



The Final Third

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Patrick Carver name to NSCAA All-America Team for 2008

Patrick Carver from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia was recently selected to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America All-America Team for 2008. The Senior from Springfield, Missouri is a repeat selection on the team as he also garnered honors in 2007. Carver who played High School Soccer at Parkview High School and for the Springfield Soccer Club is the first collegiate All-American from the club.

Carver, who shared the UAA Player of the Year honors with Ricky Griffin of Carnegie Mellon University (marking the first time the UAA has named co-Players of the Year), earned his second-straight UAA Player of the Year honor, becoming the first Emory men's soccer player to do so. This season, the senior has led the team with 13 goals and 33 points, including three goals and three assists in UAA matches, and moved into second place in school history with 129 career points and 50 points.

Carver joins Nate Micklos of Rochester (2004 and 2005) and Adam Hibshman of Carnegie Mellon University (2000, 2001, and 2002) as the only UAA players to earn multiple Player of the Year honors. The award marks the seventh time an Emory player has been named the UAA's Player of the Year. "It is a tremendous honor to be named an All-American again this year. It would not have been possible without the help of my coaches and teammates in Atlanta and here in Springfield. The award will be something I remember for years to come." said Patrick Carver. Last summer Carver captained the Springfield Soccer Club U23 Team during their inaugural season where the team finished undefeated.



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All America continued

“Patrick has always displayed the characteristics you think of when the phrase All-American is thrown around. He is first and foremost a quality person who takes care of things in the classroom. His dedication to improve as a player is also something he has not taken lightly, whether it was staying after practices to improve his finishing or working with Brian Bounds on speed enhancement, he understood the importance of doing more than the average player and most of that work goes unnoticed. We have enjoyed having him work our summer camps in the past as his knowledge of the game is evident and he likes passing it along to future players. Being a two-time All-America is something he truly earned and deserves.” said Jeremy Alumbaugh Director of Soccer Operations.

Springfield Soccer Club Alumni Game 2008 A Success

On Monday December 22, 2008 the Springfield Soccer Club held its annual Alumni Game at the Lake Country SoccerDome. The event gives past players an opportunity to relive the glory years on the soccer field and catch up with old friends, teammates and coaches. Also, the graduating seniors are invited to help bridge the gap between the past and present.

For the 2008 game a record 50 players participated in the event expanding the game onto both fields at the SoccerDome. Teams were divided by birth year with one team comprised of players born in odd years and the other for players born in even years. The game also featured recent US National Team Camp invitee Jack Jewsbury as he was looking to stay soccer sharp over the Holiday Break. “This was by far are biggest and best Alumni Game so far. I look forward to this event each year as it is great to catch up with all of the players and parents from the past. It really shows that this club is a family when you get players and parents to come out and participate in a day like this.” said Jeremy Alumbaugh Director of Soccer Operations. At the conclusion of the event an Alumni Reception was held at Coesters and there were over 75 people in attendance.

The game was highlighted by players who have continued to play soccer at the collegiate level, whether it is on the varsity level, reserve, club team or intramurals. “The alumni game has been a great event the last few years. It's always good to catch up with old teammates and play against good competition. The game also shows, those of us that have moved on, how good the current club players are becoming. It's great to see SSC beginning to thrive on a national level, and I thank SSC for putting on this event as it is a fun way to still be involved with the club.” said Brian Fishback who just completed his Senior season at the University of Indianapolis.

Stay tuned to the club website www.springfieldsportsclub.com for Alumni Updates as well as the newsletter for the always popular Q & A with an SSC Alumni.



Annual SSC Awards Banquet & Silent Auction

Mark your calendars now for the Annual SSC Awards Banquet & Silent Auction which will be held Thursday February 26, 2009 at the Oasis Inn and Convention Center. Each year the club comes together to celebrate our accomplishments, visit with friends, and recognize all of our teams and players on one big special night. Last year saw a record number of people in attendance as we had a wonderful night of camaraderie within the club. There also is a silent auction for the club with all of the proceeds going directly into the club account to help with the operational budget. The auction is always a great time to pick up some neat items and support the club.

Other highlights of the evening include the 50/50 Raffle, guest speaker, team awards, player, supporter and family of the year awards as well as a special player gift. Visit the club website www.springfieldsportsclub.com for more information and to print off a registration form. See you on the 26th!



INNERLEAGUE Wrap-up

During the first session of indoor we the indoor league at the facility take full shape. Saturdays and Sundays were full of exciting games that saw plenty of scoring from all teams. Coach Steve Eise had this to say about his team's inner league experience.

