

L.B.S.R.A. Newsletter



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LBSRA PRESIDENTS NOTES

This month I am sharing some great news with all the LBSRA referees members. Please take the time to read the info below on one of our own!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I am sharing some wonderful news. Rikin has been accepted into the University of Buffalo, New York, dentistry program. This is an accelerated six-year program in which he will earn his DDS. We as a family will be sad to see him leave for such a long period of time however I know that everything he has done up until now is to prepare him for adult hood.

His success in part is thanks to all of you for each of you have helped shape him. When he interviewed at the University they remarked quite strongly how impressed they were with Rikin in his development as a soccer referee. I know he will continue to referee and hope that he will reach out to each of you when he is in Southern California to help the organization and also to perform games.

AJ

To all parties

Congrats are in order to All of the Rikin Family. Such an honor what the whole family has done under solid parental Mentoring , guidance and Faith with each other, especially during these last 9 months of Health concern.

I look forward seeing him become College Referee (if time permits) and secure Grade 6 USSF State Referee Badge similar To Dad AJ.

All of us miss the Father Son LBSRA Soccer referee involvement. Yet their spirit lives amongst all of us as we move forward in year 2014.

We are all proud of Riken's upcoming Dentistry schooling and hope all of us can consider Riken as our personal Dentist

AJ

What an accomplishment for this young man and your son which comes from his family life for the future.

Thanks AJ for all you do with LBSRA
Walter Renken
LBSRA President

BOARD OFFICERS

LBSRA Board of Directors will hold office until May of next year 2014.

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Director of Instruction
Assessment Program/Assignor
Web Master /Assignor/
Assignor
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Lee Harmon *
Mohammed Nikpour
Leo Umaña
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Larry Taylor

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NEXT MEETING

Wednesday AT 7:00PM

April 16, 2014

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

NEXT MEETING

We will be in room 405 for the month of
April

HOW TO BECOME A BETTER REFEREE OR ASSISTANT REFEREE

Are you able to judge the situation , assess the severity of the foul, and able to make the crucial decision? You must judge immediately and decide weather it was Careless, reckless, or Excessive Force...

Always remember the following

SIX Commandments and believe me, you will reach to the top.

CONFIDENCE; in yourself, in your fellow referees. Complete knowledge of the laws and be physically fit.

COURAGE; to make the right decision, in your judgment, even though you know it will cost you your future in that association due to political / financial reasons.

CONSISTENCY; there are two teams playing on the field who deserve fair and tough decisions from you. Sometimes, some players may be difficult to control...**DO NOT** punish the rest of the players to satisfy your personal ego. And this brings us to use **COMMON SENSE**...

COMMUNICATION; Use your whistle ...the tone of each whistle must say something very important; was it a serious foul or careless foul? Using the correct language loud and clear dealing with players, coaches and spectators and parents will help that particular game. Good

Communication with your teammates...is crucial. Do not allow others hear your conversations weather the foul was committed inside the penalty area. Or, should it be a red or yellow card. And last but not least,

CONNTROL....

This will be achieved only if you follow the five Commandments I mentioned above.

Thanks for listening,

Toros Kibritjian

Registration for LBSRA 2015

Any new referees referred to LBSRA must go to the Calsouth Website and fill out all the information asked for on the Registration drop down. This includes the payment, the taking of modules, live scan & test and passing everything. After you have completed all requirement, you can go to the LBSRA website and download the membership forms under form @ the top of the website. If you have any question you can call Larry Taylor @ 909 241-5466 for assistance.

Hello referees, as we move into some of our bigger tournaments such as Cerritos FC Slammers Memorial tournament we need to take these next few weeks to polish up on our game management skills. Before issuing out a multitude of cards ask yourself if there is anything that you can do that will protect the players. Sometimes we, as referees, need to realize that we can prevent most negative situations by calling the simple fouls, talking to players, and keeping your cool to show you are in control. Remember that a lot of these players travel a long way and pay a lot of money to be at these tournament; without the players we are out of the job. A lot of tournaments give us the option to have players subbed out if they get too hot headed, which is a great new tool. So if a player does something where he is close to getting a caution or a send off you can always say, "coach, you need to sub this player out or he may be getting in trouble soon." If your hands are tied and you have to give an obvious card we will support you. But remember, this is the players game, let's use all of our tools to keep them here. If anyone would like to work for the youth mentor group to develop better game management skills as well as all around mechanics please email ymsg@lbsra.com Good luck in your games everyone!

yours in refereeing,
Nick Almaguer

Recruiting new referees & members

I would like to invite all present referees in the LBSRA family to talk to referees you know & work with and see if they are interested in joining the association. You can refer them to Larry Taylor & he will interview him or her of the benefits of become a member. Your assistance would be appreciated by the board.

Larry Taylor

The Following are some suggestions from your humble mentor leader, I'm sure that some of the following when done right create e sense of security to all of the participants in the match.

