



# **NCISL AGM 2015/16**



## Agenda

1. Roll Call
2. Guest Presentation
3. Review minutes of previous 2014 AGM
4. Presidents Report
5. Director Reports
6. Audited Report
7. Appointment of Auditors
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9. Amendments to the Constitution and Competition Rules
10. Roll Call
11. Elections of Officers
12. Any other business



## **President's Report**

By Tim Baigent

2015 was the first full year of our agreements with the City of Ottawa for the Richcraft Soccer Field and from a business and operational perspective it was a successful year. However we face challenges going forward. Our two main customers for excess field time, Ottawa South United and West Ottawa Soccer Clubs have now both built their own turf fields and consequently we can expect to have to work harder at selling excess field hours.

On the field we again had a good season in both indoor and outdoor where our decline in numbers appears to have steadied. However we can't rest on our laurels. If we want to ensure that the NCISL continues with good numbers we have to be prepared to market ourselves better than we currently do

In the OCSL our 2 Old Timers teams had better seasons than in 2014, with the Glens winning promotion to OT5 and the Dacia team maintaining their position in OT7. We hope to grow our Old Timers program in 2016.

Last year I reported that our uniforms had slipped to an unacceptable level and I am pleased to say that this did improve in 2015. As a result of our unexpected sale of Richcraft field time to FIFA we were able to buy shorts and socks for all teams, however this won't happen in 2016 so we expect teams to maintain the higher standards they set in 2015 by ordering the necessary spare uniforms. And let's remember uniform is not just shirts. We expect all outfield players to have matching shorts and socks.

Outside the NCISL I am pleased that we had a successful partnership with the Ottawa Fury and that partnership will continue to evolve in 2016. I know that many of you watched the Fury last year on their terrific season and we hope to they do well again in 2016.

On a disappointing note I must report that there is a level of frustration with the clubs in the EODSA towards the service offered to us by the OSA. I share those frustrations and I am representing you at discussions to improve that relationship

With the addition of Patrick Dang (Treasurer) and Alex Dao (Marketing) we now have a full complement on the Board of Directors and I would like to thank all board members for another good year.

I would also like to thank our General Manager Dawn Dinsdale for her hard work in keeping the NCISL ticking over so smoothly

And finally a big thank you to all our team managers for ensuring that their teams are well prepared



## **Charity Report**

By Tim Baigent

The NCISL has again made a significant donation to local children's charities

Fall season	\$2730	donated to the Snowsuit Fund
Spring season	\$2660	donated to Children's Wish Foundation (National Capital Region)
Summer season	\$6000	donated to CHEO Foundation

Our charity program continues to be well received by the charities and also well respected by the community



## **General Managers Report**

By Dawn Dinsdale

2015 was an eventful season for me personally off the field. I would like to start by saying thank you to the board of directors, the summer students as well as you, the members, for your patience during the summer while I was off.

Richcraft field was offline for 1 month due to the Women's FIFA World Cup games. Schedules had to be adjusted to accommodate FIFA shutting down the field.

Both Tim Baigent and I have had meetings with the City to discuss the unlocking of the gates prior to our games. We are working on a solution to this issue.

We have field availability for rent during spring, summer and fall if you or your team would like to book it. Please contact [admin@ncisl.com](mailto:admin@ncisl.com).

Game defaults – We are doing better at game defaults. Women's division seems to have the bulk of the defaults this year.

<b>2011</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>2012</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>2013</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>2014</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>2015</b>	<b>17</b>

### **Promotion and Relegation for the 2016 season**

As mentioned in an email to all members, the NCISL will be merging Division 2 and Division 3B. We will take all requests to place your team in the most appropriate division. Below is a snap shot of who will be playing where.

