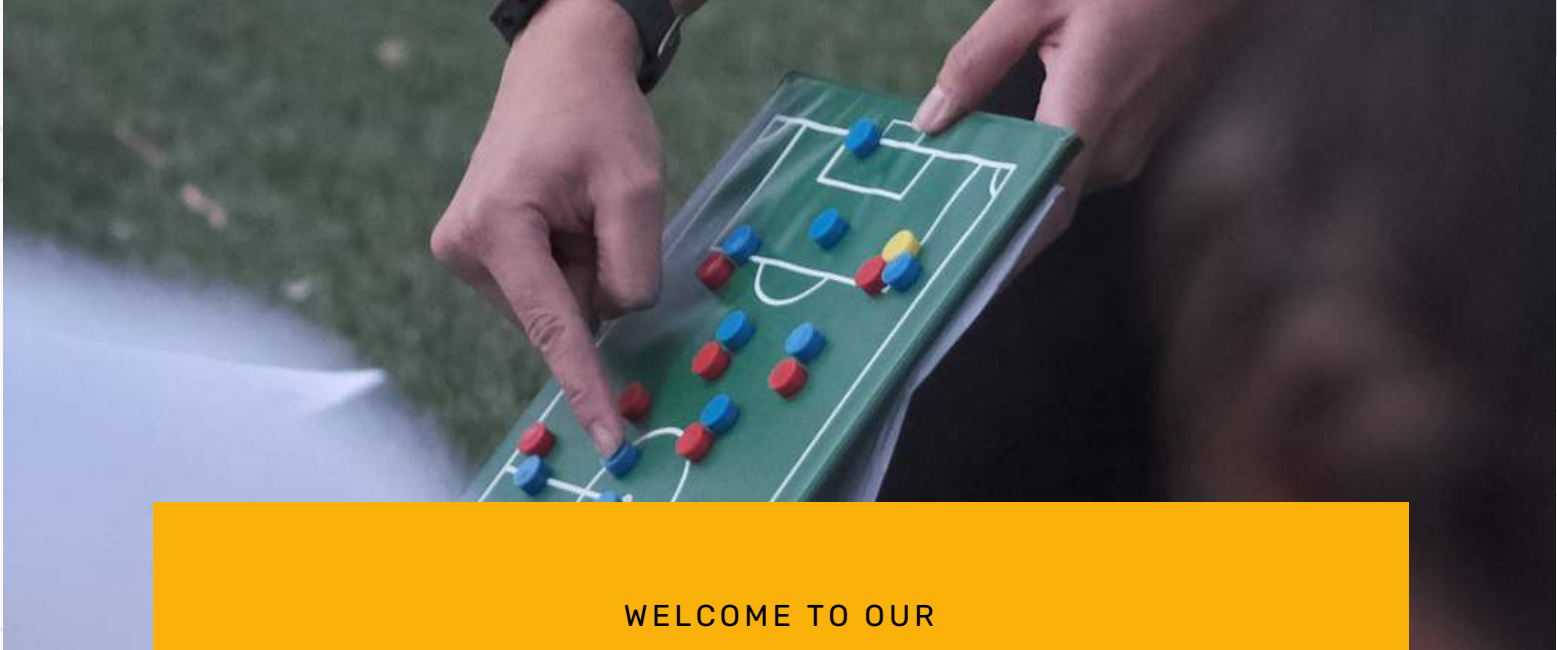




# PRIDE SOCCER CLUB

APRIL 2026



WELCOME TO OUR

## Monthly Newsletter

It's almost 2026-27 tryouts!



Hello, Pride!

We are so excited to wrap up our Spring Season soon and usher in the 2026-27 tryout season. We know this can be an angsty time for players and families so please keep reading for all the info and links you need to answer your questions! Go Pride!

### In this newsletter you will find:

↓  
Tryout Information, Spring Highlights, England Tour 2026 Highlight, U14 Mini Camp Invitee Highlight, Staff Highlight, Upcoming Programming, College Commitments, Sponsorship Materials, Colorado Pride WPSL Schedule Release



