

Central Oregon Soccer Officials Association Newsletter

October 12, 2015

Hi Everybody,

I have enclosed the Meeting Minutes from our September 30th General Meeting, which Nathaniel kindly took for me. Remember that our Oct. 14th General Meeting will be in Conf. Room A @ St. Charles.

There's only a few more weeks left in the High School Season as Playoffs approach, so the intensity of the games are increasing as teams jostle for playoff positions.

Look forward to seeing everybody at Wednesday's Meeting,

Mehdi

- - - UPCOMING EVENTS - - -

Please stick these dates and times on your calendar.

HIGH SCHOOL MEETINGS AND DATES

DATE	TIME	LOCATION	WHAT'S HAPPENING	AGENDA	NOTES	
Oct. 14, 2015	7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center(Conf. Room A)	5 th Genera Meeting	Training:Elevating Your Game (Part 2)		
Oct. 28, 2015	7:00 – 8:30 p.m.	St. Charles Med. Center(Conf. Room C)	6 th General Meeting	Training: Playoff Preparations		

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

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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. 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 &	Contact Rich Ekman: rich@bendparksandrec.org	

				Rec. soccer		
Sep. 12 – Oct. 31, 2015	Saturday games only	BURSL 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 IMAGE QUIZ #1: Who is this guys ... and what Club Team does he play for? *Answers at the end of the email.*

--- MORE STUFF ---

COSOA General Meeting Minutes (September 30, 2015)

COSOA General Membership Meeting
 Wednesday, September 30, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.
 St. Charles Medical Center – Bend

1) Approval of last meetings minutes

2) Treasurer's report

All high schools have paid
 Deposit made to ORC
 Transition to Nathaniel Collins, still waiting on official switch with Scottie

3) Non-High School related updates and comments

USSF - Do not use dual. Club linesman - Duties are calling in and out
TTPL & Kidsports - Again do not use dual
High School - Cannot use club linesman
Academy – Starting up.

4) Commissioner's report

Halfway through season
Playoffs:

Oct 31 cutoff date for play-ins and playoffs, will be last minute, make sure eligibility is up to date

Playoff requirements: 3 years varsity experience – 90% or above on test + regular requirements

COSOA will send two officials plus one alternate to state finals

{Playoff Dates: (...) Quarter and semifinals (...) – semis on the road - Finals (dates)(Nov 14)}

(Be on the lookout for good officials who will represent CO well at the finals)

Pat's Tips:

Dissent, Deal with it quickly, private warning or public then card.

Nip situations in the bud. Intervene and manage early. Putting it off can lead to a safety issue.

Fans, not our responsibility for behavior. Go through the AD or coach, not yourself. Can't card the crowd. Do not start or restart the game until situation is resolved.

Patrick Duffy:

Drop ball requires 2 opposing players (per high school rules)

Old Business:

Reminder of Gregory Scott Rivers award. Please keep an eye out for a deserving High School Senior to nominate.

Kudos:

Keith gave a card to a player who pushed an opposing player during handshakes at the end of the game. Way to stay involved in the game even after the game ended.

New Business:

Gregory Scott Rivers award

Annual \$500 Scholarship to a deserving Central Oregon High School Senior. Please begin and continue to look around at rosters and seniors. Start bringing up names at the meetings. Try not to shake coach and players hands after the game. Try to get out of there.

Training Topic: Elevating your Refereeing

Main Idea: Be the best you can be. This can include being professional on and off the turf. Study the rules, game and mechanics. Great resources at ussoccer.com in the referee section. Also great resources at askasoccerreferee.com (Mehdi's topic was based on Grade 6 training material that we can all incorporate into our game).

Professionalism

Simulation

Top referees qualities

Tactical awareness

Game management

100% misconduct (to cover @ Oct. 14th Meeting)

Command Presence (to cover @ Oct. 14th Meeting)

Treat it like a profession. Know the game, rules and mechanics.

Maintain respect for the game

Maintain the dignity of your position

Honor your assignments

How did you serve the game?

Keep a good attitude

Always do your best

Never put yourself above the game (it's about the players, not you)

Simulation: Players trying to influence the decision of the referee by faking being fouled.

Train your eyes; what was accidental, intentional etc.

Think about game situation – location, time, and score.

Contact – Who initiated the contact, it's not who falls down but who got the ball first and who initiated the contact

Look at the players from foot to head. See the contact whether by foot, arm, body etc.

If not in playing distance of ball, attackers might go down easier on contact, don't give in... does it look like he planned the fall. Fall and brace with arms or fall hard and on shoulder.

Embellishment: exaggerating a foul (trying to get an opponent a card)

Keep calm and help calm players down. When players are loud, be quieter. When they are quieter, be louder.

Tactical awareness: how are they playing? Man to man, zone. Attacking play: direct, wide, aerial etc.?

Great resource at ussoccer for grade 8,7,6. Look for Videos

Ending Topic:

Every game is new, but if you know player behavior, good game management might be nipping problems in the bud. Not necessarily by carding but at least by publically warning.

Adjourn

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.

SOCCKER IMAGE QUIZ #2: *Who is this guy and which Club Team does he play for?*

Answers at the end of the