



LOWER MERION SOCCER CLUB

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SPRING INTRAMURAL PROGRAM REGISTRATION

LMSC will run their Spring Intramural Program for boys and girls **born between 1989 and 1994**. The program will **start on April 18th** and run every **Sunday** through June 20th, except for Memorial Day Weekend.

Players do NOT need to have prior soccer experience to play in the Spring Intramural Program. Players do NOT have to live in Lower Merion Township to participate.

Players currently playing in a travel team program will not be eligible to register in the intramural program.

Due to our limited field access, we will be placing a cap on the number of players that are accepted into the program. Once a division is filled, we will not be able to accept any more registrations.

Registration material can be found on page four of our Spring Newsletter.

TRAVEL TEAM TRYOUTS

Page two of this newsletter lists the dates, times and field locations for our Travel Team tryouts, including names of people to contact if you require additional information. Tryouts are for the 1999 / 2000 season which will start in late August.

We plan to field boys teams and girls teams in each age group from Under 9 through Under 15. The exact number of teams in each age group will be dependent on the number of players trying out as well as the number of qualified coaches we are able to identify for each age group.

Anyone born in 1986 or later who does not make a travel team will be eligible to play in the Fall Intramural Program. Registration material for the Fall Intramural Program will be sent out in late June in our Summer Newsletter.

LASERS & DELINQUENTS PLACE IN INDOOR STATE CUPS

We are pleased to announce that two of our Boys Travel Teams placed in Indoor State Cups this winter. Indoor State Cups are indoor soccer tournaments held by our State Association that lead to the crowning of a State Champion in each age group. In the spring, the Outdoor State Cups are held. State Cups are for age groups from Under 11 up through Under 19.

Our Under 12 'A' boys team, the LMSC Delinquents, took 2nd place in their age group while our Under 11 'A' boys team, the Lasers reached the semifinal round of their age group.

Congratulations to both teams on their excellent play in the Indoor State Cups. Articles on both teams can be found on page 3 of this Newsletter.

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LMSC 1999 / 2000 TRAVEL TEAM TRYOUT INFORMATION

Each year, LMSC holds tryouts in the spring for their fall season travel teams. The 1999 fall team lineup will include boys teams and girls teams in age groups from Under 9 up through Under 15.

The number of teams formed in each age group will be dependent on the number of players trying out as well as the number of qualified coaches that we can identify for that particular age group. There will be as many as five teams in boys age groups and as many as three teams in girls age groups.

To be considered for the Travel Team Program, players will be expected to be at all tryout dates listed below for their age group. Some age groups will have additional tryout dates which will be announced at the first tryout.

Players **MUST** tryout for the age group corresponding to their birthdate, as listed in the tryout schedule below. Players may **NOT** play "UP" in an older age group.

All players will be expected to bring both a white shirt and a dark shirt to all tryouts. Shin guards, soccer shoes and an appropriate sized soccer ball are also required. Under 9 through Under 12 players will need a size 4 ball, U-13 and older will need a size 5 ball.

Players do **NOT** need to live in Lower Merion Township to be considered for a travel team, nor do they need to have played in LMSC before. All youngsters of the proper age are welcome to tryout.

All players making one of the LMSC Travel Teams will be expected to attend **Travel Team Registration Night** which will be held on **Wednesday, June 2nd** from 6:30 - 8:30 PM at the Lower Merion High School cafeteria.

