

# ATHLETIC JAIER FUTBOL CLUB

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**TECHNICAL, TACTICAL, PHYSICAL AND  
MENTAL...CREATING CONFIDENCE**

FALL ISSUE 2012

### FALL REGISTRATION FEE'S

Please be sure to stay up to date with your player fee's. Jaier AFC is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and is only able to execute our conservative budget with timely payment of your participation fee's.

### JAIER PICTURE DAY

Capture this moment in time with your Jaier player by participating in Jaier picture day on September 25th at Baroda Township Park. Legends Photography will be offering multiple picture packages and player buttons. Team managers will be contacting their teams soon with more information.

## AJFC GOES PREMIER

This fall season the U16 girls will be competing in the Michigan State Premier Soccer Program (MSPSP). It is a competitive state-wide soccer program who's purpose is to promote the development of highly skilled youth soccer players in the State of Michigan. Next spring the U17 boys team will also be competing in the MSPSP. It is a great honor to be accepted into this program and demonstrates the high quality training and commitment of our players at Jaier.

## NEW JAIER ACADEMY

A new chapter in youth soccer development will begin this fall for players in Southwest Michigan. "Giving very young soccer players the early opportunity to build a solid soccer foundation based on technique and having fun will move those players forward in their ability exponentially" says Jaier Training Director Jason Woolery. "We are excited to offer this opportunity where no players will be cut at such an early age because they lack ability, that doesn't make sense to us" added Training Director Jeremy Woolery. The academy currently has 20 players signed up and will be under the guidance of Coach Jayme Sirk-Cox. We are fortunate to have Jayme return to Jaier after living in Illinois where she held a similar position.



**JAIER STREETWEAR  
...COMING SOON!**

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## FALL TOURNAMENTS

TEAMS	1 <sup>st</sup> Tournament	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tournament	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tournament
U10G	Aug 31 - Sept 3 Palatine Celtic Cup IL	Oct 6-7 Kingdom Cup River Oaks MI	
U10B	Sept 8-9 Capital Area Classic Lansing MI	Oct 6-7 Kingdom Cup River Oaks MI	
U11B	Oct 6-7 Kingdom Cup River Oaks MI	Oct 27-28 Fishers Halloween Classic IN	
U12G	Aug 18-19 Fort Wayne Inv. IN	Oct 20-21 Fishers Halloween Classic IN	
U12B	Aug 31 - Sept 3 Palatine Celtic Cup IL	Oct 6-7 Kingdom Cup River Oaks MI	
U13G	Aug 31 - Sept 3 Palatine Celtic Cup IL	Nov 3-4 Veterans Inv. Evansville IN	
U14G	Aug 18-19 Fort Wayne Inv. IN	Oct 20-21 Fishers Halloween Classic IN	
U14B BLK	Aug 31 - Sept 3 Palatine Celtic Cup IL	Oct 6-7 Kingdom Cup River Oaks MI	
U14B SKY	Oct 13-14 Soctoberfest Zionsville IN		
U16G	Aug 31 - Sept 3 Palatine Celtic Cup IL	Oct 6-7 Nike Fall Classic Schaumburg IL	Nov 3-4 Veterans Inv Evansville IN
U17G	Aug 31 - Sept 3 Palatine Celtic Cup IL	Oct 6-7 Nike Fall Classic Schaumburg IL	Nov 3-4 Veterans Inv Evansville IN

## FALL TRAINING SCHEDULE

TEAMS	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Location	Start Date
Academy	6:00-7:30		6:00-7:30		Berrien RESA	8/14/12
U10G		6:15-7:45		6:15-7:45	Berrien RESA	8/14/12
U10B	6:00-7:30		6:00-7:30		Berrien RESA	8/6/12
U11B		6:00-7:30		6:00-7:30	Berrien RESA	8/16/12
U12G		4:30-6:00		4:30-6:00	Baroda Twp	7/31/12
U12B		6:00-7:30	6:00-7:30		Baroda Twp	8/14/12
U13G		4:30-6:00		4:30-6:00	Baroda Twp	8/7/12
U14G	5:30-7:30		5:30-7:30		Baroda Twp	8/1/12
U14B BLK		6:00-8:00		6:00-8:00	Bridgman MS	8/14/12
U14B SKY		6:00-8:00		6:00-8:00	Bridgman MS	8/14/12
U16G		5:30-7:30		5:30-7:30	Baroda Twp	8/7/12
U17G		5:30-7:30		5:30-7:30	Baroda Twp	8/7/12



## OUTSIDE THE TOUCHLINES

### TRAINING

### DIRECTORS

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Jeremy Woolery

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*The following is an article written by Scott Nelson for Socceramerica.com*

## **Sideline Coaching...Dump The GPS And Let The Kids Drive**

**By Scott Nelson**

While observing U7 games a few seasons ago I got into a conversation with a disgruntled parent. It turns out that this parent was constantly being told to stop coaching from the sidelines by the team's actual coach. This parent felt justified "getting involved" from the sidelines because, he explained, the designated coach of the team "wasn't coaching enough."

Now, I had observed this parent's sideline behavior several times, and had also seen him silenced by his daughter's coach on more than one occasion. This parent's pearls of coaching wisdom included phrases like "Go!" "Get the ball!" "Shoot it!" "Get back!" "Hard kicks!" "Don't Bunch!" and liberal doses of the one phrase guaranteed to make me cringe whenever I hear it: "Boot it!"

Without a hint of irony, this parent would also yell at his child to "Pay attention to the game" on the many occasions when she stopped playing to look over at him on the sidelines.

