

Central Oregon

Soccer Officials Association

Newsletter

July 26, 2015

Hi Everybody,

Hopefully, by now ... you have registered online for the Fall High School season. If you haven't, please see below for instructions & directions on getting registered online. The sooner you get registered, the sooner your packet and book arrive in the mail, and the sooner you can take the test online and have it behind you. When you pass the online test, it'll get you out of having to attend the August 12th meeting ☺. If you get registered and pass the test, it will also make Leslie (our kind-hearted Commissioner) extremely happy and lower her stress level ☺.

Please feel free to forward this email to any of your adult friends who might be interested in working as Referees. We always need more help covering all our games and we should all be on the lookout for new recruits for our Association.

You should also make sure you have gone to the Oregon Soccer Central website and update your availability and preferences for the Bend Premier Cup which is coming up Aug. 7-9, 2015. There are over 220 youth soccer teams embarking on Central Oregon that weekend and there's over 350 games scheduled to be played. There are going to be a bunch of out-of-town Officials coming to Central Oregon to help cover the tournament, and hopefully our local Officials will be there to welcome and work alongside them to get the games covered. All Officials working the Bend Premier Cup in the past, have also gotten a free pass for the BBQ Dinner on Saturday night (Aug. 8th) at the Tournament Headquarters (Bend Pine Nursery), which has been a lot of fun.

In the 'Upcoming Events' section of our Newsletter, we have made a change and now have two different calendars:

- The first calendar has all the High School Meetings & Dates on it. [HIGH SCHOOL MEETINGS AND DATES](#)
- The second calendar has all the non-High School meetings, leagues and information on it. [USSF TRAINING, MEETINGS, LEAGUES & DATES](#)

Look forward to seeing all of you very soon,

- - - UPCOMING EVENTS - - -

Please stick these dates and times on your calendar.

HIGH SCHOOL MEETINGS AND DATES

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	WHAT'S HAPPENING	AGENDA	NOTES	
Aug. 5, 2015	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center (Conference Room C)	1 st COSOA Meeting	Introductory and Orientation Meeting for High School Officials	1 st General Meeting; Rule Changes and preparation for the season	FREE PIZZA!!
Aug. 12, 2015	5:30 – 6:45 p.m.	Pilot Butte Middle School TRACK	COSOA Field Session	Mandatory field session for New Officials and Field Testing for USSF Grades 7	Coincides with field Testing (Physical Fitness) required for USSF Grade 6-7 and recommended for Grade 8	Bring WATER
Aug. 12, 2015	7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center (Conference Room A)	COSOA Help Session (Optional)	Assistance available for Registration & online Testing for High School Officials. Please bring your laptop to use or share.	USSF Recertification Exam will also be available	Bring your laptop
Aug. 27, 2015	4:00 – 7:30 p.m.	Summit HS	High School Jamboree	Mandatory for New Officials. Officiate pre-season HS Soccer games	Work with and mentor new and incoming High School Officials	Will need your uniforms
Sep. 2, 2015	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center (Conference Room A)	2 nd General Meeting	Training: Game Protocol		
Sep. 16, 2015	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center (Conf. Room A)	3 rd General Meeting	Training: TBA		
Sep. 30, 2015	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center (The Heart Center)	4 th General Meeting	Training: TBA		
Oct. 14, 2015	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center (Conf. Room A)	5 th General Meeting	Training: TBA		
Oct. 28, 2015	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center (Conf. Room C)	6 th General Meeting	Training: Playoff Preparations		

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USSF TRAINING, MEETINGS, LEAGUES & DATES *(Everything that is not High School related)*

