



2020 CUSA COED SURVEY RESULTS

CUSA circulated via email and through various social media platforms a survey on league design, team placement and results from within the Coed League. Response was strong with nearly 200 results received over the two week period that the survey was open.

Responses were received from across all levels of competition, gender and from players who participate in CUSA, CWSA or Coed alone. To ensure that no one competitive level of play varied from the consolidated results filters were applied to the survey results, by the competitive level of play that respondents indicated they participated at. Unless otherwise noted in the detailed summary notes the consolidated results did reflect the majority interest of all the various levels of participation. Questions that were designed as *ranking* show a response weight calculated by the survey tool based upon the number of first place votes, second place and so forth.

Based upon the results received Action Steps have been identified for each response, or response group.

Action Steps:

Consolidated

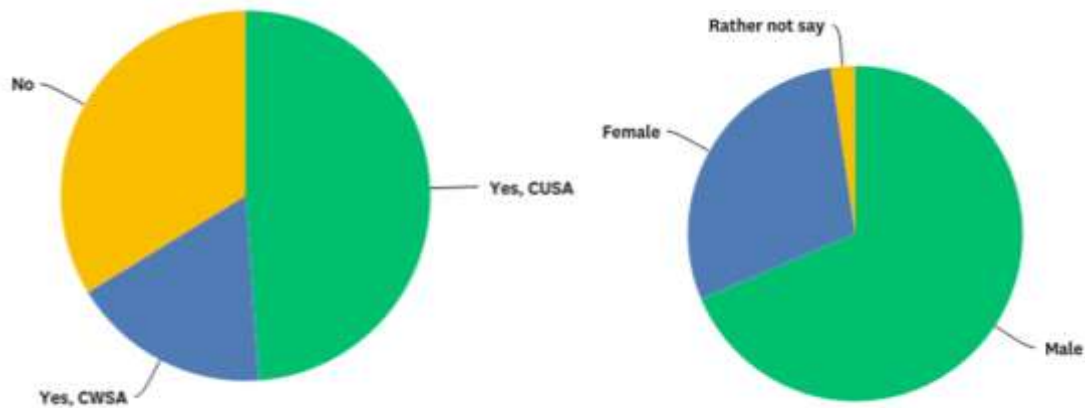
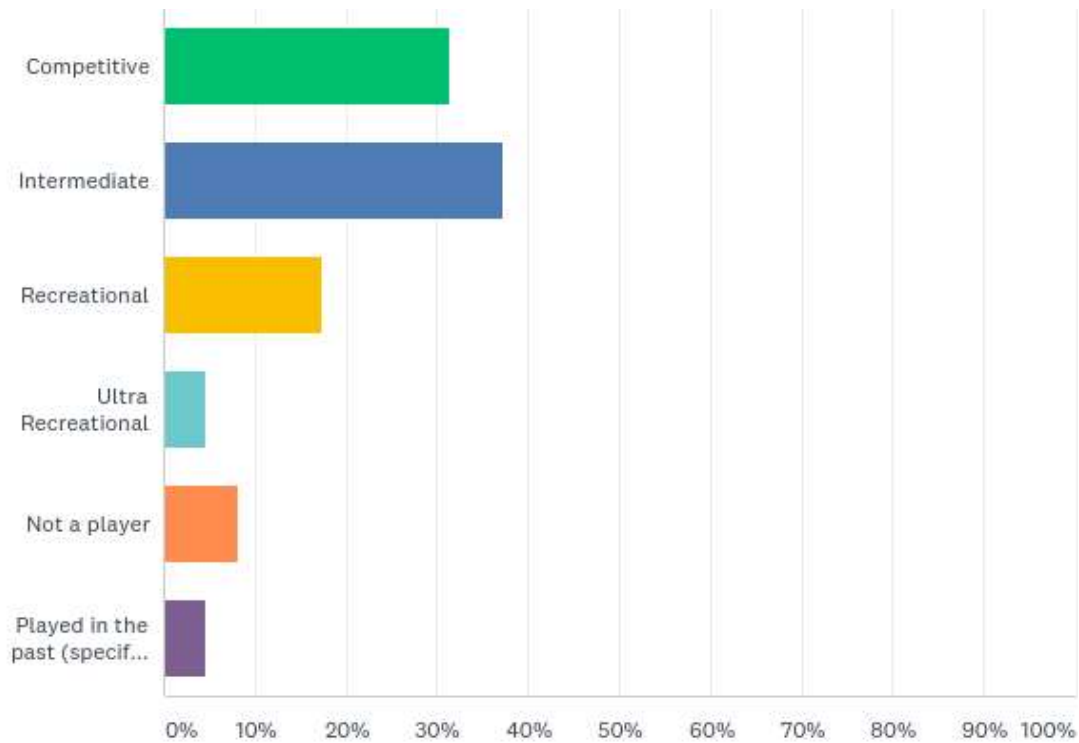
Immediate:

