



May 2021

Dear Colts Rising U13/U14 Player,

We hope this finds you all well, healthy, and excited for spring weather! This letter has information on the Colts' evaluations/tryouts for the rising U13 & U14 boys' and girls' teams. We realize this may be new for everyone since we weren't able to hold evaluations last spring due to covid restrictions. Please read on and reach out if you have any questions.

**The Colts U13 & U14 assessments will be held on two consecutive Saturday afternoons in May: the 15th & the 22nd. The evaluations will be held at WINSLOW FIELDS on McCartney Street, rain or shine.** We will plan on creating a U13 girls' team, a U13 boys' team, a U14 girls' team, and a U14 boys' team who will all compete in the competitive Soccer Maine Division 1 League. Please also be aware of the following:

- Players must be registered for the FALL 2021 season with Soccer Maine BEFORE coming to tryouts. <http://www.yarmouthcolts.com/> If a player decides to not play for the fall season, the registration fee will be refunded.
- Team roster sizes can vary; the target roster size, per Soccer Maine recommendation, is 18. Soccer Maine further mandates no more than 22 players per team.
- The overall number in each age group/gender will determine if we are able to have a second team (a "B" team) in that age group.
- There will not be Expansion teams. An Expansion team is a combination of U13 & U14 players.
- A player may choose not to attend evaluations, but still **must be registered** before the first evaluation (May 15th). If a player chooses not to attend, he/she will be placed on the second team *if there are enough players to field a second team*.
- We highly encourage players to attend both sessions in order to give the evaluators the best picture of skill sets. If you can not attend both sessions, we request that you communicate with Coach Hagerty prior to the session.

**REMINDER:**

Evaluations are scheduled for the following dates & times. Please arrive 15 minutes early to sign in and receive a numbered pinnie. Saturday May 15th & May 22nd @ WINSLOW FIELDS:

**May 15th**

U14 boys/girls 4:30-6:00pm

U13 boys/girls 6:00-7:30pm

**May 22nd**

U13 boys/girls 4:30-6:00pm

U14 boys/girls 6:00-7:30pm



## **COLTS FIRST**

With evaluations at the U13 & U14 level, not everyone may make the team they are hoping to, so we ask that you agree to put Colts first. By signing this letter, you are agreeing to make a serious commitment to your Colts' teammates. The following are the responsibilities and expectations U13 & U14 Colts players:

- Players are expected to attend team practices and games with minimal conflicts.
- Players are responsible for arriving at games and practices on time, ready to play.
- Players are expected to play in Soccer Maine's six league games, the *Just for Fun Labor Day* Tournament, the Falmouth Fall Classic, & Soccer Maine playoff games.
- Players are encouraged to participate in the following team building Colts activities: Maine Children's Cancer Walk, working the Safe Passage 4 v 4 Soccer Blast, & Friendlies (scrimmage games).
- If the player has a known conflict, please notify your coach and discuss the situation as soon as possible.
- Repeated conflicts may result in the loss of game playing time. In extreme cases possible forfeiture of the player's place on the team may occur.

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Please indicate that you and your parent/guardian have read and agree to the Colts First position by signing and returning this letter to Coach Hagerty in school or bringing it to evaluations in May. You may also email your signed form to [info@yarmouthcolts.com](mailto:info@yarmouthcolts.com). If you have questions about this commitment, please contact Coach Hagerty (Director of Coaching) or Chelsy Gilroy (U13/U14 liaison).

Player name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Player signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**We ask players to indicate their intentions for evaluations - check one below:**

- ☐ Field player only
- ☐ Goalkeeper only - in which case should you make the team, there would be no guarantee of playing time in the field.
- ☐ Both as a field player and a GK

**Bring a ball, water bottle, and your signed Colts First Letter (if you haven't already given to Coach Hagerty in person or via email).**