

# THE WARBLER

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**The next meeting of the  
Woking Referees' Society  
will be held on  
Monday 7th April 2014**

Meadow Sports Football Club  
Loop Rd Playing Fields, Loop Rd, Kingfield, Woking  
Surrey GU22 9BQ  
7.45pm for a prompt 8pm start

**AGENDA**

- ◆ **7.15 Academy Meeting**
- ◆ **8.00 Chairman's Welcome**
- ◆ **Guest Speaker**



**Lucy May**  
**Dealing with Confrontation and  
The Bench**



- ◆ **Society Business**
- ◆ **10pm close**

**Next month's meeting is on Monday 5th May 2014**

**The deadline for the May edition is  
Friday 25th April 2014**

*The views expressed in this magazine are not necessarily those of the  
Society or it's Committee*

## Chairman's Chat

### Chairman's Chat

Welcome to the April Warbler, first of all I would like to thank you all for the large attendance at the March meeting and AGM. It was a privilege to have one of the F.A's senior match officials (also a Surrey Referee) as our guest speaker. Charles not only gave us a very entertaining and educational talk, everybody got involved with the group work and discussions, that in my opinion is what training is all about, Charles also got involved in the pre meeting academy and stayed for the AGM A big thank you for his time and interest.

I can't believe that it's been a year since I became chairman; I have thoroughly enjoyed it, and look forward to your continued support and assistance.

I will not be available for the April Meeting due to a long standing family commitment, Your guest will be Lucy May, I am sure you will all enjoy her presentation.

I look forward to seeing you all in May.

Thanks

**Barry**

*Please see below a copy of the letter Peter Guest has sent on the Society's behalf to Pam Wells who has asked to stand down as Patron of Woking Referees' Society*

Dear Pam,

I write to formally acknowledge your letter of resignation and to thank you for your time as Patron of the Woking Referees Society.

You and Dennis will always have a special place in the Society's heart, which was evident at last week's AGM by the warm response to the official vote of thanks for your time as Patron.

During your time as Patron, the Society has built on the foundations and example provided by Dennis and we are extremely grateful for the support you have given both to him and to us. I'm sure that with Vince as our new President, and with our strong committee, the Society will continue to thrive.

Please keep in touch and if there is anything you need please don't be afraid to ask.

With warmest wishes on behalf of the Woking Referees Society

**Peter Guest**  
Vice President

## Mac's Musings

A strange white blob appeared in the sky last week and at last we were able to get some games of football played. I reckoned it had been some 6 weeks since I'd last refereed a game, and then I did two over the weekend and boy did know it by Sunday evening.

Although I try and get down the gym at least once a week in a rather pathetic attempt to keep vaguely fit, its not the same as actually running around a football pitch. Luckily in both the games I had, the teams tried to play football, which meant they were attempting to pass the ball to each other rather than lumping it from one end of the pitch to the other. This means yours truly has half a chance of keeping up with play.

Talking of which I was half watching a game down in Kent last weekend, whilst my son was pushing the grandson on the swings and I was looking after the dog ( know my place in life) I'm not sure whether it's the norm in that part of the world, , but I swear the referee did not break into a trot once during this time.

At one point he was standing on the edge of the centre circle when the ball pinged over the goal line. Both teams claimed the decision should go their way, as they do!. Interesting I thought, looked like a corner to me but I couldn't be sure even though I was closer than our friend, who then indicated a goal kick. I suppose he must have been right as there wasn't much dissent, but I did think how on earth could he sell a decision from so far away?

I'm sure we've all experienced the "the referee we had last week was rubbish" but what is it about workmen (electricians, plumbers builders etc) who when starting a job in your home always denigrate your previous workperson.? We've just had our bathroom and downstairs loo re-done, which required some electrical work, ie new lights, power points, shower pump. Nothing too major one would think. Ooh no!. Spotty sparky, (looked about 15 years old) , " Do you realise your house could catch fire and burn down at any time? Your fuse box and main wire to the meter doesn't meet the latest regulations"

I explained that we had had our kitchen done about 5 years ago and the electrics were ok then, also the house had been standing for the last 40 years so why should it catch fire now?

Sharp intake of breath " Well you've been lucky. The kitchen bloke hasn't done a proper job. I can't do any electrical work unless I change the fuse box and install a new armoured cable. I have to comply to the latest Part P regulations"

"Armoured cable? My house isn't going to war" I replied

Thinking he was taking the proverbial "P" I looked online and sure enough since 2013 all electrical work has to comply with new building regulations " for our own safety" including uprating fuse boxes etc

So several hundred quid later, we're now the proud possessors of a very fancy fuse box with enough circuit breakers for a moon landing, an armoured cable thick enough to supply power to the whole of Woking, and very colourful yellow and green earth wires strewn all round the outside of the house, but at least the bloody lights work and we won't be killed in our beds!!

Be ready for all the inevitable doubleheaders coming our way

**Mac**

## *Pages from Yesterday*

### "TWO REFEREES"

In April of this year I accompanied, together with two more Referees, a party of 16 Youth Footballers from Surrey on a tour of Maryland U.S.A, as guests of the Greater Severna Park Athletic Association. 5 matches were played during our ten day tour. Four of the games were controlled by American Officials and one by myself, with my two colleagues on the line.

