

Make the Right Call



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From the WOA Executive Board

Recently, several news outlets reported on a disciplinary action taken by the WOA Executive Board. Because of inaccuracies in the reports many equally inaccurate rumors have been circulating in the officiating community. The Executive Board would like to set the record straight. Last October, the WOA sent out the following interpretation:

Although the idea of officials using pink whistles in tribute to Breast Cancer Awareness is a great idea, the WOA has made the decision that football officials will participate in the Prostate Cancer Awareness efforts, while the volleyball and soccer officials will participate in the Breast Cancer Awareness programs. We hate to say no to such great causes, but it is important that we do not over commit in our support. By

doing this, the WOA is supporting a wide variety of events without overtaxing the men and women who are out officiating on a daily basis. Although some may not like the position taken by the WOA, there has to be a line drawn and the WOA feels comfortable with the rationale used to reach this decision.

All of the football associations were told that pink whistles were not allowed and using them could lead to disciplinary action. One association's leadership recommended that their membership use the pink whistles anyway. A few members of that association also supplied derogatory information to the media in violation of WOA bylaws. The association was informed of their members' violations and asked to deal with them. At the January meeting the

WOA Executive Board reviewed the association's uniform violation, their blatant disregard of WOA policy, and their failure to adequately deal with member misconduct. The WOA Executive Board decided to wait until the May meeting in order to provide the local association's leadership an opportunity to help shape the discipline. The result of the disciplinary action can be found in the minutes of the May WOA Executive Board meeting.

The Commissioner handles the day-to-day operations of the WOA, but does not have the authority to take disciplinary action against an association/board.

The WOA is a private, non-profit association made up of 150 local associations/boards and approximately 5500 officials.

2011 WOA Conference / Golf Tournament

Have you made your arrangements to attend the 2011 WOA Conference? Interested in playing in the WOA/ArbiterSports Summer Classic Golf Tournament? If you are interested in either or both of these events,

please send in your registration prior to June 15 in order to receive the benefit of the "Early-Bird"

registration fee of \$25 for the conference or \$87 for the conference and golf tournament.

Please click on the link below for the WOA Conference/Golf Tournament registration form:

www.woa-officials.com/pdf/WOA_Conference_2011.pdf

Upcoming Events:

- MAY 27-28
SPRING STATE TOURNAMENTS
- JUNE 20-21
WIAA/WOA FOOTBALL CAMP
- AUGUST 5-6
WOA CONFERENCE AND GOLF TOURNAMENT
- AUGUST 7
FOOTBALL SENIOR SEMINAR, YAKIMA
- AUGUST 28
FOOTBALL SENIOR SEMINAR, CASTLE ROCK

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STATE TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

MAY 27-28

4A SOFTBALL

(MERKEL, SPOKANE)

3A SOFTBALL

(RAC, LACEY)

2A SOFTBALL

(CARLON PARK, SELAH)

1A SOFTBALL

(FRANKLIN PARK, SPOKANE)

1B, 2B SOFTBALL

(GATEWAY COMPLEX, YAKIMA)



Malcolm Boyles, Seattle Metro

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STATE TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

MAY 27-28

3A, 4A SOCCER

(HARRY LANG, LAKEWOOD)

1A, 2A SOCCER

(SUNSET CHEV, SUMNER)

2011 State Tournament Umpires: Softball

1B & 2B State Tournament

Leigh Ann James, Columbia Basin
Linda Newton, Evergreen
Marty Palmanteer, Okanogan County
Don Martin, Olympia
Nick Warren, Seattle Metro
David Tise, Seattle Metro
Nancy Alexander, Snohomish County
Paul Grubbs, Spokane
Mike Bruun, Tri Cities
Terry Vance, Twin City
Harold Rexroat, Western Washington
Ken Carson, Yakima Valley

1A State Tournament

Noe Guzman, Central Columbia Basin
Don Fox, Colville Valley
Ken Juarez, Grays Harbor
Bill Parsons, Lower Columbia
Donald Postle, Palouse
Steve Browne, Peninsula
Tom Dillon, Seattle Metro
Susan Chewing, Snohomish County
Rich Hobson, Spokane
Mark Kolander, Wenatchee Valley
Russ Cantonwine, Western Washington
Bob Miller, Whatcom County

