

## Holiday Invitational Tournament

We are excited to announce our first annual Seacoast United Holiday Invitational Tournament was a great success at the Topsham Indoor Arena! There was some fantastic soccer played by all ages.



As part of the holiday spirit teams donate canned food items to our donation bins and Seacoast United was able to donate 600lbs of food to The Preble Street Resource Center.

To view tournament champions click the team name below. For more photos [Click Here!](#)

Division	Format	Games	Champions
U11/U12	6 v 6 w/ GK	3+	Boys- <a href="#">U11 SUSC BECK</a>
			Girls- <a href="#">U12 Brunswick Girls</a>
U13/U14	6 v 6 w/ GK	3+	Boys- <a href="#">SUSC Elves</a>
			Girls- <a href="#">U13 SUSC Needle</a>
U15/U16	6 v 6 w/ GK	3+	Boys- <a href="#">U16 SUSC Keen</a>
Adult Open	6 v 6 w/ GK	3+	<a href="#">SUSC</a>

Congratulations to all the Tournament Champions and thank you to everyone who participated in the tournament as well as the food drive.

## Jr. Mariners Academy: Jamboree #1

On December 6th Seacoast United Maine held our first jamboree for over 225 Jr. Mariners at the Topsham Dome. Groups from all four of our locations came together Saturday morning to compete in friendly matches against each other. We saw some fantastic soccer and skill on display from all players. Thank you to everyone who made it despite the weather. We are looking forward to the next jamboree on Jan. 19th.

To view more photos please visit our facebook page by [clicking here!](#)



## Seacoast United Maine to Host US Soccer RTC



Seacoast United Maine will host a US Soccer Regional Training Center (RTC) at the Topsham Indoor Arena in Topsham Maine on Saturday December 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7pm. The RTC is by invite only from US Soccer, to a pool of players recommended by their clubs from the whole New England region with the aim of developing potential national team players. This specific RTC is for Girls in the 00/01 & 02/03 age groups.

Local club and college coaches are welcome and encouraged to attend to watch and observe US Soccer coaches run the training sessions during the RTC for their professional development.

To find out more about US Soccer's RTC program [click here](#).

"We are really proud that we were asked to host a US Soccer RTC event at one of our facilities as we are a bit of a Soccer outpost up here in New England. No-one around the country thinks of Maine as a Soccer hotbed, but we are trying to change that perception as we are starting to develop more and more good players here. We may not produce as many high level players as other parts of the country, but we are trying to change that by getting more kids involved in the sport and developing the scene in Maine. This is another step in the right direction." – Paul Cameron, Girls Director of Coaching, Seacoast United Maine (Mariners).

Several players from Seacoast United Maine have been recommended and participated in the last cycle of RTC's including Emma Gallant (Formerly Mariners, now SUSC NH NPL U13's), Maggie Symonds (Formerly Mariners, now SUSC NH NPL U16's) and Brianna Saulter (Blackbear U16's).

One of the players attending the RTC will be Maddy Neundorfer, a goalkeeper in our Mariners U13 age group, who is also in the USYS Region 1 ODP pool in her age group. Maddy is from Bangor, Maine and formerly a Blackbear player. To read more about Maddy's ODP achievements [click here](#).

"Seacoast United would like to congratulate all these girls on being involved in US Soccer RTC's during the last cycle. During that last cycle each of these players has taken a step up in their development and moved on to further their soccer careers within the club." Paul Cameron also says.

## SHA Health & College Education Night

Seacoast United would like to thank everyone who attended The SHA Health & College Education Night, we had a tremendous turnout. Over 150 Seacoast United players and parents were in attendance. We would also like to thank all of the guest speakers and staff for making this night happen.



## PAYSA U6 and U8 Weekend

On October 25th Seacoast United hosted a clinic for U6 PAYSA teams along with a jamboree for U8 PAYSA teams inside the Portland Armory. Over 20 U6 soccer players showed up for an hour of fun involving a soccer ball. Immediately after, U8 PAYSA teams filled the Armory. Seven teams participated in the jamboree with each team playing in two matches. Thank you to everyone for participating and making Saturday extremely successful!



