

The Grand Junction Soccer Club



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OFF THE PITCH.... INTO THE FIRE

GRAND JUNCTION SOCCER CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

THE GRAND JUNCTION SOCCER CLUB IS DEDICATED IN PROVIDING YEAR-ROUND SOCCER OPPORTUNITIES THAT ARE FUN, POSITIVE, AND CHALLENGING FOR INDIVIDUALS OF ALL AGES, ABILITIES, AND FINANCIAL MEANS.

www.gjsoccer.org

IMPORTANT DATES

Winter Office Hours
Tuesday— Friday 9:00am- 5:00pm
Closed SATURDAY, SUNDAY AND MONDAY

February 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Recreational Soccer registration- late fee 5.00 .	8	9 Board Meeting 7:00pm at GJSC	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	Final Deadline for Recreational Soccer registration- Additional 15.00 and no guarantee to be placed on a team.	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	1 Spring 2011 Coaching fees to be paid in full.	2 Recreational Coaches meeting NEW coach's 6-6:45pm U4-u7 7-7:45pm u8-10 GJSC	3 Recreational Coaches Meeting Returning Coach's 6-7pm-GJSC	4	Recreational Coaching Seminar at Canyon View U4-U7 9:30-10:30am U8-U12 10:45-12pm At main pavilion

Recreational Spring Soccer- On- Line registration began October 18, 2010

- January 28, 2011– first day for late registration fee of \$5.00
- February 11, 2011- \$15.00 late fee starts. Placement is not guaranteed- Wait Lists will be formed at this time.
- Season Begins March 19, 2011
- Season Ends May 7, 2011

WSSL- On-Line Registration for Spring 2011 begins November 15, 2010– Register NOW if you haven't already

- Games begin April 2, 2011
- Games to be completed by May 21, 2011
- Coaching fee \$ 1500.00 Per team per season. Player portion due by March 1, 2010. Please pay directly to team manager. Team manager will then give GJSC one check for total amount
- Cost \$210.00 per season– High School Boys
- Those who played Fall 2010 \$185.00 (Cost will go up fall 2011)

CYS- On- Line Registration for Spring 2011 Begins November 15, 2010– Register NOW if you haven't already.

- Games begin March 12, 2011
- Games to be completed June 1, 2011
- Coaching fee \$3000.00 Per team per season– Player portion due by March 1, 2011. Please pay directly to team manager. Team manager will then give GJSC one check for total amount.
- Cost \$ 240.00 per season- High School Boys
- Those who played Fall 2010 \$215.00 (cost will go up Fall 2011)

GMIT Boarder Battle- In person Registration OPEN NOW.

- May 21st and 22nd, 2011
- Registration form can be found on-line under the Tournament tab
- Rules, Guest Player form, host application and housing form can also be found on-line under the Tournament tab
- Cost:
 - U8 \$400.00 per team
 - U9-U10 \$450.00 per team
 - U11-U18 \$500.00 per team

E License Coaching Course

The Grand Junction Soccer Club is proud to host an "E" License Coaching Course in Grand Junction.

-This course is scheduled for Friday, February 25 through Sunday, February 27th.

- Friday, February 25th 6:00 PM-9:00 PM
- Saturday, February 26th 9:00 AM-5:00 PM
- Sunday, February 27th 10:00 AM-4:00 PM

-This course will be held at Mesa State College, Old Saunders Field House, Room 155.

-We are happy to have State Coach's along with our Clubs, Shaun Howe teaching this course.

-To register to attend this course, you can go online at www.coyouthsoccer.org, Programs, Referee's. If this course is not listed, please contact Nate Shotts at 303-346-2777, nshotts@coyouthsoccer.org.

-The cost to register is \$95.00 and you will make the payment directly to CYS.

-Grand Junction is also working with the State to bring the "D" License course to the Western Slope in the summer of 2011. We will send out more information as we receive it.

If you have any questions, please call us at 970-242-4550 Ext 2



GJSC Summer 2011 Soccer Camp Information

Beginning in the summer of 2011, the Grand Junction Soccer Club will now partner with Challenger Sports to bring our membership a very unique soccer camp experience. This is a very exciting opportunity for us. Challenger Sports is the leading provider of summer camps in the United States (you may know them better for the British Soccer Camps.) If you'd like to know more about our new camp partners, visit www.challengersports.com

Free Items if registered by April 29th, 2011

PROGRAMS:

The British Soccer Camp is the most popular camp in the country. Aimed at just about any player, any age, and any capability, British Soccer Camps provide young players with the rare opportunity to receive high-level soccer coaching from a team of international expert's right in the heart of Grand Junction. Each British Soccer Camp provides players of all ages and abilities the appropriate program and level of curriculum and a wonderful cultural and educational camp experience.

