

FLAG & WHISTLE

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WFC-2 Home Opener



*The April 19 WFC2 home opener saw all local officials. The match crew just coming off the field from their warm-up.
L-R: Chris Wattam, AR-2; Alain Ruch, Referee; and Marco Arruda, AR-1.*

Photo: Elvio Chies

REMINDER

Elections for Provincial Executive

Three positions on the provincial executive are up for election at the BCSRA AGM on Saturday May 30: Vice-President, Treasurer and Director-without-Portfolio.

All are two year terms. Those interested in running for one of these positions should make their wishes known in writing to Nominating Committee Chairman **Elvio Chies** (Lvo@direct.ca).

The BCSRA AGM will be take place inside the Royal Bank Room of the YWCA Hotel, 733 Beatty St., Vancouver. Start time is 11:30 am. Dress code is business (jacket and tie) or business casual.

Limited parking is available at the hotel and in several different parking lots, the closest being the site on West Georgia bordered by Cambie and Beatty streets.

BC Official appointed to Women's World Cup!

In a March 31st article, Canadian Press announced that BC-based referee **Michelle Pye** of Kamloops, and now living in North Vancouver, has been appointed to this year's Women's World Cup. Michelle will join fellow Canadian FIFA Referee **Carol Anne Chenard** and Assistants **Marie-Josée Charbonneau** and **Suzanne Morisset**.

According to the article, the World Cup officials will take part in two FIFA seminars prior to the tournament: April 18-24 in Zurich and in Vancouver 10 days before the opening kickoff.

The 29 referees will then be cut to 22, with the remaining seven designated support referees at the tournament.

Congratulations to Michelle! Here's wishing you the very best heading into the tournament.

Whitecaps Tickets available – going fast!

A reminder that discounted Whitecaps tickets are available to those attending the BCSRA AGM on Saturday, May 30th. The Whitecaps will play Real Salt Lake and tickets can be bought for a discounted rate of \$30.00. Members may also buy tickets for family and friends.

Tickets are subject to prior sale and are going fast. Those wishing to purchase them can contact Elvio Chies (Lvo@direct.ca or 604-266-0741) to make arrangements.

VISRA Elections

The Vancouver Island Area Association branch of the BCSRA held it's Annual General Meeting on April 20th including the election of officers. The new executive is as follows:

- *Vice-President:* **John Kilbank**
- *Secretary:* **Alan Postle**
- *Treasurer:* **Christian Hauer** (elected to a 2 year term)
- *Director 1:* **Boris Glazar**
- *Director 2:* **Evan Eadie** (elected to a 2 year term)

After several years as President, **Mark McNally-Dawes** thinks it's time for somebody else to lead the executive but, since no candidate was found at this time, agreed to stay on until the Fall.

Mike McNally-Dawes is retiring from refereeing and at this point is not planning to be involved with BCSRA/VISRA any longer. He was replaced by Evan Eadie as director.

Congratulations to the new executive!

Dallas Cup 2015

Congratulations to the following referees who were selected by the BC Soccer Referees Committee to attend this year's Dallas Cup: **Erina Cho**, **Jasmain Parr** and **Victor Stamenov**.

A report on this year's event was not available at the editorial deadline.

Member appointed to FIFA WWC Position

Congratulations to former Canadian FIFA Referee and FVSRA Life Member **Bob Sawtell** on his appointment as the **Western Referee Liaison Officer** to the FIFA Women's World Cup! Bob held a similar position in 2007 when the FIFA U-20 World Cup was held in Canada.

The Easter Referee Liaison Officer is former Canadian Soccer Referees Association executive member **Pari Arshighouni** who will be performing the same function out of the Montreal site.

Bob has co-opted several people to be his team for the event. BCSRA members **Candace Brown** and **Gord Rogers** have signed on.

Candace is taking a leave of absence from her job to be Bob's assistant. Gord has agreed to be the "Controversial Replay Coordinator," responsible for vetting which replays will actually get shown at BC Place. This position was performed by former Canadian FIFA Assistant Referee and BC Soccer Referees Committee member John Nielsen at the 2007 FIFA U-20s at Swangard Stadium. **Erina Cho** has agreed to be the Venue Liaison Officer.

Congratulations to all on your appointments!

Ed note: Be on the lookout for the August issue where we will be printing a slew of stories and reminiscing of this year's Women's World Cup!