The four games controlled by American Officials, was the first time I had encountered the 2 Referee system and, I hope, the last. It was a disaster. It totally bamboozled our players from start to finish, they were looking for flags that were not there. The system is supposed to work like this:-

One referee runs the whole of one side of the pitch, the second referee runs the other side, about 3 or 4 yards inside the field of play, although for most of the time they were running on the touchlines. Even if this was a workable method, which it definitely isn't, both referees would have needed to be greyhounds, because in theory they should have both been up in line with play at all times. As was inevitable, there were several amusing situations. On one occasion the referee on the far side blew his whistle for an "off-side" on the opposite side, the second referee didn't agree with the decision which he should have made anyway, and between them they decided to restart play with a dropped ball. On many occasions decisions were given for incidents which occurred in the corners, when the referees were some-where near the halfway line. This did not exactly endear our players to the officials. Many infringements occurred in the centre of the pitch, which went totally unseen because of the distance they were away from play.

I spoke to the Officials, and made known to them my thoughts on this system of control, in the nicest possible way, of course, and apparently they use this system in most States of America for all football, except professional football, because the fees for Officials in junior football is £7.50, linesmen, if they were to use them, would get the same, so this is the way they try to save money - in this case to the detriment of the game. Indeed whilst waiting to play our final game of the tour, we watched a cup game between two American youth teams in which two players were sent off and four cautioned, simply because incidents were not spotted, due to the remote-ness of the Officials.

In my humble estimation, having witnessed the two man control in operation, if there are any thoughts of giving this system a try out in England, my advice would be "forget it"

JOHN TURNER

*Taken from The Warbler September 1980*



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## The R.A., the County R.A. and (now) the local R.A.

Would it be O.K. to state that the R.A. is in a state of flux, from which (surely) each of us that 'belongs' truly hopes it, and we, emerge stronger, wiser, viable and efficient. I have often called it 'our Trade Union' (there are a few resemblances) but if it were that we would need to have some stated policies, some negotiating rights, maybe even a wages policy, and (God forbid !) a "right to strike". We might even then have an option to pay a levy to the Labour party and could learn the words of "The Red Flag"

Way back last century Conference was held in that brightest of all Counties (Staffs, as you ask !) in Stoke-on-Trent, to help that City celebrate the Centenary of the North

Staffs Referees' "club" the only unit to adopt and use that soubriquet. The remainder of us have had to manage as Societies, or Associations or even plain and simple branches.

Coventry now wants us all (I think) to be Local Referees' Associations. Whilst 'pushing' the idea of the R.A. being our Trade Union, if only that I believe in a united front, the idea of being part of a Club also appealed to me, but take a look around and note that all the places we used to call Working Mens' Clubs are gone or are in terminal decline. How come ? Especially after many of them tried and some succeeded in updating their image, by rebuilding, expanding, welcoming women (!) and families, and running modern activities rather than just being an accepted alternative to the local pub.

Supermarkets have a lot to answer for, cheap booze to carry home, or get delivered, in realistic sized containers, meaning that the 'average working man' need not venture forth in order to slake his evening thirst, and risk driving 'over the limit' on the way home.

But if Dad is not patronising the WMC, or its renamed successor, as much then for sure the following generation (that probably includes all our referees under say 30 years of age) will see little reason to join any sort of club. And the R.A. is, or is meant to be, a Club, of that I am sure. A club for the benefit of each and all of its members, simply because they (we) all have so much in common.

But as 'Clubs' can be seen as old-fashioned it is surely no wonder that we are not exactly overwhelmed with members, and certainly have difficulty in firstly attracting the youngsters and then in keeping them (interested). They simply are not 'clubbable', and in fact the ones we have managed to attract and keep must sometimes look around and wonder what all these "older" men are doing here ?

On the bigger stage, one has to wonder just how much the R.A. itself could be improved, bearing in mind that even at National level a lot of the actual work of 'Governance' is performed by volunteers, only slightly different in fact, even though we now have the Board of Directors, from the 'good old days' of Divisions and Divisional Secretaries and Vice-Presidents, most of them working out of their own spare rooms, with that rather jolly 'get-together', and opportunity to display all ones Mikes' and prejudices once a year at Conference.

I am reminded again that we are like the average Trade Union branch, as we are (mostly) responsible for any progress we manage to make for our "club"

*CW.*

## WEST WITTERING

I noted the bit in the January Warbler's Chairman's Chat in which Barry states that he had received a couple of complaints about comments in the Minutes of the SCRA meeting of 25/11/13 as printed in the December Warbler.

The actual wording complained of ran as follows : 'It was mentioned whether we should have a form of quality control. 1ST is offered but not checked that it is being applied on the field of play. It is felt that SCFA do not care about any referee at 5 - 7 who is not applying for promotion. SCFA can sometimes spare an assessor to come to watch you, usually after March. But promotion candidates get priority.'

Barry stated that he vehemently disagreed with these comments and assured everyone that there are equal opportunities for non-promotion candidates to attend and take part in training, IST's and workshops specifically designed for the education and support of non-promotion referees, on top of this there are special workshops organized by RA-FA, with the assistance of SCFA and the experienced team of Referee Tutors and Instructors.

Goodness me what a broad and interesting subject , or is it a can of worms ? I can understand the reason for the original 'remark' or 'complaint', but would rather call it a misguided observation. It is several years ago since Vic Skilton expressed to me that SCFA ought to have some referees on the Football League list, at that time this County was bereft of such a breed.

Since then training has undergone a revolution. SCRATOC bit the dust, Referee Development Officers were introduced and referee training took off, different methods, different emphasis, genuine efforts at recruitment, loads (!) of youngsters with Premier League stars in their eyes, some possibly seeing that the only way to be both English and in a World Cup Final had to be with a whistle or a flag.

Despite Barry's assurances that 'everything is available for everyone' by way of IST's and Training in general, surely it is a fact that far too few ever think of further training once they have hit their own deemed level of potential ?

