



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

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT LBSRA

### Inevitable Changes In The world Today

Just look at the world today how volatile it is. Look at the stock market and the riots in England. I guess that is mans nature and we at LBSRA are no exception.

In the Last 3 years we have had turn over of personnel some moving on for personal reasons and some not but to go out on there own to find adventure some where else. I have lost some friends and some enemy's also in these years. I have also gained some new friends. But the inevitable is that changes take place.

We at Long Beach have to move on. We can not sit around and cry over what is happen in the past 3 years, we will move on to make LBSRA a better Referee Association.

Those who want to continue with us we will do are part to provide you with games through out the year. As you all know there are 23 other associations that are trying to take leagues and tournaments away from us. Don't you be the one who is in that category. Some are successful and some are not. Sometimes you loose a few but also gain a few. As you well know if you make a mistake at a tournament or a league they are ready to kick you out the door. That is why it to the utmost importance to be on your game for every assignment that you take.

If you are unhappy with what you get or if you just want to vent some anger as coaches do on the side lines then talk to the BOD LBSRA or give the president a call or email as his information is on the web site.

I would like to thank all of the board members for all there hard work & efforts that they put into LBSRA. The Assigners, the Treasure, the Sectary, the instructors and the assessors and all of you that help out at tournaments. Hope to see you at the Meeting next Wednesday night.

LBSRA News letter Editor

## to all lbsra active members,

your involvement with cal south summer tournaments, year 2011 is very good.  
very good job so far performing in the field of play. less cards given and applying over-all good gamesmanship is effective with coaches, player's and parents.

continue to read rules and regulations of every youth tournament and league games you do.  
not knowing this area can affect a game. can be embarrassing at times, because the referee is expected to know everything while doing a game.

youth tournament checks from psa canyon should all be mailed out to referees by now.  
cerritos united and long beach pyramid cup checks are being mailed out from thur.-8/11 to mon.-8/15.

we appreciate your patience in this matter. everyone needs to get their check as soon as possible.  
if there is a concern of your check, please get ahold of lbsra treasurer asap .

if there is any changes you did or were affected while doing a youth tournament, please let me know or larry taylor know.

continue to be on your assigned field for any given soccer referee assignment by at least 30 minutes.  
being prepared and fully dressed as a referee is good perception.

a recent referee going for his grade 6 to grade 5 walked onto the field of play before getting an assessment, not fully dressed as a referee. perception was he did not look prepared.  
he end up not getting passed from the assessor due to not walking onto the field fully dressed and not knowing a rule from the tournament to remove a player after being cautioned.  
other issues came up also from the assessor.

this is how we learn .

a long time assignor kent kirkland has left lbsra to another referee organization due to in-differences with me. I like to say thanks to kent for his last 10 plus years with me and lbsra.

wish him good health and peace in all that he does.

moving forward, ardy saeidi and lee harmon will assist myself and lbsra managing coast soccer league they will have close to 75 plus names to assign from for this visible youth league.

Mohammed Nikpour will be assigning orange county ladies league.  
group of 24 referees or more will be assigned too him to assign this adult league.

these 3 assignors are looking forward working together and getting the job done in a efficient manner.

as people move on, are opportunities for others to grow into.  
many changes have happened within lbsra yet we continue to strive to service our soccer customer's to the highest standards as they need fit.

Anaheim soccer association gave lbsra the chance to service their recent 8/6 and 8/7 youth tournament. lbsra hopes to re-ignite a positive soccer referee relationship after being laid off close to 1.5 years.

lbsra is looking forward to a potential 2011 fall season going into year 2012 youth tournament relationship.  
over-all business discussions are being held now till end of august--2011 and we hope to announce more games for you to be assigned to.

be ready for many fall season youth and adult games year 2011 games to officiate.

year 2011 will go by fast and each of you referees need to re-certify for year 2012.

all referees names need to show up on cal south web page list, year 2012 by 12/31,2011 in order to be assigned for year 2012

call me at 951-201-1820 or email me at [lyeelbsra@earthlink.net](mailto:lyeelbsra@earthlink.net) of any topics you like to go over.

regards from larry yee

Fellow referees

CSL season starting mid September. LBSRA has honored us , Ardy Saeidi and Lee Harmon to be in charge of the assigning CSL games.

Please be prepared and send us your availability on both days, AM or PM if you are interested.

This is a very important fall activity for our association , to maintain our reputation, we are looking for those committed, responsible and available referees.

