

ULTRA ANKLE BLUEGRASS TOURNAMENT

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Bluegrass Participants,

BLUEGRASS DIVISIONS OFFERED

- **OPEN** - For the elite teams and is the highest, most competitive division.
- **PREMIER** - The next level designed for the teams that are in between the OPEN and CLUB divisions.
- **CLUB** - The middle level of play
- **CLASSIC** - The lower level of play
- **ASPIRE** – Continuation of the Classic Division, lowest level of play

NOTE: Being a two day format, the largest amount of teams we can place in a division is 36. If we are any larger, we would not be able to determine a Champion in the two days allowed.

CRITERIA FOR ACCEPTANCE

STRENGTH OF TEAMS

The Bluegrass Tournament has become a highly competitive and heavily recruited event. This is due mainly to the large number of outstanding clubs that participate. Our main objective is to continue to provide the high level of excellence by using STRENGTH as a top consideration for acceptance.

DIVERSITY

We feel that another important ingredient of a good tournament is to be able to offer DIVERSITY. Teams appreciate and enjoy having good competitive matches with as many different teams (clubs) as possible. We have been fortunate to be able to offer this DIVERSITY and hope to continue.

REDUNDANCE

Contrary to the DIVERSITY topic above is REDUNDANCE. One complaint we have had is that in the weaker divisions, teams have had to play three and four teams in the same club. We realize this is not what people are looking for and will certainly be a consideration. It becomes a difficult task when large clubs have 6-8 teams in the same age division.

PREVIOUS SUPPORT

Certainly we will consider the support you have shown this event in past years when working through the acceptance process.



REGISTRATION AND ENTRY PAYMENT

To tell you that we are only taking teams on a first come, first serve basis would not be accurate. This would be hard to do and maintain some of the criteria we have established above.

Entry fee must be paid to be considered for acceptance.

All entry fees of teams that are not accepted would be refunded.

Again, we certainly appreciate your support in the past and want the Ultra Ankle Bluegrass Tournament to continue to provide your club with a competitive and enjoyable experience.

HOUSING INFORMATION

When registering, you will also be provided an option for hotel information. We request that you be considerate of the hotels we have listed in the tournament block. Their rates have been negotiated to offer you their best price available. By using the tournament block hotels, this allows the convention bureau to track the room nights that this event brings to Louisville. This information assists us in negotiations with the Expo Center in trying to keep our lease expense as low as possible. This allows us to keep entry fees and admissions affordable for your parents. Again, any cooperation in this area will be greatly appreciated and you can contact Noelle Kordes, Noelle@kivasports.net for assistance with your housing needs.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me by email.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Davis-Parker". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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