To see more photos [Click Here!](#)

## U13 Boys Seacoast Dragons

Congratulations to the U13 Boys Seacoast Dragons on winning the Fall Classic Cup State Championship! The boys capped off a fantastic season defeating Lake Region in the Classic Cup final. The U13 boys are coached by Chad Kirk and will look to return to action in the spring.

If you have any questions regarding any Seacoast Dragon teams please contact Jim Wade at [jwade@seacoastunited.org](mailto:jwade@seacoastunited.org)



## Columbus Day Weekend



Over Columbus Day Weekend Seacoast United set up at both the Falmouth Fall Classic and the Sanford Soccer Tournament

At each location boys & girls of all ages put their skills to the test and tried to shoot to win. Many prizes were handed out as both tournaments were very successful.

Seacoast is very grateful to both FYSA and Sanford Soccer for the opportunity to bring a little fun to the local tournaments and raise over \$800 dollars to be donated to the soccer clubs.

## Success At Gillette

Before the New England Revolution game against the Columbus Crew, Gillette Stadium hosted a Regional 3v3 tournament. Coach Ryan Southard and four of his players made the trip to compete in the tournament as well as to watch the professional match. Ben Tingley-Prince, Milo Burns, Wyatt Southard and Zane Satovich finished in second place at the Regional 3v3 live tournament. They won all of their pool matches playing two teams from Boston and a team from RI. In the finals, after a nerve-wracking 5-5 tally in normal time and a scoreless 3 min golden goal extra time they fell in PK's to a team from CT. By coming in second place they qualified for the Elite Division at the 3v3 National tournament at ESPN Wide World of Sports in Orlando this January.



## Region 1 Championship Weekend

Region 1 Championship Weekend wrapped up Sunday, June 29th. Seacoast United Maine is extremely proud of its eight teams who represented the club at Region 1. Congratulations again to every Seacoast United Maine team! [Click here](#) to view results.

## Boys NEP Final Four Results

Congratulations to all six Mariners boys teams on their performances at the NEP Final Four weekend June 7th and 8th.

Despite the blistering heat in Lancaster Ma, the Mariners teams were outstanding with five of the six winning their Saturday semifinals.

### SATURDAY RECAP:

Ron Graham's U12 boys in the Championship division were the only team to miss out on a final berth after they fell 1-2 to the higher ranked Western United. Nonetheless, as a brand new team this season, they performed admirably and exceeded expectations.

Our other U12 boys team coached by Andrew Pelletier (Premiership 1) continued their fine run of form and won their semifinal over the MPS Bolts 5-2.

In the U13 boys Premiership 1 bracket, Martyn Keen's team beat the highly ranked MPS Bolts Celtic by a score of 2-1 despite the fact they were missing 6 starters due to a string of untimely injuries and ODP commitments.

At the U14 level, in the Premiership, Kiaran McCormack's boys scored twice in the last 5 minutes to come back and defeat longtime nemesis NHPS Classics 3-2 thanks in large part to a hat trick by their prolific goal scorer Noah Stracqualursi.

Meanwhile, in the U14 championship bracket, Ron Graham's other boys team overcame the odds and defeated Seacoast Storm Premier Team 1-0.

Finally, our U-15 boys team, coached by Martyn Keen swept aside SUSC New Hampshire in the Premiership 1 division winning comfortably by a score of 2-0.

## **SUNDAY:**

On Championship Sunday, once again in sweltering heat, our teams found victories harder to come by.

The Pelletier U12 boys, were desperately unlucky to go down 5-4 thanks to a last minute penalty kick against Western United.

Next up were the U13 boys Keen team. Despite playing undermanned again and against a team ranked 75 places higher in the Got Soccer rankings, the teams remained deadlocked at 0-0 with just 6 minutes remaining on the clock.

Sadly for them, Bruno United proved just too strong and scored two late goals to secure the victory.