# 2026-27 TRYOUTS

## Competitive & ECNL/RL



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### ECNL - RL

*\*FOR PREDATOR TEAM SELECTION\**

**Where:** TCA Central Campus

**U13** - 9-10:30 AM

**U16** - 3-4:30 PM

**Date:** Sunday, May 3rd

**U14** - 10:30-12 PM

**U17** - 4:30-6 PM

*\*Invitation only for Predator & Copa teams only\**

**U15** - 1:30-3 PM

**U18** - 12-1:30 PM



### COMPETITIVE

**Who:** U11-14 | **Where:** Pride Complex

**Who:** U15-18 | **Where:** Pride Complex

**Dates:** May 11 & 13th

**Date:** May 10th

**U11** - 4:30-6 PM

**U13** - 4:30-6 PM

**U15** - 3-4:30 PM

**U17** - 4:30-6 PM

**U12** - 6-7:30 PM

**U14** - 6-7:30 PM

**U16** - 1:30-3 PM

**U18** - 12-1:30 PM

*\*FOR COPA, UNITED, RED, WHITE & BLACK TEAM SELECTION\**

### U 11 - U 14

**Where:** Pride Complex

**Where:** Pride Complex

**Dates:** May 12 & 14th

**Dates:** May 26 & 27th

**U11** - 4:30-6 PM

**U15** - 4:30-6 PM

**U12** - 6:30-8 PM

**U16** - 4:30-6 PM

**U13** - 6:30-8 PM

**U17** - 6:30-8 PM

**U14** - 6:30-8 PM

**U18** - 6:30-8 PM



*\*ECNL, ECNL-RL & COMPETITIVE TEAM SELECTION\**

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# PLAYER PLACEMENT

## Junior Academy & Staff Info

### JUNIOR ACADEMY (JA)



#### Girls

**Dates:** May 18 & 20th

**Where:** Pride Complex Field 4

**U8/9** - 5-6:15 PM

**U10** - 6:30-7:45 PM

#### Boys

**Dates:** May 19 & 21st

**Where:** Pride Complex Field 4

**U8/9** - 5-6:15 PM

**U10** - 6:30-7:45 PM

### ? TRYOUT QUESTIONS ?

#### BOYS



**Brian Contreras**  
SENIOR BOYS & U15-18  
DIRECTOR OF COACHING



**Paul Davison**  
U11-14 BOYS & ECNL/RL  
DIRECTOR OF COACHING



**Marcus Jordan**  
BOYS U8-U10 JUNIOR  
ACADEMY DIRECTOR

[CLICK HERE FOR STAFF & CONTACT INFO](#)

#### GIRLS



**Andrew Kummer**  
SENIOR GIRLS, U11-14 &  
ECNL-RL DIRECTOR OF  
COACHING



**Tarah Patterson**  
U15-18 GIRLS DIRECTOR  
OF COACHING



**Paul Hogan**  
GIRLS U8-10 JUNIOR  
ACADEMY DIRECTOR



# PRIDE SPRING SOCCER HIGHLIGHTS



Recreational and competitive are in full swing and we could not be more excited about the **smiles, the competitiveness, and the teamwork** we are seeing out there this season!! **Thank you to all our participants**, no matter what age or level, for being a part of Pride Soccer Club!

***We are so happy you are all here.***



Early Mornings. Cold air. Standards that didn't bend.



# INSIDE ENGLAND THE TOUR PRIDE 2026

**WHO?** Pride 2013  
Boys & Girls

**WHEN?** February  
2026

## WHY?

Pride Soccer endeavored on this pilot trip to England to provide an **unbeatable training & learning experience** for this group of players. Our goals are to **expose our players to the highest levels of soccer**, and the diverse cultures that champion it. **We are building a love of the game.** Check out our biggest takeaways from this year's trip.....

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## TRAINING AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL



Manchester City  
Academy



- Details mattered at the Manchester City Academy: jerseys tucked, socks high, standards clear.
- Sessions focused on in possession moments: keeping the ball with purpose, using numbers to switch play, breaking lines to go forward & score.
- **Players response:** increased focused each day, faster decision making, and greater ownership of training.

STAY TUNED FOR UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES LIKE THIS ONE!

# INSIDE THE PRIDE

## ENGLAND TOUR 2026



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## DEVELOPING THE WHOLE PERSON .

- Development wasn't just about the player on this trip, it was about the whole person. The whole experience.
- A walking tour through Chester offered a different perspective: History, culture, connection.
- **Moments to step away , reflect and grow.**



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## THE GAME , UP CLOSE .

- Watched the game across different levels & styles:
  - Manchester City vs Newcastle United
  - Salford City vs Newport County
  - Manchester United Women vs Atlético Madrid
- From elite precision to raw, aggressive competition—players experienced the full spectrum.
- **Same game. Different expressions. Same demands: compete, adapt, execute.**



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## WHAT THIS WEEK GAVE THEM: EXPOSURE .

- Exposure to standards, to speed, to expectation and to what the game requires at the highest level.
- **It challenged comfort. It expanded understanding. It raised the level.**



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# APRIL STAFF HIGHLIGHT

## MATT COUCH

### MEET MATT COUCH, OUR U9-U16 RECREATIONAL DIRECTOR!

#### Q: WHY DO YOU DO WHAT YOU DO?

A: VALUE - PROFESSIONALLY, I WANT TO BRING VALUE TO THOSE I INTERACT WITH IN THE SOCCER COMMUNITY. WHETHER THAT IS COACHING YOUNG PLAYERS, HELPING PARENTS NAVIGATING THE SOCCER WORLD, OR WORKING WITH MY PEERS IN THE SOCCER INDUSTRY. PERSONALLY, TO BRING VALUE AS A SUPPORTIVE AND RELIABLE FATHER, HUSBAND, BROTHER, SON, AND FRIEND.



