



# GREEN BAY STRIKERS

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## 2018 REGISTRATION NEWSLETTER

### Green Bay Eastside soccer players, coaches and referees

#### ON-LINE REGISTRATION

Opens Jan.1, 2018  
Closes March 1, 2018  
[www.gbstrikers.org](http://www.gbstrikers.org)

#### WALK-IN REGISTRATION

Gandrud Chevrolet  
919 Auto Plaza Drive  
Thursday Feb 1, 2018 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm  
Saturday Feb 3, 2018 10:00 am - 1:00 pm

#### COSTS\*

Ages 4 ½ - 5 (U6) \$40.00  
Ages 6-11 (U8-U12) \$50.00  
Ages 12-18 (U15-U19) \$60.00  
\*\$4.00 Processing per player will be added for on-line registrations

- Your child's age is determined as of July 31, 2018
- 4 ½ year olds must be born on or before Jan 31, 2014
- **NEW PLAYERS** must provide a BIRTH CERTIFICATE, BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE, PASSPORT OR IMMUNIZATION RECORD to verify their age.
- Coaching credit is available. See "Coaching".
- Paid referee opportunities ages 13 and up.
- Checks should be made payable to: Green Bay Strikers
- All NSF charges will be collected.
- No refunds.
- Equipment, coach, referee staffing and player rosters are based on registrations during posted dates. You are guaranteed a place on a team if you register by March 1.
- \$20 fee per family will be added for registrations after March 1. There is no guarantee that a place on a team will be available for players registering late. The registration fee (minus the \$20 fee) will be refunded if your child is not placed on a team.
- No mail in registrations.

#### EQUIPMENT

- Shin guards-All players are required to wear shin guards.
- Socks-All shin guards must be completely covered by knee socks.
- Shirts-Team shirts will be provided and must be worn at all games.
- Shorts-Any color is acceptable but shorts can't have zippers, belt loops or pockets. Athletic shorts are recommended.
- Jewelry-All jewelry, including tongue studs, must be removed before the game. This is important to consider when getting any new piercings. Even if the piercing is still healing, your child will be required to remove the jewelry or he/she will not be able to play.
- Shoes-Shoes are required but soccer shoes are optional.
- Balls-Sizes for each age group are listed on the right.

#### GREEN BAY STRIKERS COACHING

Coaching your child and his/her team is fun and rewarding! Coaching gives you the opportunity to teach skills, teamwork and sportsmanship while reaping the benefits of personal enjoyment and appreciation from your players. It's a great way to contribute to the community! In addition to all the benefits you'll receive from coaching, we also offer a **\$10.00 discount off of the child's registration fee per team you coach.** It's our way of recognizing all of our coaches for their commitment of time and effort.



As a coach, expect the following time commitment: coaches' equipment handout and meeting - 2 hours; coaches' training - 3 hours every other year (required for first-year coaches); pre-season practices and team meeting - 8 to 10 hours; seasonal practices, games and preparation time - 2 to 4 hours per week. Complete support will be provided by the Green Bay Strikers Soccer Club.

#### TWO DEEP LEADERSHIP POLICY

To those who aren't familiar with this policy, it simply means that we need to have two unrelated adults (over 18) with the children at all times. This includes games, practices, parties, etc. For those of you who are husband and wife, or other related coaching teams, this may mean going over your schedule with the parents of your team to recruit someone who can be at each practice or game.

#### COACHES TRAINING

SAY National requires coaches' training. **All first-year coaches MUST participate in formal training.** All other coaches MUST participate in training every other year. We are excited about our training program that includes 45 minutes of general information and three, 45-minute breakout sessions. This enables any coach to take any of the sessions and get all the information they need. Annual training is encouraged!  
**All coaches are required to complete online concussion training.** The SAY policy and training links are available at [www.saysoccer.org](http://www.saysoccer.org), under the tab "concussions" at the top of the home page. Please follow the SAY directions and complete either of the step 1 concussion training options. Keep your certificate of completion with you at all SAY events.



#### COACHES EQUIPMENT HANDOUT

The team rosters, schedules and equipment will be handed out to the coaches on April 21, 2018. Please contact us at info@gbstrikers.org if you haven't heard from your coach by May 1.

#### GREEN BAY STRIKERS TENTATIVE SCHEDULES

AGES	START/END DATES*	FIELDS*	GAME TIMES	BALL SIZE
Ages 4 ½-5 (U6) Coed	May 21/June 28	Preble Park, McAuliffe	5:30, 6:30pm	# 3
Ages 6-7 (U8) Boys/Girls	May 21/July 15	East River-Emilie, VanBeaver, Wilder	5:30, 6:30pm	# 3
Ages 8-9 (U10) Boys/Girls	May 21/July 15	Danz, McAuliffe	5:30, 7:00pm	# 4
Ages 10-11 (U12) Boys/Girls	May 21/July 15	DeBroux, Wilder, Willow Creek	5:30, 7:00pm	# 4
Ages 12-14 (U15) Boys/Girls	June 4/July 29	Arnie Wolff, Various	5:30, 7:00pm	# 5
Ages 15-18 (U19) Boys/Girls	June 4/July 29	Arnie Wolff, Various	5:30, 7:00pm	# 5

Soccerfest for ages 6-11 (U8-12) is scheduled for July 14-15, 2018 at Wilder Park.  
Tony Litt County Tournament for ages 12-18 (U15-U19) is scheduled for July 18-29, 2018 location TBD. \*Start/End dates and fields are subject to change.

