



# L.B.S.R.A. Newsletter

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## From the President LBSRA

Changes in the works for the year 2011 with LBSRA.

We will be cutting some expenses for the 2011. It cost us about 75 cents every time we mail a check to the referees. So you do the math if you work an OCWSL game you get paid \$42.00. We do not take any money out of your check but if we mail it to you it cost. So as stated in Larry T. news letter article we will only hand out the checks for OCWSL and New Port Beach at the meeting. If you can not make it to the meeting we will hold your check until the following month.

Be pro active in your game assignments. If you accept game assignment and then can not make it let Larry yee know don't wait until the night before or that morning of the game. If you wait finds will be accessed to you unless there is a good excuse.

State Cup and National Cup there are rules to follow and that means checking in with the coordinators at the venue that you are assigned to. The coordinators have to know if you show up or not. Go to the place where they are set up first and check in. At all the sites the coordinators have instruction for you. Please make sure that you fill the cards out correctly with the right score going to the right team as in any tournament.

We have made some changes on the board of directors for both LBSRA and the Youth Mentoring Group. Roy will assume the position for both Sectary and Human resource. Vern will be helping Ardy in the Assessment process. We have named Juan Contreras as the new President of the youth group. He will appoint his board to help him run the new group.

We have started a clinic for those referees who want to upgrade. If you are interested see the article written by Ardy in the news letter. It will run a couple of hours on a Monday night at our meeting place for 4 or 5 weeks. Contact ardy for the information on the clinic.

There are instruction classes on line to meet your required time for your certification each year if you can not attend classes at your local association. Go to Referee Instruction OnLine .com sign up on there data base.

See you all at the meeting Wednesday night.

As a reminder we may be in the church this Wednesday so no **Food or drinks in the church.**

## BOARD OFFICERS

Your LBSRA Board of Directors will hold office until May of next year 2011.

President /Newsletter  
Vice President of Referee Operations/Assignor  
Vice President of Adult Referee Mentoring/Training  
Treasurer  
Director of Administrative assistant  
Director of Instruction and Assessment  
Director of Human Resources/Referee Recruiting  
Director Debriefing/Mentoring  
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Larry Yee \*  
Kent Kirkland \*  
Larry Taylor  
Roy Schwarzer \*  
Toros Kibritjian \*  
Vern Geiger  
Mike Holguin \*

**NEXT Meeting**  
**WEDNESDAY**  
**AT 7:00PM**  
**February, 16 2011**

**Grace First Presbyterian Church**  
3955 Studebaker Road Long Beach, CA  
90808 Located at the intersection of Studebaker Road & Los Coyotes, diagonal just south of Carson Street

### "Moving Other Referees' Personal Items"

Although well-intended, please do not move your fellow referees' gear unless granted permission beforehand. Some referees may have loose items (which probably shouldn't be there in the first place and now, I know I learned my lesson.) hanging on bags or chairs that can be dislodged during the move. Please don't leave valuable items in your bag when going to a field, Leave them in your car locked up.

### OCWSL

We still can not get it right when doing games for the OCWSL. What does it take to follow the instructions that has been given out to all you referees doing these games? **Cards are not to be dropped of at Kathy's house.**

Each week Larry is putting the info on the emails that he sends to all confirming your games and you still can not get it right.

We still can't get the cards mailed it time. When you tell Larry and I the excuses that you give and we have heard them all, but 95% of the cards get's to Kathy on Wednesday something just does not click.

I am very heavily disappointed when we do not follow procedures laid down by USSF and FIFA. When I hear about these and the referees do not follow them we will come down heavy on you from now on. If you are not sure how to follow procedures ask our Instructors that's why we have them so you do get it right.

State Cup younger's is off to a very nice start. KUDOS TO ALL OF REFEREES REPRESENTING LONG BEACH!!!

There is always a few hiccups when tournament time begins and State and National Cup is no exception. Let me first say, that the overall quality of officiating has been stellar. This comes from Cal South representatives at sites as well as coaches.

Just a few things that I want to share and a few items of interest as we go forward in the tournament and getting ready for the olders.

\*\* Please review the laws of the game to make sure you have a good handle of these laws and how to apply them

\*\* Filling out match cards correctly at end of match is very important.....and writing clearly is a big plus. Make sure you put your name on the back where applicable and that the scores on both cards are correct

\*\* STAY ON TIME. Those ref's relieving you would appreciate it as well as the next teams. Some times it is difficult but we need to really push of this

\*\* New crews coming in to replace those working your field, if you see that they are running behind, there are ways to help catch up to make sure your match starts as close to scheduled game time as possible.

1) Check in teams off the field while match other match is still in progress (even if it is only you that is doing it). 2) Do coin toss. 3) Collect fees. And inform both teams if the match being played is behind that there will not be enough time to warm up on the field and get their match started at the scheduled time. This would be a huge help for you and your crew to get back on schedule and a big "thumbs up" to both teams.

There will be referee field site coordinators there on site to assist you in any way they can to help with this process.

