

# WHISTLE BLAST



## LOCAL REFEREE HIGHLIGHT



This month, we recognize Jan Bays for her outstanding dedication and leadership within the Hamilton Board of basketball officials over the past 20 years. A quiet yet powerful presence, Jan has served as Vice President for the last decade, consistently supporting the development of officials at all levels. From mentoring female officials to guiding veteran members, Jan has been a pillar of the officiating community. Her instrumental role in organizing the annual Fox 40 Camp has left a lasting impact on countless new and emerging officials. Jan embodies the true spirit of service and leadership. We're proud to celebrate her contributions in this well-deserved spotlight.

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



**CBOC Fall Education Sessions:** September 14<sup>th</sup>, September 28<sup>th</sup>, and October 19<sup>th</sup> from 7-8pm



2025-2026 CCAA & USports Points of Emphasis - Referee Coach Team: September 21<sup>st</sup> from 7-9pm



2025 CCAA & USports - Building the House: October 5th from 8-9pm

## **FEATURE STORY: MP MALO**



Malo's journey from athlete MP basketball official international testament to the global opportunities officiating. through available competing at the collegiate level in both Canada and the NCAA, she began her officiating career in Quebec and rose through CCAA, U SPORTS, the CEBL, and the NBA G League. Since 2011, she has been a FIBA carded official representing Canada and has officiated at multiple FIBA world stage events throughout the years, with the highlights of the Tokyo 2020

Olympics, the Women's FIBA world cup in 2022 and the Paris Olympics in 2024. This past May, she became the first Canadian to officiate in the Basketball Africa League (BAL), which took place in Kigali, Rwanda. Click on the photos below to watch some of the games she's officiated! "It was an amazing experience to be part of such high-level games and work alongside so many passionate people," she shared. "What made it even more meaningful was the cultural richness, the work within the community, and the connections made with others who share a deep love for the game and officiating." Along the way, MP has broken barriers, as the first female official to work a U SPORTS Men's Championship final in 2020 and joining Canada's first all-female pro-officiating crew for a CEBL game in Ottawa in 2024. She is also balancing officiating with motherhood, as a mother of a two-year-old son.







### **GLOBL JAM REFEREES**

We're proud to share that the following officials have been selected to represent Canada at GLOBL JAM this summer:

- Brooke Briscoe
- Matt Goble
- EJ Link
- Carriera Lamoureux
- Nate Saunders
- Cooper Toppings
- Fei Xiang
- Amy Cotton (ALT)

## CBOC JERSEY ORDERING WINDOW

The official CBOC jersey ordering window will be open from July 1st to July 15th! You can expect delivery to be made by early September. This will be the only opportunity to order ahead of the fall season, so don't miss out!





## **MEMBERSHIP FEE UPDATE**

As we prepare for the upcoming season, please note there will be an increase in CBOC membership fees, from \$35 to \$40. This adjustment will contribute to the development of new programs and resources to improve the officiating experience. We appreciate your continued commitment to excellence and growth in Canadian officiating.

#### **U15 REFEREE SELECTIONS**

#### **CSG REFEREE SELECTIONS**

#### **MEN'S**

Jake Babin (NS)

Dmytro Babyk (BC)

Admir Chihaluca (AB)

Riley Hughes (MB)

Kevin Jung (BC)

Turgut Karatop (ON)

Markmeena Makcemus (ON)

Charles Parent-Sploneck (QC)

Robert Shaul (QC)

Matt Whipple (NB)

Adam Zohni (ON)

Tyler Rogers (ON)

#### **REFEREE COACHES:**

Paul Johnson

Karen Lasuik

Wanda Vandervelder

Lisa Waschuk (Referee-coach in training)

#### **WOMEN'S**

Mahamat-Ali Haggar (ON)

Janice King (NS)

Cyril Kirby Macabalo Urbiztondo (MB)

Nick Latham (ON)

Laurence Laviolette (QC)

Ethan Lounsbury (AB)

Josh McLean (ON)

Nathan Mulcahy (NL)

Natasha Proulx (AB)

Jordan Rose (PEI)

Ben Tait (NB)

Gordon Tseng (BC)

#### **REFEREE COACHES:**

Marla Van Gelder

Kerry Rokosh

Jamie Clegg

Lisa Waschuk (Referee-coach in training)

#### **MEN'S**

Andy Bishop (NL)

Matthew Burke-Shea (NL)

John Deng (ON)

Brendan Fedoski (SK)

Vanette Graham (ON)

Reihen Knysh (AB)

Dean Pan (NS)

François Patenaude (QC)

Courtney Sampson (BC)

Andrew Sharpe (SK)

**Brady Turner (NL)** 

Phil Wong (BC)

Tanner Ferguson - ALT (AB)

#### **REFEREE COACHES:**

Scott Critch (NL)

Eric Jordan (ON)

Jake Steinbrenner (AB)

#### **WOMEN'S**

Rahshida Atkinson (NB)

Levy Bay (SK)

Olivia Clarke (NL)

Katia Davi-Digui (AB)

Megan Fedoski (SK)

Grant Hatcher (NS)

Mareesa Kelly (BC)

Elaheh Mohammadikhah (MB)

Patricia Rodriguez (MB)

Chanez Saheb (QC)

Darcy Williamson (BC)

Bryan Vaughan (NL)

Shauna Poirier - ALT (NS)

#### **REFEREE COACHES:**

Georgia Risnita (ON)

Jamey Jennings (NL)

Todd MacInnis (PE)