Nearly all the established refs that I know are content with their lot, they passed the exam, made their way on to the list of each League they fancied being on, sought promotion or not, depending on several usually personal factors, those that applied were then assessed and either 'made it' or didn't, (some would try again) but eventually and, I think, inevitably most of them could be said to settle into a rut, not of boredom or inefficiency, but of 'happy to continue to be of service, but don't push me to do more than actually officiate'.

The influx of a higher proportion of youngsters than were seen previously meant that far more time and effort appeared to be concentrated on them and on getting as many of them 'flying high' as soon as possible.

Accelerated promotion was bound to give an impression that these 'lads' were seen as far more important than any intake of recruits even a few years older, whilst the 'traditional' source of local referees, directly from the bottomless well of retiring or retired players, ran dry a long time ago. SCFA is and has to be interested in each of its referees, but in direct proportion to each Referee's interest in himself.

**CW**

## Charles, Harry, Billy &amp; Me –9.

“What’s this then? They giving short measures now.”

Harry’s pint of bitter was not the only one which was less than full to the brim. Billy had had a devil of a job getting to the bar at the Thatcher’s Arms as there seemed to be a raucous office party atmosphere developed since their earlier arrival. The journey back to their corner table with full pints had not been an easy one and incautious elbows had meant plenty of spillage en route.

“Rotten bugger didn’t apologise either,” moaned Billy, when he had finally settled back into his seat. “Don’t know what we’re all coming to, no consideration for other people. Like the world in general, I suppose.”

“Certainly sounds like your regular park football these days,” chipped in Charles. “Players make a mistake or something doesn’t quite go according to plan, the first you hear is them shouting or swearing not just at themselves but often other players as well.”

“I reckon it is mainly the players nowadays,” I added, “because I hear less bad comments from managers, club officials and spectators, particularly since the start of the ‘Respect’ campaign, so the Code of Conduct that they unofficially sign up to seems to have had a good effect. This season so far I have administered only one red card for abusive and insulting language, and this was directed to an opposition player, not me. Mind you, I have issued a number of cautions for dissent, and I don’t do this just for questioning a decision, usually only if there is repeated and aggressive dissent.”

“What happened to common courtesy?” said Charles. “I recall Gary Lineker is one former player who was never cautioned or carded during his footballing career, and who can forget the elegance of Bobby Moore on the ball, and I know that there were lots of others before his time. If something didn’t work out in a match as you hoped or intended, then you just got up again and tried to do better.”

Harry, unusually quiet since his comment about short change, now wanted his time at the forefront of proceedings. But it was not his normal complaint mode. Instead he came up with a real gem.

“I was reading recently about Tom Finney. Of course, you know he passed away not so long ago. Wish I had seen him play. Apparently his beloved Preston were playing against Arsenal, and the referee had just awarded a free kick to Arsenal near to Preston’s penalty area. One of the Preston team was upset at this decision and booted the ball way up the other end of the field. Tom had a quiet word, following which his team mate ran up to the other end to fetch the ball back to where the free kick needed to be taken. Can you see that happening now?”

It was Harry’s turn to get the next round in.

If there are any protruding elbows on his way back to us, woe betide anyone on the other end of Harry’s tongue. Just as well I don’t bring my ‘yellows and reds’ to the pub with me, but as you know they can only be used on the field of play anyway.

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## Here We Go Again

So here we go again! As I start my 21<sup>st</sup> season I thought I'd prepare a guide to those people we should try and avoid during the months to come. I am sure you can all put your own names to the personalities described.

### ***The Club Secretary***

Usually difficult to find as he's doing jobs that everybody else should be doing. Usually swears blind that every other official they've had that season has been better than you. Doesn't know how to mark referees fairly and can only count to five.

### ***The Club Treasurer***

Even harder to find. Will definitely try to avoid you and will question the mileage. Never has the correct change. However, if you've had a bad game, will pay you with the pocket money pennies he's been saving for his grandson's coming holiday.

### ***The Club Chairman***

Not really worth worrying about as usually four winds to the sail and too busy talking to fellow directors, sponsors etc, to want to have anything to do with you.

### ***The Manager***

A wild thing who loves to shout abuse at everybody. Doesn't know the meaning of the word praise or advantage. Treats his players like little pets who have to bow and scrape to his every whim. Gets high on ego trips and never buys you a pint.

### ***The Groundsman***

These are mono-syllabic non-obliging creatures who like to swear and moan about everything and everyone, especially you. Suffering from verbal diarrhoea before you've inspected their water-logged pitch but suddenly stricken with laryngitis when you say it's fit to play on!

### ***The Assessor***

Experts in disguise and usually determined to contradict completely the one who watched you last time. Rarely practised what they now preach. Don't most failed referees become one?

### ***The County Officer***

Will pretend to know all about you when they meet you for the first time and then proceed to embarrass you and themselves by asking questions to which neither of you know the answer.

### ***The Press***

Avoid like the plague. Don't say - "Don't quote me on that"- because they will, but very inaccurately, especially if they are from The Sun.

### ***The Supporter***

A two-faced son of a bitch, will say you are the best thing since sliced bread when you go in favour of his team, but question your parent-hood, sex and bodily parts if you dare give the wrong decision. These too are faceless beings who threaten sometimes to sort you out after the game, but who oddly, can never be seen in the bar after the match. Of course, all are experts on the LOTG and have refereed a game before, even if it was 20 years ago.

### ***The Fellow Referees***

What an odd bunch this lot are, full of their own importance, forever bragging about the fact that they've officiated with the best, and never happy unless talking football and away from the missus and domestic chores

. Always tell you that he was the highest marked referee.

