## November 2016

We have completed our clinics for the fall. We had three level 1 clinics to bring new referees into officiating, there were 38 people who attended however only 20 were from the Western Region. We have an abundance of level 1 referees at the moment but I would encourage associations to start recruiting people to complete the referee course next season.

I was disappointed that only 4 referees attended the level 2/3 clinic. This is the only way for a referee to move up in rank in the officiating world. I would encourage all level 1 referees who have been refereeing for more than two years to attend a level 2/3 clinic when it is offered next. This is the best way to gain more refereeing knowledge and improve your officiating.

Registration is complete for referees and you should not be on the ice unless you have registered to referee with the ORA.

Tournaments are in full swing so I encourage RICs to book referees early in order to make sure you have refs to cover your league games, especially on tournament weekends.

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