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# to the 1991 Ultimate Players Association National Championships



early 600 disc athletes have gathered here in Sanford, Florida to compete in the Open, Womens and Masters Divisions of the most prestigious Ultimate tournament in the world.

It is an exciting time in the growth of Ultimate, and the players here are a big part of this growth. Their dedication to the the spirit of game is what makes Ultimate what it is today – an activity which puts value on the individual and the concept of fair play. And, their dedication to continued excellence of play has pushed the quality of the athletic display to new heights. Ultimate is where it is because of the players.

As you know, this is the first year for a Masters Division at the UPA National Championships. The participation of these added Ultimate beings as players, spectators and friends should make this one of the most interesting and fun Nationals ever. On behalf of everyone here I extend a special welcome to the Masters.

While we are here, we will be shooting footage for the upcoming UPA juniors/teaching video. Anyone interested in participating in a segment please contact me at your earliest convenience. We may also occasionally approach some of you to help out, and your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

I would like to thank our hosts, the city of Sanford, for their hospitality and interest in our sport. And finally, thanks to the many people whose work has made another UPA National Championships possible. As an essentially volunteer organization, the hard work of individuals willing to give their time to the sport is invaluable. The staff and directors of this tournament have given their best effort to make this a pleasant experience for all competitors, and we know the players will do the same for them.

Ultimate has a lot going for it. I anticipate a time soon when Ultimate gains the recognition so many of us believe it deserves.

The future of the sport is bright.

Ultimate regards, 0

Neal Dambra UPA Executive Director

# Ultimate

# the Game, the Sport, the Idea.

Ultimate is a fast moving team sport played with a flying disc. The action of the game combines the passing and scoring of football, the cutting and guarding of basketball and the non-stop field movement of soccer. Because Ultimate is a team sport in which each player must act as a quarterback, receiver and defender, a large number of participants can be actively involved throughout the course of play.

Ultimate is played on a field with 25 yard end zones at each end of a 70 yard long and 40 yard wide playing surface. Two seven-person teams are always on the field. Substitutions are allowed only between goals.

Since its creation, the game of Ultimate has undergone modifications in its rules and structural foundations, but the method of play has not changed. The object of the game is to score goals by passing the disc from teammate to teammate until a passis caught in the opponent's end zone. Running with the disc is notallowed. Once a pass is caught, the player must stop running and establish a pivot foot before attempting the next pass. After planting a pivot foot, the player in

possession of the disc may not take any steps before throwing and has only ten seconds to pass the disc. In the meantime, potential receivers are cutting towards and away from the player with the disc, often running established plays or patterns. The disc may be thrown in any direction as long as it stays in the field of play. There is no line of scrimmage or offsides.

The purpose of the defense, either with a zone or with person-to-person coverage, is to prevent the offense from completing passes and scoring goals by guarding the thrower and covering all the receivers. Any time a pass is incomplete, intercepted, knocked down or touches an out-ofbounds area – or if a thrower holds the disc for more than ten seconds – a turnover occurs, resulting in an immediate change of possession of the disc. A "throw off" of the disc by the defensive team at the beginning of each game, the beginning of the second half of play and after each goal initiates play. A game ends when a winner is declared. This occurs when one team reaches an agreed upon number of points, generally from 15 to 21, or a team is leading when a game is capped due to time constraints.

Karl Cook

The unique aspect of the sport of Ultimate is that the games are played without any referees. Although observers may be used to assist with line calls and eventually resolve any disputes, the players themselves control the game and invoke the honor system when calling fouls or rule violations. This behavior is knowncollectively as the "Spirit of the Game."

Demanding athletic competition, such as that found in an Ultimate game has a beneficial influence on a person's physical, mental and social development. But, what sets Ultimate apart from all other sports is the priority it places on sportsmanship; the game is characterized by its high regard for mutual respect among the players and the absence of referees. The introduction to the Rules of Ultimate clearly defines this principle, which is referred to as the "Spirit of the Game."