"I thought the inter league was very entertaining and educational. Players have to train and play with the best players in order to continually challenge themselves to get better, and the structure of the inner league allowed our kids to do just that."

As second session of indoor begins, the kids and coaches will be well prepared from the lessons and skills learned from the first session of indoor at SSC. Good Job on the first session, now take that and continue on for your second session. Below are the divisional winners. Congrats!!

U-10 G Boston Breakers

U-12 G China

U-14 G USC

U-10 B New England

U-12 B Houston Dynamo

U-14 B Notre Dame

SSC 90/91 Boys # 1 in the Nation

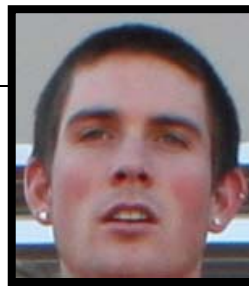
After completion of the adidas final iv showcase and the adidas Disney College Showcase in December National Soccer Ranking www.nationalsoccerranking.com has ranked the SSC 90/91 U18 Boys as the # 1 team in the United States. This is quite an honor as you look at the list and see the major metropolitan markets that are also listed in the top 10. Springfield Soccer Club set out with a goal to make a mark on the State of Missouri, once that was accomplished; they set their sights on the Midwest Region and the Nation.

"What an honor for not only the team but the entire club." said Cory Carr Director of Senior Boys Program. "It goes to show that we can compete against anyone out there with hard work, determination and some luck!" There are a lot of ranking systems used out there, but the NSR is the only one that utilizes state, regional and national voting experts to determine rankings. Some other sites only use tournament results and obviously the more tournaments you play in the more points you get. NSR is the only ranking system used by the MRL and USYS National League to help with seeding and placement.

Wondering where your team stacks up in the State, Regional and National Rankings? Visit www.nationalsoccerranking.com and see for yourself.



Alumni Q&A: Luke Prater



What was the biggest transition to college (not soccer wise)?

- I would say the toughest transition to college that isn't soccer related is the amount of work load you have to balance with school. Coming from a public high school, I wasn't really prepared for the work load I received from classes. I learned real quick though to keep my grades in order to play soccer.

What is the biggest difference between youth soccer and college soccer?

-The biggest difference between youth and college soccer is the pace of play. It is a lot faster and tougher than youth soccer. There aren't as many opportunities to hold onto the ball and show boat (without getting killed).

What is a typical week like in season?

-A typical week in soccer includes a full set of classes and practice everyday at 3:30-5:30. After that sometimes depending on the schedule of games, we have film at night after dinner. It is really busy and good management skills are needed to balance between soccer and school work and social play.

Applying what you know now about college soccer is there anything you would have changed or focused more on during your youth soccer career?

-No I felt like I did the right thing when I was in youth soccer, and that was focusing on having fun. I wasn't exactly the best at getting my name out there for the colleges to recruit me, but I have landed up in the right place. I strongly believe that if someone focuses on having fun and doing it for the love of the game that they will end up where they are suppose to be.

Best player/team you have gone against at college level?

I would have to say Santi or Miguel from Loras College. Both those guys have amazing ball skills and vision on the field. Not to mention they are blazing fast. Both all Americans as under classmen.

How did SSC prepare you for college (on/off the field)?

-SSC definitely prepared me for the fitness aspect of the game. SSC also prepared me for the competitive nature of college ball. Once you get to college it is a big competition to get playing time. SSC also prepared me to make friendships through soccer and special connections.

Any advice for those starting the recruiting process and those who will begin college in the fall of 2007?

-Don't let the college search freak you out. Just focus on having fun playing with your teammates at the showcases and tournaments you have remaining. You play your best ball when you are having fun and relaxed. At the same time always think of ways you can constantly be improving your game whether it may be juggling or dribbling every day. Get out and do it.



MYSA Awards to SSC family

When MYSA gave out their yearly awards, SSC was there to collect a couple. Emily Courtney (pictured) picked up the Young Female Referee of the Year. Congratulations to Emily for her great work on the field (this time as a ref!!).

Nancy Wichmer also picked up an award as MYSA Volunteer of the year. Last year SSC's Duane Moses won this award. It's great to see the wonderful spirit of those involved with SSC.



