

Soccer is all the rage in the Farmington area



Style and balance are an important part of soccer, plus keeping your eye on the ball.



Referee Jim Willis blows the whistle to get the ball back in play.



Some pointers of kicking are given by Husties coach M. J. Gordts to one of his players.



Coach John Augustin plans strategy with his Buckeyes.

Until a few weeks ago few youngsters in the Farmington area knew little about soccer. All that has changed since the Farmington Area Recreation Commission started a program for boys kindergarten through second grade.

The youngsters, 25 of them, play every Saturday morning at Bond school and the city park. The parents come to watch. The father-coaches are learning the game along with the youngsters and for all involved it has been a resounding success.

Jeff Farland, of the recreation department, said it is low key league play.

"There are no trophies and no league standings. Especially for the kindergartners we're stressing the team play aspect and the basics."


Next spring the girls will have their chance at the same sport.

"Soccer," said Farland, "is becoming very popular and we may expand the program to include youngsters a little older."

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