

Springfield Elks Lodge 1560 Announces Soccer Shoot Results

On Saturday morning, September 13th, the Springfield Elks Lodge #1560 held its annual Youth Soccer Shoot at the Springfield Parks & Recreation Fields at Riverside Park. Twenty boys and girls from the local area participated in the competition. The first-place winners will advance to the State Elks Association Contest in St. Albans VT, Sunday October 5, 2025.



The competition was directed by Soccer Shoot Chair (and Lodge Trustee) Victor Baskevich. Eleven Elks members, Springfield Parks & Recs directors Matt McCarthy, Adam Middleton, and Scott Lampron, along with four of our High School volunteers (Sophia Lihatsch, Quinn Jasinski, Miles Murchie and Camden Desjardins) dedicated their time to make this event a success.

Divisions & Winners:

Girls – U8 (7 and under)

1st Place - Anaiya Rigney 20
2nd Place - Harper Gauthier 19
3rd Place - Kendall Wordwell 15

Girls – U10 (ages 8 & 9)

1st Place - Alison King 21

Girls – U12 (ages 10 & 11)

1st Place – Quinn Carafiello 23
2nd Place – Elynor Boissonnault 15

Boys – U8 (7 and under)

1st Place - Brody Aiken 23
2nd Place - Andrew Boissonnault 13

Boys – U10 (ages 8 & 9)

1st Place - Beckham Rounds 28

Boys – U12 (ages 10 & 11)

1st Place – George Whalen 35
2nd Place – Declan Rounds 33
3rd Place – Xander Aiken 28

Boys – U14 (ages 12 & 13)

1st Place - Porter Whalen 31

The Elks Soccer Shoot program includes two contests that evaluate skills at different levels based on age. The “Five Goal Contest” consists of a series of five goals, decreasing in size from 48 inches to 17 inches. This contest is for U-8 age groups (7 years and under). Boys and girls compete separately, and contestants kick from 15 feet away from the face of the goal.

The “Grid Goal Contest” uses a full-size goal divided into sections, where points are scored based on which section the ball is kicked into. This contest is for U-10 (ages 8 and 9), U-12 (ages 10 and 11), and U-14 (ages 12 and 13). Boys and girls compete separately.

Congratulations to all the winners and participants for making it a fantastic event for the Lodge and surrounding communities. Best of luck to the winners as they head to the State-level competition in St. Albans. For more information about the Elks and their programs, please visit www.elks.org.