**Division 1** – Relegated – EMS Spartans

**Division 2** – Promoted to Div 1 – GDC Gunners

**Division 3** – Promoted to div 2 – EMS FC (3A), Lysten Legends (3B), Mitel United (3B)  
Relegated – Shirley's Bay United

**Division 3B** Relegated – GDC Cyclones, CGI Shakers

**Division 4** - Promoted to div 3 – Juniper Juggernauts, Brookfield FC

**Women's Divisions** – Promoted to div 1 – Ciena Storm,  
Relegated – Falcons



## **Cup Competitions**

The Cup competition this year had some new victors. Challenge Cup had a repeat appearance by EMS Spartans. President's Cup had 2 new teams sent to the finals.

Results from the Cups were:

Challenge Cup: EMS Spartans – 1 vs N45 Red Star - 2  
Presidents Cup: Lysten Legends – 1 vs EMS FC – 4

Congrats to all.

## **Tournament Report**

The 2015 NCISL tournament was a 1 day tournament. Unfortunately it was cold and raining but all teams still seemed to have fun. We had 22 teams enter this year which was a decrease of 2 teams, we had 9 NCISL teams participate mostly from the women's divisions.

The 2016 tournament will be held on Saturday September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016 in Kanata.

## **Indoor Report**

Our Fall program again had 39 teams which then fell to 36 for Spring 2016. We will continue to market the indoor program but we also need our summer teams to support it. Too many of our summer teams are happy to play in other leagues in the winter. This is disappointing as the small profit that we make from indoor soccer is used to subsidize the summer league.



## **Referees Report**

By Andy Weston

During the 2015 season, all NCISL scheduled games were officiated. Game officials for all NCISL summer games, are appointed by the EODSA. For the NCISL Indoor League, Referees are assigned by the League. Referees are assigned based on availability, and in some cases, experience and level are also considered. Referees must be classed as District Referees to officiate Adult Recreational soccer.

In 2015, the NCISL did not apply to host an Entry Level District Referee course. A course can be arranged in the future, if we receive significant interest. To host a course, we would require at least, 15 confirmed participants. If we cannot get the numbers, there are always courses being hosted by local Clubs within the EODSA area. If anyone is interested in becoming a Referee, please contact me at [referee@ncisl.com](mailto:referee@ncisl.com) for further information on how to sign up for a course or general information.

In 2015, we received 12 complaints in total. The breakdown is as follows: Spring Indoor League: 2 complaints; Summer Outdoor season: 7 complaints; Fall Indoor League: 3 complaints. In 2014, we had 21 complaints.

All Referee complaints were replied to within 2 weeks of receipt. There was only one instance this did not occur, because a Referee was away on vacation. Referee's are always asked for their comments on the complaint. I usually ended up with two different views of the complaint. The main complaints in 2015 were Law issues, Referee's attitude and control of the game. In a few instances, the Referee did make a mistake and he/she would be advised of the correct Law or handling of the issue. In other instances, the complainant was not aware of the correct Law, and was advised.

If we receive numerous complaints against a Referee, from several teams during the course of the season, we will take the necessary steps to observe the Referee in game situations. From this, we will determine if he/she should be on our list of Referees.

The NCISL will not accept requests from teams or individuals, not to have a certain Referee assigned to their games.

There was one report of a Referee assault in the NCISL 2015 summer season.



## Discipline Report

By Tim Wong

It is my opinion that 2015 was a mixed year for discipline within the NCISL and would like to thank you all for these successes but need your help to improve our league from a discipline. Our league improved this year by receiving 13 fewer dismissals throughout our games but we received approximately the 66 more cautions throughout the year.

By the numbers:

<b>Summer Season</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>
Number of teams	62	64
Total Number of Games	498	539
Total Red Cards	31	18
Total Yellow Cards	262	328

Approximately half of the teams on performance bonds for 2015 were able to reduce their discipline index levels to a level where they received a refund of the discipline performance bonds.

Division one was the most challenging this year and from a discipline perspective was a bit of disappointment with 4 out of the 6 teams being placed on discipline performance bonds.