AGE GROUP	ELIGIBLE BIRTHDATES	AGE GROUP CONTACT	TRYOUT DATES AND FIELDS
Boys Under 9	Aug. 1, 1990 - July 31, 1991	Biff Sturla 610-649-5745	April 16, 23, 30 5:30 Welsh Valley
Boys Under 10	Aug. 1, 1989 - July 31, 1990	Rick Whelan 610-664-0927	May 5, 10 6:00 Welsh Valley
Boys Under 11	Aug. 1, 1988 - July 31, 1989	Allan Greaves 215-477-3099	May 12, 14 6:00 Welsh Valley May 16 3:30 Welsh Valley
Boys Under 12	Aug. 1, 1987 - July 31, 1988	Marty Rubenstein 610-664-6553	May 4, 7 6:00 Bryn Mawr Polo May 15 5:00 Bryn Mawr Polo
Boys Under 13	Aug. 1, 1986 - July 31, 1987	Dan Grauman 610-668-9904	May 14, 21 5:30 Bryn Mawr Polo
Boys Under 14	Aug. 1, 1985 - July 31, 1986	Ron Braverman 610-660-0517	May 3, 5 5:30 Bryn Mawr Polo
Boys Under 15	Aug. 1, 1984 - July 31, 1985	Jon Hillsberg 610-664-2310	April 29, May 6 5:00 Bryn Mawr Polo
Girls Under 9	Aug. 1, 1990 - July 31, 1991	Karin Sturla 610-896-9054	April 19, 26 5:30 Bryn Mawr Polo
Girls Under 10	Aug. 1, 1989 - July 31, 1990	Noah Gorson 610-668-2378	May 11, 18 6:00 Welsh Valley
Girls Under 11	Aug. 1, 1988 - July 31, 1989	Nancy Worby 610-668-0947	May 13, 20 6:00 Welsh Valley
Girls Under 12	Aug. 1, 1987 - July 31, 1988	Rich Schwab 610-667-1043	May 6 6:00 Welsh Valley May 16 5:00 Welsh Valley
Girls Under 13	Aug. 1, 1986 - July 31, 1987	Danielle Fagan 610-995-2622	May 12, 13 6:15 Bryn Mawr Polo
Girls Under 14	Aug. 1, 1985 - July 31, 1986	Rose Miller 610-722-5825	May 10, 11 6:15 Bryn Mawr Polo
Girls Under 15	Aug. 1, 1984 - July 31, 1985	Chris Campbell 610-664-0979	May 27 6:00 Bryn Mawr Polo

Welsh Valley Middle School: Hagy's Ford Road in Penn Valley, just off of Conshohocken State Road (Route 23).

Bryn Mawr Polo Field - Old Railroad Avenue and County Line Roads in Bryn Mawr, just south of Lancaster Avenue.

INDOOR STATE CUP RESULTS

The LMSC Boys U-12 Delinquents reached the championship game of the Indoor Pennsylvania State Cups.

This is the eleventh consecutive season that at least one LMSC team has reached the semifinals of a State Cup competition.

The Delinquents opened up with a 3-1 win over the Ukrainian Kickers. Danny Weiss had two goals, Max Westman had the other. In the team's second game, they beat the Montgomery Mustangs 4-0. Tyler Switkay scored two goals while Dan Shuptar and Stefano Calvello each had one goal.

In their third game, the team dropped a tough 1-0 decision to Council Rock, but the Delinquents still qualified for the quarterfinals.

The team beat Deep Run 1-0 in the quarterfinals. Calvello netted the only goal of the game. This put them into the semifinals against Souderton. Switkay and Tunji Munabi each scored for Lower Merion but Souderton matched the goals and regulation ended with the teams tied at 2-2. Danny Weiss scored with only 30 seconds left in overtime to give Lower Merion the 3-2 win and put them into the State Championship game.

Despite a great effort, the exhausted Delinquents went down 3-0 in the championship game. The team never stopped working however and put up a great fight throughout the championship game.

Coaches Dan Grauman and Allan Greaves gave the MVP Award for the Delinquents to Alex Kahn who played outstanding defense throughout the tournament. In addition to playing almost every minute of every game, Kahn had two spectacular assists on key goals. Also playing outstanding ball during the tournament was Morgan Frank.

The goaltending job was well handled by Tim Shank and Federico Sersale. During the tournament, the team's goals against average was just over one goal a game.

The LMSC Boys U-11 Lasers reached the semi-finals of the Indoor Pennsylvania State Cups at the Lancaster Red Rose Arena Saturday, January 16th.

The Lasers swept through divisional opponents Ephrata, West Chester and Yardley-Morrisville with shutout victories. The victory over Ephrata came with thirteen seconds remaining in the match.

