



The 5th Law

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NEWS



Scrooge Cup Referee Charity Soccer Game

The First Annual MSRA Scrooge Cup held on Monday, December 20th, 2010 at the WSF Indoor Complex was an overwhelming success with 31 players and volunteer Referee Chris Golden. The event, organized by the MSRA Special Events Committee, involved a game played between MSRA Referees, and a charity focus during the holiday season. Dry goods were collected for Winnipeg Harvest, and money collected for player fees was donated to the Salvation Army. Due to the excellent feedback from this event, the Special Events Committee intend to hold more of these charity Referee soccer games in 2011. Check the [MSRA website](#) for updates on more great events like this to come.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very big welcome home to Christian Palavecino who returned in December from his military tour in Sudan.

5th Law Newsletter Resurrected!

The Manitoba Soccer Referees Association is very pleased to bring back to you the 5th Law Newsletter, the voice of the MSRA. This publication was last edited in 2005 by Dennis Petrelli and Peter Manastyrsky, but discontinued shortly thereafter. The MSRA Executive feels that this is an important aspect of our organization, so the newsletter has been brought back. If you are interested in seeing some of the back issues of the 5th Law, we will be posting previous issues on our website soon.

The new version of the 5th Law will be a much more condensed version than previous formats, with items such as recent Referee News, appointments, announcements, calendar of events, and Referee tips. The new version will also have some fun items such as trivia contests and Referee profiles.

This will be a bi-monthly publication and all MSRA Members will receive the newsletter by e-mail. All back issues will be posted on the [MSRA web site](#).

If you would like to submit any items for the newsletter, you are more than welcome to send us any ideas. Please e-mail "The 5th Law" @ fifthlaw@live.ca. We look forward to your comments and we hope you enjoy the publication.

The MSA-RDC will be holding a Referee Appreciation Event on January 15th, 12pm - 4pm at the WSF Indoor Complex. Meet fellow Referees and watch the documentary film, "Kill the Referee". A prize draw will be held at 3 pm. To attend, RSVP the Referee Development Coordinator Dennis Petrelli, dpetrelli@manitobasoccer.ca.

Visit us @ www.manitobasoccerreferees.ca

Return of the MSRA Potluck Dinner

After a one year hiatus, the MSRA are bringing back the potluck dinner and pub trivia night on Saturday, February 19, from 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm at the Irish Club - 654 Erin Street. We will have a trivia contest with great MSRA prize packages, and lots of great food.

Also at this event, we will be collecting toys for a very important charity called Max's Treasure Chest Toy Drive, which collects toys, books, crafts, games, etc. for the CK5 ward at the Children's Hospital. Please RSVP Lisa Sansregret at lisansregret@hotmail.com by January 31st and let her know which dish you are bringing.



January Trivia

A defender, inside his own penalty area, strikes an opponent, who is outside the penalty area, with excessive force.

What decision does the Referee make?

- Award a penalty kick and send off the offending player.
- Award a direct free kick and send off the offending player.
- Award a drop ball.
- Award an indirect free kick and send off the offending player.

*Send your answer to fifthlaw@live.ca
Correct answers will be entered to win a
\$20 Gift Certificate from Red Card Soccer.*



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MSRA 2011 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January - May Events:

February 19	MSRA Potluck Dinner 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm @ Irish Club - 654 Erin Street
March 19	MSRA SAGM 10:00 am, Brunch to follow @ Hilton Suites - 1800 Wellington
April 23	MSRA Boot Camp: Charity Referee Soccer Game 2:00 pm @ WSF Indoor Complex
April 30 & May 1	Fitness Testing 10:00 am @ U of M Track
May 2	Orientation Session for New Refs 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm @ WSF Indoor Complex
May 28	Champions League Final 1:45 pm @ 4 Play Sports Bar

More details on the above events will be forwarded by the Special Events Committee

REFEREE TIPS

Ask, Tell, Remove for Bench Control

The "Ask, Tell, Remove" process is recommended for all officials to follow regarding conduct by team officials:

1. Ask

If a situation arises where there is irresponsible behavior, the Official (Referee, Assistant Referee, or Fourth Official) should ASK the person(s) to stop.

2. Tell

If there is another occurrence of irresponsible behaviour, the Official should inform that person that the behavior is not permissible and TELL them (insist) to stop.

3. Remove

If the non-accepted actions continue, the Referee must REMOVE that person immediately.

NOTE: Steps are not necessary if the behaviour and conduct requires immediate dismissal.

MSRA REFEREE PROFILE**MATTHEW TESSIER**

Name: *Matthew Tessier*

Birthdate: *July 30, 1988*

Home Town: *Ottawa, Ontario*

Year Joined the MSRA: *2003*

Current Class: *Nominated Provincial*

Awards: *WYSA Referee of the Year (2002), MSRA Rookie of the Year (2003), MSRA Most Improved Referee (2006), MSA Archie Nunn Scholarship (2006), MSA Mario Perrino Award (2009).*

Highest Appointment: *USL Super-Y North American Championships (Tampa, FL 2009)*

Motto: *"No matter how ugly it looks, get the call right."*

Favourite Referee Memory: *Bonding with fellow Canadian delegates at USL Super-Y North American Championships.*

Most Difficult Game: *Lucania vs. Hellas (August 5, 2010)*

Future Goals: *FIFA Referee*

APPOINTMENTS**NTC Prairies Scouting Weekend**

Congratulations to Marko Kalic and Nicolas Joubert for their recent appointment to the January NTC Prairies Scouting weekend in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan.

This is the 3rd appointment to the NTC for Nicolas Joubert, he was appointed to Edmonton scouting weekends in April of 2008 and January of 2009. This is the 2nd appointment to NTC for Marko Kalic, who attended an Edmonton scouting weekend in February of 2009.



Nicolas Joubert



Marko Kalic

National List Appointments

Hector Vergara has accepted his invitation to be on the National list of Assistant Referees for 2011, and he has been invited to attend the MLS training camp in Fort Lauderdale, Florida in January.

Christian Palavecino has also been invited to be on the National List of Assistant Referees for 2011. Congratulations to both Christian and Hector for these great accomplishments.

Have a request for something you would like included in the next edition of the Fifth Law?

We welcome any ideas or contributions from our members!!!

Contact The Fifth Law at fifthlaw@live.ca.

Look for our next edition in March 2011.