We plan to help improve in this area with several corrective actions with teams that are displaying unacceptable discipline indexes. The corrective actions will range from a team being placed on probation, performance bonds to expulsion from our league. These corrective measures are in place to maintain the leagues standard for a competitive, fun and friendly environment in which to play soccer. Another corrective action that has been implemented for the 2016 season is to bring our fines in line with every other major soccer league in the city.

Finally, I would like to thank the 2015 Discipline Panel Members: Peter Judd, Ronald Mitton, Dawn Dinsdale, and Kevin Crothers. These people are invaluable to maintaining an efficient discipline process within the guidelines of the EODSA and insuring that our member costs are kept down. These people also volunteer their time to sit on numerous EODSA discipline panel hearings throughout the year to insure that they are delivering consistent discipline in both the NCISL and the greater EODSA.





**Auditor's Report**

**Appointment of Auditors**

**Unfinished Business**



## **Proposed changes to the Corporate Division Competition Rules only**

### **Proposed addition to Rule 4: PLAYER REGISTRATION**

8. The Board of Directors may request that a player who has declared himself eligible as an employee of the Corporation that represents the team present evidence to substantiate that declaration. If the evidence is not provided within 14 days of the request then the Board of Directors will declare that player's declaration ineligible.

## **Proposed changes to all Competition Rules**

### **Proposed addition to Rule 4: PLAYER REGISTRATION**

Players who are registered with an OCSL Men or Women's Premier team are not eligible to play in the NCISL

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### **Proposed change to Rule 6: PLAYER IDENTIFICATION**

#### **Current rule**

#### **Rule 6: PLAYER IDENTIFICATION**

1. The checking of each player's Player Identification is compulsory for all games and shall be performed 15 minutes before the scheduled start-time of the game.

a) Player Identification is defined as any government issued photograph identification such as driver's license, health card, passport. Alternatively players may use the EODSA photo ID Card

#### **Proposed change**

#### **Rule 6: PLAYER IDENTIFICATION**

1. The checking of each player's Player Identification is compulsory for all games and shall be performed 15 minutes before the scheduled start-time of the game. Player Identification is only confirmed with the presentation of the EODSA photo ID on either plastic card or mobile app.

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#### **Current rule**

#### **Rule 6: PLAYER IDENTIFICATION**

3. Each team will present its signed game sheet as well as all Player Identification and Permits of those players participating in the game, if applicable, to a representative from the opposing team who will verify the Players Identification against the names on the game sheet.



### **Proposed change**

#### **Rule 6: PLAYER IDENTIFICATION**

3. Each team will present its signed game sheet as well as all Player Identification and Permits of those players participating in the game, if applicable, to the referee who will verify the Players Identification against the names on the game sheet.

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### **Current rule**

#### **Rule 6: PLAYER IDENTIFICATION**

6. A player arriving after the player verification is completed may play but must report to the representative from the opposing team at or before halftime with their Player Identification to be verified. A player arriving after the second half of the game has started is ineligible to play.

### **Proposed change**

#### **Rule 6: PLAYER IDENTIFICATION**

6. A player arriving after the player verification is completed may play but must report to the referee at half time with their Player Identification to be verified. A player arriving after the second half of the game has started is ineligible to play.



### **2016 Elections of Officers**

The following positions are to be elected for a period of 2 years:

1. President
2. Treasurer
3. Director of Referees
4. Director of Membership

Four incumbents are prepared to stand for election.

President	Tim Baigent
Treasurer	Patrick Dang
Director of Referees	Andy Weston
Director of Membership	Peter Judd

Clubs in attendance may nominate other people for any of these 4 positions.

If there is more than 1 candidate then a vote will take place. The person with the most votes will be elected to that position. If there is only one candidate then the individual will be elected by acclamation.

The Board of Director recommends Alex Dao be ratified as Director of Marketing for a 1 year term.