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	WHAT'S HAPPENING	AGENDA	NOTES
July 26 – Sep. 27, 2015	Sunday games only	Spud Bowl (Redmond)	CASA Fall Season (Men's League) Adult Men's Open League	3 games on Sundays @ 9, 11 & 1.	USSF Certification & 18-years of age requirement. Games will be www.oregonsoccercentral.com
Aug. 1 & 2, 2015	Sat.: 8 – 6 Sun.: 9 – 1	Sat.: St. Charles Medical Center The Heart Center (Bend) Sun.: TBA	Grade 8 USSF Referee Course	Introductory course for Referees ages 15+	More information and registration at www.oregonreferee.com
Aug. 4, 2015	3:30 – 5:30 & 6:30 – 8:30	Big Sky #1 or #4	USSF Field Training	Field Training for USSF Class	More information and registration at www.oregonreferee.com
Aug. 7-9, 2015	Fri. afternoon, Sat. & Sun. all day	Fields throughout Central Oregon	Bend Premier Cup Soccer Tournament	Lots of soccer games to referee	Submit your availability and register for the Bend Premier Cup on www.OregonSoccerCentral.com website.
Aug. 31, 2015	7:30 – 9:00 p.m.	Bend Park & Rec. 799 SW Columbia St. (Bend)	Classroom session & training	Training for Officials wanting to work BURL or Fall Park & Rec. soccer	Contact Rich Ekman: rich@bendparksandrec.org
Sep. 12 – Oct. 31, 2015	Saturday games only	BURL Season	Bend United Recreational Soccer League	Joint league between Bend Park & Rec. & the Bend FC Timbers	15-year old minimum to referee games. Assigned by Bend Parks & Rec. Contact Rich Ekman: rich@bendparksandrec.org
Sep. 12 – Oct. 18, 2015	Saturday & Sunday games	Kidsports Klassic Fall Season	Recreational League	Usually 1-3 teams	USSF Requirement and games will be assigned on www.oregonsoccercentral.com
Sep. 12 – Nov. 15, 2015	Saturday & Sunday games	OYSA & TTPL Fall League	Competitive Select Youth League	Teams competing for the State or President's Cup	USSF Requirement and games will be assigned on www.oregonsoccercentral.com

SOCCKER QUIZ #1: *Who are the three guys in this picture and what is each of their nationalities?*

Answers at the end of the email.

--- MORE STUFF ... ---

USSF Grade 8 Referee Course (AUGUST 1 - 2, 2015)

The Grade 8 Referee Course is an introductory course for aspiring referees ages 15 and older (age 13/14 with special permission from instructor Pat Evoy). Grade 8 referees are eligible to officiate a variety of recreational and competitive matches.

Online Prerequisite Material:

There are two online training *prerequisites* for the Grade 8 referee course. You **MUST** complete all online material **BEFORE** attending your first day of classroom instruction. Students who have not completed the online trainings 24 hours before the course start date may be dropped from the roster.

1. USSF Training

The USSF Laws of the Game training modules provide students with an introduction to concepts which will be presented in the course. The USSF training takes most students approximately 3 hours to complete. This training is tracked through the US Soccer site; students need not print the certificates.

To access the USSF training now, click [here](#) or paste the following URL into your browser: <http://www.ussoccer.com/referees/resource-center/online-training/grade-8-referee-course.aspx>

Note: When prompted to enter a clinic number, please leave that field blank.

2. Concussion Training

Students must also complete the CDC Heads Up concussion training course before attending the Grade 8 Class. This course takes approximately 30 minutes to complete. Students **MUST** print a copy of the certificate of completion and submit it to their course instructor.

[CDC Heads Up](#)

3. Guide to Procedures (RECOMMENDED READING)

The *Guide to Procedures* is a wonderful resource for new officials! We strongly encourage you to review this document before the course, and to reference this document after the course as you begin your career as a soccer referee.

To access this document, visit <http://www.ussoccer.com/referees> then under "Resource Center" select "Downloads." Click on the red "Download Files" link, then open the folder titled "Instruction Resources" then the folder titled "Books." The *Guide to Procedures* document is available in English and Spanish.

Class Location:

St. Charles Medical Center
(Heart Center)
2500 NE Neff Road
Bend, OR 97701

Dates& Times:

Saturday, August 1st, 2015 from 8 AM - 6 PM
AND
Sunday, August 2nd, 2015 from 9 AM -1 PM

Field Training:

Field training is also a required part of this course. The time and location of the field training portion of this course are TBD. Please dress appropriately and bring your whistle, flags, and anything else the instructor requires.

Cost:

\$40 for the class + \$45 for 2016 USSF registration (total \$85).
Class size will be limited to 20 students, so register early!
[Click here to register now!](#)

Course Contacts:

Pat Evoy, Instructor
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Claudio Muggia, Instructor
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BEND PREMIER CUP (AUGUST 7 – 9, 2015)

This tournament is being assigned on the Oregon Soccer Central website by Janet Irigoyen. Please register on the website if you are available and able to help out with this tournament. There are usually Assessors/Mentors from the valley available, if you are looking for some additional feedback or input as well.

Help with Housing for out of town BEND PREMIER CUP

Referees (Reprint of Mike Armstrong's email)

Dear Central Oregon referees, families, soccer & youth supporters,

The Bend Premier Cup (BPC) is right around the corner on August 7-9, 2015. The Bend FC Timbers are expecting a large tournament this year in what has become the largest sporting event in Central Oregon! With over 200 teams coming we will need to welcome 50 referees from outside of the local Central Oregon Soccer Officials Association (COSOA) to help cover the large number of games. We need to find a place for these referees to stay while they are here.