\*\* Checking in at Referee Coordinator site is a MUST for everyone on your crew. If you have not checked in there, then as far as your assignor is concerned, you are late. And your assignor will be getting a call from the site Referee Coordinator asking, why you are late? Allow yourself plenty of time to get to your matches on time. Sometimes parking is a big factor, so leave for your matches with plenty of time. Planning on arriving 1 hour before your first scheduled match would be a good idea. Arriving 10 minutes before your first scheduled match IS NOT. Do not fail to plan

\*\* Goalies need numbers on their shirts

\*\* NO HATS MEANS EXACTLY THAT. NO HATS are to be worn as an AR or as a Center.

If you have a medical condition (requiring you wearing a hat on the field), talk with your assignor. But we have been directed that during State and National Cup, no hats can be worn while officiating a match

\*\* Keep coaches in their designated area(10 yards on either side of halfway line). This is your job as a team

\*\* No spectators coaching behind goal area or inside the 18 yard line. If this becomes an issue, ask them to move away and if it continues, speak with coach. If it is still a problem, you as the AR get with your Center to help deal with it

\*\* Get spectators away from the line and make sure large umbrellas and canopy's are not creating a safety hazard to you (AR) or players. REMEMBER.....SAFETY FIRST. And if that means having to take these down , then that is what needs to be done.

\*\* Dress to impress. Let's look sharp out there. You are representing yourself and your association

So, in closing, have fun out there and let's really put on a show for the players and coaches. Let's make sure that you are giving it everything you have while working out there as either an AR or a Center. The players deserve it. Remember, you are a team. Enter and leave the field together.

I will be out there observing and supporting all of you as my duty as Referee Field Site Head Coordinator for both State and National Cup. If you see me, say hi. And if you need anything from myself or the other coordinators, please do not hesitate to ask.

Enjoy your matches-  
Mike Holguin

..All checks will be handed out at the monthly meeting for the Orange County women & Newport Beach league unless other wise approved by the board. The treasurer send out an e-mail to all referees concerned on payout for each venue and got approval before payment. The board is trying something different to get more referees involved in the process of doing business.

We will not mail checks for these two leagues you must pick them up at the meeting unless you make arrangements with Larry Taylor.

LBSRA President

Any questions you can e-mail the treasurer Larry Taylor @ [laptaylor@verizon.net](mailto:laptaylor@verizon.net).....and writing clearly is a big plus.

Make sure you put your name on the back where applicable and that the scores on both cards are correct

## LAST REMINDER

Some of you have already registered with us. It is time to take an advantage of our experience team, attend this clinic, prepare yourself for up coming assessments.

Upon the completion of the clinic, I will look for your availability during month of April when we will have mass assessments.

You can request, both Center and AR at the same weekend or on the following weekend.

Our prestigious LBSRA is looking for quality referees who could get games at any league. Your effort to up grade and develop your skill would be appreciated accordingly.

you are being considered for USSF referee upgrade of grade 8 to 7 or 7 to 6 for year 2012.

because of the economy, lbsra is able to charge only \$ 25 for 4 monday ,2/14, 2/21, 2/28 and 3/14 2hr. clinic to help prepare the referee for the above.

*clinic to be held at the church where lbsra holds their monthly meetings. (Church)*

*Starting Mon: 2/14--21--28 ,March 7 these sessions will include laws and test review followed by a test and physical at the last session.*

*7 to 9 pm*

in this time frame, referees will go through the sample questions on the USSF exam and specific topics to prepare for your upgrade clinic that is required to attend in June or November of year 2011.

a standard USSF physical will take place near the end of the course to see how your run times look like. referees going from 8 to 7 need to be field assessed in a 90 minute boys or girls game as a center referees going from 7 to 6 will need to field assessed in a 90 minute boys or girls games, in the opinion of the assessor deems the game competitive for upgrade reasons.

referee needs 2 centers and 1 assistant referee slot in year 2011 for upgrade to year 2012.

referees that are ages 16 to 17 can apply for grade 7. referees that are 18 on up will need to be live scan and can be eligible for upgrade from 7 to 6 please reply if you can attend the above upgrade preparation.

lbsra is here to assist all referees wishing to upgrade.

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cal south youth approved youth tournaments for lbsra to service.

Jan. 29 to 30th to almost every week-end of feb.-2011 us cal south state cup games of ages 9 to 14 boys/girls

possible coast soccer league spring league. kent kirkland will let lbsra know of any fields we may be asked to assign.

various indoor arena/outdoor adult leagues will start up during fall/winter/spring season going into the summer months.

march 5 to 6th orange tournament ( ages 9 to 19boys/girls)

almost every week-end of april mid-may-2011 is cal south state cup( ages 15 to 19 boys /girls).

