

Mile Zero Ultimate

League Offerings and Spirit Plan



2016



MZU Presents... Plan for 2016

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MZU League Schedule

League	When?
<u>Winter Hat Indoor</u>	January 4 to March 14
<u>Winter BIY Indoor</u>	March 21 to May 16
<u>MZU Clinic / Tournament</u>	May 23
<u>MZU Summer League BIY Outdoor</u>	June 7 to August 27
<u>Flaherty Cup League BIY Outdoor</u>	June 8 to August 27
<u>Summer Monday Night League Outdoor</u>	June 13 to July 18
<u>Fall Hat Outdoor</u>	September 11 to October 30
<u>Fall BIY Indoor</u>	September 26 to December 12



MZU Winter Hat League Indoor

When	January 4th to March 14th, Monday Nights, 8pm - 12am
Format	5x5; M:F ratio 3:2 or 2:3, no matching required
Regular Season	9 weeks
Playoffs	2 weeks
Registration	Individual or Pairs
Capacity	24 teams, 240 individuals - 20 teams registered
Fields	Techniplex



MZU Winter Hat League Indoor

Changes for Winter Hat 2016:

- Expansion to 11pm time slot
 - Allowed an additional 20 players to play in league



MZU BIY Winter Indoor

When	March 21st - May 16th, Monday Nights, 8pm - 12am
Format	5x5; M:F ratio 3:2 or 2:3, no matching required
Regular Season	6 weeks
Playoffs	3 weeks, create 3x8 team brackets based on ranking
Registration	Team expression of interest/ lottery if required followed by Team registration
Capacity	24 teams
Fields	Techniplex



MZU Clinic/Tournament

Exploring logistics of:

- hosting a 12-18 team 4x4 tournament
- offering a beginner/intermediate clinic

Date: Monday, May 23rd, 2016 (Long Weekend)

Time: 8pm - 12am

Location: Techniplex

Format and details to be determined...



Summer Plan 2016

- Field Space (City of St. John's/Techniplex)
- Summer/Flaherty League Structure
 - Playoff Structure
 - Cross-League Registration
- Summer Monday Night League Structure
- Other Policies



Summer Field Space

Expected field space for Summer 2016

- Meeting with City of St. John's in March to discuss field space
- Hoping to secure additional field space/improve current field space

FIELDS	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Southlands	4 games	4 games	4 games	4 games	4 games
Kitty Gaul	2 games	2 games	2 games	2 games	2 games
Brother Egan		2 games		2 games	



Summer League 2016

League Structures:

- “New” Monday Night League Format
- MZU Summer League
- Flaherty Cup League



MZU Summer League

When	June 7th - August 25th, Tuesdays and Thursdays Nights, 5:30pm - 8:30pm
Format	7x7, M:F ratio 4:3 or 3:4, matching not required
Regular Season	11-12 weeks
Playoffs	Saturday August 27, 2016 4 x 8 team playoff elimination brackets, byes if required
Registration	Individual registration - singles, pairs, small groups, teams
Capacity	32 teams
Fields	Kitty Gaul, Southlands, Brother Egan



MZU Summer League

Changes for MZU Summer League 2016:

- Moving away from Tier-based structure, full adoption of wager ranking system
 - Increased competitive balance, variety of opponents, best teams finish near top
- Schedule to be released in two week intervals, will “try” to keep schedule predictable throughout season
 - E.g., Top half league plays Tuesdays, Weeks 1-6, followed by Thursday, Weeks 7-12



MZU Flaherty Cup League

When	June 8th - August 24th, Wednesday Nights, 5:30pm - 8:30pm
Format	7x7, M:F ratio 4:3 or 3:4
Regular Season	12 weeks
Playoffs	Saturday August 27, 2016 6-8 team playoff elimination bracket, byes if required
Registration	Individual registration as part of a full team No singles, pairs, small groups, and no hat teams
Capacity	12 teams
Fields	Kitty Gaul, Southlands



MZU Flaherty Cup League

Changes for Flaherty 2016:

- Discuss current MZU rule set w/ Captains, address needs/wants of competitive players
- Field space, looking to provide more variety to this league (i.e., not just Southlands)



MZU Summer Playoff Day

For both leagues:

- Playoff Day will be Saturday August 27th, 2016
- League will construct 6-8 team playoff brackets based on rankings, byes will occur if required
- Location: To be determined

For MZU Summer League:

- Reduce the number of games players must play on one day...
- Exploring possibility of playing some playoff games on Friday night or in the final week of schedule
- This could reduce number of regular season games to 11



Cross-League Registration

Changes to registration process:

- Players may register for all summer league formats.
- There is no limit on the number of Flaherty Cup League players who can play on an MZU Summer League team, and vice versa.

