

Ultimate Teams Play Different Kind of Game

The formerly co-ed club sport now fields a women's team named Pleiades.

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Mix the rules of soccer, football and basketball, toss in 14 people and a 175-gram plastic disc, and you're ready for one ultimate game.

Ultimate, sometimes referred to as ultimate frisbee, came to UNC three years ago when students formed the Dark Side, UNC's ultimate club team. Since then, the team has grown in numbers and improved in skill, said Mark Parris, a graduate student from Lexington and a co-captain of the team.

The game goes like this: two seven-person teams try to score points by tossing a plastic disc to a team member in the end zone. Players can't run with the disc, which can be advanced only by tossing it to a team mate farther up the field. If the disc hits the ground, the other team takes possession.

"It's a fast-moving game," said Margo Hasselman, a sophomore from Blacksburg, Va. "It plays a lot like soccer, and all you need to play is a disc, a field and a pair of

cleats."

Teams decide before the game whether to play to a certain score or to play for a certain period of time.

"There aren't any refs," Parris said. He said ultimate was officiated by the team members on the field.

He said all players followed the spirit of the game rule which says players should maintain sportsmanlike conduct and follow the rules outlined in the official rule book of the Ultimate Players' Association.

He said the game was first played in New Jersey in the early 1970s, but is now played all over the world.

The UNC men's ultimate team is named the Dark Side because the team practices at 9 or 10 p.m. They have to practice at night because they share the Ehringhaus Field with so many other club teams that the field is usually being used until after night-fall.

The Dark Side was a co-ed team until this fall when Emily Larson, a graduate student from Charlottesville, Va., started the women's team. She was one of the only two women playing on the Dark Side last year.

Larson said ultimate was so popular there that most dorm floors had their own teams.

Pleiades is the women's team, named after the constellation of seven stars repre-

senting seven sisters, since there are seven people per team.

Larson said more than 30 women have practiced with Pleiades. She encouraged anyone interested to come to a practice.

"If you want to be on the team, you just have to be interested in playing and having fun," Larson said. She said she and one other person were the only women who knew how to play ultimate when practice began.

"Playing time is based on effort, not skill," she said.

She said the atmosphere at games and tournaments had been friendly, and that other teams who knew Pleiades was an inexperienced team helped teach them about the game.

"I didn't play sports in high school because I didn't like having coaches and referees everywhere," Hasselman said. "I play ultimate because having the players in charge makes it more fun and more laid back."

She said that although there aren't as many rules as there are for traditional sports like football and basketball, ultimate was still a demanding sport. She said it put more emphasis on sportsmanship because players call fouls on themselves and judge if they go out of bounds.

Parris, men's regional coordinator for the Ultimate Players' Association, said

there had been an effort to make a minimum number of rules.

Both the Dark Side and Pleiades compete against other club teams. In the fall they play non-college teams as well as teams from area schools, including Duke University and Eastern Carolina University.

Spring is college season when they compete only against other college teams.

Parris said the teams usually played one game a week, and they competed in tournaments every three or four weeks. He said last year the team played ultimate in tournaments as far away as Atlanta and Washington, D.C.

Santosh Rao, a senior who said he was addicted to the game, played ultimate at Charlotte Latin High School on one of the few high school ultimate teams in the state. He was among the few students who knew how to play the game before joining the UNC club team.

Parris said about 60 men have been practicing with the Dark Side this year. He said anyone interested in the sport was welcome to join the team.

Men and women ultimate players practice together Mondays at 10 p.m. and Wednesdays at 9 p.m. The Dark Side practices Tuesdays at 10 p.m. Pleiades practices Thursdays at 10 p.m. All practices are held at Ehringhaus Field.

Elections Board Prepares For Mid-Semester Vote

BY JOHN SWEENEY
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With a redistricting survey in the works, three student referenda before Student Congress and five empty congress seats, the Elections Board is looking at a full slate this fall.

Elections Board Chairwoman Annie Shuart said all the activity was part of an effort to add some stability to an often unpredictable campus elections process.

"My goal, if it's humanly possible, is to provide some sense of continuity to elections and the Elections Board," Shuart said.

A big part of this project will be an evaluation of the current district divisions for congress. The survey will determine whether a proportionate number of graduate and undergraduate students are being represented in each district, Shuart said.

While the Student Code contained provisions for a biannual evaluation, Shuart said there were no records of previous surveys. Consequently, this year's board has had to start from scratch. Shuart also said the Elections Board would be open to student concerns involving redistricting, and a forum on the subject would be held in November.