Dates/Time

6/13 - 6/17

<u>Session</u>	<u>Time</u>		<u>Price</u>
Team Camp	5:30-8:30 PM	U11-U14	\$1575.00
First Kicks	11:00- 12:00 PM	Ages 3	\$74.00
Mini Soccer	9:00-10:30 AM	Ages 4-5	\$97.00
Mini Soccer	5:30-8:30 PM	Ages 4-5	\$97.00
Half Day	9:00-12:00 PM	Ages 6-12	\$142.00
Half Day	5:30-8:30 PM	Ages 6-12	\$142.00

HOST A COACH

Summer camp coaches will stay with local families in our community for the duration of the camp week. This has become one of the most popular elements of Challenger's British Soccer Camp program. Each year Challenger receives hundreds of emails from families telling us what an incredible time they had hosting one of their coaches. In return, not only will you receive a rebate of up to \$80 towards the cost of your summer soccer camp fees, but more importantly you will enjoy a unique week learning about the UK, learning about soccer and building lasting friendships.

To see more information on prices, age appropriate camp sessions and hosting a coach for this exciting New Soccer Summer camp, please log onto our website at www.grandjunctionsoccer.org and click onto the Training/Camps tab.

For more information call: Larry Johnson, 970-242-4550, larry@gjsoccer.org



Ice Breakers Indoor Soccer Tournament

Grand Junction Soccer Club and Skyline Sports are proud to announce Grand Junction's first official indoor soccer tournament (with walls and turf). Skyline has recently completed a beautiful turf field with walls surrounding the field. This is your chance to be among the first to play this high paced, dynamic game. GJSC is proud to be involved with Skyline Sports and look forward to introducing our members to the facility and game in a tournament format. Due to a limited number of time slots per day, we will offer two weekends of tournament play, with 4 teams per age/gender group. If you would like your team to play, you should act fast as this tournament will fill up quickly.

How to register: Registration forms and directions will be online at www.gjsoccer.org

Deadline: To insure your team will get a spot in the event, fill out forms as quickly as possible and get to the soccer office. The last date to register for the boys will be January 14 and the girls last date to register will be January 21.

Tournament Format: Each team will get a minimum of 3 games and most likely, we will have 4 teams per division and play a round robin format. There will be a champion for each age group, but we will not be awarding medals or trophies.

Games will be 40 minutes long with a running clock and no halftime.

All teams will play 6v6 (this includes a goal keeper)

Ages and Brackets: U9 and u10, u11 and u12, u13 and u14, high school (u15 –u18)

Boys – January 21(Friday after 5pm), January 22, and January 23. Keep in mind games may start as early as 7am and end as late as midnight. The ages of the children participating will be taking into consideration when scheduling teams.

Girls – January 28 (Friday after 5pm), January 29, and January 30. Keep in mind games may start as early as 7am and end as late as midnight. The ages of the children participating will be taking into consideration when scheduling teams.

Cost: \$425 per team – you can have a minimum of 8 players per team and a maximum of 14 per team. We recommend 11 per team so you have two shifts. Indoor soccer is extremely dynamic and very demanding physically. Teams typically change as units every 5 minutes or so. This amounts to about \$38 per player with 11 per team.

**Skyline will be forming leagues after this event. You can contact them at www.skylinefield.com

CONGRATULATIONS!!

U11 Boys United

The Grand Junction Soccer Club's U11 Boys United Team took first place in Fall CYSA league play with a record of 7 wins and 2 loses.

