

The next meeting of the North Middlesex Referees' Society will be held at 7.30 pm, prompt, on 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2001 at our new venue, Cockfosters FC, Chalk Lane, Cockfosters, Barnet, Hertfordshire, EN4 9GL. Guest Speaker is former Chairman of the Society, David Ackerman

The Society's new venue seems to be gaining in popularity, if last month's attendance was anything to go by. Guest speaker, Gary Willard, was undoubtedly a draw, which helped to swell the crowd further. A report on Gary's visit is included in this issue.

The Annual Quiz will have been held by the time this issue has been seen by all Society members. Let's hope it was a good one!

A new advert for next year's Dinner Dance is included in this issue. The date is definitely the May 11th, 2002, at the Apollo Suite, Cockfosters. What's a posh frock?

Also included this month is an article by Gary Cobden, explaining the benefits of the NMRS website – very interesting reading for those who, like me, are still struggling to come to terms with this 'new' technology.

Congratulations to Ken Grant, on his recent award, the RA's Meritorious & Long Service Medal. Ken is a Training Officer for the Cheshunt and Waltham Cross Society, and long time Editor of "You must be Joking Ref!!!" their Society magazine. Wayne Skelton, Herts Delegate to the RA, presented the award. Also present on the night was Jim Jenkinson, RA Southern Division and Peter Molyneaux also of the RA. Ken thought he had relinquished the editor's job when another volunteer was found recently. Unfortunately, things didn't quite work out and Ken is back in harness, and is scratching away on his magazine as I write.

Charles Lifford, our hard-working editor of the History of the NMRS requires your help to enable him to keep our records up to date. Look for his request elsewhere in this issue.

Maxie Lea informs me that Ken Aston sadly has died. Ken was acknowledged as an ambassador for refereeing around the world. He was also a good friend to our Society, being guest of honour at our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner in 1999. Our condolences go to Ken's family at their loss. More on Ken's long career in refereeing will appear in next month's magazine.

Former Director of Refereeing for the FA, Ken Ridden, has also had a sad loss - his wife, Thelma, died recently. Our condolences go to Ken and his family.

Society members will be sad to learn that Life Vice President, George Basten's dear wife, Joan, is seriously ill in hospital. Our thoughts are with you both, George.

Included in this issue of Normidian is a new leaflet by the Referees' Association, on "Assaults on Match Officials" Hopefully we will never have to resort to the advice given in the leaflet; however, better to be safe ...

**The closing date for December's magazine is 16<sup>th</sup> November**



## **BYE-BYE**

It is now November, and it is time to bid farewell to the 125 or so members who have not rejoined the Society from Season 2000/2001. By now they will all have received four opportunities to rejoin; one at the end of last Season; one in September; one in October; and one more recently, as they have all just been sent a final reminder. If you are aware of anybody who has not rejoined, why not have a word with them, and encourage them to rejoin, by letting them know just what they are missing!

Gary Cobden  
Honorary Treasurer



## **The Power of the Web**

You may, or may not know, but North Middlesex has had it's own Web Site for a couple of years or more now - [www.nmrs.freeserve.co.uk](http://www.nmrs.freeserve.co.uk) - and, at the October meeting, I was asked to put pen to paper to summarise what can be found there, and what benefits it can have for the Society.

- On the Society Home Page you will find up to date news of what is happening, and of forthcoming events and Meetings. There are also links to all of the other pages in the Site. The main pages are Gear Supplies; Officers (including Photos); Meeting Dates and Guest Speakers – including details of our venue; the current season's Normidian's; and some general Society Information. There is also a 'hit counter' showing the number of times the Home Page has been visited.
- What does the Web Site do for the Society – it promotes us throughout the footballing world. We have links to a number of other Sites – Refereeing; Football; and other General Interest Sites, and have reciprocal links from other Referees Society Web Sites.
- How have we benefited – well, we have had Gear Sales enquiries from around the world, although no 'international' sales have actually taken place. Earlier this season, we had an enquiry from Australia for a full Referees Kit and Accessories, including Linesman's Flags; an enquiry from the USA for a Referees Association Badge; and last season we exchanged Red and Yellow Cards with a couple of Referees from Spain. We have sent a Whistle Lanyard to a Referee in Scotland; RA Wooden Flagsticks to a Referee in the North Shields area who was the Treasurer of North Shields Referees Association and Treasurer of Northumberland Referees Association! We have sent some Shorts to Tyne and Wear; and a Referees Shirt and Accessories to a Referee in Tottenham!
- Contact has been made with a former Magazine Editor who got in touch with us again last season – through the Web Site - asking to be remembered to old friends. This was published in the Normidian, and subsequently published on the Internet Site. A few weeks ago, I received an e-mail from an old school friend of our former editor – asking to be put in touch – as she was organising a school reunion!