At 1:00 pm, in the U15 boys final, despite field conditions being very poor, Seacoast dominated their opponent CS Rush for large portions of the game.

However, two dubious free kick decisions lead to second half goals for Rush and they snatched the title with a 2-1 win, proving once again that soccer can at times be a rather cruel game.

## **SUCCESS AT LAST:**

There was however much better news in the U14 Premiership bracket. The Mariners boys earned a birth in the NPL National Championships in North Carolina thanks to a hard fought victory over NEFC 3-2 on penalty kicks.

Despite squandering a 2-0 lead late in the second half, they kept their composure in the shootout scoring three times. That proved to be enough thanks to two fine saves from keeper Chris Franklin before the final NEFC kick clanked off the right post.

That miss secured a notable victory for Seacoast over the 17th ranked team in the region.

Congratulations to all the boys teams who made it to the championship weekend, on behalf of the club, we are very proud of the efforts of all the players and their coaches.

## Girls NEP Final Four Results

Congratulations to all five Mariners teams for their performances at the NEP Final Four weekend. The Mariners were represented in the U12, U14, U15, U16, and U17 age groups.

The U15 girls were crowned NEP Champions on Sunday after defeating Southeast and GPS Milan Boston in the finals. Stephanie Gilkenson's girls also finished the regular season in first. The Mariners defeated Southeast 5-3 in the semifinals with no subs and defeated GPS 2-0 in the finals with only one sub.\*Championship photo of U15 Mariners Premier coached by Stephanie Gilkenson on the right.



In the U12 girls Championship Central group the Mariners coached by Mike Keller were defeated on Saturday after a successful regular season to make it to the final four.

Ray White's U14 Mariners finished the regular season in first place but were unable to advance to the finals after losing a hard fought match 3-2 to Seacoast United Select.

The U16 girls coached by Josh Needle played at 5pm on Saturday, but were unable to advance falling to Southeast by a score of 2-1.

On Saturday the U17 girls semi-finals match was full of excitement. Branden Noltkamper's U17s ended regular time and over time in a 3-3 draw. The Mariners defeated the Scorpions/Breakers Academy girls 4-2 in penalty kicks earning them a trip to the finals. However, they fell to Bayside 3-2 on Sunday.

Congratulations to all the girls teams who made it to championship weekend and to the U15 Champions! On behalf of the club, we are very proud of the efforts of all the players and their coaches.

## Region 1

### Friday, June 27th

Seacoast United Maine will be represented by eight teams ranging from U14 to U19 in the Region 1 Championship held in Rhode Island. All 8 teams open Championship weekend on Friday. Seacoast united Maine would like to congratulate it's teams participating in the Region 1 tournament. All of our teams have worked very hard to this point in the season and we know they will represent Maine well this weekend. Seacoast would like to wish all teams representing the state of Maine the best of luck.

"The four boys teams head down to RI in good form and with confidence high. We face some very tough opponents who represent a big test for our boys. But having said that, I believe the players on all four teams will relish the challenge of playing the best teams in the region.

My own team, the 15's open up with a match up against the defending region 1 champion and regardless of the ultimate outcome we want to test ourselves against the best and see how we measure up.

The aim is to leave everything on the field and if that is the case, we will have represented our club and state with pride."

Martyn Keen - Boys DOC



To view Seacoast United Schedule's [Click Here](#)

## Seacoast United Mariners State Cup Champions

**Seacoast United Maine:** 8 teams have won State Cup. These teams will be competing for the Region 1 Championship from June 26th-July 1st. U18 Seacoast United Maine Blackbear girls won their game 3-0 against MCU Portland Phoenix Fire. U17 Girls Seacoast United Maine Mariners routed MCU Portland Phoenix with a score of 9-1. Also the U17 Mariner boys beat MCU Portland Phoenix with a final score of 2-1.