1. Recruit volunteers for Alignment Review Committee – up to 5. **(March 20th)**
2. Amend rules and data management system to reflect actual match results. **(March 27)**
3. Make available to all new teams, and those teams requesting consideration for league alignment, a form for collection of necessary information **(March 11)**
4. Review with Committee Team requests for alignment, develop 2020 Outdoor Alignment **(March 30)**

Future (Prior to Indoor/Winter Season)

1. Implementation commencing the end of the 2020 Outdoor (Summer) season a system of promotion and relegation within the Coed League.
2. Review restrictions for Recreation and Ultra Recreation Divisions
3. Review results of Summer/Outdoor alignment process and refine for Winter/Indoor

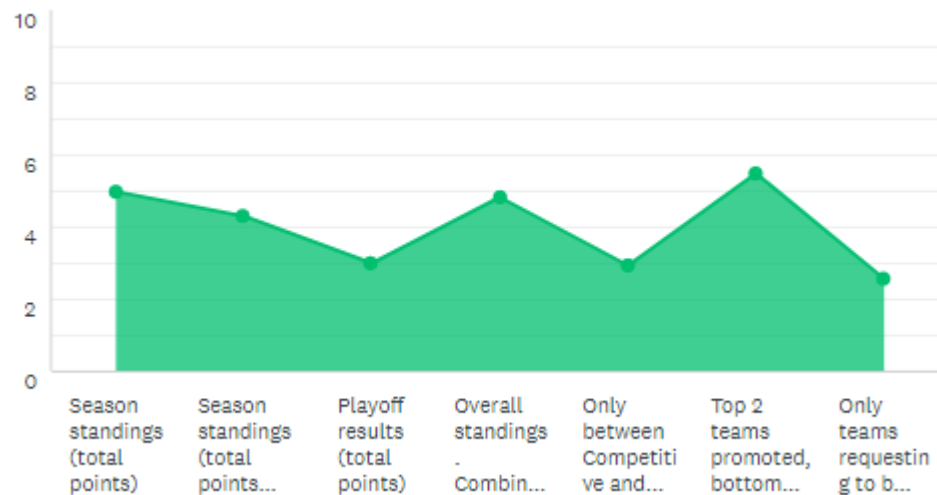
General Demographic Responses:



Question #4 started to look at Promotion and Relegation

In your opinion, should there be promotion and relegation between divisions? (E.g. Top 2 placed teams moves up a division in the following season, bottom 2 placed teams moves down a division in the following season)" **81% of all respondents indicated Yes**

Question #5 How this should be accomplished had everyone rank their preferred method of accomplishing the promotion and relegation. Except for the Recreational Division all groups responded promotion and relegation based upon final season standings – total points.



First Choice	Top 2 teams promoted and bottom 2 teams relegated in all divisions based on end of season results
	Season standings (total points)
1 st Choice	
Recreational	Overall standings. Combined playoff and season points
Teams	Season standings (total points and fair play points)
	Playoff results (Total points)
	Only between Competitive and Intermediate
	Only teams requesting to be promoted or relegated should be moved

ACTION REQUIRED:

- **Implementation commencing the end of the 2020 Outdoor (Summer) season a system of promotion and relegation within the Coed League.**

Question #6 Display of standings.

While closer in final results **58% indicated a desire to see the actual match results posted.**

Comments reflected the sentiment that has been provided to the administration previously:

5-max is fine for display, but it's most important to consider in promotion. A team that is winning by 5+ goals 4 out of every 5 games should be promoted before a team that squeaked a bunch of one-goal wins.

This will clearly show the teams that are brutal for not holding back on scoring or aggression in games that are one sided, for example 11-0

Mercy rule should come to effect after 7 goal difference.

ACTION REQUIRED:

- **Commencing Outdoor (Summer) 2020 match results displaying online to reflect actual game results, no mercy rule. Same method for display on the score clocks – referees to be advised of change.**

Question #7 New Team Placement.

This was also a ranking question whereby each respondent could provide their ranking of the options provided. Both the consolidated and overall by each level of play was the need for teams to complete a profile and have a committee make the final decision. The next two options were basically a tie for consideration, implying that if new teams do not complete the profile they would be placed in Intermediate Division.

Overall 1st choice

Teams should complete a team profile that outlines the profile of their players, the skill range, their competitiveness and any prior playing history. A committee will determine from this information their best suited division.

