

# SUE'S NEWS

Wednesday June 14, 2023

Tomorrow's SHIRT of the DAY Thursday June 16 – new l/s **green** dri-fit (can wear collared white polo underneath)

(or something similar in color or white, if yours does not fit)

It was the pretty good first day. Not too many crazy things happening, but enough. I know you are all settling in to make it the best over the next 3 days.

## **ROSTERS**

- Referees MUST check the roster (and initial and time the back of the copy).
- Coaches MUST have a copy of their roster. The team cannot play without a roster.
  - Matches should not be held up for coach's that must go get their roster.

## **COACHES**

- During play, coaches must be standing closer to the bench than the sideline.
  - Make sure you keep coaches away from the line judges.

## **SCHEDULES**

- The assignors can only schedule the number of matches that are being played. So that sometimes means, there are not enough matches for everyone to work as many matches as you want. But I think the assignors do a really good job of 'evening out' match counts for each session. So you might be 'short' matches on one day, but then the next day, you will catch up.
- I'm sorry to say, but I heard about complaints already today (the very FIRST day) about the number of matches you were assigned. If you feel you are not getting enough matches, you can come see me and I will assist you.

Schedules are posted on the website. If you are viewing the schedule on your phone, click on the 3 little lines in the upper corner. There you should get a couple more drop down menus. If you click on the AAU page, the AAU schedule page should appear. There you will find an alpha listing and a grid listing. The alpha will list your entire schedule and the grid will list your partner's name. You can take a photo of your assignments from the copy in the officials lounge or take a screenshot from the website. If you want assistance let us know.

## **BUS TRANSPORTATION**

- Bus 1 will depart in the am as soon as it is full. So that could be sooner than 615 am. That bus will drop off at North B3 and then proceed to drop off at South A3. If you are going to South, do not get off at the first stop. If the bus does not go to South, call the office phone immediately.
- Bus 2 will depart at 630 am (or when full) and will repeat the same cycle.
- As soon as most referees are taken to the convention center, one bus will continue to make hourly rounds from the hotel to the convention center and back.
- there is a separate smaller bus that goes to Disney ESPN Wide World of Sports.

If you are going to Disney/ESPN and want to drive your own car, stop in the office and pick up a parking pass.

### **TIME MANAGEMENT**

- If you are the referee who has the next match on the court, be at the court to start as soon as possible. A coin toss can be done before the scoresheet is completed. Then you are ready to start warm-ups as soon as the work team has departed.
- Check the rosters during warm-ups. Do not delay the start of the match.

### **PHONE NUMBERS**

Do NOT call the general phone for court issues. Use the phone number for your section. Put these numbers in your phone as noted.

**OFFICE/WORKROOM (N322) – 402-657-0272**

**NORTH DESK – 402-206-3407**

(WEST only used during boys – 402-657-0272)

**SOUTH DESK – 402-547-3683**

Cell phone use is NOT ALLOWED while on the stand or during timeouts.

Artificial noisemakers are NOT allowed.

Check, check, check and double check your officiating assignments. If you want a paper copy, stop the officials office.

### **SCORESHEET REMINDERS**

- Once you pick up a scoresheet, you proceed directly to your court. No stopping in the bathroom or the officials lounge.
- Scoresheets must be returned immediately after the completion of the sheets you have. (2 scoresheets were lost today. There is no excuse for that.)
- Check the scoresheet thoroughly before signing it. Cross reference match scores against the final service rounds and running score column.

### **REFEREE LOUNGE**

- The referee lounge should be a place where referees can relax between matches. If you want to be loud and party, you should go downstairs to the food area or outside of the referee lounge.
- If you are on the phone, keep your conversation to yourself or go outside of ref room.
- Do not touch other referees' belongings or food. If you didn't bring it, do not touch it.
- There is a microwave in both officials lounges.
- The large refillable water bubblers are no longer provided by the convention center. There are water fountains located outside of the restrooms. And there are water bottle fillers located on the cement building in the middle of the halls.

### **SUPPORT STAFF at FINALS MATCHES**

- If you are an experienced line judge or scorer and are interested in working as support crew for a finals match, please submit a schedule request form that can be found on the website with information about your experience.

IF your picture is not posted on the hotel/roommate sheet (and you did not get your picture taken at check-in), stop by the office, so we can take it.