**Sunday June 1,** U14 Boys Seacoast United Mariners defeated Phoenix Elite 3-1. The U15 boys also defeated Phoenix on Sunday by a score of 6-1. The U15 girls as well as the U19 boys will be making the trip to Rhode Island for the region 1 championship.

Congratulations to the teams that have won the State Cup and will be moving on to regionals!

### State Cup Champions

<b>U14 Boys Mariners Premier-Kieran McCormick</b>
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<b>U15 Boys Mariners Premier-Martyn Keen</b>
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<b>U17 Boys Mariners Premier-Gil Aguirre</b>
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<b>U19 Boys Mariners Premier- Jim Wade</b>
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<b>U15 Girls Mariners Premier-Stephanie Gilkenson</b>
<b>U17 Girls Mariners Premier-Branden Noltkamper</b>
<b>U18 Girls Blackbear Premier-MJ Ball</b>
<b>U19 Girls Mariners Premier-Paul Cameron</b>

## NEP Final Four Weekend

Congratulations to all eleven Mariners teams for their performances at the NEP Final Four weekend.

In blistering heat in Lancaster Ma, Mariners teams were outstanding.



[Girls Final Four Results](#)

[Boys Final Four Results](#)

## Mariners Success at Memorial Day Tournaments

Seacoast United Mariners had several teams playing this Memorial weekend in several different tournaments. More than a few teams ended the weekend with success.

### Nate Hardy Memorial Day Tournament

<b>Champions</b>	<b>Semi-Finalists</b>
U12 Boys Mariners Premier- Graham	U10 Boys Mariners Premier- JB*
U14 Boys Mariners Premier- Graham	U13 Boys Mariners Premier- Shimansky*
U12 Girls Mariners Premier- Wade	U12 Girls Mariners Premier- Keller

\* Teams played up one age group

### PDA Invitational Girls College Showcase

<b>Champions-</b> U17 Girls Mariners Premier- BN
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### Needham Memorial Day Tournament

<b>Champions</b>	<b>Finalists</b>
U12 Boys Mariners Premier- Pelletier	U11 Boys Mariners Premier-JH (Semi-Finalists)
U17 Boys Mariners Premier-GA	U11 Girls Mariners Premier- Wade (Finalists)

### Oakwood Premier Invitational

<b>Semi-Finalists-</b> U15 Boys Mariners Premier- Keen
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## Gabe Hoffman-Johnson's mission

### The creation of Futbols for Fambul Tok

Seacoast alumni, Gabe Hoffman-Johnson, is currently a junior at Dartmouth College and besides his influence on the soccer field, Gabe had become an influence on an international scale. Since his freshman year at Dartmouth, Gabe has made it his mission to make a difference in people's lives, and with that goal he created Futbols for Fambul Tok.



Fambul Tok is inspired by a Sierra Leone cultural tradition of family shaped by people and communities in the journey towards peace. Gabe's creation of Futbols for Fambul Tok has the same goal in peace through family and community. Gabe's contribution is associated with providing used soccer balls to young children in Sierra Leone. His work is a growing process and has been since its creation his freshman year. For a complete article on Gabe and Futbols for Fambul Tok [click here](#).

To read more about Fambul Tok and their mission [click here](#).

Gabe's brother Caleb, who also played for Seacoast United from u-16 through u-18, is heading to Quantico in April as a First Lieutenant in the Marine Corps.

## Mariners Teams Compete at Nike Indoor Cup

Seacoast United Mariners had 8 teams compete in the Seacoast United Nike Indoor Cup, taking place on Saturday, February 22nd. Games for all boys' divisions took place at the Indoor Arena in Hampton NH, while the U11/U12 girls divisions were hosted at Granite Fields in Kingston, NH.

The U10 Mariners had a strong showing, taking both first and 2nd place in the U10 Boys bracket. Mariners U12 Boys Pelletier finished 2nd place within the U12 Blue Division. In the U11/U12 Girls White division, Mariners Premier Keller earned a 3rd place finish.

Congratulations to all Seacoast United Mariners players for a great day of soccer! View all results from the 2014 Seacoast United Nike Indoor Cup by [clicking here](#).



