

## Meeting notes from May 23, 2007

### Coaching Information:

John Hart visited all the regions websites and reported that none of them has current or any information about Coaching Clinics. This needs to be addressed by the regions. Need to build links to classes if they are listed somewhere else or regions are using other regions classes.

Golden Gate Camp (GGC) has 44 applicants. This is only 19% enrollment considering there are 236 spots available. Area is willing to help fund attendance., so funding shouldn't be a deterrent.

A young man who has played for over 15 years is interested in the Intermediate Coaching Class at GGC. John is looking into how to get him into the class since he has no previous coaching experience.

John Maltester stated that two referees from 2C are signed up for the National Referee class; four from PHMSA, two from Concord and MDSA, respectively are signed up for the referee class. Concord has three coaches and two referee signed up for GGC.

To help fill spots, repeat participation will be allowed.

Davis Cup tournament is this weekend, May 24-26. Come up for Air tournament has an opening for a U14 girls team

### Referee Information:

Kudos to John Kallis for his referee coverage at the Concord Cup tournament.

Week of July 28, PHMSA will host the Area sponsored Intermediate and Advanced Referee training.

Felipe Torres, new Referee Administrator for Stockton, need training in Spanish.

### Short-Sided Games

PHMSA has adopted Short-Sided games for their fall season. National has dropped the topic from the NAGM.

Joe Hull questioned if it would be only for interplay. What will happen for TOC, during Select and other tournaments.

Clubs are being told 4v4, 5v5, up through U10. This is the trend in Europe, although, it is NOT a National mandate. Need to move to discussion of TOC and Select.

From a referee standpoint, the classes would be taught in three days and will need to teach the modules in the written order. Rather than the current trend of teaching them out of order.

PHMSA has set: U6 at 3v3, U8 at 5v5, U10 at 7v7, and U12 at 9v9. They have also remapped their fields. It has actually given the opportunity to use the land space more efficiently. Biggest challenge is U6. Looking at having two games going side by side (simultaneously) and swapped players back and forth to make the play more balanced.

Jeff McClure has researched how other areas are handling short-side games and found one

that has four fields set up side by side. F1 has goals and a keeper, F2 has pylons, F3 had cones, and F4 is just dribbling over the end line. The teams play ten minutes on each field and then rotate to the next one over. Concord would like to wait one more year before adopting short-sided games. MDSA is choosing not to adopt short-sided games. They already tend to carry less players per team. David and the Davis Tournament will be changing to short-sided games.

There is still the issue of TOC and Select. It was suggested that for this year, allow players to be added for the TOC. Need to build in some flexibility for regions using short-sided games when they go against regions that are not using them.

It was suggested that a committee be put in place to consider all the parameters of going to short-sided games. This idea was bypassed.

A suggestion was made to let the regions do what they want, then allow “guest” players for the TOC. Every regions should have teams that do not advance to the TOC and that would give the coaches that do a pool of players to pick from to “fill-in” their teams. A motion was made for Area 2C to allow short-sided teams to add players at the TOC to match the competition (at the coaches discretion) allowing them to have full sided teams. This is mainly to give more subs. Although, it should be left up to the coach.

Full-Sided being:  
U10 9v9  
U12 11v11

Short-Sided being  
7v7  
9v9

For the record, Jeff McClure didn’t agree to the numbers.

The discussion moved away to field size. Would the fields be smaller and if so, what size. For U12, 45x80 up to 50x100. What standards are we adopting for short-sided games? U6 and U8 have guidelines in place.

A motion was made to adopt the above listed information for TOC. It was seconded and passed with one nay.

DVSC is supposed to be moving toward short-sided games and Walnut Creek is already using it.

Discussion moved to what about during the Select season? This was tabled for the time being.

## **Fall Team Building**

Teams need to be built and number of teams submitted to Area not later than July 1. U19 will begin play the end of August, with the TOC October 27. The rules for NCS is no other play after the first weekend in November. It was brought up that Daylight savings will be longer this year, allowing more weekday games. The Region playoffs will be the weekend of November 10 and the Area Tournament the weekend of November 17.

Motion was made to adopt that all team numbers have to be to Area by July 1 for U14-U19, so the interplay schedule can be made. Seconded and accepted.

## **Fall Standings**

It was brought up that team wins and losses need to be posted somewhere that referees would have access, so they know what type of game they might be encountering. John Hart stated that statistics are specifically not kept to help keep the games from getting too physical.

### **U14 Free Subs**

National feels free subs in the U14 division doesn't allow for each player playing to be used in at least half the game. Therefore, they will not allow free subs in the U14 division.

### **Financial Statement**

The financial statement was passed out and reviewed. It was stated that Area will refund 1/2 of the GGC fees after the person has actually attended. Motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the financial statement.

Motion was made to adjourn. It was seconded and passed.