



Iowa Soccer Association
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Iowa Olympic Development Program

2009 was another successful year for the Iowa Olympic Development Program. Twenty Iowa players were named to Region 2 ODP regional teams and the 1994 and 1992 boys' teams won the ODP Region 2 Tournament. In addition, ODP tryout numbers were up by approximately 100 participants compared to the previous year.

The 1994 boys' ODP team traveled to Brazil in the summer, compiling a 4-3 record in both tournament and friendly competition playing against Brazilian club and youth professional teams. In addition, the team was a great ambassador for the State of Iowa.

The 1994 girls' ODP team is scheduled to travel to China in 2010.

Iowa ODP expanded its college exposure program. Drake University, The University of Iowa and The University of Northern Iowa all participated in the program this year.

The Iowa Developmental Camp held at Grinnell College continues to be the most successful residential soccer camp in the state of Iowa, attracting over 500 Iowa players to camp.

Coach Licensing

ISA continues to aggressively promote coach education throughout the state. In 2009, ISA ran twenty four coaching courses providing coach training to over three hundred and eighty coaches.

Adult and Youth Indoor Tournaments

ISA partnered with two indoor facilities and offered four youth and adult indoor soccer tournaments. The indoor events were offered in Cedar Rapids and Ames and incorporated 200 teams, 2500 participants and approximately 6,000 spectators. Unfortunately, beginning in 2011, the Ames facility will no longer be available and therefore 2010 will be the last year of the Ames indoor events.

TOPS Soccer/Soccer Start

ISA continues to support a TOPS soccer program in Urbandale with over 40 participants in 2009. ISA is looking to expand the program to Cedar Rapids and Ames in 2010.

Iowa Recreational Soccer

ISA provided community outreach programs for a number of affiliates and non affiliates including NWIFC, Pella and Sully.

ISA Academy

The U9/U10 ISA Academy program expanded from twenty-four teams in 2008 to 59 teams in 2009 with teams participating in intra-club and festival competition.

The Academy program continues to meet its player development goals, which will continue to be the focus of the program. However, Academy parent and coach education will become more of a focus in 2010.

ISA Regional Centers of Play

ISA implemented a Centers of Play program that included the identification of 16 regional centers. The regional centers are geographical clusters of Iowa Soccer Association affiliates that can be used to assist in club cooperation, league formation, league expansion, coach licensing promotion and new affiliate recruitment. The main goal of the Centers of Play in 2010 will be the formation of a new Northwest Iowa Soccer League in the Northwest Iowa regional center.

