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Dear Friends in Soccer,

It is my pleasure on behalf of The Ontario Soccer Association and its Board of Directors to welcome you to the OSA Soccer Summit 2016.

The staff under the leadership of Executive Director Johnny Miskey have put together an excellent "Summit" program. This year's all-star roster of speakers and guest clinicians are from around the world and will share their knowledge and expertise with you in the areas of coaching, match official development, grassroots, club excellence and administration.

Every one of you has made a tremendous commitment to improving the technical and educational ability of our athletes, match officials, coaches and administrators, who want to compete and participate in this wonderful game. You are changing, shaping and renewing the foundation of football in the Province of Ontario and Canada and for that we thank you.

I would also like to take a moment and thank our presenters, staff, athletes and volunteers, who helped to bring this weekend's program to life. Without their participation we would not be able to give you this opportunity. In addition, we would like to say thank you to the University of Guelph for hosting our event at their first class facility.

We wish each and every one of you continued success on your soccer journey within the OSA, as you continue to help us grow "the beautiful game".

Sincerely,

Ron Smale  
President

March 4-6, 2016

Greetings and welcome!



Guelph is thrilled to be the host city for the Ontario Soccer Association's 2016 Soccer Summit.

On behalf of everyone in Guelph, I want to welcome players, coaches, referees, administrators, and soccer fanatics from all across Ontario. We are very pleased to have you with us. I hope you enjoy the outstanding facilities at the University of Guelph.

While you are in town, I hope you will have time to experience some of Guelph's many attractions, shops, and restaurants, including our historic downtown.

Enjoy your stay, and all the best for a great summit!

Sincerely,

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Welcome to our inaugural 2016 OSA Soccer Summit.

Building on the technical conferences The OSA has delivered for our membership in the past, this year we are launching a new model to serve our soccer leaders even better. The OSA has listened and recognizes that your time as a professional or volunteer is precious. Starting in 2016 our goal with this new Soccer Summit concept is to deliver to you a "must attend" annual professional and personal development and networking opportunity powered by a combination of the key leadership areas of our game: coaching, officiating, player development and administration.

I wish to recognize the collaborative efforts of our host District, The South West Regional Soccer Association under the leadership of President, Mr. Ian Morrell. The OSA staff led by Bjorn Osieck, Gary Miller and Leonard Golberg and their department teams have worked very hard to ensure we deliver to you a first class event. I wish to also thank our event partners, PrintLogix, Sportcorp Travel, Academy Soccer Coach and The University of Guelph, as well as all the vendors participating in our trade show.

This is an exciting time to be associated with the beautiful game in our country and province. We at The OSA are embracing change. Armed with a new three year strategic plan we are working hard at becoming more relevant and current to our members and core customer, the players (and parents), who want a positive experience from the game.

Thank you for making your commitment to this improvement by attending the OSA Soccer Summit. We hope you will **Discover, Develop and Excel.**

Yours in Soccer,

Johnny R. Misley

Executive Director



Welcome to the 2016 Soccer Summit,

I would like to invite you to take part in as many lectures and practical sessions as you can. This three-day event will provide you as professionals in the game with a great opportunity to gain further insight into your area of expertise. The speakers will provide you with leading edge information that you can take away and apply within your own club or academy.

We are excited to present keynote speakers, Anne Merklinger, CEO of Own the Podium, and Dr. Steve Norris, CSO of WinSport Canada, both top quality speakers in Canadian Sport, who will educate you on the future development of sport and athletes in our country. Their concepts will chart the future pathways for all sports to follow.

In Coaching Development, Nigel Best (Coach Education Manager of the Irish FA), Ian Barker (Director of Coaching of the NSCAA) and Rob Gale (Head Coach of the Canadian U20 Men's Team), will take the participants through a number of technical and tactical sessions that will provide coaches with additional ideas for training their players. These sessions will be a combination of lectures and practical activities.

In Match Official Development, Carol-Anne Chenard (FIFA Match Official), Silviu Petrescu (FIFA Match Official) and Hector Vergara (FIFA Match Official) will take participants through game management issues at all levels of play. These sessions will also be a combination of lectures and practical activities.

