

# OFF THE PITCH

MicroMod | Recreation | Premier

## Purpose

Maple Valley Soccer Association is a 501(c)3 organization whose purpose is to provide education, with charitable options, to teach and develop players and coaches to love the game of soccer. Through the teaching of the game, our membership will develop mental, physical and emotional wellness, discipline, dedication, self-confidence, sportsmanship, commitment to teamwork, leadership, and volunteerism.

## Calendar Events

- April 5 Premier Registration Open
- April 8 Fall MicroMod / Recreation Registration Opens
- April 12 Informational Meeting
- April 20 General Membership Meeting
- May 3 MVP - Premier Tryouts start
- May 20 General Membership Meeting
- May 21 Maple Valley Soccer Night @ Seattle Sounders
- June 3 Maple Valley Soccer Night @ Adidas Outlet in Auburn
- June 7 MVP Manager's Meeting
- June 11 Maple Valley Days Parade
- June 17 General Membership Meeting
- June 27 Summer Camps begin



## Informational Meeting

On April 12, Maple Valley Soccer will be hosting an informational meeting to review new USSF rules, which effect all teams and age groups. On the agenda will be team movement to "Birth year", a new heading mandate, small-sided games, and new field dimensions and more. On hand to answer questions will be members of our Executive Board, Director of Coaching Scott Serpa, and Technical Director Jesse Wheelock.

We encourage all parents, managers, and coaches to attend this important meeting.

April 12, 6pm at Tahoma Jr High School Commons

## Annual General Meeting Notes

On March 25, Maple Valley Soccer Association held the annual general meeting which included a dialog regarding the growth of the Association. The meeting was attended by more than 35 members, the largest turn out in many years! Thank you to everyone who attended and shared your thoughts. The Executive Board will continue to work hard to lead your Association to the next level. The AGM marks the elections of two-year terms for six volunteer executive board positions. Five of our officers returned uncontested. We would like to thank Jeff Snyder for 5 years as President of Maple Valley Soccer. His dedication to our Association has brought us to where we are today. Ready to lead our group for the 2016-2018 term, you have elected Chris Ybarra as the new President!

## MicroMod

### Mission Statement

Maple Valley Soccer's Micro-Mod Program is dedicated to fostering each player's growth mindset, self-esteem, and achievement, while instilling the important life skills of dedication, sportsmanship, teamwork and respect. We seek to provide a progressive training platform that provides an opportunity for every player and parent/coach to be successful while learning the game of soccer. Our philosophy is to provide each player with the essential soccer skills that will allow players to decide which level of play they would like to take part in during their youth soccer career.

### Fall Registration

- April 8 Early Bird Registration opens, Cost \$ 130.
- June 15 Registration cost increases to \$ 145.
- Aug 29 Registration closes

Late registration, after August 29 will incur a \$20 penalty, increasing the cost to \$165 per player. Register early!

Coach's meeting will be held Friday August 26. All Coach's are required to complete an RMA background check.

All players will be assigned to teams in their birth year, in accordance with USSF mandates.

## News from MicroMod

Spring Season for our MicroMod players included a number of new additions to the program to enhance the experience for our youngest players. The players received matching shorts and socks in addition to their jersey and a soccer ball this Spring! VP of MicroMod, Chris Ybarra, was able to secure competitive pricing from our vendor, which allowed Maple Valley Soccer to make this improvement. As many of you know, we moved from standard single sided jerseys in fall season, to two sided mesh jerseys! Now the players in our foundational program have a coordinated uniform similar to our higher level soccer!

Spring also included a first time event, Easter Eggstravaganza on March 26 at Ravensdale Park. We had not one, but two Easter Bunny's on hand to take pictures! Our sponsor for MicroMod, Proliance Orthopedic Associates was on hand to hand out candy and 'swag bags' filled with service offerings for their clinics. If you are one of the six prize winners from the easter eggs, please be sure to contact [micromodvp@gmail.com](mailto:micromodvp@gmail.com) to collect your prize.

We hope everyone had a wonderful experience and we hope you return soon for fall season! Registration for fall opens in May.



