



# GRAFTON SOCCER CLUB



## Fall 2009 Newsletter

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### Spread the News—Team News

A new feature found on the GSC website is *Team News*. Coaches at the recreation and select level have been asked to share team highlights each week. The reports that are submitted are put in the Team News section on the website. Win, lose, or tie, the teams are excited to play! Check out the website each week and read about all the great things happening in the Grafton Soccer Club. Visit the website at [graftonsoccerclub.org](http://graftonsoccerclub.org).

### Referee Update

By R. Lauters

Last year I told everyone we needed more referees if we were going to keep on assigning a full crew of referees to every game. Imagine my surprise when fifteen new referees were available for the spring season. Thank you all so much for the overwhelming response.

If anyone has an interest in becoming a referee you can check out the list of clinics at [www.wisref.org](http://www.wisref.org) or contact me at [rlauters@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rlauters@sbcglobal.net). The only requirement is that you must be at least twelve years old. If you have any questions about this or anything else, please don't hesitate to contact me and I'll do my best to address your question.

Just a reminder to treat the referees with respect because they have a very difficult job and do the best job they can do.

Thanks for all your continued support.

### Welcome

As the fall soccer season begins to wind down, we hope that you and your child had a positive experience on the fields. We are glad you are a part of the Grafton Soccer Club! We have over 150 children participating in our recreation program, 19 children in our academy program, and 104 currently playing in our select program. Our kids are in a great program! THANK YOU to all the volunteers who help each day to make the GSC stronger.

### Director of Soccer: Don Arnold

This year the GSC has added a new position, **Director of Soccer**. Grafton High School and GSC coach and parent, Don Arnold, has filled this role. The Director of Soccer position will help create a stronger and more cohesive club. With this role, Don is very excited about being involved with all the kids, rather than just a GSC coach of one team. Don has developed curriculum for the recreation coaches and will also oversee the hiring of coaches in the competitive program as needed. He is excited to build a club of teams where everyone works together in a family-like atmosphere. This is the type of experience he had while growing up and playing soccer for the Bavarian Soccer Club. The Director of Soccer position was made possible thanks in part to a generous, anonymous donation to the GSC.

### Volunteer Policy

**GSC's Volunteer Policy has been revised.** You are required to volunteer **5 hours per player** during the 2009-2010 soccer season. The Grafton Soccer Club is YOUR soccer club. Are you looking for a way to meet your commitment? GSC is currently looking for volunteers in many areas. We are especially looking for volunteers to help on a **Tournament Committee** to help coordinate the indoor tournament and plan for next fall's tournament. If you are interested in this opportunity, please contact Michelle Pedersen at [mepedersen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mepedersen@sbcglobal.net) or (262) 375-2359.

Grafton Soccer Club  
Soccerships



*Give Kids a Kicking Chance!*

The Grafton Soccer Club has a program called Soccerships that allows kids from families in need the opportunity to play organized soccer. Our goal is to "give kids a kicking chance" by reaching out to the entire community to let them know about this exciting program! For more information please contact the Grafton Soccer Club at 262-377-9159 or [soccervolunteer@gmail.com](mailto:soccervolunteer@gmail.com).



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