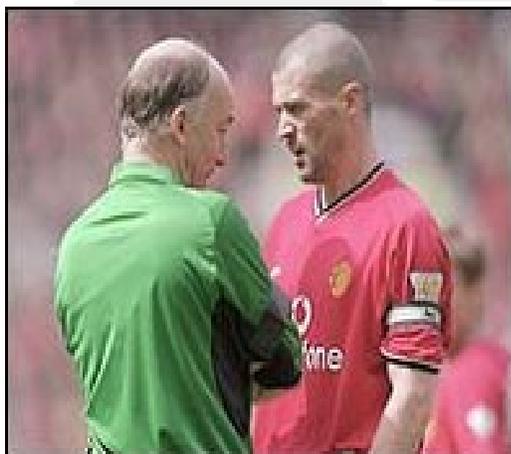


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JULY COACHING SESSIONS



David Elleray is coming to New Zealand in July to conduct a course for top referees and to speak in various centres. David is a former FIFA referee who has officiated on the English Premier League, various cup finals, including the FA cup, UEFA Champions League and a number of Internationals. A highly entertaining speaker, David has many stories to tell about his career, the controversial games, the world-class players and the managers he has met during his years at the top in football.

Since his retirement he has acted as an assessor for UEFA, conducted referee courses and served on a number of committees, while continuing as a housemaster at Harrow School.

This is going to be a great chance for referees to come and meet this top referee, listen to his experiences and ask questions.



2006 Coaching Course

18th - 19th February 2006 Armitage Hotel, Tauranga

The Force 3 referees training and coaching course was, once again, an outstanding success, from the opening address on Saturday morning to the closing words of thanks to all instructors and participants on Sunday afternoon. The course just keeps growing every year. From its beginning in 2003 with 24 participants; now 4 years on with 72 participants, this course has not only grown in numbers but in quality. The standard of presentations and presenters has improved as each year passes. Participants came from Whangarei to Palmerston North. It was great to see the number of new and younger people attending and especially an increase in the number of females taking part.

The first day 'kicked off' with Rod Pelosi, who after finishing off a couple of scones, gave a very thought provoking view of football from the chairman's point of view.

Ken Wallace proceeded to give his usual professional presentation and updated everyone on the laws and new interpretations with some lively debate surrounding the offside law'.



Wayne Stapley from Christchurch gave a very informative presentation and outdoor demonstration on flag work and AR positioning. Paul Smith's presentation, *Celebration of a Goal and Match Preparation* was up to his usual standard and gave everyone something to think about.

There were the usual outdoor drills and practical exercises with everyone making good use of suntan lotion as Tauranga turned on the good weather.

Following a viewing of the National Youth League game at Links Ave., the course continued back at the hotel with an opportunity for everyone to have their running style videoed and the appropriate footwear suggested by a local footwear professional, with Helen Tunstall on hand to offer added advice.

After dinner John Cameron gave his usual entertaining views and advice on fouls, cautions and misconduct. The evening was concluded with a briefing for Northern league officials by Ian Hiscox.

Sunday started bright and early with Helen Tunstall taking those participating in the fitness test through some warm up exercises. All the fitness test participants passed. All agreed that with over 20 taking part, motivation was not a problem.

After Breakfast Helen gave a presentation on a subject few had given a lot of thought to, 'training techniques and nutrition' -certainly an eye opener for most.

Ken, Wayne and Paul continued to take sessions for the remainder of the day, on topics from team work to assessing challenges.

The course was brought to a close by Ken who gave an insight into the possibilities available to 'up and coming' officials and a little about what's happening on the world stage.



I would like to extend a special thanks to the instructors who took the time to be a part of the development and advancement for referees and to the participants who also took the time to participate and upskill.

Feedback from the participants has been tremendous and we are looking forward to the next course, in February 2007.

Grant Webber

Course Co-ordinator

Please note that the above report was edited and abridged to fit the space available.

LAWS OF THE GAME

At its AGM the International Football Association Board considered amendments to the Laws of the Game. These will apply at all internationals from June 1, at any competitions that start thereafter e.g. 2006 NWL, 2006-7 NZFC **AND IN NEW ZEALAND FROM January 1, 2007.**

However, they have requested that referees enforce immediately the following instruction in the Additional Instructions to Referees p.71:

Delaying the restart of play

New bullet point 6

Referees must caution players who delay the restart of play by tactics such as:

- Provoking a confrontation by deliberately touching the ball after the referee has stopped play

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Congratulations on your appointment to the 2005-6 NZFC final:

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Best



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