Soccer players needed

Soccer players are needed to help simulate game situations from the **May 28 to July 4** from 9:00 - 11:30 am each day at Vancouver's **Trillium Park**. General requirements are:

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Come in full soccer gear (cleats, shinpads, shorts, socks, etc – to be defined by Bob).

If anyone associated with a club/team in the Lower Mainland can help out please contact Bob at: Cell (604) 209-5750; Email: sawtell.csa@shaw.ca or Bob's assistant **Candace Brown** emailto: ref.liaison.fwwc@gmail.com.

Again, if you can help out please contact Bob directly (and Candace Brown) per the contact info above.

FITNESS TEST APRIL 2015



Fitness test helpers (L-R): Antonio Hurtado, Neil Ellett, Korina Busse, Elvio Chies
Photo: Mahmoud Ektafaie

Burnaby Central was the site for first mainland FIFA fitness test on Saturday, April 11, 2015. The participants consisted of Regional, Provincial, National and 2 FIFA referees. Altogether six female and nine male referees took part. Here is a short sample of photos



Antonio Hurtado and Korina Busse check results.
Photo: Mahmoud Ektafaie



Walking the 50 m interval test. L-R FIFA Referee Marie-Soleil Beaudoin, Erina Cho, Regional; Amanda Cordua von Specht, Regional; Michelle Pye, FIFA Referee.
Photo: Noel Estacio

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Provincial Cup Finals

This year's Provincial Cup Finals took place May 9-10 at Willoughby Community Park in Langley.

The Flag & Whistle congratulates all referees who were appointed to the various matches. Crews for the Finals:

Women's Provincial A Cup

Andy Pinter, R; Bartosz Wysocki, AR-1; Alex Patey, AR2; Art Bandeniaks, 4th,

Women's Leeta Sokalski B Cup

Sebastian Crema, Nicole Conquergood, Hannah Browning, Bartosz Wysocki.

Women's U-21 Cup

Mahmoud Ektafaie, Asia Robinson, Nicole Dumas, Troy Henke.

Women's Classic Cup

Candace Brown, Kim Green, John Badock, Lisa Mather.

Men's A Cup

Darnell Smith, Jas Parr, Brett Hartmann, Juan Marques.

Men's Keith Millar B Cup

Matt Notley, Evan Fryer, Aaron Kessler, Andy Pinter.

Men's U-21 Doug Day Cup

Nathan Bird, Stephen Lebrechthausen, Kevin Wildfong, Peter Paquette.

Men's Masters Deryl Hughes Cup

Martin Thomson, Brandt Sianchuck, Bradley Smith, Stefan Tanaka-Freundt.

BC Soccer Announces Development of New Discipline System

Posted on March 23rd, 2015 by BC Soccer

BC Soccer announced development is well under way on a new online Discipline System and reporting tool.

“The project to develop a new Discipline System comes as BC Soccer seeks to service its members better by providing upgraded, easy to use online systems,” said **Aiman El-Ramly**, BC Soccer Board of Director and Chair, Judicial Committee.

“In a committed effort to make the administration of the game, specifically discipline, more harmonized and efficient, the new online Discipline System will replace BC Soccer's current online tool. Our current online tool is reaching end-of-life and will be decommissioned once the new system is operative.”

Project Objective

The goal of the project is to improve BC Soccer's support of discipline by providing an integrated and easy to use system that provides all member organizations, discipline representatives, referees, and BC Soccer the ability to carry out the administrative functions of the discipline process via the online tool.

Designed to streamline the process for referees and discipline representatives to submit discipline reports and assign sanctions; the new online system will, for example, enable a referee to submit a discipline report with match information into the system; in turn the report will automatically be routed to the appropriate discipline representative for the League, District or Club in which the match took place. From here, the discipline representative can view the discipline report and issue sanction accordingly.

The tracking and storing functions of the new system will allow discipline representatives to view the discipline history of an individual across the Association. Over time (as the new system will not backfill sanctioning from the current system), this the centralized record will enable discipline panels to more effectively use BC Soccer's recently released Discipline Sanctioning Guide and provide more consistent suspensions and/or sanctions.

BC Soccer's long term goal is to have every member organization and referee using this new Discipline System and reporting tool for all member, sanctioned soccer activity across the province.

