



June 2009

AUCKLAND FEDERATION EXCHANGE WITH US1: **Stephen Budai: Chairman Executive Committee Reports -**

One of the great joys of being a football referee is that we belong to a community of like-minded people who are enjoying the opportunity to have a sport and a hobby.

We are united by the Laws that we have been called to represent and to enforce. Such unity is an actual brother/sister-hood in relationship.

Our common ground for communication with each other is vast and varied; many referees over their years of service have developed great friendships with fellow referees throughout the country and overseas.

Tournaments and combined training nights with other federations help us to develop our fellowship with other referees; I always believe that, 'building bridges is better than building walls'.

I would encourage and invite as many referees from the Auckland Football Federation to attend our combined training night with United Soccer 1.

**Sports House, North Harbour Stadium, Stadium Drive;
Oteha Valley Road, Albany
Monday 20 July 7.30pm start**

The coaching topic will be "Teamwork" presented by Steve Fletcher and Santi Vega.

Let us show our support to our colleagues in United Soccer 1 by a great turn out that will give a wonderful atmosphere of fellowship and an occasion and opportunity to extend our common ground as a community of referees.



Stephen Budai

FULL TIME!



Referee's Newsletter

FROM THE DESK OF THE RDO: Paul Smith



Paul Smith

Fantastic to see the turn out to our coaching nights.

The feedback I have received confirms that you like the inter action between the membership and the presenters and this theme will continue.

Especially pleasing to see the attendance on the first coaching night for referees that officiate youth games.

Loryn Tompsett's presentation was specific to the needs of these referees and highlights the difficulties for young referees (in age) in handling games with one point control.

On May 18 we welcomed our friends and near neighbours from United Soccer 1 to hear Kevin Stoltenkamp talk about player management – very enlightening (“do as I say do not do as I do” – “need to develop your own personality”)

On Saturday 16 May I had my big day out when I ventured down the north western motorway onto the southern motorway and found myself in Pukekohe, yes Pukekohe!

The purpose of my visit was to undertake an NRFL Inspection in the afternoon so I thought I would make the most of the occasion and spend all day there.



Brian McDonald – Close to play



Michael Botting – Indirect free kick

I arrived at 9.30am and found the park was chocker full of games, little youngsters running around enjoying themselves on a sunny day and then I spied a Club Based Referee doing a game – ah I thought here we go I will just sit back and watch.

By the end of the day I had seen 3 CBR's in action (they did more than 1 game), spoke with them and caught up with Referee Jim Hey and renewed the membership of Trevor Gill and his son Mac.

The CBR's Brian McDonald, Glen Connelly and Michael Botting did a fantastic job – in fact even closer to play than some of our referees get!!!!

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By 4.45pm after watching the NRL match I was tired, however it was a very productive day.

To top it all the President of Pukekohe, Pete Wild, made me most welcome and the club looked after me with a beer or two!!!

Thirsty work standing on the sideline....

So remember if you are at a ground and you see a CBR in action, say hello, make them feel proud of the role they are fulfilling, they may even consider joining our ranks – recruitment opportunity



Glen Connolly – As an assistant referee

Level 2 Badge Field Tests Successfully Completed

April 09: Badge No.2154: Sean Morgan-Smith

May 09: Badge No.2155: David Sun

June 09: Badge No.2158: Mirko Benischke

June 09: Badge No. 2159: Wandyck Freitas

June 09: Badge No. 2160: Alan Marriott

Level 1 Referee Inspectors Course - May 2009

Mike Hester

Phil Lawrence

Garry Mooney

Steve Peeters

A Warm Welcome to New Members

Steven Black

Allan Carbines

Rohitsh Dayal

Daryoush Farhani

MacGregor Gill

Trevor Gill

Andrew Graham

David Hrstich

Glenn Kennedy

Eti Kapisi

Basil Kroon

Birendra Kumar

Chris Murray

Ross Nielsen

Chris Osborne

Hilary Osborne

David Parker

Rob Powell

Phil Southgate

Paul Stratford

Kelly Watson

New member – level 1 course

New member - level 1 course

From Fiji

Returning from 2007

Returning from 2007

Returning from 2008

New member

New member - level 1 course

New Member

Returning from 2007

New member - level 1 course

From Fiji

From England ex Auckland Soccer Referees

Returning from 2008

Returning from 2008

Returning from 2008

New member - level 1 course

Returning from 2007

New member – Level 1 course

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Award For Young Referee: By Rob Warner

We would like to advise that Ben Norman was nominated as Youth Referee of the year in the Stevenson's Papakura Youth Awards 2009.

The evening was held at the Hawkins Theatre in Papakura on Saturday 30th May and was a celebration of youth achievement in not only sporting achievement, but Academic, community involvement and the Arts.

It was great to see and hear about those who are achieving at a high level, rather than the 2% of the youth population who get all the headlines for the wrong reasons!



Ben received nominations from 3 separate parts of the community, which reflects on his impact and impression he has made in his short tenure as a referee.

We are pleased to announce that Ben was successful with his nomination and received his award, plus a year's free membership to Ray's Gym in Papakura (so no excuses for not passing any fitness tests IAN!!!)

Well Done Ben and good luck with your future ambitions to become a FIFA AR!



Ben Norman

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TRAINING NIGHTS WITH:



Neil Fox – Handling of the Penalty Kick



Nick Waldron – DOGSO

Chris Kerr – The Wall

The attendance at the Monday night Training nights have been very encouraging many of the trainers have had interaction and reaction with those present, using role modelling, with open discussions as tools to get their points across.





Loryn Tompsett; Belly-Dancers – NZ Herald



Picture/ Jacqueline Robertson: NZ Herald

The NZ Herald reported on, "the mix of international performances at Mangere Village...as part of the Mangere bridge Food and Wine Festival". Loryn and her fellow dancers are seen displaying their enjoyment of their skill before the Mangere bridge crowd.



HEADLINER – ROB WARNER

The Papakura Courier's lead page in May 09 featured our very own Rob Warner as he battles over access to football fields.

Rob is a member of the AFF referee's committee, but is also the Papakura City Football Club grounds supervisor, (as if he not busy enough!).

The article written by William Mace points out that Rob is trying to gain access from the McLennan Park sports field to the army camp fields, of which the gate (Rob stands by) is firmly shut.



Presently those playing and supporting football games on the army camp fields have to park at Bruce Pulman Park and cross over Walters Rd, an open road with an 80km limit. There is only one crossing that causes everyone to file through a small gate in a two metre fence. In bad weather Rob fears that the danger to players and supporters alike is quite clear!

The offending gate that is a safer way to the fields, is on a private road is owned by the New Zealand Defence Force, even though the land inside is not owned by them, but a housing development group.

Rob has been working hard with all parties to get the matter resolved before 09 season, as yet the problem has not had a solution.

Way to go Rob!