



Mayumi Oiwa (3rd from left in photo) is the first ever Japanese Woman Referee to achieve F.I.F.A. status. Her reply has lost nothing in translation.

"Throughout my refereeing, I enjoy feeling that I am improving myself, not only as referee, but also as a person in life. The higher the standard I referee, the bigger expectation and responsibility these games require of me. Trying the very best to control myself in tense situations is the greatest enjoyment in refereeing."

Tokyo born, and currently studying in this country, **Hiroshi Yamauchi was a "J League" Assistant Referee.** Now officiating on the Contributory and Supply League in the North West, he summarises his inner feelings.

"Meeting people is always a pleasure in my life. I love to meet with players, colleagues, and all the people involved in football. Learning from experiences with the friends I have made, is a big enjoyment which encourages me to keep on refereeing."

**So what do YOU enjoy most about Refereeing?
Whatever it is keep smiling and most of all
ENJOY IT!!!**