

Tasmanian University Ultimate
Club

First Year Report

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WHEN A BALL DREAMS, IT DREAMS IT'S A FRISBEE.



Big exciting amazing events of the last year:

MALCOLM MCFARLANE WENT TO MELBOURNE FOR THE HAT TOURNAMENT AND FOR THE NATIONAL FLYING DISC CHAMPIONSHIPS, AS A "REPRESENTATIVE" OF TASMANIA UNIVERSITY.

PETER CINQUINI ALSO WENT TO THE NATIONALS, AND PLAYED ON THE SAME TEAM AS MALCOLM. THE "BARELY REEFERS", A PICK-UP TEAM OF QUEENSLANDERS, KIWIS, AND WE TASMANIAX. WE WON A FEW GAMES, LEARNED ALOT, GOT VERY SORE FIT LEGS, AND ALMOST WON THE PARTY.

DAVID COOPER, THE TREASURER, HAS MOVED TO SYDNEY. ANY VOLUNTEERS?

CURRENT STATE OF THE CLUB

THE CLUB HAS ALL THE EQUIPMENT NEEDED FOR PLAYING GAMES, AND MAY NEED NO MORE THIS YEAR. I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE PLAYERS TO BUY ONE OF OUR ULTRASTARS AS THEY ARE A HIGH-QUALITY, STABLE DISC, NOT AVAILABLE IN SHOPS. WE CAN SELL THEM FOR \$13 EACH.

MANY OF OUR PLAYERS WHO TURN UP REGULARLY FOR GAMES ARE NON STUDENTS. THIS IS BECAUSE THE PRICE TO JOIN FOR NON STUDENTS IS PROHIBITIVELY HIGH, \$42. THE CONTRIBUTION OF THESE PLAYERS IS NO LESS THAN SIGNED MEMBERS, AND THEY BRING ALONG NEW FACES.

WE HAVE RECENTLY ACQUIRED SETS OF RULES, WHICH WILL NOW ALLOW US TO PLAY A FAIRER AND SAFER GAME. THIS WILL ALSO ENABLE US TO PLAY TO A STANDARD THAT WILL NOT ALIENATE PLAYERS FROM ELSEWHERE.

ENJOYMENT OF THE GAME IS WHY WE ALL PLAY. THE FITNESS IT HAS GIVEN ME, AND THE NATURAL HIGH I GET EACH GAME HAS ALSO MADE AN ADDICT OF ME.

Plans

BECAUSE I AND MANY OTHERS WILL (PROBABLY) ONE DAY LIVE OUTSIDE TASSIE, I WOULD LIKE TO INCREASE MY SKILL AND KNOWLEDGE OF THE GAME'S STRATEGIES, SO THAT I CAN PLAY WITH CONFIDENCE IN OTHER PLACES. I DON'T WANT TO SEE TASMANIA "INBREED" A TYPE OF ULTIMATE THAT ONLY WE UNDERSTAND, AND WHICH PRECLUDES INTERACTION WITH THOSE FROM ELSEWHERE. WE MAY BE GEOGRAPHICALLY CUT OFF FROM THE WORLD, BUT WE NEEDN'T CUT OURSELVES OFF FROM THE INTERNATIONAL ULTIMATE FRATERNITY. THOSE WITH ACCESS TO THE INTERNET THROUGH THE UNI'S MACS, MAY ACCESS THE INTERNATIONAL ULTIMATE BULLETIN BOARD, REC.SPORT.DISC, UNDER NEWSWATCHER. ON THIS BULLETIN BOARD, TACTIX AND NEW IDEAS ARE DISCUSSED. WE ARE NOT ALONE!

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A REGULAR TEAM [OR AT LEAST PART OF ONE] PLAY TOGETHER SAY ONCE A WEEK. THIS IS SO ALL MAY RAPIDLY INCREASE THEIR KNOWLEDGE AND APPRECIATION OF TEAM PLAY AND TACTIX, RATHER THAN JUST INDIVIDUAL SKILLS. SINCE SOME PEOPLE MAY FEEL INTIMIDATED BY A CORE OF PLAYERS THAT PLAY AN INCREASINGLY SKILLFUL GAME, I PROPOSE THAT WE ADD A NEW SESSION ONCE A WEEK FOR "SERIOUS" PLAY. MAYBE SATURDAY ARVO? THIS MAY BE UNNECESSARY IF THESE PRACTISED SKILLS RAPIDLY FILTER THROUGH TO THE OTHER PLAYERS, THUS LIFTING ALL OUR GAMES.

UNIFORMS: THE COST OF THESE ISNT COVERED BY UNI FUNDS. ID LIKE TO ASK PLAYERS TO COME WITH SAY, ONE WHITE AND ONE CLEARLY NOT WHITE SHIRT, AND BE PREPARED TO PLAY IN EITHER. I THINK THIS WOULD SPEED UP THE GAME AND STANDARD OF PLAY, BECAUSE PLAYERS WOULDNT NEED TO THINK TWICE BEFORE PASSING.

I ASK ALL OF US, PLEASE MAKE AN EFFORT TO BRING ALONG A NEW FACE OR TWO. PERHAPS WE CAN AIM TO BUILD A LEAGUE LIKE SYDNEYS [one day!], THAT HAS TWELVE FULL TEAMS OF AROUND 12 PLAYERS EACH PLAYING REGULARLY.

I WILL PUT AN AD ON THE DISC BULLETIN BOARD INVITING INTERSTATE AND INTERNATIONAL PLAYERS TO JOIN US FOR GAMES IF THEY EVER COME TO TASMANIA. ALSO, ADS ARE BEING PLACED IN THE VARIOUS BACKPACKER TYPE ACCOMMODATIONS AROUND HOBART, INVITING ANY TRAVELING PLAYERS ALREADY HERE TO DROP IN FOR A GAME OR TWO. THIS IS BUILDING BRIDGES!

YOUR COMMENTS ARE INVITED.

THANK FOR A GREAT YEAR.



MALCOLM MCFARLANE, CLUB PRESIDENT



