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DASC MatchUp League (MUL)

An ongoing challenge for DASC's competitive and academy programs has been how to provide quality, local games for its teams since there has been no sustained local or state-wide league for competitive teams. DASC has been working to create a suitable solution for this quandary and recently finalized the 3rd straight fall of what has come to be called the MatchUp League (MUL).

DASC's MatchUp League is formatted to offer all of its own competitive and academy teams a roughly 6-game season. All games are currently played here in Sioux Falls at Yankton Trail and Tomar Parks during three pre-selected weekends in both the fall and spring season. MUL is confined to the three weekends to help ensure that all players, families, and staff are available for participation. The weekends selected for the league are chosen and set so as to avoid major tournament weekends so that we have most of our competitive teams available to play.

What started out as a league where our own teams primarily played matches or 'matchups' against other of our own teams has now morphed into a friendly league where many out-of-area teams and clubs are participating as well. Sioux Falls' location, as well as its outstanding field and referee base allows DASC to attract and host out of area teams who want a quality soccer experience. Just this fall, the variety in the league was at an all-time high as nearly half of the 50 teams in the league were non-DASC.

By Competitive Director Steve Burckhalter

Among the participants the last two seasons were the following organizations:

- Brandon Area Soccer Association (BASA – from Brandon, SD)
- Brookings Soccer Association (BSA – from Brookings, SD)
- Gateway City Soccer Club (from Sioux City, IA)
- Hub City Soccer Club (HCSC – from Aberdeen, SD)
- Mitchell Soccer Association (MSA – from Mitchell, SD)
- Northwest Iowa Futbol Club (NWIFC – from Spencer, IA)
- Tri-City Storm Soccer Club (TSCSC – from Fargo, ND/Moorehead, MN area)
- Yankton Youth Soccer Association (YYSA – from Yankton, SD)

To help create parity within the league, DASC communicates with coaches and directors of other associations to help determine what level of game/matchup is appropriate for each participating team. Once all information is collected, matchups are created and matches scheduled that meet the needs of the individual teams.

What is a MatchUp you ask? A matchup is any game that pairs roughly equally-talented teams. Since we do not necessarily have enough age and gender pure teams to form a true league format, we

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Coach's Profile

Name: Nick Stebbins

Team(s) Coaching: U13 Girls Premier, Academy Boys and Girls, Goal Keepers

How Long Have You Been Coaching: Since I Was 13 (8th grade)

Hometown: Spokane, Washington

Favorite Athlete: Osvaldo Alonso Seattle Sounders midfielder

Favorite Sports Team: Seattle Sounders

In Your Free Time You: go and shoot around at the fields, watch soccer games on tv, go out to eat, play in adult soccer leagues, read, and take long walks on the beach

Interesting Fun Fact About You: Got scouted to play for a division II team in West Virginia(Shepherd University). Took my high school team to the state championships senior year. I love to go fishing and listening to good music.

Favorite Coaching Moment/Memory: When I got to coach high school this past month for Harrisburg High School for the boys varsity team and helped them win 2 games on the road. The boys were fun to work with and I had a awesome time coaching them.



Player's Profile

Name: DeLynne Zevenbergen

Nickname: Bubbles

Age: 12

Team and Age Group: U13 Girls White

How Long Have You Been Playing Soccer: started playing at age 5

School: Sioux Falls Christian

Favorite Athlete: Abby Wambach

Favorite Soccer Team: USA Women's National Team

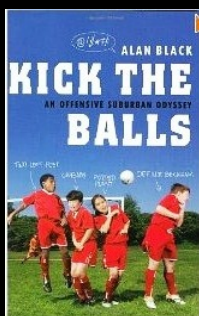
In Your Free Time You: Play games on the Wii, play Volleyball , ride bike,

Favorite Soccer Moment/Memory: Winning the championship in the Fargo tournament in Spring '11; Scoring a goal in the upper 90with my right foot – OFC tournament Sept '11



Book of the Month

Kick The Balls



"A hilarious and utterly irreverent take of a Scotsman coaching in the junior 'soccer' leagues in the USA. It is the funniest book you will ever read about what the 'insignificants' in the rest of world call 'football.'"