#### From the Official Rules of Ultimate

"Ultimate has traditionally relied upon a spirit of sportsmanship which places the responsibility for fair play on the player himself/herself. Highly competitive play is encouraged, but never at the expense of the bond of mutual respect between players, adherence to agreed-upon rules of the game, or the basic joy of play. Protection of these vital elements serves to eliminate adverse conduct from the Ultimate field. Such actions as taunting of opposing players, dangerous aggression, intentional fouling, or other "win-at-all costs" behavior are contrary to the spirit of the game and must be avoided by all players. Ultimate was first developed by students at Columbia High School in Maplewood, New Jersey and the first game was played in 1968 between the



student council and the newspaper staff. From this modest beginning, the sport spread to other local high schools and graduates introduced the game to their respective colleges and universities. The first intercollegiate competition was held

between Princeton and Rutgers on the 103rd anniversary of, and on the exact same site as, the first intercollegiate football game. The game was covered by The New York Times. By 1974, about 25 teams had been organized and the first

By 1974, about 20 teams had been about 20 teams intercollegiate championship was held. The sport continued to spread, with numerous clubs forming, and in 1977, the first national championship was organized. In response to the strong growth, the Ultimate Players Association (UPA) was formed in 1979 to organize, promote and direct the sport of Ultimate. In 1981, a Women's division was established and Boston Ladies Ultimate (BLU) was the first National Champion.

Highly competitive club teams have been established in most major U.S. cities, giving the sport a distinctive nationwide image despite its non-professional, amateur status. Currently, the UPA has nearly 8,000 members and over 600 teams who participate in the National Championship Series. Players compete in a variety of divisions, including: Open Division; Women's Division; Division II; College Division (Men's and Women's); Men's Masters Division (age 30 and over); Women's Masters Division (age 18 and under).

Outside the activities in the U.S., there is also an active and growing presence in Canada, Europe and the Pacific Rim. In fact, Ultimate gets government funding in Sweden, Norway and Finland. At the upcoming World Championships in Tokyo, twenty countries are expected to field a team.

In addition to highly competitive play, numerous summer leagues and corporate leagues have been established, and Ultimate has become quite popular as a collegiate intramural sport. The sport is increasingly becoming an accepted part of the high school curriculum and was recently incorporated as a physical fitness elective for the Cub Scouts. It is estimated that over 30,000 enthusiasts and over 2,000 teams actively play Ultimate on a regular basis.

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# The Competitors

# **OPEN DIVISION**

### Northeast Region

**NEW YORK** – New York, New York, reigning National and World Champion, comes into this tournament in search of an unprecedented third consecutive Open Division title.

BIG BROTHER & THE MACHINE(Boston, MA) – Everything is gray. Where we come from there are no emotions no joy, no laughter, no sadness, no tears. The Machine rumbles on; each person in lockstep automation, fearful of the repercussions. Our world has but singular purpose, and we accept it. We have to. Deviations are "banned for life." Big Brother watches everything. There is faint hope that somewhere in this country, an event will change all this horror. We are on a quest for expression, for color, for definition. Will somebody please tell us why we are in Orlando?

**GRAFFITI** – As the name suggests, this team is made up of a bunch of drips from New York City who finally erased their loser tag of the past two years and scrawled their name on the wild card spot from the Northeast Region. Coming off their stunning fifth place finish at the World Club Championships in Toronto (the result of an endless streak of bright fortune and fading opposition), Graffiti survived the ruin of one-third of the beautiful mosaic only to paint themselves into a corner and eventually have to chisel out a victory. The word is still out on whether they can shake it up with the prime competition that will be on display -- this is one team that's tough to read.

## **Mid Atlantic Region**

**ELECTRIC PIG** – First question: "Where did you get the name?" First answer: "Someone thought of it. "In January 1990, Yo Mamma, Washington, DC's long standing disc team, filed ultimate bankruptcy

and, under Chapter 11, was able to reorganize and restructure to win the region that Spring. After discovering that their name was Electric Pig, they won Fall Regionals, allowing many new players their first appearance at Nationals. Returning this year under new management, the PIG has high expectations as well as an offense and hopes to be a legitimate contender. Win or lose, they remain the smartest team with cloven hooves.

Karl Cook

**PHILMORE** – Noted in the Mid Atlantic for its plethora of lawn chairs and dogs, Philmore has competed at the top levels of Ultimate since its inception in the Spring of 1988. Born out of certain Ultimate players' desires in Baltimore and Philadelphia to play at Nationals, this marks Philmore's third appearance at this most prestigious tournament. Philmore phorever. 1991 record (all tournament): 42 wins, 5 losses.

