

VANCOUVER ISLAND SOCCER REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

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Regular Meeting Minutes Gorge Soccer Association Clubhouse, Victoria, B.C. August 21, 2006

Members: 26 Apologies: 9 Guests: 2

Education	
Minutes	Reviewed & Accepted. Moved, Gus Uriegas; seconded, Tiberio de Frias
Correspondence Rick Firestone	CSRA Report
Registrar Rick Firestone	Membership for 2005-06 is 64. Membership for 2006-07 with registration this evening is 20-25.
Treasurer Sergiu Surdu	Alex Milne has reviewed the 05-06 budget, books, receipts and accounts. All balances and entries were verified to the appropriate receipts. Report is attached. Christian Hauer asked Alex to confirm that no discrepancies were found. Alex confirmed this. Herb Harzan said that he understood that mentorship was to be subsidized by the leagues. Dan Greco advised that the cheques were received in July. Motion to accept the budget/books review moved by Herb Harzan, seconded by Al MacDonald. Motion carried.
Ways and Means Andrew Foster	VISRA golf shirts with updated badge are available for \$20, badges 2 for \$15, a black/black rain-resistant StormTech track suit with badge is being developed at an expected cost of \$125 to \$130. More toques will be produced as well. Contact Andrew. There was a general consensus that the track suit is a good idea and development should be continued. Andrew advised that the Jack Tinnion Memorial Shield has been refurbished. Moved by Mike Seal, Seconded by Andrew Foster that VISRA request that LISA display the shield in their office. Carried. Sergiu Surdu advised that he has a source for Olympus referee shirts at a very reasonable price. Short sleeve shirts are available - contact Sergiu.
Mentorship	Position Vacant. Request volunteers. The leagues have confirmed that they will subsidize this program again this year.
Assessments Herb Harzan	An updated list was received from BC Soccer today. Those requesting assessments should coordinate with Herb and the scheduler to ensure that they have quality games.
Library Boris Glazar	Boris Glazar has agreed to assume this responsibility.
BCSRA Larry Cade	There will be a conference call Wednesday night. BCSRA President Elvio Chies attended Vancouver city council to speak in favour of the proposed downtown Whitecaps stadium. Poor referee report writing was brought up as an issue at the BCSA AGM. Expect further.
CSRA Tony Troughton	CSRA will be having a conference call hopefully soon. With Secretary Eric Evans having a stroke we are experiencing organizational problems at the moment. I was able to speak with the new CSA Director of Referees, Joe Guest and he was amiable to participating in the CSRA conference call. CSRA still looking towards Newfoundland for the AGM
VISL Dan Greco	Play begins September 8 th weekend. Danny Hood continues as scheduler.
LIWSA Dan Greco	Nil.
LISA Mike Seal	Tiberio de Frias has been elected to the position of Director of LISA. Thanks to Andrew Foster for his work with the Y League this year. The U17 Boys have made the Finals in Florida, the U14 Metro Girls have qualified for the Canadian National Finals to be held in October. LISA Technical Director, Alan Churchard, is working with clubs and reminding them that responsibility for refereeing comes under the technical department. Most youth clubs are not doing anything with refereeing. He will be setting up programs to get more youth

