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From the President LBSRA

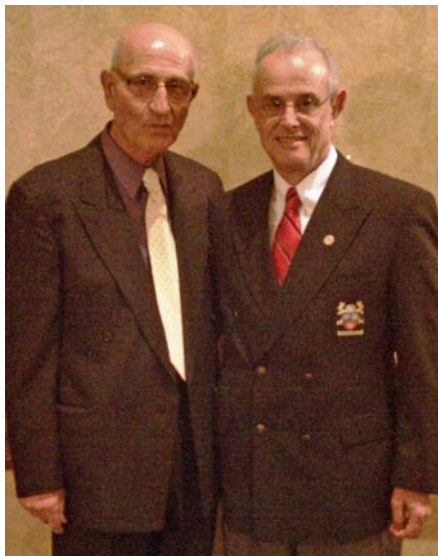
Change in meeting date: our meeting is on Tuesday March 15 this month.

I would like to dedicate this month news letter to our out standing instructor who will be presented in Chicago on March 19th one of the highest awards from USSF that can be bestowed up on A USSF REFEREE:
TOROS KIBRITJIAN This is his story:

As we mentioned a few emails ago Toros Kibritijian has been honored and awarded the Eddie Pearson Award!

We are very proud to call Toros a Cal South Referee and wish him continued success in his work with our youth referees!

Herb Silva, Director Of Professional Referee Development, United States Soccer Federation, made the surprise announcement to Toros and a room full of referees at Soccer Nation Expo.



Toros, we are all very proud of your accomplishments and to be working with you in the Cal South Referee Community!

In Mr. Silva's own words, here is the announcement,

Toros Kibritijian and Herb Silva

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As a reminder we may be in the church this Wednesday so no [Food or drinks in the church.](#)

"For all its faults, the United States Soccer Federation (USSF) is a great organization of individuals who work exceptionally hard for the betterment of soccer in this country. The USSF honors in many ways its members who the Federation feels have gone above and beyond to promote this sport.

The Eddie Pearson Award is presented each year to an individual who has distinguished himself/herself by an outstanding contribution to the National Referee Development Program of the United States Soccer Federation.

The bottom line of this award is that it is given for the development of referees. We sometimes dwell too much on heroes; it is commendable that a referee has officiated a World Cup game and we are all proud that they represented their country well. We respect that a person has held high office, but that does not necessarily mean they have individually or for that matter collectively helped with the development of referees.

The people we seek to honor are those who have provided and still provide a universal support to the National Program ...have contributed and continue to contribute to the overall development of the National Program.

Emphasis is placed on contributions to the U. S. Soccer Federation's National Referee Program (NRP), furthering the development of referees, assessors, instructors, and assignors at the highest level.

- Activity must span at least 20 years.
- Contributions toward referee development in multiple divisions of the Federation, youth, adult, and professional, and at multiple levels of the NRP.

Candidates' names are submitted to the National Referee Office by the State Referee Committee. A list of candidates is passed to a screening committee, which consist of previous Eddie Pearson Award winners and ultimately recognized and endorsed by the National Referee Committee and U S Soccer's Board of Directors.

The 2011 Eddie Pearson Awardee's qualifications far exceed the requirements previously referenced.

He has been actively involved for over 50 years as a referee, instructor, assessor, administrator, and mentor.

When an active referee, he represented our country at the international and professional levels with distinction.

His resume includes officiating assignments at World Cup, Youth World Cup, Olympics, Pan American games, World Games for the Deaf, CONCACAF tournaments, Professional Leagues, collegiate, adult and youth games.

More importantly, he has remained an active contributor to the development of literally hundreds of officials, the vast majority of whom are from Southern California including so many in this room today.

While the formal award will be presented at the National Assessor Recertification next month, It is my privilege to publically acknowledge for the first time the 2011 recipient of the Eddie Pierson Award.

Please join me in honoring Toros Kibritjian."

GOOD JOB TOROS FROM ALL YOUR FRIENDS AT LBSRA AND WISHING YOU MANY MORE YEARS WITH US.