### **Central Region**

**WINDY CITY** – This Chicago team is made up of a strong group of individuals working toward a common goal. The ideals of hustle, teamwork, trust and fun are paramount. But this Fall season has

become very emotional for our team. Dean Smith has decided this season will be his last. To say Dean has been inspirational is an understatement. This Fall, while riding his bike to practice, Dean had a near-fatal accident with a car. Dean, rock that he is, got up, still bleeding, and limped to practice, dragging the mangled wreckage of his bike. Dean's toughness and dependability set the standard for our team. This year's motto: Do It For Dean

**TEAMMO** (St. Louis, MO) – Hey Lefty, pass me a Busch. Geeba, quit wandering around acting like a Hoosier. Oh My God! Someone take the wheel from Timo before that little brat crashes through the back door!

# A Message from the Womens National Director

Welcome to the 1991 UPA National Championships,

M - I - C -- see you real soon! K - E - Y -- Why? Because you have entered the Ultimate World!

For the next four days, players and spectators will be amused,thrilled and awestruck by the spectacular event of the 1991 UPA National Championships.

Long ago, players turned in their Mickey Mouse ears for a set of cleats and a plastic flying disc. From November 7-10, Ultimateplayers with grit and determination will look for a chance to turn that championship dream into reality. Characters will surely come alive on the playing field.

As Disney World celebrates twenty-five years of capsuled fun, the Ultimate community also has reason to bring out the candles.

1991 marks the 10th anniversary of the Women's Division competing at Nationals. Five Women's teams competed at the 1981 UPA Nationals while today, twelve women's teams qualified for Nationals. We have indeed come a long way in one decade.

And, "that's not all folks." Icing has been added to the cake. The 1991 Nationals is the first competition of the Men's and Women's Masters Division. This years' Masters are represented by ten teams (one team per region for both Men and Women) Perhaps, since dreams come true, we will boast of a Juniors Division in ten years or less.

For those of you who are here for the first time, as well as the "regulars," consider yourself privileged; the competition is keen, the organization is smooth, the smiles are big. Please take the time to show your appreciation to the tournament staff and UPA officials who make it possible for you to play to your hearts content.

Good Luck! And Enjoy!!



Marcia Dutcher Women's National Director Ultimate Players Association



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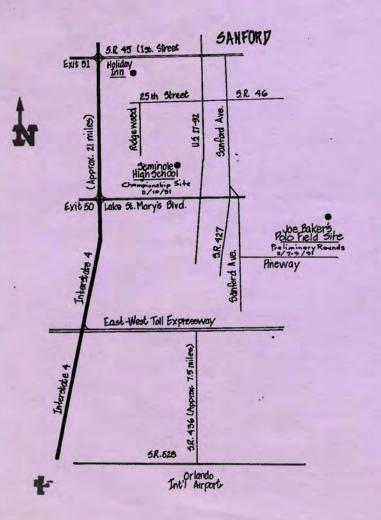
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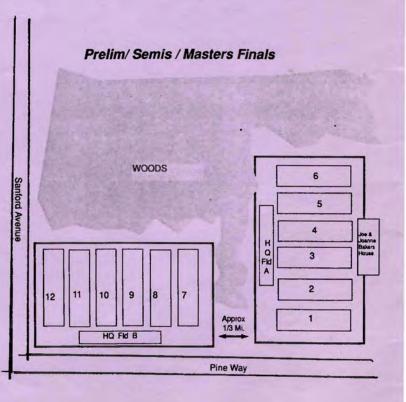
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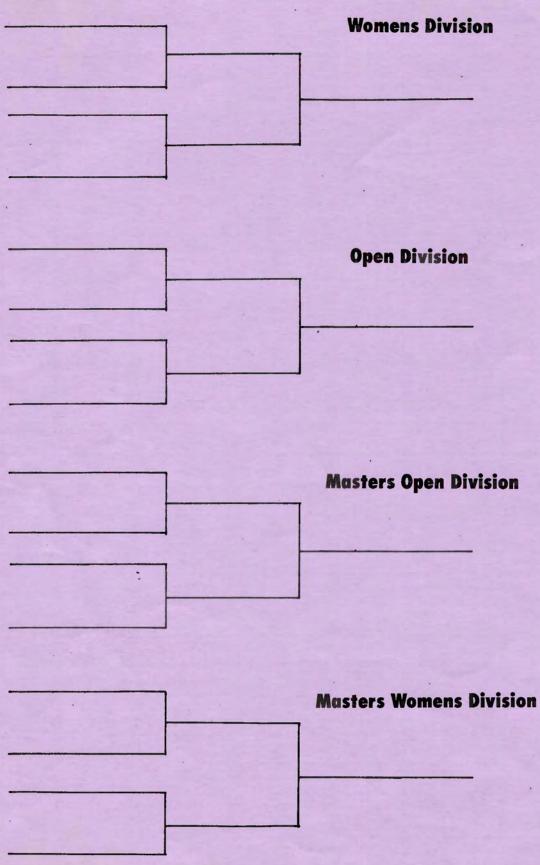
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S C H E D U L E

