

EXPECTATIONS: SET HIGH STANDARDS OF EXCELLENCE . . . EXCEED YOUR EXPECTATIONS!

“You’re expected to be perfect your first game and get better each week.”

Norm Schachter – NFL Referee 1954-1976

When Bud Brubaker (NFL Referee 1950-1970 & NFL Observer 1970-1990) was asked by an NFL rookie official how to have a successful NFL officiating career he said,

“Be working in Green Bay when all hell is breaking loose in Dallas.”

“Sometimes is better to be lucky than good, but not in the long run”

Norm Schachter

Work the game the way you would want it officiated if your were a player or coach in that game.

Be consistent – consistency right.

Norm Schachter

Think before you speak. If someone is going to have to feel sorry or apologize about what was said during the game in the heat of the moment – don’t let it be one of the officials.

WHEN IT’S ALL SAID AND DONE: YOU WANT THIS TO BE SAID ABOUT OUR PERFORMANCE AS FOOTBALL OFFICIALS & A CREW AFTER THIS GAME!

The officials did what was necessary for the game to be played safely and by the rules. Nothing the officials did had a negative effect on the outcome of the game. All the calls were there; they were called consistently and fairly. The game was decided by the players on the field.

Quarterback Magazine article about NFL Referee Bud Brubaker:

“I was always delighted when I learned that Brubaker was to work our game. It meant that it would move. Some officials let the game get out of control. The beefs start and the action slows down. It never happened when Brubaker refereed. He was so firm – but always fair.”

Les Richter – NFL Hall of Fame Linebacker

Email message from a Head Coach put in the SCCFOA Weekly Email Bulletin

Dear Rich:

“I would like to commend the officiating at our game against xxxxxxx. Although I didn’t agree with one call, that is to be expected. The officials were professional, communicated well and properly officiated the game to make calls when they were present and to allow the young men to play the game. It was good to get back to a 7-man crew where there is better coverage for appropriate calls. Again, please congratulate that staff of officials for a job well done.”

Take Care,
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The officials were firm, fair and consistent. They let the players – PLAY. They let the coaches – COACH.

I always felt good when I found out Jim Tunney was going to referee our game. I knew I wasn’t going to get any breaks, but I also knew the other side wasn’t going to get any either.

I always knew he’d be fair, and I knew he would be in control. Tunney had control of everything. All sorts of crazy things might be going on, but you knew he would step in and sort it all out . . . When Tunney’s on the field, the game will be under control . . . He’s such a competent guy, you just know he’ll be in control of the game . . . He was always in control of himself, whatever the situation.

John Madden in the forward to Tunney’s book – Impartial Judgment