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coined the term MatchUp to indicate any type of game that would offer a quality, competitive match.

For example, younger teams can be paired against older teams, girls teams can matchup against boys teams, 8v8 format age groups can play some 11v11 format games, etc. DASC has the ability to help accommodate the wishes of various participants in the league by meeting scheduling requests (within reason), number of matches, and days of particular matches.

Among the advantages of hosting the league are the following:

- Less travel for our younger teams and families
- Flexibility in scheduling / rescheduling matches
- Providing officiating opportunities for our younger / newer referees to gain experience
- Low-cost games for our membership and all participants
- High quality matches in a non-tournament format
- Building relationships with surrounding communities
- Cost effectiveness - teams only pay for games played
- Needs-based and accommodating scheduling of games (Saturdays only, 4 games only, etc.)

DASC looks forward to the continued growth of MUL and will strive to bring in additional teams and clubs to help ensure the quality of MUL for our families!

2011 4 v 4 Scramble Recap By Tournament Director Daniel Ohayon



Again this year's 4v4 DASC Scramble was a great success. With over 200 participants it made for a fabulous event. We added a little more excitement with the music going compliment of Sean Hansen. It added a festivity flavor to the event. On top of that we were blessed by such an outstanding weather. Kids played to their heart's delights. It was a huge club bonding activities with grandparents attending as well.

We would like to take this great opportunity to thank all the volunteers who made this event such a success. Parking was so smooth thanks to those volunteers who kept it all in an orderly fashion.

All the Academy players received their participation medals and the following teams were declared 2011 DASC 4v4 Scramble Champions:

U11/12 Girls: Lions; U11/12 Boys: Sounders; U13/14 Girls: Skye Blue; U13/14 Boys: Fire

Thank you everyone for such a fabulous DASC day.



Parental Support - Developing an understanding between Encouragement and Praise By Recreational Director Frank Gurnick

** Too many times, we as adults view our child's experiences through adult eyes and not that of a child's. "The spirit of a child knows no limits until limited by an adult". It is with these thoughts that I offer the following information on how you as a parent can be a vehicle for your child's success in ANY activity and not just soccer. Feel free to replace the word teacher for coach, (another activity) for soccer, etc.....

It is my goal to help you as parents understand the difference between encouragement and praise. Suppose you were an accountant and you made an error that resulted in your business or client losing a lot of money --- say \$25,000. Do you think that your superior or client would say "No problem kiddo! Great job! We'll do better next time." I have a feeling the chances of that happening are slim to none and if it did you would be constantly be looking out of the corner of your eye expecting someone to fire you at the next possible mistake.

So what then differentiates Praise from Encouragement? **Praise** is defined by Webster's as "to express a favorable judgment of". Praise is usually reserved as a reward for well-done completed tasks. It is based on whether the parent or coach is satisfied in the result. If we praise a child for not having completed successfully a task, they can see the inconsistency and will eventually dumb themselves down as they are going to be praised anyway....right? **Encouragement** is defined as "to inspire, to persuade, to spur on..." Encouragement is about the internal pump that channels your child's efforts and willingness to take chances and risk. It is about your child evaluating their own progress and learning to make their own decisions. Encouragement is about effort and improvement. It rewards progress not perfection.

I am not trying to stop parents from encouraging their kids but, I am hoping that I can convince enough to know the difference between praise and encouragement. Kids know the difference. Remember the sandwich method of correction à Good – Correction – Good. An example I'd like to use is from an Under 8 game I just coached Tuesday night. A boy on the team received a ball at his feet turned and fired a shot into the net. He jumped up in the air with a hearty fist pump and a smile that made my day. However, the shot was directed into our opponents' goal. Here was my response, "Wow! That was an easy goal wasn't it?" He replied "Yeah it sure was!" I said, "That was a really good shot but, if you try to score in that other goal you will find it to be more of a challenge." He knew he had scored in the wrong goal but, rather than receiving a tongue-lashing or false praise, he will now be prepared next time to go for the right goal.