**we ask for your availability , assign you, then you must accept your schedule within 24 hrs, otherwise you will be replace.**

**You can start by sending us your general availability now.**

Please read the rules and expectations on The following site

To review the rules, please go to

<http://www.coastsoccer.com>

There assigning program is at:

<http://www.coastsoccer.com/referees/>

**There will be more information in a hand out at our monthly meeting.**

Assignors:

Ardy Saeidi            [ardy.saeidi@gmail.com](mailto:ardy.saeidi@gmail.com)            909-952-2289

Lee Harmon            [socalreferee@gmail.com](mailto:socalreferee@gmail.com)            562-688-7408

## Referee Trivia!

If you think you have what it takes to be a good referee?

We invite you to prove your knowledge.

Check our page with questions about the LOTG and different scenarios.

We had Beginner's and Advanced Level, pick one and see how much you score.

Visit us at: <http://www.usrefereeconnection.com/refereetrivia>

## Eye contact is essential

Eye contact is when the referee and the assistant look at each other at the same time to make a decision. In other words it is a form of non verbal communication which greatly affects referee performance because it provides valuable technical, disciplinary and emotional information.

Usually without being aware of it, referees check each other's eyes for positive or negative signs regarding situations in the game.

The continuity and interpretation from eye contact varies depending on each situation. [Click here](#) to read full article

## BOARD OFFICERS

LBSRA Board of Directors will hold office until May of next year 2012.

President /Newsletter  
Vice President of Referee Operations/Assignor  
Treasurer  
Director of Administrative assistant & Human Resources/Referee Recruiting  
Director of Instruction  
Assessment Program/Assignor  
Web Master /Assignor  
Assignor  
\* Denotes Voting Board Member

Butch Renken \*  
Larry Yee \*  
Larry Taylor \*  
Roy Schwarzer \*  
Toros Kibritjian \*  
Ardy Saeidi  
Lee Harmon  
Mohammed Nikpour

**NEXT Meeting**  
**Wednesday AT**  
**7:00PM**

**August , 17 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

Ladies and gentlemen, from you treasurer,  
you may pick up your checks each month at  
the meeting or send a self addressed  
stamped envelope to;  
LBSRA  
10207 Golden Yarrow Lane  
Rancho Cucamonga, Ca. 91701

As a board we have decided these are the  
easiest means of getting the check to you  
after each event refereed, and not waiting to  
long for you to receive your monies.

Larry Taylor

### U.S. SOCCER & OFFICIAL SPORTS RENEW PARTNERSHIP



The U.S. Soccer Federation has renewed their long-standing partnership with Official Sports International which gives them exclusive rights through 2014 in the new category of Technical Partners of U.S. Soccer. Organizations receiving the designation of Technical Partner will be fully integrated into the process of improving the U.S. National Teams at all levels and developing products that will improve performance

cal south youth approved youth tournaments for lbsra to service.

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.

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 elders 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



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                     |
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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.

**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

Sent on behalf of Arturo A. Angeles, SDI

## Spread the Word for Registration 2012

Cal South and LBSRA will use these instructions for registration for 2012. Please keep in mind that it is your responsibility to get recertified every year. You will need as a grade 8, 5 hrs of instruction through an association (your local one or one near you) and payment \$45.00 to Cal South with a registration form completed and have taken your exam. All other grades and information is on the Cal South website at [www.calsouth.com](http://www.calsouth.com) , payment and forms are also on the Cal South website.

There are only 5 months left for hours to recertify so find an association near you. You are not committed to only attend LBSRA for instruction, but you may choose one on another night of the week to attend for credit. If you are not sure where or when to attend there is a list on the Cal South website of all associations. Under Referee drop down on the bottom, click referee associations, please call the contact to find out what night is available to attend.

**Keep in mind that LBSRA always will do our best to keep you informed well in advance if any changes are to happen on or off the field. The information below is from the Cal South website. You may not be able to click on the information below, because it is copied and pasted.**

### **2012 RE-CERTIFICATION INSTRUCTIONS:**

Referees who want to maintain/renew their current grade must attend a re-certification clinic and complete in-service training hours annually to re-certify. The in-service hours are accumulated by attending a 5-hour re-certification class, attending the monthly instructional meetings with their referee association or attending online webinars at [www.refereeinstructiononline.com](http://www.refereeinstructiononline.com). *The webinars are currently available to Grade 8 referees only.* If the attended re-certification class is not 5 hours long, then those referees will only receive one credit hour towards their in-service training hours.

