



Welcome to Corrales Soccer Club

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We are glad to have your player join our Club. Please take the time to read this and visit our website

www.corralessoccerclub.com

Corrales Soccer Club (CSC) is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing a fun and safe environment for the development of youth soccer players. We register players regardless of playing ability or location. We focus our efforts on providing our members the highest quality soccer experience while keeping fees as low as possible. Our club is run by volunteers whose motivation comes from a love of soccer and a desire to see kids have fun playing the beautiful game! Everyone from the President on down to your team's coach is a volunteer. Each team needs a volunteer coach/assistant coach, a team manager, and a referee.

Your seventy five dollars covers the Fall and Spring season, and pays for League and State dues, field and equipment maintenance, insurance, and other basics to keep the Club running. CSC is part of the Northwest Rio Grande Soccer League (NWRGSL). The League website www.nwrgsl.org has information including match schedules, maps to the fields, weather cancellations, and links to training courses.

The Fall 2009 Season starts September 12, with 8 weeks of games. Teams not playing in pre-season tournaments may start practice on August 29. The Spring 2010 Season will start in February.

Coaches: Courses are offered to help anyone interested in Coaching. The date and times vary and can be found on the NMYSA web site (www.NMYSA.net) under "Coach Education" (click on the eCoaching GO button to see schedule). Tony Bravo is our Director of Coaching and can be reached at anthony.bravo@honeywell.com /228-0861. Coaches pick the day(s) and time of practice.

Team Manager: Team Managers can make or break a team. The team manager is responsible for keeping the team informed of games, practices, snack schedule, end of year party, trophies, etc. These people are the main point of contact for the teams and help free up the coaches to focus on coaching.

Games cannot happen without a certified referee. Information and dates of referee clinics is available at <http://www.nmsra.org/clinics.htm> Referee training and certification require a fee, paid by the individual, but the Club will reimburse after you referee four games for the Club. Certified referees also get paid when they turn in match reports. The Club encourages training youth referees, so consider older siblings, cousins, and neighborhood teens when looking for your team referee. You can contact our Head Referee, Linda Gallegos at jomgallegos@msn.com /450-8786. Please remember during the game, the referee is always right. Arguing with the referee sets a bad sportsmanship example for the players we are here to serve.

Rules. NWRGSL plays FIFA Laws with some rule modifications for small sides (fewer players on the fields). The rule modifications are intended to provide an age appropriate experience for all players. FIFA Rules can be found here <http://www.fifa.com/worldfootball/lawsofthegame.html> . The NWRGSL modifications can be found here <http://www.nwrgsl.org/CorralesSoccerClub/pdf/smallsidednewsletter.pdf> . Please familiarize yourself with the rules. For example, young players at their first match should know that we kick the ball in, and we don't touch the ball in the goal box.

Practice. Each team practices one or two times per week during the Fall and Spring Seasons. Practice days are at the discretion of the coach. If a team plans to practice at a location other than the Corrales Rec Center, the Club President must be notified (for insurance reasons). Parents are encouraged to stay at the practice to observe your player’s progress. Under no circumstance should you leave practice unless you have made prior arrangements with the coach. The following items should be brought to each practice:

Cleats that fit, laces should be tied WELL (knotted if necessary).	Full water bottle	Hair ties if needed
Shin guards – worn COMPLETELY under the socks.	No jewelry of any kind – take it off before warm ups.	Bug spray and sunscreen, if needed
Soccer ball – pumped up. Every player needs their own ball.	Warm clothing (gloves, hats, ear warmer/turtleneck) if needed	Workout clothes (clothing appropriate for running and jumping.

Games. Teams usually play one game a week on Saturday. The game length varies by age group. The youngest age group plays four 12 minute quarters, the oldest, two 45 minute halves, with varying lengths for age groups in between. Game start times vary from 9 AM to 4:30 PM, schedules will be posted to the web www.nwrgsl.org 1-2 weeks before the start of the season. Check the website for changes every week, as schedule changes do occur. Games are played in rain (except when there is lightening) and snow, so be prepared. You should plan on being at the field 30 minutes prior to the start of the game for warm up. Please keep track of your win/loss record so that your team can be “bracketed” correctly in the following season. We want teams of the same caliber to play each other to provide fun and competitive matches.

- Halftime is signaled by the referee blowing the whistle twice and pointing with both arms straight at the middle of the field. Coaches will use this time to encourage players, and talk to them about what to work on. Halftime is also usually accompanied by light nourishment (fruit slices). The team manager will create a snack schedule so that everyone knows when it is their turn to bring halftime and end of the game snacks. Along with snacks, you should bring wipes for sticky hands, and a trash bag to pick everything up.
- End of the game is signaled by the referee blowing the whistle three times, and pointing with both hands toward the middle of the field. The kids and coaches should line up in the middle of the field on the mid-line and walk toward each other and congratulate each other for a good game. While the kids are lining up, spectators also line up on the mid-line facing each other with palms touching above their heads to form a tunnel. The players run through and spectators shout encouragement (“Good Game”) to every player. Following this will be your player’s favorite part of the game: Snack Time!
- At the end of each game, the players are treated to some type of snack (Rice Crispy Treats, chips, cupcakes, cookies, etc) and a drink (juicebox, sport drink). The players love this, and will snack away, re-live the moments of the game, and make plans to spend the afternoon with each other. If your child has food allergies, let the team manager know, so that appropriate arrangements can be made. The Team Manager provides the schedule for whose snack turn it is. Some teams make the snack provider the “team captain”, which players also look forward to.