In Player Development (Grassroots), Dr. Colin Higgs (Memorial University) and Dr. Jean Cote (Queens University) will educate the membership on the latest developments in Long Term Athlete Development and how it relates to the sport of soccer. The research that is being accumulated in youth sport now is immense with these two gentlemen being on the front lines of this research.

The OSA is looking forward to your participation in the Summit, which will provide tremendous education and networking opportunities.

Yours truly,

Gary Miller

Technical Director



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This map shows all of the facilities in use during the Soccer Summit. All on-field session will take place in the field house, while all classroom presentations will happen in Ronzanski or Thornbrough Hall. Lunches, the Club Excellence Presentations & Panel Discussion will be in the Student Centre.

## What's this?

It's a Quick Response Code, QR Code for short. It's like a barcode but it's easier for your smartphone to read. This particular QR Code is a link to the OSA website.

You'll see QR codes throughout this programme. When you scan them, you will link to our website where you can view the presentation for that particular session.



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Our friends at the City of Guelph & Fionn MacCool's have offered to host us on the evening of Saturday, March 5th. Soccer Summit attendees will **save 10%** on food by showing their name tag, for the entire weekend. After a day of education & development, enjoy this opportunity to connect with your soccer peers and friends.

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## The Soccer Summit Panel Discussion Returns

Grab your lunch and join us in the Student Centre on Saturday March 5th, for the return of the much anticipated Panel Discussion. Sportsnet's James Sharman will moderate a stimulating discussion with our international panel of speakers. Nigel Best, Ian Barker, Hector Vergara, Rob Gale, and Silviu Petrescu will discuss challenges and experiences from our game.

### **Club Excellence Award Winners Honoured**

Prior to the Panel discussion the 2016 Club Excellence Award winners will be honoured for their continued commitment and exemplary leadership in meeting the Club Excellence criteria. The 2016 award recipients are:

**Gold:** Aurora Youth SC, Burlington Youth SC, Cumberland United SC, Glen Shields FC, LaSalle Stompers FC, Milton Soccer Academy, Newmarket SC, North Toronto SC, Peterborough City SA, Pickering SC, Richmond Hill SC, SC Toronto, South Simcoe United FC, Vaughan SC, Whitby Iroquois SC, Woodbridge SC

**Silver:** Ancaster SC, Caledon SC, German Canadian FC London, Giovanni Caboto SC, Guelph SC, Kitchener SC, Kleinburg Nobleton SC, Lakehead Express SC, Milton Youth SC, Nepean Hotspurs SC, Thornhill SC, Windsor FC Nationals

**Bronze:** Brampton Youth SC, Kemptville District SC, One SC, Oshawa Turul SC, Saltfleet SC, Stoney Creek SC, Uxbridge SC, West Rouge SC



*Where: University Student Centre*  
*When: Saturday March 5th, 12:00pm*



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# Key Note Speakers - Anne Merklinger

Friday, March 4th - Thornbrough Hall 1200

8:30 PM - 10:30 PM :

**Anne Merklinger - Playground to Podium - Building a sustainable sport system in Canada** - In the opening address of the 2016 OSA Soccer Summit, Own the Podium CEO Anne Merklinger will share insight on how the Canadian Athletes were supported, trained and, ultimately, successful in reaching the podium over 60 times in the last 6 years. Looking forward, Anne will speak to the programs goals at the 2016 Rio Olympics this summer. Anne's experiences will surely inspire all



Anne Merklinger, a life-long athlete and a champion in multiple disciplines, joins the 2016 OSA Soccer Summit as the Key Note Speaker. Drawing on her vast management experience, Anne has successfully lead several national sport organizations. As CEO of Canada's Olympic/Paralympic Athletic Excellence program, Anne has a deep understanding of the support network in place for Canadian athletes to be able to achieve the immense success of recent years. Soccer Summit attendees will be able to apply this information not just their own performances but their organizations at large.