The team bounced back from a season opening loss to go on and score 25 goals with only 8 against! The boys will go down in history as the club's first United team to win a state league title! The 1st place finish will have the team competing in the Classic Division in the Fall. Congratulations boys! U11 Boys United

Team:

Jose Avila, Guillermo (Memo) Borbosa, Kyler Bradshaw, Riley Dark, Austin Dowd, Marc Halberg, Dawson Hallett, Cole Haupt, Oscar Juarez, Weston King, Tommy Mahre, Jose Ortega, Eric Payan, Kyle Przystup, Abram Sanchez, Ben Spomer, Assistant Coach - Tony Bradshaw, Coach - Dan Hallett

U14 Girls Premier

Fire FC '97 Girls Reach Semifinals

The Fire FC '97 Girls traveled to California to play in the Adidas Orange County Tournament of Champions soccer tournament in mid-December. After a day at the beach the girls played Laguna Niguel to a 0-0 tie and then beat SoCal Blues 1-0 on a goal by Sarah Benton to win their bracket in the 12-team tournament. In the semi-finals Fire FC met West Coast FC, the #1-ranked team in Southern California. Fire FC played a strong match but lost the game 1-0. It was a fun trip for all the players and they represented Grand Junction well against some of the top clubs in the country.

FIRE FC Players Achieve ODP Success

The Colorado Olympic Development Program (ODP) announced final state rosters for their winter traveling teams. Jordan Padgett will travel to California for a tournament for the youngest ODP players (1998 birth year). Marques Combs was selected for the '96 Colorado Boys team and Leah Swander, Baseley McClaskey and Taylor Chaffetz made the '97 ODP Girls team. Marques Combs and the '97 Girls will travel to Phoenix in January to the ODP Regional Championships where they will compete against 13 other regional teams for the right to play in the ODP National Championships. Congratulations to all of the players on this significant accomplishment. Only 16 players were selected for each team following statewide tryouts. They will now have an opportunity to showcase their talents with and against the best players in the country and be coached by both regional and national coaches. The ODP program is designed to identify, train and select players for national and Olympic teams.

**Parents and players, the club is always wanting to recognize players and team accomplishments. Please send an email to Shaun@gjsoccer.org or Larry@gjsoccer.org if you would like to share with the club in the monthly newsletter. Pictures are also welcome and will be considered for our picture of the month award (free club training shirt).

**Grand Junction Soccer Club
After School Soccer Program**
www.grandjunctionsoccer.com



Grand Junction Soccer Club is proud to announce our After School Soccer Program. We are working in conjunction with District 51 (they provide the gym space) to offer this FREE program at two district elementary schools this winter. We are currently at Wingate Elementary for the month of January, where we work with Kidnergarten-2nd grade students on Tuesday's and 3rd-5th grade students on Thursday's. This program was capped at 25 students per group and filled up in one day. The intent of the program is to provide kids of all ages and ability a chance to enjoy the game of soccer while teaching soccer skills, developing agility, coordination, and overall endurance. This program is a great chance for kids to have fun with friends and get some exercise over the winter months. It is also a very good way to expose kids to the game, our coaches and our programs. Hopefully, the kids will leave the program with an interest to continue at the club level; which will help to grow our club and the game in our community.

We will be at Nisley Elementary School in February and will follow the same set up, having K-2nd on Tuesday and 3rd-5th on Thursday. The program will take place 4-4:45 for the younger kids and 4-5pm for the older kids. If there are any coaches in the club who would like to volunteer their time and help me run the program at Nisley or Wingate (still two weeks left) Please contact me by email or phone.

If there are any players who would like to volunteer their time and share their love of the game with younger kids, please contact me at shaun@qjsoccer.org I would welcome your help and this is a great way for you to give back to the game and your community. For high school kids, this is a great way to fulfill your community service hours.

In 2011-12 we will look to expand this program to 4-6 elementary schools. If you know of a school that would like to be included, please let me and know, and we can plan on attending that school in the future (by email or phone).

Thanks,
Shaun Howe
Executive Director Grand Junction Soccer Club
242-4550

p.s. Thank you to Steven Hatch and Tyler Speer, who have been volunteering their time on Thursdays at Wingate. The kids love having them there and my hope is Tyler and Steven are getting as much out of it as the participants.

~ Player Pictures ~
**Picture of the month is awarded to Jessica Jolley
 (U-12 Girls Premier)- Congratulations!**



Jessica Jolley making a great save for the U-12 Girls Premier
 Team
Picture of the Month WINNER

**Picture of the Month
 Contest**

PARENTS/COACHES we are running out of pictures! Please send in your favorite pictures every month to

Leyraee@gjsoccer.org and watch to see if your picture is chosen!

If your picture is chosen, you will win a free grey Fire FC T-shirt. This is going to be a fun and exciting page for our players! Start taking pictures.



