



Livermore Referee Association



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LRA Meeting March 26, at 7:00 PM at the Livermore PD conference room.

March 24th, 25th-31st and April 1, U16-19 State Cup early round games, Kellman Field

March 30th-April 8th Entry level Ref Clinic begins! First Presbyterian Church in Livermore. Michelle Kuiee, at 925-606-6074.

April 29th -30th, U14-19 State Cup Tournament, Robertson Park, Livermore

June 16th Assignor's Clinic sponsored by District 3 1:00pm - 5:00pm. Get the location from their website at D3RA.COM

Referee Calendar of Events

Meeting Agenda

March Meeting: The next meeting of the Livermore Referee Association will be held on Monday, March 26, 2001, 7:00 p.m., at the Livermore Police Department's Community Room at 1110 S. Livermore Avenue, Livermore. Bob Martinez, one of the most highly respected individuals associated with USSF in Cal North — 26 years and thousands of games experience at levels including professional, international, and NCAA; National Emeritus rank; State Youth Referee Administrator for the past 6 years; will speak on referee fitness.



LYSL Registration - You did a great job!

Thank you to the following referees that helped recruit new referees during soccer registration: Glen Held, Gordon Krauter, Manuel Nunes, Chris Nunes, Ken Mitchell, Matt Pesqueira, Jim Hufford, Mike Wallace, Brian Mansoor, Dave Bunch, Paul Nelson, Karen Ullrich, Van Henson, John Hinton, Bob Dashner, Mark Shiraki and Scott Shiraki.

We had a total of 85 people (39 adults and 46 youth) indicate they were interested in taking the ref clinic. If a reasonable percentage of these people follow through and become certified, we should be able to maintain or increase our numbers. Once again thank you all for your time.

From Brian Hufford

USSF Entry Level Referee Clinic Scheduled

LRA, in conjunction with California North Referee Administration (CNRA) District 3, is sponsoring an entry-level referee clinic in Livermore on the following dates/times:

Friday, March 30,	7:00 - 10:00 p.m.
Saturday, March 31,	9:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 - 4:00
Sunday, April 1,	1:00 - 4:00
Friday, April 6,	7:00 - 10:00 p.m.
Saturday, April 7,	9:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 - 4:00
Sunday, April 8,	1:00 - 4:00

The location is at the First Presbyterian Church on 2020 Fifth Street in Livermore. At the end of this 18-hour clinic, including successful testing, you will be able to referee sanctioned USSF matches in Livermore. New referees start out as Assistant Referees, usually for U-12 recreational matches. For further information, contact Michelle Kuicee, at 925-606-6074.

A friend of mine overheard this at a soccer game, or so he says...

Well, it's Liverpool two, Ipswich nil, and if the score stays this way, I've got to fancy Liverpool for the win...

He had an eternity to play that ball, but took too long.

Well, it's a fabulous kaleidoscope of color: almost all the Brazilians are wearing yellow shirts.

Their manager, Howard Wilkinson, isn't here today, which strongly suggests that he may be elsewhere.

I am a firm believer that if one team scores a goal, the other needs to score two to win.

If a team scores early on, it often takes an early lead.

You can't possibly have counted the number of passes, but there were eight.

And so they have not been able to improve on their 100% record.

With the last *kick* of the game, he scored with a *header*.

From Ken Mitchell

CYSA District 3 Clinics and Fun Runs (Upgrading) are coming throughout 2001

Fun Run #1 5/23/01 7PM Pleasanton Middle School

Fun Run #2 9/12/01 7PM (tentative - no site yet)

Fun Run #3 10/21/01 8AM Foothill High School

Fun Run #4 12/9/01 8AM Foothill High School

Assignor's Clinic 6/16/01 10AM Venue TBA

Grade 8 & 7 Clinic 12/9/01 10AM Venue TBA

Hey, a question for all you clever refs out there. Answer on page 4

Indirect free kick taken by the keeper within the penalty area. The ball rebounds from the back of the referee standing outside the penalty area and rolls towards the open goal. The keeper dives to stop the ball, but only gets a touch on it before it enters the goal. What's your call and what's the restart?

Articles

The Ten Commandments of Refereeing

This article summarizes the words of Mr. Björck, a FIFA Instructor and member of the FIFA Referee Committee from Sweden, to the assembled National Referees and candidates.

1. Be a match leader. Lead by example, gain the players' respect. Your personality is vital; you can't copy anyone, it must be your own. Be eager to cooperate with everyone. Become trusted for your actions. Use the Laws correctly. Take responsibility for the application of the Laws. Study the rules, use them correctly.
2. Always be neutral and steadfast. Show no prejudice. Remember that all matches are equally important. Do not underestimate any person or event. Your attitude will be reflected in your actions.
3. Have a good knowledge of the Laws and use correct interpretations of the Laws to enjoy success in any match. The referee must understand the game. Use the rules to apply the Spirit of the Game. Do not work blindly and strictly according to the Letter of the Law: that is the skill in refereeing.
4. Be consistent. Use the rules. Do not wait for next incident; act immediately. Cautions and send-offs mean nothing after you have lost control of the match — players will realize your insecurity.
5. Proper use of the advantage is the sign of a good referee. If you are not sure of a call, do not blow the whistle. When you use the advantage, do not forget your cards — go back and deal with the misconduct. It shows you understand the game, that you read the game well.

6. Good physical condition equals good mental condition. Lack of good physical conditioning results in slow reactions, inconsistency, and inability to observe the game properly. Present a good image when you enter the field through your dress, your comments to all participants, and how you relate to the players. That brings immediate respect. The colorless referee shows no personality, because he has an insecure image of himself and makes difficulties for himself. Such a referee will not go far.

7. A good sense of humor is gold! Sport should be cheerful. Do not lose your sense of humor. You can improve your relations with the players if you use no swear words, keep yourself calm, control your temper, use agreeable and relevant language, do not forget to smile — but do not exaggerate, and do not forget to smile — but don't smile every moment.

8. Show firmness — stand behind your decisions. You cannot replace one foul with another foul. Don't talk with spectators. Don't let decisions be influenced by spectators.

9. Have good relations and communications with your assistants. Do not be arrogant or contemptuous. Trust your ARs; don't blame them or shame them in public.

10. Behave loyally. Don't criticize colleagues in public. Don't reveal your opinion in public. Talk with the referee afterwards.

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What was your call and what was your restart?

From the USSF: Award the indirect free kick. When you analyze it carefully, the only possible restarts are either IFK for second touch or corner kick for the ball entering the goal. *Thanks to Jim Allen's Ask the ref.*

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