In the quarterfinal match against strong Delco rival Philly Soccer, the Lasers came away with another shutout victory, 2-0. Finally, in the semifinal match against a very worthy opponent from Council Rock, the Lasers were defeated, 2-0.

The Lasers were the only team from southeastern Pennsylvania to make the semifinal round other than Council Rock. The other semifinalists were from the Harrisburg area.

The Lasers received flawless goalkeeping from Alex Stitt, coupled with solid defensive efforts from Tim Ivory, Drew Erickson, Chris DiLullo, and Kevin Healy.

Jon Glass, Lee Rubenstein, Rob Goldwein and Scott Lavoritano were a controlling presence from midfield. The aggressive attack led by Mark Leven, Ben Smolen, Harrison Avart and Dave Bershad provided the Lasers' goal scoring.

Congratulations to the Lasers and coaches Marty Rubenstein and Gary Smolen on an excellent showing.

YOUTH COACHING COURSE

This spring, LMSC will once again be sponsoring an Eastern Pennsylvania Youth Soccer Association 'E' level coaching course. The eighteen hour course will be geared towards adults who will be coaching a team of players in the age range of 8-12 years of age.

No prior playing or coaching experience is necessary to attend the course. The course is also geared for people with prior soccer playing experience, but little or no coaching experience. This course will be instructed by one or more members of our State Coaching Staff.

The six night course will be held in May. The exact dates for the course, as well as the location, have not been finalized.

The course will cover the following topics: Technique, Tactics, Coaching Methodology, Care and Prevention of Injuries, Team Management and Laws of the Game.

The cost for the course is \$50, payable to Lower Merion Soccer Club. Those people taking the course who coach within LMSC will be reimbursed the full amount by LMSC upon successful completion of the course.

Each session of the course is divided into two parts; half theory (coaches will be expected to take notes) and half practical, where coaches will be expected to actively participate in "on the field" activities.

Information on this course will be sent to everyone who coached in LMSC in 1998. Anyone else interested in attending the course may call the LMSC Hotline (215-953-8060) to request registration material for the course when it becomes available.

1999 LMSC SPRING INTRAMURAL PROGRAM

The Lower Merion Soccer Club is now accepting registrations for their Spring Intramural Program. Thanks to the efforts of Lower Merion Township Commissioners Brian Rosenthal and Alan Kessler, more fields have been made available for us. As a result, we were able to offer spring soccer to a wider range of age groups starting last spring.

The 1999 Spring Intramural Program will be open to boys and girls born between 1989 and 1994. Players already in the Travel Team Program and the Developmental Travel Team Program are NOT eligible to play in the Spring Intramural Program. Players born before 1989 are also not eligible to play. Children do NOT have to live in Lower Merion Township to participate in the program.

The program will start on Sunday, April 18th and run every Sunday through June 20th (except Memorial Day Weekend).

The registration fee is \$75, payable to LMSC.

The different programs that will be offered this spring are listed below. Players are not required to follow the age division guidelines. Parents may select whichever program they feel their child is best suited for. Players may request to switch to a different division during the season if they feel they are in the wrong division. We will make every attempt to accommodate such requests, but cannot guarantee it. The LMSC Directors reserve the right to move a player to a different division if necessary.

Division	Gender	Birth Year	Ball Size	Times	Anticipated Field Location
Atoms	Boys	1994 births	3	12:45 - 2:00	Vernon Young Park, Ardmore
Bantams	Boys	1993 births	3	3:15 - 4:30	Vernon Young Park, Ardmore
Intermediates	Boys	1991 and 1992	4	Afternoon	Haverford College
Seniors	Boys	1989 and 1990	4	Afternoon	Merion Elementary School
Neutrons	Girls	1994 births	3	2:00 - 3:15	Vernon Young Park, Ardmore
Microns	Girls	1993 births	3	4:30 - 5:45	Vernon Young Park, Ardmore
Protons	Girls	1991 and 1992	4	Afternoon	Haverford College
Electrons	Girls	1989 and 1990	4	Afternoon	Merion Elementary School

Note: The Field Locations listed above are only TENTATIVE, except for Vernon Young Park. They are not final.