The Web Site (and e-mail) are additional forms of communication with Members, as we are also able to publish photographs on the Internet Site – which do not reproduce too well in the Magazine. So, if you have been involved in a Refereeing activity, and have a photo of the event, let me have the details, and it will be published on the Web. Early last season, we published a photograph of Society Member Peter Jago – which appeared in one of the Sunday papers; and we also published a photo following the recent Recruitment Drive in Enfield.

Gary Cobden  
Honorary Treasurer



## **October's Special Guest – Gary Willard**

On Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> October, a large audience met for the second time at our new Society venue, Cockfosters FC, to give this month's special guest, former Premiership and FIFA Referee Gary Willard, a warm North Middlesex welcome.

Tony Ward formally welcomed Gary, a Civil Servant from Brighton who, Tony explained, reached the "middle" of the Football League by the time he was 30, going on to the Premiership and finally FIFA. Amongst many big games, Gary refereed the FA Vase and FA Trophy. He missed out on the FA Cup, which, in Tony's opinion, eluded him only because of health reasons, which eventually curtailed his career as a top referee, at 40 years old. Gary is now an Observer and Assessor for the FA.

Gary explained that his duties kept him very busy, tonight being the 5<sup>th</sup> time in a row he had been away from home, talking football. He said he would be at Ipswich Town FC the day following the meeting so he didn't intend being too late. However, he insisted on listening to Society business, which always interested him, waiting to speak after the break when everyone had been refreshed at the bar.

The main purpose of his present job in football, said our special guest, was sitting and watching referees, and helping them to "fine-tune" their performance – and get paid for it! But his subject for the evening was to be "Confrontation". Gary asked for a two-way discussion on the points he raised – and he certainly got that!.

Gary pointed out that the word confrontation was described in his dictionary as, "meeting face to face - with defiance.....". He then went on to discuss various forms of confrontation and how we as referees might deal with a situation where confrontation is a potential threat to our authority. He suggested a number of scenarios involving players confronting players, singly or in a group; a player or players confronting the referee or assistant and other situations with perhaps the team manager/coach, trainer and maybe others involved.

The meeting discussed when a potential confrontation is likely, and what tactics could be used to avoid a situation happening, and if it did, what we could do to deal with it effectively. Gary's primary advice to us was to stay calm, appear calm and act calm when any kind of confrontation is likely. Those present suggested a number of occurrences, based on experience, where confrontation of one sort or another had presented itself. A number of instances were then highlighted and discussed.

Communication is a big factor in dealing with potential confrontation, suggested Gary. He advised that we act quickly when potential confrontation is recognised, and to use our communication skills to best effect in order to reduce the possibility of this type of situation happening.

A lively question and answer session concluded Gary's presentation.

Phil Sharp gave a vote of thanks to Gary for his presentation, which he said had contained examples of his own communication skills in dealing with a number of humorous confrontations from the floor.

President, Mick Osborn, presented Gary with a NMRS 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book as a memento of his visit to North Middlesex.



