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**AUG. 28 & 29, 1993**

AT THE NAPERVILLE POLO CLUB  
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# Important Tournament Information

Dogs are allowed at the polo fields provided that they are leashed (especially when there are horses around). Please keep them under close control and clean up after them. Plastic bags are available at Frisbee Central.

Polo will be played on Sat. probably starting at 3 p.m. Please be respectful of the horses, players, and guests.

Please respect this awesome facility. We look forward to working with the Naperville Polo Club again in the future.

While the consumption of alcohol is permitted at the polo club, glass bottles are not allowed anywhere around the field or parking area. Any bottles on the grounds of the polo club will be immediately confiscated. Since they are so cool as to allow alcohol, let's leave the bottles at home.

In fact, beer and wine will be sold near Frisbee Central by the polo club. Your patronage is appreciated. This is organized and run by the polo club as a service to us.

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Cuervo Representative:  
Jeff Poindexter

Tournament Directors:  
Lynne Nolan  
Henry Schmidt  
Mike O'Dowd

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## Thanks

Jeff Poindexter and Jose Cuervo

John Greene, Shirley and John Kuhn  
and the staff of the Naperville Polo Club

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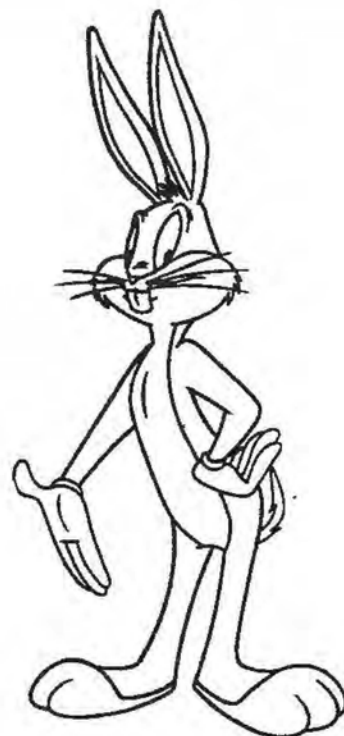
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# WELCOME FRIENDS

After a more than hectic two weeks, the tournament is finally here!! Having lived in Naperville or the area for the past 17 years, I'm excited to introduce Ultimate, a sport that I've played for ten years, to my home. Ultimate brings together people from all walks of life. Players share a love for the sport, respect for each other, and a unique comradery.

Special thanks are in order for Paul Lehman, who generously helped us locate and secure these fields. Also, thanks to John Greene and Shirley Kuhn, without whose help site arrangements and field accommodations would not been accomplished in such short time. The local businesses who gave us their support through programs are greatly appreciated; please patronize them. Last but not least, thanks to Jose Cuervo, and especially our tournament liaison, Jeff Poindexter, for learning with us and supporting us financially in this endeavor.

Henry Schmidt and I wish you a weekend of fun, fairness, and fellowship. Enjoy!

*Lynne*

a.k.a. "Miss Nolan"

## **ZIGGY**/By Tom Wilson





## ULTIMATE - A brief history

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. Graduates introduced the game to their respective colleges and universities. From this modest beginning, the first intercollegiate championship was organized in 1974. Ultimate continued to grow as a sport, and in 1979 the Ultimate Players association was established to organize, promote, and direct the sport. In 1981, a women's division was added to an already thriving national championship series.

Highly competitive club teams have been established in most major 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. In addition, numerous summer leagues and corporate leagues have been established. Ultimate has become a popular collegiate intramural sport and is beginning to emerge on the high school scene across the country. World-wide, Ultimate is played in National tournaments in 40 countries. The world over is home to over 30,000 enthusiasts and over 2,000 active Ultimate teams.

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# Spectator's Guide

The easiest way to understand Ultimate is to watch it—the basics of the game are immediately apparent.

|          |          |  |          |
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| 40 yards |          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The disc may only be advanced by throwing it.</li> <li>• A point is scored by catching the disc in the end zone.</li> <li>• Any contact between players is a foul.</li> <li>• Any incompletion is an immediate change of possession</li> <li>• Play is continuous until a point is scored</li> <li>• Players call all their own fouls.</li> </ul> |          |
|          | 25 yards | 70 yards   | 25 yards |

Each team has 7 players on the field—substituting only between points. There is more running in Ultimate than any other team game. This years champions will play 7 of the best teams in the world in 4 days.

The Disc is what separates Ultimate from all team sports. The disc used is the Ultra-Star, a 175-gram sportdisc made by Discraft, Inc.