MASTERS SEMIS: FIELDS 7,8,9,10 (12:00-2:00) MASTERS WOMENS FINAL: FIELD 2 (3:00-6:00) MASTERS OPEN FINAL: FIELD 5 (3:00-6:00)

# Semis/Finals Brackets



MIAMI REFUGEES - This team is no stranger to the Nationals. The Gees have twice been to the Big Show, once in '84, their inaugural year as a team, and in '88 -- the year a Pulitzer Prize was awarded to someone in Gainesville (???). Miami came away with a victory in each

of their National appearances. The win at the '88 Nationals gualified them to go to place fifth in the World Club Championships in Cologne, West Germany in 1989.

The Refugees stumbled somewhat in the early '91 Spring tournaments but have finished strong in the Fall. Some key acquisitions from other teams around South Florida and a Colorado connection (Look out for Sharks!) have given this team an exciting personality -- a blend of veterans and youth. We're proud to represent the best in the Southern Region and in the State of Florida, and we hope to pass the audition.

CHAIN LIGHTNING - Formed as a semi-pro Curling team in 1967, this rag-tag group of Atlanta astrophysicists, stock car drivers and folk dancers didn't realize what they had created when they taught a bunch of New Jersey high school students a clever Frisbee game. The Seventies found Chain Lightning tearing up the pop charts with hits such as "Huck, Huck It Away," "Lay Me'Out Sweet Jesus" and "Sympathy For The Devil" (performed under a pseudonym). After serving four years for insider trading in the early Eighties, Chain was back in the public eye when they developed a vaccine for the common cold. These days ChainLightning divides their time between radio-telemetric exploration of neighboring galaxies and translation of the Dead Sea Scrolls. As a result, February 14, in the year of Laird 1992, will mark the unveiling of the Church of Chain Ministry (not to be confused with the Ministry of the Church of Chain, currently under Federal investigation for tax fraud, misappropriation of funds and cruelty to animals). In June, the COCM will host the joyous union of Chain Lightning with Elle McPherson and her 26 sisters. You can see the happy couple next Fall in the MGM thriller "Clint, I Told You Not To Touch That!" (Rated PG-13)

#### EAST BAY FIRESTORM - Emerging from a land of collapsing

freeways and burning Northern California hillsides, where the streets

fill with rioters fighting over volleyball courts, comes a strange collection of men in red. You might recognize a face or two, but the rest must be judged by a quick summation of dimensions: 5'5", 125 lbs to 6'6", 210: 23 to 37 years old. If you really want to know who we are ask a West Coast woman -- she has probably gone out with at least one of us. To find us, listen for that familiar crack o' thunder. Sectionals..., Regionals..., Nationals...? Why not?

IGUANA – The Iguana of Southern California was formed in 1989 when San Diego and Los Angeles combined to create an Ultimate powerhouse. In our first season, the team made semifinals at Nationals in Washington, D.C. In 1990, the Iguana made it to the final of "The Show" in West Palm Beach. This year's team combines veteran experience with an infusion of youth. We have lost many players from last year's team so we see 1991 as a rebuilding year. In any case, the "one two-ton Iguana" is looking forward to seeing you in Orlando.

TSUNAMI 1991 - Tsunami, Japanese for the ocean wave resulting from an earthquake, is building up and heading East. It is rumored to hit Orlando soon. No one knows if this year's Tsunami will leave a devastating wake of carnage, or merely moisten the slip'n'slide for the finals' half-time festivities. These 25 men from the San Francisco and Santa Cruz vicinities have experienced mixed success this season and are poised to seriously contend for that championship title. They're an honest bunch with a penchant for victory and an insatiable appetite... Don't heed any forecasts, natural disasters aren't very predictable.

