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AVALON JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH

## CIF-SS FOCUSES ON . . . "THOSE FAR AWAY PLACES"

*Editor's Note: Every now and again the CIF-SS Bulletin will feature a story on some of the Southern Section's own "far-away places". These are the outlying areas many of us in metropolitan cities never see except for a rare visit for a playoff contest or just driving through. We hope to personalize the uniqueness of these Southern Section member schools located from the desert and yes, even across the sea!*

Avalon Junior-Senior High School is part of the Long Beach Unified School District and was established in 1923. There are approximately 200 students enrolled in grades 7-12.

The school is located on Santa Catalina Island in the city of Avalon. Students from K-12 and the evening school program come from all parts of the island.

The island is located approximately 26 miles south of Long Beach in the Pacific Ocean. It is about 26 miles in length and 8 miles wide at the widest point.

The school serves permanent residents of the island - predominately owners and operators of small businesses which cater to vacationers from the mainland, plus some fishermen and workers at the rock quarry or cattle ranch on the island. Other sources of income are the City of Avalon, the Santa Catalina Island Company, Public Utilities and our Public School.

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## JUNIOR HIGH SYMPOSIUM SET

The CIF-Southern Section is sponsoring its first ever JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOLS SYMPOSIUM.

Target date is Tuesday, March 31, 1981 at the Buena Park Convention Center. The Symposium will be a most penetrating athletic in-service program for junior high administrators and boys' and girls' athletic administrators, featuring a creative and innovative atmosphere.

The Symposium format calls for three seminar sessions of 40 minutes each, thus affording participants a choice of topics to fit his/her own specific needs.

Workshop sessions will include Community/School Relationships, Athletic Injuries, Coaching the Female Athlete, Principal's Role in The Interscholastic Program, "All About Officials", and New Concepts In Fund Raising.

As a CIF-Southern Section junior high school, we wish to extend a special invitation to join with us on the above date. There is no cost to your school but registration is necessarily restricted to three from each member junior high. A registration form has been mailed to your school and we hope by now your school has availed itself of this unique opportunity to help you advance in your professional growth.

A complete program listing is reprinted on page 6 for your information.

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## FOOTBALL RULES COMMITTEE ELIMINATES BLOCKING BELOW THE WAIST

In an effort to further reduce knee injuries in high school football, the National Federation of State High School Associations' Football Rules Committee voted at its Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana, to eliminate all blocking below the waist outside the free-blocking zone.

Blocking below the waist will continue to be permitted to stop a ball carrier, or in close line play where the incidence of knee injuries is negligible. In all other instances, it will be illegal, effective with the 1981 high school football season.

The committee, which represents approximately 15,000 football playing schools and 1,000,000 high school players, also made several other rule changes, including:

1. Declaring a chop-block as a personal foul.
2. Redefining spearing as intentional use of the helmet in an attempt to punish an opponent. The rule now applies to all players, including the ball carrier.
3. Defining an illegal fair catch signal, as a signal given when a fair catch is not permitted.
4. Making it illegal to block the kicker on a free kick down until the kicker has advanced 5 yards or the ball has touched the ground, player or an official.
5. Adding loss of down to the penalty for illegally handing the ball forward.



## MINUTES OF THE CIF-SOUTHERN SECTION COUNCIL MEETING OF JANUARY 22, 1981

The January meeting of the Southern Section of the California Interscholastic Federation was called to order by President-Elect Dr. Robert Packer at 9:15 a.m., Thursday, January 22, 1981 at the Saddleback Inn, Norwalk. All leagues were represented with the exception of the Angelus, Heritage and Los Padres leagues.

1. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** — It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the CIF-SS Council meeting of September 25, 1980 as published in the November issue of the "CIF-SS Bulletin"; the CIF-SS Executive Committee minutes of November 1, 1980 as published in the December issue of the "CIF-SS Bulletin"; the CIF-SS Executive Committee minutes of December 4, 1980 and January 10, 1981 as distributed to the Council.

2. **COMMISSIONER'S UPDATE** — Mr. Ray Plutko, commissioner, apprised the Council of work done in the reorientation of schools and outside service groups to the CIF-Southern Section; updated the Council on current support income work by the Office; highlighted on-going CIF-SS committee work on the Blue Book, and the Student/Coach Association question.