I came across one the other day on the South Midlands League. I swear I've never seen him before yet he says he'd lined to me. He told me his lowest mark was 8. I got home and looked his name up in the Directory - he wasn't even there! He even gave me his telephone number to ring when I'd got a game so he could come and watch me!! It transpired he never completed his training course,

Well having listed the above that just leaves The Players, but that's a whole new subject. Yes a cynical and hopefully amusing look at some characters in the game.

### **The Moral**

We can always learn something from them. Remember...

... the way these characters act and interact with us depends to a large extent on how we treat them! Like the players we have to manage them. There are certainly right and wrong ways of doing it. As referees we must never expect to be treated like royalty. We are not the most important person in the game, but merely, like most others, servants of it. Make sure you do the game a service and enjoy your season, be it your 1st or 21st!

*(Ed. I saw this in the Chiltern Referee. It was taken from the Milton Keynes magazine from a few years ago, and written by Paul Swannell)*



Two women called at my door and asked what bread I ate, when I said white they gave me a lecture on the benefits of brown bread for 30 minutes. I think they were those Hovis Witnesses.

Just had my water bill of £175 drop on my mat. That's a lot. Oxfam can supply a whole African village for just £2 a month: time to change supplier I think.

Seven wheelchair athletes have been banned from the Paralympics after they tested positive for WD40.

A mummy covered in chocolate and nuts has been discovered in Egypt .. Archaeologists believe it may be Pharaoh Roche...

Two Indian junkies accidentally snorted curry powder instead of cocaine. Both in hospital...one's in a korma.. The other's got a dodgy tikka!

A boy asks his granny, 'Have you seen my pills, they were labelled LSD?' Granny replies, forget the pills, have you seen the dragons in the kitchen?!

My mate just hired an Eastern European cleaner, took her 15 hours to Hoover the house. Turns out she was a Slovak.

Since the snow came all the wife has done is look through the window. If it gets any worse, I'll have to let her in.

*With thanks to Tony Murphy*

Dear Colleague

From the 1<sup>st</sup> April you should be able to register on line through the Whole Game System(WGS). This will be very similar to last season for those that registered on line, but it will hopefully be easier than last time, with a slightly different layout to the pages. The FA have been testing the system and they are very confident that it will be ready to go live by the 1<sup>st</sup> April.

To enter the systems portal you will use your FAN. If you do not know your number you can find it by your entry in the County Handbook and if you registered using the paper registration form last season the FAN is on the receipt. If you registered on line the FAN was on the automated receipt that you received back. Failing that e-mail

either [mark.wood@surreyfa.com](mailto:mark.wood@surreyfa.com) or [tim.lawrence@surreyfa.com](mailto:tim.lawrence@surreyfa.com) and we can send it to you.

We are expecting some training material from the FA soon. We will cascade this down to you once we receive it, either directly or on the website [www.surreyfa.com](http://www.surreyfa.com)

**We have also received some important information from the FA about CRC, these used to be called CRB's.**

**All referees who intend to officiate within youth football will need a CRC.**

The new online Referee Registration process will ensure that all referees indicate their intention to work within 'youth' football and/or 'youth' and 'open age' football, or solely 'open age' football. Those intending to work in youth football will be required to have a new CRC, with the priority for 2014 registration of those with pre-2010 checks.

**All Referees requiring CRCs will need an 'accepted' status on their check before their registration will be accepted.**

The FA continues to work with the Disclosure and Barring Service, the DCMS and the Home Office to resolve our position in relation to refereeing in open age football. Currently referees in open age football are not required to have a CRC (NB This may be subject to change).

It is the responsibility of individual Referees to inform The FA if their circumstances change and they start to officiate in youth football and therefore meet the requirement for a CRC check. Failure to do so may result in FA sanction.

The Football Regulatory Authority approved a policy for the renewal of CRCs every 3 years for those in all eligible roles. For referees this means, those whose checks were undertaken in 2010, 2011 or 2012, will need to renew for the registration period in 2015.

If you fall into the category that will need to do a CRC check, these can be done now before the registration process starts, so that it does not delay your registration. The CRC checks are now started done on line, please look at website [www.surreyfa.com](http://www.surreyfa.com) in the Referees Section, under Safeguarding Children for more information on how to start the process.

Regards

Tim Lawrence

Surrey County Football Association

## Adie - Sons, Sheds and Scraps

What a relief to see the sun at last and we can get some games under our belts!! One of my colleagues described the past couple of months as 'an extended Christmas break', not for the poor Fixture and Referee Secretaries, believe me. We now have to gird our loins and get all these games played, which could prove to be a leviathan task with evening games etc. Personally I am hoping to get my County Cup game played this Sunday (on the 5<sup>th</sup> time of asking – postponements galore)!

On the work front, one of the machinists brought a finished housing to 'Butch' the inspector who promptly failed it and told him to do another. The machinist obliged and this one was 'good'. Normally one would mark the failure 'scrap' with an etching pen and tie a red label on it. Butch took it upon himself to get his large hammer from his toolbox and gave the housing a whack. You've guessed it – he hit the wrong one and scrapped the 'good' one. Not that we laughed – much. Burke!!

Home front news is that youngest son Jamie went to the hospital to have the more permanent cast fitted only to be told that they advised having an op to put a screw in his wrist. This he agreed to and Diane went into concerned mother mode – again. Eldest son Graham and I convinced her that he would be OK on his own and left it at that. My game was postponed on the Sunday and, guess what..... *'Can we go to Portsmouth and see Jamie'*. OK, we'll go. This entailed Diane getting up early and preparing 'goodies' to take with us. Included in this box was a bottle of pancake mix *'otherwise he will buy some made up stuff or worse buy microwave pancakes'* – yuk! I think we actually got him out of bed at 11am when we arrived but the good news is the op went fine and he will only have this cast on for 4 weeks.

