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As we wrap up our first-ever Fall season as a club, Anthracite FC has made a powerful impact on the soccer community. and we have established ourselves as a force to be reckoned with in Northeast PA. Through initiatives like our Kick-A-Thon, Scholarship Fund, and Monthly Fundraisers, we've made travel soccer more accessible to players in the region, and it's clear that our commitment to supporting athletes is paying off.

Our coaches and players have dedicated themselves to four months of hard work, and the results are evident on the field.We are proud to announce that our 2012 Boys Celtic have earned the club's first-ever USYS National League

championship! In addition, our 2011 Boys Arsenal, 2013 Girls Barca, and 2017 Boys Cityzens each emerged as champions of their respective Fall leagues. Across the board, every team is competing at the highest level they've ever played, demonstrating that we are pushing every player to reach their full potential.

Our Showcase teams have finally begun their seasons too! The 2010 Boys Bayern and 2010 Girls Lyon both competed in the top bracket of the EDP Fall Classic, with Lyon finishing as Undefeated Champions (recap will follow next newsletter). Bayern and Lyon are on an exciting journey toward playing at the next level, with both teams competing in elite tournaments that are key to their development. The rest of our Showcase teams will soon be showcasing their talent at the FC Delco Fall Showcase, EDP Cup Fall Showcase, PA Classics Winter Showcase, and more. These events provide a valuable opportunity to demonstrate their skills in front of college coaches who are scouting the next generation of talent. Let's #RaiseTheAxe and show them what we're made of!

Looking ahead to the Winter, we are thrilled to begin our Riverfront Indoor Leagues, where players will have the chance to fine-tune their technical skills, experiment with different formations and positions, and improve their combination play. Historically, the Winter season has been a time when our teams make significant strides, putting in the extra work to surpass the competition. This is a direct result of the dedication from our players and coaches, always striving for excellence at every practice and match. Let's keep building on that momentum and continue pushing ourselves to the next level.

Reflecting on this first Fall season, I couldn't be prouder of our players, coaches, and the entire Anthracite FC community. This has been an incredible start to what is sure to be a long and successful journey, and I am excited and determined to see how far we can go in the months ahead. It's hard to believe this is just the beginning. Together, we are #IgnitingExcellence!

Best Wishes, BW



Anthracite Football Club

#RaiseTheAxe

Saturday, November 16

2013 Timbers @ ENCO SC - 10:30 AM **EDP Fall Classic**

2010 Bayern, 2010 Lyon



2013 Timbers @ Lower Mac SC - 10 AM

EDP Fall Classic

2010 Bayern, 2010 Lyon



FC Delco Fall Showcase

2006 Spurs

Hempfield Fall Classic

2011 Arsenal, 2012 Celtic, 2014 Santos

Welsh Cup

2013 Timbers, 2015 Valencia

November 29-December 1

EDP Cup Fall Showcase

2006 Wolves, 2008 Dortmund

December 7-8

PA Classics Winter Showcase

2006 Wolves, 2008 Dortmund

EDP Winter Classic

2010 Bayern, 2010 Lyon

December 13-14

Steel United Turf Showcase

2006 Spurs













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My Personal Football Coach

Fantastic effort from the players at the top of the MPFC leaderboards! Keep up the great work!

Pos.	Player	Training Time
1	Jakob C	36 Hrs 09 Mins
2	Cole M	33 Hrs 00 Mins
3	Zackary B	16 Hrs 43 Mins
4	Bryce W	12 Hrs 50 Mins
5	Gavin S	09 Hrs 42 Mins
6	Griffin F	07 Hrs 39 Mins
7	Rudy U	07 Hrs 33 Mins
8	Ben H	07 Hrs 19 Mins
9	Max M	07 Hrs 00 Mins
10	Axel B	06 Hrs 05 Mins

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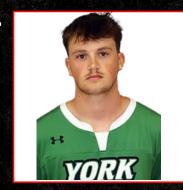
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ANTHRACTEFC ALUMNI AT THE NEXT LEVEL



Amani Byrinbiro '24
PSU-Scranton
Class: Freshman
Position: MID
Major: Social Work



Joey Heller '24
York College
Class: Freshman
Position: MID
Major: Mechanical
Engineering



Asher Nichols '24 Cairn University Class: Freshman Position: MID Major: Elementary Education



Jake Ohrin '24
Ursinus College
Class: Freshman
Position: DEF
Major: Biology



Mike Peregrim '23
Keystone College
Class: Freshman
Position: DEF
Major: Sport and
Recreation Mgmt.



