



# CenterCircle

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## DC United Game and Referee Clinic

June 24 – 4:30 PM

On Saturday, June 24, 2000, the Metro DC-Virginia State Referee Program and DC United will sponsor the Third Annual Referees Nite and Referee Clinic. The game kicks off at 4:30 PM when DC United plays the Dallas Burn at RFK stadium in Washington, DC. All referees, families, and guests will sit together on the upper deck at a reduced ticket price of \$16 per ticket. Our young referees of the year will be introduced on the field before the game.

The clinic will be held immediately after the game at RFK Stadium. Assuming the game goes until 6:30 PM, the clinic will start at 7:00 PM and go until 10 PM. A box lunch will be available after the game in the meeting room for \$8.00, but must be ordered with the tickets.

The format for this clinic will follow the very successful format we have used the previous two years. After the referee crew finishes the game and gets a chance to cleanup, they will meet with the referees and talk about the game, decisions they made, and answer any questions that the referees might have. A video tape of the game will be available for review during the clinic.

Page 4 of the **CenterCircle** has a ticket order form that

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can be sent to the state office along with a check for the tickets and box lunches. For those who already have tickets to the game, box lunches can be purchased separately on the order form.

This year the Richmond Kickers A League team will also sponsor a Referee Nite and Clinic. Watch for information on the web site and in a special mailing later this spring.

## REFEREE DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY.

The last issue of the **CenterCircle** announced plans for the Referee Development Academy for 2000 which will include three referee camps this summer. Two of the camps will be held for young referees and one is aimed at adult referees. The last issue contained an application with an announced deadline of April 30, 2000.

To date, the number of applications for the camps are less than the number of slots we have available. To encourage more applications, we have extended the deadline until May 15 and have repeated the article on the Referee Academy on page 2 of this issue. Another application is contained on page 3.

### New Web Site

For those of you who have visited our web site and noticed that the articles were out of date, you will be pleasantly surprised when you visit the site now. It has been totally redesigned, old material has been removed or placed in an archive, and new material has been added. With the new web site, Bill Robertson will renew his efforts to ensure that the State Referee Program keeps the site current. Check it out – [vadcsoccerref.com](http://vadcsoccerref.com) – and let us know what you think.

# REFEREE DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY

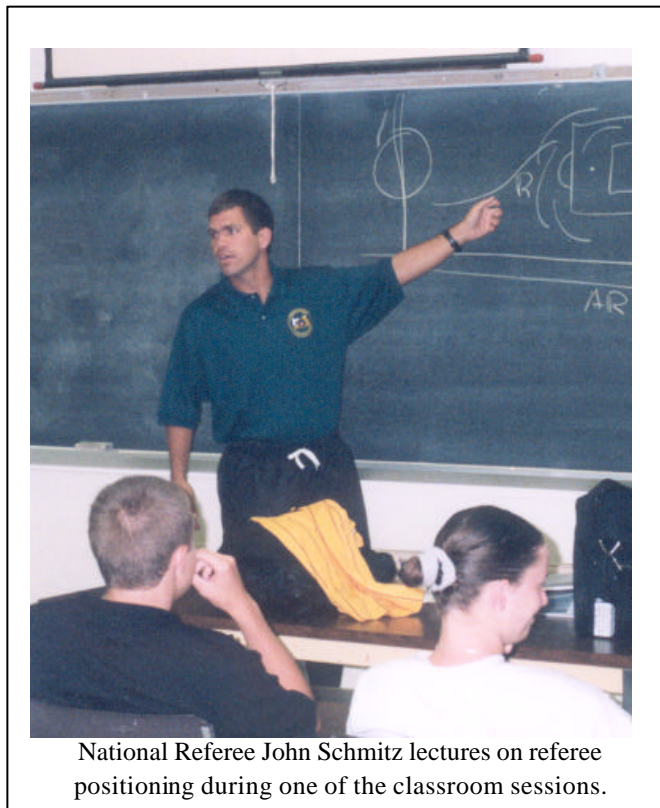
The State Referee Program is pleased to announce that the Referee Development Academy for 2000 will consist of three separate camps this summer. Two will be aimed at youth referees and one will be held for adult referees. The Referee Development Academy was initiated last summer with a youth referee camp, held for 26 young referees at William and Mary College.

