



# Referee Survey

Thursday, August 27, 2015

# Grade 1 & 2 Referees

Total Responses. Sent to 52 G1 & G2 referees  
Response rate of 54%

Date Created: Friday, July 24, 2015

Complete Responses: 26

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# Overview

The respondent is a top level referee who has invested a lot in their own development and has probably been refereeing a number of years.

What we wanted to know was if there was an appetite to continue to learn – and there is – plus to understand how they do learn and update their skills. We also wanted to know if any wanted to be trained to develop new referees and we got a good response with 19 saying YES. If we wanted to increase our training and observation programme, there are a number of names here to make a start with.

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# Q1: Why did you become a referee?

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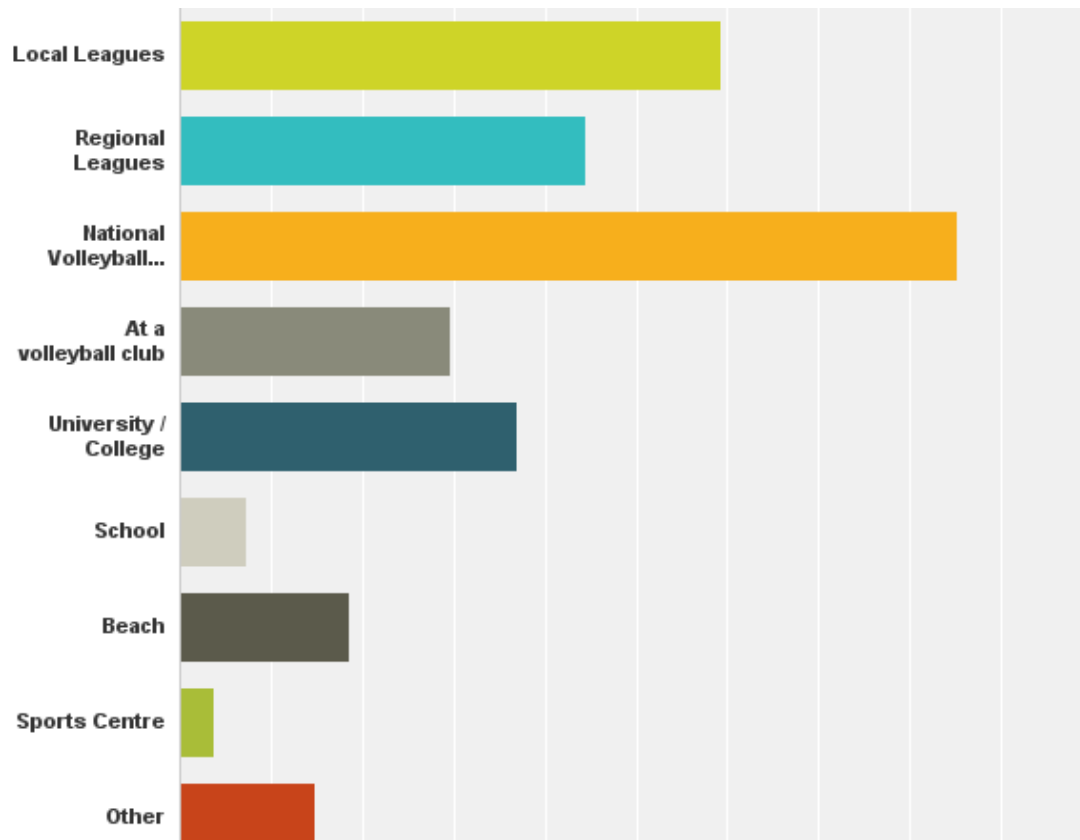
There is definitely a shift in the motivation to become a referee in this category – most see it as a way of staying in the game after playing. ‘Helping my club’ is still a reason, but has a lower ranking than in the G4 and G3 surveys.

By the time that referees get to this level, we seem to have retained a very committed group who are passionate about officiating.

- To become a referee (stay in the game, to give something back) – 15
  - To help my team – 5
  - I love it! - 2
  - Frustrated at the low level of refereeing – 9
  - To learn the rules – 1
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## Q2: Where are you refereeing? Please tick all that apply

