# SDA NEWSLETTER

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\*575+ Players \*31 Teams \*35 Staff Members ...and Growing!









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### SDA Selected 1 of only 67 Clubs Across the Nation to the National Academy League



SDA is PROUD to have been chosen as 1 one of ONLY 67 clubs across the nation to compete in the NAL!

Your dedication and hard work has made this possible. With selection to this premier platform, our male athletes will continue to enhance their soccer development and college recruiting exposure with even greater access to the most prestigious showcase events and top-tier competition across the country.

Our move to the NAL will foster greater team cohesion, strategic thinking, tactical awareness and sportsmanship. In our continued efforts and mission to elevate youth soccer across central New York, we are excited at what the future holds for our male athletes!



### GA Rising Northeast Conference



As an extension of SDA's entry this year into the Girls Academy League, we are pleased to announce our membership into the newly formed GA Rising Northeast Conference.

This exciting opportunity will kick off immediately in time for the 2023-24 Season!

Jim Baranello, SDA and GA Executive Director shares, "The Girls Academy's unveiling of this new pilot program will provide participating clubs in the Northeast GA Conference a dynamic and integrated development pathway. As a natural extension of the Girls Academy, the GA Rising Northeast Conference will better streamline our girls' programming far into the future."









SDA pride is BURSTING BRIGHT with players from our 2009-, 2008-, 2007and 2006 Girls Academy teams selected to attend the invitation-only GA 2023 Talent ID Showcase.

SDA players embraced the opportunity to play and train with their peers at the highest level on fields lined with college coaches. SDA Coach Janine Bennett shares, "The Talent ID offers our girls the chance to train with our region's top players. What a pleasure to work other clubs and for our girls to compete with the best of the best."

Jim Baranello, SDA and GA Executive Director, shares, "The Girls Academy's Talent Identification Program is yet another example of its 'For the Players' commitment. This program offers SDA players the opportunity to showcase their ability and play with some of the best from the Northeast Conference."

Amber Clarke Alexis Fragnito Madison Truax

# Spotted! ALL 24 of our 2005 U19 SDA GA Players Committed to Play College Ball! Can You Find Them?!







# Congrats to Coach Brian McGrane and our 2005 U19 SDA GA Team... Ranked 7th in the NATION in the Girls Academy!



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#### **TEAM SPOTLIGHTS**

The annual Griffin's
Guardian's PK Shoot
Out provides financial
assistance to families
battling childhood
cancer.

SDA pride beams bright with so many of our teams and players supporting such a worthy cause.

\*SDA 2013 Boys placed 1st in their division

\*SDA 2011 Boys placed 2nd in their division

\*SDA 2012 Orange Boys placed 3rd in their division











#### **TEAM SPOTLIGHTS**

Our 2013 Girls represented the blue and orange well with FOUR teams in the Griffins Guardians Shoot Out.

Our SDA 2012 Girls
entered THREE
teams at the Griffins
Guardians event,
and all made it to
the final.

Well done!











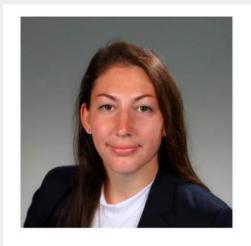


## Where Are They Now... Med Cantale Heime



Mackenzie Hanna's background, drive and success continue to impress. At the age of 23, she has established herself as a skilled goalkeeper and dedicated coach. Mackenzie's soccer journey kicked off in 2014 with SDA while her skills continued to progress as a member of the Charles W Baker High School soccer team in Baldwinsville, NY. A 2021 graduate of

Binghamton University,
Mackenzie was a four year
member of the Bearcats
Women's Team while
earning a Bachelor's
degree in Integrative
Neuroscience.
Mackenzie's passion for
the sport then led her to
Fairleigh Dickinson
University, where she
served as a Graduate
Assistant Coach for the
Women's Soccer team for
the 2021-2023 seasons.



