

## VANCOUVER ISLAND SOCCER REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

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### Regular Meeting Minutes

Gordon Head Soccer Association Fieldhouse, Victoria, B.C.

**December 21, 2009**

**Members: 11**

**Apologies: 3**

**Guests: 1**

<b>Call to Order</b>	7:30 pm
<b>Minutes</b>	Reviewed and accepted. Moved, Michael McNally-Dawes; seconded, Boris Glazar
<b>Correspondence</b> Rick Firestone	BCSRA Executive Report, 30 Nov
<b>Registrar</b> Rick Firestone	There are now a total of 46 members: 9 Life Members, 35 Regular members and 2 Associate members.
<b>Treasurer</b> Michael McNally-Dawes	There are still a number of people who have not completed their registration by paying the membership fee. An email will be sent requesting payment. The BCSRA portion has been paid for paid members.
<b>VISL</b> Dennis Somner	VISL will hold it All-Star week-end Jan 9 <sup>th</sup> at Braefoot Turf, Lakehill. Discipline reports are improving but still need better detail especially when reporting dissent or foul language. It is important to report <u>exactly</u> what was said. Foul language must be quoted in order for the Discipline Committee to deal with it appropriately. Euphemisms such as 'he lipped me off' or ' he swore at me' are not sufficient. It is also important to report the behaviour of the player after the card is shown. How do they take it? Do they dispute it? Do they continue poor behaviour leaving the pitch or the field area? VISL is now adding fines to suspensions and good reports are important in determining both the severity of suspensions and fines. "Paint the picture" - with words.
<b>Old Business</b>	<u>Mentorship</u> - Mark McNally-Dawes The executive has discussed a two-pronged approach. One will be continuing with 'free' standards checks for interested members. The second prong will involve VISRA, in partnership with VISL and LIWSA paying three-quarters of the \$50 assessments fee for one BCSRA assessment per member. Mark McNally-Dawes has met with Fraser Sim, VISL president, and Casey Tepper, LIWSA president, and they have agreed to support this program financially. It will be necessary for the VISRA member to submit a request for payment to the RA along with proof of a paid assessment.  <u>Christmas Party / Dinner</u> - Mark McNally-Dawes Andrew Foster organized a very successful Christmas Party / dinner held at Ric's Grill. Thank you to Andy.
<b>New Business</b>	<u>Next Meeting</u> The January meeting will be held Wednesday, January 20 <sup>th</sup> , at the Gordon Head Field House, Tyndall Park. Start time: 7:25pm
<b>Adjournment</b>	Moved by Christian Hauer; seconded by Boris Glazar.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 7:55pm

**Next Meeting: 7:15pm, Wednesday, January 20th**  
**Gordon Head Soccer Fieldhouse, Tyndall Park**

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Rick Firestone*

## REPORT FROM PROVINCIAL EXECUTIVE TO NOVEMBER 30, 2009

### CONGRATULATIONS TO FELLOW MEMBERS ON THEIR APPOINTMENT TO NATIONAL STATUS:

Let's all congratulate fellow members Alain Ruch and Marco Arruda for being promoted to National Referee and National Assistant Referee respectively. They join fellow members Andy Foster and Martin Reid (both National AR's). All will have to pass the National Camp before being placed on the 2010 Active List. Congratulations to all!

**FALL COUNCIL MEETING: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5<sup>th</sup>:** We are delaying this year's Fall Council meeting in order to allow member to participate in College/University playoffs and Area Association Christmas parties which are being held in November. We have heard the venue will be the Langley Legion. Call to order will be at 930am and over by 12pm. A light lunch will be provided. We will be adopting the RA's Business Plan at that time (see "RA BUSINESS PLAN" below).

**RA BUSINESS PLAN:** A teleconference of Area Association Presidents/Area Association Chapter Presidents will be held Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> with final ratification at Fall Council on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**BONUS VIDEOS:** The first of 2 DVDs, an interview with fellow member Mauricio Navarro by Joey Kenward, himself a fellow RA member, will be handed out starting with the Nov 30<sup>th</sup> VASRA meeting to all paid-up members. The planned video of "Werner's World Cup Night" from this past June has to be delayed until the end of the first quarter of 2010.

**WINTER SUPPLEMENTAL EDITORIAL DEADLINE FOR FLAG & WHISTLE = Dec 1st:** Editor Jon Seeley ([jonsee@telus.net](mailto:jonsee@telus.net) or 604-299-1993) requests any articles you may have for the newsletter be submitted by the end of November. Planned distribution is for just prior to Christmas.

**RENEWAL TIME FOR ALL COASTAL-BASED MEMBERS:** Renewal is now taking place. Hurry now to receive your 2009-2010 Membership Gift: a 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Coin. Please see reps at the appropriate table to renew.

**RA HANDBOOK:** The version that was sent in mid-October will be resent as a problem was noted with the electronic file. This year's edition includes a new section: Articles on the Philosophy of Officiating, is included. An updated the list of Referee Schedulers/Coordinators will be sent next week. Many leagues do not advertise this well enough on their websites and as such we will be sending out updates as information becomes available.

Any information you feel would help make this section, or the document as a whole, be of continued help and something we can be proud of should be sent to either Provincial Secretary Richard Brownie ([guild\\_ref@hotmail.com](mailto:guild_ref@hotmail.com)) or President Elvio Chies (Lvo@direct.ca)

**WEB FORUM IS OPERATIONAL** The Web forum is officially launched. Colin Lawrence is the main moderator and Ryan Perkins the IT Administrator. It is limited to members only for security reasons. Members can create an account by clicking on the link located in the top right corner of the [www.bcsra.com](http://www.bcsra.com) website. Keep in mind the forum is only as good as the participation from all members.

Respectfully submitted,

Elvio Chies, President