*From the Training Centre*

Terry,

*The answers to the September Quiz Questions*

***Q1 May additional balls be placed around the field of play for use during the match?***

**Yes, provided they meet the requirements of Law 2**

***Q2 May a player who has been sent off stay in the technical area?***

**No. He must return to the dressing room.**

***Q3 The referee applies the advantage but the anticipated advantage does not develop. May he penalise the original offence?***

**But only if the anticipated advantage does not occur immediately (within 3secs)**

***Q4 When extra time is played which team kicks off?***

**A coin is tossed and the team that loses the toss kicks-off**

***Q5 A spectator blows a whistle and a defender inside his own penalty area picks up the ball assuming play has been stopped. What action does the referee take?***

**The referee awards a penalty-kick**

***Q6 A player moving quickly towards the opponent's goal is penalised for an offside offence. From what position is the resulting indirect free kick taken.***

**The kick is taken from his position, when the ball was last played to him by one of his team mates**



**Have a Laugh....**

Two lads were kicking a brand-new ball around in the back garden. “Where did you get that ball?” asked mother. “We found it” came the reply. “Are you sure it was lost?” “Oh yes. We saw them looking for it”!

**Vince Yeudall**



## Peter Dace reminisces - the Normidian of November 1991

Guest speaker, Gordon Bartlett, Middlesex County Coaching Officer and manager of Yeading F.C.

Full page advertisement taken by Paine & Co, Solicitors of 202 Green Lanes N.13 offering their full range of services.

Report on MRA County Rally in April included North Middlesex success in retaining the Quiz Shield for the fourth consecutive year. Individual highest score was shared between Stan Reed and Sara Tustin.

Mike Davison writes 'All for one and one for all' and expresses his concern that Referees continue to officiate at Clubs which have a bad record on discipline and attitude towards their Referee. He recommends Referees change their league.

Two pages taken up with full details and benefits of the R.A. insurance policy for Referees.

Ray Burnley pens 'Will Linford Christie please be my Linesman?' and asks how as a Linesman he can watch the goalkeeper fly kick the ball from his penalty area and yet 2.5 seconds later be in position near the half way line to watch for off-sides. Ray calculates that if you want a Linesman to run 25 yards in 2.5 seconds he'd better have Linfords ability as a runner.



### **To All Members – By Charles Lifford**

As most of you are aware, I am keeping an up-to-date record of the Society's history. To this end, I need all of you to let me know if you are involved in any Cup Finals or Representative matches.

Please give me the name of the League or the Cup, and the teams participating, also whether you were acting as Referee or Assistant Referee.

Then, when an up-dated version of the History is produced, you will feature in it.

Many thanks.

Charles



## **Gear Supplies Price List – Season 2001/2002**

### **Matchday Kits**

We can supply both Umbro and RA Kits. Both ranges are available with either long or short sleeves, and can be supplied with your County FA Badge pre-embroidered for a small additional charge. Socks are available with either plain white tops, or with hooped tops. Cushioned feet socks can also be supplied. Boots and Tracksuits are also available to order.

#### **Prices are as follows:-**

Umbro Short Sleeve - £32.00	Umbro Long Sleeve - £33.00
Umbro Shorts - £23.50	
RA Short Sleeve - £18.50	RA Long Sleeve - £18.50
RA Shorts - £12.50	
White Topped Socks - £5.00	Reinforced Foot - £5.50
Hoop Topped Socks - £5.50	

County Badges added to Shirts - £7.25 extra on Umbro Shirts; £8.50 on RA Shirts  
We are also able to supply Middlesex County FA Badges, and Referees Association Badges, for Kit use - £3.00.

### **Flags**

Touchline Flags and Flagsticks are available in various combinations. Choose from Quartered or Super-Quartered, Plain, or Premier. Premier and Super Quartered are manufactured from high visibility solid warp knitted polyester yarn (125gm). Plain and Quartered are manufactured from high visibility warp knitted polyester yarn (52gm).

Flags and Flagsticks are also available separately. Alternatively, why not buy a complete set with Flag bag. If your existing Flagsticks are damaged, and require replacement end-caps or inserts, these can also be obtained (in pairs). If you are looking for Flags, but do not wish to pay quite so much, the RA's own flags and sticks are also available- in quartered or plain styles.

