

# SC Select Virtual Q and A

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# Summary

SCYL Admin presented an overview of the South Carroll Select Lacrosse Club, emphasizing its community focus, year-round commitment to skill development, and cost-effective approach compared to larger clubs. Key discussion points included team dynamics, playing time (earned, not guaranteed), a simplified payment plan, and communication via Team Link. Next steps include finalizing coaching staff for the 2033 boys' team within 1-2 weeks, earlier evaluations for the 2036 girls' team, and implementing a summer evaluation schedule in June and July, alongside website and social media updates.

# **Details**

- **South Carroll Select Lacrosse Club Overview:** SCYL Admin provided an overview of the club, highlighting its eight teams (four boys, four girls) spanning age groups 2035-2030. They emphasized the club's manageable size and its aim to foster community and lasting relationships among players (00:01:11).
- Club Mission and Values: The club's mission, vision, and values were discussed, emphasizing sportsmanship, respect, and fun. SCYL Admin stressed the importance of maintaining positive conduct for both players and parents, avoiding negative reputations associated with other organizations (00:03:44).
- Select vs. Recreational Lacrosse: A key distinction was made between recreational and select lacrosse programs. Select lacrosse has higher expectations, requiring year-round commitment and earned playing time

- (<u>00:04:45</u>). SCYL Admin stressed that participation is not solely about winning games, but also about team development and personal growth (<u>00:07:16</u>).
- Year-Round Commitment and Skill Development: The importance of year-round participation for skill development was highlighted. SCYL Admin emphasized the significant difference between playing only during the recreational season (March-May) versus year-round participation, which leads to faster improvement and enhanced enjoyment of the sport (00:06:02).
- Team Dynamics and Playing Time: SCYL Admin explained that playing time in select lacrosse is earned, not guaranteed, and depends on the player's contributions to the team, including support and encouragement. They underscored that the club aims to build well-rounded players, not just those solely focused on individual achievements (00:07:16).
- Local Focus and Cost-Effectiveness: The club's focus on local participation and
  affordability was emphasized. SCYL Admin distinguished their approach from
  other clubs with high costs and a focus on winning at all costs. They emphasized
  community building and long-term player development over excessive travel or
  tournament play (00:09:54) (00:12:16).
- Seasonal Structure and Tournament Participation: SCYL Admin outlined the typical seasonal structure, including summer evaluations, fall and spring practices and tournaments, and summer tournaments, with the number of tournaments varying based on age group and coach discretion (00:13:19) (00:16:33). They emphasized prioritizing practice and skill development, especially for younger age groups (00:14:22).
- **Simplified Payment Structure**: A simplified, single payment plan spread across the year was introduced, aiming to make participation more manageable for families (00:17:57) (00:34:36). This structure is intended to cover fall and summer tournament costs, with additional tournament costs covered separately by the team (00:19:05).
- **Team Communication and Platform:** SCYL Admin highlighted the shift to Team Link to streamline communication and reduce costs compared to other platforms. They mentioned the app's features, including material distribution, team-specific communication, and fundraising tools (00:32:01) (00:35:50).
- Coaching Quality and Community Involvement: SCYL Admin addressed concerns about coaching quality, emphasizing the volunteer nature of the

- coaching staff and their commitment to fostering player development. They highlighted the club's efforts to create resources like coach toolkits and drill libraries to support coaches (00:11:12) (00:38:25).
- Team Roster Management and Supplemental Tryouts: SCYL Admin clarified the process for supplemental tryouts, emphasizing that they are for filling gaps in existing rosters, not for entirely new teams (00:21:17) (00:41:06). They explained that full team evaluations will occur in June and July (00:42:20).
- Payment Schedule and Tournament Registration: SCYL Admin clarified that the
  new payment structure enables the club to better manage tournament
  registration, particularly for summer tournaments that require payments months
  in advance (00:43:28). They highlighted how the phased payments are beneficial
  to both parents and the club in terms of payment planning and timing (00:44:32).
- US Lacrosse Membership and Age Verification: SCYL Admin explained the importance of US Lacrosse membership for age verification and insurance coverage (00:47:54) (00:58:27). They mentioned that while some local leagues don't strictly adhere to US Lacrosse's age guidelines, tournaments generally do (00:48:59) (00:55:02). They also discussed the possibility of waivers for some situations (00:47:54).
- Free Agent Opportunities: SCYL Admin suggested that players who are not selected for a team can register as free agents for summer tournaments. This allows them to participate in tournaments even if their primary team doesn't have openings (00:50:07).
- Additional Summer Opportunities: SCYL Admin highlighted summer lacrosse camps and skills clinics as additional opportunities for players to improve their skills outside of team practices (<u>00:52:01</u>).
- 2033 Boys Lacrosse Team Status SCYL Admin stated they are working to secure
  a coach for the 2033 boys team, aiming for an 85% probability of forming a team.
  They expect to have a definite answer in one to two weeks (00:59:48), and a spot
  is reserved for the team at a June tournament. The possibility of multiple teams
  per graduating year was discussed (01:01:24), with the admin confirming they
  would form another team if sufficient interest and coaches are available
  (01:02:47).
- 2036 Girls Lacrosse Team Planning Nisa&Miles Morris inquired about player number requirements and deadlines for the 2036 girls team (01:03:43). SCYL

Admin suggested an earlier evaluation than July to establish a roster and continue open practices until the fall deadline (01:04:57). They also plan to promote evaluations through various channels (01:06:28).