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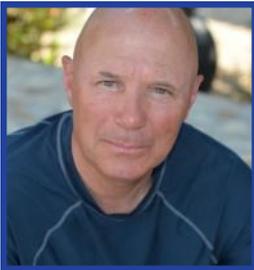
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## Key Note Speakers - Dr. Stephen Norris

Sunday, March 6th - Rozanski Hall

**9:00 AM - 10:00 AM : Dr. Steve Norris - "It's all a matter of time"** - Wrapped up in a challenging, but fun approach, this session is designed to make the audience think about what it means to be a child, youth and development athlete, yet at the same time involves the parent, the instructor, the coach, and even the sports agent. Information will be presented concerning athlete and human development, the pursuit of excellence and what high performance means, as well as key points concerning a multi-disciplinary understanding of a complex period of time - the first twenty years of life!



A true leader of Sport with a distinguished Scientific background, Dr. Norris will share his extensive knowledge of sport systems with the 2016 OSA Soccer Summit. Being one of the founding members of the "Canadian Sport for Life" movement, Dr. Norris has worked with sports on the entire spectrum of performance. Currently he is the Chief Sport Office of WinSport, Winter Sport Institute in Calgary, an Olympic legacy facility venue which continues to lead the world in winter sport development programs.

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## Club Development Presenters

### Steve Indig



Steve is a lawyer and was formerly a certified sports agent. Steve has worked with over 400 national, provincial and local sport organizations providing consulting and legal services relating to governance, employment, contracts, policies, disputes, and privacy. In addition, he has acted as an adjudicator on issues relating to eligibility, conduct of athletes, coaches and membership. Steve has significant first-hand knowledge of sport from competitive swimming at the national level, coaching and refereeing.

### Dina Bell-Laroche



Dina has been working in sport for over two decades as an executive director, communications specialist, and sport consultant with a number of sport organizations from playground to podium. An honours graduate from the Carleton School of Journalism, Dina completed a Masters degree in Sport Management at Brock University in 2010 where she researched how National Sport Organizations' values can be leveraged more intentionally to create the kind of culture required to optimize effectiveness and increase performance. When she is not working to contribute to the betterment of sport, Dina volunteers her time with SchoolBOX, the West Ottawa Soccer Club, the Bridlewood Community Association, and Tracy's Hope Legacy Fund.

### Chris Walling



Chris is an experienced brand marketing professional with nearly 20 years of experience in working on consumer brands both in the traditional and sport industries. Coming out of school, Chris first landed as a brand manager with Spalding Sports Worldwide. In 2009, Chris decided to pursue one of his professional passions and evolve into the worlds of entrepreneurship and creativity and helped found Brandfire, a strategic brand and creative agency, who was recently recognized as being Canada's fastest growing full-service agency in both 2014 and 2015 by Profit-500. As Brandfire's managing partner, Chris leads overall strategic planning for all the agencies clients and also leads its digital and social media teams across the full client portfolio.

# Club Development Sessions

Saturday, March 5th

**9:00 AM - 10:30 AM: Administrator - Employment 101 - Hiring to Firing - Steve Indig**



This session will take attendees through the process of hiring employees and/or volunteers. Steve's experience enables him to speak with clarity on the legal aspects of employment and identify the common mistakes that employers and sport organizations make. This interactive session will enable delegates to ask questions of Steve too. This session is recommended for Club Presidents and their Staff.

**10:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Administrator - Strategic Planning - Dina Bell-Laroche, SL&SG**



Dina is well-known for her ability to manage large-scale social change initiatives to help organizations communicate more effectively including strategic planning and governance reforms. Dina will take delegates through the stages of the Strategic Planning process and highlight the importance of a clear philosophy and strong direction in any sport organization. This session is recommended for Club Presidents and their Board Members.

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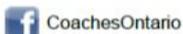
But don't worry – the Coaches Association of Ontario (CAO) can help you in your journey along the coach pathway. The CAO staff is passionate about all things coaching. We believe coaches can change lives and make a difference... Plus we are coaches too!

### What We Do

CAO provides resources, education, development, support, and recognition for coaches of all sports. The CAO is the provincial delivery partner for all National Coaching Certification Program multisport modules. We are the go-to organization when it comes to helping coaches determine their training pathways and coach development. The CAO also hosts an annual coaching conference, provincial coaching excellence awards, coach funding and mentorship programs.

