



## **CHRVA Junior Referee Training Program**

CHRVA is pleased to announce the start of its new Junior Official's training program. The Official's Division of CHRVA has created a new position titled Junior Referee Coordinator. Mr. Glenn Reid will act in this capacity and he will be assisted by his Administrator, Mr. Michael Cerny.

The program is primarily concerned with the ongoing development of improving both the scorekeeping and refereeing skills of junior players and coaches. This program will initially comprise of the training and evaluation of junior players and coaches as referees in order to help them achieve a certification so they can referee for their team (Junior Referee Level I). Additionally, this program offers the opportunity for junior players and coaches to receive an additional certification (Junior Regional Referee Level II) so they can be assigned to, and get paid at, junior tournaments. Initially, the emphasis is on referees however where possible, junior scorekeepers will also receive input. The scorekeeping signoffs remain unchanged (see the scorekeeper evaluation form downloadable from [www.chrvajuniors.com](http://www.chrvajuniors.com))

### Training and Evaluation

In addition to "spot reviews" at pre-determined tournaments throughout the season, all Junior Girls tournaments in January are designated as Training Tournaments. What this means is that the assigned Non-Playing Referees (NPR's) at these Training Tournaments:

- will stand at the bottom of the referee stand, in uniform, whistle in mouth. They will blow their whistle for any appropriate violation they see that the work-team referee does not call.
- will be instructed not to interrupt the match to conduct these explanations. Rather, at an appropriate break (during times-out, between sets, and after the match), the NPR will BRIEFLY explain the calls to the work team referee so they learn what to call.
- will indicate PASS or FAIL with any appropriate comments and then sign the work-team referees tracking sheets.

NPR's will train and evaluate as often as possible during pool play, taking breaks when necessary. However, those NPR's will officiate the semi-finals and finals of these tournaments as usual.



During these TRAINING TOURNAMENTS:

Assigned Non-Playing Referees (NPR's) WILL NOT officiate any pool-play matches. However, they will be visible and actively involved in the conduct of the match.

They will be instructed not to cause any unnecessary delay on the match and to cause no noticeable impact to the competing teams. They will also be instructed not to add unnecessary time to timeouts, and between matches. Their presence should rather keep the matches on time and running smoothly.

Tournament Directors are encouraged to report to Mr. Reid or their coordinators any NPR's who unduly influences the length of matches.

Work teams will provide a First Referee (R1) WHO HAS ATTENDED A CLINIC THIS SEASON, a Second Referee (R2), a scorekeeper, libero tracker, and 2 lines people for their schedules pool-play matches.

Work teams will decide who their junior referees will be (adults and/or players). This information must be provided to the Tournament Director and/or Head Referee at the beginning of the tournament. If this name changes during the day, it is the coaches responsibly to supply the Tournament Director and/of Head Referee with the new name.

Work-team referees may get both of their evaluations at the same tournament.

After the TRAINING TOURNAMENTS:

Host teams will pay for officials as they always have....there will be no additional cost to the host team. Host teams will be charged for pool-play matches that the NPR would normally officiate (same as always), semi-finals, and finals. Head referee will fill out Head Referee reports as usual and give them to the Tournament Director (as usual). Nothing in this part of tournament procedure is changing!

Team referees (usually their coaches) are to send their completed tracking sheets to Mike Cerny (address on form) who will make sure all requirements are fulfilled.

Upon successful completion of the evaluation process, Mr. Cerny will send the new official a card, indicating they are fully certified as a R1 - Level I. With the Level I certification, this official is allowed to referee at junior tournaments but without pay.



### Ongoing

At as many tournaments as possible for the remainder of the season an extra "training official" will be assigned who will move between courts and provide input to the referees and scorekeepers. Those who have played in the Old Dominion may be familiar with this except we will continue to provide the normal 1 NPR per court. This additional referee will be solely for additional training.

### Certification

Starting in 2006 the requirements for achieving and maintaining a Junior Referee - Level I certification has changed. They are:

- attend a scorekeeper and referee clinic
- fulfill the scorekeeper certification requirements
- obtain two (2) passing ratings as a first referee (R1) at a USAV sanctioned tournament
- send in your tracking form to the contact listed on the form

Once you receive a card from the Junior Referee Chair, you are certified to referee as a Junior Referee - Level I at junior tournaments without pay. However, in the year immediately following your certification, you will NOT be required to attend a referee clinic. Additionally, you will only be required to obtain one (1) certification on the stand as R1 in that year following that of certification. In the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) year, you will be required to start the process over again in order to keep up with the changes in rules, techniques, and mechanics.

This new process will allow a certified referee to skip the clinic every other year and during that year only be required to have one rating.

### Junior Regional Referee Level II

For those junior players and coaches who have the knack for refereeing and would like to make some extra money in a sport they love, they can do so by completing an extra level of certification that must be done by a Junior National or USAV National Referee. It requires three passing ratings as R1 and one as R2. Once completed, the player or coach will receive a Junior Regional Referee Level II rating and that individual can request to be assigned at a Junior tournament and receive payment for the matches worked. Typically a full days assignment could earn anywhere from \$100-\$120. An excellent way to save up for that latest IPOD!

All rating/tracking sheets can be found at the junior's webpage ([www.chrvajuniors.com](http://www.chrvajuniors.com))

Any questions can be emailed to Mr. Reid and he will do his best to get back to you in a timely manner.