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The Presidents' Podium:

Jerry Maher

2008 EBFOA President

As the season wraps up I want to thank you all for your hard work to make this another successful season for the EBFOA. Congratulations to everyone who earned a playoff game or a promotion this season. All of your hard work deserves to be rewarded.

Thank you to each of the Board members for their hard work throughout the season, especially the two members whose terms are ending; Russ Hutchinson and Leon Monroe. Their long time dedication to the Association has benefitted all of us over the years and I look forward to continuing to work with them both on the Board and on the football field.

I would also like to thank Sam Moriana, Jim McGeough, and Bud Cederburg for the support they provide the Association. The amount of time and the quality of the work each of these men do for the Association is incredible. They deserve our admiration for the jobs they do.

At a time when all of us are excited about our future away from football each of you demonstrated this excitement about our Association as well. Throughout the season I had the opportunity to speak to many of you about the direction we are headed. I heard about concerns with current actions as well as ideas for our future direction. I found this input invaluable in assuring that I work on your behalf, making this the most rewarding experience possible for all of us. I look forward to working with all of you next season.

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Kevin Reed Memorial Scholarship

Jon Robertson

2008 Scholarship Chairman

The EBFOA once again showed that it is truly a unique officiating Association in Northern California. Because of your unselfish donations of game fees, the EBFOA was able to award Kevin Reed Memorial Scholarships to 4 deserving senior football players. This annual event has become the marquee topic at the EBFOA Banquet.

Flanked by family, friends, coaches, and school administrators, the following high school seniors received the \$1,000 cash scholarships at the Annual Football Banquet on Wednesday November 19, 2008:

- Malcolm Carson – El Cerrito High School
- Conrad Creedon – Hayward High School
- Noel Crisolo – John Swett High School
- Darion Jefferson – McClymonds High School



(pictured left-to-right: Darion Jefferson, Jon Robertson – Scholarship Chairman, Malcolm Carson, Conrad Creedon, Noel Crisolo)

Thank you for your participation in the 2008 Scholarship Program. I am looking forward to holding another successful Program for the 2009 High School Football Season.

The EBFOA Congratulates all Playoff Officials for 2008!!

The EBFOA is a very unique Football Officiating Association in the fact that it has exclusive playoff and championship game coverage of the Oakland Athletic League. Along with the allocation of North Coast Section Games and chances for the CIF State Championship Games, the EBFOA is well-suited to award its officials with Playoff Game experiences. As football officials, we all work very hard throughout the season to be rewarded a Playoff game at the end. It's the pinnacle of a great season. The EBFOA is very proud of its officiating member representatives to the Playoff games in 2008.

Here is a list of EBFOA Officials that worked in non-championship North Coast Section Playoff games:

Division I

Dennis Binion
Paul Engl
Alex Harris
Damon Jones
Jerry Luzar
Jim McGeough
Leon Monroe
Jon Robertson
Don Toomer
Scott Wells

Division II

Dennis DiFabio
Alan Goldenberg
Jason Hutchings
Aaron Jacobs
Marc Linnell
Ron Matthews
Leon Monroe
Sam Moriana
Jon Robertson
Don Toomer
Reggie Watkins
Scott Wells

Division III

Dennis Binion
Charles Burleigh
Dennis DiFabio
Michael Fowler
Alan Goldenberg
Alex Harris
Dan Hughey
Russ Hutchinson
Marc Linnell
Dave Long
Jerry Luzar
Jim McGeough
Leon Monroe
Sam Moriana
Steve Niccolls
Craig Norvell
Reggie Watkins
Michael Young

Division IV

Alex Harris
Gary Hayes
Jason Hutchings
James Long
Jim Ogden

Division V

Conrad Bassett
Gary Ingram



OAL Playoff Games were worked by the following EBFOA Officials:



OAL I

Dennis Binion
Bruce Bunting
Charles Burleigh
Rick Solis
Damon Jones

OAL II

James Long
Mike Morris
Aaron Jacobs
Ron Matthews
Gary Ingram

Congratulations go to the following EBFOA Officials that worked North Coast Section and Oakland Athletic League Championship Games:

OAL Silver Cup Championship Game: Russ Hutchinson, Don Toomer, Dave Long, Mike Young, Mike Fowler

North Coast Section Championship Games: Div I – Leon Monroe, Div II – Dennis DiFabio, Div III – Sam Moriana, Div IV – Alex Harris, Div V – Gary Ingram

Special Congratulations go to Dennis Binion and Jim McGeough as EBFOA Representatives to the 2008 California Interscholastic Federation State Championship Games. See page 4 for more details.

What year were chin straps made mandatory?

Who is the 2008 President of the EBFOA?

What EBFOA Officials went to the State Championships?

REFERDY 2008



How many laces are on a football?

Tear-away jerseys became illegal when?

What is the legal height of a kicking tee?

REFERDY 2008 is now history and the EBFOA has crowned a new Championship Team. Among dozens of officiating peers, football-minded guests, and spouses, the members of these two teams fought the grueling round and only one team came out on top. Congratulations to **“Men-O-Flags”**, the 2008 Champions. Led by Captain Marc Linnell, the team of Scott Tate, Gary Reed, and Alex Harris beat the **“Cashion”** team of Mike Young – Captain, Charles Burleigh, John Rampa, and Lane Baker. The winners received a “\$5,000” trophy, peer admiration, and unlimited endorsements. **“Men-O-Flags”** will defend their title next season. Next time you see the winners, be sure you congratulate them for their achievements.



(Pictured left-to-right: Jim McGeough – Game Host, Marc Linnell – Captain, Gary Reed, Alex Harris, Scott Tate)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

OFF-SEASON FOOTBALL CLINIC

DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 19

WHERE: STOCKTON, CA

2009 NEW MEMBER RECRUITMENT PROGRAM

TIME: NOW THRU AUGUST 2009

RENO FOOTBALL OFFICIAL'S CAMP

DATE: CAMP 1: JUNE 9-12, 2009
CAMP 2: JUNE 16-19, 2009

WHERE: UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA RENO

MORE INFO:
WWW.FOOTBALLOFFICIALSCAMP.COM



EBFOA SUMMER STUDY

DATE: JULY AND AUGUST, 2009

2009 HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SEASON

DATE: BEGINS LATE AUGUST 2009

CIF State Championship Officials

Congratulations to Dennis Binion and Jim McGeough for their selection to and participation in the 2008 CIF State Championship Football Games. The games were held at the Home Depot Center in Carson California on December 19 & 20, 2008. 2008 marks the third year that CIF has held a State Championship event and five EBFOA members have been chosen to work at the games. Previous CIF State Championship Football Game participants include Leon Monroe (2006), Jerry Luzar (2007), and Reggie Watkins (2007).



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Jim McGeough



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