#### **Prices are as follows:-**

Touchline Flags:- from £11.50 (Plain) to £15.50 (Premier)
Touchline Flagsticks (pair) - £14.95; singles - £8.50; End-caps - £2.25; Brass Inserts - £1.25; Flag Bag - £5.25
Touchline Sets – Flags and Flagsticks – from £21.50 (Plain) to £25.50 (Premier)
Touchline Complete Sets – including Flag Bag - from £23.50 (Plain) to £27.50 (Premier)

RA Flags Plain - £4.75; RA Flags Quartered - £7.00; RA Flagsticks - £3.00

### **Matchday Accessories**

We can supply Match Record Cards and Holders; General Purpose Postcards; Red and Yellow Cards; Wrist Lanyards; a selection of Whistles including the ever popular Fox range, and some with finger grips. Pressure Guages are available to order.

#### **Prices are as follows:-**

Match Record Pads - £0.70	Match Record Pad Holder - £0.70
Red and Yellow Cards and Wallet - £2.00	Red/ Yellow Cards/Wallet/Pencil - £2.30
All Purpose Postcards - £1.10	Red and Yellow Cards (set) - £1.10
Pencils - £0.10	
Plastic Whistle With Grip - £1.30	Plastic Whistle - £1.20
Plastic Finger Whistle - £1.40	Metal Whistle - £3.40
Pealess Whistle - £1.30	Lanyard - £1.60

**Other Items available as follows:-**

Boot Laces - £1.15	Sock Ties - £1.10
NMRS Ties - £6.00	NMRS 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Tie - £7.50
RA Tie - £5.50	LOAF (Referees Chart) - £3.00
FA Diary - £4.00	NMRS Credit Card Holder - £3.30
RA Baseball Cap - £5.00	RA Crested Holdall - £15.00
"Football Referee" Magazine - £0.75	
Coloured Shirts - £5.00	Coloured Shorts - £5.00

**Christmas Specials**

Christmas Wrapping Paper - Packs of 10 Sheets	£2.00
Birthday Cards - Packs of 12 Cards	£2.00

All Prices subject to fluctuation and change without notice.

Contact Percy Brown - 01707 851369 or 07801 985912



**THE EYES HAVE IT**

Much of the success in refereeing comes from being one move ahead of the player who is trying to cheat. On the way to success, the referee can help himself a great deal if he learns to read a players eyes.

Some people can make you understand exactly what they mean without saying a word to you, because they know how to use their eyes to good effect.

Think about the following ways in which some players speak with their eyes, and this is by no means an exhaustive list.

When a challenge is being made for a dropping ball, a player will sometimes indicate his intentions by looking at his opponent rather than at the ball at the crucial moment. If the referee is well positioned, he might be able to read the possible intention, though he must remember not to pre-judge the issue.

When the goalkeeper comes out to cope with a high cross, he often has one eye on the ball and the other on his opponents. But sometimes the challenger on the goalkeeper is solely looking at him with the intention of timing his unfair challenge perfectly. If the referee is near the goal post, particularly at corner-kicks, he will often be able to read the challenger's eyes. However from this position will the referee see the illegal pushes in the back.

What about the player who likes to shout for offside? How often does he show his intentions, an unsporting call, by looking anywhere but in the right direction? All too often I suggest.

When you are trying to decide whether a player who is not apparently interfering with play is actually offside or not, take a glance at the goalkeeper. His eyes will often tell you whether he thinks the forward is interfering or not. In such circumstances the goalkeeper has so much on his mind that he is not often going to try conning you in this respect. If the goalkeeper is obviously concerned at the player's presence, then there is a very reasonable chance that you should decide in favour of an offside decision.

So remember to keep them 'peeled'.

**OBSERVER**



### The continuing career of a journeyman Referee - part 3

Part 1 - the first 1,000 games - Normidian November 1985

Part 2 - games 1,001 - 2000 - Normidian March 1996

Amazingly game 2,500 was reached on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2001 hosted by Bedford Town F.C. in a Capital League game against Harrow Borough. The other Assistant was former North Middlesex colleague Chris Ede - now removed to Milton Keynes - and who, by a great coincidence was with me on my 2,000<sup>th</sup> game refereed by Dermot Gallagher.

Fully conscious that the statistics of my refereeing career can only be of interest to me, I will gloss over the 67 months it took to get from game 2,000 to 2,500, whilst attempting to satisfy my responsibility to the Normidian Editor and give him material, however personal.