The following things are needed for the game. For the players:

Cleats that fit, laces should be tied WELL (knotted if necessary).	Full water bottle or sport drink	Hair ties, Bug spray, and sunscreen, if needed
Shin guards – worn COMPLETELY under the socks.	No jewelry of any kind – take it off before warm ups.	Uniform shirt tucked in
Soccer ball for warm up drills – pumped up. Every player needs their own ball.	Warm clothing if needed. Long sleeves should be worn under the jersey.	White shirt for alternate uniform, if playing another Corrales team.

For the Supporters:

Full water bottle or sport drink (bring enough for the family, cheering makes you thirsty)	Bug spray, and sunscreen, warm clothing if needed – It is New Mexico – Be Prepared!
Umbrella or some other form of shade.	Chairs/Blanket (sometimes the grass is wet)

Sportsmanship. We encourage parents to support the players, all of the players, even the other teams. Good play is good play, and should be appreciated. This should be a fun experience for EVERYONE. Parents should set a good example of sportsmanship for young players. Winning isn't ultimately important, but having fun, learning, and making our best effort are. Please refrain from fighting or arguing with anyone at the fields. The Referee is always right...even when they miss a call...Arguing will get the coach ejected from the game, and likely result in a forfeiture of the game. Disciplinary action will result, up to removal from the League.

Tournament. There are many opportunities to compete in tournaments. These are outside the normal season, and involve an additional fee. If you participate in a tournament, you can expect to play three or four games spread out over the course of a weekend. Check www.nwrgsl.org for scheduled tournaments.

Corrales Soccer Club is hosting the 2010 Spring Open. There are many opportunities for Planning, Field Marshals, Referee Coordination, Check-In Crew, and Others. Please contact Club President Carlos Carpio at carlos.carpio@comcast.net/227-6555 if you are interested.

Upcoming Classes – Current as of August 19, 2009 – check the listed websites for updates

Referee Clinics – On-line registration link at <http://www.nmsra.org/clinics.htm>

Grade 9 (Recreational Referee) Clinic

August 30, 2009

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Eldorado High School Cafeteria

11300 Montgomery Blvd NE

Albuquerque

Lead Instructor: TBA

Class size is limited: On-line pre-registration REQUIRED

Fees: \$25 for Clinic / \$45 for Certification

This clinic satisfies the certification requirements for new grade 9 referees. Recertification of existing referees is not possible at this clinic. Completion of clinic results in certification as a grade 9 for the remainder of 2009 and all of 2010.

Most referees in Corrales need a Grade 9 certification, which allows you to referee up to U14 recreational games.

Other clinics are available, check the website at <http://www.nmsra.org/clinics.htm>

Corrales Soccer Club will reimburse fees after you have refereed 4 games for the club.

Contact Head Referee Linda Gallegos jomgallegos@msn.com/450-8786 if you have any questions.

Coaching Education – Register at <http://ssl.hammersoccer.com/NewMexico/Coaching/coachcourses.asp>

Coaching Clinic Type: U6/U8 Youth Module 1

Dates: 9/13/2009

Times: 10:00 am

Location: Albuquerque, NM

Location Address: TBD

Clinician: Andrew Duvall -

duvall.futbol@gmail.com

Course Information: This is a 6 hour course, 3 hours on the field and 3 hours in the classroom.

Member Cost: Free

Coaching Clinic Type: U10/U12 Youth Module 2

Dates: 9/20/2009

Times: 10:00 am

Location: Albuquerque, NM

Location Address: Details TBD

Clinician: Andrew Duvall - duvall.futbol@gmail.com

Course Information: This is a 6 hour course, 3 hours on the field and 3 hours in the classroom.

Member Cost: Free

Coaching Clinic Type: E Certificate

Dates: 8/21/2009-8/23/2009

Times: 6:00 pm

Location: Albuquerque, NM

Location Address: TBD

Clinician: Joshua Groves - Coach@nmysa.net

Course Information: This is an 18 hours course that combines field and classroom activities. For detailed schedule please see additional information below. This course requires a \$30 refundable deposit to register.

Member Cost: Free

U6/U8 Youth Module 1 and U10/U12 Youth Module 2 are age specific and designed for the recreational coach.

E Certificate is an entry level course for all competitive coaches.

Other clinics are available, check the website at <http://www.nmysa.net/LeftNav/programs/coached.htm>

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