**Grade 8 & 9** referees must complete 5 hours of in-service training and take the refresher exam at a re-cert clinic.

**Grade 7** referees must complete 8 hours of in-service training, take the refresher exam at a re-cert clinic and complete a physical fitness test.

**Grade 6** referees must complete 8 hours of in-service training, take the refresher exam at a re-cert clinic, complete a physical fitness test and one maintenance assessment as a referee U19 or higher.

**Grade 5** referees must complete 8 hours of in-service-training, take the refresher exam at a re-cert clinic, complete a physical fitness test and one maintenance assessment as a referee Adult Division 1 or higher.

**Active Emeritus Grade 15 & 16 or National Emeritus Grade 13** must complete 5 hours of in-service training and take the State refresher exam at a re-cert clinic.

**Inactive Emeritus** that has not been active during the season DOES NOT have to do the in-service training and re-cert clinic.

**Referees requesting to go Emeritus for 2012 must submit a note stating this with their USSF referee registration form. The referee must have held a grade 5 or 6 for a minimum of 3 years prior to the request.**

To register for a re-certification clinic, [click here](#)

For information about the physical fitness test, please [click here](#)

All forms must be submitted to Cal South. The fees paid online for classes and clinics *include* the USSF registration fee which is needed to re-certify annually. If payment needs to be submitted, please make your check or money order payable to Cal South. **DO NOT SUBMIT PAYMENT ONLINE THROUGH THE US SOCCER WEBSITE.** Make sure to include the [USSF Referee Registration Form](#) with all referee documents.

**Submit forms to:** Danielle Bryant, Cal South Referee Registration, 1029 S. Placentia Ave, Fullerton, CA, 92831.

***PLEASE ALLOW 3 WEEKS FOR PROCESSING. ONCE REGISTERED, YOUR NAME WILL APPEAR ON THE [REGISTERED OFFICIALS LIST](#). US SOCCER MAILS OUT ALL PACKETS WITH THE BADGE AND ID CARD. THIS WILL TAKE 4-6 WEEKS FROM THE TIME WHERE YOUR NAME IS LISTED ON THE REGISTERED OFFICIALS LIST.***

**[2012 Annual Referee Renewal Fees](#)** all fee's are on the cal south website at [www.calsouth.com](http://www.calsouth.com)



## RISK MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENT

In order to officiate youth games, all Cal South referees age 18 and up must be Live Scanned to comply with Cal South Kid safe Risk Management Program. It can take up to 14 business days to get approval back from the California Department of Justice. A referee age 18 and older cannot get any youth game assignments until this is approved. To download the form and a listing of Live Scan sites in your area, [please click here](#) . If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Wolfs at [lwolfs@calsouth.com](mailto:lwolfs@calsouth.com).

**Failure to include all required documents in order to maintain your current grade will result in the downgrading of your referee grade.**

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The October session will have a test review for all Grades and that presentation is being prepared at this time. All USSF tests have been revised and the October presentation will address some of these changes and provide guidance on taking the test. From November on, the re-certification process will be conducted. If a referee association has completed their members re-certification an alternate lecture will be provided for them. If a referee association does not meet in December then another date will be scheduled for testing. Also should a referee association decide to have alternate dates for re-certification then that referee association should follow the Cal South process to request a referee clinic.

Also, we may schedule a few dates at the Cal South office for referees that work at night or for other reasons cannot take the re-certification test in their local referee association. However, please remind your referees that in November and December there will be testing sessions in different associations at different dates, once we get confirmation from all associations on their November and December testing dates, they will posted on Cal South web page.

**The re-certification testing discussed above is for Grade 8 and all emeritus referees.** Grades 7, 6 and 5 must attend the clinic at Citrus College in November since part of their renewal requirement is to take the fitness test. This requirement also applies to referees that want to upgrade from Grade 8 to 7, 7 to 6 and 5 to 6.

If have any questions or need further information, please contact Arturo Angeles by email at [aan-geles@calsouth.com](mailto:aan-geles@calsouth.com) or at 626-354-7216

**This information will be provided every month until we hopefully complete our active roster in registration for 2012. Please bring your question to our general meeting; your question may answer someone else's.**

Yours to serve, Roy Schwarzer Secretary and Director of Recruiting LBSRA