2A State Tournament

John Driesen, Central Columbia Basin
Randy Beaudry, Evergreen
George Scanlon, Olympia
Jeff McDonald, Seattle Metro
Frank Liekhus, Skagit Island
Ronald Bryant, Snohomish County
Jeff Camp, Spokane
Harold Brewer, Walla Walla
Don Wilson, Western Peninsula
Bill Ruud, Western Washington
Vaughn Hageman, Whatcom County
Rafael Rodriguez, Yakima Valley

3A State Tournament

Nick Haluschak, Evergreen
Richard Moore, Lower Columbia
Michael Sargeant, Peninsula
Tom Betenson, Seattle Metro
Jerry Forkner, Seattle Metro
John Carney, Skagit Valley
Bill Elston, Spokane
Jim Dills, Twin City
Cole Sukow, Wenatchee Valley
Max Howard, Western Washington
CJ Webb, Western Washington
Kerry Wosner, Yakima Valley

4A State Tournament

Mary Sledge, Columbia Basin
Scott Webb, Evergreen
John Wright, Olympia
Tom Henderson, Seattle Metro
Charles Coburn, Seattle Metro
Glenn Hull, Seattle Metro
Joseph Fisher, Snohomish County
Paul Clary, Spokane
Dallas Williams, Spokane
Sam Farias, Tri Cities
Rick Walker, Western Washington
Russ Taylor, Yakima Valley

2011 State Tournament Officials: Soccer

Columbia: Drew Brooks
East King County: Ed Eldredge
East King County: Lisa Brouelette
Inland Empire: Paul Christiansen
Kitsap Peninsula: Scott Skolnik
North Chapter: Marc Zawislak
Pierce County: Mike Gilbert
Pierce County: Ray Moffatte

Quad County: Terry Harris
Seattle: Will Niccolls
Skagit Valley: Stefan Katz
South King County: Ryan Meeks
South King County: Greg Reed
Tri Cities: Peter Rogalsky
Wenatchee Valley: Humberto Lozano
Yakima Valley: RC Hefner

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2011 State Tournament Umpires: Baseball - Regionals

4A Regional Tournaments

Mike Massoth, Northwest
Alan Rice, Snohomish County
Tim Anderson, South Sound
John Philbeck, Northwest
Brian Strege, Peninsula
Chris Thompson, Western Washington
Craig Brown, Evergreen
Tom Brigham, Northwest
Pat Chemodurov, Western Washington
Jeff Olson, Inland Empire
Mitch Crowe, KPR
Bob Haringa, Yakima Valley

3A Regional Tournaments

Rick Oates, Northwest
David Jones, Snohomish County
Les Martin, Whatcom County
Mike Hatfield, Northwest
Chuck Sacrison, Peninsula
Bill Reynolds, Twin City
Eric Krabbenhoft, Evergreen
Kim Stover, Northwest
Jim Bailey, Western Washington
Jerry Gaunt, Columbia Basin
Charles Voelker, Inland Empire
Ryan Sorensen, KPR

2A Regional Tournaments

Hank Margeson, Northwest
Sam Hickenbottom, Snohomish County
Paul Aguirre, Whatcom County
Ted Buehner, Northwest
Phil Lepper, Western Peninsula
Clifford Planellas, Western Washington
Steve Welborn, Evergreen
Hal Shore, Northwest
Glenn Davis, South Sound
Ray Hilton, KPR
Michael Lorenz, Palouse
Matt Snodgrass, Yakima Valley

1A Regional Tournaments

Rick O'Neill, Northwest
Robert Theal, Peninsula
Sue Harbour, Skagit Valley
Jon Jackson, Lower Columbia
Larry Gillard, Northwest
Tim Thompson, Western Washington
Ric Garces, Central Columbia Basin
Jerry Moberg, Columbia Basin
Keith Cone, Inland Empire
Steve Sandman, Chelan County
John Hill, Colville Valley
Reginald Oliver, Yakima Valley

