



**Central Oregon  
Soccer Officials  
Association  
Newsletter**

September 30, 2007

*"Are you ready for some FUTBALL?"*

**Do NOT miss or forget our next General Meeting ... dates and times listed below.**

**- - - UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS - - -**

Please stick these dates and times on your calendar.

**Next General Meeting**

- *Date:* October 3, 2007 (Wednesday)
- *Time:* 7:00 p.m.
- *Where:* Deschutes County Services Building . Lewis & Clark Room (1<sup>st</sup> floor ... NE corner of building). 1300 NW Wall Street in BEND .
- *What:* General preparation and review of the High School season.

**Last General Meeting of the Season**

- *Date:* October 24, 2007 (Wednesday)
- *Time:* 7:00 p.m.

- *Where:* Deschutes County Services Building . Lewis & Clark Room (1<sup>st</sup> floor ... NE corner of building). 1300 NW Wall Street in BEND .
- *What:* General preparation and review of the High School Playoffs.

## - - - **MORE STUFF ...** - - -

**Gregory Scott River Scholarship:** Start being on the lookout for senior players who exhibit outstanding sportsmanship and leadership on the field. Write their names down and keep them in your book. We will take nominations from the group at our October 24<sup>th</sup> meeting and vote on the winner. We then present the winner with a \$500 Scholastic Scholarship to the college that they attend.

**Provide Feedback for Your Fellow Officials:** Before the game, at halftime and especially after the game ... take a few minutes and review your game with your fellow Referees. Ask your fellow officials the things that they saw that you did well ... and the things that they saw that you could perhaps improve on. What things went really well? What things could be improved upon? Every game you work should be an improvement over the last game you worked. None of us ever referee a perfect game and there is always something that could be improved upon. We will all continue to improve if we open ourselves up for constructive comments from our fellow referees. Ask your fellow referees for feedback.

**GENERAL MEETINGS:** OSAA requires attendance of each Referee Associations' General Meetings, in order to maintain your certification. Our Association requires attendance of at least 4 out of 6

General Meetings, in order for an Official to receive any Playoff or Post-Season assignments.

### **CONFIRMING GAMES WITH FELLOW REFEREES:**

Please print out and keep a copy of the Referee Roster which is being emailed to you as an attachment on a separate email. It will be our protocol for the Center official to call the Assistant Referees the day before the game, to confirm game time and possibly arrange a meeting spot for a carpool, if leaving for an out of town game. If the Assistant Referees do not receive a call from the Center Referee by 8:00 p.m. the night before the meeting, then the Assistant Referees should call the Center Referee to confirm the game. The penalty for the Center Referee failing to contact the Assistant Referees will be ... a treat or drink for the Assistant Referees to enjoy after the game, compliments of the Center Referee. The Center Referee may also send an email to the Assistant Referees to confirm game times. The Email must be sent at least 48 hours before game time ... and the Center Referee would still be responsible for calling the Assistant Referees if they have not responded to the email.

**GAME REPORTS:** All referees need to file a game report at the OregonSoccerCentral website following their games. **You do not get paid, if you do not file a game report.** If you issue a Red Card and eject a player or coach from a game, please contact Claudio by phone or email that same evening.

**MILEAGE:** As in previous years, please keep track of the games that you worked and the games which you drove to. At the end of the season, you will need to turn in your mileage log to Claudio and you will be reimbursed for miles traveled. You do not need to keep track of

the actual miles that you drove ... there is a set and pre-determined distance for traveling from Bend to Sisters, or Redmond to Prineville. Try and car pool whenever you have an out-of-town game. The person doing the driving gets the mileage pay for the trip.

## **- - - SOCCER POLL - - -**

**The first 30 responses which are emailed back to me will be entered in a drawing for a Lottery Ticket at our Next General Meeting** (which could be worth anywhere from nothing to millions of dollars):

*Question:* Would you blame the U.S. Women's Soccer Team loss to Brazil in the Semi-Finals of the Women's World Cup squarely on the Head Coach's decision to change Goalkeepers and team chemistry before the game; or did you think that Brazil was simply better on that day?

*(Email your response back to me before our next meeting, to be entered in the Lottery Drawing.)*

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