

Congratulations to 2019 Indiana Soccer Association Awards Winners, honored 2/22/2020

Indiana Soccer Finalist Travel Team Manager Jasmin Bankhead
Indiana Soccer Girls Travel Coach of the Year Rob Jordan and Theron Smith
Indiana Soccer Girls Recreation Coach of the Year Jasmine Moses
Indiana Soccer Finalist Recreation Coach of the Year Stephan Vincent
Indiana Soccer Boys Travel Coach of the Year Ian Scott

2019 United Soccer Alliance of Indiana Annual Awards

It takes countless hours of devoted staff and volunteers to run a youth development soccer club, and United Soccer Alliance of Indiana is grateful it has some of the very best parent volunteers, coaches, and managers. Each year, a few go so far above and beyond expectations we take a moment to recognize them. Will you please help congratulations the 2019 USA of Indiana Award Winners?

Volunteer of the Year Nick Schafer
Recreation Coach of the Year Stephan Vincent
Recreation Coach of the Year Jasmine Moses
Rec Plus Coach of the Year Jim Le
Rec Plus Coach of the Year Scott Helm
Young Female Referee of the Year Maggie Gaughan
Boys Travel Coach of the Year Jason Rich
Girls Travel Coach of the Year Greg Hylton
Girls Travel Coaches of the Year Theron Smith and Rob Jordan
Boys Travel Team Manager Jasmin Bankhead
Girls Travel Team Manager Ann Marie Scharlau
Volunteer of the Year: Nick Schafer, 2007G Premier

Nick Schafer of the 2007G Premier team is one of our most reliable fields volunteers, capable at this point of installing entire soccer fields by himself and leading crews and teams. In addition, he always volunteers as a field marshal at every tournament, and picks up extra shifts when asked. Beyond that, he is at the fields each night while his daughter is training, and is always quick to pick up a liner or to help in whatever way is needed. He feels like a part of the fields crew staff he is so dependable and skilled.

Recreation Coach of the Year Boys: Stephan Vincent, 2007B Crew Pike

Coach Stephan Vincent coaches Rec, Rec Plus, and USAI Futsal teams, and is an integral part of the USA of Indiana. Coach Vincent coaches during USAI Rec All Star games as well. Coach Vincent is an often requested and always beloved coach who is organized, communicative, and reliable, which is to say nothing of the actual soccer skills he is able to teach his players.

Recreation Coach of the Year Girls: Jasmine Moses, 2012G Union Pike

Coach Jasmine Moses is part of a family who have been coaching with USAI for 25 years! The future looks bright in Jasmine's hands! She is not only requested, but DEMANDED, by players in the U8 girls age bracket, because of her ability to make soccer fun for players of that age. In addition, she holds extra training that the families joyously attend, and creates experiences that have young players begging to know when the next season starts!

Rec Plus Coach of the Year Jim Le, 2001 Pike Union

Coach Jim Le is a fixture at the USAI fields. He coaches U10 boys Rec as well as multiple Rec Plus teams. He is so frequently requested by players that he stays involved in teams he no longer coaches, just to be sure that his former players are developing and having fun. He is a wonderful resource for families and young players on the soccer field.

Rec Plus Coach of the Year Scott Helm, 2001 Hendricks Crew and 2008 Hendricks Timbers

Coach Scott Helm coaches both Rec and Rec Plus teams in the USAI Hendricks divisions. Coach Helm is communicative, organized, and works hard to make sure his players are having a good experience. Coach Helm is a critical piece of the Hendricks program and we are so thankful for his hard work!

Young Referee of the Year: Maggie Gaughan

Maggie Gaughan is the unofficial leader of the USAI junior referee program. Her quiet nature disappears the second she takes the field officiating U5-U8 games, and she keeps the games running like well-oiled machines, which is no easy feat with players at that age. She is reliable and responsible far beyond her years, and is more than happy to mentor new junior referees to help them grow. Whatever area of the fields Maggie is assigned on Rec game days, we can rest assured that it is in great hands.

Boys Travel Coach of the Year: Jason Rich, 2008B Hendricks and 2011B Hendricks

Thanks to his diligence and personal recruitment, Coach Jason Rich has developed FOUR new USAI travel teams in Hendricks County, an area that this time two years ago, had zero! He has developed players from area Rec programs

and created a cohesive and well-run training program that has all three 2008B teams working in tandem in ways that grow both players and coaches. He has also taken the reigns of the 2011B Academy team in Hendricks, which only means great things for that group as well. Thank you Coach Jason!

Girls Travel Coach of the Year: Greg Hylton, 2002G Premier

Coach Greg Hylton has been a coaching force with USAI and USAI Fusion Soccer Academy for many years. He is an extremely well-organized, communicative, and impactful coach who develops teams into cohesive units. His players love playing for him, often navigating the turbulent waters of high school soccer in pursuit of continuing college play. His teams consistently volunteer and fundraise as units and create bonds that translate onto the soccer field. We wish we had dozens more coaches just like him.

Girls Travel Coaches of the Year Theron Smith and Rob Jordan, 2004G Elite, 2009G Premier

Coach Theron Smith and Rob Jordan brought home a State Cup Championship for USA of Indiana's 2004G Elite Team this year! Congratulations to all! In addition to the work required to prepare a team for success at that level, Coach Theron also coaches the 2009G Premier team, a group who also looks poised for future success. In no small feat, Coach Jordan also won an IHSAA State Championship as head coach of the Zionsville High School Boys Varsity team. Coach Theron Smith is the longtime Head Coach of Pike High School, the Club's 41-year partner. In all, USA of Indiana is thankful that these two coaches share their talents with the club and the countless young players who benefit from their knowledge. Thank you and Congratulations on your success!

Travel Team Manager of the Year: Jasmin Bankhead, 2007 Boys Entire Age Group

2007B Elite team manager Jasmin Bankhead is the rock of the 2007 boys group...an age division that currently has 5 teams! Following the USAI and Dynamo alliance at this age level, Jasmin kept a close eye on the distribution of players, identified and trained team managers for each of the individual teams, and keeps close tabs on each group making sure all players are having a good experience. The 2007B Elite team is striving hard towards promotion into the National League, but Jasmin is personally making sure that no player is left behind regardless of what roster they play on a given day.

Girls Travel Team Manager Ann Marie Scharlau, 2002G Premier

Ann Marie Scharlou tackles the job of team manager with a great attitude and a willingness to learn quickly under pressure. She spent countless hours organizing a handoff of materials and communicating with parents through a transition of longtime team managers and coaches. Through it all, Ann Marie handled all administrative tasks for the team on time and in budget. Ann Marie was a driving force in increasing the team's volunteer record at club tourna