His daughter's coach, much to this parent's consternation, gave out none of this crucially needed guidance. Instead he would stand watching from the sidelines, giving out plenty of encouragement, praising good intentions (even when they weren't successful!) but mostly leaving the kids to their own devices unless they needed help figuring out what to do on their restarts.

When he did intervene, he would ask his players questions instead of giving commands. "Where do you need to be?" "Where do you think they will go if they get the ball?" "Where do you think she will kick the ball?" "What shape should we be in?" Can you try and dribble instead of kicking the ball away next time?" In a season of observing this coach, I had never once heard him say "Boot it!" It was a testament to the natural ability of the kids, this parent said, that the team managed to dominate most of their games even without "real" coaching.

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*"No kid ever steps on the field and says "Today I am playing to lose". They are naturally competitive. We should be concerned about the players performance, not the final score".*

*Manny Schellscheidt*



The truth was just the opposite. The team was playing well in part *because* of the lack of "traditional" youth sideline coaching. This coach and others in his club had been trained to act as facilitators, not directors. Coaches were encouraged to let the kids play and make their own decisions (both good and bad), not to micro-manage every dribble and kick.

Obviously, most of what this parent in question wanted to yell from the sidelines was just useless noise (Just once I'd love to see a little 6 year old turn to the sidelines and say "Kick the ball? During a soccer game? Dang! Never thought of that before ...") but what if it wasn't just superfluous information and noise? Suppose these sideline coaches were actually giving out proper advice in agreement with the coach's policies and philosophy. What could be bad about that?

I'll answer that by comparing coaching from the sidelines to driving with a GPS. A GPS system is great for getting from point A to point B, but most of the people who use a GPS tend to pay a lot less attention to where they are going. Many people end up relying on the GPS to the point where they cannot find their way without it, even when they have been on the same route multiple times. In a similar manner, coaching from the sidelines can hinder players from developing the crucial ability to make their own decisions and think for themselves.

For drivers who do know where they are going, the GPS can be a real annoyance, cutting into the songs on the radio and interrupting conversations with the passengers to tell the driver information they already know. At worst it is a distraction that might prevent the driver from concentrating on the road.

Now imagine if your GPS could not be turned off, and that it always presumed to know where you were going without ever asking you. Let's further suppose it didn't appreciate you exploring a side road or detouring to that espresso stand, and got increasingly loud and angry if you failed to follow its directions. "Take the next right turn ..." "When possible make a U-turn" "Recalculating route ..." "When possible make a U-turn ..." "Recalculating rout ..." "HEY DUMMY, YOU'RE GOING THE WRONG WAY!"

What would driving be like if you had a GPS like this? It would be a lot like trying to play soccer while people on the sidelines were constantly yelling at you.

Bottom line: If we want our young players to develop and have fun, we need to learn to shut up and let them drive.

*(Scott Nelson has coached at every imaginable level of youth soccer from toddlers programs and recreational teams to high school, premier soccer, ODP, and two years with the USL Seattle Sounders youth teams in the Super-Y League. In recent years his focus has been on the development of very young players. Scott has been a member of Washington Youth Soccer's instructional staff since 2004.)*

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## Q&A

### An interview with Jaier Training Directors Jason and Jeremy Woolery

*We know you are the club founders, everybody wants to know...where did you get the name "Jaier"?*

**Jason:** *It's a name I made up that combines elements of all three Woolery kids first names. The "Ja" from Jason, then the "i" from my sister Tori, and the "er" from Jeremy...Ja-i-er. Our great grandfather played for Athletic Bilbao in Spain, so we used that to complete the "Athletic" Jaier name.*

*"Style of play" is often pointed to when explaining a team's or sometimes a club's success. What is Jaier's "style of play"?*

**Jeremy:** *It's based on decision making by the players and possession for a purpose. We want to keep possession of the ball and move it forward to score. But maintaining possession is the most important thing, without the ball you can't score and if the opposition doesn't have the ball...they can't score.*

*How is soccer different today than when you played?*

**Jason:** *The game is more technical today and now the older generation is able to teach the new generation of coaches. That continuity is fairly new to the U.S.*

**Jeremy:** *There are more opportunities too. Kids are growing up playing the game and having the opportunities to compete at a higher level, at every level.*

*You two are notoriously quiet on the sidelines, why don't you give more instruction to your players during the game?*

**Jeremy:** *Our coaching is done at training. Like school, the teachers teach and then they give the test. The games are like a test. We do give some instruction, but it is limited so it has a stronger effect.*

**Jason:** *Soccer is a player's game. We don't send in plays and think for the players like some other sports, the game is too fast. And oddly, in the U.S. some people don't think you are coaching well if your not yelling to or at the players all the time.*

*In what ways is Jaier different from other clubs?*

**Jason:** *At Jaier, all of our teams work under the same training curriculum. And referring to your earlier question, all of our teams share a "style of play". The way we operate also allows us to move players around to further individual development. Players grow at different rates and when we see that growth, we have the flexibility to put our players in an ideal situation to grow their game.*

*On a national level, what can be done to improve soccer in the U.S.?*

**Jeremy:** *Many youth soccer clubs are too focused on winning at an early age. We have great athletes in the U.S. but many programs often rely solely on the "bigger, stronger, faster" kids to win games... to the detriment of their development. There is nothing wrong with using a player's natural talents, but we have to be disciplined to challenge their weaknesses too.*

*Let's get serious now...What kind of music is on your ipod?*

**Jason:** *I like Reggae and when I was younger my mom would listen to country so I like classic country too.*

**Jeremy:** *Reggae, old school Hip-hop and old Soul music.*

*If you could have any other occupation in the world, besides your present position, what would it be?*

**Jason:** *I think I would be a travel show host.*

**Jeremy:** *Probably an archaeologist, digging historic sites around the world.*