West Region

Karl Cook



# The Competitors

# **WOMENS DIVISION**

## Northeast Region

LADY GODIVA- This Boston women's Ultimate team formed in 1987. In the four season history Lady Godiva has: won the National Championship and been a two-time runner-up. They have competed in the last four consecutive National Championship Series and are looking forward to the 1991 Nationals. Lady Godiva has been playing in the wonderfully brisk New England weather but its now geared up to play in balmy Florida!!

**WILD THING** – This first year team from Boston is made up of a combination of club veterans, new players kidnapped from corporate and college disc and a hufta from Amsterdam who is teaching us to swear in Dutch. We've been working hard all season to create an original offense. Sometimes our strategy gets SO creative it confuses even us! Our D is almost ho', though it's a shame a block means getting our wild shirts dirty...hey, let's all have fun at Walt's World!

#### NEW YORK WOMEN'S ULTIMATE

 After practicing on fields of glass and concrete, We come to Nationals to show how we compete. As a break from city strife We'll play with spirit and new life. So watch us now And we'll show you how

To cut through the crowds like a knife.

### Mid Atlantic Region

SATORI —"The natural harmony of body, mind and emotions..." Satori is psyched in Sanford and proud to be making its third appearance at Nationals in its third fall season together. But enough about Ultimate -- Washington, DC also boasts some of the most ferocious

slamdancers and chest butt-ers this side and that side of the Rockies, and they all found their way to Satori. We throw down the gauntlet...

**ZEPHYRS** – The Zephyrs – have been a Philadelphia team from 1980 to 1991. The team started at the University of Pennsylvania and since has become a club team open to all women living in the Philadelphia area. The Zephyrs played at the Nationals in 1985 and again in 1989 and were April Fools runner-ups in 1986. During the years in between, we perfected our non-winning tradition' by losing two very close games in the finals of the Mid Atlantic Regionals. This past year, the Zephyrs have acquired some new, young, talented and energetic players who have inspired some of their older teammates to give up valuable couch time. We are one of the few teams to have kept the same name for ten years. In the past, the Zephyrs have raised some great Ultimate players, but have suffered from people leaving Philadelphia. So, for all you Zephyrs out there, we are still here if you want to come back!!

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**NEMESIS II** – Just when you thought it was safe.... Nemesis II flies south to cure winter Chicago blues. After playing in sleet and snow, who knows how far they'll go. With hot "0" and a psyched "D," they're

here to reckon with the powers that be. They're out to have fun and get the shark!!! So beware after dark!!!

*I WOKE UP* (Kansas City, KS) – I WOKE UP and I realized that... I had too much cow paraphernalia, I wasn't in Kansas anymore, I forgot to have children and I needed a snack.

HUCKSTERS – This three-time Southern Regional competitor from Sarasota captured first place this year. They also competed at the 1991 World Club Championships. This will be the Hucksters 'second time advancing to Nationals. These hometown gals are psyched and ready to HUCK.

**OZONE** – This Atlanta club was formed in the Fall of 1984 by a group of women who liked to play Ultimate and who loved the "Frisbee scene." For the first two years, our victories came in the form of scoring a point against our opponents. However, through hard work and traveling to competitive tournaments, we found ourselves coming home with a victory or two. We continued to improve and earned our first trip to Nationals in the Fall of 1987 and established ourselves as a "national caliber" team by finishing third. We also made a place for ourselves in the UPA history books by defeating the Santa Barbara Lady Condors and San Diego Safari back-to-back. This occurred at a time when the Southern Region had not won a game in four years at the Nationals and the Lady Condors had not lost a game in four years at Nationals. That same strong Ozone team stayed together for a couple of years and earned titles such as the April Fools East Championship, both in 1988 and 1989 and the Knisely Cup runners-up in 1988, in addition to several titles at Southern tournaments, many of which Ozone still holds today. These days, there is still a handful of those old Ozone players along with several newer players who have come together to form another "competitive" team, both on the field and at the party. We are psyched to represent the Southern Region well

at this year's Nationals!! Play hard and have fun. GO, GO GO, GET HO OZONE!

**MAINE-IACS** – The Bay Area Maine-iacs, Women's National and World Club Champions, are happy to be here at Disney World to defend our national title, and we just want to say one thing. Ready, mouseketeers? M-I-C (See you in the finals.) K-E-Y (Why? Because we're pumped!) M-O-U-S-E.