3. **REPORT OF THE STUDENT/COACH ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE** — Mr. Robert Paisola, committee chairman, addressed the Council outlining the work of the Student/Coach Committee and presented an overview of a report compiled from questionnaire responses gathered from principals and Boys and Girls athletic directors. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed that the Student/Coach Association Committee bring back an exact time line at the next Council meeting for vote and further recommendations as to areas of possible implementation which would be discussed and voted on at the May meeting of the CIF-SS Council.

4. **UPDATE ON SENATE BILL 19** — Dr. Maury Ross, superintendents' representative to the Executive Committee, outlined the current status of SB 19 as well as further developments at the State CIF level in this regard.

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT** — Mr. James Faul, treasurer, presented the Council with a budget update, outlining several categories and noting that the CIF-SS may show a surplus figure at the end of the school year due to the increase in the "support income" area.

6. **RELEAGUING REPORT** — Mr. Fernando Ledesma, chairman of the Releaguings Committee, reported on the releaguings process as well as indicating that through a recently completed survey, nearly 75% of the membership has expressed a desire for a two-year releaguings cycle. Two year releaguings will be an action item at the next CIF-SS Council meeting.

7. **GIRLS' WATER POLO** — Mr. Richard Benton, representing the Whitmont League, presented a request to establish a Girls' winter season of sport for water polo and, in addition, asked the Council to approve playoffs for Girls' water polo. The CIF-SS Office was directed to survey the number of schools participating in Girls' water polo for distribution to the Council. The Girls' water polo question will be an action item at the next Council meeting.

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## HELPING US HELP YOU

Our main objective is to serve you efficiently, and to help you in this task we are listing our services as well as indicating the various responsibilities of each member of the staff in order to save you time when calling on a particular question.

High school administrators and district superintendents who have questions regarding eligibility, releguings, playoff divisions or policy matters should contact the office of Commissioner Plutko. Kay Larsen, his secretary, is the one to ask when information is needed relative to Council and Executive Committee meeting dates, Form 99's, incident reports, and the Principals' Newsletter.

Contact Margaret Davis, Administrative Assistant, when you have questions regarding sanctioned events, the CIF "Bulletin" or the sports of girls' tennis, boys and girls volleyball, field hockey, boys and girls soccer, softball and boys and girls gymnastics. Ms. Davis also assists Commissioner Plutko on matters of eligibility of students. Her secretary, Rita Guterres, will be happy to help you with the list of invitationals in all sports. Mrs. Guterres has the task of keeping the directory changes list up to date.

Dean Crowley is the Administrator answering questions pertinent to boys and girls cross country, boys and girls basketball, boys and girls track and field, golf and coed badminton. Direct any questions concerning basketball tournament week or the AD Newsletter to Dean or his secretary, Jolene Eble. You may also refer to Mr. Crowley any questions concerning officials, officials fees or area assignment coordinators.

Bill Clark, Administrative Assistant, covers the sports of football, water polo, wrestling, boys and girls swimming, baseball and boys tennis. His secretary, Jennie Soelter, will take calls regarding rule books and she has the responsibility of keeping the games wanted log.

Maggi Helms works in the area of press and publicity. She will handle press and photo passes, the top ten, and maintain files on master schedules in football, basketball and baseball. Mrs. Helms is also responsible for updating the CIF-SS Press Guide and Record Book. Any orders for films should be directed to Mrs. Helms.

Our bookkeeper, Shirley Frazier, handles all questions regarding dues, financial matters, etc.

Please feel free to contact the CIF-SS staff for assistance.

## CIF STATE FEDERATED COUNCIL REPORT



LEGEND	
1	NORTH SECTION
2	NORTH COAST SECTION
3	SAC-JOQUIM SECTION
4	SAN FRANCISCO CITY SECTION
5	OAKLAND CITY SECTION
6	CENTRAL COAST SECTION
7	CENTRAL SECTION
8	LOS ANGELES CITY SECTION
9	SOUTHERN SECTION
10	SAN DIEGO SECTION

*Editor's Note: The following items are highlighted from the minutes of the February 6-7 State CIF Federated Council meeting in San Diego and are included in an effort to apprise our membership of current and forthcoming issues of interest.*

**GIRLS TRIPLE JUMP** - CIF Sections are asked to discuss whether or not the triple jump should be added as a State CIF Track Meet event for girls in 1982.