Technical Director Jesse Wheelock (left) and our new President Chris Ybarra (right)





## Resources

Washington Youth Soccer's website offers all sorts of information set to help parents and coaches prepare for the upcoming season.

<http://www.washingtonyouthsoccer.org>

Coaches - Are you looking for educational information? Check out the [usyouthsoccer.org](http://www.usyouthsoccer.org) website! Under the 'Coaches' tab, you can find a blog, educational links, resource center, small-sided games, online education and even videos!

## Registration

April 8 Early Registration opens

Cost \$ 175 per player

June 15 Registration increase to

Cost \$ 200 per player

August 1 Registration closes



## Recreation

The Maple Valley Soccer's Recreation program provides opportunities for players of all skill levels. The goal of the Recreation program is to provide a fun and rewarding atmosphere where boys and girls between the ages of 10 and 18 (U11-U19) can develop soccer skills, foster friendships, stay physically fit and have fun.

In 2016, our program will operate under Washington Youth Soccer's South Sound United League (SSUL). Under the SSUL structure, WYS staff will assume the day-to-day operations of the league under the direction of an advisory committee appointed by its member Associations. Team registration, league schedules, and league documents will be hosted on the Washington Youth Soccer website: [washingtonyouthsoccer.org](http://www.washingtonyouthsoccer.org)

In addition, Maple Valley Soccer has hired a full time Technical Director, Jesse Wheelock, who will be available to our Recreational coaches as a resource. More details on that to come!

Each year after registration is complete, teams of 12 to 18 players are created. Existing players, if they so choose, can return to the team they played on the previous season. New players are allocated to teams using a random process (i.e. no selection or consideration given to skill level). Recreational soccer teams begin practicing in August with games beginning the first Saturday after Labor Day. Tournament play is optional and should be discussed with the VP of Rec. These local events are great team bonding experiences. Recreational soccer teams can elect to play in the State sponsored Recreation Cup tournament held in October and November.

Recreation teams practice twice a week with one game on the weekend during their single fall season. The season is usually 10 to 12 games long. U11 and U12 teams play 9v9 with a maximum roster of 14 players. U13 and older play 11v11 with a maximum 18 player roster. For more information contact the VP of Recreation at:

[MpVSA-VPrecreation@maplevalleysoccer.com](mailto:MpVSA-VPrecreation@maplevalleysoccer.com)

## Maple Valley Premier

The Maple Valley Premier has a mission to enrich the lives of all its members by providing appropriate soccer programs to challenge boys and girls ages 8-18. MVP will guide players through each development stage based on age, ability, desire, and commitment by providing quality coaching for all players in the Club regardless of economic circumstance.



### *What is Premier?*

The Premier soccer environment will be purposeful and fun! The objective is to help each player not only realize their fullest potential as a soccer player and teammate, but also gain valuable life lessons that come with being part of a successful organization. The goal is to reach each player the value of personal fitness, perseverance, team work, and sportsmanship.

MVP training programs are designed to enhance each player personal growth. This will enable our players to prepare for the many challenges that life has to offer. We aim to develop quality soccer players in addition to well-balanced, motivated individuals who are fully equipped to succeed in challenges on and off the pitch.

### *What happens at Tryouts?*

MVP Tryouts are separated by birth year and gender. Every player must tryout for their birth year. Tryouts are set for 2-3 sessions, held on various days and times starting May 3. Premier Coaches evaluate the players as they perform a series of drills. The Coach assigned to the team for next season can observe but will not administer the tryout. Participants should arrive at least 15 minutes early and attend all tryout sessions for their age group. Please inform the Director of Coaching or age group coach if you will miss any scheduled tryout date.

**Pre-registration is required.** Please go to our website for a complete tryout schedule and to register your player for **free** at: [www.maplevalleysoccer.com](http://www.maplevalleysoccer.com). Players selected to a team will be able to view their penny number posted on our website at the end of tryouts. Team formations will be determined by the number of players accepted and the assessment of available talent by the coaching staff during tryouts.

