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## From The Prez!

By Rick Rehm President TCSRA



## State Cup & Tournaments

As we move into April we are very busy covering State Cup & Coast Spring League matches. I hope everyone has let Bob know if you need an assessment for upgrade of maintenance some of our members were assessed during this last weekend and I know that they did a great job.

Jeremy has some good things planned for our training at the membership meeting so come prepared to participate. I think that he will be working on Offside, so put your thoughts on the subject together and Jeremy will answer your questions.

Just a reminder TCSRA distributes checks at the monthly membership meetings we do not mail checks unless we are contacted by a member and we find special circumstances that would require a check being mailed. You need to attend monthly meetings to meet the training requirements to be eligible to be assigned games.

Remember that if you order food at the membership meeting remind the Roundtable staff that you are with the referees and you receive a 10% discount. Support our meeting place!!!

The State will be sending a few officials to participate in a tournament in Alaska. Any referee who may be interested, needs to contact me ASAP so that we can submit the names to the SRA. You would depart June 4th and return June 8th Air fair & room will be paid for. Most meals will be provided. No game fees are paid. Bu it is a great opportunity to officiate out of the state. Requirements:

1. Good Fitness able to take on minimum of three game assignments per day.
2. Solid level/experience
3. Willing and able to mentor referees when not officiating.

Talk to me at the meeting if you might be interested.

See You At The Meeting.

## Training Time

By Jeremy Swan, TCSRA Training Officer

# Another Month Is Upon Us!!!

For this month's article, I am going to talk about the highlights from the different referee directives U.S. Soccer would like to emphasize for the 2009 season. We talked about these specific directives at the March meeting; however, I want to highlight the directives and give everyone the resources where they are able to gain more information.

This year, U.S. Soccer has broken them into 3 categories: Game Management, Updates/Clarifications to prior Directives/Point of Emphasis, Technical. Under the game management category, we break it down further into separate directives: Game management model/ Flow/Risk Taking/ and Game Control, Game Disrepute Mass Confrontation, 100% Misconduct: Tackle & Red Card Tackles, Assistant Referee Involvement. Under the updates/clarifications: Contact Above the shoulders, Free Kick/Restart Management, Dissent, and handling the ball. Under the technical category: Injury Management, Allowance for Lost Time, and Managing the Technical Area.

In addition to the referee directives, U.S. Soccer has already issued 2 memorandums for the 2009 season. The first memorandum dealt with an offside situation where the player was in close proximity to the goal keeper. The second memorandum dealt with serious injuries.

At this month's meeting, we are going back to the basics and talking about Offside. Offside, although relatively simple, there is much confusion amongst all levels. Bring with you any offside situations you have come across that you do not completely understand and agree with.





## From The Assignor

By Bob Karmann USSF Assignor

### State Cup Olders



Once again we are starting back with the upper level divisions for State Cup (U14-U19). This past weekend we had referees covering a number of fields in the U16-U19 brackets. I assessed and refereed and was very please with what I saw from our referees. I am proud of how we all are doing to make the State Cup experience enjoyable to all involved. Keep up the great work!

The Coast spring league continues for a few more weeks then things will get slow for us. We have one huge tournament in May that is one of our local tournaments. I am working to secure some more tournaments but many have downsized. With that comes fewer referees needed for the contracting referee associations. There may be a few more in our area starting up by the end of the year yet the summer may be slow for us unless the economy improves.

Lewis will have checks for any of the tournaments/leagues that we have covered this year so far. The only payment that seems to take awhile is the no-show and single game fees from Coast. I am doing my best to get those expedited as fast as possible.



# 2009 Tournaments & Important Events

## Mark your Calendars

Irvine Winter Classic	January 10 & 11
Legends Cup	January 17 & 18
DBWV Shootout (Winter)	January 24 & 25
Irvine Spring Classic	March 14 & 15
DBWV Shootout at the Ranch	March 20, 21, 22
Irvine Memorial Classic	May 23 & 24
Legends Classic	June (date to come)
Irvine Summer Classic	June 20 & 21 and 27 & 28
Wolfpack Invitational	July 11 & 12
Slammer's Futbol Classic	July (date to come)
Oaks Classic	August 1 & 2
Pats Cup	(date to come)
Capistrano Cup	(date to come)
West Coast Futbol Classic	August 16 & 27
Orange County Kickoff Classic	August 22 & 23
Blues Cup	August 30 & Sept. 1

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