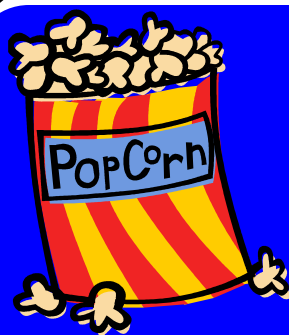
If you read the following information, I am hoping you will find the right information that will make you an invaluable asset to your child's experience on and off the field. Enjoy!

Trivia Question of the Month

[Expand Your Soccer Knowledge](#)

[Last Month's Q and A:](#) In what South Dakota town will the South Dakota State High School Tournament be held in this Fall? Mitchell, SD

[This Month's Question:](#) What MLS team just won the US Open Cup for the 3rd time in a row?



Fall Festival time at Spencer Park is almost here and I can already smell the popcorn!! It's our 'end of the Fall season' fest. Plan to come out on October 15th, get your recreational team medals and eat some popcorn while enjoying your game. We look forward to seeing you there!

SCRIP Fundraising Information

One Dakota Alliance parent raised \$1300 in the last year using SCRIP! Another \$1182 in the last year using SCRIP! This is serious fund raising accomplished by having to do nothing more than put gas in your car, buy groceries, do home improvements, shop for clothes, or staying in hotels and eating out like you do in everyday life..... Why spend your time selling things, washing cars, and cleaning up garbage. Instead, do what you do every day and raise money doing it! Sign up today! Here's how:

STEPS FOR REQUESTING MEMBERSHIP TO DASC SCRIP PROGRAM

1. Go www.CompuSCRIP.org
2. Select the **Member Login** button
3. Select the **Create New User** link
4. Select **DASC** from the drop-down list
5. If you agree with the Scrip Policy, click the checkbox "**I Agree To These Terms and Conditions**"
6. **Complete all required fields** on the on-line membership request form
7. Click the "**Submit Request For New Account**" button at the bottom of the screen
8. **An email will be automatically sent to you when the Scrip Administrator has approved your membership request
9. After your membership request has been approved, sign onto CompuSCRIP and select the **Manage Favorites** link under Menu Options. Select your favorite merchants to be displayed as defaults on your Create Order screen.
10. If you wish to have payments for your Scrip orders deducted from your checking account, select the **Online Payment Settings** link under Menu Options and enter your checking account information as it appears on your physical checks.
11. You are ready to place your on-line scrip orders through CompuSCRIP.

If you have questions about the timing for ordering your gift cards, please contact Daniel Ohayon at 605-332-5911 X111 Office; 605-521-6113 Cell; danielo@dakotaalliancesoccer.com

Attention Members!

We Have, Not One, But Two AGM's Coming Up! Mark Your Calendars Now!

South Dakota State Soccer Association AGM: November 4th—6th, Ramkota Hotel in Rapid City

See <http://www.southdakotasoccer.com/Assets/AGMInvite.pdf> for more information.

Dakota Alliance Soccer Club AGM: December 14th at 8pm at the Dakota Alliance Soccer Office at 401W 39th Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57105

Dakota Alliance Soccer Club Outstanding Player Program

Purpose:

The DASC Outstanding Player Program is an opportunity for the Recreational players in the U8 through the U10 age groups to be recognized for their dedication, effort, enthusiasm, and ability over the course of the season. It is the desire of the DASC to recognize these players and to provide for them a clinic with other players who have been nominated by their coach.

Player Criteria:

- Attendance at training sessions
- Effort at training sessions
- Sportsmanship
- Strong grasp of the technical skills
- Athletic Ability

Nomination Process:

Coaches will email me @ frankg@dakotaalliancesoccer.com with the names of two players who fit the criteria above. If you feel strongly about a 3rd nomination, go ahead and give me the name and depending on the responses I receive, we might be able to add them in the list. I would like your responses by Wednesday October 12th.