Phil Sykes '24
East Stroudsburg
University
Class: Freshman
Position: GK
Major: Finance



Nick Tighe '24
Kings College
Class: Freshman
Position: MID/DEF
Major: Undecided



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*Year indicates final season played for the club *Anthracite FC was formerly Riverfront United from 2020-2024



MONTHLY REVIEW

As the Fall season comes to a close, let's celebrate the hard work and achievements of our players and teams. The growth we've seen across the board is a testament to the dedication and effort everyone has put EDP Premier III Results: in. We're proud to see our teams rising to new challenges, earning promotions to higher leagues, and competing in tougher tournament brackets. Congratulations to everyone in the Club on a successful Fall season—let's keep the momentum going as we push for even greater success!

2011 Boys Arsenal (11v11)

After cannoning out to a fast start in EDP Premier III, Arsenal kept their momentum going to finish an eventful October with two trophies. The boys first traveled to Philadelphia for the Explorer Cup and went 3-0-1 with convincing wins in the semi-finals and finals to grab their first silverware of the Fall. Then, they were faced with three top-of-the-table away fixtures in EDP III. Arsenal navigated through the final stetch to finish undefeated and claim back-to-back league titles with an astounding +28 goal difference. This achievement marks the team's fourth title this calendar year (EDP IV and FC Delco Players Cup) and will see Arsenal promoted to the USYS National League . II (USYS NL) next Spring.

Explorer Cup Results:

2011 Arsenal 3-1 FC Delco 2011 Arsenal 1-1 Old Line FC 2011 Arsenal 4-0 West-Mont SC 2011 Arsenal 7-0 NLSA

2011 Arsenal 1-1 FC Ballyhoo 2011 Arsenal 1-0 Penn FC 2011 Arsenal 3-2 Penn FC 2011 Arsenal 6-1 East Penn SC

2011 Boys Sounders (11v11)

After a tough start to the Fall, Sounders has begun to turn their year around. At the Coppa Classico tournament in Harrisburg on Columbus Day, the boys ran riot in their first match to win 5-0 and capture their first victory of the season. Thereafter followed two tough matches where the team fought hard but unfortunately fell short in both by one goal each. With renewed vigor, Sounders then returned to league action with four games left to play. With two wins in those final four matches, the team was able to finish the season on a high note to end Fall in midtable in their first season in EDP Premier VI. We are looking forward to the team continuing the positive trajectory and fulfill their potential as they head into the Winter season.

Coppa Classico Results:

2011 Sounders 5-0 Eagle FC 2011 Sounders 1-2 Hereford SC 2011 Sounders 0-1 Haverford SC



Anthracite FC 2011 Arsenal

Team Members: Jayden Alu, Tasin Bakhriyev, Hunter Davis, Patrick Donahue, Ethan Fanning, Ryan Geisheimer, Declan Hazzouri, Caden Hoban, Jackson Jones, Alex Lin, Andi Murtaj, Brady Nalevanko, Connor Rooney, Carter Samanas, Soleil Shrestha, Liubomyr Vasylynka

EDP Premier VI Results:

2011 Sounders 1-0 United Philly SC 2011 Sounders 1-6 FC Europa 2011 Sounders 1-0 Hex FC Keystone 2011 Sounders 1-3 FC Footy



2012 Boys Celtic (11v11)

Celtic began the new season hot, and went into the Explorer Cup full of confidence. On Day 1, the boys were flawless scoring 6 and giving up 0 goals in two convincing wins against opponents from the USYS NL I and ECRL. Unfortunately, the momentum faded in the semifinals when Celtic fell to a physical opponent. After the tough result, the boys shifted focus back to the USYS NL II where they were still undefeated. Celtic managed another three points in the penultimate match which put them out of reach from the rest of the field and thus sealed the team's first-ever league title. Although Celtic lost on the final matchday for the first time this season, it was clear which team was deserved the title the most from both a results and style of play perspective. With this achievement, Celtic becomes the first-ever team in our club's history to be promoted to the USYS NL I.