#### Q: WHAT DO YOU DO OUTSIDE OF WORK?

A: I HAVE YOUNG KIDS SO I LOVE STUFF THAT MAKES ME FEEL LIKE A KID AGAIN, AND I ENJOY THE JOY THEY GET OUT OF THESE THINGS. THINGS LIKE WATER BALLOON FIGHTS IN THE SUMMER AND SLEDDING AND HOT COCOA IN THE WINTER!



SPORTS MATT PLAYED GROWING UP!



#### Q: WHAT FAMOUS PERSON WOULD YOU SPEND A DAY WITH?

A: ELON MUSK OR TONY ROBBINS. I WOULD LOVE TO SEE THEM IN REAL-TIME AND HOW THEY NAVIGATE LIFE, AND THE ENERGY FOR LIFE THEY HAVE SEEMS SUPER HUMAN.

#### TEAMS MATT FOLLOWS



MATT WAS BORN AND RAISED IN **TUCSON, AZ!**

#### Q: FAV VACATION SPOT?

A: SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, BUT EVER SINCE MOVING TO COLORADO THE SECLUDED MOUNTAIN GET AWAYS MIGHT BE TAKING OVER AS FAVORITE



#### Q: FAV SOCCER MEMORY:

- A: I DON'T HAVE JUST ONE FAVORITE MEMORY – HERE ARE MY TOP THREE:
1. KOBY JONES WAS MY FAVORITE PLAYER GROWING UP – SMALL, FAST, AND SKILLED, EVERYTHING I'M NOT. PLAYING RIGHT BACK WHILE HE WAS AT RIGHT MID IN A FRIENDLY AGAINST THE SWEDISH NATIONAL TEAM WITH THE GALAXY, I GOT A "THAT A BOY" FROM HIM THAT I'LL NEVER FORGET.
  2. SCORING THE GAME-WINNING GOAL AS A FRESHMAN OFF A VOLLEY AT THE 18 AGAINST LOYOLA MARYMOUNT – WHO WAS RANKED 7TH IN THE NATION AT THE TIME.
  3. ATTENDING A FULHAM VS. NOTTINGHAM FOREST MATCH IN ENGLAND ON A HIGH SCHOOL TEAM TRIP. A FAN WAS BANGING ON THE STADIUM COVER AND IT WAS REVERBERATING THROUGH THE WHOLE STAND, THE CHANTS WERE DEAFENING – IT WAS UNLIKE ANYTHING I'D EVER EXPERIENCED



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SIGN UP A TEAM OF 4 OR AS AN INDIVIDUAL TODAY!!

# U14 SOUTH REGIONAL MINI CAMP INVITEES

March 18-22, 2026 | Fayetteville, GA



Emmy said that, "being selected for this camp made me be more confident about my abilities and **how I play the game**. When I heard that I was selected for the camp I was so thrilled and proud of myself. I was so excited to **learn new things** and be able to show off my talent. It was so good getting to meet new people and fun being able to play with **some of the best girls in the nation**. Being there pushed me to work harder and showed me that **I can compete at a higher level with talented girls.**"

*Congrats!*

## EMERSON RAMEY



*Congrats!*

## KATE FEDORUK



Kate said that, "being able to participate at the U14 U.S. South Regional Mini Camp was something **I will never forget**. During my time there, I met so many amazing staff members and friends that **created an environment that was competitive but also welcoming** and considerate toward me and so many others. After participating at such a high level, **it only makes me want to drive to keep playing at these camps.**"

# 2026 College Commitments



HUGE CONGRATS TO ALL OUR SENIORS  
HEADED OFF TO PLAY IN COLLEGE!



## WYATT VAN HORN

Wyatt said: "I have always wanted to play at the next level especially in the RMAC as it is very competitive. And I am very grateful for the opportunity to do so."

**SOUTH DAKOTA  
SCHOOL OF MINES  
(D2)**



## JADON BARRETT

Jadon said: "Committing to Berea College feels amazing! All the hard work and stressful days, both academically and on the field, have finally paid off. I'm thankful for my family and friends who supported me throughout this journey, and I wouldn't be where I am without them."

