

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The season is flying by once again! In general, we've had excellent weather and the games have been fun to watch.

From talking with parents we gather that the girls-only divisions are working out nicely – many of the players seem more comfortable, and their skills are improving. We will reduce the age span for the D3g girls to two years as soon as possible, but of course we can only do this if we have enough girls to make a viable division. We haven't yet been able to talk with all parents in these divisions – please be sure to let us know of any concerns you may have.

As usual, we'd like to remind you that this is a recreational league, and the goals are for the players to have fun and to learn the game.

Bill Young has spent several seasons in charge of the grounds, and put in sterling work this summer in making sure that the new areas of the field had the best possible chance of survival. Bill has now decided to retire from that position, and I want to thank him for all his hard work, and to welcome **Gary Edinger**, who has taken on responsibility for grounds maintenance.

As you'll see from the main panel on this page, we'll be holding elections for the Board of Trustees at our Annual Meeting in January. Please take part in the election – we feel we've come a long way recently, and we need a Board with parents who are committed to the aims of our club: teaching our kids the game of soccer and the ideals of sportsmanship.

As you certainly know by now, we are holding our annual raffle again this fall. I know many of you make an effort to sell your books, and I thank you. However, we need *everyone* to make an effort to sell as many as they can. Even with the forthcoming increase, the registration fee does not cover the cost of a player for the season, let alone pay for field maintenance, coaches' education, replacement of equipment, communication and the expansion of programs. Please remember that the club is for your children's benefit, and help us to help them. Thanks to **Lynn and Bob Hoenic**, who have organized the raffle and the team photos.

Good luck, enjoy the remainder of the season, and don't forget to register for the winter Indoor league (see next page)!

Lou Napolitano President
WINTER INDOOR SOCCER

Board Elections '96

As required by our bylaws, there will be a general election for the Pinelanders Board of Trustees at the Annual Meeting, which will be held at **7:30 p.m. on Friday, January 19, 1996 at the Howell Recreation Building, Preventorium Road. Each registered family is entitled to one ballot**, on which they may vote for up to eleven candidates. The eleven candidates with the most votes are elected to the Board.

The terms of all current members of the Board expire as of January 1996. Several members have indicated that they will not seek re-election.

Any adult member of the club may run for election to the Board. If you would like to be more involved in the operation of your club, ***please consider standing for election!***

You can register as a candidate either by leaving your name and a short paragraph (no more than 200 words) in support of your candidacy in the wooden report box at the snack bar, or by mailing the information to the club address (P.O. Box 455, Howell, NJ 07731). Please register by November 11th, so that we can announce candidates at Trophy Night.

The new Board will organize itself following the **Annual Meeting**. If fewer than 11 nominations are received, the Board will appoint the additional members at its convenience.

Please remember to attend the meeting and exercise your right to vote. It's your club, and it should be run by the people of your choice!

rely on your coach to return forms.

If you don't return your forms by Trophy Night, you will have to register at the public walk-in session.

Jem Treadwell

Trophy Night

*Trophy Night will be held on **Saturday, November 18th**, in the **Middle School cafetorium**. Please mark it on your calendar now – your coach will have details of the times for each division nearer the date.*

cap remains at \$50. Raising the fees will allow us to maintain and renew equipment as necessary, to expand our facilities to better cope with the large membership, and to continue to improve the way we communicate with parents.

We hope you agree that, even with this increase, soccer remains outstanding value!

This winter, Pinelanders Soccer Club will sponsor a recreational indoor league in the Howell Middle School gym.

Pinelanders Youth

TRAVELING TEAM NEWS - HOWELL UNITED!

The combined Howell United Traveling Soccer program is proving to be very successful, with all teams doing very well competitively – at the mid-point of the season five of our teams are in first place in their respective divisions!

Traveling Team pictures will be taken at Land o' Pines School on November 15th, between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m.

The snack bar fund-raiser is going very well, netting participating teams in excess of \$200 each for their efforts.

Planning for the Traveling Program indoor tournament is under way. This year, games will be played at both the High School and the Middle School.