## Offense

- **The Thrower** has ten seconds to throw, but a lot of fakes can happen in that 10 seconds. The two basic throws are the **backhand** and the **forehand**. The backhand is easier to learn because the back of the hand acts as a wind break during release. But the forehand has a shorter, quicker windup, and is actually more common in tournament play.
- **The Receiver's** job is just like in football. Look for cuts, fakes, buttonhooks, long breaks, and players dragging their feet to keep in bounds. In Ultimate, the first point of contact determines in bounds—not both feet.
- **Catching** a disc is really pretty easy—if you can get your hand on it, you can catch it. Spectacular diving catches are common, especially since the disc floats in the air so long.
- **Set Plays** are used by most teams at this level of the game, especially whenever play stops. The rest of the time teams use what's called **flow offense**, which is usually quite freeform and is guided, if at all, more by experience and field sense than by rules or principles.
- **Offensive styles** vary between teams. Some teams throw the disc upfield at every opportunity, while others swing the disc across the field before gaining yardage. Throwing straight upfield is more efficient—it takes fewer passes to score—but it requires harder throws.

## Defense

- **Defenders** are governed by two rules; any contact between players is a foul, so the defender has to make each play clean or it doesn't count; any incomplete pass is a change of possession, so a knock-down is as good as an interception. Look for lots of spectacular diving blocks—the slightest change in the disc's flight can be the difference between a completion and a turnover.
- **The Marker** is the player guarding the thrower. Their goal is usually to deny one throw (either forehand or backhand) so that their teammates have less area to cover. The marker's ultimate goal is to block the throw (a "point block"), without letting the thrower "break the mark", i.e. make the throw the marker is trying to stop.
- **Person-to-person** is the most common defense—each defender covers one offensive player all over the field. This scheme varies with changes in the marker—most teams will either force the thrower towards the sideline (a "side trap") or towards the middle ("force middle").
- **Zone defense** is based on letting the offense swing the disc across the field, but blocking all the upfield throwing lanes. Most offenses try to go around a zone with lots of easy throws until the zone gets tired—or until the offense make a mistake. An alternative is to try to throw over the zone with a vertical throw called a **hammer**. This is more effective, but it's risky, especially in the wind.



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## THE WOMEN'S TEAMS

**JANE AIRE...** Minneapolis, MN

Jane Aire continues to develop into a force in the midwest. Drawing from one of the most successful summer league programs in the states, these talented women are out to challenge even the most experienced players.

**MUDEATERS...** Madison, WI

After hosting the World Championship Ultimate Tournament last month, these women are here bringing their psyche and gritty play. Determination, competitive spirit and play, and plenty o'party is what to expect from this team.

**STRAY COWS...** Kansas City, MO

Change the name if you will (and probably have), but their game is as dangerous as ever--long hucks, accurate throws, and menacing defense. Fierce and competitive, fun and friendly---will we see a six team beer relay before the end of the day?

**FIZZBEES...** St. Louis, MO

"Flood Relief" Psyched to play on solid ground, this team has a blend of experience and new that keeps them fired up, constantly improving, and ready to take a shot at Cuervo!

**NEMESIS II & II...** Chicago, IL

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## WOMEN'S PLAYING FORMAT

### # TEAM

- 1 Stray Cows
- 2 Nemesis II a
- 3 Nemesis II b
- 4 Minneapolis
- 5 Madison
- 6 St. Louis

The women's teams participating in this tournament would like to thank the businesses who paid for advertising in this program. A portion of the "ad fee" went to reducing the entry fees for the women's teams, which are traditionally smaller than the men's teams. **THANKS!!**

| Saturday : | 9:15 a.m. | 11:15 a.m. | 1:15 p.m. | 3:15 p.m. |
|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Field # 1  | 1 v 6     | 1 v 2      | 1 v 4     | 4 v 5     |
| Field # 2  | 2 v 5     | 6 v 4      | 2 v 3     | 1 v 3     |
| Field # 3  | 3 v 4     | 3 v 5      | 5 v 6     | 2 v 6     |

| Sunday :  | 10:00 a.m. | noon  | 2:30   |
|-----------|------------|-------|--------|
| Field # 1 | 1 v 5      |       |        |
| Field # 2 | 2 v 4      | semis | finals |
| Field # 3 | 3 v 6      |       |        |

Stop by  
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for Field Maps

### Spirit of the Game

Perhaps the most striking feature of Ultimate is that it has always relied on players to make their own calls and to resolve disputes on the field between themselves. In the most important games, such as the semis and finals here at Nationals, observers are used to assist with line calls and to settle irresolvable disputes, but the onus for playing within the rules is ultimately the responsibility of each player. This ability of players to make calls and to respect calls made by their opponents is a unique feature of Ultimate that is referred to as "the Spirit of the Game."

