 | #4 ball | (8 v 8 including a goalkeeper)  |
| Division C | 8/1/03 - 7/31/06 | #5 ball | (8 v 8 including a goalkeeper)  |
| Division D | 8/1/00 - 7/31/03 | #5 ball | (6 v 6, including a goalkeeper) |

#### When and Where

Free Soccer Skills Clinic Saturday June 11<sup>th</sup> from 10am to noon. Practices begin June 13<sup>th</sup>. All games will be played weekday evenings between June 27 and July 28 at the Black Forest Regional Park. Generally, your child will play 2 games per week.

### **Equipment**

All participants must wear socks, shin guards, shorts, etc. and good athletic shoes or plastic cleats (no metal or toe cleats). What's Provided

AABF will provide each participant with a team shirt, and participation award. Head coaches are loaned soccer balls.

## Registration

Registration should be mailed to AABF, P.O. Box 88074, Colorado Springs, CO 80908, postmarked by May 31, 2016.

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| Player Information                     | 201                   | 2016 Registration Form            |  | For Club use only: Division                                 |  |
| Last Name                              | First Name (Nickname) | School/Grade Completed 2016       | Boy/<br>Girl   | Birth Date  |  |
| Address City/Zip                       | Email Address         | Email Address                     |  | Please list best contact for you: Home Phone - Cell Phone - |  |
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Certification and Signature for (A) Permission to play and (B) Consent for Medical Treatment and (C) AABF Code of Conduct

- (A) I the Parent / Legal Guardian of the above named member ("Player"), a minor, agree that I and the Player will abide by the rules of the AABFI attest that the Player, a minor, identified in this application has no medical restrictions with regard to physical activity to include playing recreational soccer. Recognizing the possibility of physical injury associated with soccer and in consideration for AABF accepting the Player for its soccer programs and activities ("the Program"), I hereby release discharge and/or otherwise indemnify the AABF, its affiliated organizers and sponsors, their employees, volunteers and associated personnel, including the owners of the fields and facilities utilized for the Program, against any claim by or on behalf of the Player's participation in the Program.
- (B) As the Parent / Legal Guardian of the above named Player, a minor, I hereby give consent for emergency medical care by a duly licensed medical professional. Care may be given under whatever conditions are necessary to preserve the life, limb, and well-being of the Player.
- (C) I have read the AABF Code of Conduct and will comply with the Player's and Parents' Code of Ethics (available at AABF website).

| Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian | Date |  |
|---------------------------------------|------|--|

### Cost

The fee is \$55 for one child, \$105 dollars for two children, \$150 for three children, \$40 for each additional child, and checks should be payable to AABF. Each Division A player will have an additional \$5 discount.

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#### **Volunteers**

This program can only be successful through the efforts of volunteers, including AABF **Board Members**, coaches, assistant coaches, team managers, and people to stripe the fields and setup for games. **AABF Members** use their skills to help organize and run youth soccer programs in the Black Forest. **Coaches** notify team members and manage practices and games. **Assistant Coaches** help the head coaches. **Team managers** arrange for refreshments for team members at games and use a calling tree to notify team members if games are rescheduled. **Linespersons** make out-of-bounds and end-line calls and determines off-sides in the event of referee absences. **Field managers** set up and take down goals and nets before and after each day's games. The fields are striped with paint before the season and as needed during the season. Parents who take on these tasks will gain a greater understanding of the game and a better appreciation of the challenges faced by the game officials. The more directly involved parents are the more positive your child's experience will be.

**HEAD COACHES and Active Board Members** pay the full fee initially but will receive a refund during the season to reflect the reduced fee of \$35 per child.

### **Parent Reminder**

AABF volunteers provide supervision only during scheduled events. Participants not picked up promptly from practices and games or misbehaving will not be allowed to participate in AABF activities.

## Notification

Your coach will call you with practice and game schedules. If you have not heard from your coach by Sunday June 12<sup>th</sup>, please email <u>aabf@blackforest-co.com</u>. Decisions to cancel due to field conditions or inclement weather will be made on the field at game time. It's always best to go to the field if weather cancelation is a question as conditions at the field can change.

## **Coach and Player Skills Clinics**

On Friday, June 10th there will be a coaching clinic at Black Forest Regional Park, starting at 6:00pm, which will cover the AABF soccer program. This clinic should be useful for coaches of all skill levels. It will include a review of game rules and other AABF specific information. We will also ask the coaches to participate in the player skills clinic on the following Saturday June 11th from 10:00am to noon. This clinic is designed to kick off the season for all the players with a fun intro to (or for experienced players, a review of) important soccer skills.

## **Referee Opportunity**

Our graduating players often come back as paid refs for the league. See the website for the referee application. On Saturday, June 11th there will be a mandatory ref meeting at Black Forest Regional Park, starting at 9:30am.

#### Website

Visit our website at <a href="http://aabf.blackforest-co.com/">http://aabf.blackforest-co.com/</a>

### AABF Board - We need volunteers for the board.

Please let us know if you would like to help shape the future of our league and fill a role on the AABF Board.

#### Cleat Swap

Bring your old soccer cleats and other used soccer equipment to the Players Skills Clinic on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> to trade with others!

AABF provides an opportunity to participate in soccer regardless of skill level.

A child can play simply for fun, or to serve as a trial run and springboard for more competitive and serious levels of play.

Let area businesses and organizations know that we accept sponsorships!