FORMATS OF THE DIFFERENT PROGRAMS

ATOMS, BANTAMS, NEUTRONS and MICRONS - Each week, players in these age groups will be led through a 20-30 minute skills clinic, led by a member of the LMSC coaching staff. During that time, each child will have his or her own size 3 soccer ball to work with. The primary emphasis of the skills clinic will be for the players to develop soccer skills, as well as develop their coordination and agility as related to the game of soccer.

After each skills clinic, the players will be divided into teams of 8-10 players. The teams will play a 30-40 minute game, playing five players against five. Players in these age groups will NOT be placed on set teams for the year. This is done so that players will be able to enjoy themselves in a non-pressure soccer environment and so that their parents will not have an incentive to worry about having a "winning season", "undefeated season", etc.

All players are strongly encouraged to bring a size 3 soccer ball, with their name clearly written on it in magic marker, to each session. All players will receive an LMSC game shirt at their first practice. As in previous spring seasons, these divisions will play at the Vernon Young Park, located on Greenfield Avenue in Ardmore (about 100 yards past the old Recreation Station). Greenfield Avenue intersects Lancaster Avenue right next to the Mapes Toy Store in Ardmore.

INTERMEDIATES, PROTONS, SENIORS and ELECTRONS - Each player in these divisions will be assigned to a team of 10-12 players for the season. Each team will have it's own coach. Each week, the players will meet for 90 minutes. The first 30 minutes will be devoted to working on soccer skills. Each player will be expected to bring a size 4 soccer ball each week. During this 30 minute period, the coach will lead his or her players through various soccer skills work.

This will be followed by a 50 minute soccer game where each team will play against one of the other teams in their division. Games will be 7 vs. 7, similar to the format used in the LMSC Fall Intramural Program.

Team records and standings will NOT be kept, there will be no championships and no all star games. The emphasis of the program will be on enjoying the game of soccer itself.

As a courtesy to teammates, coaches and the LMSC program, players in these divisions will need to make a **strong commitment** to being at almost every game during the season (there are no games over Memorial Day Weekend).

Field assignments for these divisions are not yet set. It is anticipated that the Intermediates and Protons Divisions will use Haverford College while the older Seniors and Electrons Divisions will use Merion Elementary School. This however has not been finalized and is subject to change.

Again, players in the Travel Team Program or the Developmental Travel Team Program are NOT eligible to participate in these programs.

OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT THE INTRAMURAL PROGRAM

EQUIPMENT - By rule of the United States Soccer Federation, ALL players MUST wear shin guards to both practices and games. For safety reasons, soccer shoes are strongly recommended instead of sneakers. Players should wear dark soccer shorts (navy or black) and white soccer socks. These items are available at most sporting goods stores including Sneaky Pete's Discount Sneakers in Ardmore which carries our full line of LMSC items.

FINANCIAL AID - Our club is not-for-profit. It's objective is to provide all soccer loving youngsters with a chance to play. Players who are in need of financial assistance in order to play should state this on their registration. One of the goals of LMSC is to not have any child be unable to play soccer due to financial reasons.

COACHING VOLUNTEERS - Our program is dependent on having parents of players volunteer as coaches. PLEASE give consideration to volunteering as a coach, (thank you.) We provide head coaches with ample coaching material (both written and video) in order to make the program a success. You do not need to have played the game, you only need to have an interest in working with a small group of children and an ability to stay one or two steps ahead of them in learning the game.

REFUND POLICY - Requests for refunds will only be honored up to the day before the start of the season. There will be a \$20 service charge for requests made before the start of the season. We will NOT issue refunds for any reason once the season has started.

HOW TO REGISTER FOR THE LMSC SPRING INTRAMURAL PROGRAM

The cost for all divisions in the Spring Intramural Program is \$75. To register, please fill out a Spring Intramural Registration Form and mail it, along with your check (payable to LMSC) to: LMSC, Box 469, Gladwyne, PA 19035.

