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February 28th, 2021

To: ALRA Members, ALRA Executive, ALRA Board of Directors

Re: 2021 Season Update

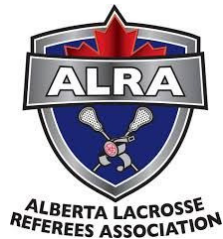
Current and Prospective Officials,

With clubs throughout the province recently opening registration for the 2021 season, I am sure that you are curious as to what we have been planning with regards to clinic offerings. The opening of registration by these clubs is their attempt to try to begin planning for a season, regardless of what that season should look like, to have an idea about the number of teams each respective club will have. We at the ALRA will also need to know the number of interested Officials we will have to ensure we have enough to cover any games that all ALA sanctioned leagues (both minor and major) may have. To accomplish that, we have planned tentative on-line clinic dates as detailed below:

- Entry Level / Level 1
 - o Saturday, March 13th
 - o Saturday, March 20th
 - o Saturday, March 27th
- Level 2 / Level 3
 - o Sunday, March 14th
 - o Sunday, March 21st
 - o Sunday, March 28th
- Level 4 / Level 5 / Level 6 (Uber Clinic – invite only)
 - o Saturday, April 3rd

We are hesitant to open our registration through Ramp, as we do not want to be charging our members for clinic fees just to have the season cancelled and then need to deal with the logistical and technical nightmare of refunds that end up costing the ALRA, and our members, money. We are asking that each interested Official fill out the Google Form provided on the ALRA website in the “2021 ALRA Clinic Sign Up Now Available” news article. Only those Officials that have submitted the Google Form will be sent the link for their respective on-line clinic. An email will be sent to all of those confirmed for a clinic at least 7 days in advance of your clinic date. If you are unable to attend the clinic you have submitted for, or need to change your clinic date, please email our VP Member Services, Kevin Kohut, at vpmemberservices@albertalacrosserefs.ca, to let us know.

If a season does come to fruition, we will then ask all of you interested in stepping on the floor to officially register through our Ramp registration system (an email will be sent to all clinic attendees that



pass their exam with a link to the site). The ALRA Executive believe this is the fairest, and least expensive, approach for our members.

As restrictions open, and we are permitted to gather a larger group of Officials together, we are hoping to add an on-floor component to provide our newer Officials some on-floor experience, while at the same time providing our experienced Officials a detailed refresher prior to the season starting. Once confirmed, locations, dates and times will be communicated.

Please check your emails frequently for more communications for the ALRA while also checking in with our website, Facebook and Twitter for the most up-to date information. We wish we could provide you with more definitive information. At this time, with so many things unknown, we just are not able to.

Yours in lacrosse,

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