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# Club Development Sessions

Saturday, March 5th

**10:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Administrator - Website Management**



Sport Ngin, Official Technology Partner of the OSA, will present an overview of the partnership and how the Sport Ngin registration and website system is currently working for dozens of OSA clubs. This session will provide a closer look at the tools and technology that will benefit both your organization and your members.

**1:30 PM - 3:00 PM : Administrator - Hot Legal Topics - Steve Indig**



As the OSA's Disposition Manager Steve provides professional, impartial advice on a lot of issues that affect the OSA. With this experience Steve can share the common issues that come up in Ontario soccer but more generally in amateur sport. This session will provide delegates with guidance on common issues affecting our sport and the important role that Club Boards and Decision Makers have in ensuring our game is administered and played properly. This session is strongly recommended for Club Boards Members and Staff.

**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM : Administrator - Advertising & Marketing -  
Chris Walling, Brandfire**



Brandfire offer a full compliment of services that move organizations from Brand Development through to Activation and finally Marketing and Advertising. This session will enable Club Leaders to get a taste of these key areas and provide plenty of food for thought and how to best position your Club. The topic is substantial and this 101 session will provide some great tips and tricks to give your Club maximum impact with limited resources. Recommended for: Club Leaders and Board.

**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM : Administrator - Risk Management Assessments -  
Dina Bell Laroche, SL&SG**



Dina has experience at all levels of sport from international boards to being an active soccer parent in the Ottawa Valley. With that experience Dina has seen many good (and bad) examples from multiple sport settings. In this session Dina will outline the key areas that Club decision makers should consider in their day to day operations. This session is interactive and will enable delegates to ask questions on general situations. This session is recommended for Club Boards and their Staff.

## Club Development Sessions

Sunday, March 6th

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM: **Administrator - Accessible Soccer - Matt Greenwood**



This session will start in the Main Gym with an introduction to blind soccer. As a legacy of the Toronto 2015 Para Pan American Games delegates will experience playing without the sense of sight using equipment from TO2015 in a fun and engaging environment. Delegates will then move to hear the Key Note Speech before returning to Rozanski 107 where a workshop environment will allow Clubs offering accessible soccer programs to share their experiences. This session will build towards a province wide strategy for the growth of accessible soccer in more Clubs and address areas of coaching, competition and program development.



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## Coaching Presenters

### Nigel Best



Mr Nigel Best – Current role is Coach Education Manager at the Irish FA, responsible for planning and delivery of UEFA and Irish FA Coaching Awards. Previously created and managed the Irish FA's Elite Youth Programme U12 – U16. Has Coached N Ireland Youth International Teams from U16, U17, U19 and U21. Nigel also has managed a number of Irish League Clubs participating in UEFA European Cup Competitions.

### Ian Barker



Ian Barker has been with the NSCAA as the Director of Coaching Education since 2012. Prior to his current position, he served as men's soccer coach at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn. He also has collegiate coaching experience at the University of Wisconsin, serving as an assistant coach from 1989-1996. In the eight-year span with the Badgers, Barker joined the squad in four NCAA tournament appearances. In 1995, the Badgers won both the Big Ten and NCAA National Championships.

### Rob Gale



Granted his Canadian Soccer Association Coaching B License in 2006... earned his Canadian Soccer Association Coaching A License in 2007... served as technical director of the Manitoba Soccer Association... served as a coach in Canada Soccer's men's national youth program starting in 2008... served on Canada's coaching staff when the team finished second at the 2011 CONCACAF Men's Under-17 Championship (Canada qualified for Mexico 2011)... served on Canada's coaching staff at the FIFA U-17 World Cup Mexico 2011...