Atoms, Neutrons, Bantams and Microns Divisions: Registrations should be received no later than April 10th. We will accept late registrations for these divisions. We will accept on-site registrations in divisions playing at Vernon Young Park **ONLY IF** there are still openings in the desired division.

Intermediates, Protons, Seniors and Electrons Divisions: Once a division is filled, we will NOT be able to accept additional registrants, no matter when the registration is received. Be sure to register early, before the division that you requested becomes filled. Our web page will be updated regularly to reflect which divisions still have openings.

Since the players in the older divisions will need to be assigned to teams, we will need to receive all registrations by April 5th. Players in these divisions may request to be on a team with a maximum of three friends playing in the same division. We will make every effort to honor these requests but we cannot guarantee honoring such requests. Since we make team assignments starting April 5th, we will not be able to honor any car pool / teammate requests for registrations received after that date even if there are still openings in the specified division.

Team assignments, field locations and game times for the older divisions will be posted on our LMSC Web Site as well as the outside window of Sneaky Pete's Discount Sneakers (5 West Lancaster Avenue in Ardmore) on April 12th. All players in the Intermediates, Protons, Seniors and Electrons Divisions will need to visit our Web Site or Sneaky Pete's on or after April 12th for this information. We will **NOT** give this information out over the phone or by e-mail. You will **NOT** receive a confirmation notice in the mail.

SPRING INTRAMURAL REFEREES AND FIELD CREW

Experienced soccer players ages 11 and up are invited to apply for positions in the Spring Intramural Program as referees and / or field crew workers. You do not need to have prior reffing experience. The program will run on Sunday afternoons starting on April 18th and continue every Sunday through June 20th except for Memorial Day weekend.

Junior Referees must be either 13 years of age OR be 11 years of age or older with at least two years of Travel Team playing experience.

We will need four Junior Referees at Vernon Young Park from 12:30 until 5:30. Referees at these fields will be paid \$10.00 per hour.

In addition to reffing games, Junior Referees will be expected to help coach the players and teach them the rules of the game as they go along. Referees will be expected to ACTIVELY participate in the 20 minute skills clinic at the beginning of each session. They will be expected to work with the program commissioners in teaching the players the fundamental skills of dribbling, passing, receiving, shooting, goalkeeping, etc.

Referees will also be expected to help with the field setup and helping to put equipment away at the end of the day.

Senior Referees will be responsible for officiating the 7-10 year old divisions. To qualify as a Senior Referee, you must be at least 13 years of age and have at least two years of reffing experience. Games will be played at Merion Elementary School and Haverford College.

We will need four Senior Referees each Sunday to each do three or four games each. They will be paid \$12 per game, each game lasting one hour.

Each Thursday, the LMSC Referee Assignor will call referees until enough referees have been identified to cover all games for the upcoming Sunday. If called, you will need to let the Referee / Field Crew Assignor know if you are available to work that weekend. There is no penalty for not being available to referee.

If you do commit to reffing and then fail to show up, you will be removed from the referee list for the remainder of the season and all of the 1999 Fall Intramural Season.

All referees will be expected to wear soccer attire including a soccer tee shirt, soccer flats and soccer shorts. Basketball sneakers, heavy metal tee shirts, etc. will not be tolerated. Referees will be expected to provide their own whistle each time that they referee.

Field Crew workers will be responsible for setting up the goals, taking down the goals, loading and unloading

equipment, etc. Field Crew workers must be at least 13 years of age. They will be expected to work in the morning at the Vernon Young Park, before the first group arrives, and work in the early evening, after the last group leaves. They will be paid \$12 per hour for their work. The LMSC Field Crew Coordinators will be in charge of calling people for field crew.

If you are interested in reffing or working on a field crew, fill out the enclosed application form and return to our Gladwyne address by April 10th. If you require additional information, please call the LMSC Hotline.