Midwest Indoor College Showcase

The 2nd installment of the Midwest Indoor College Showcase built on the success of the inaugural event. This year we increased the number of players by about 25 to 100 total. The number of college coaches also increased to about 21. We had all different divisions of College soccer represented upstairs from NCAA D1, D2, D3, NAIA, NJCAA, and others. If the players wanted the chance to be seen, they were. Many of the coaches returned from last year because they were able to find a player that helped them this year.

Feedback from players and coaches is that a great time was had this year and they can't wait until next year. So, mark your calendars and tell all of your Juniors and Seniors (next year obviously) to be ready to roll out the ball in front of colleges at the Midwest Indoor College Showcase in 2010 (tentatively set for Martin Luther King Jr. Monday)!!

Springfield S.C. Players Dominate High School Honors

In what might be characterized as the most successful season of High School Boys Soccer in the Ozarks, the Springfield Soccer Club had a definite influence on the high school field. With two high school teams making the MSHSAA Final Four in the same year the individual honors added up for many local players.

Springfield Catholic in only their second year of the program finished 3rd in the Class 1 while Glendale brought home the 2nd place trophy in the Class 3 after falling to Rockhurst in the Championship, the highest finish for a local high school. Of course this year follows up Kickapoo and their 3rd place finish in 2007.

“When glancing through the various All-District, Conference, Region teams etc. you see a heavy influence of Springfield Soccer Club players. To have players also receive All-State and All-Midwest shows that we are producing a high level of player in the club. We are excited to have these players back in the club and working hard to duplicate the success from their high school season on the club side, no other club in the area has the level of talent and commitment that we have.” said Cory Carr Director of Senior Boys Program.

A list of players and their achievements are listed below. Congratulations to all SSC players and their respective high school teams for helping put soccer on the map in Missouri.

2008 High School Boys Awards

NSCAA All-Midwest

Devon Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
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MSHSSCA All-State Class 3

1st Team

Devon Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Ryan Squires	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Chris Tombridge	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS

2nd Team

Graham Basecke	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
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Honorable Mention

Ryan Moses	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Mason Morawitz	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Columbia Hickman
Tim Griffin	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Parkview HS

Co-Offensive Player of Year

Devon Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
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MSHSSCA All-State Class 1

1st Team

Justin Bowschulte	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Catholic HS
Taylor Arens	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS

2nd Team

Nick Kofron	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Stuart Beezley	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Greenwood HS

Honorable Mention

Reid Harbach	Springfield S.C. 93/94	Catholic HS
Dylan Corbett	Springfield S.C. 92/93	New Covenant
Levi Millsap	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS



Co-Coach of the Year

Joe Kofron	Springfield S.C.	Catholic HS
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Southwest All-Region Class 3

1st Team

Chris Tombridge	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Ryan Moses	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Ryan Squires	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Jackson Patillo	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Willard HS
Graham Basecke	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Blake Aggus	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Joplin HS
Devon Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Tim Griffin	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Parkview HS
Cole Beckham	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Carthage HS
Joe Curti	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Carthage HS

Honorable Mention

Matt Medley	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Parkview HS
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Player of Year

Devon Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
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Defensive Player of Year

Ryan Squires	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
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GK of the Year

Chris Tombridge	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
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Southwest All-Region Class 1**1st Team**

Levi Millsap	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Justin Bowenschulte	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Catholic HS
Taylor Arens	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Nick Kofron	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Reid Harbach	Springfield S.C. 93/94	Catholic HS
Stuart Beezley	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Greenwood HS
Cory McCoy	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Greenwood HS
Dylan Corbett	Springfield S.C. 92/93	New Covenant

Player of Year

Justin Bowenschulte	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Catholic HS
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Defensive Player of Year

Taylor Arens	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
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GK of the Year

Levi Millsap	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
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Coach of the Year

Joe Kofron	Springfield S.C.	Catholic HS
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All-District 12 Class 3**1st Team**

Bryce Collier	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Hillcrest HS
Blake Aggus	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Joplin HS
Cole Beckham	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Carthage HS
Jackson Patillo	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Willard HS
Joe Curti	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Carthage HS

2nd Team

Michael Freeman	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Hillcrest HS
Parker Maher	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Joplin HS
Matthew Robinson	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Carthage HS
Tyler Sevon	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Willard HS

Honorable Mention

Daniel McDonald	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Joplin HS
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All-District 11 Class 3**1st Team**

Tim Griffin	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Parkview HS
Devon Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Matt Medley	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Parkview HS
Ryan Moses	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Graham Basecke	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Ryan Squires	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Chris Tombridge	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS

