

## Coaches Make Optimist Soccer Season A Success

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Minden Optimist soccer played the final games of the year last weekend. Despite cold, wet weather that led to muddy fields and rescheduled games throughout much of the season, it was another successful year. Credit for the success of each season belongs to the coaches who volunteer their time and leave a big impact on every child on their team.

“We appreciate the time volunteers have put into the program to make it successful,” Minden Optimist soccer coordinator Rob Hultquist said. “If we didn’t have volunteers we wouldn’t have coaches. We need to provide supervision and role models for these kids.”

Coaching Optimist soccer doesn’t require any experience, only a willingness to spend time with kids and a desire to help them be their best. Many coaches are parents of athletes, but having a child in the program isn’t a requirement.

“When my oldest started soccer he said he would play if I coached. I wanted to just be a fan at first, but I’m glad I got involved,” Mike Froid said.

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