Joe Moscato

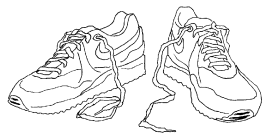
INTRAMURAL REGISTRATION

All families with children in the Intramural program should have received registration forms for Spring '96 with this newsletter. Please be sure to read the accompanying letter before completing your form, and don't forget to bring the forms *and your check* to the registration desk at the field on November 10th/11th, or to Trophy Night. Please don't

REGISTRATION FEES

For the first time in *many* years, registration fees are being increased from \$20 to \$25 for the Spring '96 season. The per-family

This year, we will accept players from this season's **Division 5 (7 & 8 year olds) and older**. We will separate boys and girls if numbers permit. This league is for our **Intramural Program players only** – no Traveling Program players will be accepted. Sign up on Trophy Night.



Registration will be \$5.00 for 8 weeks, beginning after the Christmas vacation, and finishing in early March. All games will be played on Friday nights. The league will be non-competitive, and teams will be formed randomly.

The **adults** will have their own league, which this year **will be limited to Pinelanders club members**. Registration for adults will also be \$5.00, with sign-up at Trophy Night. Teams will be balanced for fun and even competition. We encourage all parents to consider playing.

CAR PARKING

You will have noticed that the Township has resurfaced the parking lot. Once the stones have settled, we hope to get lines painted, which will help to organize parking. However, this will take time - and in the meantime, we continue to have problems because of badly parked cars.

When you arrive at the club, please take care to park courteously and safely. Please try not to block any other car's exit, and make sure that you're not starting a third row, and blocking cars into a middle row.

Extra parking is available across the road - but please take care when crossing, and *don't allow children to cross unsupervised*.

SNACK BAR & VOLUNTEERS

The proceeds from the Snack Bar are an important element in helping with club expenses – thanks for your patronage, and for helping to serve other members while working in the snack bar!

The Bagels were a hit this season – hats off to **Melissa Rocks** for providing this additional treat on Saturday mornings. Interested in other treats? Let the Snack Bar Team know!

We can use more volunteers on all PYSC committees. The current Snack Bar Team includes **Patty Brandli, Sue Messina, Maria Penzimer** and **Melissa Rocks**. We are looking for additional PYSC adult members to help the team with opening/closing, scheduling volunteers, and seasonal purchasing assignments for the next season. If you are willing to provide extra help to PYSC with the Snack Bar, Grounds or Referees, as a Division Commissioner or in any other way, please leave your name and number at the Snack Bar. Thanks!

You will probably have noticed that we now have a cooler in the snack bar, to replace the old fridge. Soda is now being delivered, saving the significant weekly effort of collecting it. Special thanks to **Luzia Froes** for her help in organizing this!
Henry Rocks

SPECTATOR AREAS - PARENTS, PLEASE NOTE:

We are asking for all parents' cooperation in watching your child's game from the proper position on the field.

Field 1: spectators should be on the bleacher side of the field.

Field 2: games should be watched from the fence side, not between fields 1 & 2 - this area is for players and coaches.

Field 3: spectators should watch games from the bleacher side, along the fence line - **not** from between fields 3 & 4 - this area also is for players and coaches.

Field 4: spectators should be behind the goal, near the parking lot:

Field 5: spectators should use the bleachers provided.

You may wonder why we make these rules. Well, we are trying to preserve the fields as much as possible, and keeping spectators to the outside of the fields will prevent undue wear and tear, and allow us to reconfigure the fields as our future needs require without having large bare areas in the middle of the fields.

Your cooperation is most appreciated, and please do not be offended if you are not in the proper location and we ask you (nicely, of course) to move to the correct area. It is for the benefit of all!

Ken Kinelski

CAN YOU HELP?

There are a few construction projects we'd like to get done before the start of next season. These include:

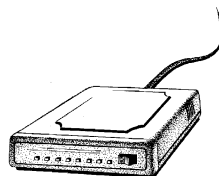
- a large weatherproof bulletin board
- a secure shelter for mailboxes etc.
- some large painted signs



If you can help in any way with any of these, either by helping with construction or by acquiring materials, please contact Lou Napolitano or Jem Treadwell. Thanks!

SURFED THE NET RECENTLY?

A few people responded to my last message about the Internet, and we will use it to make announcements in the near future.



If you have access to the net, and you'd like to receive mail about Pinelanders events, please send me a *very brief* message at jem@tinton.ccur.com. In the message just give an indication of your means of

access – do you dial in from home, or do you have full-time access at work?

Yes, we'd like a web page – but give it some time...!

Jem Treadwell

