



# CanSoRef

CanSoRef is the official Newsletter of the Ontario Soccer Referees' Association.  
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## OSRA Referee Seminars

**Available to all members seeking upgrading with the OSA**

**Saturday March 15th**

at the **Holiday Inn Suites**, Bronte Rd and QEW  
9.00am to 5.00pm

**Sunday March 16th**

at **The Best Western Hotel**, 401 & Thickson Rd  
9.00am to 5.00pm

Information and forms available from your Branch Secretary or the Education Chairman.  
Limited space, first come first served basis.  
Closing date Friday 29<sup>th</sup> February.

## An Audience With CSA Director of Referees Joe Guest

Joe Guest, CSA Director of Referees, came to Toronto on January 27 and gave a presentation lecture on the new CSA Referee programme and structure to nearly 100 OSRA members at the Armenian Youth Centre at 401 and Victoria Park.

[See Joe's Powerpoint presentation here.](#)

The only item to draw contention was the fact that there will only be one badge for referee's in Canada from 2009, Joe was quite clear that that our beloved OSRA badge will not be allowed on a referee uniform, not even as an arm patch.

At the end of the lecture, Joe presented our very own member from Toronto Branch Amato de Luca with a CSA award recognizing his achievement as a FIFA Assitant Referee. Amato retired from the active FIFA list this year having reached the upper age limit.



Dave Cope (OSRA President), Gerry Foley, Amato de Luca and Joe Guest

Photographs taken by Barrie Fineman (OSRA Brampton) during the event can be [viewed here.](#)

## First Council Meeting 2008

First Council Meeting for 2008 was held directly after the Audience with Joe Guest at the Armenian Youth Centre Cafeteria, with around 80 attendees.

The meeting moved speedily along, the 2008 budget, including a hefty wedge for our new Education initiative was approved. Sadly, our first attempt at securing a Grant from the Ontario Trillium Foundation has failed, however we will be reviewing and updating our application and resubmitting for reconsideration.



*All OSRA members  
are cordially invited  
to attend the  
19th Annual General Meeting of the CSRA to  
be held in Winnipeg on  
February 23, 2008*

## Equipment

Please support us by purchasing your referee Equipment and merchandise from us.

We have in stock the following items:

JACKETS (water resistant).....	\$60
GOLF SHIRTS.....	\$30
TEE SHIRT.....	\$13
TIES.....	\$20
DRESS BADGES.....	\$20
UNIFORM BADGES...original and new round ones. .	\$5
HATS.....	\$13
FLIPPING COINS.....	\$3
PINS.....	\$4
WHISTLE....Fox 40 with OSRA logo.....	\$5
CLIP BOARDS.....	\$6
TUQUES.....	\$10

## OSA Registration

On-Line registration for 2008 is now available at the OSA website [www.soccer.on.ca/](http://www.soccer.on.ca/)

You can also download the form if you prefer to send a cheque.

Referee's are reminded that the OSA Registration Fee is not covered in the OSRA Membership Fee.



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[www.officialsportsontario.com](http://www.officialsportsontario.com)

## OSRA Referee Indoor Soccer Tournament

### OSRA Scarborough

is hosting the 2008 Soccer Referees' Indoor Soccer Tournament

**Registered OSRA Branches are invited to enter a team**

**Date:** Saturday, May 3, 2008

**Location: Scarborough Soccer Centre**

45 Fairfax Crescent  
Scarborough, M1L 1Z6  
Time: 9:00 am Kick off

**Entry Deadline:** Monday, February 25, 2008

**Entry Fee: \$250.00 per team** (Due: March 28)  
(A minimum of 8 teams is needed to keep the fee as is)

**Each team will be guaranteed three games**

*50% of net proceeds will be donated to  
The Heart and Stroke Foundation*

For additional information and to register,  
please contact Leslie Wong by email here  
or call 416-282-4272

