



Minnesota Women's Soccer League Newsletter

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Winter Player Registration
Closes Feb. 28

AGM – March 18



Second Winter Season!

Winter II session is underway! The 7v7 competitive and recreational games play at 7:30, 8:30, and 9:30 at the West St Paul Dome. The season started January 31st and runs through April 25th.

Player registration is open and includes \$22 Annual Players Fee, which renews annually for players. Players do not need to “Create A New Account” if they have registered with MWSL in previous seasons. Note that player registration closes on February 28th 2017.

Player passes are mailed to Team Managers. **NO EXCEPTIONS** for players who do not submit payment/photos. Player pass permission letters are a \$10 fine per player, per letter, per game.

Please be sure your team is at the dome, ready to play at game time. It is essential that our games end on time as other organizations have the fields rented after our games.

Annual General Meeting is March 18!

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on March 18, 2017 at 10:00 AM at the Thompson Park Center [1200 Stassen Lane, West St. Paul, MN 55118]. At least one member from each team is required to be present. The agenda will include: board member elections, 2016 budget review, rule/regulation changes, and registration procedures. Teams without a member present will be charged a \$50 fee to cover administrative and mailing costs.

2016 Fall Season Recap

We were fortunate to have a (mostly) beautiful weather for our 2016 fall season. While there were a few games that had to be shifted due to weather, all teams were able to complete the season. This fall, we reenergized our recreational league by offering a 7v7 option, and it paid off! 6 recreational teams took part in a fall season – which was the 1st time we had a recreational fall division in 3 years. 8 competitive teams also played this fall season. The MWSL is very grateful to all the teams that participated.

Summer Season Team
Registration Opens
March 18

Summer Team
Registration Closes
April 8

Ancient Rangers
Tournament – Sept 9-10

MWSL Charity
Tournament – TBD

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2016 Charity Tournament Recap

Without a doubt, this year was the best yet for our Charity Tournament. We had a wonderful turnout with 15 teams. The tournament champions of the competitive

division were Blackout. Recreation team champions were Best of the Rest. Congratulations to both our winning teams and ALL the women who took part!

The Minnesota Women's Soccer League donated **\$8,501.94** to Alliance Housing, Inc. A HUGE thank you to all for your help, your donations, your support, and your great sportsmanship. It was a fantastic tournament. Stay tuned for information on our 7th Annual Charity Tournament where we are challenging ourselves to raise \$10,000!



2017 Law Changes

We strive to provide our league with the highest level of service and reliability as we realize women dedicate their valuable time to being able to play. We are aware of numerous changes that FIFA has made and we will be sharing resources with you at the AGM on where you can read up on these changes. Our seasoned referee staff is also aware and will do their very best to implement the changes in a way that promotes the law as well as learning for the league.

2017 Summer Season – Registration Changes

Get ready for the sun, grass, wind, and rain! It might seem a bit early to you, but we are already planning and prepping for our summer season. Team registration will open on March 18, 2016. **Starting with Summer Season 2017, summer registration will require payment of the full team fee at the time of registration. You may read more about this change in Article 1 under Dues in the league Rules and Regulations.** Teams are responsible for notifying the MWSL if they would like us to schedule their fields as soon as possible. The deadline will be within 5 days of registration close. Register your team [HERE](#). If you plan to reserve your own fields, please inform the MWSL ASAP.

- Player registration is open once team registration is approved. Annual Players Fee is \$22. Fall/Winter players do not pay the fee again; however, they must complete the registration for each season. Players do not need to “Create A New Account” if they have registered with MWSL in previous seasons.
- Forfeits occurring after 12 PM on game day will be subject to a \$50 fine plus the full referee fee.

- Teams have 7 days to replenish depleted Performance Bonds, otherwise future games will be cancelled.

Needed: Referees

The summer season is almost upon us, and we are gearing up for another year of amazing soccer, BUT WE NEED REFEREES!. Please share this information with family, friends, and anyone who loves soccer and might want to make a few extra dollars refereeing.

The process of becoming a ref is simple. There is an online training session, and an in person training session involved. Online can be started right away, while the in person trainings are offered throughout the summer. If you want to be a referee for adults, more training may be required. Please feel free to contact Paula Hildman, MN State Referee Administrator, with any questions or concerns you may have: sra@minnesotasrc.com

MWSL Code of Conduct

In 2016 the MWSL Board of Directors adopted a new [Code of Conduct](#). The intent is to foster and enforce a safe, enjoyable environment for all MWSL players. Players will be required to read and agree to the terms of the Code of Conduct before registering for future seasons.