Answered: 27 Skipped: 1



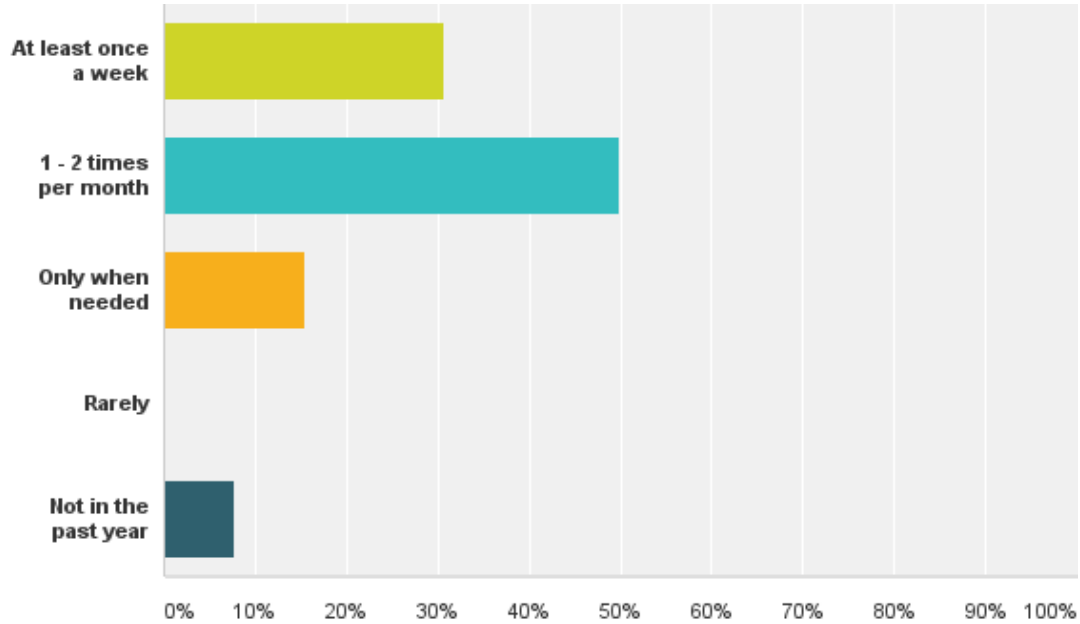
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Local Leagues	59.26%	16
Regional Leagues	44.44%	12
National Volleyball League	85.19%	23
At a volleyball club	29.63%	8
University / College	37.04%	10
School	7.41%	2
Beach	18.52%	5
Sports Centre	3.70%	1
Other	14.81%	4
<b>Total Respondents: 27</b>		

### Q3: How often are you refereeing?

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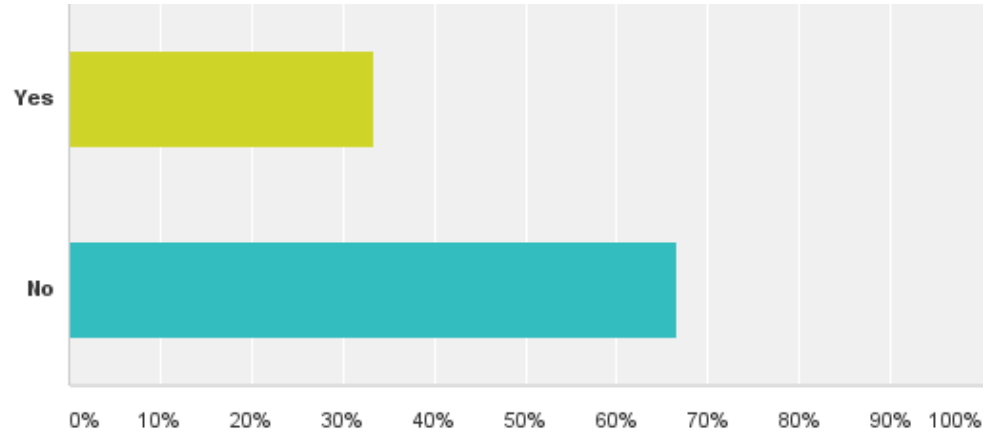
Answer Choices	Responses	
At least once a week	<b>30.77%</b>	8
1 - 2 times per month	<b>50.00%</b>	13
Only when needed	<b>15.38%</b>	4
Rarely	<b>0.00%</b>	0
Not in the past year	<b>7.69%</b>	2
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## Q4: Would you be interested in refereeing more games?

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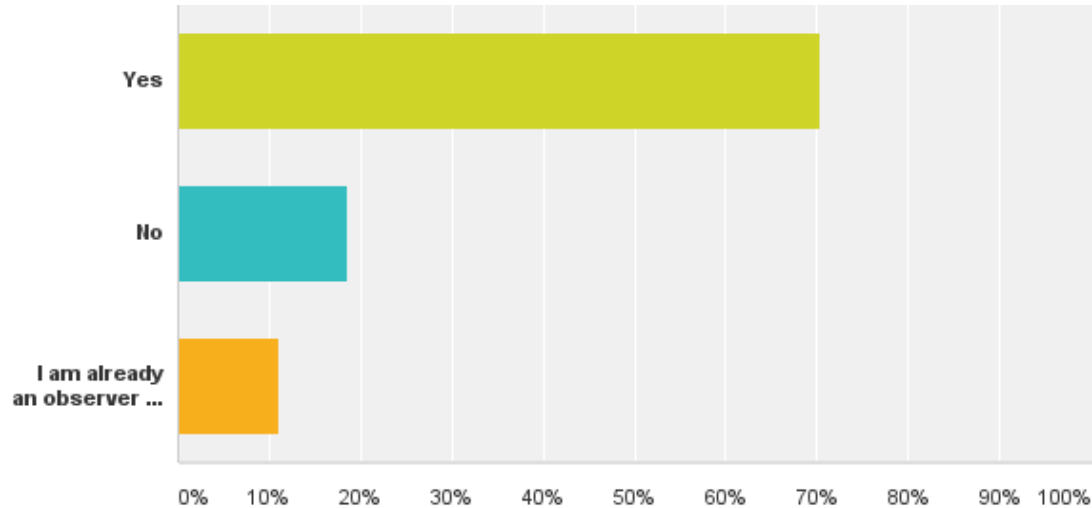
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Answer Choices	Responses
Yes	33.33% 9
No	66.67% 18
<b>Total</b>	<b>27</b>

