

WSC Handbook

2020-2021





Non-Profit Organization

The Walterboro Soccer Club is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. Donations to the club are tax deductible. All families who purchase registration for their children, are part of an ever growing club membership. We encourage you to get involved in the mission to bring quality soccer to Colleton and the surrounding counties.

Club Mission

The mission of the Walterboro Soccer Club is to develop quality soccer players through development of quality coaches. We strive to provide a top-level environment both recreationally and competitively.

Educational Goals

- Teach a high level of soccer skills and tactics.
- Encourage each player to fulfill his/her own potential.
- Foster a club atmosphere in which the good of the whole club is valued as well as the needs of the individual.
- Offer the opportunity for girls/boys to experience the sense of pride and accomplishment that comes from team work and dedication.
- Foster the development of physical, mental, social, and emotional fitness.
- Have as much fun as possible in the process.

2020 Leadership

ELECTED OFFICERS:

President – Larry Wiggins
Vice President – Brianne Gallagher
Treasurer – Stacie Magas
Secretary – Shelby Padgett
Registrar – Angela Stallings

APPOINTED LEADERSHIP:

Past President – Chad Bishop
Director of Coaches - Frank Prentiss
CDL Director - Victoria Gates
Fundraising Coordinator - Lacy Pulis
Assistant Registrar – Shelby Padgett
Facilities Coordinator - Ralph Walton
Volunteer Coordinator - Alex Hornyack
Academy & Select Director – **(Vacant)**
Media Coordinator – **(Vacant)**

All leadership makes every effort to be present at scheduled board meetings.



Leadership Descriptions

President – The president of the Walterboro Soccer Club is responsible for leading the monthly board meetings, vision of club, and making sure the vision is implemented. He/she is the face of the club and oversees the structure of the CDL and academy/select programs. This is an elected position (Odd Years).

Vice President – The vice president of the Walterboro Soccer Club is responsible for helping implement the vision as well as provide support for the president with the CDL and academy/select programs. He/she is the face of the club when the president is not able to be there as a representative. This is an elected position (Even Years).

Treasurer – The treasurer is responsible for maintaining an income and expense report for the Walterboro Soccer Club as well as overseeing the payment process for CDL and academy/select, paying bills, making deposits, and reporting cash flow to the board monthly. This is an elected position (Odd Years).

Secretary – The secretary of the Walterboro Soccer Club is responsible for keeping monthly meeting notes, emailing those notes out for confirmation, and notifying the club of meeting dates and times. This is an elected position (Even Years).

Registrar – The registrar for the Walterboro Soccer Club is responsible for overseeing the registration for CDL and academy/select as well as camps and trainings as needed. He/she also makes sure the club and its members are in good standing with SCYSA. The Registrar also helps to assign an Assistant Registrar to help as needed. This is an elected position. (Even Years)

Past President – The past president of the Walterboro Soccer Club is responsible for guiding the new leadership and helping assist in decisions that affect the club programs.

Director of Coaches (DOC) - The DOC of the Walterboro Soccer Club is responsible for establishing and overseeing the club's player development methodology, overall style of play, & coaching staff. This includes the recreational, academy, & select teams. This is an appointed position.



Community Development League Director (Local Recreation) – The CDL Director is the person primarily responsible for coordinating the group effort in organizing the Walterboro Soccer Club local recreation seasons. He/she assigns teams and coaches, orders uniforms, assigns and collects sponsorship funds, and makes sure effective advertising has been issued to schools, the Colleton County Parks and Recreation department, and media. This position works closely with the DOC to ensure that programming aligns with the clubs playing style and standards. This is an appointed position.

Academy & Select Program Director – This person oversees the evaluation process and soccer programming of the academy & select teams. This position will fall under the DOC responsibilities at the present time. As the program grows, it may be split off as a separate position that would focus on programming and works closely with the DOC to ensure that the programming aligns with the club's playing style and standards. This is an appointed position.

Fundraising Coordinator – The fundraising coordinator of the Walterboro Soccer Club is responsible for organizing fundraising efforts for the club, collecting sponsorships and funds to support the CDL program, and keep the club up to date on the process and progress of raising money for the club. This is an appointed position.