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NAME	ORGANIZATION	ORGANIZATION TYPE	ROLE
Vince Greco	Vancouver Island Soccer League	Adult League	President
Jackie Larson	Vancouver Youth Soccer Association (VYSA) / 4 District League	Youth District Association / Youth Inter-District League	VYSA Boys Discipline / 4 District League Boys Discipline Representative
Elvin Picardo	Surrey Metro Soccer Association	Youth District Association	District Discipline Chair
David Sinclair	North Shore Youth Soccer Association	Youth District Association	4 District League Boys Representative / Discipline Committee Member

Referee Test Users:

NAME	ORGANIZATION	ROLE	LEVEL
Alastair Knight	BC Soccer	Registered Referee	District
Stephen Lebrechthausen	BC Soccer	Registered Referee	Regional
Peter Paquette	BC Soccer	Registered Referee	Provincial
Bradley Smith	BC Soccer	Registered Referee	District

System / Project General Timelines (dates are subject to change)

Timeline	Project Milestones
March 2015	Test User Group Confirmed (BC Soccer)
March – April 2015	Testing & Continued Development (Test User Group / BC Soccer / Pulse)
May 2015	Development Update to Membership (BC Soccer)
May – June 2015	Soft Launch / Pilot
June – July 2015	Feedback & Continued Development (BC Soccer & Pulse)
August 2015 onwards	Implementation / Roll Out / Demonstrations & Workshops (BC Soccer)

[Link to BC Soccer Strategic Plan](#)

England vs. Norway: The 16-second football match

By Matt Majendie and Gary Morley -As posted on Yahoo Sports from the initial posting on CNN.com

In one of the most bizarre endings in football history, the final seconds of a women's youth international match were replayed five days later -- just hours after both teams involved had played a subsequent European Championship qualifying game on Thursday.

On Saturday, England had trailed 2-1 against Norway six minutes into injury-time before being awarded a penalty.

The spot-kick was converted by **Leah Williamson** but was deemed illegal by German referee **Marija Kurtes** for an England player, Nr 3, encroaching in the box before the kick was taken.

Kurtes incorrectly awarded an indirect free-kick to Norway rather than for the penalty to be retaken, and blew the final whistle 16 seconds later.

After an appeal by England's Football Association, governing body UEFA ordered the match – played in Belfast, Northern Ireland – to be resumed five days later, in the 96th minute, with Williamson retaking the penalty kick and scoring the all-important 2:2 equalizer.

If Norway had gone ahead to win the match, they would have finished atop the group with 9 points, while England with only 6 points, would have to wait for the outcome of the Netherland vs Czech Republic match. Only the best 2nd place finisher would qualify for the European finals being held July 15-27 in Israel,.

Kurtes, who by the way was voted Germany's top female referee for 2014, would not be involved anymore, having been sent home for her mistake.

In the end both teams had qualified for the finals with 7 points each.



Though England's Nr 3 encroached at the whistle, by the time the kick was taken, she nearly made it back the penalty area.

BC Referee gets Nod for Gold Cup

Former Canadian FIFA Assistant Referee and CONCACAF Instructor **John Nielsen** has been appointed to this year's Gold Cup being held in the US and Canada (one game at BMO Field) this July.

John was similarly appointed to the last Gold Cup in 2013.

Fraser Valley Social April 1st – No Fooling!

The Fraser Valley Area Association branch (FVSRA) held its spring social on April 1st at the Langley Legion in downtown Langley.

A great time was had by all, what with a lot of good natured ribbing at some colleagues.

Congratulations to the FVSRA Executive for organizing the event, especially to FVSRA Secretary **Paul Toop** who made the arrangements.

New Discipline System *Cont'd from page 4*

Project to Date

Upon completing the tendering process in July 2014, BC Soccer selected Pulse, the IT Company who supported BC Soccer to deliver the association's new website (launched first quarter 2013) and who is also currently development BC Soccer's online Customer Relationship Management (CRM) tool, to develop the customized online Discipline System.

As development progresses, currently BC Soccer staff have been testing the system internally for both functionality and ease of use, providing feedback to Pulse during weekly meetings and through the use of Pulse's project and development tracking software.

BC Soccer confirmed a Test User Group of both referee and

discipline representatives from within our membership has been selected to test the functionality and usability of the new Discipline System to ensure it meets our collective needs.