**ATHLETIC STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT** - The "Final Report and Recommendations" of the State Department of Education committee has been distributed to all school district superintendents. Those interested in receiving a copy may contact the State Department of Education.

**PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS** - The Administrative Committee took action to recommend to the Federated Council that one representative from CSBA, one from ACSA, one from a superintendents' group, and two representatives (one male and one female) from the State Athletic Directors Association with one vote, be added as voting representatives to the State CIF Federated Council. Also, the Committee recommends that the vote of the Cal Coaches Association be split between a female representative and a male representative.

Two other proposed amendments as presented by the CIF Equal Rights and Other Minority Questions Committee are (a) To promote equal opportunities for all of the youth in California secondary school athletic programs regardless of race, religion, sex or national origin; (b) It is the policy of the CIF not to discriminate on the basis of race, religion, sex or national origin in its athletic programs and related activities, in the employment of personnel, or in the selection of delegates to the Federated Council, committee members, officers or other such positions.

Since these are proposed constitutional amendments the Federated Council will vote on them at the June meeting.

**LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT** - Barbara Wilson, chairperson, presented an update on progress concerning Senate Bill 19. It was moved, seconded and carried to adopt the following advisory resolution:

"The State Federated Council recommends that CIF Sections and leagues review policies and practices in order to encourage increased voting representation on governing bodies by women and minorities."

**PROPOSED TRANSFER RULE CHANGE** - It was moved, seconded and carried to refer the following recommended by-law change to the CIF Sections for consideration at the June Federated Council meeting. The proposed change in State By-Law 214 to read as follows:

"A student who transfers from school A to school B without a change of residence on the part of the parents or legal guardian from school attendance area A to school attendance area B shall be residentially eligible for all athletic competition, except varsity level competition in sports in which the student has competed in interscholastic competition during the twelve calendar months preceding the date of such transfer, provided the athletic eligibility is approved by both principals of the schools involved. Each CIF Section shall establish rules and procedures to review an individual case in the event that either principal declines to approve such athletic eligibility, upon appeal by the student to the CIF Section. Each CIF Section may waive the ineligibility at varsity level provided the Section establishes rules and procedures regulating same. This rule also applies to students 18 years of age or older."

As a reminder, this rule change is a "proposal" only and will be voted upon at the June meeting of the State CIF Federated Council.

**INITIATIVES FOR THE HANDICAPPED** - In a move designed to consider the special needs of the handicapped, the State Federated Council passed the following resolution:

"We resolve that the State CIF, CIF Sections, leagues and schools appreciate the value of programs for all students, including the handicapped. We further resolve that the CIF entities desire to provide cooperation, support, and encouragement to programs for the handicapped."

**AIR CALIFORNIA APPROVAL** - The Administrative Committee took action to approve Air California as the official CIF airline in consideration of \$11,000 as air travel expense for the CIF meetings and, in addition, a \$500 scholarship will be donated for a boy and a girl. The agreement covers the period of February to December, 1981.

**PROPOSAL TO NATIONAL FEDERATION** - It was moved, seconded and carried that the CIF Office submit a proposal to the National Federation of State High School Associations which would apportion National Council votes and representation on National Federation committees in proportion to the number of schools and student enrollment of each state.

**1982 STATE CIF BASKETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP** - Aldo Nelson, chairperson of the basketball tournament subcommittee, reviewed the proposal for the 1982 State CIF basketball championship format, including a regional Northern California and a regional Southern California tournament, resulting in a State final.

It was moved, seconded and carried to adopt the 1982 plan as proposed at the October meeting of the Federated Council.