The clinic schedule is as follows:

- October 18th Outstanding Player Program U8 Boy's at 6pm
- October 20th Outstanding Player Program U8 Girl's at 6pm
- October 22nd Outstanding Player Program U9/U10 Boy's at 9am – 10:15am
- October 22nd Outstanding Player Program U9 Girls at 10:30am – 11:45am
- October 22nd Outstanding Player Program U10 Girls at Noon – 1:15pm

High School Season Wrap Up

The high school season has come to an end after the South Dakota State High School Soccer Tournament completed this last Saturday afternoon in Mitchell, SD. The Pats had appearances in both the AA Boys and Girls finals. The Lincoln boys prevailed in a tight game over the Roosevelt boys. Lincoln girls fell short of a Championship title to the Aberdeen Central girls. In the single A finals, Sioux Falls Christian boys beat Groton boys in penalty kicks and the West Central girls were successful in defending their state title against the Harrisburg girls. O'Gorman Girls also walked away with the Sportsmanship Award. Overall, it was a great exciting weekend of soccer.

For a complete list of All State players you can view them at http://www.southdakotasoccer.com/high_school_soccer/2011_All-State_Teams.htm. The DASC registered High School players that made All State Teams are Below:

A Boys: 1st Team: Jacob Moir—Harrisburg, Connor Dunteman—Harrisburg, 2nd Team: Brywn Ractliffe—Harrisburg, Honorable Mention Team: Sam Hanson—Harrisburg, Aaron Hanson—Harrisburg, Ben Deetz—Harrisburg

A Girls: 1st Team: Danielle Reuer—Harrisburg, Hailey Halling—Harrisburg, Allie Macdonald—West Central, BreeAnn Albers—West Central, Shannon Miller—West Central, Elixabeth Renner—West Central, 2nd Team: Morgan Damer—Harrisburg, Julia Goodale—Harrisburg, Brooklyn Oehlerking—Harrisburg, Alyssa Hellvig—West Central, Honorable Mention Team: Jessica Moir—Harrisburg, Hunter Mathieu—West Central

AA Boys: 1st Team: Jonathon Gednalske—Lincoln, Patrick Leach—Lincoln, Tony Klein—O'Gorman, Alex Nelson—O'Gorman, Austin Lien—Roosevelt, Zach Schneider—Roosevelt, Mike Haight—Washington, Dan Iverson—Washington, 2nd Team: Alex Hannemann—Lincoln, Tyler Pals—O'Gorman, Quaid Scheafer—O'Gorman, Daulton Keiser—Roosevelt, Derek Granum—Roosevelt, Jackson Lounsbery—Roosevelt, Karwo Solo—Washington, Honorable Mention Team: Anthony Bradner—Lincoln, Matt Meisinger—O'Gorman, Colin Thompson—Washington

AA Girls: 1st Team: Darby Hugunin—Lincoln, Alyssa Brazil—O'Gorman, Karlie Mueller—Roosevelt, Nicole Hatcher—Roosevelt, Brenna Bills—Roosevelt, Carley Costello—Washington, 2nd Team: Kristina Sorenson—Lincoln, Sarah Dreyer—Lincoln, Ashton Weber—O'Gorman, Halie Retterath—O'Gorman, Samantha Surrell—O'Gorman, Cecilia Douma—Roosevelt, Taylor Machacek—Roosevelt, Honorable Mention Team: Elizabeth Magnuson—Lincoln, Maris Bolender—O'Gorman, Anna Bills—O'Gorman, Whitney Ferguson—Roosevelt, Haley Durland—Washington

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to order your
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Check out the online store for all sort of DASC Spirit Wear. Click on the link below and go directly to our online store for your convenient Christmas shopping. Sweatshirts, t-shirts, fleece and more. Place your order by end of each month for delivery by the 15th of the next month. Orders are delivered to the DASC office. Samples for sizing are available at the DASC office during office hours.



<http://www.companycasuals.com/dasc/start.jsp>



Office hours:
Monday—11Am to 6PM
Tuesday—9AM to 6PM
Wednesday—9AM to 5PM
Thursday—9AM to 6PM
Friday—9AM to 12PM

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College Advisory Program

**DAKOTA ALLIANCE SOCCER CLUB
PRESENTS ITS 1st CAP SEMINAR
“College Advisory Program”**

What: College Recruiting Seminar

When: Sunday October 23rd

Who: U15/U16 at 4pm

U17/U18 at 5pm

Where: DASC Offices 39th and MN.