Strategic Direction - Support of Membership

Objective 3. To improve BC Soccer and member operational efficiency by introducing on-line forms for most major member service and governance needs

Strategic Direction - Governance

Objective 4. To manage all protests, appeals and discipline cases within specified timelines

For more information on this project please contact:

Dan Turvill, Competitions and Discipline Coordinator, danturvill@bcsoccer.net ■

A THANK YOU TO THE BC REFEREEING COMMUNITY

Ed note: This is a follow up to the article we posted in the February F&W about fellow referee **Colin Guise** from Kamloops. You may recall that Colin is suffering from a serious brain injury which has left him unable to work and provide for his family. A call went out to the refereeing community to help. Here Colin expresses his gratitude to all for their assistance. Although addresses to the Kamloops community, it's meant for all referees and the general soccer community in BC.



Colin Guise

April 20, 2015.

TO THE "COMMUNITY" of KAMLOOPS!

As the days become warmer and longer, the soccer season is finally upon us. With most leagues beginning their seasons, I want to take this opportunity to personally say THANK YOU! on behalf of the entire Guise family and myself. We wish to recognize the compassion, financial and physical assistance we have received since January of this year.

On January 2nd I entered the hospital with a life threatening brain abscess the size of a loonie on my brain stem. This diagnosis, which took a while to identify, left me in an unexpected critical condition. Since undergoing two major surgeries, a tracheotomy and weeks of being paralysed on my left side, I have made several improvements. Although the recovery process has been slow, I hope that in the coming months I might be able to return to work.

I still suffer partial paralysis in my left eye which causes double vision when I look to the left side. Most frustrating is the tendinitis in my left shoulder which really limits my range of motion and makes sleeping difficult. As the surgery was on the right side of my brain, you will notice the impairments have affected my left side. This also includes partial paralysis on the left side of my inner/outer face as well as half my tongue. This has affected my speech, eating and swallowing--something I used to think was so easy. The good thing is that my walking is coming along nicely.

As I look back at the past several months of sudden and life altering change, I cannot dwell on the challenges I have faced and continue to battle. Instead, it has been humbling to see and receive the unconditional support of many individuals, teams, organizations and businesses. It has been incredibly touching to continue to experience the love, support and community spirit when people could have just gone about their lives. Without hesitation, the community has and continues to rally around my family and to financially assist us when we need it the most!

To anybody and everybody who has contributed in any way, no matter how big or small... on behalf of my wife Jody and daughters Briana and Kaitlyn, I thank you for being part of our lives and making a difference.

BC Official on Whitecaps Home

BC-based Canadian National Assistant Referee **Marco Arruda** was part of the officiating crew for the Whitecaps' home opener against Toronto FC on March 7th. Marco has since appeared on the Whitecaps-Columbus match played April 8th at BC Place.



Marco Arruda (right) during official walk-out at Whitecaps home opener.

MLS Corner

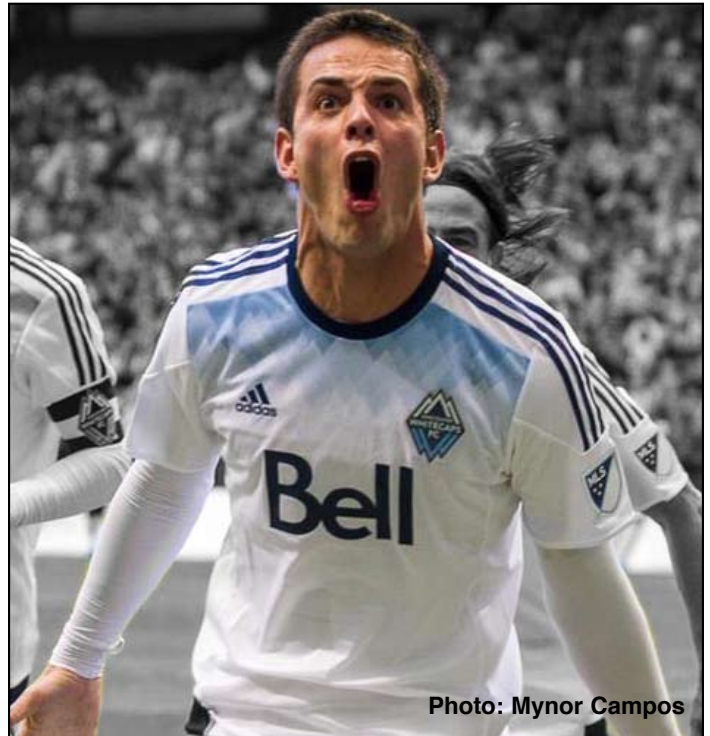


Photo: Mynor Campos

Octavio Rivero's reaction after scoring his first goal for the Whitecaps against TFC

