

Nov 7, 2000 RASO Meeting & RASO Newsletter

Next meeting Tues Dec 5, **7:30 PM @ ISC**

RasoWeb: www.geocities.com/RasoWeb

Attendance

- 13 RASO members – Gerry Hundt, Dave Brandt, Steve Johnson, Ron Scott, Linda Kimel, Lou & Tim Spencer, Val Smirnov, Tim Keating, Dan Mitchell, Bob Millward, Ken Valentine, Chic Wok

Educational

- Gerry's computer was on strike, so impromptu discussion held relative to unique referee experiences from the fall season
- Discussion on being professional both on and off the field, with regard to the Referee Code of Ethics. Do not criticize fellow referees.
- Referee Commitment and Code of Ethics attached, please read

October Minutes

- Approved

Treasurer Report

None

Secretary Report

- *RasoWeb* has launched! www.geocities.com/RasoWeb
- RasoWeb is the new and improved RASO website. RasoWeb has expanded informational pages and easy navigation bars on every page. Getting the latest referee information is now a click away. Please check out RasoWeb, and bookmark it for easy future reference!

Old Business

- See USSF clinics below

New Business

- 2001 RASO Board Election Committee = Gerry Hundt, Bob Millward, and Ken Valentine. Please contact any of these individuals if you are interested in holding a 2001 RASO board position.
- ISC indoor games have started. Availability form attached or on RasoWeb

USSF Clinics & 2001 Registration

- Entry level clinic Feb 17/18. Advanced clinic Feb 24/25. Refreshers on March 25 and April 21.
- USSF 2001 registration form shows incorrect fee of \$30. You only need to pay \$25 as an 8 or 7.

RASO Member Congratulations!

- Bob Millward and Dave Brandt for achieving IHSA Certified Referee status.
- Boylan HS varsity soccer team / RASO members who made it to the State Quarter Finals
- IHSA AA State Finals
 - Dan Mitchell: 4th Official
- IHSA Super Sectional assignments
 - Ben Buum / Gerry Hundt: Boylan Dan Mitchell: Lincoln Way Ron Scott: Palatine
 - Harold Winne: Geneva Steve Johnson: Johnsbury
- IHSA Sectional assignments
 - Steve Johnson, Ron Scott, & Ken Valentine: Hononegah Harold Winne: Hersey
 - Mark Marko, Ryan Marko, & John Sousa: Prarie Ridge Dan Mitchell: Hinckley

Attachments

- Referee Commitment and Code of Ethics
- ISC Indoor Availability Form

THE REFEREE COMMITMENT

The U.S. Soccer Federation National Program for Referee Development, through the involvement of each referee, is recognized by players, coaches, and administrators as a program which consistently provides excellence in officiating and displays the highest level of professionalism through service and dedication.

To accomplish this, I, as a referee, am committed to:

1. Officiating matches in a fair and safe manner that ensures players and spectator enjoyment.
2. Maintaining my physical fitness for peak performance.
3. Faithfully keeping all appointments assigned to and accepted by me.
4. Supporting my fellow officials with loyalty, pride, and dignity.
5. Conducting myself in a way to be ethically and morally beyond reproach.
6. Granting players and coaches dignity and self-respect.
7. Contributing to the overall development of the National Program for Referee Development.
8. Remaining committed to a continuous learning and improvement process that enables me to perform to my full potential.

Code of Ethics for Referees

1. I will always maintain the utmost respect for the game of soccer.
2. I will conduct myself honorably at all times and maintain the dignity of my position.
3. I will always honor an assignment or any other contractual obligation.
4. I will attend training meetings and clinics so as to know the Laws of the Game, their proper interpretation and their application.
5. I will always strive to achieve maximum team work with my fellow officials.
6. I will be loyal to my fellow officials and never knowingly promote criticism of them.
7. I will be in good physical condition.
8. I will control the players effectively by being courteous and considerate without sacrificing fairness.
9. I will do my utmost to assist my fellow officials to better themselves and their work.
10. I will not make statements about any games except to clarify an interpretation of the Laws of the Game.
11. I will not discriminate against nor take undue advantage of any individual group on the basis of race, color, religion, sex or national origin,
12. I consider it a privilege to be a part of the United States Soccer Federation and my actions will reflect credit upon that organization and its affiliates.