I find it hard to believe I have now started my 30<sup>th</sup> season but look to the heavens to say a sincere thank you that I have been allowed to average some 85 games in each of those seasons.

So have there been any 'plums' recently and what, if anything, have I learned? Well arguably they are all 'plums' at my age and I am grateful the phone keeps ringing to offer me games - I have long believed it is only a problem when the phone does not ring. However before congratulating myself for being in demand I realise there will always be more games than Referees so, however humble, games will continue to arrive.

One important lesson I have learned as a Linesman - sorry Assistant Referee - is do not worry about the position of the benches, the vital test is for the oldest Linesman - inevitably me unless out with Dave Chapman or Terry Flack - to be on the side of the pitch nearest the toilets (younger referees will not yet understand the significance of this!)

For those who have been out with me on games can I report that my trusty blue towelling robe is still with me indeed there are those who are quite certain that despite its dilapidated state it will definitely outlast me. My equally trusty sports case finally collapsed somewhere around



game 1,700 and small cuttings were sent to respected colleagues including John Martin and John Moules both of whom I understand regard them as wonderful mementoes! Nevertheless I am slightly saddened that a career of 2,500 games (so far) will best be remembered for a suitcase and a travelling robe.

So what does the future hold? Hopefully the phone will keep ringing and there will never be a repeat of last years rain. Ideally I will continue to cover three games each week (my Wife will tell you there is nothing else I can now manage three times a week) the most important being Saturday because if I am not on some distant pitch at 3 p.m. something is seriously wrong in my world. Also I continue to value Sunday mornings alternating between Spurs and QPR schoolboy games. I often wonder in the 20 years I have covered these games how many boys made the grade. Unfortunately I only knew a few first names and boys looks can change so dramatically in their teens. However I do know the name of the most talented schoolboy I ever refereed regularly and that was Quinton Fortune, then a 14 year old at Spurs, but now playing at Manchester United.

I finish by thanking many Refereeing colleagues for their friendship, knowledge and humour. Overall Referees, coming from such varied backgrounds, have been and continue to be a great bunch of people. I thank in particular all at North Middlesex Society for being a super crowd and offering that permanent base of advice, guidance and camaraderie. It all started for me at a North Middlesex course in 1972 and the Society, despite regular changes of Officers is still there for all of us to enjoy and to pass on to others.

I suspect I will not write about game 3,000 but this, now, level 10 Referee with Hertfordshire - quite a shock to go from Class 1 to level 10 in the close season - will, as the Pro's say, continue to take each game as it comes and who knows ( if only to find out whether the towelling robe or me have another 500 games in us!!)

Peter Dace



**Minutes of the North Middlesex Referees Society**  
**General Meeting Held at Cockfosters**  
**Football Club on Friday 14th September 2001**

**New Members**

The chairman welcomed new members

**Chairman**

Chairman welcomed everyone to our new venue.

Congratulations to Stan on his appointment as a County instructor.

**Secretary**

Various Minutes were made available for circulation.

Various apologies were noted in the attendance book.

Results of the RA raffle were made available

**Treasurer**

The secretary submitted the report on behalf of the Treasurer who apologised for absence:

- i. Membership - 230 Full and 8 Associate Members paid to date. Almost 150 members from last season have yet to renew
- ii. Next months Normidian will be the last for those who have not rejoined, and a further reminder is that they are not covered by the RA insurance.
- iii. Blank Membership Forms are available if you have lost yours.
- iv. As detailed in the Magazine, the recruitment day in Enfield was successful, and a number of those who indicated an interest have booked on a referees course. We will be repeating the exercise next year.
- v. Tonight's 100 Club draw will be the last one for the 2000/2001 season - for August - results for May/June/July were in the Normidian. As there are a number of people who have yet to rejoin the Society, I will be deferring the September draw to October, but there are currently 49 members
- vi. Best wishes for the forthcoming Season.

**Youth Development**

Jeff welcomed all new members and set out plans for the season. The centred around working with our young members as a group.

**Recruitment & Retention**

John Taverner said that he was available to talk to. Also, he would be progressing R&R with the MRA sub-committee.