Pictures sent to GJSC will become the property of GJSC. Pictures will not be returned and can be used for potential materials. Winner of the "Picture Of The Month" contest has 30 days from posting to pick up their t-shirt.

GJSC Memorial Scholarship Fund

Tax Write Off Opportunity

In Honor of the following members--
John Siddeek, Wes Bretey, Gary Erikson

The GJSC Memorial Scholarship Fund is being created in honor of past members who have been instrumental in the success of the club and the growth of soccer in our community. The intent of this scholarship is two-fold, to pay tribute past members who have contributed as volunteers, coaches, and players; as well as providing opportunity for present and future members who will also go on to do great things in soccer and our community. Currently, GJSC budgets approximately \$5,000 a year to scholarship players/families in need of some financial help. The policy at GJSC is to cover half the registration costs of members who qualify. Families must apply for financial aid and awards are given based on availability and need. Ideally, this line item will be taken out of the budget and this fund will be able to support the scholarship requests of our members in need. The fund will be set up so that no more than half the total amount can be taken over the course of the fiscal year. The hope is that this fund will grow with yearly individual and corporate contributions in addition to interest and each year we will be able to give more opportunity for kids to play soccer with GJSC.

It is important to understand this fund is being started with money contributed by family and friends in honor of past members like John Siddeek, Wes Bretey and Gary Erikson. These members had such a positive experience playing, coaching or volunteering with the club that before their passing asked that memorial considerations be sent to Grand Junction Soccer Club to support our mission. This is a tremendous honor and keeps us mindful of the profound impact our club can have in the lives of our members. It is with this in mind that we feel this memorial fund is the best way to honor our past members and give back to present and future members who will hopefully benefit just as significantly from their involvement with GJSC.

If your family or corporation would like to contribute to this fund we would greatly welcome your support. This is a great way to directly impact our community and give others the opportunity to play the game of soccer. In addition to making a positive and considerate difference in the lives of young people, your contribution to our non-profit organization would be a tax write off (Remember, December 31 will be the last day for 2010 tax write offs). Below, I have also included some of the corporate benefits based on your contribution. Please give a call to the office if you would like to consider contributing at the corporate level. If you would like to make a private donation, you can send a check to the club or make a contribution by going to www.gjsoccer.com

Sincerely,
Shaun Howe

The impact you can make with a contribution to the scholarship fund.

\$50 – 1 scholarship for a recreation player (u9-10)

\$100 – 2 Scholarships for recreation players or 1 scholarship competitive player.

\$150 – 3 scholarships for recreation players.

\$200 – 4 scholarships for recreation players or 2 for competitive players.

\$500 – 10 scholarships for recreation players or 5 scholarships for competitive players.

\$1000 – 20 scholarships for recreation players or 10 scholarships for competitive players.

Corporate Levels of donation to the GJSC Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Platinum Level –\$5,000

Link on website

Logo on our club advertising banner

In our tournament brochure (full page advertisement)

In our monthly club newsletter

Logo on the back of club training shirt

Gold Level - \$2,500

Link on website

In our tournament brochure (1/2 page advertisement)

Logo on our banner

In our monthly club newsletter

Silver Level - \$1,500

Link on our website

Logo on our banner

In monthly newsletter

Bronze Level - \$500

Logo on our banner

The first step in acquisition of wisdom is SILENCE, the second, LISTENING, the third MEMORY, the fourth PRACTICE and the fifth TEACHING OTHERS.

Solomon Ibn Gabriol



Western Orthopedics & Sports Medicine, P.C.

Grand Junction Soccer Club is Proud to announce our partnership with Western Orthopedics and Sports Medicine. Western Orthopedics will be offering many exciting services to our players. To summarize, they will send an athletic trainer to our fields one time per week in the spring season. This will be a free opportunity for injured players to have their problem evaluated by a medical professional. Western Orthopedic will also work with our coaching staff to help develop a club wide injury prevention warm up, cool down suggestions, and be a resource if we have any questions concerning the health and well fare of our players. They will also be involved with our tournament, the GMIT, by offering injury evaluations and support for players in need of medical assistance. Anyway, they will be making lots of positive contributions to the club and we look forward to their involvement. Look for more details in the coming months.

THANK YOU TO OUR NEW CORPORATE SPONSERS

