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2006 Syracuse Development Boys Soccer Team Takes Top Spot in Penn Fusion Winter Showcase

The 2006 Syracuse Development Boys Soccer Team competed in the Penn Fusion Winter Showcase last weekend. The team came in first place in their bracket, showcasing their exceptional skills and teamwork.

The Penn Fusion Winter Showcase is a highly competitive tournament that attracts top youth soccer teams from across the country. The 2006 Syracuse Development Boys Soccer Team demonstrated their strength and resilience in the tournament, winning all their games and securing their spot at the top of the leaderboard.

This group of young athletes have worked tirelessly to prepare for this tournament, and their hard work has paid off. "Our side played very well considering this was their first actual match in months," said Coach Eric Bonnier. "We kind of absorbed the pressure from our 1st two opponents, and finished chances when they were presented."

The 2006 Syracuse Development Boys Soccer Team's success at the Penn Fusion Winter Showcase is a testament to their dedication and skill. Their victory is a significant accomplishment and a source of pride for the entire Syracuse community.



COACHES SPOTLIGHT

Caroline Kopp

Caroline Kopp has been making waves in the soccer world. Not only is she the coach of the 2008 SDA Girls Gray Team, but she is also the assistant soccer coach at Utica University. Kopp's expertise and experience in soccer have been valuable to both teams.

Kopp has a rich history in soccer. She grew up playing for the SDA club and played college at the University at Albany, where she received four-time all-region honors from NSCAA/United Soccer Coaches. Kopp was the first player in program history to receive all-region awards and was named the defensive player of the year twice. She holds the program record for assists in a season and career with four goals and 27 assists.

In addition to her successful collegiate career, Kopp played in the UWS with the Rochester Lancers in 2018 and 2022 and with SDA in 2019 and 2021. Currently, she plays with Krajisnik in the UPSL.

Kopp's extensive experience and success in soccer makes her a valuable asset to the 2008 Girls Gray Team and the Utica University soccer team.

Her knowledge and expertise have helped to shape and develop young soccer players and guide them to success on and off the field.



PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

Anna Rayhill

Anna Rayhill, a standout center forward for the 2005 SDA Girls Team and New Hartford High School, has committed to play soccer at Harvard University.

Rayhill has been an exceptional player on the field, earning numerous accolades including All-state First Team, All-CNY, and being selected for the High School All-American game this past year. Her talent and dedication have also been recognized by the United Soccer Coaches Association, where she was named an All-American player.

Rayhill's favorite soccer moment to date was travelling to Tampa for a soccer showcase last year. She is excited for the upcoming club season this spring and hopes to lead her team to a division win in the Girls Academy.

"I am beyond excited for this opportunity to play soccer at such a prestigious university," said Rayhill. "I am grateful for the support of my coaches, teammates, and family who have helped me get to where I am today."

Rayhill's commitment to excellence on and off the field has not gone unnoticed, and we congratulate her on this impressive accomplishment.



PLAYER SPOTLIGHT

Antonio Wilson

Antonio Wilson, a talented soccer player, is making headlines with his impressive performances on the SDA 06 boys team. Antonio, who plays for Liverpool Highschool, has been an integral part of the SDA team's recent success, leading them to victory in the PA Classics Tournament. With 11 goals and 9 assists under his belt, Antonio is currently the leading scorer on his team.

A section 3, two time, CNY First-Team player, Antonio has a 4.0 GPA and is a State Cup champion. He attributes his success to his hard work and dedication to the game. Antonio's favorite soccer moment was when his team celebrated by knee sliding in the corner after his best friend scored a last-minute free-kick goal to put them in the state cup final.

Antonio stated, "Playing at SDA has made me change my mindset on my development and truly take the game seriously." He believes that hard work and determination are the keys to success, stating, "Never settle! There is always going to be someone out there working harder than you, and it's your job to outwork them. If you stay ready, you won't have to get ready."

Antonio is proud to play for the SDA badge and is determined to continue working hard and achieving success both on and off the field.



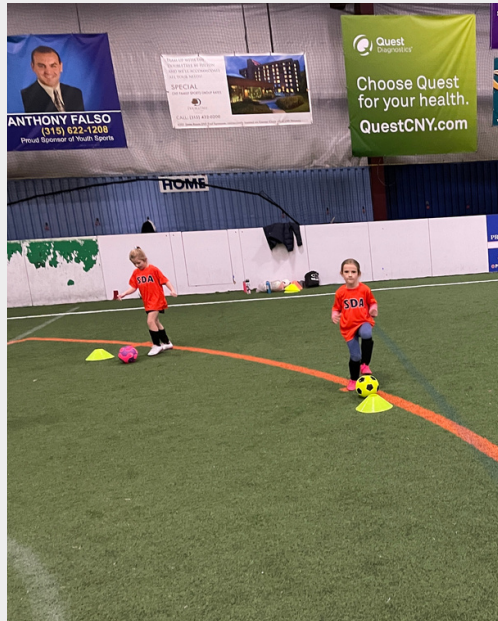
TEAM SPOTLIGHT

The 2015/2016 Girls Syracuse Development Soccer Team is making waves with their commitment to working hard and having fun in every practice. This group of young athletes has shown up to every practice with enthusiasm and dedication, and it's paying off on the field.

The team, which is part of the SDA Club soccer program, is focused on developing young players into skilled athletes. With a mix of rigorous training and fun drills, the team is fostering a love of the game in its members. "These 2015/2016 girls bring a ton of energy and heart to every training" says Coach Brian. "They recently started playing 7v7 games in a coed division."

"We are so excited to be a part of the SDA community!" Says Coach, Nikki Murphy. "Everyone has been so kind and welcoming and the girls are so happy to be playing together wearing their SDA - "S"uper "D"uper "A"wesome orange. The girls have built so many great friendships and look forward to a soccer filled future. The smiles, amusement, relationships, and hard work have already been enjoyable to be a part."

The youth girls team is just one example of the SDA Club's commitment to developing young soccer players. With a focus on skill-building, teamwork, and sportsmanship, the club is creating a generation of athletes who are passionate about the game and committed to their own growth.





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