Soccer For Youth Offered

An age group soccer program will be initiated this spring at the YMCA for boy and girl members age eight to 18, according to Jim Cawley, physical director at the Y.

The program will be similar to the recently completed age group basketball program which had more than 150 participants. All games and practices will be held on Saturdays, Cawley said, and games will have a low-competitive atmosphere with instruction given by coaches and officials during the games.

Leagues will be formed for boys and girls age 10 and under, 12 and under, 14 and under, and 17 and under. All games will be played at the YMCA.

The program begins Saturday, April 13, at 10 a.m., with a soccer clinic open to members and non-members. A second clinic will be held at the same time on Saturday, April 22 for youngsters and coaches who will participate in league play. League play begins Saturday, April 29 through Saturday, May 27.

Registration deadline is Monday, April 24 and cost is $2. A player draft will be held after registration to select teams. Cawley said all equipment and uniforms will be furnished by the YMCA.

Alfred Erler, a member of the University of Texas soccer team will coordinate the program, Cawley said.

For further information about the coming program, contact the YMCA at 476-6565.

The North Atlantic Treaty was adopted by the United States, Canada and 10 European nations on March 18, 1949.