 Summer Evaluation and Practice Schedule SCYL Admin announced plans for summer evaluations spanning June and July, acknowledging potential variations in team schedules due to volunteer coach availability and personal commitments. They highlighted the differences between SCYL and larger, paid clubs (01:07:50). They also mentioned the creation of a website and social media updates for information dissemination (01:06:28).

# Suggested next steps

| SCYL Admin will post the meeting recording, notes, and the presented PDF online.   |
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| SCYL Admin will create a coach's toolkit with a drill library and coaching resources.  |
| SCYL Admin will finalize and publicize the dates and location for June/July evaluations via Facebook and mass email.   |
| SCYL Admin will post the link for the summer camp (Mondays-Thursdays, 6-8 PM at Crimold Park) and the schedule for trilax events.  |
| SCYL Admin will provide a definitive answer regarding the 2033 boys team coach within two weeks.   |
| SCYL Admin will provide a definite answer regarding team registration for at least one end-of-season tournament within one to two weeks and will then email all 33 former team members, opening tryouts for the end-of-June tournament at Talson University. |
| Jordan will form additional teams if sufficient player interest and a coach are available.   |
| SCYL Admin will secure enough volunteers to conduct summer practices after the recreational season concludes.  |
| SCYL Admin and Nisa & Miles Morris will collaborate on a plan for 2036 graduating year evaluations, potentially starting in June, followed by open practices until the fall tournament deadline.   |
| SCYL Admin will distribute a graphic/infographic detailing summer evaluation dates spanning June and July.   |

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**SCYL Admin:** take notes for us and I'll put those notes up as well so everybody can get a recap of everything. Um, I'm not echoing, am I? Sometimes I I miss the whole COVID era thing of doing everything on a computer, so I never uh had that experience. So sometimes I feel like I echo and my video is horrible. So we'll see what happens. Uh, **Mike and Julie DeGiorgio:** No, you're good to go,

**SCYL Admin:** oh, look. It's Mike Deorgio. Mike, I'm going to buy you a Google account for free. I love that every time I see it's you and Julie. It's my favorite.

**Mike and Julie DeGiorgio:** H we just keep it together. It's not that big of a deal. It just it makes it easier for us to be able to manage everything.

**SCYL Admin:** Uh, there we go. All right, Katie, hello. Kelsey, hello. All right, guys. Well, thank you. Thank you for coming. Um, hopefully there's a few people on here.

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SCYL Admin: Um, hey, Matt. Hey everyone, thank you for coming this evening! I just wanted to give a brief overview of everything kind of where things um are, hopefully going as we continue to grow. currently, just to give you a state of where we are, we we're at at eight teams currently, four boys and four girls teams spanning from 2035 all the way up to 2030. Um, obviously we want it to grow and hopefully not grow too much. Um, it's very manageable right now for a whole group of volunteers that are doing this. Um, and I I think we like to keep it that way. Um, so South Carol Select really just started out as uh Hey, Robert. Um, a way for us to fill a void. um uh meet a community need as Robert always says, which I think is great because that's exactly what it did. Um we often look at our wreck program as um a triangle, right? So we we're super heavy on um kindergarteners, first graders, second graders.

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SCYL Admin: Um, and as we start to get up into that third, grade, fourth, fifth, we start to see kids leave. Um, and our numbers and our teams start to dwindle. And so the goal was obviously just to keep kids around. Um, because at the end of the day, we wanted to see these kids play together until they get to middle school, high school. Um, because they're going to form bonds and they're going to create relationships that um are are fantastic. what what the whole idea of rec sports is. Um we create like families as a team. Um and these kids go on to high school uh knowing each other, playing against each other, and it's just an awesome thing to see. Um so that's where Select really came from. Um I'm going to try to share my screen really quick and go to present here. Let's see. Um I'll go We'll start here. All right. So, can everyone see that? Um, so this is our our parent guide um and player guide, and we've kind of been refining over the course of the last year or two.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um, so I really just wanted to to go through this for everybody. Obviously, you talked about um the club team and the reason for its existence. Um you know, we're coming from the wreck side of things. We, you know, tend to be pretty good communicators, I think. Um but we obviously need to be better communicators on the select side of things because there's a lot of moving parts. Um we've got our mission, vision, and values here. Um, I always say most mission statements and value statements are pretty common sense, but I think sometimes as time goes on, we really forget um what we're here for and why we're here doing it. Um, so obviously making sure that these kids are are are being respectful, sportsmanship at the top of the list. Um, I'm sure many of you as coaches have seen it and probably as parents from other organizations where your jaw just drops to the ground and um, I always tell my kids, we're not going to be those people, right? We're not going to be those ones.

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**SCYL Admin:** And the parents, it's the same way. Um, so th those kinds of expectations of our kids and how we run this organization is paramount. Um, we we can't have that name out there. Um, we want to continue that no matter what league we're playing in.

Um, so I just want to make sure that that rings true. Um, obviously the most important thing is that these kids are are having fun, right? But we also when we we move over from that uh wreck side of things to a select side of things, um, we have to understand like the they have to be present. Um, I said that at our coaches meeting at the beginning of this rec season and being present as a parent, being present as a coach. Um, are super important. Um, one of the things that, um, I think some people forget when they move over because we're running these organizations side by side. um is that when we move in and it's difficult because we move from a wreck season where everybody is getting equal playing time, everybody is uh playing different positions, things like that.