## REFEREES

The Green Bay Strikers will accept those who are 13 and older for referee training. Registration prior to the training is required. The pay rates for the games are \$14-\$20. Referee classroom training is mandatory. More information and online registration is available at [www.gbstrikers.org](http://www.gbstrikers.org)



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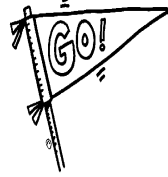
### TRAINING DATES

Sunday, April 15	8:30 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday, April 22	8:30 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday, April 29	8:30 am – 5:00 pm

*Training sessions held at  
Aurora BayCare Sports Medicine*

## SPORTSMANSHIP

Our number one priority is for children to have fun while learning the game of soccer. Through family involvement, we hope to foster team spirit, sportsmanship, social development and a positive self-image. We want players of all backgrounds, ages and abilities to have an equal opportunity to participate, excel and enjoy the game. We need your help to continue our tradition of respect and good sportsmanship.



### Remember:

- Parents and coaches must be a good example to their players by showing respect and good sportsmanship toward their own team as well as the opposing team. Children are aware of how adults handle winning and losing.
- Encourage your child to be gracious in victory. Encourage them to turn defeat into victory by working towards improvement.
- Cheering should always concentrate on the positive. Laugh, talk and have fun with everyone from both teams. Remember, opponents are necessary friends. Without them your child could not participate. Applaud good plays by your team and by members of the opposing team. Be supporters of all children! Think about how comments you make would affect your own child if they were directed to him/her.
- Any coach, parent or player who violates the spirit of our program by degrading any other coach, player, parent or referee, using foul language or otherwise depriving others from enjoying the game, will be suspended, put on probation and/or expelled from the program. Please contact us if you see this behavior so we can take the appropriate action.

## SOCCERFEST JULY 14-15, 2018

The purpose of Soccerfest is to give U8-U12 players a chance to experience the fun and excitement of a tournament regardless of ability or record. Soccerfest will be held at Wilder Park, July 14-15, 2018. Soccerfest is great fun for the participants and has a special atmosphere of excitement and camaraderie for parents, families and friends. Soccerfest consists of at least two games where participation and sportsmanship are emphasized.

## ARNIE WOLFF SPORTS COMPLEX

We are excited to have the opportunity to work with the Green Bay Park and Recreation department to complete Green Bay's first soccer complex. The Arnie Wolff Sports Complex is being built on Humboldt Road on Green Bay's east side. We have been given the opportunity to put a concession stand on the complex and to use it to raise funds for the continual improvements to the future of Green Bay Strikers soccer. With your involvement, we can build a much-needed complex for our favorite sport. Throughout the year we have opportunities for you to help impact this effort. Sign up for contributing time, skills, resources and/or donations. Please follow our efforts on our website: <http://arniewolffsc.weebly.com>.

## ABOUT US

The Green Bay Strikers is the recreational youth soccer club for most of Green Bay's East Side. We provide the opportunity for boys and girls ages 4 ½ to 18 to play soccer for fun. Last year over 1,335 children participated in our program. Our focus is building teamwork and self-esteem, having fun through positive approaches to coaching and guaranteed playing time regardless of skill level. The Green Bay Strikers is a volunteer, non-profit organization affiliated with SAY (Soccer Association for Youth). SAY is a national non-profit organization founded in 1967 in Cincinnati, Ohio. We are also part of the area group of Bay-Lakes SAY. Bay-Lakes is comprised of six area clubs that had over 4,500 children playing on over 350 teams last year. Every year, teams from all of these clubs join together in the older age groups to play in countywide competition.

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

If you want to make a difference and be involved, we need your talents. A lot of work goes into making this league a reality for the children and your help is needed. You can become a member of the Board and be a part of one of the best youth organizations in the state! Contact any Board Member at registration or contact us at [info@gbstrikers.org](mailto:info@gbstrikers.org).

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## PRACTICES AND GAME SCHEDULES

Practices are set up by the coaches and are normally 1-2 times a week before the season starts.

Practices are held Monday thru Thursday only. No weekend practices. The coach may have a practice if only one game is scheduled during a week. Games are played on various nights Monday thru Thursday. Therefore, you don't always play on the same night each week.



## CARPOOLING

Each year we get requests to assign multiple friends to a team so their families can carpool. Our teams are selected using a blind draft based on the player's age and previous years ability rating which makes the teams evenly divided and adds to the enjoyment of the game for all. Therefore we can't assign children to the same team unless they are siblings or the children of the coaches.

## NOISEMAKERS

In order for everyone involved to have the best soccer experience possible, we are asking everyone to refrain from using any artificial noisemakers when cheering for their team. Thank you for your cooperation.



## PARKING/PETS

Please be aware of **NO PARKING ZONES**. City ordinances state that **NO DOGS** are allowed in the parks where we play. **VIOLATIONS MAY RESULT IN CITATIONS.**



## WEATHER/GAME CANCELLATION

Games can be postponed and/or cancelled due to weather. The decision to cancel a game for ages 6-18 is made at the field at game time by the referee. For the 4 ½ - 5 year old teams where there no referees, the coaches will decide at the field, at game time whether the game should be cancelled. Only games cancelled for ages 12+ will be re-scheduled.