Explorer Cup Results:

2012 Celtic 4-0 Touch Kings FC 2012 Celtic 2-0 Lehigh Valley Utd. ECRL 2012 Celtic 0-3 Imagination SA

USYS National League II Results:

2012 Celtic 4-1 Penn Alliance 2012 Celtic 2-3 Philadelphia SC



2013 Boys Ajax (9v9)

Following a positive start to the EDP II campaign, Ajax also traveled to the Explorer Cup tournament looking to have a strong weekend. The boys won their group with a win and a draw in two tough matches, which clinched them a spot in the semifinals. Like Celtic, Ajax unfortunately ran out of steam and fell to a strong Eagle FC side. As they returned to EDP II, the boys wanted to keep pace with the league leaders and did so with an away win and clean sheet at Springfield FC. Thereafter, the boys dropped points in the final two matches which saw them drop further from the top but still finish in a very strong third place out of nine teams.

Explorer Cup Results:

2013 Ajax 2-1 FC Europa 2013 Ajax 1-1 NJ Stallions 2013 Ajax 0-4 Eagle FC

EDP Premier II Results:

2013 Ajax 2-0 Springfield FC 2013 Ajax 1-4 Southern Chesco FC 2013 Ajax 2-2 FC Delco





Anthracite FC 2012 Celtic

Team Members: Bryce Alu, Ryan Alunni, Nahuel Andrade, Connor Bugno, Jakob Cartwright, Griffin Frieder, Jakob Gregoire, Henry Hillebrand, Maxwell Magistro, Colin Matulevich, Keegan Ness, Jack Scerbo, Miles Shoemaker, Noah Shortz, Matthew Welkey, Bryce Williams

2013 Girls Barca (9v9)

Barca has finished up their Fall season with an impressive surge in both league and tournament play. After a challenging trip to Virginia for the WAGS tournament, where they faced some of the toughest competition in the region, the team has gone undefeated in league play. They also earned a spot as finalists in the top bracket at the Hempfield Fall Classic. The highlight of their season came when the girls were crowned champions of EDP Premier I, the highest division in US Youth Soccer. This achievement is a testament to their commitment to training and their relentless drive on the field. But what truly sets this team apart is the incredible bond they share — a team culture built on camaraderie, joy, and mutual respect that spurs their success.

WAGS Tournament Results:

2013 Barca 2-3 Lionville SC 2013 Barca 2-6 Vienna YS Pre-ECNL 2013 Barca 1-2 Delaware FC

EDP Premier I Results:

2013 Barca 1-0 Hex FC Keystone 2013 Barca 2-0 Phildelphia SC 2013 Barca 1-0 NECA FC 2013 Barca 1-0 Hulmeville SC

2013 Boys Timbers (9v9)

October has been a quieter month for significan Timbers as their final two matches of the season were postponed until has come individual to put in the work in training to improve their fortunes on the pitch, and we're excited for them to attack the final two matches of the season. The team will also have a tournament weekend! to round out the Fall season, as they

will travel to Philadelphia to compete in the Welsh Cup. We look forward to Timbers rewarding themselves for the work they're putting in and finishing out the Fall strong!

Lehigh Valley Youth SL White Results:

2013 Timbers 0-8 West End SC 2013 Timbers 3-10 Nazareth SC



2014 Boys Santos (9v9)

Santos wrapped up their Fall season with a series of commanding performances, including a standout 2-0 victory over a team that had previously defeated them 8-2 just weeks earlier. This turnaround is a testament to the hard work and progress Santos has made on the training pitch. In league play, the boys finished tied for first place in the top division of LVYSL, narrowly missing out on the championship due to goal difference. Despite facing a season of significant change, including new players and a new coach, the team has come together quickly, blending individual talent into a dynamic playing style rooted in combination play and teamwork. Santos will finish off their competitive Fall calendar with a trip to the Hempfield Fall Classic this