As we are putting in a new shed next month and ridding ourselves of two 'outbuildings'. I commenced this afternoon and discovered that the one I was demolishing was lined with totally soaked hardboard. Living in this environment were all kinds of creepy-crawlies that, without wishing to sound sexist, would have the fairer sex sprinting for the safety of the house!!

I will keep you informed of the progress – Graham is preparing the site of his drum shed tomorrow, thank God I am officiating and can make myself scarce!

Enjoy your games

**Adie**

## **The Adventures of Willy 'Red card' Woodwork** **The Whistling Referee**

### **Part 31 – The Poet Laureate**

Match: Cockfosters Casuals –v- Reds Rovers  
League: Division Three – Sunday Park League (North)

There is a well known expression of 'more haste less speed' and that gives a perfect description of the incident that happened next.

I had awarded a penalty to Casuals and for once there were no arguments. It was a careless challenge which resulted in the opponent falling to the ground. It was not an obvious goal scoring opportunity so there would be no red card being produced. The challenge was careless so there was no need for a yellow card but I did have a quiet word with the offending player. The offending player concerned literally held his hands up and took the blame for conceding the penalty and even helped the opponent that had been fouled back on to his feet. In fact this had to be one of the friendliest penalties that I had ever witnessed.

There is another well known expression namely 'the quiet before the storm'. So far it had been very 'quiet' but the 'storm' was not very far behind! The Casuals captain decided to take the penalty. He placed the ball on the penalty mark and waited for my signal. The goal keeper was on his goal line between the goal posts and facing the penalty taker. I told the players not to encroach into the penalty area. I was satisfied that I had covered everything that was required. The ball was stationary, the kicker had been identified, the goal keeper was ready and the other players were all outside of the penalty area and behind the ball. All was perfect as how it should be as required by law. I then took up my position. Of course this is not easy for a referee when they are by themselves and have to watch the players, the penalty taker and the goal keeper all at the same time.

I blew my whistle and the penalty taker run forward and kicked the ball. It went along the ground. The goal keeper guessed the correct way and dived to his right and managed to get a hand to the ball. What a great save and I immediately blew my whistle and shouted 'Goal kick'. My words seemed to go unheard as Casuals were convinced that they had scored and were celebrating a successful penalty.

The Rovers goal keeper instantly responded by placing the ball in the goal area and quickly proceeded in taking the goal kick. Some of the Casuals players were now aware of what was happening and immediately gathered around me. I blew my whistle and play stopped. The Casuals players insisted that I walk over to the goal and see that a perfectly good goal had been scored as the ball did in fact go over the goal line, enter the net and went through a hole in the net by the goal post.

Being a fair man and wanting to give the right decision I inspected the net and goal and saw that the ball must have gone through the hole in the net and that I should have in fact award the goal!

This of course placed me in an awkward predicament and made me think of the next famous expression 'here lieth the problem.'

Yes, I had blown my whistle too quickly and awarded a goal kick. The goal keeper had done nothing wrong by taking the kick quickly. My problem is that I could not award a goal as play had already restarted. I explained my decision but it was not a popular one. I had made my decision based on what I thought I had observed and I again knew that I had applied the laws correctly. In hind sight my decision was the wrong decision but with play already having restarted there was no way a goal could now be awarded. (Thus yet another expression but oh so apt 'Patience is a virtue'.) I duly restarted with an indirect free kick to Casuals as my decision had gone against them. I felt this was the fairest way of restarting.

Was our Referee correct?

- ◆ Should the penalty kick be retaken?
- ◆ Can a goal be awarded even if play has restarted?
- ◆ Was the indirect free kick to Casuals the correct restart?
- ◆ Restart with a drop ball? Surely the fairest decision.
- ◆ My favourite choice.....ask the referee on the next pitch for help
- ◆ What should have been the restart if the indirect free kick was incorrect?

As an experienced match official I knew I was correct and two cautions for dissent later we finally continued on with the game.

Some players may feel that I am 'as mad as a hatter' but on this occasion 'all is well that ends well'. In other words the players would hopefully forget all about this incident and start complaining about the next one which was sure to occur in the next thirty seconds.

Remember that all referees do make mistakes but they are honest mistakes and if this is my only mistake of this match then I will be more than pleased with my performance.

Keep reading for the next incident to follow very shortly.....

### **Willy Woodwork**

Willy 'Red card' Woodwork.....the whistling referee.



## MURPHY'S MEANDERINGS

It was a local cup match played on a pitch with a copse at one end and a grass area which sloped down a bank to a car park with a road running alongside at the other. The game, which had not been of a particularly high standard, had ended in a one all draw after extra time and was now to be settled by penalty kicks.

This was causing concern to one manager. During the first period of extra time one of the opposition had made a mess of trying to clear the ball and fallen to the ground. After dramatically laying there for some time he had got to his feet and declared that he was injured and couldn't continue. The team only had eleven players and this would reduce them to ten. Despite appeals and protestations from his colleagues, he had decided to return to the changing rooms and had limped off slowly looking sorry for himself. The manager's concern was who would take the eleventh penalty. The referee quickly answered the question telling the manager to select one player who would be excluded from the penalty shootout thus both teams would have ten players involved in the penalty taking.

The penalties were taken at the car park end and it was a long drawn out process, not because of the penalties scored but because of those missed. There was obviously a high expectation of the penalty taking as nobody was put in the car park to retrieve the ball if a penalty was missed. However, after five kicks the score was two each with four ending up in the car park and two in the road. After each missed kick a player would go gingerly down the slope and across the car park to get the ball. The game was settled on the seventh kick. The first player scored and the second, in an effort to break the net, ran quickly at the ball and gave a mighty swing at it. He lost his footing and only succeeded in sending the ball bobbling between the goal and corner flag.

