
SUMMARY, BARRIE ULTIMATE A.G.M. 2008

FINANCES

Overall the financial health of the league is good. The 2007 summer league generated an excellent return. The 2008 winter session suffered a loss due to lower than expected turnout. Please see the financial summary for details.

FIELDS

The situation for fields is again tenuous. For the coming summer we currently have only one field confirmed, from the city of Barrie. Neither St. Joe's or St. Peter's is available. We will find out about public school fields at the end of March. (Since several of the high school fields have been closed for the last two seasons, it is likely—but not certain—that we will be able to get enough fields for a full rec league.)

We will create a committee to consider the field issue. Considerations:

- Liaise with ODSA (Christopher Lowcock).
- Liaise with other leagues (rugby, field hockey, Georgian College).
- Investigate Molson Fund and OLG sponsorships.
- Convert city fields to ultimate use.

The city is changing its field allocation policy. See Brad or Andy for details.

REC LEAGUE | REGISTRATION/TEAM-MAKING

Rec league fees will increase from \$85 to \$100. Part of this increase is for better shirts, part BBQ/entertainment for the play-off tournament. (See below for more details.) If possible with ITSN, a penalty fee will be enforced for late registration.

The status quo for team-making will be maintained: teams will be formed by the convenors; individual registration; couples will be kept together; groups of up to six will be accepted, but may be separated if league balance requires it; groups larger than six will not be accepted.

REC LEAGUE | CAPTAINS

We need more input from captains. Therefore, more support will be given to captains/coaches.

- Captains' package will be revised by Shauna/Tyler:
 - "What does a captain do?"; "What does a coach do?" .
 - Basic rules; player responsibilities.
 - Basic strategies and drills.
 - Maps; contact names/numbers.

REC LEAGUE | REGULAR SEASON

Pre-season games will be set up for new players, not for experienced players.

To help new players and enhance spirit, zone defence will not be permitted for the first four weeks of the summer league.

REC LEAGUE | PLAYOFFS

We will keep current format: one-day tournament on a Saturday(August 23) at Springwater.

We must publicize from the beginning of the league that playoffs are on a Saturday, not a Monday.

\$5-10 from every registration will go to making a great tournament party: food, drinks, bouncy castle.

ORGANIZATION NAME

We will do a soft transition from Barrie Ultimate League to Barrie Ultimate: shirts, stickers, website, communications. We won't officially change the legal name (cheques, accounts, etc.).

JERSEYS

Instead of issuing a different colour jersey to every rec team, for all future rec leagues (both indoor and outdoor), all teams will play in either a home or away jersey. The league will sell these to members.

VC, UnderArmour and Patagonia jerseys were tested. Patagonia will be the clothing supplier.

For the initial summer season, the "away" (dark) shirt will be included in the cost of registration. Sufficient jerseys will be ordered prior to the season so that everyone will have a jersey on the first night. Members will be encouraged to also buy the "home" (white) jersey.

The league will carry inventory of both home and away jerseys in both men's and women's cuts—if you want to buy a shirt, it will be available. The cost is estimated at \$30, including screening and all taxes.

Additionally, Patagonia will sell us at significant discount any gear associated with ultimate: jerseys, shorts, socks, sweat tops, bags, etc. The league will place an order before each session (September, January, April), and members can special order from the catalogue (cash in advance, no exchanges or refunds).

COMPETITIVE LEAGUE

No significant changes to Comp League.

Comp captains will be announced on the website well before the season begins so that single players know whom to contact to get on a team.

Shauna Taylor and Katie Fizzell will spread the word in Newmarket that Barrie's league is looking for new teams.

CLINICS

Shauna Taylor, Talena Kraus, Donna Henderson will be coordinating clinics.

- Contact ODSA for assistance.
- 1 or 2 sessions with volunteers, coaches, captains all together.
- Mid-season clinic... or maybe after 3 games... beginner clinics for those who have no clue. Captains will personally recruit players, suggest that the beginner clinic would help.
- Simple videos of basic skills to be posted on the website (Peter to coordinate).

OPEN TOURNAMENT

There will not be a tournament in 2007.

- insufficient time to organize this year.

We need a dedicated committee to begin planning for 2008.

Ideas:

- Change it from our regular August weekend b/c NATIONALS coincides.
- Make it the same weekend as Gender Blender... take spillover (all the teams that didn't get in). Put a link on the GB website - come to Barrie!
- Four corners of the world Tournament. Ice, Beach, Asphalt, Grass. (Peter)

KIDS/JUNIORS PROGRAM

This was only discussed briefly. It must be taken on as an executive position. Need a volunteer to flesh out concepts, recruit team.

SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship can help defray league costs (especially for touring teams, juniors). We need an executive-level position to recruit and liaise with sponsors.

League has excellent demographics. We can offer sponsorship in turn for access to advertise to this demo:

- Sample pack for members? Include discounts, sample items, etc.
- Advertising on shirts.
- Advertising on website.

ROLES

POSITION	WHO
President	Andy Beecroft
VP	Ian Brown
Indoor Convenor	Shauna Taylor, Tyler W. Cochrane
Outdoor Rec Convenor	Talena Krause
Outdoor Comp Convenor	Steve Gallant
Scores	Jim Millington, Katie Fizzell
Treasurer	Becki Couling, Kristy Robinson
Fields	Brad Mayer
Equipment	Ian Brown
Cones	Dave Henderson
Clinics	Shauna Taylor, Donna Henderson, Talena Krause
Touring	Brad Mayer, Jesse Robertson
Tournament Director	Gavin?
Social	Shauna Taylor
Media Relations	Angela Bird
Junior Development	Katie Fizzell

AGM DETAILS

Date: February 7, 2008

Present: Ian Brown, Angela Bird, Donna Henderson, Pam Chadbourn, Dave Henderson, Kristy Robinson, Becki Couling, Brad Mayer, Stuart Bassin, Troy Neave, John Leiper, Katie Fizzell, Jim Millington, Shauna Taylor, Tyler W. Cochrane, Steve Schepers, Pete Bowman, Talena Kraus, Brad Jutzi (19).