## PAYSA BOARD MEETING

# Referee Report 2022-23

# Annual General Meeting, October 24, 2023

### **House League Refereeing.**

PAYSA continues to train and develop youth and district level referees. In 2022-23 we deployed a team of 43 dedicated referees to officiate all regular season playoff and Club Day matches. This number includes seventeen newly referees who joined our referee team!

## WE NEED YOU!! COME OUT AND REFEREE!!

#### 2022-23 Indoor Season.

#### House Program.

In 2022-23, a total of 249 regular house league games were scheduled.



#### Celtic Program.

In 2022-23 indoor season PAYSA referees officiated in 67 Club Day matches played by Celtic teams.



#### Celtic Program – Melba Cup.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Melba Jenkins Cup Tournament was

held November 11-13, 2022. PAYSA referees officiated 78 games for U9 to U13 teams from Saskatoon, Melfort and North Battleford over the three-day event. The event was a great success.

PAYSA referees also provide public service to the community through refereeing Saskatchewan High School Soccer (SHSAA) matches every fall. In 2022-23 PAYSA referees officiated 24 SHSAA matches.

#### 2023 Outdoor Season.

*House Program*. In the 2023 outdoor season 286 games were played. All outdoor matches started the week of May 1 and ended on June 20, 2023. Playoffs were held June 20 to 23. In total, 53 matches were officiated.

*Celtic Program.* In 2022-23. Celtic teams played in two outdoor Club Day events with visiting clubs from Saskatoon Aurora and ASTRA. PAYSA referees officiated 12 matches.



#### **Referee Development.**

In the 2022-23 season there were two referee training courses delivered. The first on October 15, 2022, and the second on March 25, 2023. Training held in October enabled training of five new referees and the training in March 2023 enabled 12 new referees for a total of 17 new referees! Congratulations to:

- Ives Guardado (October)
- Matteo Guardado (October)
- Noah Guardado (October)
- Luca Lavoie (October)
- Joel Thomas (October)
- George Archeampong (March)
- Davina Akinjobi (March)
- Reid Gareau (March)
- Andre Grobler (March)
- Haydyn Helstrip (March)
- Ava Law (March)

- Bryce Miller (March)
- Casey Miller (March)
- Chase Miller (March)
- Mikel Ndubuka (March)
- Josh Pol (March)
- Amryn Silveira (March)

I would like to thank Len Chelack, Gord Quinlan and Octavian Iliuta of SSA for delivering this training.

This is a dynamic process and succession planning is key to the success of the program. PAYSA's refereeing team needs new recruits so we can continue to build a broad base of youth referees who will continue to develop and referee older age groups. As our older District referees move on to new opportunities or secondary education, we say farewell to our college and university age referees. We thank them for the many years of help and wish them the very best in the future.

### The Future.

In summary, we are fortunate to have a pool of diligent young referees who take their roles and responsibilities very seriously and consistently provide professional and very high-quality officiating for PAYSA. Our referee team is grateful for the continued encouragement and strong support from the Technical Director and the PAYSA board. We will continue to provide top quality referee services, mentorship, and development opportunities to create an excellent learning environment for all our youth referees. Our youth referees gain experience in many critical life skills, including: conflict resolution; man- and time-management; commitment to their work; decision-making (sometimes under extreme pressure!) and leadership all of which will help them in their personal lives and of course their future careers. They do us proud!

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