



# Kickin' It Around

What's going on in AYSO Section 14?

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<http://www.aysosection14.org>

## Upper 90:



- AYSO 2010 National Games countdown.. **9 months and counting..**
- AYSO website gets a kick start. Check out the up-graded website at: [www.AYSO.org](http://www.AYSO.org)
- First Fall seasons for new regions: 1242, 1574, 1575



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## AYSO FLEX – Extended Play

AYSO FLEX is the introduction of new primary program options which join AYSO's standard primary programs, including our U-5, U-16/19 Experimental and VIP. AYSO FLEX is an umbrella for optional player opportunities that enable Regions, Areas and Sections to choose programs that best serve their local needs.

Under AYSO FLEX, some new optional programs are being introduced in 2009 and piloted to provide registered AYSO players options for participation in a more challenging playing environment during the primary season.

Extra is a new program under AYSO FLEX that is designed for players who have the interest, skills and abilities and want to enhance their experience and individual growth through soccer while retaining the spirit of and organization membership in AYSO. Extra is not designed to overshadow or harm the standard primary program-rather the goal is to strengthen AYSO by recruiting and retaining players and volunteers through providing more competitive play the AYSO way.

Here are the new AYSO FLEX Player Programs:

- Extra Concurrent Players are rostered on an Extra team and a standard primary program team at the same time and participate fully with both teams. Players are eligible for All Star, tournament, National Games, travel and other secondary program teams. (Pilot Fall 2009)
- Extra Side-by-Side Players are rostered on an Extra team only. Players are eligible for tournament, travel or other secondary program teams. (Pilot Fall 2009)

**Why AYSO? [www.whyAYSO.org](http://www.whyAYSO.org)**

If you wish to sponsor or volunteer at the  
**AYSO 2010 National Games**, please email us at:  
**2010NG@aysosection14.org**

## The Sixth Philosophy: Player Development

### Help Fulfill New AYSO Philosophy

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Tournaments are an excellent way to help players improve their soccer skills and fulfill AYSO's newest philosophy - Player Development.

Player Development became the sixth philosophy of AYSO as over two thirds of the Executive Membership voted to add the first new philosophy of the organization in nearly 20 years. It joins Everyone Plays®, Balanced Teams, Open Registration, Positive Coaching and Good Sportsmanship as AYSO's foundation tenets.

The goal of Player Development is to embrace the objective of improving the soccer skills and knowledge of every AYSO player, from Very Important Players (VIPs) to U-19.

The effective date of the new philosophy is Aug. 1, 2009.



First 5 Philosophies: 1. Everyone Plays 2. Balanced Teams  
3. Positive Coaching 4. Open Registration 5. Good Sportsmanship

### 6. Player Development

We believe that all players should be able to develop their soccer skills and knowledge to the best of their abilities, both individually and as members of a team, in order to maximize their enjoyment of the game.

## 2010 NG—S14 Teams

345 U12 Girls accepted  
345 U19 Girls accepted  
644 U14 Boys accepted  
644 U19 Girls accepted  
705 U12 Boys accepted  
805 U16 Girls accepted  
864 U10 Boys accepted  
660 U14 Girls accepted  
1370 U10 Girls accepted  
1370 U14 Girls accepted  
1548 U19 Boys accepted  
1548 U19 Girls accepted  
1575 U12 Boys accepted  
1575 U19 Boys accepted

## VIP Kicks off at Region 345

WELLINGTON, FL--Everyone on the Okeehelée Park soccer field was a V.I.P. Saturday afternoon.

It was the 'kick-off' of the 'Very Important Player' soccer program for children with special needs.

The Palm Beach County region of the American Youth Soccer Association and volunteers make it all possible.

The youngsters have an opportunity to play at a level best suited to their needs. Saturday's kick-off game was the first of many to be held at the park every Saturday.

For more information, contact Rachel Forberger at (561) 795-0044 or rachforb@comcast.net. For more information about Palm Beach County Region 345 of the American Youth Soccer Organization, visit the organization's web site at [www.ayso345.com](http://www.ayso345.com).

## Keeping your kids safe

The following link is from the United States Computer Emergency Readiness Team or US-CERT. They have provided a great article titled "Staying Safe on Social Network Sites." Visit [www.us-cert.gov/cas/tips/ST06-003.html](http://www.us-cert.gov/cas/tips/ST06-003.html) to learn more.

The Federal Trade Commission also has some tips on keeping your children safe while using these sites. Visit the site below to learn more:

[www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/pubs/consumer/tech/tec13.shtm](http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/edu/pubs/consumer/tech/tec13.shtm)

## Region Spotlight



# Region 864

### Region 864 Uses Banner To Spread The Word

Carla Bahn, the Regional Commissioner (RC) from Region 864 in the Florida Keys, decided that her mission this year was to get the word out about AYSO so parents could register their children early. When Carla realized that her local July 4th parade was lined with hundreds of families, she decided that her Region had to be a part of the parade.

Carla attended RC Training at AYSO's National Support and Training Center earlier this year, and as a Platinum Award winning Region, Region 864 received a special promotional Platinum Award banner. This new banner will be available to all Platinum Award winning Regions in the 2008-09 Regional Assessment Program cycle.

"Our Region decided to proudly display our Platinum Award banner during the July 4th parade to brag to our community about our accomplishments," Carla explains. "The status of Platinum shows parents our soccer program is well run and we follow the AYSO philosophies."

In addition to the banner, the Region had about 15 players in their AYSO jerseys walking and riding along the parade route and throwing out candy and rubber soccer rings with papers attached giving out the Region's Web site for early registration. Region 864 parents also joined in the fun by walking the parade route and handing out postcards with the Region's Web site and upcoming registration dates, location and times.

Region 864 was able to use a little creativity to get the word out there about their Region. What does your Region do? Let us know.

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For more on Region 864, go to: <http://www.ayso864.org/>



# AYSO Future Soccer Stars

## Region 864



## Region 1212



See you next issue!