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**SCYL Admin:** We have to keep in mind that select is is is a is a club team and that the expectations are higher for that. Um, so I put in a piece here about parents expectations about, you know, obviously supporting your kids um, on the field and off the field and off-field practice is super important. Our kids with a stick in your hand year round, you're going to see a huge difference in how fast your child, your athlete grows. Um, it's pretty amazing. Um the difference between playing two months from March to May um and having a stick in their hands year round even if it's not continuous um makes a huge difference um and how quickly um they get better at the sport. Um I we always tell our kids that this the game of lacrosse gets so much more fun the better that you better you get the the stick your stick skills improve and you'll just see the kids are like it just clicks like we we get it like this is this is awesome. Um so that's one of the things that we want to continue to drive home that look we we want multisport athletes.

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**SCYL Admin:** We absolutely right. Um, but we also want to make sure that when we get into a club level of lacrosse that they're treating this as a year round sport, right? Um, it's not wreck anymore. We need to be working on our skills, developing as a team. Um, so th those things are super important. Um, one thing that I I do want to kind of bring home to everybody when we get into this select world and especially as they get older and like fourth, fifth, sixth grades and so on, um, is that um, everything in a club team is earned. It's it's just different than when you're in the rec season. Um, so your playing time um

reflects the time that those kids are putting in to the sport and it's always, you know, we hear from kids that, so I'm not good enough. And then that's not the case, right? It's like you can have kids that aren't the best with their stick skills or maybe don't have the best game IQ yet, but they are the most trustworthy encourager on that field.

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SCYL Admin: And without them, the team just kind of falls apart. And these kids need to understand that it it's not just going out there and scoring goals. it is there's a holistic approach when you're doing this year round and they need to be out there just you know not understanding that it's not we don't need to win every game you know the goal is is to be a better team um often in in club sports and it recently club lacrosse has really started to explode is that you see people running from team to team to chase W's that's what I always say right and you get these what you'll see as you move through the the club lacrosse sphere is that you'll have teams that are fantastic one year and absolutely horrible the next. So you you get these um teams like you know locally like team Maryland or 91 or PRs or um Annapolis Hawks whatever it may be and they they have a name because the programs have developed um and that's where we want to get right. We want to be a developed club um that goes out there and plays quality lacrosse games both on the boys and the girls sides of things.

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SCYL Admin: But we are not here to we are a local community organization. We are not here to hop, skip, and jump from team to team. That's not what we're trying to do here, right? We are not charging \$4,000 to play lacrosse every year. It's outrageous. Um we want we want the team to thrive as a team. um and hopping and skipping and jumping um from team to team is never going to create that team bond. Um it's going to create a bunch of really good single lacrosse players, right? And that's that's not what we're here to do. Um so I want to make sure that everybody as far as coaches and parents understand is that this process here locally is exactly what it is. It is a local lacrosse club that is trying to bring a level of lacrosse that people were asking for to Carol County. Um, and we want to make sure that um that success of the success of the team isn't isn't winning every lacrosse game. Um, the struggle to play lacrosse is enough as it is and that struggle I think for athletes is fantastic, right?

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SCYL Admin: they need to understand that that struggle, that process is what what we're here for and that's what coaches are here for. Um, so when we're putting together new teams, there's obviously a lot of pieces to that puzzle. Um, you know, I always reiterate that we are fully volunteer staff. Um, every coach out there is coaching because they want to coach, not because they're getting paid to coach. Um, and because of that, we can offer a lot of things for the club. Like obviously the one thing is is a really low cost of entry, right? Um I think one of the things that I really want to push out um to parents and coaches is that every team at South Carol Select is going to be different. So I think sometimes the expectations for parents are like, "Oh, look, I I'm on club lacrosse and you know this is we're going to be playing all these teams, blah blah blah." you're the coach and you need to communicate as parents to understand what you're trying to get out of this.

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**SCYL Admin:** I think it's super important. If you're trying to get three practices a week and you're trying to travel to Florida to play lacrosse tournaments, I I just don't think you found the right home. And that's okay. There is absolutely nothing wrong with that. Um, you know, we try to keep everything local. Tournaments, play, practices, it is it is here. Um, this is this is where we we play lacrosse. Um, so I I like to set that expectation for parents because, uh, if you're looking for that, there is there there are no problems. You should absolutely go and look at those other clubs, those bigger clubs that are can provide what you're looking for. Um, I just want to be really clear about the expectations that we're setting as a club is that yes, we're going to do all the things that those other teams are doing. Um, but we're going to do it locally and we're going to do it with our local kids. And it doesn't mean that we're not taking kids that are coming in from other places.

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SCYL Admin: Absolutely not. Um, we do have kids that that come from different

counties, so on and so forth. But there's tons of talent here. Um, and that's what we were trying to do when when we started this. Um, what our seasons typically look like. Um, so I think a lot of our teams are going to be playing um, especially at the younger ages is that we're going to start let's let's start our season when we do our evaluations, which are sometime in the summer. So, we're going to start in the summer. We're going to evaluate the kids. We're going to put together a team. Um and then um we're going to practice um and we're going to move into the fall and we're going to play some tournaments in the fall. All of those depending on the age group that you have and the coaches that are coaching the team. One of the beautiful things about running these teams is that every team is not the same. So certain teams may decide to do certain things and other teams may decide to do other things and that's completely fine.