## **Cassie Symonds named Maine Player of the Year**

### **Ten Seacoast Players named to All-State Team**

When the Portland Press Herald All-State Team was released this week, 8 of the girls named were Seacoast United players. Above all, junior midfielder **Cassie Symonds** was named Maine Sunday Telegrams girls' player of the year. Symonds completed a historic undefeated season with a Class-A State Championship for the Windham Eagles. She piled up nine goals and six assists throughout the year.

To top off her incredible year, Cassie just got home from Bradenton, FL where her U17 girls took home the Super Y National Championship. Coach James Blackwell says of Symonds "Cassie is a Captain on our team and tremendous player and leader. She is technically gifted, creative on the ball, but also works back and does the work off the ball. She is a huge player for us and has a bright collegiate playing future ahead of her."

Along with Cassie the following players were also named to the All-State Team:

- U17 Mariners Blackwell- Kathryn Clark, Pilar Elias, Jenna Soucy, Cassie Symonds
- U18 Mariners Hayner- Amanda Arnold, Ainsley Jamieson, Sydney Martin
- U17 Blackbear Ball- Kaitlyn Saulter

For the complete Portland Press Herald article click [HERE](#)



On the Boys side, Former Seacoast player Wyatt Osmborg took the honor of Player of the Year. Abdibaari Hersi and D.J. Nicholas, current Seacoast player were named to the team. Hersi scored 11 goals through the season and lead Hamden Academy to an Eastern Class A Final, and Nicholas lead WMC in scoring tallying 32 goals for the season. For the complete article click [HERE](#)

## **Seacoast United Players Named to Super Y All-Tournament Teams**

### **December 19th, 2013**



Eight players from Seacoast United were named to the Super Y All-Tournament teams after completion of the Super Y League North American Finals which took place from December 5th-9th in Bradenton, Florida.

The All-Tournament teams were selected by USL staff based on tournament statistics, ODP nominations submitted by tournament coaches, and recommendations from the USL technical staff. [Click here](#) to read more.

## **Seacoast United Mariners U16 Girls: Super Y National Champions**

### **December 9th, 2013**

**BRADENTON, FL** - The Seacoast United Mariners earned the state's first national Super Y Championship this morning with a 2-0 victory over Florida Fire Juniors at IMG Academy. Returning to the Sunshine State as 2012 Super Y Finalists, the U16 Mariners were determined to better their record from 1 year ago after qualifying for the national event back in August. [Click here](#) to continue



## U16G Mariners, U14G Premier Advance to Super Y Finals December 8th, 2013

**BRADENTON, FL** - Seacoast United teams will once again play for a Super Y North American Championship on Monday as the U16 Mariners and U14 Girls Premier earned victories in their semifinal matches early Sunday morning at IMG Academy in Florida.



The Seacoast United Mariners had goals from Liz Lane and Tori Daigle to defeat MPS Lady Crusaders 2-1. The Mariners will face the winner of the Kalamazoo Kingdom/Florida Fire Juniors semifinal match in Monday's final.

Seacoast United's U14 Girls Premier blanked Alliance Academy Gold for their 4th shutout in as many games, winning by the score of 2-0. Goals were scored by Seana Gosselin and Reilly Sullivan. Monday's final is a

rematch of Saturday's final group play game vs. Internationals SC in which Seacoast came away with a 1-0 win against a very strong side.

Seacoast United's U15 Girls faced a tough opponent in Super Nova FC on Sunday morning, with regulation finishing at 1-1 on a goal by Anna-Maria Dagher. The two teams battled through overtime but the extra frame was not enough to determine the match. As the teams moved on to penalties, Super Nova came out on top 2-0.

Seacoast United's recent success at the Super Y North American Finals includes 4 championships: Both the U15 and U16 girls in 2011, the U14 girls in 2009, and the U15 girls in 2004. In 2012, the U15G Mariners finished the tournament as runners up in just their first year competing in the league.