Lehigh Valley Youth SL Red Results:

2014 Santos 2-0 Northeast United SC 2014 Santos 13-0 East Allen SC



2014 Girls Roma (9v9)

Roma's transformation this season has as they switch to the smaller training been nothing short of remarkable. What started as a training group of just 6 players has grown into a dynamic squad of 14 who finished the Fall season tied for second place in the top division of LVYSL. More importantly however, their impressive rise speaks volumes about their development. To start of the year, the team focused on mastering the basics of dribbling, passing, and receiving. Fast forward to today, Roma is applying more advanced tactical principles like building out from the back, attacking runs behind defenders, and executing precise weighted passes into dangerous areas. The results are evident: with 29 goals in just 8 games, this team has shown they can create and finish goal-scoring opportunities with flair. Roma's rapid growth, both individually and as a team, has them poised for an exciting future.

Lehigh Valley Youth SL Results:

2014 Roma 9-0 Carbon United SC 2014 Roma 2-1 East Allen SC 2014 Roma 5-1 West End SC 2014 Roma 0-1 Hex FC Keystone

2015 Boys Milan (7v7)

October has been an eventful month for Milan, as the team made up the rest of their league matches after a number of postponements. In five tough matches, the team finished the Fall with two wins, two losses, and one draw. Milan has seen a great amount of growth since when they first stepped on the field together in August. As they head into the Winter season, the team looks to continue to work hard to refine their technique, speed of play, and decision-making spaces in Riverfront.

Lehigh Valley Youth SL Red Results:

2015 Milan 2-1 Mountain Top FC 2015 Milan 6-2 Northeast United SC 2015 Milan 2-5 Nazareth SC 2015 Milan 4-4 Nazareth SC 2015 Milan 4-9 Northeast United SC

2015 Boys Valencia (7v7)

Since the previous month, Valencia has taken a number of steps forward in their development and understanding of the game. The boys have bettered each of their performances against the teams in their league in a very short amount of time and have also notched their first win together! This group is quickly growing and we're very excited to see what's in store for them this Winter!

Lehigh Valley Youth SL Blue Results:

2015 Valencia 2-10 Abington SC 2015 Valencia 0-4 West End SC 2015 Valencia 1-8 TNT 2015 Valencia 1-6 Abington SC 2015 Valencia 4-2 West End SC 2015 Valencia 0-7 Pocono Mtn. SC





2016 Girls Juventus (7v7)

Juventus has shown impressive progress throughout the Fall season. For many of these players, it was their first experience with travel soccer, and a majority were playing up an age group - a challenge that demanded rapid learning and adaptation. The team rose to the occasion, improving with each game. In their final match of the season, the girls fought hard to secure a 4-4 draw in an exciting shootout, marking a significant achievement for the team. Their determination and hard work have been evident all season, and we couldn't be prouder of their progress. As Juventus heads into the Winter and Spring seasons, we're excited to see how they continue to develop and grow. The foundation has been set, and we're looking forward to the great things this team will accomplish next!

Lehigh Valley Youth SL Results:

2016 Juventus 1-10 Mountain Top FC 2016 Juventus 1-7 Reading Rage SC 2016 Juventus 1-3 Northeast United SC 2016 Juventus 4-4 Hex FC Keystone





2017 Boys Cityzens (7v7)

The Cityzens have proven themselves to be a team of remarkable talent, passion, and determination. From top to bottom, each player brings skill, energy, and a competitive spirit to every practice and match. This group pushes each other in training (sometimes literally!) and battles with tenacity on game day. While the season presented its challenges, with two tough losses by 5+ goals, the Cityzens showed incredible resilience and character. In their final two games, they turned the tables, defeating both those teams to clinch the LVYSL Championship! This remarkable turnaround underscores their growth. Cityzens have an incredibly bright future ahead. We can't wait to see what they'll achieve next!

Lehigh Valley Youth SL Red Results:

2017 Cityzens 3-2 Reading Rage SC 2017 Cityzens 5-4 Northeast United SC



SHOWCASE TEAMS PREVIEW EVALUATION

After a brief high school season, our showcase teams are finally back with us training twice a week and preparing for the upcoming months together. With a number of tournaments on the horizon for these teams, we're buzzing for them to step onto the pitch and begin competing together again. Be sure to check out each team's preview on the following pages and keep up-to-date on our region's top players!