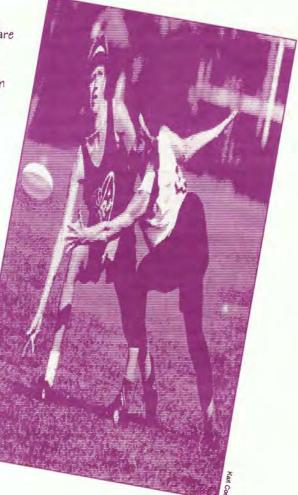
**SANTA BARBARA CONDORS** – The Santa Barbara Condors are back!!! After taking a year "off" from Nationals to re-group, these birds are flying strong again. With half of the team comprised of players from the current College National Champions and the other half made up of "oldtimers," they may have a winning combination. This year, the Condors won The Boulder Fourth of July Tournament and had a bronze medal finish in the World Club Championships in Toronto. After winning their pool at Regionals, they ran up against their arch-rivals, the Maine-iacs, in the finals. After a tough fight, they folded at the end. However, they are definitely a team with great psyche, a lot of "young blood," and an outside shot to win it all.

**TEAM DV8** – This club from Colorado is psyched to make its first appearance at Nationals. The West is not only a highly competitive region, but geographically spread out. Being able to travel long distances has been integral to the team's survival.

DV8 started 1991 with victories at both April Fools in Lawrence, Kansas and the St. Louis Ultimate Classic. The team came in third at the Boulder Fourth of July, but placed second at the Atlanta Cuervo Championship which gave them momentum and confidence. The Colorado women then beat Portland, 17-11, at the West Regionals for the birth to the Nationals.

Team DV8 players reside all along the front range of the Colorado Rockies. Winter is off season for them and they invite any team to challenge them Telemark Skiing on the slopes. Ready for a little thigh- burn?

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# **MASTERS OPEN DIVISION**

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**RED MENACE** – The Red Menace is a collection of crafty, cagey, "born in the 50's" disc players from the Northeast. These people have substantial FBI disc files based on their left wing, pinko associations and decades of counterculture sport participation. Subversive activities are reputed to include: standing cuts, deceit and

guile, the occasional huck, shot guns and some Utopian

concept called "the Spirit of the Game." Persons seen in association with the REDS will no doubt be having fun and will be noted as such. If you see this group, come and join the fun. Better RED than retired.

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**CLUB NIMEO** – Even the name goes back to Ultimate antiquity. It comes from a halfremembered team chant carried down from father to ... no, wait a minute! It hasn't been THAT long!! Much of the team started their playing careers along the Philly/NYC corridor, with

players who have played for 'Boro, The Gang, Looney Tunes, R&B, etc. We have competed both with and against each other in the Open Division for over a decade. Under the Club Nimeo banner (and other names previously) the core of the team has played in the Open Division for the past five Fall Seasons (and even longer as opponents in the Mercer County Summer League). For others on Club Nimeo, this is the first trip to Nationals. We are pleased to be representing the Mid Atlantic Region in the first ever UPA Masters National Championships. If you have a bit of time to spare, someone will surely be willing to explain the origins of the term "Nimeo!!"

# **MO' BETTER MASTERS** – The MO' Better Masters were conceived over 30 years ago ... what? Don't need to start that far back? More recently, then, we formed this team

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approximately one year ago from players living in Missouri (Columbia, Kansas City, Springfield and St. Louis) and adjoining states (Illinois, Kansas and Arkansas), with a couple of non-Midwesterners thrown in for geographical balance. Our inaugural tournament was Poultry Days (Versailles, Ohio) in June, where we went 5-1, much to the chagrin of our pink lunged younger opponents. We next spent a week in July in Toronto, Canada at the World Ultimate Club Championships, finishing a somewhat unsatisfying third, but otherwise having a great, albeit decadent, time. We beat a Detroit/South Bend team at Regionals to qualify for Nationals, and now we're here looking to return home as Masters Division champions!

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**THIRD COAST** – This team is a composite of Southern gentlemen who came together for their first project, "The Taking of Toronto," (and came oh so close) in the summer of 1991. You are presently witnessing their second project "The Taking of a Nation." But to

really define who this particular collective "we" are requires understanding reality, perception and the role of handlers and tardyons (not to be confused with tachyons -- particles that travel faster than the speed of light) in the universe. Our Mayan master TOO-ACL defines reality stating "I huck therefore I am!" He also teaches us that perception is uniquely personal as exemplified by the defensive statement "It was a good throw." Finally, Too-ACL tells us our role in the universe is to live by "The Spirit of The Game." So let's devote 10% of our daily thinking towards reducing our carbon budget! And maybe we can stay on the planet.

