



# UPPER ISLAND SOCCER ASSOCIATION

**UISA –Tier 3/House Planning Meeting**  
**Saturday November 22, 2014**  
**Quality Inn Bayside, Parksville – 11:00am**

**Members Present:** Kevin Cowie (UISA Director), Carl Niebel (UISA Director), Sean Arbour (UISA Director), Steve Rhodes (AVYSA), Jamie Barnie (CVUSC), Barrie McDonald (PRYSA), Francois Brassens (Mid-Isle YSA), Al Rimell (CRYSA), Jason Coates (HCFC).

**Guests:** Christine Carson (UISA Administrator), Joel Butler (HCFC Administrator), Wayne Evans (HCFC Technical Director), Bill Merriman (Storm Technical Director)

**Regrets:** Glen Murphy (GYSA)

- 1) **Island Invitational playdowns:** See Appendix 1 for document listing teams declared, rules and hosts, as revised in the course of the meeting. The committee reviewed and discussed playdown rules including game durations for round-robin play of multiple games in a day, format for ties in pool finals or 2 team divisions and break between games.
- 2) **Retreat line implementation at club level and plans for next year.**  
Retreat line not implemented in UISA league this year. BUT - some house leagues are using retreat line, and it has been applied to UISA league games as well.  
**Discussion** – value of retreat line to payers, very valuable for younger ages, only worth it if it is a longer term plan for multiple years so coaches, officials and players have a good opportunity to learn and benefit from it. Need consistent implementation across all member clubs. Suggest a 4 year plan with a regular review. Will it end up compressing play? Need all member clubs and UISA league to be consistent, will need a referee training session for best implementation. Also need to firm up consistent implementation UISA league for this year. Coaches could consult and decide on implementation on a game by game basis – but this is not ideal for players, who would benefit from a consistent approach.  
**Recommendation:** all Tier 3 reps to inform their clubs and officials that the retreat line will be implemented for UISA Super8 from this point forward. Christine to email info to UISA Super8 teams.  
Retreat line to be implemented for house leagues next season.

**MOTION:** To implement the retreat line for Super 8 soccer throughout UISA member club house leagues and in UISA league for a test period of 4 years, subject to yearly review by the Tier 3 steering committee.

Sean/Carl

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- 3) **Regional referee development officer – feedback on club interactions**  
MidIsle – some attempt to contact but no programming yet  
HCFC – clinic in the fall  
AVYSA – contacted head ref, will be attending Dec board meeting

PRYSA – no contact - have their own refresher course scheduled for Jan

CRYSA – no contact

CVUSC- ?????

OYSS -?????

UISA will approach BC soccer and Harry to increase programming next year

**4) Planning for 2015-16 – Initial discussion of format for U13 play**

Summary of current U13s playing Super8 and game results to date. Discuss merits of Super 8 at U13 for player development. Difficulty of retaining players in smaller clubs where roster for 11 aside cannot be found after several years of smaller super 8 rosters. Bigger clubs currently cut players at U13 then don't have enough to make VIPL and Tier 3 teams at U14. If Super 8 covered U12 and U13 years, and teams were not age segregated, could we recruit and train more players, having multiple squads based on development, not age? Would this work for our smaller member clubs?

**Recommendation:** that clubs consider Super 8 format for U13 play at Tier 3 from 2015-16 on, with one common pool of Super 8 teams separated for league play by development stage after a round of seeding games, and not age-streamed play for U13s and U12s. Will this approach support development of more players in UISA?

**Club reps to take this discussion back to UISA member clubs, so a considered decision on format for 2015-16 can be made at the UISA January 17 general meeting.**

**5) Planning for 2015-16 – handshake protocol** Tabled until next meeting due to lack of time.

## **Appendix 1: Island Invitational Information**

The Island Invitational Cup is a tournament that showcases the best of the Upper Island District, versus the best of the Lower Island District. It is a completely separate tournament than the Coastal B Cup and BCSPA Provincial B Cup.

The UISA alternates hosting with the Lower Island Soccer Association of this annual tournament held each April/May since 1964 under rules mutually agreed to by the two Districts. UI teams Boys/Girls from U-13 to U-18 are determined by Island Cup play downs held during the season as scheduled by the District.

### **2015-Host is Lower Island Soccer**

*All teams in the Upper Island, with the exception of VIPL or BCSPS teams, are eligible for this competition. U12 teams are NOT permitted to challenge.*

#### **Playdown format:**

Playdown will be held as a round robin tournament for each age group on the weekend of January 24/25, 2015.

