

John Gregg



Soccer Positions

Owner/Operator Elite Soccer, LLC
Director of Soccer – Elite Soccer Academy and programs
25+ Years as College Recruitment Specialist
College Recruitment Director – FC Europa Soccer Club
Goalkeeper Director – FC Europa Soccer Club
2023-2024 Head Coach, USYS 2009 East Region Olympic Development (ODP) Team
2022-2023 Head Goalkeeper Coach, USYS 2004, 2005, 2006 National Select ODP Teams
2022-2023 Head Goalkeeper Coach, USYS 2009 East Region ODP Team
East Region ODP Head Goalkeeper Coach – 06 Girls

Former General Manager USL PRO Harrisburg City Islanders
Former Director of Coaching/Player Development Central Penn Youth Soccer League
Former Eastern Pennsylvania Olympic Development (ODP) Staff
USC National Goalkeeping Staff

Coaching Licenses

USSF National 'C' License
USC (NSCAA) Advanced National Goalkeeper Diploma
USC (NSCAA) National Diploma
USC (NSCAA) Director of Coaching Diploma
USC (NSCAA) Parent Coach Diploma
USYSA National Youth License

Player Profile

1985-88 Central Dauphin HS
1989-90 – Hershey Impact (Pro Reserve Player)
1990 – NJCAA All Star
1992 – NCAA Div II National Championship
1994 – NAIA / NCAA – All Star
1994 – NECAA – SR All Star team
1996-200 Professional Goalkeeper - Harrisburg Heat (NPSL)

Born and raised in upstate NY, John moved to Central PA (Harrisburg/Hershey) in 1985. He played locally for LP Soccer Club and went to Central Dauphin HS. John went to Paul Smith's Jr. College in Upstate NY just outside of Lake Placid. He was centered as the top recruit and first ever scholarshiped athlete at PSC in 1990 where he helped turn around a program that was on a current 0-40 losing streak. In John's first year there the team went on to the NJCAA Regional finals, missing Nationals by 1 game. PSC ended up 15-6 that year. John graduated in 1992 with a degree in Business Administration and moved on to play at Southern Connecticut State University where he was a member of their Division II National Championship team in 1992. After a brief stop he transferred to Johnson State College in Vermont where he was an All-Region and All-Conference Goalkeeper and he played in the NECAA Senior All-Star game . After graduation, he returned home to play professionally for the Harrisburg Heat of the NPSL from 1996 to 2000.

John became Head Boys coach of Hershey High School in 1997 and coached there for 8 years. Under his guidance, Hershey went to districts 7 out of the 8 years he was there. They went to PIAA State playoffs once, only to lose to the soon to be crowned State Champions that year in the sweet 16. While at Hershey, John was named Coach of the Year 3 times in 7 seasons. In his last season at Hershey, his team was awarded the Sportsmanship award. He is a former coach and head goalkeeper coach for EPYSA Olympic Development Program and is a long time staff member of the East Region ODP program. He grew up attending, coaching, and directing for Joe Machnik at the No.1 Soccer Camps. He has coached all across the country in just about every state and has travelled Internationally with US Youth Soccer.

John is the holder of a USSF (United States Soccer Federation) National 'C' License, USC (formally NSCAA) Advanced National Goalkeeping Diploma, USYSA 'Y' License, USC National Diploma, the USC Director Of Coaching Diploma, and the USC Parent Coach Diploma. He is also an active coaching instructor for the USC and USSF in their coaching education departments.

John received his National Youth License from the United States Youth Soccer Association in 2004. Shortly after receiving that license, he obtained his National Youth Instructors License. He is also on the NSCAA National Goalkeeping staff and teaches all the NSCAA Goalkeeping Course to other coaches.

John has played the sport for 40+ years now. He currently resides in Hummelstown/Hershey, PA and has 2 soccer playing daughters (15 and 18) that are following in his footsteps to become great soccer enthusiasts themselves.