

Happy New Year!

PNWTOA NEWS

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As the New Year arrives this week, it is time for renewing your PNWTOA membership, paying dues and ordering new uniforms. Here is summary of all the major changes for Officials to help you prepare for 2016.

MEMBERSHIP

- Starting Jan. 1, 2016 PNWTOA Membership dues will be \$25.
- You will need to be a PNWTOA member to receive solicitations for assignments. For clarification, your area USTA and ITA assignors will need confirmation of paid membership before they will be able to include your name on their lists for availability.
- You can go to pnwtennisofficials.com, click on MEMBERSHIP under ABOUT PNWTOA tab and download the membership form. Fill it out with your current 2016 certifications then mail with your check to Mark Knudson at the address at the bottom of the form.
- You can find your current 2016 certifications on NUCULA under the certifications tab on your profile page.

BENEFITS of MEMBERSHIP

- PNWTOA Board support
- Supporting your section
- Financing training clinics
- Area Assignors
- ITA Assignors
- New Hire Assignor
- Website/ Post on discussion blog
- Vote in Association elections
- Serve on the Board of Directors and Association committees

UNIFORMS

- New uniform shirts are available to order. Sectional uniforms will remain the same except for the new shirt. Website to order: sandhuniforms.com/store/ustaofficials
- Tan Hat or (NEW) Red Hat. (USTA logo only or Tan Hat no logo)
- Dark Blue outer wear; USTA logo only or no logo
- Khaki pants or shorts (NO cargo pants/shorts or Capri pants); Tan belt
- Predominantly white shoes (No neon or bright colors); White socks
- Deadline for new shirts is March 1, 2016 (ALLOW 3-4 WEEKS FOR DELIVERY)

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

You still have a few days left to consider if you would like to be nominated for one of the two open seats on the PNWTOA Board The board will be voting on Jan. 7th at the next board meeting. The terms of the open seats expire in 2017 and 2018, respectively. If interested, please submit your name and brief bio, including skills you can contribute to the PNWTOA board.

PORTLAND ASSIGNOR

At this time we have 4 nominations for the Portland area assignor.. The Board will also be making that decision at the Jan. 7 meeting.

CODE VIOLATION AND SUSPENSION POINTS FORMS

We have completed and submitted updated forms to the USTA for evaluation. Once we hear from the USTA we will have these forms available for all officials and TDs to download and print from our website (pnwtennisofficials.com) with instructions for use. In the meantime please submit all violations in writing to Jana Hirst: hirst@pnw.usta.com within 3 days of the end of the tournament.

WEBSITE

We are moving more and more information onto the website. Our goals are to post all communications and updates on the site as soon as possible. We would like you to use it for current updates, contacts, forms and help with new hires. My plans are to publish a monthly newsletter on the Welcome page. The coming 2016 year will have many changes for those who have been officials more than a year. I feel that it is my responsibility to get as much information to you as soon as it is available to me. The best way I can do that is to post it on the website. Then it will be up to you to log on and stay current.

Thanks for all your hard work in 2015!

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