**Q5: We are exploring the opportunity of increasing our team of referee observers / mentors to grow the next generation of referees - working mainly in the regions with grade 4, 3R and 3N referees. Would you be interested in hearing more about this new scheme?**

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<b>Answer Choices</b>	<b>Responses</b>	
Yes	<b>70.37%</b>	19
No	<b>18.52%</b>	5
I am already an observer or mentor	<b>11.11%</b>	3
<b>Total</b>		<b>27</b>

## Q6: What do you currently do to improve your refereeing?

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Answered: 27 Skipped: 1

There was a big focus on reading and re-reading the rulebooks and FIVB casebooks, plus seeking out feedback from other referees. This group was also more likely to seek out high level matches to watch (live or video) to see how referees interpret games. There was also more comment on self-analysis and reflection.

- Observer and referee (peer) feedback – 10
  - Watch (high level) volleyball – 11
  - Keep up to date with the current rules – 9
  - Read the FIVB Casebook – 7
  - Self-reflection – 3
  - Referee – 2
  - Attend meetings and clinics – 2
  - Attend the Conference
  - Travel home to Hungary! – 1
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## Q7: What additional support could Volleyball England provide to improve your skills as a referee?

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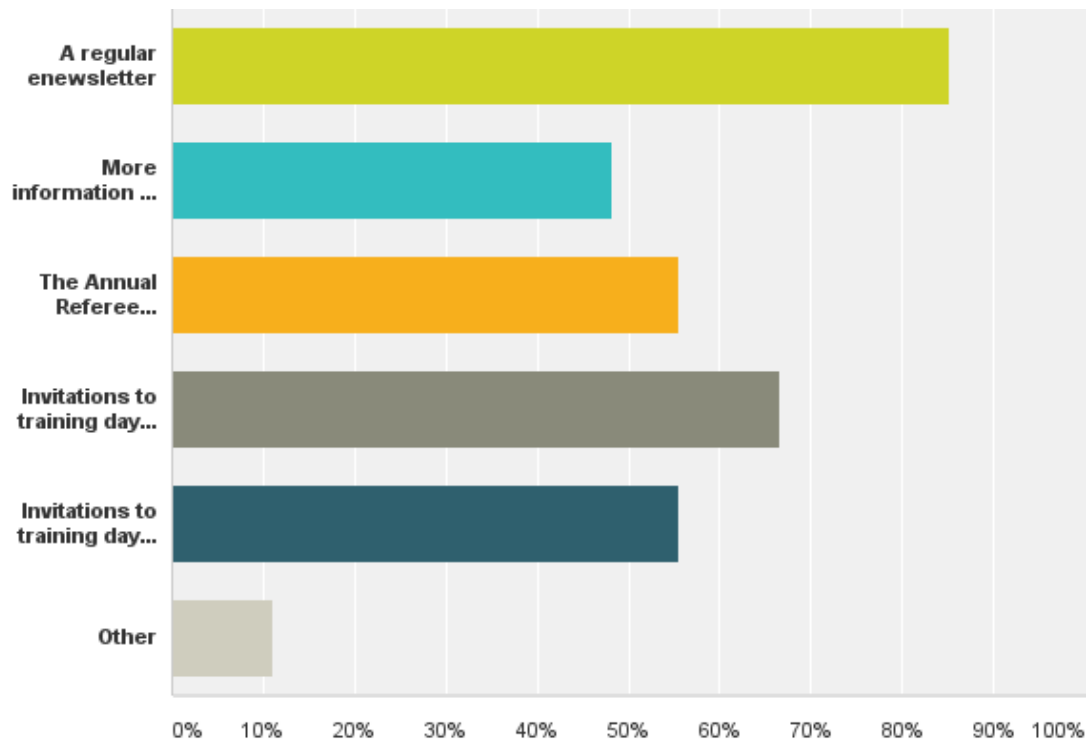
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We prompted with additional training, taking part in competitions, having a mentor, better communications.

- Mentoring – 6
  - Observation & Feedback - 3
  - Better communications (FB Page is great) – 3
  - Doing competitions (such as SSG) – 3
  - Online training – 2
  - More training – interpretation of the rules, game management - 2
  - End of year conference – 1
  - Local opportunities so less travel - 1
  - More top level games – 1
  - Case studies - 1
  - FAQs - 1
  - Stop appointing same people to top level competitions - 1
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## Q8: How can we communicate with you better? Please tick all that apply.

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Answer Choices	Responses	
A regular enewsletter	85.19%	23
More information on the website	48.15%	13
The Annual Referee Conference	55.56%	15
Invitations to training days - locally	66.67%	18
Invitations to training days - national	55.56%	15
Other	11.11%	3
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