

**Essex United Soccer Club's**  
**17th ANNUAL TOURNAMENT & SHOOT OUT**  
**GENERAL INFORMATION**  
**JUNE 21-22, 2008**

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The Essex United Soccer Club of Essex Jct., Vt. is pleased to announce that the 17th Annual Soccer Tournament & Shootout will be held June 21-22, 2008 at the Tree Farm Recreational Facility in Essex Jct., Vt.

Age groups and number of teams are as follows:

- U10 Boys (8/1/97) (12-16 Teams)
- U10 Girls (8/1/97) (12-16 Teams)
- U12 Boys (8/1/95) (12-16 Teams)
- U12 Girls (8/1/95) (12-16 Teams)
- U14 Boys (8/1/93) (12-16 Teams)
- U14 Girls (8/1/93) (12-16 Teams)
- U16 Girls (8/1/91) ( 4- 8 Teams)
- U15-U17 Boys (8/1/90) (4- 8 Teams)

Game durations will be as follows:

- U10            2 20 minute halves
- U12            2 25 minute halves
- U14            2 25 minute halves
- U15 - U17    2 30 minute halves

Entry fees for this year's tournament are:

- U10            \$ 225/team (7v7)
- U12            \$ 325/team (8v8)
- U14            \$ 375/team (11v11)
- U15 – U17    \$ 425/team (11v11)

This is a USYSA sanctioned "B" Tournament, intended for Club and Travel teams. USYSA also designates this event as a "Level 4" tournament.

Teams must have USYSA membership and official USYSA rosters. All players must have player passes. All teams outside VT must have permission from their state association.

Roster size will be limited to 18 players (15 for U10 and U12), and may include 3 guest players (2 guest player for U10 and U12). Players can only be listed on one team's tournament roster.

U15-U17 division assignments will be made based on team age, team strength, and competition records.

Three Tournament matches are guaranteed, with playoffs on Sunday afternoon for qualifying teams.

The Team Shootout Competitions are held after each tournament match. All roster players participate.

**Dead line for entry is 5/01/08!** Age groups are filled on a first come, first served basis, at the discretion of the Tournament Committee. In the past, age groups have filled prior to the 5/01 dead line.

If multiple teams from the same club register for the same age group, the first application received will obtain a tournament slot. Subsequent entries will be waitlisted. If openings are available after 5/01/08, waitlisted teams will be accepted until the age group is filled.

Trophies will be awarded to age group winners and runners-up for the Tournament. Participation awards will be given to all U10 players. Trophies will also be awarded to the winner of each age group's Shootout competition.

Teams are **encouraged** to exchange patches or pins, but it is not required.

Special Tournament hotel rates and information are available on our website. Please ask for the special 'Essex United Tournament' rate when calling.

The 2008 tournament will feature, food concessions, Tournament T shirt sales, and soccer equipment vendors. We will again be participating in the "Pass-Back" program, so be sure to bring your old gently used soccer gear and equipment for donation to Batey Libertad, an impoverished community in the Dominican Republic where it will gladly be put to use.

The 2008 application is available on the club website at [ESSEXUNITEDSOCCER.ORG](http://ESSEXUNITEDSOCCER.ORG). Please return it, along with your preliminary roster and payment to:  
Essex United Soccer Tournament  
C/o Cheryl Bowers  
12 Lang Drive  
Essex, VT 05452

Acceptance confirmations will be mailed to each team by May 5<sup>th</sup>. Any team that withdraws from the tournament after the confirmations have been mailed will forfeit the registration fee.

Should you have questions concerning the Tournament, please contact the Tournament Director, Cheryl Bowers at 802-872-2615 or by e-mail at [EUSCT08@yahoo.com](mailto:EUSCT08@yahoo.com).