



## **2024 House League Information**

### **Coaches**

As we are a volunteer based organization that offers soccer at an affordable cost, we are always looking for volunteer house coaches to help continue to make our program fun and engaging! Please reach out to Karen (kareout818@yahoo.com) if you are willing to help out. The \$50 registration fee will be waived or refunded. If there are not enough coaches who volunteer, parents will have to rotate running a practice or game.

### **Dates**

**Season Dates:** Monday, May 13th to Thursday, July 2nd, every Monday and Thursday from 6:30 to 7:30 PM at Fort Niagara.

**Bumblebee Start Date:** Monday, May 13th, every Monday and Thursday from 6:30 to 7:00 PM at Fort Niagara.

**Picnic Date:** Thursday, July 2nd

**Picture Dates:** Monday June 3rd, Thursday June 6th, and Monday June 10th, the photographer, Alec, will NOT be available any other day. If there are any issues with your pictures, please reach out to Alec yourself ([ultimateimages@yahoo.com](mailto:ultimateimages@yahoo.com)). A tentative picture schedule will be sent to coaches a week prior.

### **Equipment Info**

**Provided:** Team jersey, pair of socks, coaches provided with some soccer balls and cones, end of season medal.

**Suggested Equipment to Bring Every Game/Practice:** Soccer shoes, shorts, soccer ball (size 3 Bumblebees - PeeWees, size 4 Internationals), water, sunscreen. Coaches will give each player a jersey and a pair of socks on the first day of practice.

### **Playing Schedule**

**Bumblebees:** Bumblebees will participate in soccer oriented activities for 30 minutes. There will be no game schedule, however near the end of the season, coaches and teams are more than welcome to try and facilitate a real game!

**All Other Divisions:** All teams will practice for the whole hour during the first two weeks of the season. After

the first two weeks, a game schedule will be sent to all coaches and players with designated field locations. As this is a house league program, game results will not be recorded, and there will be no overall division "champion."

### **Team/Coach Requests**

The house league coordinator will do their best to meet all requests, they are not guaranteed. NPSL tries to ensure that teams are balanced and fair.

### **Field Locations**

[Here is a link](#) to the house league field map. Bumblebees are playing behind the green Kickwall between fields 5 and 6, Blizzards are on field 6, Pee Wees are on field 5, and the International division will be on fields 3 and 4.

### **Parking**

Please do not park close to the service road entrance south of the tobogganing hill. In the event of an emergency, first response personnel will need clear access to fields. Parking at the Fort is also free in the evenings. Please do NOT park on the Eastern side of Scott Ave. For the safety of our young athletes, NPSL volunteers will ask you to park in the designated lots.

### **Weather Policy**

Unless there is a severe thunderstorm warning, soccer has and will continue to be played even with moderate to heavy rainfall. If soccer is ever canceled due to inclement weather, an email will be sent out to all parents and coaches by 5:30 pm the day of.

### **Age Divisions**

<b>Division</b>	<b>Age During Season* Typical Birth Year</b>
Bumblebees	3-4 2020 - 2021
Blizzards	5-6 2018 - 2019
Pee Wee	7-8 2016 - 2017
Int. Girls	9-11 2013 - 2015
Int. Boys	9-14 2010 - 2015
Jr. Girls	12-17 2007 - 2012
Jr. Boys	9-14 2010 - 2014

\*The International and Junior divisions may be modified depending on the number of participants in each.