FORMER LMSC PLAYER MAKES SPANISH NATIONAL TEAM

How does an LMSC player get to play for the Spanish National Team? Luck? Dedication? Coaching? Natural ability? Ignoring disappointments? A combination of the above and, oh, yes, having dual nationality does help...

At barely 5 years old, Suzie Grech started playing soccer for the Lower Merion Soccer Club. She was following the steps of her older brother Daniel who also played for LMSC. At age 11 Suzie made the Olympic Development Program (ODP) run by Eastern Pennsylvania Youth Soccer Association (EPYSA), (known as "the State"). For the last six years she has worked very hard, resulting in her being picked every year. During all these years, Suzie has maintained very close ties with LMSC as a player, referee, field crew member and as referee assignor for the intramural program. During all this, she has learned how to juggle academics and varsity soccer, basketball and softball at The Shipley School, and an ever increasing and demanding schedule with a local premier soccer team.

Last November Suzie had a wonderful opportunity, as the Spanish National Team coach invited her to tryout for the Under 18 team, preparing to compete in the European Cup in Spain. Suzie traveled to Spain, spending two weeks of intensive training with the team and two other goalkeepers. Suzie was chosen as the starting goalkeeper and played every minute of every game. The opponents were the National Teams of Switzerland, Wales and France, and although the team did well (1 win and 2 ties) they did not advance to the final round to be held in May.

Back home, Suzie continues to train very hard as a goalkeeper, knowing that opportunities will continue to become available. Among her goals, other than doing well in school, is to play Division I soccer in college and to continue playing for the Spanish National Team. We at LMSC want to wish Suzie the best of luck and continued success with all her soccer.

FALL INTRAMURAL LINEUP

For those of you who are already looking ahead, LMSC will tentatively be offering soccer to the following age groups in the 1999 Fall Intramural Program:

BOYS DIVISIONS

Atoms:	1994 births
Bantams:	1993 births
Juniors:	1991, 92 births (novice)
Intermediates:	1991, 92 births (advanced)
Seniors:	1989, 90 births
Majors:	1986, 87, 88 births

GIRLS DIVISIONS

Neutrons:	1994 births
Microns:	1993 births
Protons:	1991, 92 births
Electrons:	1989, 90 births
Cosmos:	1986, 87, 88 births

SPECIAL NEEDS: Boys and Girls ages 7-13 with physical limitations.

The Atoms, Neutrons and Special Needs Divisions will NOT have players placed on set teams for the year. The emphasis in these divisions will be on skill development, combined with "pick up" soccer games. All of the other divisions will have players placed on set teams for the year. Each team will play a nine game schedule against the other teams in their division.

EQUIPMENT RECYCLING FOR INNER CITY SOCCER

During the past ten years, LMSC has made major contributions of soccer clothing and used equipment to various soccer programs for underprivileged children. Over the years, our contributions have assisted in the formation of several inner city soccer programs in Philadelphia as well as other areas.

As these programs grow, so will their need for shoes, clothing and other soccer equipment. Soccer balls are especially needed because they are given to the children to practice with on their own. PLEASE save any and all outgrown soccer items for these programs.

Used soccer shoes also accepted, provided that they do not have rips in the leather or soles.

UPCOMING COLLECTION DATE: We will accept donations to this effort at Travel Team Registration Night on Wednesday, June 2nd. This event will run from 6:30 to 8:30 at the Lower Merion High School cafeteria. Please bring any and all items that you wish to donate with you to Registration Night.

STATE CUP HONOR ROLL

Each year our travel teams Under 11 and up are eligible to compete in both the Indoor and Outdoor State Cups. This winter, we had two teams join our State Cup Honor Roll. Our Under 12 boys team, the Delinquents, reached the finals of the Indoor State Cups while our Under 11 boys team, the Lasers, reached the semifinals.

In 1990, the Under 13 Gorillas won both the Indoor and Outdoor State Cups in the same season. They are one of only nine teams in the state to ever accomplish that feat. Several of the players from the Gorillas went on to play soccer in college, including Jon Conway (Rutgers and the Under 20 USA National Team), Jobey Hollinger (Harvard), Josh Pincus (Cornell), Nate Laver (Lehigh), Adrian Cox (Richmond), Nick Harmelin (Johnson and Wales), Hans Davies (Williams) and Todd Davidson (Elon College).