My name is Mike Armstrong and I am a local referee and father of a youth soccer player, Aiden, whose team will play in the BPC. I will be coordinating the housing this year for all the visiting referees driving over to referee games for the Bend Premier Cup. Please consider housing a referee if you have a spare bedroom or more. It is a great way to give back to our youth soccer players as well as to learn about the referees who serve the game of soccer. If you cannot host anyone that weekend, please forward this email to someone you know that may be able to help. Thanks for your help!

If you have space and are willing to host referees, please send me an email letting me know the following information:

- 1) How many referees you can accommodate in beds and what type of bed(s) and accommodation you can provide. Example: I have one room with a double bed that can sleep two. Or, I have a bonus room with three twin beds that can sleep three and it also has its own bathroom.
- 2) If you have a preference for males, females, or families.
- 3) Your address, email and phone number
- 4) Dates that you can host them. The tournament starts on Friday, August 7th with the first game at 1pm and will finish on Sunday, August 9th in the afternoon so most referees will need housing for Friday and Saturday nights. There may be a select few referees that need housing on Thursday and Sunday nights as well.

Once I have secured housing for the number of referees we need to come over I will work with the Bend Premier Cup Referee Assignor to identify the referees who need housing. Please let me know if you can help or if you have any additional questions.

Thanks for your help and support of the Bend Premier Cup and soccer in Central Oregon! Warm regards,

Mike Armstrong

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Summit High School JAMBOREE (August 27, 2015)

Summit High School Pre-Season Soccer Jamboree. This will be required for new officials. Mentoring will be available.

Please submit your availability on the OregonSoccerCentral website. This is a great opportunity for new officials to learn the mechanics and work alongside experienced officials.

HIGH SCHOOL OFFICIALS REGISTRATION: *Please get registered & take your online test*

Hello All! Hope you are all having a great summer and although it may seem early, it's time to start thinking about getting registered for fall high school soccer. Your packet will be mailed **after** you register, so the earlier you register, the sooner you will get your packet!

Registration for 2015 Fall Soccer is now open on the OSAA/OAOA Officiating Central Hub. You can access the registration page at the following link: <http://osaa.arbitersports.com>. (**First login**, then; click on "Register Now" icon in the center of the "home" page; click "Oregon Officials"; click "Soccer Registration" and follow the prompts.)

Packet fee for Soccer: \$53.50 (paid with credit or debit card)

Packet includes:

NFHS Soccer Rules Book 2015-16	\$ 7.00
NFHS Insurance	\$17.00
2015-16 OAOA Dues	\$15.00

Background Check	\$ 5.00
OSAA Certification Patch	\$ 1.50
Pre-Season Guide	\$ 1.50
Leadership Officiating Guide	\$ 1.50
Shipping/Handling (all packets are mailed)	\$ 5.00

Packets will be mailed starting on July 6, 2015 and sent directly to each official using the information you provide during the registration process. It is imperative that you verify the address listed in Arbiter as your correct mailing address before submitting payment.

If you completed the online registration process last year, using the same email address will simplify the process. Fields will be populated automatically for you on many of the steps – just make any adjustments that may be necessary.

If you have changed any personal information (i.e. mailing address, email address, etc.) after registering last year, you should login to ArbiterSports using your **old** email address and password – update your profile with the new information – then complete the registration process.

OSAA Registration and NFHS Testing timelines are summarized in the chart below:

Registration & Testing Opens	Monday, June 22, 2015
Mailing of Packets Begins	Monday, July 6, 2015
Test Review Opens	Monday, August 17, 2015
Testing/Registration Closes	Friday, October 23, 2015

If you are new or your email address has changed, I will be notified via email.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and we'll look forward to seeing you at our **1st COSOA Meeting - Wednesday, August 5th - 7:00-9:00 PM - St Charles Medical Center (Conf Rm C). Free Pizza!!**

Hope to see you then!! Thanks and Happy 4th of July!!

Leslie Evoy, COSOA Commissioner

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Bend Unified Recreation Soccer League

BURSL begins on September 12th and plays on Saturdays only. This is NOT a USSF sanctioned league and assignments for these games will through Bend Metro Park and Recreation District. For more information, visit www.bendparksandrec.org or contact Rich Ekman, BPRD Sports Coordinator at (541) 706-6126, rich@bendparksandrec.org, or Jen Davin, Bend FC Timbers at (970) 390-9932.