Facilities Coordinator – This person will coordinate with the parent volunteers & landscaping contractor to ensure the fields are in proper playing shape, lines painted, & club house/rest rooms are in good condition. This is an appointed position

Media Coordinator – This person helps the club maintain a current website as well as posts events and happenings on social media. This person also communicates with the newspapers to help the club get exposure to the community. This is an appointed position.

Volunteer Coordinator - This person will coordinate with parent volunteers to run concessions, clean restrooms, empty trash, assist with field clean up, maintenance and repairs, and any other tasks needed at the club. He/she will also document and report parent volunteer hours served to the WSC board.



Tormenta FC Affiliation

A major enhancement was made to our soccer program in 2020 for our current and future soccer players. We have entered into an affiliation agreement with Tormenta FC that will provide expanded skill and competitive development opportunities for players and teams. Tormenta FC is a professional soccer franchise located in Statesboro, GA that competes in USL League 1 & League 2. These are the 3rd and 4th divisions of professional soccer in the United States. Tormenta FC's youth academy has operations in Statesboro, Savannah, & Brunswick, GA, as well as Hilton Head & Hardeeville, SC.

Professional Pathway: One of the primary purposes of this agreement is to provide a pathway and the greatest opportunity for youth players to achieve their objective of signing a professional contract with the professional 1st team of Tormenta FC. Exceptional players may have the opportunity to train and participate in games with the USL Academy or USL Pro teams as youth players. There is opportunity for elite players to participate in a regional player pool, designed to identify and integrate top young players from youth club markets into Tormenta FC Academy on a part-time training basis. All-Star experience could develop into players that compete in tournaments during the winter or summer. Tormenta FC Academy and the Walterboro Soccer Club will work together to offer guest playing opportunities to complete rosters for teams/events.

Sweet Feet Programming: As an affiliate of TFC we have access to the TFC's Sweet Feet program that is a specially designed beginner program for ages 3-8. This program is comprised of an age appropriate curriculum that is simple to understand and creates a very fun soccer experience for our youngest players. Our club will be using this program as outreach to local schools and daycare programs to grow the game of soccer in the Walterboro community. We believe that this program will serve as a vehicle to accelerate the growth of our local recreational programming. Over the next few years, we are committed to not only grow participation in the local recreation program, but also to improve the quality of instruction. We want our local recreational soccer program to be fast, fun, and rewarding for every player.

Camps: Tormenta FC will conduct off season training and development programs at our club as well as their other locations. These programs will be managed by TFC staff/Pro players with support from our local Academy/Select staff. With this affiliation, our local players can get year-round professional development within our own club's ecosystem.



Community Development League (Local Recreation)

Training: Players will typically train twice per week, however only one session will be required. This is an age group technical session with a licensed specialized skills trainer.

Managers: For the betterment of the players, volunteer managers are required to attend the training session with the licensed specialized skills trainer. The manager is not required to have an additional practice, but will be allowed to if he/she feels comfortable to do so. Managers creating their own practice will be expected to use the provided curriculum.

Curriculum: Curriculum will be provided to the volunteer managers based on the age group to which they are assisting.

Sponsorships: The previous year's sponsors will be asked first if they would like to sponsor again. If there is a need for sponsors, then the fundraising coordinator will be notified as well as parents that sponsors are needed.

Registration: The registrar will open registration for the CDL program approximately 6 weeks prior to the season start date.

Advertising: The link to register will be put on Facebook. The newspaper will also be notified. Fliers will be sent out to schools and rec center.

Communication: U6 and older will utilize the TeamSnap app for communication purposes.

Volunteering: Due to the club being a non-profit organization, parent involvement is crucial to our existence. Parents will coordinate with and report to the Volunteer Coordinator to schedule volunteer hours.

Uniforms: The coordinator will order uniforms from the supplier with the lowest year to year cost.



Academy & Select Program

Training: Players will typically train 2-3 times per week with their team coach. All coaches will be licensed per governing body guidelines, and all coaches will comply to the club's style of play and technical/tactical standards.