In the past nine seasons, LMSC has had 25 teams make it to the semifinals of State Cups. Seven of those 25 teams have been crowned State Champions.

Year	Age group	Birth year	Team	Result
1999	U-12 boys	86/87s	Delinquents	indoor finalists
1999	U-11 boys	87/88s	Lasers	indoor semifinals
1998	U-13 girls	84/85s	Dynamite	indoor semifinals
1997	U-15 boys	81/82s	Sharks	indoor semifinals
1996	U-11 boys	84/85s	Derelicts	indoor Champions
1996	U-13 girls	82/83s	Firebirds	indoor semifinals
1996	U-14 boys	81/82s	Sharks	indoor semifinals
1995	U-12 girls	82/83s	Firebirds	outdoor semifinals
1995	U-16 boys	78/79s	F.C. Joe	indoor Champions
1995	U-12 boys	82/83s	Lunatics	indoor semifinals
1995	U-13 boys	81/82s	Sharks	indoor semifinals
1994	U-11 boys	82/83s	Lunatics	outdoor Champions
1994	U-11 girls	82/83s	Firebirds	outdoor finalists
1994	U-11 boys	82/83s	Lunatics	indoor finalists
1994	U-11 girls	82/83s	Firebirds	indoor finalists
1993	U-17 boys	75/76s	Psychos	indoor Champions
1993	U-14 boys	78/79s	Dragons	indoor finalists
1993	U-12 boys	80/81s	Hurricanes	indoor semifinals
1992	U-11 boys	80/81s	Hurricanes	indoor finalists
1991	U-14 boys	77s	Gorillas	outdoor semifinals
1991	U-12 boys	79s	Dragons	indoor semifinals
1990	U-13 boys	77s	Gorillas	outdoor Champions
1990	U-13 boys	77s	Gorillas	indoor Champions
1989	U-10 boys	79s	Dragons	outdoor Champions
1989	U-12 boys	77s	Gorillas	indoor semifinals

WELCOME ABOARD, HAROLD

LMSC is pleased to announce that Harold Goldner has assumed the job of Boys Travel Team Director. Harold is also the Division Commissioner for the Girls Microns Division (6 year olds) in the intramural program. We look forward to working with Harold in his new position. Harold will oversee our 27 boys travel teams as well as represent the club in all Delco League matters.

UNDER 8 BOYS TRAVEL TEAM

Congratulations to our newly formed Under 8 boys Developmental Travel Team on winning two of their first four indoor tournaments at Woodhaven this winter and reaching the semifinals of the outdoor Hulmeville Tournament. Members of this awesome team include:

Blechschmidt, Michael	Krantz, Matthew
Bolden, Jarrett	Lawrence, Chris
Broderson, Josh	Mayernick Danny
Feldbaum, Sam	McDermott, Brian
Goldman, Billy	Meinster, Andrew
Grant, Ben	Moore, Sam
Griffith, Jordie	Perilstein, Alex
Huc, Max	Schwartz, Tyler
Ivory, Ryan	Shapiro, David
Jones, Philip	Weinerman, Austin
	Yoshimura, Brandon

Coaches: Biff Sturla, Allan Greaves

SPORTS RINK FINISHES THEIR SECOND INDOOR SEASON

With the success of Sports Rink indoor soccer in 1996, the program came back for a second season. Due to the limited time and space available (one gym run on Saturdays and Sundays only), Sports Rink received more registrations than they could accept. Over 450 boys and girls participated in the program, another 50 plus were turned away.

Sports Rink also ran 14 Travel Team Tournaments during the winter. In addition to LMSC teams, the tournaments included teams from Downingtown, West Chester, Lionville and Brandywine, among others.