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**SCYL Admin:** um the age uh at a younger age, our 2036, our 2035 teams um are not going to be out there doing 10 tournaments a year. It just it just doesn't make any sense. The the idea of growth in practice is much more important than going out there and just playing tournaments to play tournaments. Um we want again want to keep the cost low, the barrier to entry low into club sports. Um, so we'll continue with that one to two week practice. We'll move into the tournament season and it could be one or up to three tournaments in the fall depending on the age group and the coach. In the winter, um, is where things get a little interesting because it's very different and and Matt, you can chime in here if I'm wrong, but um, girls and boys in the wintertime are very very different. There are a lot of things that are out there for boys lacrosse, not so much for girls lacrosse. Am I right about that, Matt?

Matthew Cougle: I like Yep. Yeah.

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**Matthew Cougle:** There's few options. Uh especially in the Carol County side. Um there might be some es like at least like the younger girls as you get to middle school it gets a little bit easier but for the younger girls it's a little bit more difficult. You have to do a little bit more research.

**SCYL Admin:** Yeah. Yeah. So, um I know that there's a a 3v3 league that that occurs. I know there's some stuff up at at Copper Mine um and there's some stuff at Carolindor

um that that have those. But, um the reason I bring that up is because sometimes I hear parents from like the boy side that end up talking to the girl side and we're doing this. It's like some parents are like, "Why aren't we doing that on the girl side?" It's purely because of what leads exist. Okay. So, in the wintertime, um, Carroll County closes all of its outdoor fields on November 30th. So, from December 1st until March 15th, um, we are at the mercy of whatever indoor space and time that we can get.

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**SCYL Admin:** So, the goal is for each team to be able to practice once per week um in the indoor some an indoor facility. Um after we move from our winter stuff, we we'll we'll come into our mid-Marchch uh to May, which is typically our wreck season. I think most of our younger teams are going to be rolling right into that that wreck season. Okay. Um, some of the older teams may be going into a more advanced league like NGL for girls or the Howard County League for boys. Um, and it will be at the discretion of the coach and the league. Um, South Carol Select. Um, so I I my personal opinion and the way that we have this set up right now is that our younger teams, our second graders and third graders, they do not need to be going out and spending tons of money playing in these leagues. There are plenty there's a good amount of competition and the teams are just getting together that we should be putting playing in Maryland youth lacrosse um or mila or Carol boys or Carol girls league um their their competition is there it's fine um and obviously will be the coach's discretion and what fits best for the team.

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SCYL Admin: Okay. Um, and then after that spring season, um, once that season ends, then we will be going into what's typically referred to as the summer tournament season. We'll call it the summer tournaments, even though most of them are sometimes tied up to the end of spring. We're just going to call them the summer. Um, teams at a younger age maybe won. Uh, you know, second graders just having their first experience at a tournament, it's fantastic. um as you get older, the way that we've built this out is that the tournaments increase in number. We go up to two and then three. And then um that's also will be at the coach's discretion and team's discretion on whether or not they want to play in more. Um I do want to get down to this because I know this is going to be kind of important for everybody. Um the way that the change that we're making um

from how we've done it over the course of the past almost two years um until now is that um we're putting we're trying to put make this simpler for parents.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um so we're rolling this into one payment that will be spread out over the course of the year. Um once the athlete gets in evaluated and is invited onto the team, if they in uh uh accept that invitation, um this is what it's going to look like. So we have to understand that we have to standardize it in a way that um is what we've seen and learned over the last two years that just makes sense. This setup right here is not the end all for what each team is going to look like. Um, but we did need to have a standard that each each team goes into understanding that this is what they're going to do, but there can be more. Okay, so second graders, so that will be our 20 36 teams that are just coming in. um they will have their their fall practices. Uh they will have one fall local fall tournament. Um at the end of this I I'll give you an an example what I'm going to put out every year, which is like a list of the tournaments for the fall um and the summer.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um but being able to have one fall tournament and one summer tournament at that age, I think is fantastic. If the team decides, hey, we want to do two summer tournaments, that's absolutely fine. There is absolutely nothing wrong with that. I think that if everybody on the team, parents are on board, you can do that, but that is just something that is going to have to be decided by the team um and then invoiced um by the team to cover in that individual cost. Um go moving into third and fourth grade, it goes up, you go to two in the fall and two in the summer, and then you start to get into fifth grade and above and you go two and three. Like I said, it is just a standard that is out there so that we have a baseline on what we as a club can charge. Um, if you want to add an additional tournament, um, you just you add it. Um, you take the cost of that tournament, divide it by your players.

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SCYL Admin: It's very very simple there. It's nothing difficult about it at all. Um we are

going to continue to provide as a select program goalie clinics, shooting clinics, faceoff draw clinics, um agility training, um access to indoor winter leagues when when are available. All of those are going to be part of it and every team may do something different and there's absolutely nothing wrong with that. um our team triyouts in the summer. We're trying to organize them, but I always say just as a reminder, we are volunteers and some people take vacations when other people don't. So, we are trying to get everybody in a window when evaluations can happen and those will be posted once I get a hold of all the coaches and they determine, hey, this is the best fit for us where we can get all of our coaching staff there and be able to put together a great evaluation. Um, each team will also be able to do supplemental triyouts um to either if they are losing kids or they want to bring more kids on to fill out their rosters.