CAUTION:

- Playoff Day for both leagues will involve games on August 27th, keep this in mind when building teams with a high level of cross-over players.



MZU Winter BIY Indoor

We received an expression of interest from 27 teams for this league... Lottery is coming!

Changes for Winter BIY 2016:

- Teams who do not gain entry into this league will be guaranteed entry into the next BIY indoor league
- Provided those teams:
 - submit a full roster of a minimum of 10 eligible players
 - 60% of the roster does not play in the current BIY league
 - 60% of the players are on the roster for the next league



MZU Monday Night Hat League

Pros:

- Good competitive balance due to single registration and league team building
- Opportunity for new/intermediate players to play multiple games per week

Cons:

- Lowest registration numbers across all leagues
 - 60 players in 2013; 38 players in 2014; 40 players in 2015
- Problems maintaining 3:2 gender ratios, few females



MZU Summer Parity League

NEW LEAGUE FORMAT FOR MZU

When	June 13th - July 18th, Monday Nights, 5:30pm - 8:30pm
Format	5x5, M:F ratio dependant on registration
Regular Season	5 weeks
Playoffs	1 week playoff, based on ranking
Registration	Individual registration - singles only
Capacity	8 teams, 80 individuals
Fields	Southlands



MZU Summer Parity League

What is a Parity League?

- Statistics tracking
- Trading players
- Salary cap

End Result?

- Increased level of interest in Monday nights!
- Friendly, competitive balanced games
- Play with/against variety of players and teams
- Real life, fantasy Ultimate action!

Sub-committee to be formed to work on logistics!



MZU Fall Outdoor League

When	September 11th - October 30th, Sunday Nights, 7-10pm
Format	5x5, M:F ratio 3:2 or 2:3, matching not required
Regular Season	5 weeks
Playoffs	2 week playoff, based on rankings
Registration	Individual registration - singles, pairs Board Team Building
Capacity	18 teams, 180 players
Fields	King George V



MZU Fall Outdoor League

Changes for Fall Outdoor 2016:

- No changes planned for this league, previous format worked well.



MZU Fall Indoor Team League

When	September 26th - December 12th, Monday Nights, 8pm - 12am
Format	5x5, M:F ratio 3:2 or 2:3, matching not required
Regular Season	9 weeks
Playoffs	3 weeks, create 3x8 team brackets based on ranking
Registration	Team expression of interest/ lottery if required followed by Team registration
Capacity	24 teams
Fields	Techniplex



MZU Fall Indoor Team League

Changes for Fall Indoor Team 2016:

- Teams who did not gain entry in Winter Indoor Team League will be automatically entered into this league*
- Extended league by 1 week, recognizing the increased popularity of this league format.



Other Policies / Areas of Focus

Looking into:

- Changes to Subbing Policy
- Improvements to current field space
- Implementation of Performance Bonds / Default Policy
- Equality Committee 2016
- Supporting competitive/traveling players

Any feedback, suggestions, or comments on our policies etc. can be forwarded to hi@milezeroultimate.com



Social Plan 2016

Four major events!

- Winter:
 - January 22nd
 - Bowling at Holiday Lanes,
 - Well attended with positive feedback!
- Summer Kick-off Party:
 - mid-June (likely 17/18)
- Summer End Party:
 - Saturday August 27th after the playoffs
- Fall:
 - Following the conclusion of Fall Hat League



Spirit Scores

Hold the course...

- Our second year with WFDF Standard 2014 system
 - Continue educating about this system
 - MZU exec will follow-up to learn from very low and very high scores.
- Spirit Circles after every game
- Nominations for Most Spirited Player per team per game
- Nominations for Most Valuable Players each game
 - one MVP per gender per team per game, or
 - one MVP per team per game



MZU Spirit Initiatives

- MZU to have a seat at UNL's new Spirit Committee
- MZU Gear:
 - Thinking about new gear and designs for Spirit Prizes, SWAG and Merchandise
- Charity: CBC Turkey Drive donations by MZU+members
 - 2014: \$1250.00
 - 2015: \$1958.90
 - 2016: ...?
- New volunteer tracking system created



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