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 & Human Resources/Referee Recruiting
Director of Instruction
Director Debriefing/Mentoring
Assessment Program
* Denotes Voting Board Member

Butch Renken *
Larry Yee *
Kent Kirkland *
Larry Taylor
Roy Schwarzer *
Toros Kibritjian *
Mike Holguin *
Ardy Saeidi

NEXT Meeting
TUESDAY AT
7:00PM
MARCH, 15 2011

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

From the Treasurer

For the Mayor's Cup (Orange Tournament), the check will be ready for the referees @ the general meeting on the 15th of March. As a reminder to all referees doing adult league (NBCSL & OCWSL), the check will be issued once a month @ the general meeting, unless you contract a board member and make other arrangements.

Referee Instruction On Line .com sign up on there data base.

If your want your check mailed to you send a self addressed stamped envelope to Larry Taylor and I will send your check to you.

Larry T.

Long Beach Soccer Referee Association Youth Mentor Program

We welcome another summer filled with tournaments and lots of games. As all of you may have heard, I have been appointed by the LBSRA board to lead the Youth Mentor Program. As I explained in our general meeting last month, this program will constitute of members who are willing to commit time and effort to a program that will help them on their track to becoming a knowledgeable and better referee. The name might say "youth" but I ask that we all join in helping this program become a success by having experienced referees give back to LBSRA and help out on any given weekend that they are free. If you would like to be considered for the task of being mentored or mentoring please email me at juanc@uci.edu or give me a call at 562.253.2002. Hope to hear from you guys soon. Stay healthy out there and enjoy every soccer weekend to the fullest.

Juan Contreras
YMP President

Personal information request

We are coming up to an important time of the year again, in this I mean Dues and tournaments almost every weekend starting in May. It is important to contact your assignor with your availability at the first part of May. Plan ahead and don't wait till the last week in April.

Due to our fast moving world today we must stay connected.

First of all I would like to thank everyone who submitted a form for their personal information last year. Now comes a time that the form will be filled out again. In this newsletter and the next I will remind everyone to have a form filled out with your personal information. (This is only for my records and the LBSRA roster) for 2011-12.

The form will be on our website at lbsra.com on the front page on the right side about 2/3 the way down. This form can be **saved as** on to your desktop and attached into an email. You will not get paid for your services on the field if this form is not filled out. The Form will be available at the tournament sites if you have not already filled one out and have sent it to me via email. Any questions please email me at rgsch@live.com

Yours to serve, Roy Schwarzer

CSL Spring

Hello everybody CSL Spring has started again. The number of games when compared to last year is less. However, there are still a good number of games. Below you will find procedures to be followed.

All Under 10 games will be played as an under 11. Full field 11 players aside.

Payment for the games is on the field, cash only. Payment schedule can be Found at www.springsoccer.org or In the CSL 2010 book. If you have been Scheduled for a game and one of the teams does not show up please e-mail Me by Sunday 8:00PM. Do not collect any fees, you will receive Payment from LBSRA. Below are game procedures to be followed;

1. CSL Roster

Home teams are required to provide you with an official spring Roster, Check in players/Administrators insuring that all players/Administrators Listed on the match report have a valid CYSA pass. PLAYERS/ADMINISTRATORS DO NOT HAVE TO BE REGISTERED WITH THAT TEAM. ANYBODY CAN PLAY AS LONG AS THEY HAVE A VALID CYSA PASS FOR THAT AGE GROUP OR BELOW. ANY COACH WITH THE PROPER CYSA PASS CAN COACH ANY TEAM. If there is no administrator/coach With a valid CYSA administrator pass Note on the ROSTER AND THE GAME SHALL NOT BE PLAYED.

Upon completion of the match, complete report. Report all cautions a send Offs on the report. Have both teams sign reports. Retain reports for Remainder of season.

2. SEND OFFS

All player and administrator passes are to be returned to appropriate Team At the conclusion of the match, including those for players or Administrators who where send off. Only in the cases of assault, violent Conduct and suspected falsification of documents should the player or Administrator pass be withheld. A supplemental report is to be completed FOR ANY PASS WITHHELD AND MAILED ALONG WITH THE PASS AND USSF SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT TO CSL. Address on Web page. More information to come.