State Cup time it's here again, and you know what that means, Make sure that your uniforms are clean and up to specifications **Official Sport** only, also make sure that the shorts are black and not a shade of black and brown, also bring with you two pair of socks; both of them with three stripes, one with the logo And one without the logo All three of you got to look alike, if you achieve this it is already a big accomplishment. When all the people on the field see you entering the field, coaches, players and spectators will have a sensation of security, and already in their mind will have e different sensation about Officials. They will see that we are ready to take charge of the match.

Enter the field of play all together, inspect the field, make sure that the nets are anchored and the field is safe to be used. Before crossing the field make sure to Stop in one of the benches and introduce all of you to the coach, do the same on the opposite side, find out who is the home team and already secure the three balls to be used during the match.

Now that you did all this; wait in the middle of the field; giving your pre-game instructions to your assistants than call the captains'. for the coin toss procedure. E suggestions; do these procedures not only during Cup Games but on all of the games you officiate. You will be surprise how important these steps are for us Officials.

Been your humble Mentor Leader; I suggest to all of you to follows these procedures and I'm sure that all of the above will make e very positive impact in your next performance on the field.

Now let's go to the fields and do some kick ass refereeing
Your mentor Leader
John Bonifacio

New Certification Process

Association: Long Beach SRA

Dear Butch Renken,

This Email Update is being sent out to all Referee Associations, Assignors, Assessors & Instructors.

As everyone knows, Cal South SRC has been working on a new process for both the USSF registration procedure and administration of courses. In today's email both will be explained in detail.

New Registration Process:

Interested individuals will register online and pay their USSF registration fee. (\$45)

They will next register and pay for a 4 hour field training they wish to attend. (\$10)

The will then have to complete the USSF Grade 8 online modules and exam.

USSF is providing Cal South the online module test results on a weekly basis. We are able to verify if the whole module was viewed, any failed attempts and their passing score. Cal South will use this report that is generated on Wednesdays to verify if a registered member completed this pre-course assignment. Upon verification, each individual will be emailed to confirm they are allowed to attend the field portion of the course scheduled for that weekend. **Absolutely no Walk-in's will be allowed.**

Field portions will be held at each location in two sessions, a morning session and afternoon session. This will allow a more flexible timeframe from which individuals can choose from. At the end of their field session, they will be given their badge. The field sessions will have bigger turn outs and Cal South will provide a team of instructors for each.

Returning referees will register online and pay their USSF registration fee (\$45/\$50)

They will then complete their online modules and exam.

Verification of online test taken will be done once a week on Wednesdays. Both modules and payment will need to have been done by this time in order to be approved and have badge mailed out.

If either is missing by this time, they will have to wait until the following review (Wednesday) to be approved. Updated Registered Officials List will still be uploaded every Thursday evening.

Maintenance requirements: 5 hour in service training

We conducted our upgrades for 2014 at the end of last year in 2013. We will not be holding another upgrade session for the 2014 registration year. Those who missed any of the three upgrade sessions will need to wait until we hold them again for the 2015 registration year. 2013 State officials can either choose to register as a Grade 7 this year or go Emeritus, with the chance to resume their state grade in 2015.

Please make sure to review a full detail of all requirements for each grade by [clicking here](#).

For those interested in registering for a New Entry Grade 8 please [click here](#)

New Administration Process:

Cal South will be hosting and administering all Entry Grade 8 courses. Host clinic request forms will no longer be needed. Everyone will need to register for one of the sessions provided on our Calendar Events page. Locations have been selected based on previous years requested locations and our best efforts to strategically select locations within a reasonable travel distance for all.

Should you have any questions with regards to any of the new requirements or procedures please do not hesitate to contact the following SRC members:

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cal south youth approved youth tournaments for lbsra to service. 2014

Mar/May 2014	CSL Spring
Mar/May 2014	SCDSL Spring
5/24 - 5/26	Cerritos Memorial Challenge Cup
6/7 - 6/8	Xolos Summer Festival
6/7 - 6/8	Joy Fawcett Classic
6/21 - 6/22	ASC California Spring Cup
6/28 - 6/29	Pateadores HB Classic
7/12 - 7/13	Anaheim Surf Invitational
7/26 - 7/27	Cerritos Premier Cup
7/26 - 7/27	Pats Cup 2014
7/26 - 7/27	Pyramid Cup
8/2 - 8/3	8/2 - 8/3
8/9 - 8/10	Strikers MV - Boys
8/9 - 8/10	JUSA Friendship
8/9 - 8/10	FC Long Beach Invitational
8/16 - 8/17	Toyota of Orange Classic
8/23 - 8/24	Strikers Cup
8/30 - 8/31	Chelsea Cup
Sep/Nov 2014	Sep/Nov 2014
Sep/Dec 2014	Sep/Dec 2014
Sep/Dec 2014	Sep/Dec 2014
Sep/Nov 2014	Sep/Nov 2014
11/28 - 11/30	11/28 - 11/30
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