2nd Team

Brock Ruggeri	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Ian Kennedy	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Christopher Maddox	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Glendale HS
Ian Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Caleb Collier	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Tyler Bennett	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Ryan Partch	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Jordan Pitts	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Glendale HS



Honorable Mention

Alec Martinez	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Glendale HS
Hunter Horton	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Glendale HS
Trevor Pedigo	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Dane Knapp	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Parkview HS

Player of the Year

Devon Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
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Offensive Player of the Year

Tim Griffin	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Parkview HS
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Defensive Player of the Year

Ryan Moses	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
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GK of the Year

Chris Tombridge	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
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All-District 10 Class 3**1st Team**

Grant Bollig	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Lebanon HS
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All-District 5 Class 2**2nd Team**

Colton Harden	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Marshfield HS
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All-District Class 1**1st Team**

Justin Bowenschulte	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Catholic HS
Taylor Arens	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Nick Kofron	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Stuart Beezley	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Greenwood HS
Dylan Corbett	Springfield S.C. 92/93	New Covenant

2nd Team

Adam Entrup	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Connor Dahlberg	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Reid Harbach	Springfield S.C. 93/94	Catholic HS
Cory McCoy	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Greenwood HS
Devon Whitlock	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Greenwood HS

Honorable Mention

Josh Moncada	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Luke Straus	Springfield S.C. 93/94	Catholic HS
Levi Millsap	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS

Player of the Year

Justin Bowenschulte	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Catholic HS
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Defensive Player of the Year

Taylor Arens	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
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GK of the Year

Levi Millsap	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
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Coach of the Year

Joe Kofron	Springfield S.C.	Catholic HS
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All-Ozark Conference**1st Team**

Ryan Moses	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Chris Tombridge	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Devon Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Ryan Squires	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Graham Basecke	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Tim Griffin	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Parkview HS
Grant Bollig	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Lebanon HS
Bryce Collier	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Hillcrest HS

2nd Team

Tyler Bennett	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Caleb Collier	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Brock Ruggeri	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Ian Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Ryan Partch	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Christopher Maddox	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Glendale HS



Matt Medley	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Parkview HS
Blake Aggus	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Joplin HS
Honorable Mention		
Parker Maher	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Joplin HS
Ian Kennedy	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Jordan Pitts	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Glendale HS
Patrick Baltz	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Glendale HS
Alec Martinez	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Glendale HS
Michael Freeman	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Hillcrest HS

All-Conference COC-Large

1st Team

Cole Beckham	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Carthage HS
Joe Curti	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Carthage HS
Matthew Robinson	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Carthage HS
Jackson Patillo	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Willard HS

All-Conference COC-Small

1st Team

Taylor Arens	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Nick Kofron	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Connor Dahlberg	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Reid Harbach	Springfield S.C. 93/94	Catholic HS
Justin Bowenschulte	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Catholic HS
Levi Millsap	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS

2nd Team

Colton Harden	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Marshfield HS
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News-Leader All-Ozarks Team

1st Team

Devon Newport	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Tim Griffin	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Parkview HS
Justin Bowenschulte	Springfield S.C. 91/92	Catholic HS
Graham Basecke	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Ryan Squires	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Glendale HS
Ryan Moses	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS
Chris Tombridge	Springfield S.C. 90/91	Kickapoo HS

2nd Team

Taylor Arens	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Nick Kofron	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Catholic HS
Jackson Patillo	Springfield S.C. 92/93	Willard HS



Every attempt was made to locate every SSC HS player represented on the various teams. If a name is missing please email alumbaugh@springfieldsportsclub.com

Juggling Crew Updates

We are very proud of the juggling crew and it's been exciting to see players improve over the past year. As a reminder of the achievements we recognize we have the 50 Club, the 100 Club, the 250 Club, the 500 Club, and the 100+ Club. Each player receives a t-shirt for the 100, 250, and 500 Club. The 50 Club gets mentioned in the newsletter and the 1000+ Club receives a plaque. Here are the **recent achievements** to each juggling club **since the beginning of the season** and the team they play on. Congrats to each and every player!!

50 Club

Page Hutton
Ashley Baum
Emily Bobbett

100 Club

Josh Ellerbee

250 Club

500 Club

1000+ Club

Austin Hart

Don't forget to witness your son or daughter juggling and then report it directly to Eric Sorlie (sorlie@springfieldsportsclub.com)

Continue to visit the Springfield Soccer Club web site for Club updates at:

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