Not a game to remember but was the referee right about the eleventh penalty?

Last week I found myself in an area of Basingstoke I hadn't been in for years, in fact the only time I ever went there was to referee Sunday League football matches. However, where the pitch used to be there was a building site and the whole area was being redeveloped for housing, etc.

The ground, for want of a better word, had been situated in the middle of a housing estate and finding it was a nightmare. It was rather like one of those puzzles where you have to find a path from the outside to the middle. There was one road which twisted and turned with lots of roads that went nowhere, stopped without warning or brought you back to where you started, leading off it. The ground was an area of grass with a football pitch stuck on it. Along one side were low rise flats, then the pitch, and then a grass bank which sloped down for about twenty yards to a row of garages. On the corner of the garages, but standing some way back, were some more low rise flats the ground floor of which was the changing rooms, two smallish rooms for the teams and a large one for the referee. There was no running water apart from a tap in a small kitchen and the changing rooms could not be locked. Players tended to turn up already changed or would change in their cars.

I enjoyed refereeing games there because, somehow, the surroundings produced a good atmosphere and I only ever had problems in one game.

On paper it was a straightforward match and, having refereed both teams before without any problems, looked forward to the game. But it was not to be. The home centre forward was a whinger, nothing was right for him. Most of his comments were reserved for his colleagues, who tended to ignore him, but occasionally he moaned at a defender or me. However, things changed in the second half and early on he said something to an opposing defender who made a comment back over his shoulder as he moved away from the centre forward. The centre forward snapped and chased after him trying to hit and punch him. The defender didn't retaliate; merely covered his head with his arms and the matter was soon brought under control. I dismissed the centre forward, still moaning, and the game then continued to its conclusion without any further problems.

After the game the home team manager and the player came into my changing room and the player apologised for his actions. The manager asked me not to send in the report but I told him I would but it would include reference to the player's apology. The manager said that the player was registered with a senior Saturday club and it could cause problems and again asked me to forget the report. I refused and asked them to leave the changing room telling them that if they didn't I would have to report our conversation as well.

Apart from an acknowledgement, I heard nothing more from the County but understand that the player pleaded guilty and received a fine and a suspension. I also heard that the player was under contract to a senior Saturday team but had not been playing due to injury. The club had not been happy that the player had played on Sundays whilst unfit and had got into disciplinary problems at the same time and had therefore cancelled his contact.

### **Tony Murphy**



I was in the six item express lane at the store quietly fuming. Completely ignoring the sign, the woman ahead of me had slipped into the check-out line pushing a cart piled high with groceries. Imagine my delight when the cashier beckoned the woman to come forward looked into the cart and asked sweetly, "So which six items would you like to buy?"

A man goes to see the Rabbi. '

"Rabbi, something terrible is happening and I have to talk to you about it."

The Rabbi asked, "What's wrong?"

The man replied, "My wife is going to poison me."

The Rabbi, very surprised by this, asks, "How can that be?"

The man then pleads, "I'm telling you, I'm certain she's going to poison me. What should I do?"

The Rabbi then offers, "Tell you what. Let me talk to her, I'll see what I can find out and I'll let you know."

A week later the Rabbi calls the man and says, "I spoke to your wife on the phone for three hours. You want my advice?"

The man said, "Yes" and the Rabbi replied, "Take the poison."

## **IFAB vote on key changes to 'The Players' Equipment'**

FIFA President Blatter opened the meeting by highlighting the importance of the new structure, which includes two new advisory panels – a Technical Panel and a Football Panel – ensuring a more proactive approach and broader consultation by including different stakeholders from across the world of football to support The IFAB before decisions are passed.

The composition of the advisory panels was discussed at today's AGM. A draft list will be finalised by The IFAB in the coming weeks and the two panels confirmed in due course once the invitations have been sent out and all members have accepted.

In relation to the Laws of the Game, The IFAB approved the modification to the interpretation of 'Law 4 – The Players' Equipment' specifying the provisions by which male and female players can now wear head covers. After a two-year pilot, The IFAB agreed that there was no indication as to why the wearing of head covers should be prohibited, as long as their design restrictions are respected in line with the new wording of Law 4, agreed on at today's AGM.

Law 4 was also modified today to clarify that both compulsory equipment and undergarments must not have any kind of slogans, statements or images. Previously, what a player could reveal on any item of basic compulsory equipment was different to what he or she could wear on an undergarment. The IFAB therefore approved the clarification in order to have a consistent approach that is also easier to regulate.

On the agenda point relating to rolling subs for amateur/recreational football, which was submitted by The Football Association (FA) and The Scottish Football Association (SFA), The IFAB decided that the pilots initiated by The FA and the SFA shall continue and that the results will be submitted to the two new advisory panels for further discussion.

The matter of electronic performance and tracking systems, which relates to players wearing chips or other small devices that can monitor player performance, will be referred to the advisory panels. The first report that the panels will receive will be from next week's Algarve Cup in Portugal, where The IFAB has initiated and permitted a trial of some of these systems for the senior women's teams involved.

For the submission from UEFA relating to the use of 'Sin Bins' in recreational youth football, The IFAB agreed that the experiments may continue, under the control of The IFAB, and that the advisory panels should further deliberate on the matter.

UEFA also submitted a proposal to remove the red card given for any offence denying an obvious goal scoring opportunity inside the penalty area. The IFAB acknowledged that the so-called 'triple punishment' has been heavily debated including concerns that, if red cards were to be removed, it would lead to cynical fouls – as was the case under the previous wording of 'Law 12 – Fouls and Misconduct' in relation to sending off offences. It was decided that the advisory panels should consider the matter to analyse how Law 12 might be further clarified.