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SCYL Admin: Supplemental triyouts can happen in the fall, it could if they had needed something extra, it could happen in the spring during the rec season to add for the summer tournaments. Those supplemental tryyouts are are are not going to be 30 kids showing up to come out to try out for the team. They're going to be your one-offs that want to come in. Um, and as the kids get older, you'll see it. You'll you'll play lacrosse at a tournament and all of a sudden kids will start asking, "Well, what about that team or what about this team?" And that's what those supplementals are. as a new club that we've we've gone out there over the last two years there there has definitely been at tournaments oh I didn't know South Carol had had a club team. So the name is getting out there which is fantastic. It's really good to to to see. Um and I think people are super excited that when when we get to these individ these tournaments that it we have a smaller clubs that are out there that are playing bigger organizations.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um, it's pretty it's pretty fun to watch. Um, included in this cost right here, um, is also the our rec season cost. Okay, so the rec season price is built into this. Um, and it will include play in either Carol Boys league, Carol Girls League, or Mila as part of this cost. If a team decides that they want to do something different like play in NGL or play in Hoko, we will take the cost associated with that league and apply it to NGL or Hoko League and the parents will need to come up with the difference and tell you that

the 2032 boys team did it this year and it cost my parents about 75 bucks to play in that league um with a team of 20 20 athletes. Um so it's not an outrageous cost um but if that's something that the team decides that they want to do um it's definitely a possibility um which I'll go into how we're going to try to simplify that for parents moving forward. Um if anybody else have any questions feel free to chime in. There's also at the bottom um there's a chat and I I did a Q&A thing at the bottom right corner so you guys can chime in if you want to.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um there is uh just to give you an idea of what tournaments look like. I put this together for this year. This is 2025. So I'll put this out every year. Um so you can see I break them down as far as what age groups are associated with those. Um so it's it's pretty simple. younger teams, 2036, 2035 are not as prevalent at all tournaments. It's tougher to get into because those those those age groups have not been truly filled out and defined yet. So, it will be a little more difficult at a younger age to find tournaments. So, you will probably be stuck in like two or three different ones, which is okay because you're going to be playing in those with other clubs that are trying to do the exact same thing. Um, I I can say that like our 35 boys team this past fall, um, I mean, they were playing Annapolis Hawks and Blue Claus, I mean, big clubs. Um, and they held their own and they did fantastic.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um, so as we're growing at a younger age, we're hoping that that fills as as these kids grow. Boys tournaments, same way. Um, I put together a bunch of ones that are local and you'll see most of them start around the 31st of May with lack splash up in Timmonium. Um, and then kind of fizzle out by the middle of June. You will get some stragglers in July and August. Um but they June is is lacrosse tournament month. So you will see a ton in June. Um the uh MDL Maryland Lacrosse League has really done a fantastic job of putting together um local tournaments. Um and I think they have come a long way in the last two years at running them. Uh we've had great experiences at all of them. We played in their pre-spring tournaments. We played in some of their summer ones and their fall ones. They're super cost-effective. Um the talent at the tournaments is is just as good as some of the bigger ones like Aloha.

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SCYL Admin: Um and uh highly recommend that coaches that are that are that are uh con coming on to coach or are already coaching at Select look into them. Um I I've had no I haven't had a bad experience yet. Um, that's it for that. I do Let me find one thing really quick. Took some notes really quick. All right. So, one of the things that I often hear about clubs is about how awful they are and that they're destroying wreck sports. Um, and I could agree with that in some ways. Uh, but I think for us it's a little different. So, we've removed a financial barrier, right? Um, we are not 2500 to \$4,000 to play lacrosse. Um, and the reason that we can do that is because we fall under the South Carolina lacrosse umbrella. Um, so we have access to field space. Um, so we can we can lower our cost. We're not paying for turf time. Um, we're not paying for, you know, outrageous things.

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SCYL Admin: Um, we are doing what our parents are asking us to do. Now, keep in mind that we are less than two years old and we have come a long way in two years. Um, and I I I want to keep the lines of communication open. parents, coaches, um I want to be as transparent as we can possibly be that if you have a good idea, please share it with us. Um there is no reason that you can't communicate with us so that we can make this better. Uh I don't want parents talking in the background about, oh well, Zingo does this or team Maryland does that. Like I I really don't care. We want to make this club u for our community and we want it to be fantastic for our kids. Um so anything that you can provide in a positive way, we want to hear about it. Um burnout is often what I hear about club sports. Um we're not burning your kids out. Um we are one practice a week in the off season, two practices.

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**SCYL Admin:** Once again, I'm going to say it until my mouth falls apart. It really is based on the team's feedback for coaches on what they're looking for and what the coaches can do. All right. So, I really think as far as for the coaches on here, set the expectation

with your parents right away. It's super important. They need to understand what you're able to give as a coach. Um, and so that way they're not in your ear uh for 12 months saying, "Are we going to do this? Are we going to do that? How are we going to do this? Remember, a lot of our coaches are multisport coaches, too. Um, they're coaching multiple sports with kids that are multisport athletes. We are giving everything that we possibly can to coach these kids. Um, another thing that I always hear is a win at all costs mentality. Um, it's not the case. Um, are you going to have some coaches that are like that? Sure.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um, absolutely. We're here to coach your kids. Um, that's what we're here to do. Um, you know, my team personally, we always we have this motto of we not me, right? It is our goal to make you a team because you're all going to go to high school together and middle school together and and we want you to play together for a long time because that's what makes the game so fun. Um, travel and time demands, we are trying to keep it local. Um, for those who have been following the Carol County scene, we are trying to get Crimold Park to be our park. Um and we hope we can make that happen um very very soon. Um coaching quality, we have, you know, college athletes that played lacrosse that are coaching kids here. Okay. Um and we are pulling together um skills and agility based content for our kids that are coached by professionals, division one athletes. Um so the coaching quality is there. Okay. It really falls back on parents and kids too, right?