Coaches: The Director of Coaches will be responsible for assisting Academy & Select coaches with curriculum and/or point the coach to courses that would aid in their coaching development.

College Recruiting: The DOC will help to advise parents on this process and provide support in association with the player's team coach. The DOC will also advise coaches and players of ID camps, combines, etc. that will benefit the club's players. Our goal is to help every player achieve their maximum potential.

Curriculum: Curriculum will be provided to the coaches based on the age group which they are coaching. All club playing initiatives and standards will align with US Soccer.

Try-Outs: Try-outs will be held in May of each year and oversight by the club's DOC. Try-out dates will be posted and advertised in advance via the club website, social media sites, and club-wide TeamSnap communications.

Registration: The registrar will open registration for the Academy program the week after tryouts and will be open for two weeks.

Advertising: The link to register will be posted on the club's website and instructions for registration will be communicated to each selected player by the coach or team manager.

Communication: Academy teams will utilize the TeamSnap app (or other suitable application) for communications purposes.

Volunteering: Due to the club being a non-profit organization, parent involvement is crucial to our existence. Parents will coordinate with and report to the Volunteer Coordinator to schedule and document volunteer hours.



Uniforms: Parents will order uniforms online via the web portal created by the club's uniform supplier.

2020 Season Registration Fees

WSC provides some of the lowest fees to play quality soccer in the Lowcountry. We base our fees on club costs. Due to changes in costs of the club, fees are subject to change.

SPARK <i>Early Childhood Development</i>	U4
Semi-Annual Registration Fee	\$65

Community Development League <i>(In-House/Local Recreation)</i>	U6-U12
Semi-Annual Registration Fee	\$80

Academy & Select Program	U8 – U12	U13+
Annual Registration Fee (Season Runs May-May)	\$190	\$270
Annual Uniform Fee (New Kit Expected 7/2021)	\$110 (approx)	\$110 (approx)
Annual Coaching Fee	\$40	\$40

- **TRAINING POOL:** Players chosen for this pool train with Academy/Select teams, but do not participate in matches. Registration is at a discounted rate of \$160/year (includes training jersey).



Academy, Select, & CDL (Local Recreation) Coach Information

Licensed Coaches:

Roger Cova Andrade - FA 1 & 2
Frank Prentiss – B License
Larry Wiggins – D License

Grassroots Licensed Coaches:

Kyle Coker
Brandon Torres
Andrew Floresca
Brianna Gallagher
Tim Burris
Matt Panza
Shelton Reynolds

Benefits & Compensation

ACADEMY & SELECT COACHES:

- The club will pay for half of the approved certification courses that the coach takes for the betterment of the club and the club's players up to the required D License. As a courtesy, the coach should use this certification to the club's benefit for at least one year or board predetermined time.
- Registration is waived for the head coach's own child or children that he/she is actively coaching.
- Each academy team will have a Team Manager to handle administrative demands of the team.
- Coaches will train under an appointed academy or select coach prior to taking on their own team when possible.
- Our club uses a set curriculum to advance the skills of our players. Therefore, coach training attendance is required as the club provides.
- Coaches will be compensated at the end of the season.

CDL (Local Recreation) MANAGERS:

- Registration is waived for the coach's own child or children that the coach is actively coaching.
- Our club uses a set curriculum to help build the skill of our Community Development League players. Therefore, CDL training attendance is required as the club provides.



Other Leadership Discounts

- The registration fees will be waived for Walterboro Soccer Club elected board members' children. They will still be responsible for paying the coaching fee.
- The academy and select team managers and appointed leadership will receive "at cost" (or board approved) discounts for their children.
- Discounted children's fees will be assessed annually based upon budgetary evaluations of the board.

Community Involvement

It is important for the Walterboro Soccer Club to be active in our community. The club needs visibility to show that we provide an outlet for quality soccer training.

Here are the areas where the club is currently involved:

- Charitable community events approved by the board
- Rice Festival Parade & Rice Run
- Summer Camps
- The club has an established partnership with the recreation center to make soccer available to the entire community. Permanent futsal goals have been placed at the recreation center tennis courts, making these courts dual purpose.