



Central Oregon Soccer Officials Association Newsletter

March 14, 2018

Hi Everybody,

A couple of messages/notes to pass along to everybody:

- There are a few spots remaining in this weekend's upcoming Entry-Level Soccer Referee Training Course. Today (March 14th) is the last date to register for this class. Information about this class and sign-up information and links is included down below.
- The Field Session Training portion for this Entry-Level Referee Training Course is currently being planned for Tuesday (March 20th) and Wednesday (March 21st) between 4:00 – 6:30 pm. **We need a few experienced Officials to volunteer and help out with the Field Session Training.** If you are able to help out with this, **please email Pat Evoy** (cosoapat@gmail.com) **and let him know.**
- Due to the great turnout and interest associated with the March 17th Course, another USSF Entry-Level Soccer Referee Training Course is being planned for Saturday, April 7th. We are currently working on securing a location for this class. As soon as the final details are secured, we'll send out more information about this class.
- If you haven't done so already, please update your Availability on Oregon Soccer Central. There are currently Timbers and Rush games on the weekends, but starting on April 7th, the Spring COSL season will start and there will be an additional 40 – 50 games every weekend to cover.
- If you have outgrown or are no longer using old Referee Gear (especially if they are Youth Size), please shoot me an email. There are always new and incoming Officials who could put those items back to use again.

Thank you to all of you for all that you do to serve the sport, the kids and our community.

Mehdi
Commissioner, COSOA

Entry-Level Soccer Referee Training Course

Offered in Bend!

(Please forward info. to others who might be interested)

The **Grade 8 Soccer Referee Course** is an introductory course for aspiring referees ages 13 and older. Grade 8 Referees are eligible to officiate a variety of recreational and competitive soccer matches.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS:

- 13 YEARS or older
- A UNIQUE email address for registration purposes; once an email address has been used, it is linked to that student. Only one student can be registered per email address.
- You will need a credit card to pay the course registration fee.
- Complete online prerequisite training materials on the US Soccer website.
- The link to the free Training Modules is:
<http://www.ussoccer.com/referees/resource-center/online-training/grade-8-referee-course.aspx>
- There are 18 different 5-10 minute videos that need to be viewed.
- There are review questions at the end of each module which need to be answered correctly, in order to receive a Certificate of Completion for each module.
- Complete online Concussion Training.
- The link to the Concussion Training Module is:
<https://www.cdc.gov/headsup/youthsports/training/index.html>
- Click the 'Launch the HEADS UP Course' tab and register for the free course.
- Participants need to complete the online training modules BEFORE March 14 and print-out their Certificates of Completion of each online Training Module (bring to class and/or email to instructor).

Class Location:

- High Lakes Elementary School Library (enter via Main/Front Entrance)
- 2500 NW High Lakes Loop, Bend, OR 97703

Dates and Times:

- MARCH 17, 2018 (SATURDAY): 9:00 a.m. TO 6:00 p.m.

Field Training: [] Time and Location TBA.

Cost: \$40 for the class + \$45 for 2018 USSF registration (total \$85). Class size will be limited to 20 students, so register early!

Registration: online at: <https://form.jotform.com/80585137384160>

- This web site will provide further instructions on payment and prerequisite 'online' class.

Course Info Contact:

- Pat Evoy; cosoapat@gmail.com; 541-480-4917 (Text preferred!)

Some General Information about Becoming a Soccer Referee:

- Games to referee are typically on the weekends.
- Referees submit an online availability for the dates and times they are able to officiate and are assigned matches based on availability of games at the times they are available.
- There is a range of pay for games worked, based on the age and difficulty level of each match. The pay may range from \$12 - \$30 per entry level match.
- There are a few other expenses (such as Uniform, Whistle, Cards, Flags) that would be incurred prior to working matches.
- New and younger Referees are almost always paired with more experienced or adult Referees to help mentor and guide them as they gain experience.