**MVP expects to field at least a Navy (A) and White (B) team for each birth year. Select teams may be formed once the Navy and White teams have been filled.**

## Maple Valley Premier Tryouts start May 3

Registration is open now for our **free** Premier tryouts! May 3 - 20

### Birth Year Age / Price Chart

Birth Year	Under Age	Cost
2008	9	\$ 1450
2007	10	\$ 1500
2006	11	\$ 1600
2005	12	\$ 1600
2004	13	\$ 1850
2003	14	\$ 1850
2002	15	\$ 1850
2001	16	\$ 1750
2000	17	\$ 1750
1999	18	\$ 1750
1998	19	\$ 1750

MVP offers a \$100 discount from the prices listed above for players fully registered within 48 hours of receiving the acceptance email. Details will be included in your acceptance email sent by the registrar after tryouts.

Scholarships are available for players who qualify. Please contact your coach or [registrar@maplevalleysoccer.com](mailto:registrar@maplevalleysoccer.com) for more information.

### Maple Valley Premier Coaching Staff 2016-17

Girls - Marauders			Boys - Rapids		
Team	Title	Staff	Team	Title	Staff
Girls '08 Navy	Head Coach	Liz Spencer	Boys '08 Navy	Head Coach	Janett Meyers
Girls '08 White	Head Coach	Liz Spencer/ Lexi Bolton	Boys '08 White	Head Coach	Janett Meyers/ Brannon Wilson
Girls '07 Navy	Head Coach	Liz Spencer	Boys '07 Navy	Head Coach	Janett Meyers
Girls '07 White	Head Coach	Liz Spencer/ Ron Attaway	Boys '07 White	Head Coach	Janett Meyers/ Brannon Wilson
Girls '06 Navy	Head Coach	Eef Emtman	Boys '06 Navy	Head Coach	Brannon Wilson
Girls '06 White	Head Coach	Blake Moreland	Boys '06 White	Head Coach	TBA
Girls '05 Navy	Head Coach	Boyd Kinney	Boys '05 Navy	Head Coach	Tom Tate
Girls '05 White	Head Coach	Tom Tate	Boys '05 White	Head Coach	Brannon Wilson
Girls '04 Navy	Head Coach	Ron Attaway/ Maddie Gilman	Boys '04 Navy	Head Coach	Boyd Kinney
Girls '04 White	Head Coach	Todd Caldwell	Boys '04 White	Head Coach	Mike Fox
Girls '04 Black	Head Coach	Kurt Audett			
Girls '03 Navy	Head Coach	Ron Attaway	Boys '03 Navy	Head Coach	Scott Serpa
Girls '03 White	Head Coach	Amy Lombard	Boys '03 White	Head Coach	TBA
Girls '02 Navy	Head Coach	Daryl Green	Boys '02 Navy	Head Coach	Tim Aguilar
Girls '02 White	Head Coach	Mile Fox	Boys '02 White	Head Coach	Roger Grant
Girls '01 Navy	Head Coach	Jesse Wheelock	Boys '01 Navy	Head Coach	Dan Keene
Girls '00 Navy	Head Coach	Amy Lombard	Boys '00 Navy	Head Coach	Todd Caldwell
Girls '98/'99 Navy	Head Coach	Shawn Utz	Boys '98/'99 Navy	Head Coach	Shawn Utz
<b>Specialized MVP Training and Program Offerings</b>					
Keeper Training - Shaunte' Smith			"SAT" Training / Technical Director - Jesse Wheelock		
Biography and Coaching resumes are available online at <a href="http://www.maplevalleysoccer.com">www.maplevalleysoccer.com</a>					

#### Maple Valley Premier Season:

- Pre-Season / Tournaments: June - August (all teams)
- Fall Season (All Except HS Girls): September - December
- HS Boys State Cup: January - February
- Spring Season (All Except HS Boys): January - April
- HS Girls Season: January - April
- State Cup (All Except HS Boys): April - May

Coaching assignments are subject to change based on the number of teams formed at tryouts.



