

BETWEEN THE STRIPES

RINGETTE SASKATCHEWAN OFFICIALS E-NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM TREVOR SORRELL RAS VP OFFICIATING

We have passed the mid-point of the 2006-2007 Ringette season and we are well into the tournaments in Saskatchewan!

There are a few items to cover in this newsletter – mechanics, tournaments, Provincial Championships, Evaluation process and progress through the levels.

As always, if there are any questions throughout the season, do not hesitate to contact me by phone 306-522-4223 or by email betweenthestripes@sorrellent.com.

EVALUATION PROCESS

The progression through the Level (1, 2, 3 and 4) and Category (A, B and C) system of officiating is described as follows:

When you attend and pass a Level 1 clinic, you are certified as a Level 1C official, to become a Level 1B or 1A official you require 1 evaluation recommending a change in Category (From C to B or A).

When you have attended and passed a Level 2/3 clinic, you keep your current Level and Category. To move to Level 2, you require 2 Level 2 (or higher) evaluations. To move a category as a Level 2 official, you require 2 evaluations recommending the change in category i.e. to move from a Level 2C to 2B you require 2 Level 2B evaluations.

After achieving a Level 2 ranking you require 3 Level 3 (or higher) evaluations to move to Level 3. To move a category as a Level 3 official, you require 3 evaluations recommending the change in category i.e. to move from a Level 3B to a Level 3A you require 3 Level 3A evaluations recommending the change in Category.

To achieve a Level 4 ranking you must have attended and passed a Level 4 clinic and achieved a Level 3 ranking and obtain 4 Level 4 evaluations. To move a category as a Level 4 official, you require 4 evaluations recommending the change in category i.e. to move from a Level 4C to a Level 4B, you require 4 Level 4B evaluations.

If there are any questions on the Evaluation Process send an email to betweenthestripes@sorrellent.com.

MECHANICS

Goalkeeper Ring Signal

The net official should always give the goalkeeper ring signal, even if the Free Play Line (FPL) official is the one that blows the whistle to stop play and initially gives the goalkeeper ring signal, the net official must ALWAYS confirm this signal.

The only time the Free Play Line (FPL) official should give the goalkeeper ring signal is if they are blowing the whistle to stop play and a goalkeeper ring would be used to resume play.

Last season in this newsletter it stated that both the FPL and net official should give the goalkeeper ring signal if the shot clock audible signal sounds, this mechanic has since been updated by Ringette Canada and the net official is only required to give the goalkeeper ring signal if they stop play when the shot clock audible signal sounds.

If the FPL official does not blow the whistle to stop play, they do not give the goalkeeper ring signal.

If there are any questions on Mechanics, send an email to betweenthestripes@sorrellent.com.

MAINTENANCE EVALUATIONS

Level 1 and 2 officials require a Maintenance Evaluation at the level they are currently certified (or higher) **every two years** by December 15.

Level 3 and 4 officials require a Maintenance Evaluation at the level they are currently certified (or higher) **every year** by December 15.

Level 1 officials who fail to obtain a Maintenance Evaluation will drop one classification i.e. Level 1B becomes Level 1C.

Level 2, 3 or 4 officials who fail to obtain a Maintenance Evaluation will drop one level i.e. Level 3B becomes Level 2B.

If you have any questions about Maintenance Evaluations, send an email to betweenthestripes@sorrellent.com.

Answer to Trivia Question #1

(as per the Ringette Canada Rules or the Ringette Canada Rules and Case Book)

Can a goalkeeper play with a Ringette stick if they have lost or broken their goalkeepers' stick?

No, goalkeepers can not use a Ringette stick.

4.10.f Goalkeeper's Stick. Goalkeepers may only use a goalkeeper's stick. Goalkeepers cannot use a Ringette stick.

There were 4 people that responded correctly. Congratulations to Cherie Phillips who won the \$10 Gift Card from Wal-Mart!

Trivia Question # 2

(as per the Ringette Canada Rules or the Ringette Canada Rules and Case Book)

How many players must a team have to start the game?

- a) 7 skaters
- b) 6 skaters and 1 goalkeeper
- c) 3 skaters and 1 goalkeeper
- b) 4 skaters

Email your answer by January 31, 2007 to: betweenthestripes@sorrellent.com.

One winner will receive a \$10 Wal-Mart Gift Card!

TOURNAMENT DATES

Esso Golden Ring	Calgary	Jan 19 to 21, 2007
Queen City Classic	Regina	Feb 2 to 4, 2007
Silver Ring	Edmonton	Feb 2 to 4, 2007
Bonivital Voyageur	Winnipeg	Feb 8 to 11, 2007
Ed Horvath	Medicine Hat	Feb 9 to 11, 2007
City of Bridges	Saskatoon	Feb 16 to 18, 2007

If you are interested in officiating at any of these tournaments contact the appropriate Tournament Director. If you are not sure who you should contact send an email to betweenthestripes@sorrellent.com.

EVALUATORS

Here are the NOCP Evaluators, please contact them to set up an evaluation:

Zone 1 (Buffalo Plains)

<u>Evaluator</u>	<u>Phone #</u>	<u>Level</u>
Rick Lang	781-2776	2 and below

Zone 2 (Regina)

<u>Evaluator</u>	<u>Phone #</u>	<u>Level</u>
Jim Benning	584-2082	4 and below
Tanya Jones	586-3482	4 and below
Trevor Sorrell	522-4223	4 and below

Zone 6 (Saskatoon)

<u>Evaluator</u>	<u>Phone #</u>	<u>Level</u>
Barb McNutt	382-0286	4 and below
Gary Loy	374-2815	2 and below
Kim McLeod	664-7165	3 and below
Kim Penner	477-5589	4 and below

Zone 8 (Northern Saskatchewan)

<u>Evaluator</u>	<u>Phone #</u>	<u>Level</u>
Aaron Armstrong	873-4045	3 and below
Blair MacGregor	961-9303	4 and below

2007 PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

AA & A	Saskatoon	March 2 to 4
B	Regina/Milestone	March 9 to 11
Belle AA	Davidson	March 17 to 18

If you are interested in officiating at the 2007 Provincial Championships please let the Ringette Saskatchewan office know which Championship(s) you are available for by January 15, 2007.

If you are selected to officiate at the 2007 Provincial Championships you will be notified by the end of January 2007.

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