RSVP to Frank Gurnick at

FrankG@DakotaAllianceSoccer.com

**by Monday Oct 17th. If you have
any questions, you can also call**

Frank at 605-521-8417.

Does your little one want more after the Recreational Season this fall?

Then don't forget to sign up for our Winter 1 session of Soccer-Nastics, Joga and TOCA, registration is open at www.dascprograms.com !

Soccer-Nastics

This is a gross motor skill / soccer fundamentals program for 3 and 4 yr old boys and girls. First designed purely as a motor skill program, Soccer-Nastics has melded into the premier introductory program to soccer for preschool aged kids. Parents play and learn about the game alongside their kids, beginning our club-wide parent education program. For 45 minutes a week, 6 weeks per season, the players and parents learn to run, jump, skip, dribble, and move the ball with all the surfaces of the foot. Parents and players MUST be prepared to have fun in this non-competitive youth program!

JOGA

(meaning “play”) is a soccer skill development program for 5-6 yr old boys and girls. Based on a curriculum of education-based, age-appropriate activities, Joga works on the basic fundamentals of the youth soccer game: dribbling, passing, and basic receiving. With professional youth coaches at every session, the players get 30 minutes of skills training and 20-30 minutes of the game, once a week for 6 weeks! Joga is a great program for beginners and “more experienced” players alike – our coaches can challenge any player at any level!

TOCA

(literally means “touch” in Spanish) the idea is to continue to help individual players develop a magical “touch” or “feel” for the soccer ball! TOCA is geared towards 7 and 8 year old boys and girls who want to continue to learn and develop new soccer skills and techniques, and the GOLDEN TOUCH. TOCA is the bridge between JOGA and the DASC Academy Program. Players will work with professional coaches for approximately 55 minutes once a week for 6 weeks.

Sessions will begin on Nov 5th and will go through Dec 19th (taking Thanksgiving week off). The days and times available are as follow. And you can sign up online now at dascprograms.com

SATURDAY

10 A.M. Soccer-Nastics
11 A.M. Soccer-Nastics
12 P.M. Joga
1 P.M. TOCA

SUNDAY

1 P.M. Soccer –Nastics
2 P.M. Joga
3 P.M. TOCA

MONDAY

5:30 P.M. Soccer-Nastics
6:30 P.M. Joga

WEDNESDAY

11 AM Soccer-Nastics

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A Special Thanks to United Rentals for Providing Lights at a Discounted Rate for the DASC Training Grounds. Thanks for Your Support!

Know Anyone Who is Deserving to Receive Recognition in the Following Categories?

Coach of the Year (Boys/Girls/Competitive/Recreational); Parent of the Year; Administrator of the Year; Volunteer of the Year; Friend of Soccer Media; Young Referee of the Year; Goal of the Year; Save of the Year; Soccer Photo of the Year

South Dakota State Soccer Association is looking for nominations for the above categories. At DASC we believe we have the best coaches, parents, volunteers, administrators, as well as players. Please go to the following website and get those nominations going: <http://www.southdakotasoccer.com/>

The Deadline is October 15th. Winners will be announced at the 2011 SDSSA AGM.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

USF Cougar Soccer Fest

USF Soccer Fields
October 16th at 4:30pm to 5:30pm (between women's and men's games)
To RSVP Contact Frank at frankq@dakotaalliancesoccer.com

Academy Open House

Dakota Alliances Soccer Office
October 18th at 7:30pm
Questions? Contact Nathan at nathanr@dakotaalliancesoccer.com

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DASC AGM

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Questions? Contact Kraig at kraigpomrenke@gmail.com

5th Annual Winter Indoor Small-Sided Tournament

ASI Dome
Girls: December 16th—18th
Boys: January 6th—8th
Questions? Contact Daniel at danielo@dakotaalliancesoccer.com

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