



April 2005 RASO Newsletter

Next RASO meeting is Tues May 3 @ 8:30 @ ISC

www.RasoWeb.org

March Attendance 12 Members

B. Wallace, T. Haug, D. Brandt, T. Keating, K. Valentine, D. Spencer, T. Brokhausen, J. Sousa, J. Martelin, L. Spencer, V. Smirnov, and R. Eckart

Education

Discussion of the "fight" scenarios email as mailed out by Ken Valentine. What would you do?

2005 RASO Dues

Reminder. If you have yet to pay this year's dues, you can do so at one of the two remaining clinics, OR at the next RASO meeting, OR using the form on the www.RasoWeb.org Forms page.

Secretary's Report

Once he gets used to the way it is done, the email newsletter will resume. Last month's was delayed due to a formatting problem (Now solved? , Thanks Dave)

Treasurer's Report

There is a balance of \$5400.00 in the bank.

General Comments

There are already two hundred (200) members of RASO before this weekend's clinic. Looks like we will have 230 – 250 membership for 2005.

RASO clinics have been hosted at no cost at local hotels for years. Question of if a fee would be charged in the future. Dave and Gerry negotiated a continuation of no fee BUT hotels that host will rotate in the future. This last one is OK but next year pay attention to where the clinic will be held.

No guidelines on age requirement. Generally 12 years of age is the minimum. Like a referee to be a minimum of 3 years older than the game assignment. Work permits and parental requirements prove difficult for referees. See the web page for a form that MIGHT help with getting a worker's permit (ages 14&15).

RASO is NOT an employer. It is the league or tournament that is the employer. Makes getting a work permit difficult at best.

John Sousa put in a pitch for RASO to send a representative to the National Convention since RASO has such a large membership. Referred to the board for discussion.

Assignments

IHSA Girls Soccer Assignments.

Carlyn Brandt (NIC 9) TeamSoccer@charter.net and Ron Scott (Fox Valley and Big Northern Conference) Soxer-ref@juno.com have assignments out there

USSF Spring Assignments

Gerry Hundt of YSSF is scheduling spring league games. Availability form on the RASO web page.

Tournaments

April 9&10 Raptor/Dactyls Spring Invitational Tournament
April 23&24 Midwest Regional League Soccer
April 30& May 1 Hononegah Lions Spring Kickoff Tournament
April 30& May 1 NSR Region II Cup Soccer Tournament (Sirens)
May 7&8, 14&15, 21&22 IYSA State Cup Tournament
May 28&29 Raptors/Dactyls Midwest Invitational Tournament

June 4&5, 11&12 IYSA State Cup Tournament
June 17-19 Rockford United Watermelon Tournament
June 24-26 Rock Run Rainbow Soccer Tournament

Refresher Clinic and Entry level clinic—Last Chance!

(You must attend a refresher clinic in order to referee games in 2005)

Sat. April 9 – Refresher Only and physical fitness test

Pre-register for you 2005 USSF refresher clinic at www.mysignup.com/raso

Medical release form is being required by some tournaments. You can download it from the IYSA web page. No need to see a doctor. Information in case they need to get medical attention for the referee.

Meeting adjourned.