

Wisconsin Soccer Hall of Fame – Class of 2000 Bios



Charles Billings(b. Marshfield, WI, d. 2011), Overall, WSA & Madison 56ers

Member of the WSA Board of Directors from 1981 till 1997, including stints as Commissioner for Capitol Region, WSA, State Women's League etc. Played soccer in France from 1962-1965 and Madison after that. Past president of Madison 56ers.



James Gibson (Belfast, Northern Ireland), Player, Racine SC

Played professional soccer with the Chicago Mustangs in the NASL from 1967-1970 and with Bavarians and Racine Soccer Club. Won 5 WSA Major League titles as a player. Jim started the UW Parkside varsity soccer program in 1969 where he coached several years.



Paul Kaponya (b. Milwaukee, WI, deceased), Player, Hungarian Tigers

Started soccer in 1929, with the Milwaukee Hungarian Tigers and starred as fullback. Later on, in the Major League, his team set a record for most consecutive state championships, which still stands today. He gave up track and football, while in High School, to play soccer.



Peter Koek (b. Holland), Player, Milwaukee Brewers SC

Starred as a fullback and forward with the Milwaukee Brewers, in the 70's and 80's, winning several indoor and outdoor state championships. He coached at Milwaukee Brewers and Milwaukee Kickers and holds a National Coaching license.



Hans Mueller (b. Hannover, Germany), Overall, Milwaukee Kickers

Played in Hannover and with the Milwaukee Kickers in the 70's and 80's. Coached Milwaukee Kickers and holds a National Coaching license. He was a member of the Kickers Board of Directors and was very instrumental in getting soccer in the High Schools.



Josef (Sepp) Scherer (b. 1931, Tscheb, Yugoslavia), Player, Milwaukee Sport Club

Started to play soccer in Austria in 1946. Josef played for a number of clubs over his long playing career: Weiss 11, Hungarian Tigers, Milwaukee Sport Club, Milwaukee Brewers . During his playing days he helped Milwaukee Sport Club win the 1954 Cup Champion. He was on the 1st Team to beat Chicago and move on to Midwest Final with the Milwaukee Sport Club. In 1955 he was on the League Champion Milwaukee Sport Club.

He also played for the 1953 WSA All-Stars at County Stadium. The bulk of that team started for Milwaukee Sport Club in 1953.

He is currently retired, living in Germantown, watching his grandsons play sports and still helps out at the Milwaukee Sport Club.



Herb Schweinert (b. Germany), Player, Bavarian SC

Started to play youth soccer with the Bavarian Soccer Club in the 60's, in Milwaukee, and was a member of the US National team. He was a member of the Bavarian team that won the National Championship.



Rudy Weber (b. Ukraine, deceased), Overall, WSA

Played in Germany and Milwaukee and was selected to several all star teams. He started the varsity soccer program at MA TC, in 1968, winning 12 state championships. He served as games commissioner for the WSA Adult Division for many years.