**Editor**

Our 1st mag of the new season had been published.

There was a problem surrounding excess postage charged to some members. This would be investigated fully and a report would be made to all members at the earliest opportunity.

**Gear**

Small items are in stock. Larger items will be on an order only basis going forward.

**Training**

38 successful candidates had passed during the closed season.

**Social**

- i. The quiz nite will be 3rd November at Ellenborough Tennis Club, Enfield. Teams of 6 please.
- ii. Elephant race night will be in February as usual.
- iii. Dinner & Dance in May 2001 needs your support!

**AOB**

The meeting welcomed Andy Taylor: Training officer at MCFA. Andy explained the new FA regional management structure. Our area comes under London, AFA, Herts, Essex & Middlesex..

Andy also presented the achievement certificates to the two qualifying members who had bothered to reply to the FA questionnaire.

Phil Sharp has been added to the list of FA approved speakers.

**Guest Speaker**

Lochie Bramsell stepped in a short notice to present an FA video/training session giving the whole meeting the chance to act as an assessor.

Minutes of the North Middlesex Referees Society General Meeting Held at Cockfosters Football Club on Friday 12th October 2001

Apologies

As recorded in the Attendance Book, including Chairman; Vice Chairman; and Secretary.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Treasurer advised why these had been omitted from Normidian, and the President read same to the members present. The Minutes were agreed, save for an amendment to the Social Secretary report – point iii should read 2002.

The President then apologised as he would be operating without an Agenda

Matters Arising

The problem with the 'underfranked' postage on some Members Normidians was discussed, and now appears to have been resolved. Tony Ward apologised for inconvenience.

Chairman

No Report

Vice-Chairman

No Report

Secretary – Report read by President

- i. My apologies for absence. This is due to long standing family commitments and an upcoming trip to Central Africa.....do any members remember the saga of Dave Ackerman and the Great Wall of China.....
- ii. I have received a letter and leaflet from the RA regarding Assaults on Match Officials. This is becoming a concern. I will pass the letter and leaflet to our Editor for publication in Normidian. I would repeat my advice that any member who is assaulted should contact me immediately.....from the dressing room after the match would be the ideal.
- iii. Len Randall has written asking for our support to secure his election to the RA Restructuring Implementation Team, together with David Crick and Bart O'Toole. It would be useful if our Society could decide as voting closes on 31 October. I strongly recommend that a decision is made on the night, by vote if necessary. The letter from Len is available for the meeting if required.
- iv. The dates of the MRA meetings are available to our delegate(s). I need to confirm that Charles and John are our official delegates to RA as per the AGM vote.
- v. Minutes from the RA Southern meeting (19 May) and RA Council meeting (8 September) are available for perusal, but must be retained by our Treasurer and returned to me.
- vi. Letter received from long standing member Joe Walker regarding his ability to continue membership. This to be discussed in greater detail at the next Council Meeting.
- vii. Letter from member Alan Haggart regarding change of address.
- viii. Finally my thanks to the Treasurer for presenting my report and (presumably) taking the minutes. I wish you an enjoyable meeting.

Re point iii above – Robin Jagot provided further information on the proposal, and then formally proposed the motion; Gary Cobden seconded, and the vote was unanimously in favour.

Re point iv above – delegates confirmed

Re point vi above – discussion raised by Gary Moore/Len Wilcock. President stated he was not prepared to discuss same in open meeting without Joe's agreement, as letter was for Council, which will discuss, and report back next month.

Treasurer

- i Membership - 243 Full and 10 Associate Members paid to date. Still a considerable number of Members from last season to renew.
- ii Those who have failed to renew will receive no further Normidians, but will be written to and given a further opportunity to renew.

- iii The 100 Club Draw was not completed in September, so three draws will be undertaken tonight. There are 54 Members in the Season 2001/02 Draw, and the results of tonight's draws will be published in the November Normidian.

### Social

The Quiz Nite will be 3rd November at Ellenborough Tennis Club, Enfield. Teams of 6 please. Names please to Gary Cobden/Mick Osborn as soon as possible.