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SCYL Admin: You need to be present and you need to come to practices and coaches need to work with parents to make sure that they can be at those practices. Um because that is obviously what's going to make the team better at the end of the day. Um I think um the last thing that I want to go through is just really trying to um simplify what we're trying to do here. And that is the kind of final final piece of this puzzle is kind of bringing everybody under one umbrella um as far as an app is concerned. So, we've been testing um Team Linked over Team Snap um and it works um pretty fantastic for what we're trying to do here, which is run two programs at the same time. So, we're running a WCK program with almost 450 athletes and we're running a select program

with almost 200 athletes. Um so, we need to kind of get everything under one umbrella. So, some of the things that I like about Team LinkedIn um is that we can provide coaches with materials inside of the platform um that keep our costs low.

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SCYL Admin: So, for instance, Team SNAP is not free for us to use um as an organization. Costs a couple of thousand dollars. So bringing in an app that is has a lower entry cost um is something that we obviously want to try to do to keep our costs low. We also don't want to double up on emails to everybody. We were trying to focus this as more of a team by team um mentality so that each team kind of runs on their own with oversight from the club obviously. Um, but Team Link has that which is is pretty fantastic. Um, there's things inside of Team Link that as far as from a coaching standpoint and an organization standpoint are pretty fantastic. Um, currently we can't email you. We have to go home to our computers and do those kind of things. We can bring that inhouse. Um, and we allow it allows for, you know, pulling your parents for things, fundraising individually per team. Um, those kind of things are all built into Team Link, which is pretty fantastic.

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**SCYL Admin:** All of this ties back into Wreck though, into SCI, which is pretty neat. So, gone are the days of constant registrations, um, different payments at different times. Um, our goal is to bring the athlete on onto the team in the fall, uh, at the end of the summer, like maybe August, and then you will make one payment as a parent. Okay, that is spread out over the course of many, many months. Okay, so our first payment is going to be \$200. that covers uh costs for us field maintenance, paint, things like that. Um and then it will be split up over six payments over over the course of the year. So hopefully that'll be much easier on parents so that you're not constantly getting registrations. Um you're not having to pay large lump sums in the fall and the summer for tournament fees. You'll be able to spread that out over over the year. Um so hopefully look for that. um starting this fall, we'll be able to get those out as far as a registration is concerned.

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SCYL Admin: Um it also allows for supplemental things to be done within in-house within the team, which is what I like. Um you'll be able to as a coach be able to have a team code where you can invite new kids onto the team. Um you'll be able to invoice them independently or we can obviously do it as a league as well. So, just some some changes that hopefully will kind of expand throughout um SCIL moving forward to make things easier um on parents and communication a lot easier. Um does anybody else have or does anybody I should say have any questions um before we wrap this up?

Grace Winn: Yeah, I think I think I have one question. The only thought I have is will this um like the information is that going to be somewhere we can look at like again like all the pricing for the different um levels of Bye.

**SCYL Admin:** Yeah, Grace, it will be. So, um, at the end of this, um, what I'm going to do is I'm going to put this, um, PDF that, um, I was running through up for everyone to see.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um, I'm also going to put um our meeting notes from today um that have and and the recording up so that anybody who has any questions can ask. Um, at the end of the PDF there's you can also email us if you have any questions and I'll be able to get you an answer pretty

Grace Winn: Awesome. SCYL Admin: quickly. Grace Winn: Thank you.

**SCYL Admin:** Absolutely. Let's see. We got another question.

Name not available: Hey Jordan, just a comment really just from questions that I've gotten from a lot of people. Um, a lot of people have asked me about coaches in comparison to other clubs and such and you touched on this I feel like, but we actually, how do I word this? Some of these clubs have fantastic coaches certainly, but just because you're paying a bunch of money and maybe they were division one or even a pro player doesn't always make them a great coach, especially for younger kids. Um, so I know that's just something that random parents ask me around the fields a lot.

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**Name not available:** Um, I just thought that might be helpful for some people if you're if that's on your mind.

Nisa&Miles Morris: Sword and you're muted.

**SCYL Admin:** Good point. Thank you. Um Brandon, I think that's it's a good point. Like, you know, we you know, I I always refer back I I if you if you go to a practice over at Crimold and you see our instructional kids out there, um you'll understand that it it takes a village, right? Um and uh it's uh the same thing here, right? So when I know for sure a couple of these teams started two years ago,

Robert Condon: Hey there.

**SCYL Admin:** we may have had a couple of coaches and now a lot of these teams may have four or five coaches. Um because people really start to step up and it's not necessarily like you said having top tier coaches. It's just having people that really give a crap, right? Um are willing to be present and are willing to show up. So, one thing that we did this year was, and I'm still working on it, is kind of creating a coach's toolkit for having tons of drills, a drill library, a coach's library.