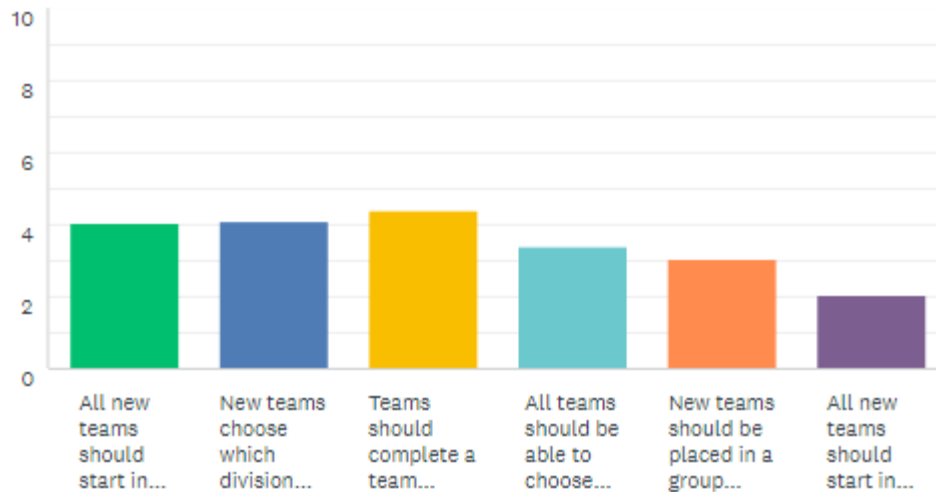
New teams choose which division they deem best suit them

All new teams should start in the Intermediate Division. In future seasons their performance will determine if they are promoted, relegated or remain in the Intermediate Division.

All teams should be able to choose which division they will play in, regardless if they are a returning team or not.

New teams should be placed in a group (Division) together to play first season to determine which league division they are most suited for.

All new teams should start in the lowest division and earn promotion to move to a higher division of play.



ACTION REQUIRED:

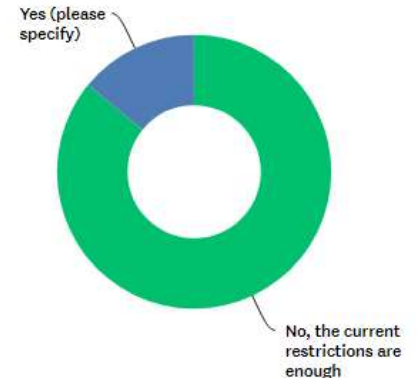
- New Teams and Teams requesting different division placement to complete team profile outlining considerations for placement.
- Volunteers for Alignment Committee to be recruited.
- Teams to be advised of option to submit request for alignment consideration.

Question #8 Should there be additional restrictions on who can play in each Coed Division?

87% responded No.

Comments however, reflected some mixed thoughts:

- *Current rules plus league should be able to dictate certain players too skilled for rec based on goals scored, forcing them to join new team, move whole team, or player to lower their level of compete to match the league they registered in.*
- *It should depend on where they are currently playing in CUSA or CWSA then look at history*
- *No restrictions, good players should be able to responsibly play coed with friends and family*
- *Align Competitive with Prem - Div 1, Intermediate with Div 2-4, Rec Div 4+*
- *5 years is a bit much for a rule like that - considering injuries happen, kids or time off - - coed is suppose to be fun and when you play teams who have all majors players or all premier its not fun, and coed is suppose to be fun*



ACTION REQUIRED:

- Review restrictions for Recreation and Ultra Recreation Divisions
- Discuss further need with restrictions with the Volunteer Alignment Committee for implementation for Indoor (Winter 2020-21)

Parting Comments:

- *There seems to be a wide range from ultra rec to intermediate that isn't reflected in the recreational division description. Players can have an understanding of the game, played organized soccer in their youth, have not played at provincials, and are not interested in playing with the aggressive attitude required at the intermediate level.*
- *I recommend relegation, I think it is fair and balanced. I think one problem is the availability of spares/call-ups. If this is actually a problem, you should be able to call up players from any division below yours, and up to 2 divisions above.*
- *Teams that stack themselves with too much skill in either intermediate or recreational should be bumped up to the next division*
- *Definitions are ok, but they don't apply to the existing teams at all... we are in ultra rec but based on definition would be intermediate, and still we can't manage to win many of our games. League should watch a few ultra rec games and see the level some of these teams play at, it's crazy, organized plays, cycles, amazing shooters, touch passing etc.*
- *Recreational is not meant for people who can play effortlessly but want to have fun. They come to recreational and change the atmosphere drastically. There has to be rules in place to force teams to move up or down. If not the fun part in recreational soccer is gone.*
- *Add more competitive divisions and push up teams that are clearly meant to be in the higher division. Tier intermediate and move teams up and down. Have a seeding round. Make some sort of change, it seemed to work much better back when it was tiered from A-I by country. Then you would move up or down each season accordingly.*