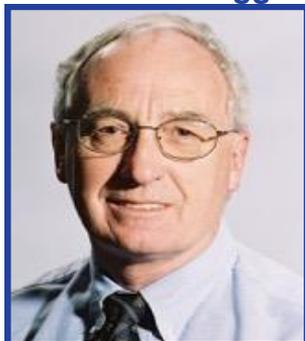
## Player Development Presenters

### Dr. Jean Cote

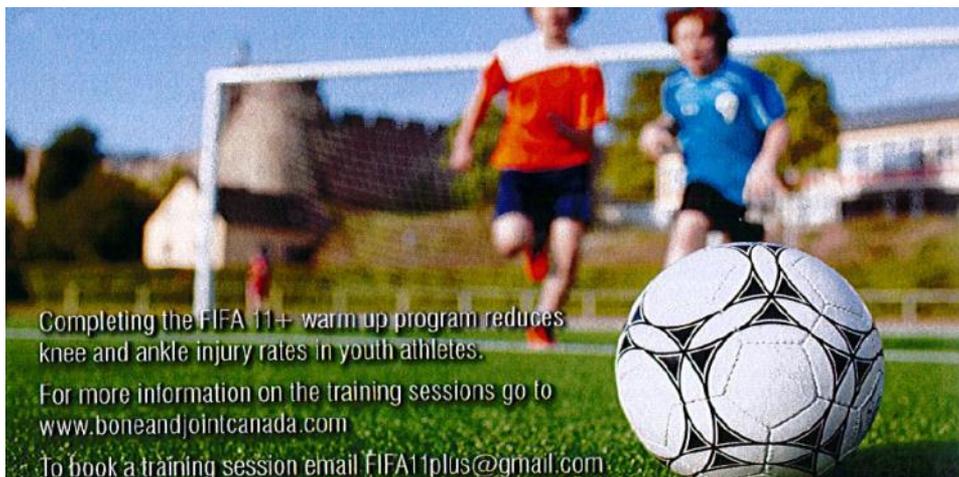


Dr. Jean Côté is professor and Director in the School of Kinesiology and Health Studies at Queen's University at Kingston (Canada). His research interests are in the areas of youth sport, coaching, positive youth development, and sport expertise. Dr. Côté is regularly invited to present his work to both sport governing organizations and academic conferences throughout the world. Dr. Côté, in collaboration with Dr. Ronnie Lidor, has recently completed the first comprehensive book on talent development in children's sport which was published in 2013 by Fitness Information Technology.

### Dr. Colin Higgs



Since 2004 Dr. Higgs has been one of five individuals working to fundamentally re-design the Canadian Sport system to improve the quality of sport, and has worked with more than 55 National Sport Federations to re-think the development of their athletes for enhanced high-performance and also for improved population health. A critical component of this sport-system transformation has been the focus on Physical Literacy – ensuring that children gain the competence and confidence to engage in physical activity throughout their lives. Dr. Higgs is the author of more than 100 academic publications, and co-authored, “Canadian Sport for Life – Long-Term Athlete Development” the blueprint for change within the Canadian system.



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## Coaching Sessions

Saturday, March 5th

**9:00 AM - 10:30 AM :** **Player Development - Dr. Jean Cote - Sport Programs that Promote Interest and Skill Development** - This



presentation will present a global vision for youth sport through a framework that incorporates the mechanisms necessary for a sound approach to the development and maintenance of interest and motor skills. Three dynamic elements of sport involvement will be discussed: 1) taking part in activities (what), while entertaining relationships with others (who), in a specific setting (where). When these three elements positively interact, it creates a context that, when repeated on a regular basis, leads to changes in the personal assets of the athletes and favourable long-term outcomes. Research that links the three dynamic elements of sport (activities, relationships, and settings) to positive changes in personal assets and long-term outcomes will be discussed. Finally, practical implications will be offered to enhance the design of sport programs.

**10:30 AM - 12:00 PM:** **Player Development - Dr. Colin Higgs - Soccer and the Teenage Brain** - Adolescence is a time of great change



in the body and mind of a teenage soccer player, and coincides with a period of athletic development in which future high performance players really separate themselves from those who are just "very good". New discoveries in brain science are providing new insights into this often-turbulent stage of growth, and this presentation will provide an easy-to-understand overview of our new understanding of what is going on in the minds of teenage players and will provide some suggestions for how this new information should guide training and coaching.

**1:30 PM - 3:00 PM :** **Coaching - Ian Barker—Player Development and Decision Makers** - This presentation will take a look various



Player Development models from different countries around the world. This session will illustrate the what other countries do successfully and the player development issues that we all face. The Supporting Decision Makers portion of the presentation will cover training styles and the considerations that go along with those style when developing decision making in players.