# COACHES

## FIFTY EXCUSES FOR A CLOSED MIND

1. I've tried that before
2. Our place is different
3. It costs too much
4. That's beyond our responsibility
5. We're all too busy to do that
6. That's not my job
7. It's too radical a change
8. We don't have the time
9. Not enough help
10. That will obsolete our equipment
11. Our organization is too small
12. Not practical for busy people
13. The students will never buy it
14. We've never done it before
15. It's against school policy
16. Runs up our overhead
17. We don't have the authority
18. That's too ivory tower
19. Let's get back to reality
20. That's not our problem
21. Why — it's still working okay
22. I don't like the idea
23. You're right—But
24. You're two years ahead of your time
25. We're not ready for that
26. We don't have the equipment or room
27. We don't have the personnel
28. It isn't in the budget
29. Can't teach an old dog new tricks
30. Good thought, but impractical
31. Let's hold it in abeyance
32. Let's give it more thought
33. Put it in writing
34. They'll laugh at us
35. Not that again
36. Where'd you dig that one up
37. We did all right without it
38. That's what to expect from staff
39. It's never been tried before
40. Let's form a committee
41. Has anyone else tried it
42. I don't see the connection
43. It won't work
44. What you're really saying is
45. Maybe that will work in your department, but not in mine
46. Let's all sleep on it
47. I know a fellow who tried it
48. Too much trouble to change
49. We've always done it this way
50. It's impossible

## CROSS-LEAGUING MAY SOLVE SCHEDULE PROBLEM FOR MEMBER SCHOOLS

Having difficulty finding enough schools in your league to fill out a schedule in a particular sport?

If so, then why not try combining your league with another alignment-or-two — experiencing the same problem.

For example, if your league will have less than four schools fielding soccer teams next year, then nearby schools with soccer teams, but lacking a league in which to participate, may be added to your alignment if mutually acceptable.

As a particular sport develops within the Southern Section and the number of schools fielding that activity increases, the need to deviate from established leagues will diminish. Be sure to make arrangements NOW for next year as plans must be made one year in advance.



## CROWLEY TO SPEAK AT NATIONAL OFFICIALS CONVENTION



Dean Crowley  
Administrative Assistant

Dean Crowley, administrative assistant from the CIF-Southern Section Office will speak to the National Association of Sports Officials Convention this June 18-20 in Chicago. Crowley, whose administrative responsibilities cover the whole spectrum of officials including assignment practices, area coordinators of officials, officials fees and school responsibilities toward officials, has been asked to speak on the topic of "Fees and How They Are Determined".

The convention is for NASO members only. If you are an official and would like further information on this convention, call (414) 632-5448.

## THE ROLE OF SPORTS

It would be best for all who have influence with young athletes or would-be athletes to help keep their athletic aspirations in focus with their total development from adolescent to adult. There's got to be time in life for more than just one sport; in fact, let's hope there's time in life for more than just sports, one or more. There must be time to be just a boy or just a girl, growing up in a world that needs men and women with sports in their backgrounds, not men and women with over-emphasized sports backgrounds who think they are what the world needs.

## ARE ALL YOUR ATHLETES ELIGIBLE?

Nothing is more important in the inter-scholastic athletic program than the assurance that all competitors are eligible under the rules of the CIF. Principals, coaches and athletic directors should become familiar with the eligibility provisions in the Blue Book. If there is any question about an athlete's eligibility, it should be checked with the CIF-SS Office at once. School officials are urged to review Eligibility Rules under Section VII of the CIF Southern Section Blue Book. All CIF-SS eligibility rules apply in all games including practice, interscholastic scrimmage, league, tournament and playoff games.

# CORNER



## OUTSTANDING ATHLETES— You Can Help Give Them Recognition!

The CIF-Southern Section press department is constantly searching for ways to gain publicity and recognition for your school's athletic program. Among the many ways we achieve this goal is by publishing a weekly top ten poll, league standings and individual statistics in several sports. We also host press conferences, maintain hospitality rooms at playoff times and work very closely with the Southland Media in various other ways.

However, in order to do a good job, there are times that we need help from you, the coach and athletic director. There are many ways that you can assist us; returning the playoff media information sheets, sending your team photos (if you are contending for playoff berths), calling in your scores to the local newspapers, and supplying us with any information requested by this office.