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SCYL Admin: What I hate to see is that we have 10 or 15 kids that want to play and be on a team and we don't have a coach. Um, and those are the things where it's like those kids aren't asking for a division one coach, they're just asking to play lacrosse. Um, and I think that's what we can give them here, which I think is really neat. Um, parents will step up. Um, what I've seen. Um, and they just want to play. So, being able to do that is super important. And I and I hope that that's what happens as we can continue to grow is that parents are like, "Oh, look, we're seeing that, you know, this is super community-based and it's it's my kid just wants to play lacrosse and be better and play it year round." um what can we do to help? Um and we're already starting to see that um which I think is is pretty neat. So hopefully that's the case for a lot of teams is that we have interest as a head coach or an assistant coach and then more people just kind of step in um to to assist.

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SCYL Admin: Anybody else? I do have a question here. It says uh year round with select. We've heard that the 24 2034 team is already established but now adding to their summer rosters. We haven't seen any supple supplemental triyouts. So um there are uh there are teams right now that are currently playing for select that have been established and do have a full roster. Okay. A lot of those as different age groups as they emerge into the next year, lacrosse changes. I mean, fundamentally changes. Um it in the girl side it moves from an HV8 up to 12v12. It in the boy side it's the same thing. Um that huge transition happens mostly in third grade. Um, and they will increase roster sizes and other things change like field size and things like that. So, kids, you'll notice in from third grade to fourth grade, um, kids become really tired because they're not running 60 yards anymore. They're running 110 or 120. They get tired and they get tired fast.

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SCYL Admin: Um, so to answer that question, there are teams that did run supplementals this year, absolutely. And there are some that did not because they they couldn't because they already had a full roster where it would be a disservice to add more kids to that team for them just to sit there uh on the sideline um because they're probably in an 8v8 situation. Our rosters will open up and there will be full evaluations for the full team um starting in June and July. Once I finalize the dates for each team, I will post them on Facebook. Um, if if you don't follow Select on Facebook, please do. Um, we do post a lot of our stuff there and I will do a mass email. Um, we will put up a registration link for full evaluations. So, if there a team decided not to do evalu supplement supplemental evals, that's probably why um because did have a full roster. Um and but but moving forward in the summer they they will increase um and open up these evaluations.

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**SCYL Admin:** So I hope I answered that question. Um Ryan, you have a question. **Ryan McLain:** Yeah. You talked about breaking the payments up over multiple \$200 payments. Uh, is that going to cause like a issue over the years as far as like being able

to afford the kids going to the tournaments or anything like that instead of getting the money for like instead of South Carol having the money up front to cover the costs? **SCYL Admin:** Yeah, know that's a good question. So, the reason that we're doing it now this way is it actually works out better for the program. Um, so for instance, um, in the fall, fall tournaments are much easier to register for. Um, they typically don't sell out as fast. Um, so we don't need a ton of money as an organization upfront to front our tournament costs for the fall. Plus, we're doing less of them. So, the way that we have currently worked it is that we have two massive payments of 400 bucks or so depending on the team.

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SCYL Admin: But the problem that we're running into is that the tournaments in the summer for our summer tournaments, we're actually registering for those tournaments in January and February. So, we haven't even we just sent out summer dues now, but we've already paid for those tournaments. So, for us, it'll be super helpful with this model because that money will will be on hand for us to cover the tournament costs when we get into the summer months. Um, that is the whole reason to do it. It's not going to change anything for as a parent. Um, you'll actually be able to set up your own payment plan um over a period of time. Um, so your first payment will not change. that will be \$200, but the rest will be spread out over every everybody will be different depending on age group. Um, but it does work out so that you're not constantly getting bombarded with emails twice a year like pay now, pay now, pay now, pay now. It's just going to be really easy as it goes across and it will be an auto withdrawal.

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**SCYL Admin:** So, it's it's just going to remind you, hey, just want to let you know your payment your second payment is coming out in let's say November. Um, and then it'll do the same thing again in January and February. We can actually set it up however we want to. If we you want it monthly, it can be monthly. If you want it every other month, every three months, it's really up to you when you're going through the registration process. The goal is is first payments will be August. Last payments are going to be in March. Um, so hopefully that makes it easier for everybody, including us as a club. If that answers your question.

**Ryan McLain:** Yeah, I guess I was just concerned that like, you know, that that we would deplete all the funds in South Carol's Bank while we're waiting on everybody to pay in and then miss opportunity for the kids to

SCYL Admin: No,

**Ryan McLain:** be able to do something. Okay.

**SCYL Admin:** no, no. we'll be I think we'll actually be in a much better position um this way um because that that those f that will be coming in and instead of coming in in two massive waves, it'll be coming in gradually over the course of the winter.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um which will make it much easier for us to be able to register for tournaments as the club lacrosse scene grows both on the boys and the girls side. Um registration is it's getting outrageous. Um, I think like BeachLax sold out and they actually had to open another they ended up getting another property to run the tournament on. So, they opened it back up again. I don't even know how many teams are going to be in Ocean City this year, but I know it's going to be a heck of a lot more than there was last year. So, um, this will allow us much e it'll be much easier for us um on coaches um to be able to do that.

Ryan McLain: Awesome.

**SCYL Admin:** Awesome. Anybody else? Now's your time. Don't send me 8,000 emails.

Nissa, you got anything?

Nisa&Miles Morris: Uh, not yet. I think I'm good. Lots of information, but I appreciate

everything you put together tonight. Thank you.

SCYL Admin: Yeah. Lisa, go ahead.