# Coaching Sessions

## Saturday, March 5th

**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM : Coaching - Nigel Best - Evolving Roles in the Modern**



**Game: The No. 9 in the 4-3-3 System** - This presentation will review trending player formations at the youth level in Europe in comparison with the successful player formations in top level European Club football and Senior international football, while comparing the impacts of both. This presentation will also review the role, attributes, and requirements of the ideal No.9 player.

**4:30 PM - 5:30 PM : Bobby Lennox, Mark Marshall & Gary Miller**

OSA Technical Staff Gary Miller, Mark Marshall & Bobby Lennox will provide an update on the technical aspects of the game in the province.

- Gary Miller – The Growth of the Game
- Mark Marshall – Update on Coaching & the new C Licence
- Bobby Lennox – Update on Player Development

**4:30 PM - 5:30 PM : Player Development - Carl Horton - How do we make**



**practice realistic to help develop our youth?** - This presentation will take a look at making youth soccer practices as realistic to the game as possible. We will take a look at what motivates youth players and how we can help them along the development pathway. We will take a deeper look at the concept of Random Practices and how this modern way of training will help youth players retain the information learned as they get older and progress through the player pathway.

**4:30 PM - 5:30 PM : Player Development - Billy Wilson - The Problem with**



**Talent - Talent Identification vs Talent Selection** - "A special natural ability or aptitude"; this is the English Dictionary definition of Talent. Society widely accepts that the best and most successful athletes are born with a divine gift which is the primary consequence for their achievements. Although talent obviously plays a part in an athlete's journey to elitism, I believe it is often given as the independent reason for success. Ultimately, this theory also results in the discrimination of many young athletes during their primitive years of participation leading to impartial opportunities for the majority of young athletes and high dropout rates in organised sport.

# Coaching Sessions

Sunday March 6th

**10:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Coaching - Ian Barker - Principles of Play for Attack: Possession and Penetration**



This particular on-field session will highlight two warm-up sessions and four different activities and feature two small sided games which will implement attacking playing principles that are relevant to player possession and penetration.

**1:00 PM - 2:30 PM: Coaching - Rob Gale - Defending Techniques**



This session will include a variety of activities to teach players about defending based on the National Training Curriculum. Players will go through variations of defending techniques and situations, mainly focussing on footwork and provoking the ball.

**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM : Coaching - Nigel Best - Playing Through the Midfield Zones**



This on-field session will cover and review seven different drills that relate to playing through the midfield zones during the game.



## Match Official Presenters

### Hector Vergara



An experienced ex-FIFA official, including 19 years on the International List of FIFA Assistant Referees and 150 international matches. Having experience as an Instructor, Assessor and Committee Member at the National, Confederation and FIFA levels.

### Carol-Anne Chenard



Carol Anne Chénard is one of Canada's most accomplished referees, with Olympic, FIFA and CONCACAF experience. Born in Summerside, PEI, Chénard speaks English, French and Spanish. She was the first official at the FIFA U-20 Women's World Cup Canada 2014.

### Silviu Petrescu



In the summer of 2007 Canada hosted the FIFA U-20 World Cup and he was selected to be one of the tournament's officials. In November 2012, Major League Soccer named him the MLS Referee of the Year, the first Canadian to win the title and soon after he was selected to be the head referee for the MLS Cup 2012 final. Silviu's father, who was also a FIFA referee, encouraged him to become a referee rather than a professional player.



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## Match Official Presenters



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Denise Klein-  
Horsman

## Additional Presenters

Dana Clark  
Derek Salavador

# Match Official Sessions

Saturday, March 5th

**9:00 AM - 10:30 AM : Match Officials - Career Paths - Melissa Snedden, Fabrizio Stasolla, & Tony Camacho**



Congratulations in deciding to pursue the top level in officiating. Now that you have made this big decision, how do you manage to get there? Learn about the Referee Career Path from those who are currently on their way up, and those that actively play a part in helping Match Officials succeed. Come with your questions and get them answered.

**9:00 AM - 10:30 AM : Match Officials - Managing Abuse - Amato DeLuca & Wayne Sharp**



What constitutes dissent? How do you minimize or even eliminate dissent during your match? How do you deal with bias towards you based on such things as gender and age? Gather some valuable tools and learn some new methods that help you become more effective in how you manage difficult personalities and situations.