Sports Rink is currently negotiating with other schools in the hopes of expanding into a second gym for the 1998 season. This will allow us to offer indoor soccer to more players in the current 5-8 year old range as well as offer indoor soccer to older age groups. We will keep you posted as to the status of the negotiations.

Those of you who wish to play indoor soccer in 1998 should realize that we have a limited amount of openings. Please get your registration in early in order to have a place in the program.

A special thanks goes to the staff of Sports Rink. They put in a lot of time and effort to make the program possible. Thanks to: Assistant Director Allan Greaves along with Jim Van Dusen, Nancy Worby, Bill Wardle and Michael Mark.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Below is a brief look at some of the top players who played in LMSC and it's predecessor programs over the last fifteen years.

T.J. Carella - T.J. played varsity at Harvard University the past four years. A former player for the LMSC predecessor, Gladwyne - Penn Valley, T.J. was captain of the Delco Demons Under 16 team that won the National Championship in 1993 and were National Finalists in 1994.

Jon Conway - Jon was the starting goalie for the LMSC Gorillas who won the Under 13 Indoor State Cup and Outdoor State Cups in 1990. Jon is a sophomore at Rutgers University where he is the starting goalie. He is also currently on the Under 20 USA National Team.

Adrian Cox - Starting center midfielder for the LMSC Gorillas, Adrian played in the State Select Program for five years before moving on to the University Of Richmond where he is a sophomore and a starter for the varsity team. Adrian was MVP of the Central League as a senior in high school.

Jon Hanks - A former player for the LMSC Psychos that won the Under 17 Indoor State Cup in 1993, Jon is now a junior at Lafayette College which finished ranked in the top 15 of the NCAA Division 1 his freshman year. Jon was captain the Lafayette team this year as a junior. At Lower Merion High School, he was runner-up MVP of the Central League his senior year.

Chris and David Hanlon - David was the starting goalie for the LMSC Lunatics who won the Under 11 Outdoor State Cup in 1994. He played State Select for two years before moving to Iowa. He is currently trying out for the Under 15 National Team. David's older brother Chris, goalie for the LMSC Psychos (U-17 Indoor State Champs in 1993) is playing goalie at the University Of Pittsburgh. Chris was a member of the USA Region 1 team Under 19 team.

Jobey Hollinger - A former member of the LMSC Gorillas and a member of the State Select Program every year he was eligible, Jobey is now playing at Harvard University.

Will Kohler - During his high school days at Lower Merion, Kohler started for the Under 17 USA National Team and competed in the U-17 World Cup in Europe. This fall, as a senior at Harvard, Kohler was MVP of the Ivy League and second team All-American. Kohler was drafted by the New York / New Jersey MetroStars of the Major League Soccer (MLS).

Matt Ogelsby - A star player at Gladwyne - Penn Valley for many years, Matt went on to be an All American lacrosse player at Duke University and was ACC Player

Of The Year in 1995. Matt now plays professional lacrosse for the Philadelphia Wings.

Dan Pangrazio - Dan was a standout goalie for LMSC for many years. He played State Select for four years and made the USA Region 1 National Team. In 1996, Dan started for the Lower Merion High School basketball team which won the State Championship. This past summer, Dan moved to Connecticut and is still excelling in both soccer and basketball.

Josh Pincus - A former member of the LMSC Gorillas and a player in the State Select Program, Josh is currently playing ball for Cornell University who qualified for the NCAA Division 1 playoffs. Josh also made the USA Region 1 team as a youth player.

Gabby Roe - A former standout for Gladwyne - Penn Valley, Gabby teamed up with brothers Chris and Rich to win numerous Delco League titles. He received All American honors in both soccer and lacrosse at Episcopal Academy. Gabby has been a member of the Philadelphia Wings for the last three years.

Richard Wilmot - After being MVP of the Del-Val League for three years while at Harriton, Richard just finished his college career at Harvard University this year, earning Second Team All Ivy League. A former player for the LMSC predecessor, Gladwyne - Penn Valley, Richard was a member of the Delco Demons Under 16 team that won the National Championship in 1993 and were National Finalists in 1994.