At this time, we have a more immediate plea for assistance. Ted Dawson of Channel 7-KABC-TV news features an "Athlete of the Week" program. We need the names of outstanding athletes so that we can assist Mr. Dawson in his selection.

If you have an outstanding athlete GIRL or BOY, please call with the name and what that person accomplished over the weekend. Do you have a straight A student that made a great play, or a JV player that suited up for the first time on varsity and made the defensive play that saved the game! This is basically what Mr. Dawson is looking for.

Please call the information to Maggi (213) 860-2414 on Monday mornings. We want your athlete to be recognized and honored and with your help she or he will be!

## 1981-82 BOYS' & GIRLS' SPORTS CALENDAR

### FALL CALENDAR

Sport	Practice Begins	First Scrimmage	Date First Contest	Date Last Contest	Number of Scrimmages	Number of Contests
Football #	Aug. 24	Sept. 11**	Sept. 10*	Nov. 14	0 or 1**	9 or 10**
Boys' & Girls' Cross Country	Sept. 1	N/A	Sept. 9	Nov. 7	0	11
Girls' Tennis	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 9	Nov. 14	1	20
Girls' Volleyball	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 9	Nov. 7	1	20
Water Polo	Sept. 1	Sept. 8	Sept. 9	Nov. 7	1	18

### WINTER CALENDAR

Boys' & Girls' Basketball	Nov. 9	Nov. 19	Dec. 1	Feb. 13	1	20
Boys' & Girls' Soccer	Nov. 9	Nov. 21	Dec. 1	Feb. 20	1	18
Field Hockey	Nov. 9	Nov. 21	Dec. 1	Feb. 13	1	18
Wrestling	Nov. 9	N/A	Nov. 21	Feb. 13	0	18

### SPRING CALENDAR

Baseball/Softball	Feb. 15	Feb. 20	Feb. 26	May 8	1	20
Golf	Feb. 15	N/A	Feb. 22	May 8	0	18
Boys' Tennis	Feb. 15	Feb. 20	Feb. 26	May 8	1	20
Boys' & Girls' Track & Field	Feb. 15	N/A	Feb. 25	May 8	0	9
Boys' & Girls' Swimming-Diving	Feb. 15	N/A	Feb. 25	May 8	0	12
Boys' & Girls' Gymnastics	Feb. 22	N/A	Mar. 2	May 8	0	12
Boys' Volleyball	Feb. 22	Feb. 27	Mar. 1	May 1	1	20
Coed Badminton	Feb. 22	N/A	Mar. 2	May 1	0	16

\*Provided 14 days of practice have been met

\*\*Scrimmage or game optional

#Optional Conditioning August 19-22

PLEASE NOTE: The column which lists the date for the last possible contest is to include all league qualifying meets and non-league contests as well (Individual Tennis qualifying tournaments excepted).

## AVALON

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Bill Whitaker, principal at Avalon High comments on athletics at Avalon:

"We participate in CIF competition in basketball and baseball for our boys and the girls play softball and basketball. Our athletic travel expense runs close to \$10,000 per year because of having to fly or boat to mainland games; we then incur expenses for our overnight stay. It is also difficult scheduling teams to come to the island because of their expenses. We play our basketball games in Wrigley Field House which is a beautiful gymnasium donated by Philip K. Wrigley some 20 years ago."

Officials particularly love their Avalon assignment, many of whom plan family trips for the entire weekend when officiating a contest on the island. A typical officiating trip involves a doubleheader, one game Friday night and another on Saturday afternoon. The high school at Avalon pays for transportation over and back either by plane or boat as well as one night lodging.

CIF-Southern Section officials Penny Dodd and Dean Crowley have their own stories to relate about hospitality on the island. Dodd tells of her plane ride home on the regular island to mainland hop when she discovered that the Avalon School counselor was also the pilot for the trip. Upon recognizing each other, Dodd received a couple of aeronautical lessons and helped fly the plane home!

After completing his assignment, Crowley was invited by the school's athletic director on a tour of the island's rugged interior.

Both officials are unanimous in applauding the generous hospitality of the townspeople. Says Crowley: "When you walk around town everyone knows you were the ref at last night's high school game and win or lose the islanders are always gracious good sports".