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**9:00 AM - 10:30 AM : Match Officials - Simulation/Injury Management – Carol-Anne Chenard & Claude Henoud**

Management of set plays is a critical part of the referee's role. Learn from an experienced instructor how best to manage situations such as the free kick, penalty kick, kicks from the penalty mark etc? Man management and positioning are key to successful outcomes. Simulation is increasingly becoming a part of the game and we need to be able to recognize it and address it appropriately.

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**10:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Match Officials - WISER Recap & Recruitment -**



**Carol-Anne Chenard & Patty Peebles**

Women In Soccer Empowering Referees is a program designed to encourage the recruiting and retention of the female Match Official. Discover how WISER can play a part in expanding the opportunities for females within the profession. All Club Head Referees, DRCs and female Match Officials are encouraged to learn more about WISER.

**10:30 AM - 12:00 PM: Match Officials - Mentoring & Coaching - Steve**



**Mortimer, Mark Doubrough, David Barrie & Vlad**

**Haltigen** - Mentoring and Coaching are becoming recognized as an essential part of a referee's development, starting at their first year on the field. Find out how your club can successfully integrate the OSA's new mentoring program into its referee program to increase retention rates and confidence of the new and not-so-new referee.

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**10:30 AM - 12:00 Match Officials - Fitness & Positioning - Silviu Petrescu**

Do you referee to get fit, or get fit to referee? Join National Match Official Silviu Petrescu as he shows you how to improve your game by being in the right place at all times, and how to be as fit as you need to be to get to that place quickly. *Active wear is mandatory, as this session is on-field.*

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**1:30 PM - 3:00 PM : Match Officials - Balancing Life & Refereeing – Carol-Anne Chenard, Melissa Snedden & David Barrie**



Life can get very busy, very fast. Learn how to develop successful strategies on how to manage your work and personal life with your refereeing so that you will be able to find a comfortable balance. Discover the support that is available to you and hear how others have managed this potentially sensitive issue.

**1:30 PM - 3:00 PM : Match Officials - Effective Youth Official Training - Tony Camacho & Patty Peebles**



Youth Match Officials will benefit from training that is specifically designed to capture their interest and attention and is tailored to their activity level. Discover how to enthusiastically engage the young Match Official to bring a higher quality of officiating to their games.

**3:00 PM - 4:30 PM : Match Officials - Fouls & Misconduct - Carol-Anne Chenard, Silviu Petrescu & Patty Peebles**



Accurate and timely recognition of fouls is key to the success of a Match Official. Learn from FIFA referee Carol Anne Chenard and Provincial Instructor Patty Peebles how to recognize a foul, how to sell your signals, and how to handle misconduct.

**4:30 PM - 6:00 PM : Match Officials - Game Day Management (Pre and Post game managing your match) - Silviu Petrescu & David Barrie**



There is a great deal to do before and after the actual 90 minutes of play. Learn how to manage a match from the time you are assigned to the time you leave the vicinity of the field. Where and when does the referee begin and end their duties? Time management is a critical part of this process.

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4:30 PM - 6:00 PM :

**Match Officials – How To Become a Mentor -  
Steve Mortimer, Mark Doubrough & Vlad Haltigen**



What makes a good mentor and coach? In the final part of this program, find out the difference between the two roles and how you can correctly identify and train candidates for this important task. How and where do you go from here?

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**10:00 AM - 11:30 AM: Match Officials - Assault & Disciplinary Process - John Barrie & Denise Klein-Horsman**



Demystify the discipline process by joining in on this interactive session. Learn how to write your dismissal and Special Incident Reports so that they portray a clear picture to those reading it and the appropriate punishments can be administered. In addition, learn how to maneuver yourself through the discipline process in regards to Match Official Assault, and how to secure support and guidance.

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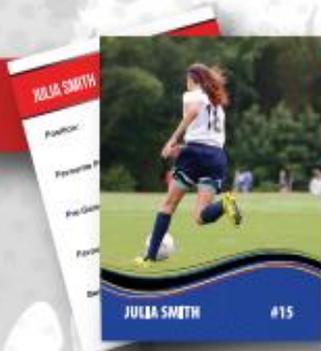
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