



Refereeing News

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NRC Newsletter

Bring enjoyment back into refereeing

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Editor's Comments

Welcome to edition six of Refereeing News.

All previous editions are available online from the BJA website, from the home page select Technical and then

Refereeing.

For those referees who don't have internet or email access and wish to receive future copies of this newsletter, please let me know.

NB The full BJA Referee rules appear on the BJA website.

The NRC welcome any comments, ideas, articles or any pictures that you may wish to see appearing in this newsletter.

Please email the editor at david.martin@archant.co.uk or write to editor at 15 Orchard Grove, Claydon, Suffolk IP6 0BZ.

Congratulations go to Reuben Davison following the announcement that his position on the BJA board was unopposed.

Therefore he has been elected as Chairman of the Refereeing Commission for another 3 year term of office.

Paul Thomson has returned to the National Referee Commission as International Coordinator, replacing Dave Stanley.

The NRC has decided to postpone the Refereeing Convention for 2005 until after the EJU Seminar, currently July 2006. It has been noted that information has not cascaded to all levels of referees in the most efficient manner.

All future Conventions will take place immediately following the EJU Seminar each year, with the latest information from this Seminar being delivered by the IJF Referee Delegation in attendance.

This process will communicate any changes or interpretations to as wide an audience as possible in the shortest time frame.

Congratulations go to the following referees who have passed referee examinations since the last Newsletter was produced; **NAT B** Ferdie Baronette NHC, Mark Waterhouse NW, Stephan Newbury Midlands, Paul Nunnen East **NATC** Trevor Collins NHC, Ricky Solane Army, Dave Garratt Army, Eric Jones South, Steve Baker West, David Harrison NW, Andy Ward Midlands, Amr Moshen Midlands, Lisa Rogan NI, Tom Pearson NI, Ronan Simpson NI, Russell Brown NI

AREA Petra Pears South, Peter Blakmore South, Graham Holmes South, David Duxberry West, Matthew Kilpatrick South, Richard Hopkins West, Fiona Woods NW, Shane Byrne NW, David Harrison NW, Alan Thomas Army, Peter Powell Navy, David Burge Army, Abbas Saliku Army, Brian McCarrol NI, Andrew Ashcroft Army, John Concannon Army, Ian Clark Navy, William Taggart NI, Shauna Healy NI, Sean Fleming, Zane Lightfoot NI, Stephen Mclusky NI Ben Newbury Midlands. Apologies if I have left someone off, please let me know and I will include next time.

National A Assessment

As you may know a pilot of constant Assessment for NAT B referees wanting to progress to NAT A has been agreed by the NRC for 2005

- A completed application form with fee to be received from the candidates, as existing, to the Examinations Coordinator.
- The assessments to be taken at the four National events, Senior & Junior Teams (if they remain a one day event), British Junior Open, National Age banded Championships and finally the British Closed (Grand finals).
- Theory examination to be taken at the first event, if a failure occurs a further final attempt will be allowed at the British Closed (Grand finals)
- Candidates have to make themselves available for all the four events.
- All assessment paperwork has to be delivered to the NRC who will decide on pass or fail and inform participants prior to January of the following year.
- When application forms are received, the Senior Coordinator is to be informed for candidates to be placed on the invited list for the above events.
- Owing to the late approval of this format it was agreed, that for 2005 only, the Heart of England Champs would be used in place of the National teams event.
- It was further ratified that theory examinations for National A awards will be in the format of the National B ORAL paper but with a minimum pass mark of 10/12 for National A
- To ensure consistency this will take the form of a matrix selection, which the NRC has prepared, this will be issued to all NAT A Examiners.

For clarification on any of the above, please ask any member of the NRC .

National B Examinations will continue in their current format. There will be opportunities to take this Examination next year at the Kent International and the Heart of England. Please ensure that an application form is completed in advance to confirm attendance.

All Examination process paperwork is currently being updated and will be sent out to all Area Reps and Examiner/assessors as appropriate.

Please inform the Senior referee coordinator and NRC Secretary of any changes in your personal contact details; home address, telephone, mobile and email.

Increasing use is being made of email by the NRC to save on costs and to try and speed up communication.

There is now a Performance Reporting Programme taking place, for all referees of Nat C to SNR, at all National events, as outlined in the referee structure, available from the BJA web site.

RIC of mats will carry out performance reporting of their team. This is to provide feedback and identify areas where some training could be provided by the refereeing coaching team, headed up by Alan Medley.

Interpretation of IN/OUT rule from EJU Refereeing Seminar 2005 -

Latest Update 8th November 2005

It is felt that the article as first published in this edition caused some confusion and on consideration has now been removed.

In summary the interpretation remains the same and has not shifted in respect of edgework.

Message from Paul Sheard the Senior Refereeing Coordinator.

CLIMBING THE LADDER

The NRC wishes to encourage development of all our referees at any level, but in order to be able to do this we need to know who you are and where you want to be, year on year.

Those of you wishing to progress to the next level of refereeing need to let your Area Coordinators know so they can pass this information on to the relative person.

We will then contact you and discuss how we can assist you in your refereeing development.

REVALIDATION

January 2006 is validation time, will all National A referees please remember to forward your cards to your Area Coordinator who will validate them for local work and pass them on to me for National validation.

Although quite a number of you referees like collecting signatures and event info on your green slips for posterity, times are changing. The next validation period end of 2008 will be different and we will be telling you about why in the next edition.

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Did you know ?

Referee expenses are currently
15p /mile with a £10 a day meal
allowance.



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