ARTICLE FROM VANCOUVER PROVINCE

By Marc Weber, The Province March 10, 2015

(Ed note: *The editorial deadline for the February issue did not allow time to include this article. It's been included here at this time).*

There are two things that seem to drive people crazy about soccer, at least in North America. One is diving. The other is how a subjective penalty decision can decide a game – and the two are sometimes related.

So we should all take considerable pleasure in the subplot to Sunday's game between Orlando City and New York City.

Alan Kelly, a 39-year-old referee from Ireland – whose dad was a referee, and whose dad's dad was too – showed yellow cards to **Brek Shea**, **Kevin Molino** and **Cristian Higuita**, all from Orlando and all for simulation. And if that seems rare, well, it is.

"That's probably the most I've ever seen in one game," said Caps' left-back **Sam Adekugbe**, who, like many, tuned into the game to see **Kaka** and **David Villa** make their MLS debuts in front of 62,500 fans at the Citrus Bowl.

According to soccer gods.com, only five MLS teams were assessed multiple yellow cards for diving over the course of last season. Three to one team in one game, then, is certainly an anomaly, and most objective observers would agree that all were the right calls. More impressive, Kelly kept going back to his pocket in front of more purple-clad fans than can fit into B.C. Place.

"Sometimes it's easy for managers to criticize referees – and I don't do that – but sometimes they don't get the credit they deserve," Caps' coach Carl Robinson said, unsolicited, before Monday's practice.

"What a fantastic performance he (Kelly) put on: three bookings for simulation. That's unbelievable and that's credit to him because the referees talk about it before the start of the season with all the groups. In front of 65,000, and not getting deceived by anyone, not being afraid to do what his job is to do, it's credit to him."

Now, Robinson knows how to carefully craft a subtle dig with the best of them, and the implication here is that Toronto

suckered the referee into some soft calls in the Caps' 3-1 home loss on Saturday. But Robinson's larger point stands. He fully supports MLS's initiative to stamp out simulation, and he wasn't the least bit bothered last June when his own winger, Sebastian Fernandez, felt the wrath of the five-man MLS disciplinary committee for an embarrassing flop in Portland.

That fakery seemed to haunt Fernandez for the rest of the season. He couldn't buy a call after that, so reputation should be a deterrent, too. But supplemental discipline – believed to be a \$1,000 fine for a first offence – doesn't take away the advantage gained during the game, especially if it's a penalty that results in a goal.

Referees should feel more empowered to make diving calls on the field, although they're rarely as obvious as Sunday's theatre. Defenders will especially welcome the crackdown because they're most often the victims on these plays.

"There's no place for it, so it's good that they're starting to take action," said Adekugbe, who should be in contention

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Time for Soccer to penalize those who intimidate Referees

By Rob Hughes, March 12, 2015, NY Times

The Champions League is the best competition on earth, and at times the most cynical. The tournament matters more to most players than the World Cup because it is contested every year; its level of play is better than any single country can offer; and its profits have allowed clubs to pay ever-higher salaries.

If only the clubs involved played in a sporting manner.

Gamesmanship, a euphemism for cheating, affected both of Wednesday's matches: Bayern Munich's 7-0 thrashing of Shakhtar Donetsk, and Paris St.-Germain's 2-2 tie with Chelsea, which allowed the French club to advance on the away goals rule.

Red cards affected both outcomes. In Munich, Donetsk capitulated after it lost a defender when he was sent off in the opening minutes. In London, P.S.G. reacted in the opposite way. Its players refused to be overrun after losing their top scorer and ended up advancing. With mighty scoring headers from **David Luiz** and then **Thiago Silva**, P.S.G. outjumped a Chelsea defense that normally imposes aerial superiority on opponents.

And that's the beauty of soccer. Luiz and Silva were part of the Brazil team that imploded last year on home soil at the World Cup, surrendering in a 7-1 loss to Germany. Yet those two players led the comeback at Stamford Bridge.