Kent Kirkland

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

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

March Instructions

Protecting the player with the ball while the ball is not in play

Toros

To all referees

LBSRA'S first upgrade seminar took place in three Mondays(Sessions) successfully. Guest speakers and Instructors Toros, Mike Holguin, Pat Cary, Carlos Arce and Robert Alvarez reviewed LAWS of the game, including gamesmanship and common sense.

Monday , March 14 , Clinic will be resumed at 6 PM, with a physical test (Mcauliff Jr H) followed by a written test and final advises and instructions , preparing our referees for an assessment .

Those referees interested to up grade , State/National Cup games for older division is very close . LBSRA will make sure to assign you accordingly , getting assessed either Center or Line.

please let me know if any one interested.

*Ardy Saeidi
909-952-2289*



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 or call me at my cell 626 354-7239

Sent on behalf of Arturo A. Angeles, SDI

Referee Development

Now that my duties have been shifted to assist Ardy Saeidi with his program of mentoring, training, testing of referees in our group, you will see me out on the field more, looking at your performance, along with other mentors. We are out there to help you develop into the best referee you can be. It is disheartening when we go to a field, announce that we are there to observe, and a referee still doesn't shift gears. The only way you will become better, which translates into, better games, higher challenges, and more money, is to give 100 % of what ever you have. That means if it is your third game, and you're tired, give 100% from what you have left.

Some areas of concern I noticed during last weekend's Orange Tournament, I see in many young referees or new referees:

- Getting into the far corners on the opposite side of your AR. Your AR can only watch for offside and the ball over the goal line from that distance. She cannot help you call fouls in your corner. If two players are challenging each other next to the corner flag, move away from the 18 yard line and get into the corner near them. It will prevent problems. Your proximity to the players makes a big difference with how they challenge each other.
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- Referee team communication. We harp on this all the time, and it is for a reason. I saw some communication during halftime, but what about pre-game? Do your ARs know what is expected of them. If you are tired after a couple games are you communicating that to them, and instructing them to help you out a little more on breakaways.
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And Toro's big pet peeve: PROTECT THE GOALKEEPER. If it looks in the least bit like an attacker is attempting to shield the goalkeeper on corner kicks, put a stop to it; talk, warn, caution if necessary. If an attacker is using intimidation techniques, such as raking a shoe across the prone goalkeepers body instead of jumping over him, put a stop to it right away. The goalkeeper is probably the most prized player on the team, not to mention the most vulnerable. Protect them.

We are out there to help you, take advantage of the time a mentor spends with you. Ask questions, make comments, tell the mentor how you feel your game is going and ask him if he concurs. Above all, enjoy yourself; if you aren't, then your heart is not in the job.

If you have any questions about the laws, field techniques, etc. feel free to call any of your mentors. My number is in the newsletter.

See you on the pitch,

Vern Geiger

The MONTH'S have gone much to fast.

We are almost done with the younger's for both State and National Cup. Just around the corner will be the older's. Are you ready for some really great soccer? Speak with your assignor and let them know you are ready to do these matches.

A few things to note as we move forward.

** You FIRST represent yourself, Long Bch., and your crew when you accept matches. So, please make sure you are physically able to handle the level and that you have the experience matches under your belt) as well. You need to be your own worst critic.

** **Dress to impress**

** **Do not fail to plan**

** **Be consistent with your calls**

** **Understand advantage and when to apply it**

** **Remember the SAFETY OF THE PLAYERS is your first priority**

** **Have a good understanding of the laws of the game**

And bottom line.....enjoy yourself

With the high school season just finishing, many of our members had an outstanding seasons. Many of them were on high school play off crews and some of them were placed on CIF Finals and Regional crews. KUDOS TO ALL OF YOU.

Adult leagues are all going well and CSL Spring season is upon us. Make sure you get with our assignors about your availability.

And just around the corner will be tournament time for all of us.

Your BOD have worked very hard in maintaining all of our tournaments from previous seasons and are working on additional ones. They are working very hard behind the scenes to keep all of our members busy.

Remember that Long Bch supplies a service. So we ALL need to do our share of placing the best product on the field for each and every match we do. We cannot take a "match off". There are always people out there watching you and your crew.

So for everyone. Enjoy your matches.
See all of you on the pitch.

Mike Holguin