2B Regional Tournaments

Jason Burke, Northwest
Lou Davis, Snohomish County
Bob Hughes, Western Washington
William Taylor, Evergreen
Brian Predmore, Northwest
Ross Working, Twin City
Clark Wright, Chelan County
Jeff Gates, Palouse
Carl Ramsey, Yakima Valley
Tom Byers, Blue Mountain
Ron Schaller, Inland Empire
Bryan Cardinal, KPR

1B Regional Tournaments

Bruce Lalonde, Colville Valley
Mike Buratto, Inland Empire
Chris Martin, Northwest
Richard Handley, Lower Columbia
Paul Baeder, Northwest
Dan Benjamin, South Sound



Bill Brown, Western Washington

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STATE TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

MAY 22
BASEBALL REGIONALS
(REGIONAL SITES)

MAY 27-28

3A, 4A BASEBALL
(CHENEY STADIUM, TACOMA)

1A, 2A BASEBALL
(COUNTY STADIUM, YAKIMA)

1B, 2B BASEBALL
(PARKER FIELD, YAKIMA)

2011 State Tournament Umpires: Baseball - Finals

3A & 4A Finals

Tom Van Duzer, Northwest
Jim Shulock, Skagit Valley
Brandon Pontius, South Sound
John Hayden, Western Peninsula
Bruce Elkington, Western Washington
Steven Lawson, Yakima Valley

1A & 2A Finals

Tom Harris, Central Columbia Basin
Mark Allen, Evergreen
Dwayne Schettler, Inland Empire
Bruce Peterson, Northwest
Keith Kladnik, Okanogan County
Bill Reynolds, Twin City

1B & 2B Finals

Jeff Golding, Inland Empire
Gregory Mitchell, KPR
Dustin Williams, Lower Columbia
Ric Cooper, Northwest
Dave Stocker, Snohomish County
Mark Heavey, Western Washington



Joe Winniford, Peninsula

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Note from the Commissioner:

Congratulations to all the officials who have been selected to work a spring state tournament. The accolades of working a state tournament game are limited to a small percentage of officials, but we all know that the real congratulations goes out to all the officials that worked throughout the spring season. Hopefully some of you will find the time to head out to one of the state tournament sites to support the officials.

This spring has been especially challenging to the baseball and softball assigners due to the horrific weather. Thank you for putting in the extra effort to make sure all the games were covered.

Thank you for all you do!

Todd Stordahl
WOA Commissioner



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Sue Harbour, Skagit Valley
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WOA Spotlight: Sue Harbour

From being an NCAA Division One first team All-American volleyball player at the University of Oregon in the mid '80s, to playing professional volleyball for 13 years and professional basketball for three years in France, then gravitating toward officiating volleyball, basketball, softball, and now baseball, that's the path traveled by SUE HARBOUR.

Why is she of current particular interest? Because she has been assigned to work in this year's State BASEBALL Tournament, specifically at the 1A Regional Tournament in Anacortes. She is believed to be the first woman selected to umpire baseball in the

state tournament.

How about a little academics? At Oregon, she earned a BS Degree with a double major in math and physical education. She graduated Summa Cum Laude. Phi Beta Kappa. A grade point average of 3.98 (in MATH, no less!) She earned an NCAA Top Six Award for post-graduate study. This is an award that has gone to athletes like John Elway, Peyton Manning, Cheryl Miller, and David Robinson.

To her game assigner she is a double-edged sword. She's a treasure because she has the ability and the temperament to accept anything offered. She is a

nightmare because many of our other umpires keep pestering the assigner, "When are you going to assign me to work a game with Sue?"

A little family history... She grew up in Pullman as the youngest of nine children. Seven of her brothers and sisters graduated from Washington State University and Sue, as the black sheep of the family, graduated from the University of Oregon. It has not been established whether her brothers and sisters treat her as an equal.

Oh yes, her day job is teaching math to students in the Sedro-Woolley School District.

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