Some of the Germans who administered that thrashing were at it again in Munich on Wednesday, though the seven goals this time also included strikes from imported players, **Franck Ribéry** and **Robert Lewandowski**.

Shakhtar Coach Mircea Lucescu had described Bayern as the best collection of players in the world at the moment, and it effectively had the game won from the second minute on.

That was all the time it took for **Mario Götze** to feel the presence of **Olexandr Kucher** on his back, and when Kucher tried to win the ball, Götze quickly fell to the ground. It was possibly a slightly mistimed tackle, but the moment it happened, a posse of Munich players, led by their captain, **Bastian Schweinsteiger**, surrounded the Scottish referee, **William Collum**.

They didn't get out of his face until Collum first signaled a penalty kick and then issued the fastest red card in Champions League history.

Maybe Collum would have made that call anyway. But Munich's players did as so many pros do these days: they held up their fingers, demanding that he send off the Ukrainian defender as well as award the penalty kick.

FIFA regulations – the so-called double jeopardy rule introduced recently— leaves the referee with no choice. It is unnecessary, as well as unpleasant, for players to harangue the referee as Schweinsteiger and his pals did.

Once the jostling subsided, the penalty was taken in the fourth minute, sending Bayern ruthlessly on its way. It was the second time this tournament that the Münchener have pummeled an opponent with seven goals. The first time, in Rome, had been a display of disparity in talent; Wednesday compounded that with the sour taste of players wanting to be judge, jury and executioner on the field.

The red card in London, in an encounter that might have merited red cards to both sides on more than the one occasion, came with even uglier interference by Chelsea players.

Indeed, one could argue that Chelsea's **Oscar** and P.S.G.'s **Zlatan Ibrahimovic** were both reckless as they rushed toward the ball. Oscar, though, was the better actor. He lay on the turf like a broken man, and almost the whole Chelsea team massed around the Dutch referee **Bjorn Kuipers**.

As in Munich, the players' intentions were clear. They wanted the other team's player, Ibrahimovic, to be ordered off. The una-



The Chelsea players made a vociferous protest to the referee **Bjorn Kuipers**, center, who issued a red card to P.S.G.'s **Zlatan Ibrahimovic**. Credit Matt Dunham/Associated Press

nimity of the protest bore the hallmark of the Chelsea manager, **José Mourinho**.

He had been vocal, to say the least, in accusing Paris of being the most "aggressive" bunch of players that Chelsea had come up against all season long. Mourinho did as he habitually does: He planted in the media, and in the minds of the referees, the suggestion that P.S.G. was out to rough up his Blues with foul and overly physical play.

It is a familiar tactic – so familiar that 10 years ago **Volker Roth**, a retired official who headed the UEFA referee's committee, called Mourinho "an enemy of football." That came after Mourinho had falsely stated that Barcelona coach **Frank Rijkaard** had gone into the referee's room at halftime during a Champions League game against Chelsea.

It was a slur that persuaded **Anders Frisk**, the referee that night, to quit the sport after he and his children received threatening phone calls.

It is up to FIFA and UEFA to do something about the corrosive behavior of theatrical falls during games and of players trying to get their fellow professionals removed from the field.

It can still be the beautiful game. But winning at all costs makes it ugly. Players who foul and those who fake are not doing this alone. Their coaches have a role, and the men who supposedly lay down the laws too often turn a blind eye on what is becoming organized and often violent dissent.

Vancouver Province *Cont'd from page 7*

for a start this weekend in Chicago. "It's just another way of cheating and it's something we want to get out of the game." Added Caps' right-back Steven Beitashour: "I think early in the season it's good to put your foot down in terms of how the refs call things. And then we'll see how it carries on, and if guys learn their lesson."

MLS first fined a player for diving in 2011. It debated that decision for days before slapping then-D.C. United forward Charlie Davies with a \$1,000 bill. They've picked up the pace since then, but there's a ways to go. Kelly's colleagues should take a cue from him.



Great position by Andy Pinter during Women's A Cup final.



Asia Robinson indicates throw-in.



*L-R: Kim Green, Candace Brown, Lisa Mather, John Badock
All Photos: Art Bandeniaks*



*Martin Thomson
comforts Westside FC player.*

Scholarship Pool 2.0 Mixing Business With Pleasure

On the heels of last year's successful Dan Kulai/Jack Tinnion Memorial Scholarship Pool comes version 2.0! Once again, in order to help raise funds for the annual referees' scholarship, a pool has been created based on this summer's Women's World Cup Pool. What better way to fully enjoy this once-in-a-lifetime event by trying to test your ability to pick the winners?