**BEREA COLLEGE  
(D3)**



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# PRIDE HEART CUP

6V6 TOURNAMENT



PRIDE SOCCER CLUB

JUNE 20<sup>TH</sup>, 2026

ADULT (MEN'S, WOMEN'S, COED) & U10-U18

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LOCATION AT  
PRIDE SOCCER COMPLEX



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# schedule

MAY 17	<b>ALBION USL-W</b> AWAY - 7 PM *EXHIBITION GAME*
MAY 30	<b>GLACIER FC</b> HOME - 6 PM
JUNE 3	<b>AGGIES FC</b> AWAY - 6 PM
JUNE 6	<b>NoCo RAIN</b> HOME - 6 PM
JUNE 9	<b>CO ELEVATION SC</b> AWAY - 7 PM
JUNE 13	<b>AGGIES FC</b> HOME - 6 PM
JUNE 18	<b>CO ELEVATION SC</b> HOME - 6PM
JUNE 22	<b>GLACIER FC</b> AWAY - 7PM
JUNE 26	<b>NoCo RAIN</b> AWAY - 6PM



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We're proud to have **Comfort By Design** as our Colorado Pride WPSL front jersey sponsor for the 2025-26 seasons. Their support goes far beyond logos—it's about shared values and a deep commitment to our community.

**General Manager Andi Waterhouse** shares:

*"It's been an honor to get to know the real people behind the Comfort By Design name. They're not just delivering HVAC services—they're showing up for our community in meaningful ways."*

Locally owned and operated in Colorado Springs, Comfort By Design offers top-quality products and service while keeping their focus on making our homes—and our city—more comfortable.



**Executive Director Candy Brooks** adds:  
*"Soccer and HVAC might not seem like an obvious match—but what truly connects us is people who care. Comfort By Design is showing that industries across Colorado Springs can come together to invest in girls and women, and grow something bigger than any of us could alone."*

Thank you, Comfort By Design, for helping us build something powerful—on and off the field.

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**PRIDE26**

# SPRING TOPSOCCER

TOPSoccer Panthers is a **FREE program** created by the Pride Soccer Club to teach athletes with disabilities about the most popular sport in the world, SOCCER! Each practice is specifically designed for the **enjoyment, safety, education, and success of athletes with disabilities** in Colorado Springs. Each session will introduce TOPS Panthers Soccer Players and UCCS Players from our community. By bringing these teams together, TOPS Panther Soccer will provide individual training and attention to each Panther Player. **To learn more & to sign up [click here](#).**



**TOPSOCCER**  
COLORADO SOCCER  
ASSOCIATION



## SPRING TOPSOCCER DATES

**\*\*ALL HOSTED AT THE UCCS STADIUM\*\***

SUNDAY, APRIL 26TH 1:00P-2:00P

SUNDAY, MAY 3RD 1:00P-2:00P

SUNDAY, MAY 10TH 1:00P-2:00P



# Helping young athletes fuel their day

LUNCH TIPS FOR BUSY STUDENT-ATHLETES

Athletes need more than just a quick bite at lunchtime to stay fueled and energized through school, practice and competition.

From nutrition tips to easy lunch options, learn more about building a nourishing lunch from our expert partners at the Sports Medicine Center at Children's Hospital Colorado. [Click here for more info!](#)



**Nutrition Tip  
of the Month**



# A Summer of Mental Health: Making the Most of School Break for Your Child's Wellbeing

Presented by Children's Hospital Colorado  
Tuesday, May 5 | 6:00-7:00 pm  
Virtual Meeting | Free to the public

Summertime presents both opportunities and challenges for our kids' mental health. Join us for a conversation on how to make the most of school break. Panelists will explore the risks of isolation and unstructured time and the opportunities to strengthen skills and relationships that promote youth wellbeing. Our leading experts will offer practical points to make this summer a rewarding one for parents, caregivers and youth. All are welcome to attend.



RSVP online with  
QR code above.

**Moderated by:** Lyndsay Gaffey, MA, LPC, ATR, Vice President of Patient Care Services in Pediatric Mental Health Institute

## Panelists:

- Ben Mullin, PhD, Director of Outpatient Clinical Services and the Colorado OCD and Anxiety Program (COAP)
- Carmen Gray, LMFT, Behavioral Health Clinician, Instructor
- Emma Lyons, PhD, Pediatric Psychologist in Cystic Fibrosis, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry

Have questions for our experts? Submit them here:  
[ccr@childrenscolorado.org](mailto:ccr@childrenscolorado.org).



# KING SOOPERS COMMUNITY REWARDS



**Did you know you can support your family & Pride Soccer Club every time you shop for groceries – at no extra cost to your family?**

Through the King Soopers Community Rewards Program, families can link their King Soopers account to Pride Soccer Club, and King Soopers will donate a percentage of your purchases back to Pride. These funds go directly toward:

**1**

**Supporting your player's registration fees (see [here](#) for how to apply)**

**2**

**Growing our Pride Soccer Scholarship Fund to help players and families most in need in our community**

Thank you for supporting Pride Soccer and helping us continue to serve our players and community!

 **REGISTER NOW**

