



# WYFL NEWS



WHITEWATER YOUTH FOOTBALL LEAGUE

July 2009

## Are You Ready for Some Football?

It's hard to believe the 2009 Season is almost here. The WYFL Board of Directors has been working furiously behind the scenes getting things ready for the upcoming 2009 Season. At the end of last season, we sent out surveys to find out what works and what doesn't. Your feedback was much appreciated and we are pleased to say that we have made some changes for this year that came directly from your input. Here is a quick view of just some of the changes:

- We added an additional registration date
- All games will now have electronic scoreboards
- Gold Cards out... Cookie Dough in
- Game times have been extended by 15 minutes
- Restructuring of the Flag Divisions

We also want to point out that we will be having a mandatory Junior Division Parent Meeting on August 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. in the Whitewater High School football bleachers. The purpose of this meeting is to go over rules and expectations, and to also give you an opportunity to ask questions. We believe this will help start the season on a positive note.

That's about it for now. If you have a suggestion, drop us a line. We'd love to hear from you. On behalf of the WYFL, we welcome you and look forward to seeing you out on the field.

Sincerely,

WYFL Board of Directors

## 2009 Season at a Glance

- July 21<sup>st</sup>** – Registration #1
  - Tuesday from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
- August 8<sup>th</sup>** – Registration #2
  - Saturday from 9:00 am – 12:00 noon
- August 7<sup>th</sup>** – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Team Starts Practice
- August 11<sup>th</sup>** – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Team Starts Practice
- August 17<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>** – Junior Division Skills Clinic
- August 19<sup>th</sup>** – Junior Division Draft and Parent Meeting
- September 9<sup>th</sup>** – First Game of Season – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade (home)
- September 12<sup>th</sup>** – First Game of Season – Junior Division
- September 12<sup>th</sup>** – **Perkins Stadium Event (TBD)**
- September 25<sup>th</sup>** – FFA Night at WHS
- September 26<sup>th</sup>** – Punt Pass and Kick
- October 24<sup>th</sup>** – Last Game of Season

\*More calendar information available at [www.wyflonline.com](http://www.wyflonline.com)

## 2009 Fundraiser

“Goodbye Gold Cards, hello Cookie Dough!” This year the WYFL will be selling yummy Cookie Dough to help supplement the operating costs of the league. Each family will be required to purchase four (4) boxes of Cookie Dough which must be paid for at the time of registration. You will be able to recover this cost by getting out and selling the Cookie Dough to friends, family and co-workers. Each box of Cookie Dough makes 48 cookies. The additional cost at registration will be \$60 per child; maximum one child per family.

## Volunteer Wanted

The WYFL is looking for someone who is super organized, can motivate others to volunteer and has a little extra time on their hands. Sound like you? We need someone willing to get involved and step into the role of the 2009 Fundraising Coordinator. Anyone interested or just looking for more information regarding this position should contact Steve Andersen at [sandersen220@gmail.com](mailto:sandersen220@gmail.com) or call 262.473.3888.

## Registration

The following registration information pertains to the Junior Division and the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade traveling teams.

### **Registration #1**

**Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 5 pm – 8 pm**

### **Registration #2**

**Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 9 am – noon**

Anyone registering after Saturday, August 8<sup>th</sup> will face an additional \$25 late registration fee. Registrations will not be accepted after August 19<sup>th</sup>.

Registration and equipment issue will be at the equipment building behind the Whitewater High School, 534 S. Elizabeth Street. Parking is available behind the high school.

Player registration fee of \$65 as well as the \$60 for the four (4) boxes Cookie Dough. You will be able to select the flavor of Cookie Dough at the time of registration. Each player should be present so they can be individually fitted for equipment. The coaches will issue game jerseys prior to the first game.

**New for 2009:** If you know someone who is interested in becoming a league or team Sponsor in 2009, you will receive a \$25 registration refund for the 2009 season.

Refunds will be mailed out after sponsorship money is received.

**All player and coaches equipment** will be turned in immediately following the last game at the football fields on **October 24<sup>th</sup>**. Please make clothing arrangements for players as they will need to turn in all their equipment including football pants on that last Saturday of the season.

## Junior Division

The Junior Division (*formerly known as the Midget League*) will include 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders and they will play at **10:30 a.m.** on Saturday mornings at the high school football fields. All games are 75 minutes long. Your registration fee includes the game jersey; which is yours to keep!

We want to emphasize that 1) each coach will only be allowed **three** (3) kids by proxy; their child and two

assistants. There will be no exceptions. 2) While the coaches will do their best to accommodate, kids who come from communities outside of Whitewater cannot be guaranteed that they will be on the same team for car-pooling reasons.

A player skills clinic will be held at the Whitewater High School **August 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>** from **5:30 - 7:00 pm** for the Junior League only. Players will need to wear their full equipment, helmets, shoulder pads and pants. The head and assistant coaches will be working with individual players on various offensive and defensive skills, teaching proper techniques.

## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Traveling Team

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade team will be coached by Tom Fuller and assisted by Tom Duval. There will be a handout at registration with information regarding practice times, game schedule, etc. For more information, you can email Tom Fuller at [tfullerjr@gmail.com](mailto:tfullerjr@gmail.com)

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Traveling Team

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade team will be coached by Glenn Stoll and assisted by Keith Michaels and Tom Blaedow. Glenn will have a handout at registration with information regarding practice times, game schedule, etc. For more information, you can reach Glenn at [agstoll@idcnet.com](mailto:agstoll@idcnet.com)

## Flag Football

**New for 2009:** The Flag Divisions have been broken up into the following groups:

### Grade                      Age

4K & 5K..... at least 4 but less than 7

Grade 1 & 2 ..... at least 6 but less than 10

Grade 3 & 4 ..... at least 8 but less than 11

All flag football games will be played on Saturday morning, beginning September 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. Games will be played on the practice fields at Whitewater High School.

Visit <http://activenet9.active.com/whitewater> to register or for more information. Questions can be directed to Matt Amundson at 262.473.0122 or you can email him at [mamundson@ci.whitewater.wi.us](mailto:mamundson@ci.whitewater.wi.us)