The cost is only \$5 and is open to all members, family, friends and fellow col-

leagues. The format will be the same as last year- pick teams from four different columns and points will be awarded for every time your chosen teams win, tie or score a goal (except goals scored when penalty kicks are taken to decide a winner). A copy of the form is included with this issue of the Flag & Whistle.

Prizes will be awarded as follows:
1st Place= 50% of all monies received
2nd Place=25% of all monies received
3rd Place=10% of all monies received

Last Place= \$5

As like last year, a special website will be created to allow people to check the results online. There will also be a "Mystery Place" Prize, not originally mentioned and given to a randomly selected place that is not either 1st, 2nd, 3rd or last place.

Enter as many times as you like as long as each entry is accompanied by a \$5 fee. All entries must be submitted by Friday June 5th. **Entry Form on page 10**

2015 WOMEN'S WORLD CUP Pool

Prizes

1st place: 50% of all monies collected 2nd place: 25% of all monies collected

3rd place: 10% of all monies collected A Last Place Prize of \$5

(Scholarship Fund receives 15% of all monies collected)

Entry Fee is only \$5!

This pool is designed to help raise funds for this scholarship given out each year by the British Columbia Soccer Referees Association. It is open to all members of the association and their family and friends.

HOW THE SCHOLARSHIP POOL WORKS

Choose 2 teams from each of the 4 different columns- 8 in total. During the tournament, points are awarded depending on the performance of your chosen teams: 3 points per win, 1 point per draw, and 1 point per goal scored for teams chosen from Column A, B or C but 2 points for every goal for teams in Column D (Note: a shootout loss is a loss, i.e. no points given, and no points are given for shootout goals).

Prizes are awarded as listed at the top of this page. In case of a tie, tie breakers will determine placement in the Pool standings. Pool standings will be made available online at a special website. Notification of the Pool's website address will be given to all participants as part of official confirmation of receipt of their entry.

Enter as often as you wish. Each entry must include a completed form and entry fee to cover its submission.

Entries must be received by June 5, 2015.

Cash or cheque is accepted. Please make cheques payable to "British Columbia Soccer Referees Association." Send completed entry form and fee to "Scholarship Pool 2015, c/o 8130 Selkirk St., Vancouver, B.C., V6P 4H7 or make arrangements with Pool Organizer Elvio Chies (Lvo@direct.ca) to submit entries. Do not send cash in the mail. The Pool Organizer nor the British Columbia Soccer Referees Association are not responsible for submissions lost in the mail.

PICK YOUR TEAMS AND TIE-BREAKERS (MUST BE RECEIVED BY = June 5, 2015)

Circle 2 teams from EACH of Columns A, B, C & D below. The columns represent the 24 teams in the 2015 Women's World Cup tournament in Canada, listed by their FIFA ranking as of March 29, 2015 (in parentheses).

(For actual tournament groupings please see <http://www.fifa.com/worldcup/index.html>)

Column A	Column B	Column C	Column D
Germany (1)	Brazil (7)	China PR (16)	Thailand (29)
USA (2)	Canada (8)	New Zealand (17)	Nigeria (33)
France (3)	Australia (10)	Korea Republic (18)	Costa Rica (37)
Japan (4)	Norway (11)	Switzerland (19)	Ecuador (48)
Sweden (5)	Netherlands (12)	Mexico (25)	Cameroon (53)
England (6)	Spain (14)	Columbia (28)	Cote D'Ivoire (67)

TIE BREAKERS (NOTE: blank entries will automatically disqualify the participant in case of a tie)

In the event of a Tie, the following tiebreakers will apply to determine standings:

1st Tie breaker Guess the winner of 2015 Women's World Cup: _____

2nd Tie breaker (used only if entries tied on the 1st Tiebreaker) :

Number of goals that will be scored in 2015 Women's World Cup Canada (closest without going over): _____

POOL PARTICIPANT INFORMATION: Please enter all details below.

Name			Phone#
Email	Circle one: Referee Assn member / Family/friend of one		
Address	City	Postal Code	
I understand how the Scholarship Pool works and will abide by its rules (signature):			

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