## INSURANCE INQUIRIES

School administrators, athletic directors and coaches are reminded that all questions dealing with insurance are to be directed to the State CIF Office in Santa Barbara.(805-964-4724)

Each week, the Southern Section Office receives a number of inquiries on insurance, forms, etc. Please advise your staff and parents as to the proper office to contact.



## MINUTES OF THE CIF-SS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 19, 1981

A special meeting of the Executive Committee of the California Interscholastic Federation was called to order by Past-President Mr. Tony Balsamo at 3 p.m. at the CIF-SS Office in Cerritos. All members were present with the exception of Dr. Hanford Rants, Mr. Bruce Keuning, Mr. Gene Knott and Mr. Bob Paisola.

The special meeting of the Executive Committee was requested at the direction of the Administrative Committee in order that members of the Executive Committee might have an opportunity to thoroughly discuss the present and future status of Senate Bill 19.

Mr. Tony Balsamo reviewed the action of the State CIF Federated Council at its meeting of February 6 and 7, 1981 as well as reported on the meeting held between

representatives of the State Department of Education and the State CIF.

Mrs. Barbara Wilson outlined the work of the State Legislative Committee to date on Senate Bill 19 and Dr. Maury Ross, superintendents' representative, gave an overview of the proposed time line for the Senate Bill as well as reviewed the actions of the California School Boards Association relative to S.B. 19.

The Southern Section Legislative Committee requested that the Executive Committee and all school representatives renew their efforts to support S.B. 19 through contacts with members of the Legislature and by citing as many "success stories" as possible both to their committee and to the State Legislators.

It was further discussed that local

members of the State Legislature be asked to participate in awards ceremonies at upcoming CIF-SS championships and that leagues be encouraged via the March Council meeting to send women administrators where possible to act as the league's representative at regular Council meetings.

Mr. Ray Plutko, commissioner, updated the Executive Committee on the subject of unequal costs in football and was requested to include the subject as a discussion agenda item at the March Council meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Executive Committee, the meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Davis  
Administrative Assistant

Approved:  
Ray Plutko  
Commissioner of Athletics

## COUNCIL MEETING

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8. **LIBERTY LEAGUE BASEBALL PROPOSAL** — Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed that the scrimmage date for Boys' baseball and Girls' softball be moved from Wednesday, February 25, 1981 to Saturday, February 21, 1981.

9. **DESERT AREA RELEAGUING FOR 1981-82** — It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the Desert Area Releaguings for 1981-82.

10. **STATE BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT** — The Commissioner addressed the Council on aspects relevant to Southern Section's possible participation in the State CIF Boys' and Girls' Basketball Tournament. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to approve the CIF-SS participation in the CIF State Basketball Championships effective the 1981-82 school year.

11. **SUNSET LEAGUE REVISED PLAYOFF PEP BAND PROPOSAL** — Following discussion, a motion to increase the existing size of pep bands for basketball playoff contests from 12 to 30 with prior mutual consent was denied.

12. **SPECIAL PRESENTATION** — Mr. Tony Balsamo, past-president, awarded a special plaque to Mr. Joe Deal, retired principal from South Hills High School and former Executive Committee member, citing his years of service to the CIF-SS which date back to the first Commissioner of the CIF-SS Seth Van Patten.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Margaret Davis, Administrative Assistant

Approved:  
Ray Plutko, Commissioner of Athletics

## MEMBER SCHOOLS REMINDED TO USE WRITTEN CONTRACT

Keep it professional and simple . . .

. . . say it all with a written athletic contract.

Over the past few months the CIF Southern Section office has received a number of calls in reference to member schools cancelling athletic contests with other member schools — some at the last minute, others due to a change in coaches and/or administration and others with the previous agreements just lost.

In response to this situation the CIF-SS requires that member schools engaging in non-league agreements for athletic contests, enter into a written contract the provisions of said scheduling agreements.

This foolproof method will prevent any conflicts that arise due to a change in personnel and will enable the CIF-SS office to assist, if necessary.

## JUNIOR HIGH SYMPOSIUM

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Registration . . . . . 5:00-6:00 p.m.  
Dinner . . . . . 6:00-6:45 p.m.

