

John Grayson

Soccer Coach and Clinician

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I have played soccer at all levels from schoolboy up to semi-pro leagues in the North-East of England. As a teenager I played in the same youth team as Bryan Robson, who later went on to captain Manchester United and the English National team. I have been involved with soccer all of my life as a player, coach, and referee. I am passionate about the sport of soccer, and sharing my knowledge with the upcoming generation of soccer players in the USA.

Qualifications

- F.A. Leaders Award (England)
- F.A. Preliminary Coaching Award (England)
- U.S.C. Premier Diploma
- U.S.C. Advanced National Diploma
- U.S.C. Advanced Youth Diploma
- U.S.C. National Goalkeeping Diploma
- U.S.C. 7 v 7 and 9 v 9 Diploma
- Coerver Youth Diploma
- Certified in First Aid and C.P.R.
- NFHS Concussion awareness certificate

Coaching Experience

- I started coaching in 1986 while working as a part-time Youth Leader in Nottinghamshire, England.
- Worked as Director of Camps on summer camps for MLS Camps from 1996 to 2002.
- Coached in Texas, New York, New Jersey, Georgia, Tennessee, Alabama, Connecticut, Wisconsin, Illinois, Maine and Massachusetts.
- Worked as Residential Coaching Consultant for Medway Y.S.A Fall 1997, and was Player Development Officer for Westford Y.S.A. from Spring 1998 to Spring 1999, Marblehead Y.S.A. Fall 1999, and Sharon Y.S.A. from Spring 2000 to Fall 2001.
- Voted Coach of the Year for Massachusetts by MLS Camps in 1999.
- Worked as a freelance coach and clinician since 2002.
- In the Summer, as well as running my own clinics, I serve as a clinician for Eastern Mass Soccer Clinic in Wellesley and Goalkeeper Coach for Noble and Greenough School in Dedham and Dexter Southfield School in Brookline.

Positions held

- Turf field coordinator at Extra Innings, Tewksbury Winter 2016.
- League Director at Valeo Sports Center, Newton Winter 2012 to date.
- Assistant Manager of Turftime Tewksbury Winter 2012 – 2015.

- Manager of Newton Indoor Sports Center Winter 2008 to 2012.
- Assistant manager of Newton Indoor Sports Center Winter 2000 to 2008.
- Director of JG Soccer Clinics Summer 2005 to date.
- Director of Clinics for West Roxbury Parkway United Y.S.A. Spring 2006 to date.
- Director of the GU 8 program for Cambridge Y.S.A. Fall 2008 to date.
- Clinician for Dedham Y.S.A. Spring 2002 to Fall 2005.
- GK Clinician Beaver Country Day School Fall 2003.
- Clinician and GK coach for Bandits Soccer Club Fall 2001 to Fall 2002
- Asst. GK coach for Mass ODP teams Spring 2002.
- Head Coach Bandits U-13/U-14 Girls in MAPLE League Div.1 Fall 2001 to Fall 2002.
- Head Coach Bandits U-16 Girls in MAPLE League Div 1 Spring 2000.
- Head Coach Bandits U-11 Girls in MAPLE League Div.1 Spring 1999.
- Player Development Officer for MLS Camps Fall 1997 – Fall 2001.

Additional Experience

- Civil Servant of HM Government 1970 to 1995.