### *Gear up with West Coast Goalkeeping*

MpVSA has partnered with West Coast Goal Keeping to provide our keepers with equipment to protect our last line of defense! West Coast Goal Keeping, a local company in Maple Valley, provides product identical to what the Pro Keepers use. Protection gear is designed and worn by 7 MLS Goalkeepers, 12 USL, and 5 NASL! This is the largest Goalkeeping Specific Brand used in Pro Soccer today. Maple Valley Goalkeepers receive a 20% off discount on every purchase!



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### *Volunteers Needed*

Are you looking for a way to contribute to your Association? Maple Valley Soccer has a number of open appointed board member positions. Complete job descriptions can be found on our website, within the Bylaws of Maple Valley Soccer Association. Appointment to the following positions requires approval by the Executive Board and attendance to the monthly general membership meetings. Open positions include:



Assistant Treasurer

Director of MicroMod Fall League

Membership Liaison

Equipment Director

Director of MicroMod Spring League

Select/Premier Committee Member

Fundraising Coordinator

Field Prep/Maintenance Coordinator

Member At Large

### *General Membership Meetings*

Everyone is welcome to attend the general membership meetings. Attending the monthly meetings is the best way to stay up to date on what is happening in your Association! General Membership meetings are held at Fire Station 81 at 22225 SE 231st Street, Maple Valley at 6pm. Check our online calendar to confirm dates and times. Feel free to email the Executive Board ahead of the meeting at: [mpvsaexecutiveboard@maplevalleysoccer.com](mailto:mpvsaexecutiveboard@maplevalleysoccer.com) to ensure you have a time slot to present your thoughts!

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Wednesday April 20, 6pm at Fire Station 81

Friday May 20, 6pm at Fire Station 81

## Events

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### *Maple Valley Soccer Night at the Seattle Sounders - May 21*

The Seattle Sounders have set up a night to celebrate Maple Valley Soccer! Discounted tickets are available for the May 21st game against the Colorado Rapids. This game is selling out fast in the anticipation of watching Tim Howard's return to MLS!



Link: <https://oss.ticketmaster.com/aps/seattlemls/EN/link/promotion/home/bd89cf56ba9a2dcbfb588c5d922a41c584105605>

Code: MV16

Game: Saturday May 21<sup>st</sup> 7:00PM Sounders FC VS Colorado Rapids

Tickets: \$24 In Green Zone(Hawks Nest) Sec 147 149

Groups of 20 or more or need help ordering contact Gary Boyle 206-512-1220 [garyb@soundersfc.com](mailto:garyb@soundersfc.com)

### *Maple Valley Soccer Night at Adidas - June 3*



Adidas, our uniform partner in the Premier program, has invited all Maple Valley Soccer groups to a special event at their location at the Auburn Outlet Collection! All players in MicroMod, Recreation, and Premier are invited to the event! Maple Valley Soccer families will receive special pricing and discounts at the store! Mark your calendar for June 3rd for this special shopping event!

### *Maple Valley Days Parade - June 11*

Calling all players - MicroMod, Recreation and Premier players are welcome to join in walking the Maple Valley Days Parade on June 11. Players should be dressed in their uniform's (jerseys, shorts and socks - no shin guards or cleats). Participants need to arrive by 9am at our route location (to be determined). The parade starts at 10am. The parade starts on Witte Road / 240th Street and will proceed south on Witte Road to the Greater Maple Valley Community Center, finishing at Lake Wilderness Park. Be on the look out for more details from Holly Miner, our Volunteer Coordinator!



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## Fundraising

### Fundraiser - Oliver's Labels

Maple Valley Soccer has partnered with Oliver's Labels to provide a durable solution to label all of your children's stuff! Clothing, shoes, gear, lunch boxes....anything you need to label, Oliver's Label has a solution!

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Phone:  
1-800-398-2060



### Summer Camp Programs

Registration is open now for our Summer Camp Programs! Each camp offers an opportunity to learn, grow, and expand your player's soccer knowledge. Our Summer Camp offering includes the return of Junior Camp for ages 5-7 and Phantom Sports Xcelerate Speed & Agility Camp for all athletes.

New this summer, we introduce DEFT Touch Academy for ages 8-18 and Goalkeeper camp with for ages 9-18.