may 21 to 22 cerritos spring challenge cup

may 28 to 30th cerritos memorial week-end cup

june 11 to 12th summer classic in the santa margarita area

june 11 to 12th copa laguna cup in the south orange county areas

june 18th to 19th o.c. revolution( girls only) in the city of whittier area

june 25th to 26th o.c. revolution( boys only) in the city of whittier area

july 16 to 17th psa canyon summer tournament

july 23rd to 24th long beach pyramid cup

july 30th to 31st cerritos united summer tournamrnt

august 6th to 7th possible freedom soccer club tournament

august 20th to 21st assisting jusa recreation freindship tournament(north orange county area)

august 20th to 21st orange toyota soccer tournament

august 27th to 28th jusa/chelsea olders youth tournament from ages 15 to 19 boys/girls

sept. 3 to 4th jusa/chelsea youngsters youth tournament from ages 9 to 14 boys/girls

sept 10th till early dec.-2011 is coast soccer league games, various adult leagues on week-nites and sundays in general indoor arena soccer in city of placentia---north orange county---saddleback/mission viejo---and santa ana ymca. city of corona coed--11 vs. 11/city of ontario: 7 vs. 7 ladies or mens

nov. 25th to 26th surf cup/city of escondido or san diego areas. hotels will be provided

dec. 10th to 11th canyon psa canyon youth tournament from ages 9 to 14 boys/girls

dec. 10th to 11th fc blade soccer club , city of irvine areas/girls only from ages 9 to 14

dec. 17th to 18th fc blade soccer club, city of irvine areas/boys only from ages 9 to 14

lbsra is very honored of the above. a lot of time and hours have been invested to secure the above for active lbsra members. do your part to perform well when doing any assigned soccer match of any age group . your involvement is what lbsra is all about, especially in the referee mentoring side.

regards from larry yee

## February Instructions

This month we will be reviewing the most important test questions for 2011. We will discuss the very important area which causes most difficulties to young referees than anything else;

### MANAGING TECHNICAL AREA

Toros

**A tragic event occurred Wednesday with the death of a 9 year old boy who was killed by a falling soccer goal.**

**We, the referee, are ultimately responsible for the safety of our fields and the players. Please, ALWAYS be the referee who handles this duty and responsibility seriously.**

**Anchored and secured goals are the ONLY way a game may be played. And, don't trust that the referee crew before you handled it properly either.**

**YOU make sure, every game, every time. No matter what.**

**(Bentonville, AR) -- A fourth grader from northwest Arkansas dies after a soccer goal falls on top of him.**

**It happened in Bentonville about 2:30 Wednesday afternoon at Elm Tree Elementary School.**

**Bentonville Superintendent Dr. Gary Compton says several students were leaning against the goal when it toppled over onto Jonathan Nelson, fracturing the 9-year old's skull.**

**Compton says two nurses were on scene, and the boy was rushed to Northwest Medical Center in Bentonville where he died a short time later.**



The Steering Instruction Committee met on January 18 at the Cal South office and came up with the following **In-Service Training** lectures:

MONTH	LECTURE
February	Protecting the player with the ball during play
March	Protecting the player with the ball while the ball is not in play
April	Area of Contact – Mode of Contact
May	Teamwork
June	Dark month
July	Players' Equipment
August	Nutrition and Fitness – Injury prevention
September	Professional Conduct and Ethics
October	Recertification Test Review
November	Recertification Testing begins and/or lecture
December	Recertification Testing continues and/or lecture

I need to know from you what month of the year you do not want instruction to take care of your Association's matters. The topics are subject to change once we know what's coming in the Regional Training Seminars.

Referees can attend any Referee Association to get credit for the year, however the credit is per topic in other words a referee cannot get credit for attending two Association's meeting where the same subject was taught.

Areas of concern are game management, parents and crowd control, referee safety and these issues will be addressed during the year.

In-Service Hours required for recertification:

Grade 8 and Emeritus Referees will need a minimum of **5-hours**

Grades 7, 6 and 5 Referees will need a minimum of **8-hours**

**Recertification/Upgrade Clinics** – Two or three clinics will be scheduled in May and June for recertification for 2011 and to Upgrade. The months of October, November and December will be spent to recertify for 2012 and a few upgrading clinics will be held around Southern California in other words there will be clinics in San Diego, Los Angeles County, Bakersfield, Ventura and Santa Maria.

**Soccer Nation** – Cal South's Soccer Nation will be held this year at Long Beach Convention Center on February 12 and 13. The State Referee Committee will have a room where lectures will be presented during the day. We have the room from 8am till 5pm. Currently these are some of the topics that will be presented: Indoor, Beach Soccer, Futsal, nutrition and fitness. Herb Silva, US Soccer Director of Professional Referees will be making a presentation as well as our MLS and FIFA referees. Please come to learn and share a moment with our special guests. Referees attending the seminar will also get one-hour credit towards their In-Service training requirements.

**CALENDAR** - Please provide me the dates of your monthly meetings, your meeting address, the time you meet and the room capacity. All these dates will be posted on Cal South's web page so that referees know when these clinics are available and can attend them. Please also don't forget to let me know what month of the year you want to use to handle your Association's business.

As usual any comments or questions can be emailed to me at [aangeles@calsouth.com](mailto:aangeles@calsouth.com) or call me at my cell 626 354-7239

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