From the Official Rules of Ultimate:

*"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."*



## THE MEN'S TEAMS

### MADISON ULTIMATE...Madison, WI

These guys are coming on. They ran a great "Worlds" and are ultimately psyched. The cheese fellas beat "Viscious" and are ready to deal on their next opponents. Look for them to be in the thick of things with dripping mozzarella cheese and sharp cheddar blocks.

### LIQUID STRETCH...Chicago, IL

These Chicago tough guys have proven themselves. Depending on where you've seen them determines what has been proven. Look for them to have a fun time. Don't challenge these guys at the party, as they are for real!

### BUDDHA BOYS...Minneapolis, MN

These men carry a lot of weight in the central region. Buddhas love to huck and have great "two" potential. Always a force at the party, they are a fun team to watch. Be careful of their pranks.

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### FISHBELLY...Chicago, IL

This team is serious. They've been working hard and love to play. They have one of the game's premiere players in "Air Bagel", and support "Air" with a strong cast of defenders. Don't underestimate this team!

### SPIN-ITCH...Rockford, IL

This team has seen its up and downs. Changing and adding players...just when you think they're down and out, the "Spin-itch" revives them. Always a fun team to play (but a quiet one), make sure to learn their names.

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**WINDY CITY...Chicago, IL**

The boys from Chicago are back in form for the fall. They have a new high powered offense geared for the "two". Watch for these guys to be supportive of each other and work it short.

**NIGHT TRAIN EXPRESS...Ann Arbor, MI**

The train is playing better and better, cultivating new talent and picking up steam. Look for them to make a strong showing here and in the fall.

**HUCKING FOOSIERS...Indy Combo.**

Indiana's best has meshed together to form a powerhouse contender. Players from Ball State, Indiana Univ., and Indy. give this team the experience and know-how to win.

**ST. LOUIS...St. Louis, MO**

St. Louis has been rebuilding and boasts of large numbers at practice. Some older players have faded away, but new members bring big heart and lots of hussle to every showing.

**DIXIE CHICKENS...Huntsville, AL**

These boys from the south have been playing a long hot summer of ultimate. They have the "two" capability with the big guy so watch out!



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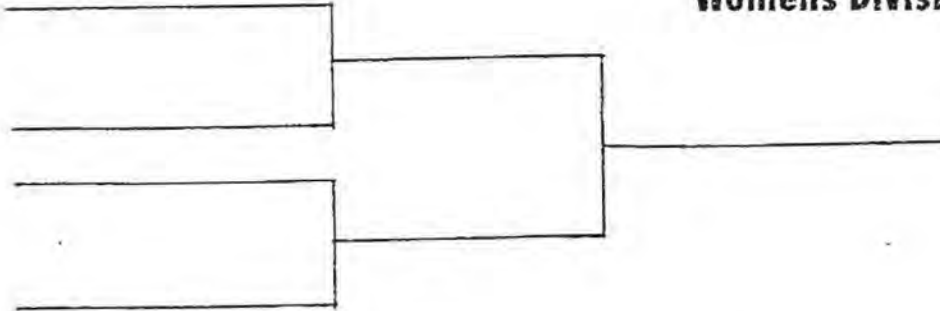
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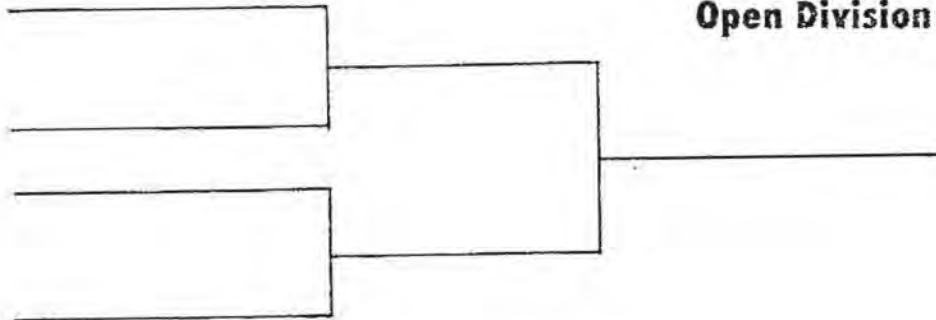
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## Womens Division



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