All revenue generated from our Summer Camp programs fund our scholarship program. Maple Valley Soccer scholarships provide an opportunity for a child to play soccer in any of our programs. If your family needs assistance to participate in these programs, please contact [registrar@maplevalleysoccer.com](mailto:registrar@maplevalleysoccer.com).

Visit our "Camp / Clinics" link for more information or to register. (See the last page for details.)



## Ravensdale Park Foundation

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### *Field Development Update from Scott Serpa, RPF Board Member*

The Ravensdale Park Foundation keeps working to improve the Park. Recently volunteers planted over 400 trees along the perimeter of the Park to help enhance the rural feel of the Park that we are all so very fond of. We have a solution to improve the drainage around the plaza and installation of new railings across the top edge of the plaza to enhance the look and provide safety. The proposed trail around the perimeter of the Park is in the process of being competed, stay tuned for a progress report

You may have noticed the new building that has cropped up the past month between field #3 and #4. This building will be used to provide King County Parks a place to store and maintain equipment vital to keeping the Park pristine. It will also be used for storage and create an opportunity to educate our players and coaches without having to leave the Park. Stay tuned for more updates as they develop.

Lastly, the Foundation has begun work on Phase 3 which is set to develop the area on the south east portion of the property. This will include new lighted turf for the whole area (approx. 140,000 square feet), 2 new baseball diamonds (one big and one small on opposite ends of the area), a championship style soccer field with an enlarged bleacher seating area. The field would be set up to include all the new measurements for small sided games. 150+ spots of additional parking are planned to the south to accommodate Phase 3, along with relieving the pressure on the existing two lots onsite. Check out <http://www.ravensdalepark.org/> for more information on the Park. Donations are welcome!

## Special Thank You

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Maple Valley Soccer would like to thank Coach Bingo Crook for his great contributions to the Club, but more importantly to our players past and present. Bingo is leaving us temporarily to invest time into a business venture, but will still be around periodically to help.

Thank you Bingo for all you have done for Maple Valley Soccer!

*Great Leaders don't set out to be a leader...  
They set out to make a difference.  
It's never about the role - always about the Goal.*

Thank You!  
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## President's Message

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To All Members,

Our annual general meeting was held Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. At this meeting, elections were held for six executive board positions. All incumbents were re-elected for another term except for President. I was elected new President of Maple Valley Soccer Association. It is going to be my honor to serve as President for MpVSA, the community of Maple Valley and its surrounding areas.

I have been involved with Maple Valley Soccer for over five years. I started out as a parent coach for Micro Mod, to a parent of current Premier players, to Team Manager, to VP of Micro Mod and now to President. I grew up playing soccer in Renton, and I am thrilled that my children have grown to love the game as I do. Their involvement has elevated my passion for this beautiful game of soccer, to the point of getting more involved. I want to make a positive impact on this organization and the community of Maple Valley.

We must look to re-establish our vision and culture throughout the Association and all of our programs in order to establish our club as a place where kids love to play soccer. Our mission is to develop not just the player, but the individual. We want every player to develop mental, physical and emotional wellness, discipline, dedication, self confidence, sportsmanship, commitment to teamwork, leadership, citizenship and volunteerism. We want to be the best hometown Association in the state, where everyone has a place to play.

Hopefully you are aware of all the new mandates and positive changes that USSF is making to impact the development of players. The Executive Board team will be working diligently on understanding and communicating all these new mandates to ensure our members understand the net effect to each team.

We cannot do any of this alone. Every board member is a volunteer who is working to make the Association a better place. We are all drawn to serve and add this responsibility to our busy lives in hopes of making a difference. The more you get involved the better off our Association, Club and Community will become. Monitor the website and like our Facebook page on the many ways you can help out.

In closing, on behalf of the Executive Board and Association, I would like to thank Jeff Snyder for all his hard work and dedication over the last five years as President of Maple Valley Soccer.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at [maplevalleysoccerpresident@gmail.com](mailto:maplevalleysoccerpresident@gmail.com).

With Pride,

Chris Ybarra

President, Maple Valley Soccer Association