The IFAB will also instruct the two advisory panels to discuss Law 12 with respect to handling the ball, after an initial proposal from the Football Association of [Wales](#) (FAW), to advise if any modification should be made.

After a discussion on the potential use of video replays for match officials, The IFAB remains of the view that technology should be allowed only for goal-line incidents, since it is a clear yes or no decision. Concerns were raised about video replays slowing the game down or increasing the number of stoppages.

A proposal from the Technical Sub-Committee was approved whereby The IFAB will appoint a group to revise the structure and format of the Laws of the Game including changes such as the addition of a glossary. This glossary will help to clarify wording in the Laws. For instance, since 'Law 8 - The Start and Restart of Play: Dropped Ball' was changed at the 126th IFAB AGM in March 2012, there has still been some discussion on the interpretation of the word 'direct.' At today's AGM, The IFAB noted that a new glossary will help to better define the wording in this case and others.

The modifications to the Laws of the Game made at today's AGM will come into effect on 1 June 2014, taking into account the 2014 FIFA World Cup™.

The 129th Annual General Meeting will take place in Belfast, [Northern Ireland](#) on 27 February - 1 March 2015.

FIFA.com. 1st March. *Thanks to Mal Davies*



## Chinese Proverbs

*Courtesy of Brian Reader*

Man who run in front of car get tired.

Man who run behind car get exhausted.

Man who walk through airport turnstile sideways going to Bangkok.

Man with one chopstick go hungry.

Man who eat many prunes get good run for money.

Panties not best thing on earth, but next to best thing on earth.

War does not determine who is right, war determine who is left.

Wife who put husband in dog house soon find him in cat house.

Man who fight with wife all day get no piece at night.

It take many nails to build crib, but one screw to fill it.

Man who drive like hell, bound to get there.

Man who stand on toilet is high on pot.

## Breaking the Law: take the penalty area out of penalty decisions. (The Guardian via Mal Davies)

In the first of our new series suggesting revolutionary new rules to improve sport, we think outside the box when it comes to spot-kick decisions

The was it/wasn't it debate over [Barcelona's penalty against Manchester City](#) last week missed the point. Regardless of the fact that the foul had taken place a few inches outside the box, the punishment (a free shot on goal) fit the crime (the unfair denial of a free shot on goal). Had the officials been more eagle-eyed and awarded a free-kick, would that have been a fairer outcome? No. Martín Demichelis would still have been sent off, and Barça would have had a dangerous set piece, but there's a colossal difference between a penalty and a free-kick ... and yet there is often very little difference in the fouls that see them awarded. When it comes to penalties, it's time to think outside the box.

If a player is fouled when there is a clear goalscoring opportunity, whether that be 10 yards from goal or 40 yards from goal, then the punishment meted out should be another clear goalscoring opportunity – a penalty.

It would not be a move that would particularly add to a referee's burden – they already make a distinction between goalscoring opportunities and non-goalscoring opportunities when deciding whether to show the offending party the red card. And it would mean the cynical fouls outside the area get the punishment they deserve rather than the red card that clearly does not currently act as enough of a deterrent – [Serbia, for example, would have been given a spot-kick after Josip Simunic's challenge here](#), as would [West Ham in the 1980 FA Cup final](#).

Fouls in the box, if they do not deny a goalscoring opportunity, would result in a free-kick (with those committed in the six-yard box indirect). "Anywhere else on the pitch that's a free-kick," is a refrain so familiar it's essentially now a cliché. Yet it's often true, and it is hard to escape the idea that referees shy away from penalising fouls in the box because they have only the nuclear option available to them. A free-kick punishes the foul without forcing the referee to make the huge headline-making game-changing decision that is the award of a penalty. And it's fairer – [why should this sort of thing, even if it is a foul, result in a penalty?](#) A dangerous set piece in a dangerous position means the attacking side feel the benefit. And, a happy side-effect, when it comes down to it everyone loves an indirect free-kick in the box.

In turn, we'd be likely to see less set-piece grappling in the box, with defenders no longer so certain of getting off scott-free, and you wonder if we'd also see a reduction in diving in the area. Currently the risk-reward ratio is skewed too far one way – the risk of a booking v the reward of a penalty. The threat of the stick doesn't compare to the juiciness of the carrot. A free-kick corrects that imbalance to some extent at least.



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Under 18's Midweek County Cup Final  
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Tony Price : Assistant Referee

Under 18 Surrey Youth County Cup Final.  
Martin Read : 4th Official  
Brian Reader : Assistant Referee

Surrey County Cup - Final under 13s  
Andy Bennett : Assistant Referee

Surrey Youth League - Under 18 League Cup Semi-Final  
Andy Bennet : Referee

Surrey County Intermediate League (West) –  
Reserve Division Cup Final  
Andy Bennett : Referee

SCFA U18 Midweek Cup Semi Final  
Leatherhead v Sutton United  
Tom Ellsmore : Assistant Referee  
Nick Arbuckle : Assistant Referee

SCFA Sunday Junior Cup Final  
Tom Ellsmore : Referee

Monday 10th March 2014  
FA Youth Cup Quarter Final  
Arsenal v Everton  
Assistant Referee: Michael Webb

### \*\*\*\*\*Star Plum \*\*\*\*\*??

Under 10's Quarter Final  
AFC Brooklands v. Woking Cogar's whites  
Glenn La Roche : Referee



## This Month's Speaker

# Lucy May



I began refereeing in 2004, I refereed on local leagues before gaining promotion to Level 4 in 2010.

After three years on the Wessex League, I was promoted to Level 3. In 2010, I was Assistant Referee on the Women's FA Cup Final and officiated in my first ever full international fixture, England v USA, played at Leyton Orient. Through my involvement in refereeing I have been lucky enough to travel to Botswana, South Africa, Japan and America.