2 Teams – single game playoff – this category ONLY will play a regulation length game, with regulation OT if needed

3 Teams – one day round robin, total points

4 Teams – two day round robin, total points

5 Teams – two day round robin, total points

6 Teams – two pools of three, round robin, winner of Pool A plays 2nd place Pool B, Winner of Pool B plays second place Pool A, Two winners in the final with PKs if needed.

7 Teams – Two pools, one three team and one four team, round robin within pool, top place in each pool plays in final, with PKs if needed.

-All games shortened duration if three or more teams competing in a division:

U13/14-30 minute halves; U15/16-35 minute halves; U17/18-40 minute halves

-A single game of regulation length (with regulation OT if needed) if only two teams in the division

-No overtime in round robin

-FIVE (5) goal differential.

-(3) points for a win, (1) for a tie, (0) points for a loss

If two teams are tied on points, the following is the tie-breaker:

1. Winner of the match between the two teams
2. Goal difference
3. Penalty kicks

#### **Scheduling notes:**

- Host clubs will be responsible for scheduling.

- Club Schedulers to make sure teams get a minimum one and a half hour break between games (2 hours is preferable).

-All schedules must be submitted to the UISA scheduler for review before posting.

Teams declared for Island Invitational 2015 and Playdown Hosts

<b>Division</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Coach</b>	<b>Host</b>	<b>Round Robin format</b>
<b>U13G</b>	CVUSC	Jamie Barnie	Campbell River	4 games per team over 2 days (2 games per day) Total: 10 games
<b>U13G</b>	HCFC	Harold Bond		
<b>U13G</b>	PRYSA	Ron Hollingsworth		
<b>U13G</b>	CRYSA	Chris Flood		
<b>U13G</b>	AVYSA	Doug Chase		
<b>U14G</b>	PRYSA	Cam Miller		no game required
<b>U15G</b>	CVUSC	Tom Patterson	Mid Isle	2 games per team over 1 day Total: 3 games
<b>U15G</b>	OYSS	Warren Cudney		
<b>U15G</b>	MIYSA	Willow Hartig		
<b>U16G</b>	PRYSA	Dwayne Narduzzi	Harbour City	1 game
<b>U16G</b>	HCFC	Jeff Till		
<b>U17/18G</b>	PRYSA	Paul Liknes		no game required
<b>U13B</b>	CVUSC	Mark Purcell	Harbour City	3 games per team over 2 days Total: 6 games
<b>U13B</b>	HCFC	Adrian Collery		
<b>U13B</b>	MIYSA	John Holzwarth		
<b>U13B</b>	PRYSA	Tony Rice		
<b>U14B</b>	AVYSA	Tyler Smith	Powell River	2 games per team over 1 day Total: 3 games
<b>U14B</b>	CRYSA	Petrovcic		
<b>U14B</b>	PRYSA	Thorsell		
<b>U15B</b>	OYSS	Basara	Oceanside	1 game
<b>U15B</b>	PRYSA	Barrie MacDonald		
<b>U16B</b>	CVUSC	Robbie Taylor	Comox	2 games per team over 1 day Total: 3 games
<b>U16B</b>	CVUSC	Tony Dickson		
<b>U16B</b>	HCFC	Thain Breese		

## ISLAND INVITATIONAL CUP COACHES, CLUBS & REFEREE INFORMATION 2014-2015

1. All Cup games SHOULD have 3 registered game.
2. **Game sheets must be filled out properly and completely and sent into the District Referee Scheduler\*\* within 24 of the game.**
3. Referees must be a minimum of 2 years older than the players and must have at least 2 years experience with a level 4 or higher certification. Preferably experienced adult referees.
4. Referee assistants must be the same age or older than the players and hold a level 4 certification or higher.
5. No referee or assistant may officiate a game in which an immediate relative is participating. If a referee has been assigned to a game with a relative playing he/she should refuse to do the game.
6. If the referee is not able to finish officiating a game, the first assistant referee will take over. The first assistant referee must be the same age or older than the players.
7. Island Invitational Cup games have precedence over League and Exhibition games.
8. Clubs should schedule Island Invitational Cup games on the best fields available.
9. Games may have to be played on Saturdays – **please inform all your players and parents.**
10. Game durations for Island Invitational divisions with three or more teams will be reduced: U13/14 teams=30 minute halves, U15/16 teams=35 minute halves, U17/18=40 minute halves.
11. Game durations will be regulation length only for divisions with two teams, with regulation OT if needed.
12. Teams and spectators must be on opposite sides of the field and not behind the goals.
13. All PLAYERS and TEAM OFFICIALS must have and present to the game officials BC Soccer picture ID cards or they cannot sit on the bench or play. Teams must have a carded team official on the bench of the same gender as the players.
14. All BCSA rules must be followed.

\*\* Current District Referee scheduler is Kevin Cowie: [contact information](#) is on UISA website