

VANCOUVER ISLAND SOCCER REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

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Regular Meeting Minutes Gorge Soccer Association Clubhouse, Victoria, B.C., Nov 20, 2003

Members: 31

Guests: 1

Apologies: 7

Education	Dress and Attitude - Andrea Mattson Pre-game Instruction - Andrew Foster
Minutes	Reviewed and Accepted
Correspondence Rick Firestone	Nil
Registrar Rick Firestone	90 members now registered for 2003-04
Treasurer Darin Shimell	Total on hand \$9,385.35
Ways and Means Andrea Mattson	50/50 draw underway
Paymaster Dan Greco	Cheques are itemized. Have not received payment from UVic yet.
VISRA Scheduler Paul Almeida	December schedule has been distributed by email, hard copies available. There have been instances of Assistant Referees not keeping their assignments. Again: if you cannot make your game get a replacement referee. Advise Paul of these arrangements.
Standardization Tony Troughton	Herb said that work is going on to develop the program.
Library Andrew Foster	Andrew has taken the library over from Darren Clark. The library includes a number of books that are required reading for the Class 1 exam.
BCSRA Dan Greco	<u>BCSRA Fall Council Report</u> BCSRA Director reported that they have received \$50,000 from Gaming to be used for existing Referee Development programs. An increase in the fees for Assessors is being considered. BSCRA decided to join the BSCRA online registration. BSCRA is to survey RA perks such as jersey shoulder badges or World Soccer Pages. Bruce Yule indicated that BCSA intends to clamp down on unaffiliated leagues and will suspend referees doing games for these leagues.
CSRA Tony Troughton	Andrew Foster reported on CSRA conference call. The \$50,000 BCSRA received from gaming was reported. Saskatchewan is trying to re-build. CSRA AGM is to be held at the Empress Hotel January 9,10,11. There will be informal discussions Friday evening. There will be presentations Saturday from Mauricio Navarro (World Cup 2002) and Simon Fearn (World Youth Cup 2003). There will be a dinner Saturday. There is a special rate of \$89/night to stay at the Empress. Volunteers will be required.
VISL Danny Hood	Everything is wonderful.
LISA Liaison Mike Seal	Referee Development Committee has funding in place, from VISL, for on field training of Class 4s as Assistant Referees. Education: Work is underway and there is one proposal going forward for

	<p>funding. Discipline Committee is having trouble deciphering faxed Discipline Reports. If you fax hand-written reports please ensure that the writing is large and legible. Also please report only once: either the BCSA Discipline website or by fax to LISA, don't report both ways.</p>
<p>BCSA Lower Island Referee Coord Mike Seal</p>	<p>BCSA Badge is on its way. This is the only badge to be worn by officials in BCSA sanctioned games.</p>
<p>Old Business</p>	<p><u>Christmas Party</u> - Andrew Foster 2 options were presented: McMorran's Beach House or Fireside Grill. They are similar, both provide set menus. McMorran's was selected and set for Saturday December 6th - there should be a pianist with vocals.</p> <p><u>Education Proposal</u> - Herb Harzan At their next meeting LIWSA will discuss the VISRA proposal to provide Club Linesman and/or Laws of the Game training.</p>
<p>New Business</p>	<p><u>Herb Harzan</u> - presented a development proposal that VISRA form 2 or 3 referee teams of a Class 1 with a promising Class 2 and Class 3 as assistants. The objectives would be 1) to enhance the level of refereeing and 2) to provide a development opportunity for the assistants to observe and participate at the highest levels. There was discussion on the danger of compartmentalizing referees at the expense of developing other Class 3s and 4s; that the Class 1 would always be the Referee; this would not be acceptable for UVic and PCSL games; that a pretty good referee is a pretty good linesman but that a pretty good linesman is not necessarily a pretty good referee; the team would be used perhaps a couple of times per month in games set by the league(s). Herb summarized by saying that this intended as one little program, not a whole package.</p> <p><u>Herb Harzan</u> - Simon Fearn is appointed as Assistant Referee at Youth World Cup in the United Arab Emirates, Nov 27th - Dec 19th. Darin Shimell proposed that VISRA provide \$200 to assist Simon to purchase small gifts for other referees. Danny Hood moved, seconded by Dan Greco, that VISRA give a maximum of \$500 to support Simon Fearn with gifts for other referees at the Youth World Cup. Sam Colantonio suggested that VISRA develop a tie for future use. Herb suggested that the gift should represent Canada more than BC or Victoria. Motion Carried.</p> <p><u>Sal Johal</u> - expects to be able to get a VISRA badges toque made for about \$10. Will also discuss the opportunity for other items.</p> <p>Next meeting will be at Gorge. It will be the Christmas Pot Luck, everyone bring something.</p> <p><u>50/50 Draw</u> - Boris Glazar, \$16</p>
<p>Adjournment</p>	

Meeting Adjourned: 8:50 pm

Next Meeting: Monday, Dec 15th 2003, Gorge Soccer Club House, Hampton Park

Respectfully Submitted,
Rick Firestone