

## VANCOUVER ISLAND SOCCER REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

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### Regular Meeting Minutes Vantreights Clubhouse, Victoria, B.C., November 21, 2002

**Members: 37**

**Guests: 0**

**Apologies: 5**

<b>Education</b> Andrew Foster	Law 12 - Fouls and Misconducts <a href="http://www.ussoccer.com/templates/includes/services/referees/pdfs/entry_level_ps/Law12-fouls.pdf">http://www.ussoccer.com/templates/includes/services/referees/pdfs/entry_level_ps/Law12-fouls.pdf</a> <a href="http://www.ussoccer.com/templates/includes/services/referees/pdfs/entry_level_ps/Law12-misconduct.pdf">http://www.ussoccer.com/templates/includes/services/referees/pdfs/entry_level_ps/Law12-misconduct.pdf</a>
<b>New Faces</b>	Welcome Frank Leversedge
<b>Minutes</b>	Accepted. Moved: Dan Greco, Seconded: Peter Songhurst, Carried
<b>Treasurer</b> Mike Wignall	Funds are in the bank to pay for all games including UVic. Have good relations with the leagues and have received advances from both VISL and LIWSA. Metro and UVic are in the mail. Have paid out \$28,000 so far this season. Reminders: Admin fees will be charged on game fees to non-VISRA members (except youth). These fees will be applied to VISRA the registration fee. Complete and send in your logs which are available from the website. Get registered. Registration forms available at the meeting and on the website.
<b>Ways &amp; Means</b> Andrew Foster	BSCRA badges are available for \$10. VISRA Badges are coming. Polo Shirts are here - \$30
<b>Library</b> <b>Roy Pugh</b>	Roy is unable to continue. Darren Clark volunteered to take the library.
<b>LIWSA Liaison</b> <b>Suzanne Flannigan</b>	Suzanne gave thank you gifts to those volunteers who had assisted with both the Women's U19 World Championships and the Women's Gold Cup.
<b>VISL Liaison</b> Mike Seal	Nothing to report.
<b>LISA (Metro)</b> Mike Seal	LISA board has approved \$100 to purchase a VCR for VISRA.
<b>BCSA Lower Island Referee Coord</b> Mike Seal	More assessors are required to make up a minimum of 10 for a local course. Class 2 referees and below can become District Assessors and referees who have passed the Class 1 exam can become Provincial Assessors. A Class 4 clinic was held at Gordon Head on the week-end. Dawn Todd instructed. There were no candidates from VISL, no names have been submitted. Next big priority is to get the one free assessment done on all the recent Class 4s to qualify them for a Class 3 clinic. It is hoped to be able to do 2 Class 3 clinics in the spring. Bob Hope indicates that BCSA is questioning the age of some candidates who were a month or 2 shy of their 14 <sup>th</sup> birthday and so did not meet the minimum age requirement.
<b>CSRA</b> Tony Troughton	Conference call was held earlier. No hotel has yet been named for the CSA meeting to be held the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday in January in Calgary. FIFA World Cup Assistant Referee Hector Vergara is to speak. Local referees are encouraged to organize to attend the meeting. Thanks to Roy Pugh, Andrea Mattson, Andy Foster, Brian Burger, Boris Glazar, Herb Harzan, Larry Cade, Rick Firestone, Mike Seal, Darren Clark and Simon Fraser for help with recent Gold Cup officials. Thanks to GHSA and MaryJo vanBergen for the social evening.
<b>BCSRA</b> Rick Firestone for Randy Stenner	Fall Council was held October 26th in Vancouver. Housekeeping changes were made to the Constitution and By-Laws to conform to the BC Societies Act. Game fee proposal was presented to BCSA Board of Directors who approved in principle.

	<p>Proposal is to be submitted to 2003 Annual General Meeting. Vancouver Metro and Fraser valley will pay \$50/game beginning Jan 2003. Original proposal differentiated between level of play and between Men's and Women's soccer. Women requested that the proposal be revised to eliminate gender discrepancy and that has been done. Revised proposal is available.</p> <p>Proposal to change Registration Date to coincide with BCSA was approved.</p> <p>A Draft Policy on creating new Area Associations was presented and accepted for review. It can be used for guidance on an interim basis until approved. Several interior areas are keen to stand up.</p> <p>VASRA and FVSRA are working on several fund-raising ideas.</p> <p>A BSCRA / Area coin is being looked into. Should cost about \$5 and can be used for coin toss.</p>
<b>Referee Scheduler</b> Danny Hood	<p>New schedule available in hard copy and is distributed by email. Referees have been getting their game reports in right away and this is appreciated.</p> <p>Mike Wignall indicated that there was difficulty in accessing parts of the website on the weekend. It is recommend that everyone keep a browser link or Favourite to the Reports page.</p>
<b>Assessments</b> Tiberio de Frias	<p>More assessors are needed, there simply are not enough District or Provincial assessors. There are more than 122 new Class 4 referees to be done by District assessors and there are currently only 4 locally. Assessing can be very rewarding and gives a whole new outlook.</p> <p>We are getting there with BCSA assessments. Referees need to get their application in and also ensure that they are assigned to the right (high) level of game to be assessed on.</p> <p>Standardization: Read last month's minutes. Local assessors get out and do games.</p>
<b>Old Business</b>	<p><u>Registration List</u> - Mike Wignall There are currently 153 VISRA members in all classes and chapters.</p> <p><u>Scheduling Contracts</u> - Herb Harzan VISL Executive has requested a meeting. Have not been able to arrange one yet.</p> <p>Metro is still hung up on requiring VISRA pay a fine for no-shows. Amount not determined. Expect a successful season, we are working, they are paying. Using old Admin Fee structure.</p> <p>LIWSA has contract signed through Dec 31<sup>st</sup>. Has agreed to Standard Administrative Fee structure.</p>
<b>New Business</b>	<p><u>Christmas Party</u> - Andrew Foster Last year there were a total of about 30 at McMorrans for sit down dinner. This year's options are 1) sit down dinner; 2) buffet; 3) pot luck at December meeting. There was no enthusiasm for option 1. Andrew will investigate option 2 and will organize. Members should still plan on normal Christmas Pot Luck at December meeting.</p> <p><u>Lower Island Strategic Plan</u> - Mike Seal VISL, LIWSA, and LISA are developing a Strategic Plan for soccer on Lower Vancouver Island. Mike has been attending as BSCA Ref Coord but feels that VISRA should be represented and requested a volunteer to sit on the committee. No one was identified. Executive to action.</p> <p><u>Referee Log</u> - Mike Wignall Mike indicated that the next pay should include December 1<sup>st</sup>, so include it in your November log. It will be the last until February.</p>
<b>Adjournment</b>	Moved Christian Hauer, Seconded Larry Cade

**Meeting Adjourned:** 8:57 p.m.

**Next Meeting: Monday, December 16th 2002 - Christmas Pot Luck**

Respectfully Submitted,  
*Rick Firestone*