**BYE DA' FAULT** – This team exploded on the Western Masters Ultimate scene in the Fall of 1991. It began with a core of crusty players that play each week in the Apple-Tandem lunchtime Ultimate games in Cupertino, CA. With resounding victories over non-

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existent opposition at the Western Regionals, the team cruised to a berth at the National Masters Championship. Bye Da' Fault gathers its "talent" from the fertile, but drought-browned fields of Northern and Southern California, as well as Arizona. Most of us were recently at Hawaii's Kaimana Klassic (check our frequent flyer mileage). We practice semi-regularly on a field located minutes away from the continent's major fault line. The constant danger prods the team members to go all out as if there may be no tomorrow. We are ready for some arthritic flicks and some dropping-anchor-layouts at Nationals where, it seems, we have already captured the first bye of the tournament.

## **MASTERS WOMENS DIVISION**

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**TEN YEARS AFTER** – This Northeast Women's team includes two players from the first Women's National Champions, Boston Ladies Ultimate (ten years ago; hence the team name); some players from Survival, the original women's team



from NYC; players from some early to mid '80's teams

from Boston, Amherst and Ithaca and some players new to the sport through the

Boston Corporate League or from more recent club teams. Busy careers, motherhood, other sports and other distractions have pulled these Masters contenders in many directions but these crafty vets are still in the game.

WOMEN BEYOND THE VERGE - The Mid Atlantic Women's Masters team brings players from all over the region to play in what we hope will be the newest UPA division. Our players range in age from 28 to 40

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play in what, we hope, will be the newest UPA division. Our players range in age from 28 to 40 years old and several played in the Women's Division debut in the 1981 Nationals. We are all "psyched" to have fun playing and watching great Ultimate. Who knows, maybe we will all return to play in the Golden Age Division.

**HOT FLASHES** – Hot Flashes are a few Missouri bluehairs taking a chance by getting out of the house, looking for adventure, in whatever comes their way. They could be your parents, some of them are.

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As you get to know these Hot Flashes, you will notice they only last a minute or two. They have occasional feelings of fatigue or mild pains in the joints -- so be kind. Psychotherapy may be required for some. A mental attitude is most important when approaching any Hot Flash. The interaction should be regarded as a normal event -- it should not be feared. Many people will find experiencing a Hot Flash to be the best experience of their life. Don't be alarmed when a Hot Flash comes on.

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**THE ULTIMATE MASTERS OF ILLUSION** – What do you call a team that spans three time zones and seven states and no team member lives in the same zip code as any other team member? Maybe we should have been called VENU DEPARTOUT, which is French

for "they came from all over." But that suggestion arrived too late to order shirts. I AM NOT YOUR MOTHER, was also a wonderful idea, only it might make our mascot, the ten-month-old son of one of our team members, nervous. We also considered WESTERN WABIBI, which is Swahili for "women," but that meant someone was going to have to come up with some original art work. Again, no time.

It's ironic that even when women are known to live longer than men, the qualifying age for Women's Masters is younger than the Men's. We're not complaining mind you, it just makes us older before our time. In fact, we're glad we were allowed to take 28 and 29 year olds, because we did. Without them we wouldn't have a team. You'd think that in an area as big and as populated as the Western Region it would be easy to field a full team of Masters, but unfortunately that is not the case. It seems like everyone is either too young or too broke. So, while in our minds we may be too young to be Masters, and in our ranks we are forced to give only the appearance of depth, the Western Region Women's Masters team has become THE MASTERS OF ILLUSION. We may be old enough to be Masters, and we may be sparse, but things are not always as they appear. THE ULTIMATE MASTERS OF ILLUSION is an eclectic team of Ultimate fanatics on a mission to prove that the winning formula is: "The Spirit of the Game" will overcome all obstacles and a good time will be had by all.

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# GRANDE DEB'S OF DISC -

Way down South where it's warm and bright our fields are lit up many a night so we can run and jump and prance in many (nine) states, on many a site. We've played for years and gladly chose this sport, this *lifestyle* over fancy clothes and debutante balls with heels and hose. We're older, though not actually gray and we're pretty psyched that we can play at the '91 Nationals of the UPA!

