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The New Orleans Jesters are proud to present their ***Youth Soccer Programs for 2010***. These camps, clinics and training sessions are designed to provide children ages 4–14 with an opportunity to receive professional soccer instruction on the fundamentals and nuances of the beautiful game. This exclusive educational experience allows camp participants to receive personalized instruction from the coaches and players of New Orleans Jesters.





## NEW ORLEANS JESTERS

The New Orleans Jesters are the area's minor league soccer team and top level franchise. As part of the United Soccer Leagues' PDL, elite players are provided the opportunity to develop in professional environments while awaiting their chance to move on to top professional teams in the US and across the world. In 2010, the New Orleans team will be an extraordinary blend of high-level American soccer with international flare, featuring players from the US, Great Britain, Brazil, Honduras, Ireland, Costa Rica and a variety of other countries. Home games are played at Pan American Stadium in City Park.

The New Orleans Jesters soccer team was established in 2009 by Samson, LLC. The team intends to raise the level of soccer in the Greater New Orleans area, to offer the community affordable family-friendly entertainment and to provide children with the opportunity to receive soccer instruction through camps, clinics and training sessions.





## PROGRAM BENEFITS

Jesters Soccer Programs provide young players with the rare opportunity to receive high-level soccer coaching from a team of national/international experts right in the heart of their own community. Each Jesters camp provides players of all ages and abilities the appropriate program and level of curriculum. It is also a wonderful cultural and educational experience! Benefits related to the Jesters Programs include the following:

- ◆ Personal interaction with members of the New Orleans Jesters
- ◆ Personal interaction with players from across the world with a variety of cultural experiences
- ◆ Small group coaching sessions
- ◆ Developmentally appropriate instruction
- ◆ Age-appropriate activities
- ◆ CPR/First Aid trained staff
- ◆ Licensed and Insured
- ◆ Participation donation back to the youth club
- ◆ Local ownership/management focused on improving the community and the level of soccer for the next generation





# JESTERS CAMPS

The New Orleans Jesters will host a variety of 5-day soccer camps across the New Orleans area. Campers from various clubs, schools and locations are welcome at any camp. The camps are designed to be a fun learning experience that gives youth players a taste of the professional training experience. Each day includes individual foot skills, technical drills, tactical practices, small-sided games and coached scrimmages. Equally important, the Jesters coaching staff provides your child with lessons in self-discipline, good sportsmanship and respect for others and for the game. Campers will enjoy a daily program of camp activities and an end of camp awards ceremony!

All Jesters campers will receive:

- ◆ Jesters T-Shirt
- ◆ Jesters Game Ticket
- ◆ Jesters Kids Court Membership
- ◆ Chances to win special Jesters Prizes





# CAMP PERSONNEL

## Al Silvas

### **Jesters Assistant Coach/Camp Director**

Coach Silvas has been named Assistant Coach of the New Orleans Jesters for the second year. He previously served as the Goalkeeper Coach of the New Orleans Shell Shockers for six seasons. This season, he will also serve as the Jesters' Camp Director. A native of New Orleans, Silvas graduated from UNO with a B.S. in Business Administration. He has his USSF "A" National License, USSF National Youth License, NSCAA Advanced National Diploma and NSCAA Goalkeeper Diploma Level I. Silvas serves as the assistant director for Chicago Fire Juniors Soccer Club, the Head Coach for St. Mary's Dominican High School and a Louisiana State ODP Staff Coach. He is First Aid and CPR certified.

## Stephen Magennis

### **Jesters Assistant GM**

Magennis has been named Assistant GM for the 2010 season. A recent graduate of Lander University in Exercise Science, he also holds an Associate of Arts Degree from Darton College. Magennis was a member of Lander's soccer team and played for the team during one of its most successful years. His collegiate highlight was helping the team to win the Peach Belt Tournament, by converting the fifth goal and winning penalty kick. Magennis holds a USSF "C" License and has a wealth of experience in coaching, both in the US and Ireland. He coached Westover High School (Albany, GA) to win the region championships in 2006 and spent a summer coaching in the Ralph Lundy Soccer Academies. Magennis coached at the college level as an assistant for Lander University in 2009. Most recently, he filled the position of Head Coach of the Toro's U17 Boys soccer team. Magennis is native of Dublin, Ireland and CPR certified.

## Jesters Players

### **Jesters Camp Coaches**

A variety of Jesters Players will serve as camp coaches throughout the summer. Specific biographies will be available shortly on the Jesters website.





# CAMP CHOICES

## MINI JESTERS CAMP

Half Day Camp ♦ 5 Days (9AM-Noon) ♦ Ages 4 - 14

Emphasis is placed on individual skill development and on mastery of core techniques through individual drills, small group practices and coached games.