**Welcome** — Mr. Ray Plutko, CIF-SS Commissioner

**Guest Speaker** — Mr. Mel Grable, Physical Education and Athletics, Orange Unified School District.

**Orientation** — Ms. Margaret Davis, Administrative Assistant, CIF-SS Office.

### WORKSHOP SESSIONS

First Workshop Session . . . 7:00-7:40 p.m.

1. **"Let's Take Care of Our Kids"** — "The Prevention of Athletic Injuries". Speaker: Mr. Leon Skeie, Associate Professor of Physical Education and Athletic Trainer Orange Coast College.

2. **"Coaching The Female Athlete"**. Speaker: Mr. Mel Simms, Instructor, Cal State Fullerton, Former College and Professional Womens Coach.

3. **"Role Of The Principal In The Junior High Interscholastic Program"**. Speaker: Dr. Lou Joseph, Superintendent, Antelope Valley School District.

Second Workshop Session . . . 7:45-8:25 p.m.

4. **"All About Officials"**. Speakers: Mr. Dean Crowley, Administrative Assistant, CIF-SS Office. Ms. Starr Langan, CIF-SS Officials Assignments Coordinator.

5. **"The Philosophy Behind The CIF-SS Blue Book"**. Speaker: Mr. Ray Plutko, Commissioner of Athletics.

6. **"Raising That Pot of Gold"**. NEW CONCEPTS IN FUND RAISING. Speaker: Mr. Tom Danley, Athletic Director, Katella High.

General Session . . . . . 8:30-9:10 p.m.

"Our plans include a special presentation by a dynamic and motivational speaker as a means by which we conclude this first CIF-SS Junior High Symposium."

## WINNERS ARE COACHABLE . . . SPORTSMANSHIP CAN BE TAUGHT



**Coaches Are Teachers First!  
The Athletic Arena Is Their Classroom**

## GIRLS' ATHLETICS STATISTICAL CHART

*Editor's Note: The CIF-SS Office releases the following chart which depicts the percentage of growth seen in the eleven adopted sports for girls as sanctioned for playoffs by the Southern Section 1974 to 1981.*

Girls' Sport	No. of Girls' Varsity Teams 1974-75	No. of Girls' Varsity Teams 1980-81	Percentage Increase
BASKETBALL	256	357	39%
SOFTBALL	240	345	44%
VOLLEYBALL	262	339	29%
CROSS COUNTRY	80*	297	271%
TRACK	183	289	58%
TENNIS	225	268	19%
SWIMMING	130	161	24%
BADMINTON	93	106	14%
GYMNASTICS	100	84	-16%
FIELD HOCKEY	54	34	-37%
SOCCER	N/A	50**	N/A

\*Cross Country for girls sanctioned by Southern Section in 1976

\*\*Soccer for girls sanctioned by Southern Section in 1980

## OFFICIALS HANDBOOK A HELP TO ATHLETIC DIRECTORS

The CIF Southern Section strongly believes officiating is a major factor in the continuing progression of the interscholastic athletic program.

For this reason, the CIF-SS is pledged to devote both time and energy to the technical and organizational aspects of officiating.

An Athletic Administrators' and Officials' Handbook is published and distributed to all recognized officials' organizations and to the athletic administrators of each member school.

The regulations and policies in the handbook are to be strictly adhered to. If athletic administrators and officials are aware of the rules and regulations, there is little reason for misunderstandings. Principals, athletic administrators and coaches should help in the implementation of these regulations.

The Athletic Administration must assume the leadership role in establishing the necessary atmosphere for conducting a sound athletic program.

We will attempt to highlight a few of the items you as a school Athletic Director should do in order to establish a positive relationship both with officials working athletic contests at your school and the Area Assignment Coordinator of Officials.

### NOTIFICATION

Athletic Administrators differ in title from school to school. With this in mind, it would aid the flow of information if the individual charged with the responsibility of the interscholastic athletic program at each school would notify the respective Assignment Coordinator as to their specific title and method of contact on campus in case of an emergency. A specific phone number where someone can be reached after school hours would be helpful.

