



# Liverpool FC International Academy Maryland Forms Partnership With The Moose Athletic Club in Glen Burnie

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*Globally-recognized soccer brand intends to utilize 30,000 square foot indoor facility and outdoor fields for practices, training sessions, games and tournament play targeting elite players*

**Liverpool FC International Academy Maryland** has formed a partnership with the **Moose Athletic Club** in Glen Burnie, Maryland with intentions to utilize both the indoor facility and outside playing fields for practices, training sessions, league games and tournaments. Liverpool FC will begin usage of the interior spaces this fall and will integrate programming on the two full-size outdoor fields upon its completion early next year. This agreement follows the recent announcement of an alliance with **Hero's Lacrosse** and Moose Athletic Club to launch **Sweatin Moose**, a summer league, lacrosse academy and camp targeting area youth players with a focus on a Canadian box lacrosse-style of training and playing. Moose Athletic Club is located at 1911 Crain Highway.

Liverpool FC International Academy Maryland began operations statewide in 2017 and now operates locations serving elite youth soccer players in Central Maryland, Western Maryland and the Washington, D.C. metropolitan region. The group's presence in Anne Arundel County lacked a permanent home base after being spread out across a number of different fields throughout the area.

**Jamie Darvill**, Director of Player Development for Liverpool FC International Academy Maryland (left) with **Josh Byrom**, General Manager of Moose Athletic Club

"When representing Liverpool Football Club, a soccer club with such a storied tradition and global reach, it is essential that our partners are aligned in our club values. Our club cares about developing the player on the field, and the person off the field. Our core values are central to everything we do as a club. In the Moose Athletic Club, I am confident we have found a partner that shares our philosophy and we couldn't be happier for the future of our players and coaches," explained **Jamie Darvill**, Director of Player Development for Liverpool FC International Academy Maryland. "Since the inception of Liverpool FC International Academy Maryland, we have been searching for somewhere we can call home. Our development model goes beyond the field. In addition to technical development, we work on tactical, physical, mental and social workshops. Finding a facility partner that can house all these developmental endeavors was paramount in our search for a home for our academy. The Moose Athletic Club will be a state-of-the-art facility with fantastic amenities."

Liverpool FC International Academy Maryland houses approximately 30 teams for elite players ranging from U7 to U19, in addition to local community partnerships and initiatives that enable the academy to



develop more than one thousand players annually across the state. The organization also provides one-on-one and group training opportunities, summer camps, league play and weekend tournaments.

“With this facility, we can now keep homegrown talent in our own backyard and take them to the next level,” added Darvill, who accounted for 99 points as a four-year starter for Loyola University Maryland before embarking on a professional career that included stops with the Baltimore Blast and throughout Europe. His coaching experience includes a stint with the Chelsea Football Club.

“I look forward to watching the tremendous impact this facility will have on our players at the club over the coming years. We are grateful to call it the home of Liverpool FC International Academy Maryland and am appreciative to everyone at CREG and the Moose for their tireless work and passion to bring this partnership to life. We found that the Moose Athletic Club management shared in our overall philosophy of excellence. This was proven by their actions to elevate this facility to a state-of-the-art training center and sports venue, attracting an on-site sports rehabilitation practice and surrounding themselves with other passionate sports professionals on-staff. We now have everything we need to succeed.”

Formerly the Moose Lodge and Family Center, the 30,000 square foot building was transformed into a multi-functional indoor sports facility featuring a 6,500 square foot turf box arena and 3,900 square foot turf training area, in addition to a fitness and weight room and locker room facility. It is positioned less than one mile from Interstate 97, MD Route 3 and the University of Maryland Medical Center, as well as two miles from MD Route 100 and five miles from Interstate 695 (Baltimore Beltway). The new configuration began operations in January.

“The Liverpool FC vision of long-term growth with a focus on high-quality programming to produce the best possible outcomes, aligns with our structure and service to the local community,” explained **Josh Byrom**, General Manager of Moose Athletic Club. “We always want to do what’s best for local families and, in Liverpool FC, we are absolutely confident that we have partnered with a high-value and community-minded organization. They represent the perfect complement to our relationship with True Sports Physical Therapy and Hero’s Lacrosse, as well as our Sweatin Moose lacrosse initiative.”

Earlier this year, The Moose Athletic Club announced the decision by **True Sports Physical Therapy**, a sports rehabilitation concept founded by **Dr. Yoni Rosenblatt**, to lease space within the facility. Trained professionals will be available on-site to address any issues encountered by participants in the summer camp, lacrosse academy and games. True Sports Physical Therapy has treated former Duke University lacrosse player Deemer Class, former Johns Hopkins lacrosse player Kyle Harrison and numerous professional athletes that competed in the National Football League and Major League Baseball.

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