### Magazine Editor

- i. Thanks from Terry for articles, and further apologies re lack of Minutes appearing in October Normidian.
- ii. Closing Date for November Normidian – 19 October
- iii. Question raised as to why Speaker not highlighted on first page of Magazine – Editor explained.
- iv. Discussion also relating to the Treasurers request for articles to be mailed to him as well as Editor to assist in publishing in the Web copy of the Magazine. Treasurer confirmed it was quicker to review articles published by Editor against originals sent to him, than to scan Normidian, reformat, and spell check.
- v. Treasurer to produce article on Web Site for Normidian.
- vi. Training Officer apologised for lack of article on RA Conference – will be with Editor soon.

### Training

- i. 21 candidates on current Brimsdown course, including circa 15 from the Recruitment Day. No Course currently being run at Owens.
- ii. Further Courses to be run at Chancellors School starting at the end of October for Staff and A Level students; one for the Maccabbi League; and a further course is planned at Brimsdown.

### Gear

Stock Levels currently low; items on order.

### MRA

Nothing to Report

### Recruitment & Retention

Nothing to report – Meeting Wednesday; John Taverner attending with Jeff Till.

### Youth Development

- i. Names of successful training candidates requested to be provided to Jeff/John following course. Jeff/John will contact candidates – many still do not realise they have to find Leagues themselves.
- ii. Alan Porter to provide notes on County Cup Appointment procedures.
- iii. Referees who would like to utilise Youth members as Assistants to contact Jeff/John
- iv. Jeff to set up a random 'Question' page in the Normidian by 'cold calling' on our Youth Members.

### Any Other Business

None

Meeting then entertained by Guest Speaker Gary Willard, former National List Referee, and now Match Observer.



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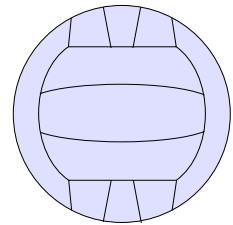
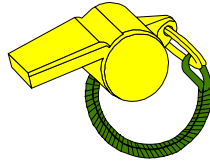
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*North Middlesex Referees' Society  
End of Season*

### **Dinner & Dance**

*on Saturday, 11th MA Y, 2002*

at *THE APOLLO SUITE, COCKFOSTERS*

*Gentlemen: Dinner or Lounge suits please.*

*Ladies: Posh Frocks*

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**NORTH MIDDLESEX REFEREES SOCIETY**



Draw results for August, September, and October 2001 are shown below. There were 49 shares subscribed for the August draw – the last for Season 2000/2001, and the pool pays out 100% in August, so prize money was £49.00. For September and October, there are 54 shares, and payout is 70% of the pool - £37.80. The August draw was made by Terry Hayne; the September draw by Phil Sharp; and the October draw by Robin Jagot

If you would like to join for the remainder of the Season, the amount payable now is £10; please complete the form below, and let me have it with your remittance.

August

First	25	Kevin Millett	£26.95
Second	29	Malcolm Sonenfeld	£14.70
Third	13	Colin Edmans	£7.35

September

First	29	Mike Neary	£21.60
Second	19	Terry Hayne	£10.80
Third	4	Russell Brooks	£5.40

October

First	22	Robin Jagot	£21.60
Second	40	Michael Ward	£10.80
Third	53	Frank McNeil	£5.40

There are two additional numbers subscribed for the current season, following those published in the October Normidian:-

53 Frank McNeil      54 Tony Ward

Gary Cobden  
Honorary Treasurer



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**NORTH MIDDLESEX REFEREES SOCIETY 100 CLUB**  
**Application for/Renewal of Membership - Season 2001/2002**

I, ....., wish to become a member of the North Middlesex Referees Society 100 Club, and subscribe to ..... shares each month.

I agree to make payment:-

By Cheque

By Standing Order (details will be provided on request)      (Delete as Appropriate)

The initial term of membership is 12 months; renewal details will be distributed with the 2002/2003 Society Membership Forms. To join for the remainder of the current Season, a payment of £10 is payable.

Please forward the completed Application Form to Gary Cobden, Hon. Treasurer.

For Society Use:-

Numbers Allocated: .....