

Hartford Youth Football e-newsletter – August 2010 Vol. 2 Issue 6

Hello Parents & Players of Hartford Youth Football! Thanks for your support of our program. Part of our program is maintaining communication with you, both in the off-season as well as during the playing season. We have **important updates to share with you**– if you know someone that does not get this e-mail, please share this information with them. Most of this information is regularly posted to our official website, as well. (www.hartfordyouthfootball.com).

Going forward, this e-newsletter will be published to the website with notification that a new one is available on the home page. It will be linked to the H icon in the upper right hand corner by our Twitter and Facebook icons. There will no longer be a separate e-mail. This will eliminate bad e-mail address issues.

Key Dates

Game Equipment Handout is taking place this week. Please help out if you can on Tuesday and Wednesday. Most teams have split and can now have players get their game equipment. Which leads me to the next important news...

Picture Day

Picture Day will take place next Monday night, August 23, 2010. Picture packets were handed out Monday night, August 16, 2010. All players need to be at Gib Mahr field (where the High School Varsity plays on Friday nights) no later than 5:00 PM. If you wish to drop off your players at their usual spot, that is fine. They will then need to walk over to the field.

2010 Scrimmage Information:

Scrimmage information can now be found on the website on the Schedule and Calendar pages. Please check these as the first scrimmages are this Saturday!

Parent Handbook

Parent handbooks were handed out at the Parent Information Picnic/Varsity Intrasquad Scrimmage this past Saturday. It will be posted online as well. We encourage you to read through this book.

Practice Reminders

Practice fields are behind Hartford High School, up by the equipment shed. Practices are on Saturday mornings from 8:30 - 11:00 AM, and every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday night from 5:00 - 7:00 PM. In August, we will also practice on Wednesday evenings at the same times.

We strongly encourage all players to arrive at practice 15 minutes prior to scheduled times.

Check the online Calendar throughout the season for updates on practices. We practice rain or shine, and it is rare for us to cancel practice. Please check our website regularly for updates.

Hartford Football Current Season Registrations

Most of you have now completed registration for the upcoming season. If you know someone that is interested in playing this year, it is not too late to sign up, regardless of grade level. **We actually take registrations all year. This year, we will have registration forms available at home games so you can sign up for the following season. We take registrations year-round.**

2010 Schedule

The 2010 schedule has been posted to the website, including a printable version. Each grade level practices as one team until the split takes place (to create an Orange and a Black team). Those splits are designed to make sure we have balanced teams at each grade level. Coaching staffs are set for each grade level, and have been added to the website.

Online Communications

Website

The old hyfb.net site was shut down earlier this year. THE official website for our club is www.hartfordyouthfootball.com – please always use this site, and refresh your browser when you go there, as content is changed regularly. Also, 2010 is “Be Part Of The Action” as we encourage kids AND parents to become part of the Hartford Football family and traditions. You saw a tighter relationship with the High School program with our 2009 season - look for more in 2010.

Facebook

Reminder: we continue to post content in the offseason. Pictures and videos are retired at the discretion of the club. The club does monitor comments, and retains the right to remove any postings that are not in the best interests of the club. This is a nice way for sponsors to see your player's club and related activities. We occasionally twitter important information as well.

We hope you continue to enjoy and take advantage of our expanded presence online, and it continues into the new year!

Hartford Youth Football Alumni

We continue to include past players in our distribution of this newsletter. For example, that means the 2009 season 8th grade players' parents continue to get this update. This is important because of the high school camp information you can now find on our website, and usually in this newsletter. We often have updates for high school players as well as youth players (such as camp opportunities and events like the Steak Fry). Please let us know if you do not want to be included, and we will remove you from our list.

Thanks for your support – without the support of parents, we would not be successful!

Reminder – check our official website regularly for updates at www.hartfordyouthfootball.com

Message from the Hartford Youth Football Board Members: Join us for the 2010 Hartford Youth Football season, Parents & Volunteers! Be Part Of The Action!

Go, Hartford Football!

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