## Around The Branches

### London

The OSRA London Branch is hosting an Association Fundraiser Casino Trip at the Fallsview Casino, Niagara Falls. The date is Saturday April 19th. Tickets are \$15 per person and it includes the use of a luxury coach to Fallsview, a 5 hr stay at the casino, which includes a complimentary lunch buffet (valued at \$17), then return on the coach. I have arranged for a pickup in the **Hamilton Area at Hwy #6 and 403** so that it opens the opportunity to those from Hamilton, Toronto, Brampton, etc. to come. We have a 56 seat coach and want to include referees from other branches. Last years event was sold out, therefore, tickets will be sold on a first come, first serve basis.

Please canvas your members to see if anyone is interested in coming. All I would need is for the Secretary or President of each branch to email me on the number of tickets needed for their branch. If anyone on this email wants to email me directly, please do so. Please keep in mind that the contract with Great Canadian Coaches is that we have 56 people attend, therefore, anyone requesting a ticket needs to ensure that they come on the trip and not just buy a ticket as a donation towards the fundraiser.

This type of fundraiser is available for all branches, but if you want to join us on the April 19th date, you'll get an idea of what the fundraiser is all about and maybe look at booking one for your own branch. All ticket sales for this fundraiser goes towards funding the OSRA London branch.

All the details can be seen on our website by clicking on FUNDRAISER at [www.owrsra.com](http://www.owrsra.com)

**NOTE:** I don't always get email at work from certain net providers, such as gmail.com so if you could respond to [joliva@accuridecorp.com](mailto:joliva@accuridecorp.com) AND [john.oliva@rogers.com](mailto:john.oliva@rogers.com) that would ensure I get your response.

## Brampton

OSRA Brampton Branch meetings started on Monday January 7<sup>th</sup> at our usual venue, The Bramalea Glasgow Rangers Supporters Club, 185 Advance Boulevard, Brampton. We meet every other Monday until May. Full details can be found on the Branch Meetings page on our website [www.osrabrampton.com](http://www.osrabrampton.com).

So far we have had excellent Education Presentations on Indoor Rules (Rich Carman), Flashpoints (Peter Johnson), and Fouls and Misconduct (Don Pearce). Attendance at meetings has been a very respectable average of around 50 members, we have also welcomed members of other Branches who have come to see specific presentations.

## OSRA Instructors Appointments 2008

(Updated February 1, 2008)

Branch	Date	Instructor	Subject
<b>London</b>		Henoud	Positioning
	Mar. 10th	Licandro	Pre-Game Prep
<b>Niagara</b>	Sun.Feb 17	Pearce	F&M
	Sun.Apr. 20	Winstanley	Advantage
Brant County			
<b>Hamilton</b>	Mon. Feb 04	Winstanley	Advantage
	Mon. Feb 18	Henoud	Positioning
<b>Halton</b>	Wed.Feb 20	Oliva	Quiz LOTG
	Wed.Apr. 2nd	Henoud	Positioning
<b>Mississauga</b>	Thur.Jan 31	Licandro	F&M
	Thu Mar 27	Oliva	Quiz LOTG
<b>Brampton</b>	Mon. Feb 4	Pearce	Offside?
	Mon. Mar 3	Henoud	Positioning
<b>Toronto</b>	Fri. Feb. 1st	Winstanley	Advantage?
	Fri. Feb.22nd	Johnson	Flashpoints
<b>Scarborough</b>	Tue.Mar 18th	Licandro	Pre-Game Prep
	Tue.Mar 25th	Johnson	Flashpoints
<b>North York</b>		Winstanley	Advantage
	Thus Mar 20	Oliva	Quiz LOTG
Huron			
<b>York Region</b>	Wed Apr 16	Winstanley	Advantage
	Wed Apr 02	Oliva	Quiz. LOTG
<b>Peterborough</b>	Thu. May 8	Johnson	Flashpoints
	Thu.Apr 10	Piacente	Caut.Dismis
Kingston			
Ottawa			
Windsor			