A more pressing concern for the board, however, is the Nov. 14 special election to vote on three student referenda and five vacant congress seats, Shuart said.

The referenda, which are currently before the Student Congress Student Affairs Committee, concern funding for the free U-bus, some minor changes to the Student Code and a change in the language of the original charter for the Student Recreation Center. This change would allow money left over from the SRC's construction to be used for other projects.

Under normal circumstances, the vote on the referenda would wait until February, when the general elections take place.

"Personally, I wish we didn't have to do a full-blown election in the fall," Shuart said.

However, Student Body President Calvin Cunningham said the referenda had to be voted on now because they concerned changes in the way student fees are used, and the Board of Trustees will be voting on fee changes in November.

The empty congressional seats in Districts 2, 5, 8, 10 and 18 will also be voted on in the Nov. 14 election. Three members have resigned their seats in the past month.

Shuart said candidate packs and petitions would be available in Suite C of the Student Union on Oct. 26 for students interested in running for those seats.

Shuart added that the Elections Board was looking for more members. "Considering the fact that half the money we pay each year goes almost directly to student government, we have every right to know where that money goes."

Campus Calendar

THURSDAY
4 p.m. UNIVERSITY CAREER SERVICES will sponsor "Internships in Washington, D.C." in 306 Hanes Hall, and "Job Hunt 103" in 209 Hanes Hall.
5 p.m. CAA is sponsoring a multicultural festival in Carmichael Ballroom as a part of Homecoming. Admission is free.
7 p.m. CAP will have a training workshop sponsored by Prevent Child Abuse in Union 213.
OFFICE OF N.C. FELLOWS AND LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT will hold a workshop, "Campus Leaders," in Union 211.
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GREEN GAMES will meet in the Union basement.
POWER will have a meeting in the Campus Y basement.
UNIVERSITY CAREER SERVICES will sponsor a presentation by Sabre Decision Technologies in 209 Hanes Hall.
8 p.m. UNC YOUNG DEMOCRATS will meet in Union 208.
ITEMS OF INTEREST
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Forms are available in University Career Services in 207 Hanes Hall.
CAMPUS Y will sponsor "A Catalyst for Positive Social Change" outreach during the month of November. The Y is looking for hosts and facilitators. For more information, call 962-2333.
PUBLIC SERVICE ROUNDTABLE will hold its annual meeting from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Monday in the Pleasant Family Assembly Room in Wilson Library.
INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS ASSOCIATION will have its first meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday in Union 205.
CAROLINA VOICES will present "A Forest Theatre Sing" at 3 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free.
UNC RUNNING CLUB will have group runs at

For the Record

In the Oct. 16 article, "Candidates Reach Out to Students," Jay Bryan should have been identified as an alderman who is seeking reelection.
The DTH regrets the error.

STABBING

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larceny in connection with a break-in at Capelli Hair Studio in Carrboro. According to police reports, the front and side door windows of the establishment were broken, and a telephone, answering machine and smock were stolen.
Rivera was arrested after being treated for lacerations at UNC Hospitals. Hutchison said police believe he injured himself breaking into the salon.
Rivera was also arraigned in district court in Hillsborough and is being held at Orange County Jail under \$5,000 secured bond.

Police believe that another stabbing Saturday may be connected to the Spinx Oil incident. Hutchison said police received a call from a West Carr Street resident reporting a naked, bloody man on his front porch. "He was beaten quite extensively and there were puncture wounds on his back," Hutchison said.
At the time of this report, police had not yet determined the identity of the second stabbing victim. "His injuries were pretty extensive, and we weren't able to speak with him originally because he went directly to surgery," Hutchison said.
"We're looking into the (second) attack and investigating a possible connection between the two."



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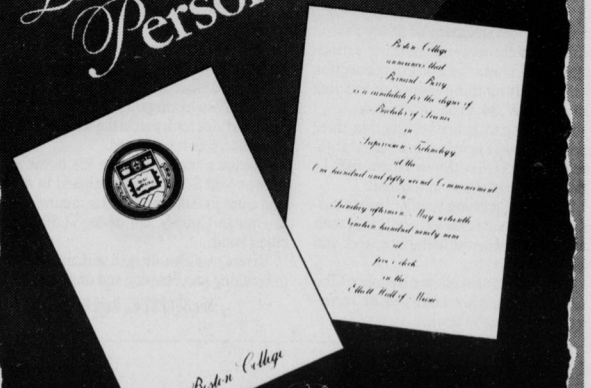
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