Having since made the move from Portsmouth to Newcastle, I am now Referee Development Officer for Northumberland FA.

## Dates for your Diary 2013/14

7th April	Society Meeting - Lucy May
12 May	Society Meeting - TBA
18th May	End of Season Dinner
11th 12th July	Referees Association Conference - Hinkley

## End of Season Dinner 2014

**Sunday 18th May 2014**

7.30pm for 8pm kick off  
Hoebridge Golf Centre  
Cost: £25 - tickets from Pat  
Dress - Smart Casual

### Menu selection :

#### Starter

Prawn and crayfish tian with coriander and mango salsa finished with micro leaves

or

Pea & Mint Soup

#### Main Course

Oven roasted chicken breast with a woodland mushroom, garlic and thyme sauce finished with a pancetta crisp and truffle oil served with a buttery mashed potato

or

Pan seared fillet of sea-bass with a soft herb & baby caper buerre blanc and buttered new potatoes

Or

Vegetarian: Mushroom ravioli in a garlic and chive sauce topped with parmesan and rocket leaves

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or

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## What Would You Do?

(answers to ~~February~~ issue)

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**Q1.** A Red player smashes the decisive kick of a penalty shoot out against the bar. However, it rebounds out, hits the goalkeeper on the shoulder and goes back into the net. Both teams celebrate a victory! What would you do?

**A1.** Wait until the ball completes its path before either awarding a goal, ruling the kick has been missed or saved. In this case the deflection is valid, and the goal stands.

**Q2.** Your assistant has made several tight calls against the away team, prompting one of their subs to take revenge. As the assistant sprints along the touch line to keep up with the home team's winger, the sub roles a water bottle into his path. He trips and goes flying, while the winger goes on to shoot and score. What would you do?

**A2.** As soon as your assistant was knocked over, you should have stopped play: the sub has clearly endangered his safety, and deserves a red card - meaning his side will continue the game with 11 men, but will have one fewer subs available. But as you did not stop the game, you should now award a goal, having effectively played advantage.

**Q3.** The away team's player-manager is having a shocker. But when, in the second half, his assistant signals from the bench that he wants to take his boss off, he refuses to leave the pitch. He says he's overruling the substitution and wants the game to restart. What would you do?

**A3.** If you can't get them to agree, and the player-manager insists he is overruling

the change, it is his decision - restart with him still on the field of play.

**Q4.** A player of the away team is ready to take a throw in, but the ball boy deliberately delays returning the ball. When he eventually receives it the player hurls the ball at the ball-boy, knocking him over. What would you do?

**A4.** Continue with the thrown in - the ball was not in play. If appropriate have words with the home team and the ball boy.

**Q5.** The keeper side-feets a goal kick towards a colleague. Before the ball has left the penalty area, an attacker races into the penalty area to intercept the ball. Seeing this the keeper trips him. What do you do?

**A5.** Retake the goal kick - the ball never came into play (Law 16 Para 2; Interpretations and Guidelines)

**Q6.** During a fair challenge for the ball, the momentum of a Red attacker takes him over the goal line. The ball, still in play, is lobbed into the goal area by a Red colleague. The attacker then runs back onto the pitch to beat the goalkeeper, with a header into the net. What do you do?

**A6.** Award an indirect free kick, the attacker is offside (Law 3 last para; Player outside the field of play)

**Q7.** During kicks from the penalty mark in a cup tie, the ball bursts before striking the bar. It drops down in a deflated state onto the goal line under the bar, from where the goalkeeper retrieves it. What do you do?

**A7.** Retake the kick (Law 2 bullet 3; Replacement of a defective ball)

*(Ed. Questions 1-3 were taken from "You Are The Ref" by Keith Hackett and Paul Trevillion.*

*Questions 4-7 were set by Sid Harrison for the National RA Quiz, 2013)*

Courtesy of the Chiltern Referee

## What Would You Do?

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### Question 1.

You caution a French player, who responds by shaking his head, smiling and making a remark to you in his native tongue. A French opponent runs over and says it was a grossly offensive insult - and with your limited smattering of GCSE French, you are inclined to agree. What would you do?



### Question 2.

As a Blue defender races back to stop a ball trickling towards the empty goalmouth, he appears to tear his hamstring. As he collapses, he knocks the ball wide of the goal with his hand. What would you do?

### Question 3.

You're refereeing the inaugural match of a new over-70s league. Shortly after starting the game it becomes clear that one of the goalkeepers does not have enough strength in his legs to propel his goal kicks

outside the penalty area. His team mates also fail. What would you do?

### Question 4.

In the half time break after a stormy first 45 minutes, your assistant calls you over and points out that the home team's star striker has been using the interval to tweet grossly offensive remarks about you. What would you do?

### Question 5.

In a tight cup tie, the home side pile forward looking for a vital late winner - only for the ball to be booted back up field towards the opposition's unmarked winger. But as the winger controls the ball, you're astonished to see the home team manager race on and rugby tackle him, to stop him having a clear run on goal. There's uproar. What would you do?

### Question 6.

In the dying moments Reds are losing 1-0 in a vital cup tie, when they are awarded a corner. Their goalkeeper then runs the length of the pitch to join his attackers to try to get an equaliser. However, a huge clearance by Blues is about to enter Red's net when a ball boy runs onto the pitch and boots it clear. What would you do?

### Question 7.

Striker Blue 10 is isolated in an offside position. Just as Blue 9 (an onside midfielder) shoots, Blue 10 runs across the front of the Red's goalkeeper, and the ball enters the net. What would you do?

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