## JESTERS CAMP

Full Day Camp ♦ 5 Days (9AM-3:30PM) ♦ Ages 8 - 14

A more advanced camp, focusing on game-related techniques, tactical development and coached match play. This program begins with the skill development of the half day camp and then challenges the players skills in tactical situations, game related scenerios and competitive scrimmages.





# CAMP SCHEDULE

|          | MONDAY              | TUESDAY             | WEDNESDAY           | THURSDAY            | FRIDAY                |
|----------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 8:30 AM  | Arrival             | Arrival             | Arrival             | Arrival             | Arrival               |
| 9:00 AM  | Warm-Up             | Warm-Up             | Warm-Up             | Warm-Up             | Warm-Up               |
| 9:25 AM  | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break           |
| 9:30 AM  | Dribbling Games     | Dribbling Games     | Dribbling Games     | Dribbling Games     | Dribbling Contest     |
| 9:55 AM  | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break           |
| 10:00 AM | Technical Session 1 | Technical Session 1 | Technical Session 1 | Technical Session 1 | Session I (World Cup) |
| 10:25 AM | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break           |
| 10:30 AM | Technical Session 2 | Technical Session 2 | Technical Session 2 | Technical Session 2 | Session II (Gauntlet) |
| 10:55 AM | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break           |
| 11:00 AM | Technical Session 3 | Technical Session 3 | Technical Session 3 | Technical Session 3 | Coaches v Campers     |
| 11:25 AM | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break           |
| 11:30 AM | Small-Sided Game    | Small-Sided Game    | Small-Sided Game    | Small-Sided Game    | Awards Ceremony       |
| 12:00 PM | Lunch/Half Pick-Up  | Lunch/Half Pick-Up  | Lunch/Half Pick-Up  | Lunch/Half Pick-Up  | Lunch/Half Pick-Up    |
| 1:00 PM  | Warm-Up             | Warm-Up             | Warm-Up             | Warm-Up             | Warm-Up               |
| 1:15 PM  | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break           |
| 1:20 PM  | Tactical Session    | Tactical Session    | Tactical Session    | Tactical Session    | Tactical Session      |
| 1:35 PM  | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break           |
| 1:40 PM  | Tactical Session    | Tactical Session    | Tactical Session    | Tactical Session    | Indoor Tournament     |
| 1:55 PM  | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break         | Water Break           |
| 2:00 PM  | Indoor Session      | Indoor Session      | Indoor Session      | Indoor Session      | Indoor Tournament     |
| 3:30 PM  | End Camp/Pick-Up    | End Camp/Pick-Up    | End Camp/Pick-Up    | End Camp/Pick-Up    | End Camp/Pick-Up      |

**Technical Sessions:** Dribbling, Passing/Receiving, Heading, Finishing, 1v1 Attacking, 1v1 Defending, Crossing/Finishing, Possession, Goalkeeping

**Tactical Sessions:** 2v1 Goal, 2v2 Defending, Zonal Defending (2v2 and 4v4), 3v2 to Goal







# CAMP QUESTIONS

## **Q. What do I bring?**

Campers should bring a soccer ball, a large water bottle, sun screen (if outdoors), a change of clothes, a snack and lunch (if full day). Water and ice will be provided throughout the day.

## **Q. What do I wear?**

Campers should wear comfortable, yet suitable, athletic wear consisting of shorts, t-shirt and soccer shoes.

## **Q. How many children will work with one coach?**

Our ratio is one coach to every 8-10 players. However, on occasions this may be higher.

## **Q. Who are the coaches?**

Camp coaches are members of the New Orleans Jesters team and coaching staff. The Jesters Soccer Programs are the only opportunity for local youth to receive instruction from professional-level players from the USA and across the World, who are playing in New Orleans.

## **Q. What are the rules?**

Campers must abide by the rules and regulations set by the New Orleans Jesters and/or the rules of the facility at which the program is being held. Any serious violations, damages to property, or other behavior deemed detrimental to the group will result in immediate dismissal. There will be no refund of fees upon expulsion or voluntary withdrawal from the program.

## **Q. What if there is a weather issue?**

If the host site has an indoor facility, camp will be held inside during inclement weather. If there is no indoor space available, camp may be cancelled and/or postponed. Parents will be contacted upon cancellation of the camp and the cancellation will also be posted on the Jesters website, Facebook and Twitter pages. Full-day cancellations will be rescheduled at a mutually agreed upon date.





# CAMP QUESTIONS

## **Q. What is the difference between a Jesters Soccer Camp and any other kind of camp?**

The New Orleans Jesters Soccer Camp is staffed exclusively by members of the Jesters team and coaching staff who are selected and trained specifically to give your child the best possible camp experience. The program has been created to maximize your child's contact with the ball and to provide the best opportunity to learn. In addition to some serious coaching, we weave in just the right amount of fun to make this a memorable week for your soccer player! After attending a Jesters program, campers can attend a Jesters game and see their camp coaches/Jesters players in action, showcasing the skills that were taught during camp.