### MASTER SCHEDULES

The most important area relative to the assignment of officials is the Master Schedule. Each Area Assignment Coordinator will request school schedules well in advance of the season of sport. It is imperative that the Athletic Administrator comply with due dates.

All Master Schedules are to be returned directly to the Area Assignment Coordinator of Officials — not the CIF Southern Section Office.

### PAYMENT OF FEES

Athletic Administrators are asked to carefully review the fee schedule printed in the 1980-81 Blue Book. The responsibility for the payment of the correct fees rests with the school.

It is proper protocol and strongly recommended that a representative from the host school pay officials prior to the start of the contest. This task should not be handled by the coach. This responsibility lies with the Athletic Administrator in charge of the event.

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## WHAT'S HAPPENIN' IN THE OTHER '49?

*Editor's Note: This is another in a series of monthly articles covering items of interest throughout California and other State Associations in their administration of high school athletics.*

### ITEM: "YOU KNOW YOU'VE ARRIVED WHEN . . ."

**Comment:** A local well known Los Angeles T.V. sportscaster recently made a trip up north to Simi Valley, his intent to present the "Athlete of the Week" award to Cherie Graham who recently broke the CIF-SS girls' basketball single game scoring record by sinking 61 points. The sportscaster arrived only to find he had to wait in line while reporters from Sports Illustrated, Teen Magazine and Women's Sports completed their interviews!

However, fame and glory is a fleeting thing as Simi's Cherie soon found out. In less than one week her record was broken as Cheryl Miller of Riverside Poly scored 77 points against rival Norte Vista. Easy come, easy go!

### ITEM: "AS THE CROW FLIES"

**Comment:** Want to know how distance is measured in Georgia? We refer you to this item found in the Georgia High School Association Basketball Rules, "Any regular season basketball game played on a night preceding a school day shall be limited to a distance one way of one hundred miles (as the crow flies)!"

### ITEM: KENTUCKY HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETICS AT FULL SWING IN SUMMER

**Comment:** While Southern Section schools study means to reduce student and coach "burn out" problems, Kentucky rules allow member schools to participate in a summer sports program. "Only participants eligible during the spring semester may compete on the school teams and full control of the summer program remains with the participating K.H.S.A.A. high school."

### ITEM: "SNOW REPORT FROM ALASKA"

**Comment:** The Alaska School Activities Association may have to cancel their Invitational State Cross Country Skiing meet due to poor snow conditions in Anchorage. We quote, "While unseasonably warm weather has helped in Western and Northern Alaska Air Taxi Service for basketball tournaments, it has certainly dealt a hard blow to skiers and ice skaters in South Central Alaska with poor conditions all over Alaska".

### ITEM: "ARIZONA PLAYOFF CLASSIFICATION PLAN"

**Comment:** Unlike Southern Section, where leagues are placed into 4A, 3A, 2A, 1A and SS classifications both by enrollment and strength of program each year, Arizona has a different classification plan:

Arizona schools are placed in conferences (an association of member schools, each of whose total enrollment falls within the same size range).

- 1) AAA Conference - 1,600 or more
- 2) AA Conference - 850 to 1,599
- 3) A Conference - 450 to 849
- 4) B Conference - 176 to 449
- 5) C Conference - 1 to 175

Schools may petition to go to either a higher or lower conference. Should a school's enrollment go up or down as of October 1 of any year, the school automatically goes into the next higher or lower classification. There are also special provisions for new schools and for single sex schools (all boys, all girls)

## MORE CIF HISTORY

Did you know that . . .

in 1939 . . . It was decided that the California Interscholastic Federation would ask for membership in the National Interscholastic Federation.

. . . A committee was appointed to study insurance for high school athletes.

in 1940 . . . Oakland became the 7th Section of the CIF.

in 1946 . . . The State CIF track meet which had been cancelled during 1943 and 1945 was reinstated.

in 1949 . . . National Federation football rules were adopted as official for California.

in 1959 . . . Formation of the CIF San Diego Section is approved. Schools representing San Diego County formerly of the Southern Section form the new section.

in 1965 . . . A committee was established for track and field for girls. It was announced that the committee would expand its role to include all other girls sports.

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