The two youth referee camps will be held in conjunction with soccer camps and will run from Sunday through Thursday. These camps will be residence camps and referees will stay in dormitories and dine with the other players attending the soccer camp. The first youth camp will be held at William and Mary College from July 9 - 13, in conjunction with the Al Albert's boys soccer camp. The second camp will be held at Christ Church School in Saluda, Virginia. This camp will be held in conjunction with #1 Soccer Camp for both boys and girls the week of August 13 - 17. Each camp will be limited to 25 referees.

Because the William and Mary camp is an all boys camp, we have problems housing young female referees at this camp. Therefore, we are asking all young female referees to apply for the camp at Christ Church. Young male referees may apply to either camp.

The adult referee camp will be held over two weekends from Friday evening through Sunday afternoon. It will be a non-residence camp with emphasis on training referees to referee at senior level games. Friday and Saturday nights will be devoted to classroom instruction and feedback. Saturday and Sunday during the day referees will be on the field working senior level games. The dates for the adult referee camp are July 14 - 16 and July 28 - 30. Referees will be required to attend both weekends. The adult camp will be limited to 30 referees.

The Referee Development Academy will be under the direction of Bob Kuhnle, State Director of Instruction. Arn Manella will be camp director for the two youth camps and Bob Kuhnle and our National Referees will run the adult camp.



National Referee John Schmitz lectures on referee positioning during one of the classroom sessions.

The cost of the youth camps will be \$100 per referee and will cover all camp fees including room and board. Cost of the adult camp will be \$50 per referee. Room and board will be the responsibility of the referees attending the adult camp.

The youth referee camps will be limited to Grade 8 or higher referees between the ages of 14 and 19. The adult referee camp will be limited to Grade 8 or higher referees over the age of 19 with a minimum of three years as a referee. Any referee wishing to participate in the program and attend the camp should submit an application to the State Referee Committee not later than **May 15**.

An application form is included on page three of the issue of the **CenterCircle**. Additional copies of the application can be found on the web site at [vadsoccerref.com](http://vadsoccerref.com). Anyone with questions should contact the SRA by e-mail at [sra@vadsoccerref.com](mailto:sra@vadsoccerref.com) or by phone at the State Referee Office -- (703) 491-1717 or (888) 832-1866 outside the 703 area code.

# APPLICATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE REFEREE DEVELOPMENT ACADEMY

I am applying to attend the following referee camp:

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|--------------------------|------------|-----------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Youth Camp | July 9 - 13           | College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Virginia |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Youth Camp | August 13 - 17        | Christ Church School, Saluda, Virginia              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Adult Camp | July 14 - 16, 28 - 30 | Arlington, Virginia                                 |

## Applicant Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Age on July 1, 2000: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent or Guardian Information (if under 18 years of age)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Referee Information

Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Years Experience: \_\_\_\_\_  
Approximate Game Count: Referee \_\_\_\_\_ Assistant Referee \_\_\_\_\_  
Primary Club or League where you referee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Highest level game you normally referee: \_\_\_\_\_

## References: Please list three references who know you as a referee

- Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_
- Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_
- Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_

## Reasons for Attending

On one separate sheet of paper, please tell the State Referee Committee why you want to participate in the Referee Development Academy and what you hope to gain from it.

## Statement

I ask the State Referee Committee to consider my application to participate in the Referee Development Academy. I certify that I am a currently registered referee in good standing. I understand that if I am selected, I will pay \$100 to attend the Youth camp (\$50 for Adult Camp) and submit any necessary medical and other information required to attend the camp. Further, I promise to make my best effort to participate in all activities of the Referee Development Academy.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**MUST BE SUBMITTED BY MAY 15, 2000**

*Please mail to State Referee Office, 2239-N Tackett's Mill Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22192*



## DC United Referee Nite and Clinic

Saturday, June 24, 4:30 PM, RFK Stadium

Number of Tickets: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$16.00 per ticket = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Number of box lunches: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$8.00 per ticket = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed check #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**MUST BE RECEIVED BY June 16, 2000 (Make Check Payable To State Referee Program)**

*Please mail to State Referee Office, 2239-N Tackett's Mill Drive, Woodbridge, VA 22192*

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