## **Q. What kind of things will my child learn at camp?**

The camp will provide your child with a wide variety of individual and small group activities which will help them develop soccer fundamentals including: dribbling, receiving, passing and shooting. The sessions are coached in a positive and enthusiastic way, and feature lots of fun games and competitions that the kids love!

## **Q. My children are only going to camp for a half day and are different ages—will they learn the same things?**

Players are grouped by age and skill level for the best camp experience. The novice, intermediate and advanced camper will focus on the same components of the game. However, the degree of difficulty will change with the level of player.

## **Q. I am the coach of a team. Can you do something special for my players?**

Definitely, we can create a camp schedule specifically designed for your team. We ask for advance registration and at least 12 players for an 8v8 team or 15 players for an 11v11 team. At the end of the camp we will give you a team analysis; which will include strengths and weaknesses of your team.





# CAMP QUESTIONS

## Q. If I cancel, do I lose my registration fee?

No, you will only lose the non-refundable deposit of \$30, as long as you cancel at least 7 days prior to camp. If you cancel within 7 days of camp, you will forfeit the entire camp fee.

## Q. Do you offer child care before or after camp?

Yes, before camp child care will begin at 8:30AM and after camp will be available until 4PM. This service must be noted on the registration form. An extra fee will be assessed per player, per day.

## Q. Can parents and coaches come to watch camp sessions?

All sessions are open to family and coaches, and we encourage their visits at any time during the camp. Many coaches, parents, siblings and relatives typically visit camp to watch the popular coaches vs. campers' game on the last day around 11:30AM. Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs and camera's – we'd love to show you what a typical day at Jester Camp is like!

## Q. How do you market the camps?

The Jesters prefer to market their camps in conjunction with the host club/organization. With assistance of the host club, the Jesters will forward camp information to the membership via mail, email and calls. The Jesters will provide camp brochures to the host club for their own use, as well as provide camp information on the team's website, Facebook, Twitter and weekly email newsletter.

## Q. What is the fee schedule for camps?

The fee schedule for outdoor camps is \$100 for Mini Jesters Camp (half day) and \$150 for Jesters Camp (full day).

## Q. What is the donation back to the youth club/host organization?

The Jesters provide a donation of \$10 per camper back to the host club/organization.





## CAMP TESTIMONIALS

“I can not thank you enough for the fabulous gentlemen you sent to conduct the Pearl River soccer camp. (They) are not only knowledgeable, but very personable and absolutely wonderful with the kids...We all left the fields very excited about tomorrow’s camp! Again, thank you so very much for sending these spectacular players as coaches for the camp.” -Christy Armand (President, PRYSA)

“I just wanted you to know how wonderful your team members were with our campers today! They came and worked with our kids-half of whom are special needs kids-and they were so patient, so energetic and so genuine with the kids!” -Yvette Netzhammer (Green Park Elementary)

“All the kids enjoyed the camp. Ya’ll had a successful season that was enjoyable to watch. The kids had fun in the stands and the style of play that the Jesters’ played was good to see.” -Tim Donnelly (Slidell Youth Soccer Club)



***“The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is the EXTRA!”***

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## 2010 JESTERS SCHEDULE

| DATE              | OPPONENT                 | KICK-OFF |
|-------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| Tuesday, May 11   | @ Mississippi Brilla     | 7:00 PM  |
| Saturday, May 15  | v. Bradenton Academics   | 7:00 PM  |
| Saturday, May 22  | v. Panama City Pirates   | 7:00 PM  |
| Friday, May 28    | @ Baton Rouge Capitals   | 7:00 PM  |
| Thursday, June 3  | @ Bradenton Academics    | 4:30 PM  |
| Saturday, June 5  | @ Fort Lauderdale        | 5:00 PM  |
| Thursday, June 10 | @ Atlanta Blackhawks     | 6:30 PM  |
| Friday, June 11   | @ Nashville Metros       | TBD      |
| Friday, June 18   | v. Baton Rouge Capitals  | 7:00 PM  |
| Sunday, June 20   | @ Baton Rouge Capitals   | 7:00 PM  |
| Thursday, June 24 | v. Nashville Metros      | 7:00 PM  |
| Saturday, July 3  | v. Mississippi Brilla    | 7:00 PM  |
| Friday, July 9    | v. Atlanta Blackhawks    | 7:00 PM  |
| Tuesday, July 13  | @ Panama City Pirates    | 5:00 PM  |
| Saturday, July 17 | v. Mississippi Brilla    | 7:00 PM  |
| Saturday, July 24 | v. Central Florida Kraze | 7:00 PM  |