2006 Boys Wolves (11v11)

Wolves heads into the season with several personnel changes, both on the roster and the sidelines. After graduating six seniors, the team has reloaded with a group of talented local players eager to make an impression on college coaches in the coming months. Following former coach Connor Keenan's departure to take on the Head Coach position at Catholic University, the club's Director of Coaching, Zachary Shiposh, has stepped in to lead the Wolves this season. Last Spring, the team finished 6th in the USYS National League II with a 1-4-3 (W-L-D) record and reached the quarterfinals of the EPYSA NCS State Cup.

"With a number of talented new players joining Wolves, there's a renewed sense of commitment and energy within the group," says Coach Shiposh. "Their dedication will be key to ensuring we're prepared to play attractive, dynamic

football that highlights each player's strengths, with the ultimate goal of making a strong impression on college coaches at the upcoming showcases."

Team Members:

Grayson Ader, Trevor Anthony, Bryan Barbosa, William Barker, Julian Cartwright, John Chilleri, Jacob Ivey, Aidan Kaminski, Sadiki Ngabo, Dante Palazzari, Timmy Roberts, Tyler Tarnalicki, Nick Tighe, Joel Tigue, Josh Tigue, Miguel Vega

2006 Boys Spurs (11v11)

Spurs enters the new season with a number of fresh faces joining the team as well. With great attendance in the preseason training sessions during the high school season, the team has had time to get to know each other before preparing for their competitions later this month. Spurs will be led this year by current Kings College Men's Assistant Coach Thomas Knox after former head coach Daniel Malone accepted a new role as Men's Assistant Coach at Gettysburg College. Spurs will look to hit the ground running in just one week's time at the FC Delco Fall Showcase, then the Steel United Turf Showcase in mid-December, as they begin the new campaign together.

"It's exciting to observe the effort and intensity that our Spurs squad is

SHOWCASE TEAMS PREVIEW

providing," says Coach Knox. "Our style is bold, high-tempo, and emphasizes the individual qualities of every player. This group is prepared to make an impression in upcoming college showcases, and I have confidence that coaches who watch them play will be impressed by the group."

Team Members:

Michael Amato, Christopher Barron, Nick Burak, Alejandro Cano, Devon Cerasaro, Wyatt Fofi, Sawyer Hoffman, Drew Illian, John Jean, William Kelly, Hunter Kissell, Paul Kobierecki, Owen Kresge, Lukas Lam, James Mitchell, Liam O'Malley

2008 Boys Dortmund (11v11)

Dortmund enters the new season with the core of the teams still intact from last year. With a few, high-quality additions coming from outside the club, Dortmund will look to build off a very strong Spring season last year after finishing in second in EDP IV with an 8-1-1 record. As the group continues to progress, we expect them to be pushed to EDP III and placed in higher tournament brackets to ensure they're getting seen by college coaches. Led by former King's College Women's Head Coach Craig Wilkinson, Dortmund will look to start the season on the right foot as they join Wolves at the EDP Fall Showcase and PA Classics Winter Showcase tournaments.

Team Members:

Alex Berlinski, Landen Cannon, David Da Silva, Schuyler Davis, Sean Gager, William Garcia, Andrew Geck, Jordan Marsico, Connor McDonald, PJ McLaine, Ricky Paredes, Jaxon Pikul, Chase Predmore, Wyatt Spalding, Juma Sylvain, Jacob Wells

2010 Boys Bayern (11v11)

Bayern joins the group of showcase teams as a number of their players have entered high school and represented their schools in the Fall. The team has had excellent attendance in preseason Sunday trainings, as they geared up for the first two competitions of the year - the EDP Fall Classic and EDP Winter Classic. Bayern will look to replicate the same success they had last year in the Fall when they won multiple trophies in high-level tournaments and finished second in EDP III, just short of promotion to the USYS NL II. This team has had a consistently upwards trajectory for years now and thus will be competing in the top brackets of the upcoming tournaments to further challenge the boys to reach the next level. Bayern is led by Coach Carlos Perez who is going into his third year with the Club and the 2010 Boys team.