Mackenzie's coaching career shines with her team's success, winning the North **East Conference** Tournament and making it to the first round of the 2022-23 NCAA tournament. showcasing her ability to excel as a player, mentor and coach to aspiring athletes. Mackenzie has embraced the opportunity to grow further, working this year with Modern **Goalkeeper Training** Systems as a Goalkeeping Director/Coach, collaborating with top-tier goalkeeper coaches. And, Mackenzie recently graduated from Fairleigh Dickinson University with a Masters's degree in Sport

Management.





In her own words, Mackenzie shares, "Growing up with SDA, the support and faith I had from my coaches kindled my passion and understanding for the game. Soccer provided an outlet and SDA gave me the tools and direction to be the best version of myself, learning lessons I value still today." Mackenzie will continue to utilize her expertise in her new role as the Marist College Women's Soccer Team Assistant Coach. Best of luck to Mackenzie as she continues to inspire and guide the next generation of athletes.

## Where Are They Now... Simon Hoke





Simon Hoke has played soccer for most of his life. His journey is largely rooted in his many years with SDA. Throughout his high school years at Manlius Pebble Hill, he continued to excel on the pitch. This twenty year old **Hamilton College** student's dedication to the game remains strong as ever as a midfielder with the men's soccer team. Simon advises our soccer youth, "if you want to get better, work as hard as you can to get there. Ask your coaches how and what you can do to get better, watch film of your games to learn and grow, and play as much pickup soccer as possible."

With senior year inching nearer, Simon is looking ahead to a potential career in marketing. However, as soccer remains an integral part of his core, Simon's thirst for coaching continues to grow, wanting to share his knowledge and passion for the game with aspiring athletes. Simon Hoke exemplifies the qualities of a well-rounded studentathlete and we cannot wait to see what the future holds for this fine young man!





### SDA Player Identification Sessions

2023-2024



#### **2010 GIRLS (GA)**

July 2nd & 9th: 3:15-4:30pm Solvay High School 600 Gertrude Ave. Solvay NY (turf)

#### **2009 GIRLS (GA)**

July 2nd & 9th: 10:15-11:30am Solvay High School 600 Gertrude Ave. Solvay NY (turf)

#### **2008 GIRLS (GA)**

July 2nd & 9th: 11:30-12:45pm Solvay High School 600 Gertrude Ave. Solvay NY (turf)

#### **2016-15 GIRLS (PRE GA)**

June 20th & 27th: 6-7pm SDA Center 7250 State Fair Blvd. Syracuse

#### **2007 GIRLS (GA)**

July 2nd & 9th: 12:45-2pm

Solvay High School 600 Gertrude Ave. Solvay NY (turf)

#### 2014 GIRLS (PREGA)

June 14th & 21st: 6:20-7:40pm CNYFSC 7201 Jones Road, Syracuse: Field #2

#### **2006-05 GIRLS (GA)**

July 2nd & 9th: 2-3:15pm

Solvay High School 600 Gertrude Ave. Solvay NY (turf)

#### 2013 GIRLS (PREGA)

June 19th & 26th: 5-6:20pm CNYFSC 7201 Jones Road, Syracuse: Field #2

#### 2012 GIRLS (PRE GA)

June 19th & 26th: 5-6:20pm CNYFSC 7201 Jones Road, Syracuse: Field #1

#### **2011 GIRLS (GA)**

July 2nd & 9th: 9-10:15am Solvay High School 600 Gertrude Ave. Solvay NY (turf)









### SDA Player Identification Sessions

2023-2024

**2010 BOYS** 

June 22nd & 29th: 5-6:20pm CNYFSC 7201 Jones Road, Syracuse: Field #2

**2016/17 BOYS**June 20th & 27th: 5-6pm

SDA Training Center 7250 State Fair, Blvd, Syracuse

**2009 BOYS** 

July 1st & 8th: 9-10:15am

**2015 BOYS** 

June 20th & 27th: 5-6:20pm CNYFSC 7201 Jones Road, Syracuse: Field #2

**2008 BOYS** 

July 1st & 8th: 10:30--11:45am

**2014 BOYS** 

June 20th & 27th: 5-6:20pm CNYFSC 7201 Jones Road, Syracuse: Field #2 **2007** BOYS

July 1st & 8th: 12--1:15pm

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