

## April 2003 RASO Newsletter

Next RASO meeting is Tues May 6 @ 8:30 PM @ ISC

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### April Attendance

**18 members** – J.Gentry, B.Wallace, D.Brandt, J.Priester, K.Valentine, M.O'Brien, S.Hoover, G.Hundt, L.Spencer, G.Heiber, V.Smirnov, D.Ferrera, B.Millward, P.Delatorre, R.Scott, L.Mateus, T.Brokhauson, T.Keating

### Education – Ron Scott

In IHSA we must use the proper foul hand signals. Also, the referee must talk with the coach on the issuing of any card. The old black uniform shirt with white striped color and cuffs is still the primary color. Players must be looked at for age appropriate shin guards before the game starts. Please write-up varsity teams that do not conform to the jersey guidelines such as teams that do not have numbers on the front of their jerseys. Please remember that a mandatory sportsmanship speech must be presented before every game. Finally excessive celebration is drawing attention to oneself which must be dealt with via the use of a soft red card.

### Special Speaker – Louis Mateus

Sportcore I field's 1-4 will not be ready until mid May due to reseeding. The long term goal of Sportscore is to put one field away for the year. This year field 4 will not be in use. All tournaments will be played at Sportscore I while; Sportscore II will be used sparingly. Most league games will be played at Sportscore I until all the fields fill up there. The fields are being prepared for the Snickers Midwest Region. Region II's ODP camp will be in Rockford from July 8-23. There is a great referee boot camp during ODP camp that provides superb referee instruction. August 20-25 the Y-league's national tournament will be host in Rockford. The Y-league is a highly competitively league that is part of the United Soccer Leagues.

**Treasurer Report –** We have more than \$4900 in the account

**Secretary Report –** We have 198 renewed members out of 220 members. Please remember RASO dues. All RASO members need to send in their membership IMMEDIATELY if you did not pay at one of the RASO clinics.

**Vice-President Report** none

**President Report** The NISL season will extend into mid July.

**Assigner's Report** We still need referees for the Spring Kickoff Classic on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.

### 2003 RASO Dues

- Have you taken care of this yet?
- The 2003 RASO Dues Form is posted on the RasoWeb Forms page.
- This year, everyone needs to pay their annual dues directly to RASO, as we no longer will be deducting your dues from your Rockford Park District pay. The Dues Form includes the Treasurer's address.

### Assignments / Games / Tournaments

- USSF Availability forms on the RasoWeb Forms page
- Club games will be starting soon, so send in your Spring availability sheet to G.Hundt
- Spring Kickoff Classic May 3-4 (Brandt)
- For IHSA referee's, it's a good practice to call and confirm time and locations of all your HS games due to all the changes in scheduling.
- Please note that the mandatory State Cup meeting is April 23, 7-9PM at ISC.