

GRSL SOCCER

The latest news and updates from the GRSL league



KEY DATES: SPRING SEASON 2020

- No games on March 22 (Alachua County Spring Break), or April 12 (Easter Sunday)
- 3/15/20: Tournament Group Stage Games
- 4/19/20: Semi-Finals
- 4/26/20: Finals
- 4/26/20: End of Season Party

at Blackadder Brewery!

4:00 - 6:30 PM

One free beer or soda to all GRSL players who attend (not just those in finals!)

Game balls given to winning teams!



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HOT TOPIC: FOREST PARK IMPROVEMENTS

Many players have expressed concerns about field quality and conditions at Forest Park. These issues have been discussed among GRSL captains and GRSL board members, and a long term goal of the league is to advocate for field and capital improvements. With the change of management from Alachua County to the City of Gainesville, several steps have already been taken:

- A new field contractor has re-seeded the fields and performed additional maintenance
- Bathroom supplies are now regularly stocked
- New signage was added to fields

However, there are many additional improvements we seek to obtain without incurring significant costs to GRSL members:

- Resurfacing and resodding of fields to even out terrain and improve drainage
- Installation of netting to prevent balls from traveling into street
- installation of a lightning warning system
- Additional seating and shade
- Additional parking to ensure safety

On February 19th, GRSL board members advocated for Forest Park improvements to the Gainesville Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee. WUFT News covered this story:

<https://www.wuft.org/news/2020/02/20/gainesville-regional-soccer-league-fights-for-renovations-at-forest-park/>



HOW CAN YOU HELP?

On March 12, the GRSL Board will advocate to City of Gainesville Commissioners to add Forest Park to the list of projects for **"Wild Spaces and Public Places" in 2021**. This will likely be the most effective route to obtaining field and capital improvements. **Please attend at 1pm on March 12 at the Thomas Center**, to advocate and have your voice be heard. Please contact John Malanchuk (jmalanchukf@gmail.com) to let him know if you can attend.