Team Members:

Jacob Borrelli, Nathan Ciocco,

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Jacob Cobb, Carter DeSarno,
Max Domin, Odin Fielding,
Bryce Haldeman, Wes Illian,
Ethan Johnson, Evan Johnson,
Braden Loff, Aidan McCloskey,
Jack Molitoris, Owen Morgan,
Ethan Namlick, Blake Norton,
Sean Patchcoski, Andrew Pedri,
Alexander Rakowski, Lucas Samala

2010 Girls Lyon(11v11)

Lyon finished last Spring with one of the most notable achievements in club history, as they won the EPYSA State Challenge Cup vs. FC Delco. After this achievement, as well as running the table in EDP Premier IV, Lyon looks to continue their drive up the divisions and tournament brackets this Fall. The group has displayed exceptional development throughout their rise, while always adhering to an attractive style of football and not straying from their principles. Also led by Coach Carlos Perez who is in his second year with the team, Lyon will join Bayern at the EDP Fall and Winter Classics and look to start their season how they finished last Spring!

Team Members:

Madelynn Calvert, Isabella Ciavarella, Angie Euceda, Bryn Grobelny, Delaney Kaub, Sophia Krystiniak, Maci Lazorchak, Olivia Leslie, Gwennyth Mazur, Jaelle Nichols, Mia Rava, Lia Salierno, Mila Trently, Althea Ulanoski, Elia Yankovich, Adyson Zabriski

TEAM INFORMATION Full-Sided 2024-2025

Team

2006 Boys Wolves

2006 Boys Spurs

2008 Boys Dortmund

2010 Boys Bayern

2010 Girls Lyon

2011 Boys Arsenal

2011 Boys Sounders

2012 Boys Celtic

League

USYS National League 2

EDP Premier IV

EDP Premier IV

EDP Premier III

EDP Premier IV

EDP Premier III

EDP Premier VI

USYS National League 2

Coach

Zachary Shiposh

Thomas Knox

Craig Wilkinson

Carlos Perez

Carlos Perez

Zachary Shiposh

Aidan Thornell

Zachary Shiposh

*Showcase teams (2006-2010) display Spring 2024 league placing



TEAM INFORMATION Small-Sided 2024-2025

Team

2013 Boys Ajax

2013 Girls Barca

2013 Boys Timbers

2014 Girls Roma

2014 Boys Santos

2015 Boys Milan

2015 Boys Valencia

2016 Girls Juventus

2017 Boys Cityzens

League

EDP Premier II

EDP Premier I

LVYSL White

LVYSL Red

LVYSL Red

LVYSL Red

LVYSL Blue

LVYSL Red

LVYSL Red

Coach

Ryan Heins

Brendon Weinhardt

Richard Fuchs

Brendon Weinhardt

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Zachary Shiposh

Richard Fuchs

Brendon Weinhardt

Brendon Weinhardt



ANTHRACITE FC GOLDEN BOOT

STANDINGS

Pos.	Player	Goals
1	Zack Bachman 2014 Santos	21
2	Caden Hoban 2011 Arsenal	14
2	Clara Kurilla 2013 Barca	14
4	Jayden Alu 2011 Arsenal	13
4	Max Horter 2015 Milan	13



ANTHRACITE FC PLAYMAKER AWARD

STANDINGS

Pos.	Player	Assists
1	Liubomyr Vasylynka 2011 Arsenal	13
2	Nolia Benedict 2013 Barca	9
2	Luke Nichols 2014 Santos	9
4	Clara Kurilla 2013 Barca	8
5	Jack Garvey 2014 Santos	7



ANTHRACITE FC GOLDEN GLOVE

STANDINGS

Pos.	Player	Clean Sheets
1	Matthew Welkey 2012 Celtic	6
1	Hunter Davis 2011 Arsenal	6
3	Brooke Patchcosk 2013 Barca	ci 5
4	Kharis Fenton 2013 Barca	3
4	Logan Yeager 2014 Santos	3



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