	involved in refereeing.
BCSA Ref Coordinator Mike Seal	<p><u>Fitness Tests</u> Saturday 9:30am at Oak Bay High School. Wednesday, September 20th 6:30pm at Oak Bay High School.</p> <p><u>Referee Refresher Clinics</u> The 3.5 hour, no charge refresher is required to register with BC Soccer. Registered referees will receive the annual badge and Law book. The calendar of refreshers is online at the BC Soccer / LISA and VISRA websites. They are scheduled in September on the 10th at 6 pm at Juan de Fuca; 16th at 10am on Salt Spring; 17th at 6pm at Sooke; 24th at 6pm at Gordon Head and the 24th at 6pm in Duncan with BSCA Technical Director José Branco. The final one is October 15th, 5:30pm at Lakehill.</p> <p><u>Clinics</u> Class 5 Saturday 9-3 at Gorge; Class 4 September 8,9,10 at Bays United; Class 4 October 20,21,22 at a location to be determined.</p>
Old Business	<p><u>Beep Flags</u> Andrew Foster reported that good quality Beep Flags can cost from \$600 to \$1500. Andrew Foster moved, seconded by Sergiu Surdu, that VISRA spend an amount not to exceed \$800 to acquire Beep Flags. Gus asked what Beep Flags do. Beep Flags have a button that activates a receiver that the referee has to alert the Referee that the Assistant requires his attention. Tiberio asked what is VISRA's goal in acquiring a set of Beep Flags and suggested that they do not provide value for the dollar. He said that they are not being used at Whitecaps games. Tiberio suggested that VISRA strike a sub-committee to examine uses for VISRA savings. Alex Milne suggested that it should be better thought out and included in the budget. Herb Harzan said that the Beep Flag proposal was brought forward before as it would provided added value to being a VISRA Referee. Brian Burger said that they should not be used for elite games but should be used with youth referees to show them the possibilities. He further suggested that they be used every day. The motion was tabled until a specific proposal can be brought forward.</p>
New Business	<p><u>Resignation</u> Phil Frias has resigned as he will be attending school in Calgary. An election will be held at the September meeting.</p> <p><u>Castaways Tournament</u> Tony Troughton will be scheduling the Castaways Tournament on Labour Day Weekend.</p> <p><u>2007 U20 World Cup Tickets</u> Rick Firestone said that VISRA has been allocated 21 Gold, 29 Silver, and 25 Bronze ticket rights packages to sell. Each packages includes 7 matches on 4 days spread over 1 week. The total cost to VISRA will be \$10,250.20 to be paid in instalments beginning in October. VISRA will collect a small fee on each package sold. At present there are only 5 Gold, 1 Silver and all 25 Bronze packages available. Mike Seal said that he knows of 3 partners that have sold all their packages. Herb Harzan asked how the packages can be paid for. VISRA can only accept cash or cheque and cheques can be mailed to the VISRA mailing address c/o the Secretary.</p> <p><u>2006-07 Budget</u> Sergiu presented the proposed budget. In the following discussion a number of issues were identified and Herb Harzan, seconded by Christian Hauer moved to table the budget to the next meeting. Motion carried.</p> <p><u>Y League Referee Support</u> Andrew Foster noted that last year VISRA provided money to assist two members travel to the Y League finals and moved to support any members going to this year's Y League Finals in November. Seconded by Terry Russell. After discussion the motion was Tabled.</p> <p><u>BC Cup Referee Fees</u> It was noted that cheques have not been received. Alex Milne will follow up with BCSA.</p>
Adjournment	Moved by Tiberio de Frias; seconded by Alex Milne

Meeting Adjourned: 20:56 pm

**Next Meeting: Monday, October 16th 2006,
Gorge Soccer Clubhouse, Hampton Park**

Respectfully Submitted,
Rick Firestone

Vancouver Island Referees Association Balance Sheet

Assets

	Mar 31/06
Chequing Account	\$587.66
Games Fees Account	\$202.03
Savings	\$7,830.93
	\$8,620.62

Accounts Receivable

VISL/LIWSA Mentorship Contribution	\$380.00
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Total Assets

9,000.62

Liabilities

Members Equity	\$9,000.62
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9,000.62

Balances and Entries verified to the appropriate receipts August 18 2006 Alex J. Milne

VISRA 2005/2006 Budget

Mar 31/06

	Budget May 15/05	Mar 31/06
Revenue		
Membership	\$1,150.00	\$988.50
BCSRA	\$100.00	\$280.50
Ways and Means	\$250.00	\$363.75
VISL/LIWSA Mentorship Contribution		\$380.00
CSRA Luncheon Tickets Sales		\$160.00
	\$1,500.00	\$2,012.75

Expenditures

Administration/Office	\$100.00	\$6.42
Travel	\$200.00	\$157.40
Education/Materials	\$200.00	\$13.68
Website	\$100.00	N/A
Course Reimbursement	\$500.00	N/A
Spring Council	\$300.00	\$162.16
Discretionary	\$100.00	\$55.44
Ed Hipsey Award		\$329.46
Jean Pierre Flowers		\$64.49
S. Bakker/S. Surdu Travel to Tampa		\$500.00
Standardization (20x40) Paid From Savings	\$800.00	\$800.00
Special Event/Symposium CSRA AGM	\$500.00	
CSRA Social		\$162.29
CSRA Reception		\$136.00
	\$2,800.00	\$2,387.34

Revenue	\$2,012.75
Expenditures	(\$2,387.34)
Deficit	(\$374.59)