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**Lisa Neale:** Okay, maybe let me try. Sorry, I'm trying to put the kids down too and listen. Um, so I had sent you that e sent you that email, the question and answer about her daughter who's on 2034. So since they're not, if I'm understanding you correctly, they're basically an established team. So that means she's not going to be able to play with them, be added to their summer roster. Is there a chance that she can try out do the supplemental for for 2035 to be able to play through the summer?

SCYL Admin: So what? So she is a 2034, correct?

Lisa Neale: She's a 2034. Yes, sir. Yep.

SCYL Admin: So she would she would have to play for a 2033. She cannot go down

because then **Lisa Neale:** Okay.

SCYL Admin: she would have to uh the whole team would have to play essentially play

up. Now, they do offer waiverss sometime, but it's very unlikely. Um,

Lisa Neale: Okay.

SCYL Admin: as a lot of tournament providers like Aloha and are are really trying to stick

to US lacrosse's uh age verification system.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um, if everybody is a US lacrosse member, USA lacrosse, you will ob you will have to be to play select. Um, for a couple of reasons. One, age verification. um they're really starting to nail down on that. Um and then two, insurance. Um as a club, every person on the team must have a US lacrosse membership, which will be part of your registration. You will actually have to put in your US lacrosse membership ID um in order to register. Um so I think from I think Katie Katie Geo is the coach. So I know for their two summer tournaments they are 8v8 and they have 16 already. So in order to get all 16 to be able to play that is why they did not run a supplemental. Um they are going to hold evaluations in the second week of July. I can tell you that much. Um, and once we finalize those times and location, most likely Krumbold Park, um, we'll send out a massive email um, and post it on social media so that everybody has it.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um, and yeah, I I hope I hope that answers your question. It's not that we are trying to say, hey, no, your kid can't play. It's just purely based off of the numbers that we have. And that goes it's different for every age group, right? like some age groups have tons of interest, other age groups do not, and we struggle to fill a team. Um, and

**Lisa Neale:** Mhm.

**SCYL Admin:** that's just one of those one of those age groups. So,

Lisa Neale: Okay.

**SCYL Admin:** um, we will we will notify everybody though. Um, now I will tell you this, Lisa, if your daughter wants to play in summer tournaments, I would highly recommend

going to some of the tournaments. uh websites that they're playing in. And a lot of times you can register as a free agent.

Lisa Neale: Oh, SCYL Admin: So Lisa Neale: okay.

**SCYL Admin:** you can go in and play on a a separate team if they need somebody. Say they get, you know, they have kids on vacation or whatever it may be, they will pick up

free agents.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um and it happens all the time and the tournament organizer will send out a massive email to to clubs and say, "Hey, these are our list of free agents. This is the position they play. Do you want to pick them up? And it's likely they will get picked up. **Lisa Neale:** Okay. So, if she's wanting to get play more playing, like I said, she's been doing wreck for the last two years, but has really taken a liken to lacrosse.

SCYL Admin: Yep.

**Lisa Neale:** And if she's wanting to do more practices, I don't know so much tournaments, but more like just practicing through the summer, our only option, it sounds like, is to register as a free agent with South Carol Select. Correct.

**SCYL Admin:** So, you would just register as a as a free agent. it wouldn't be under South Carol Select because they any team could pick you up. Now,

Lisa Neale: Gotcha.

**SCYL Admin:** to answer your other part of that question, we will be I mean, we have our summer camp here um this summer at Crim Gold that we run every year, which is Monday through Thursday.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um I will post the link up here. If not, I'll put it in the notes that I send out. Um it's Monday through Thursday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Crimold Park. Um and so we will have that. Um, last year we also did some triilax events, um, like one night a week, um, where kids could just come out and we did kind of like skills and drills. Um, we open that up for kids that have never played, but there's also plenty of kids that are out there that have that are currently playing and have played in the past. Um, and we'll have we'll

have those hopefully scheduled soon. Right now, we are buried in South Carol Day that is happening this Saturday and the Noah 10day that is happening next the following weekend. So once we get through that, it'll open us up to be able to get those dates and times out to everybody.

Lisa Neale: Okay, thank you.

SCYL Admin: Yeah. Um Christie, what you got?

Christy Kingan: Um, yeah, Jordan, I just wanted to clarify.

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**Christy Kingan:** So, for our 2035 girls team for the summer tournaments, we're in a 3435 bracket for one tournament and we're 9u for the other tournament. So, can I have 34s on my team for that just for summer? I know they'd have to go elsewhere in July, but if we have people that are 34s, could they come play with us just for those summer summer tournaments since that's the way our bracket is set up?

**SCYL Admin:** Yeah, I mean if if your bracket is, you know, every tournament is different, right? So, um like Lack Splash does a 9U, 11U, that kind of thing. And then but most like more formal tournaments that have been around for

Robert Condon: All

**SCYL Admin:** a while, especially like Aloha Run ones, those are going to be your your grad year tournaments. Um but if you have a tournament that you're playing in where you let's say need a player and it's a 34 35 bracket, I don't see why that would be an issue for the team. Um

Christy Kingan: Yeah, SCYL Admin: obviously Christy Kingan: beach

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SCYL Admin: they

Christy Kingan: lax is beach lax is 3435 and uh lax flash like you said is dy new. So, if we

can do that, I would **Robert Condon:** right.

**Christy Kingan:** love to have those girls come to the supplemental try out if we can, just knowing that it would just be for summer. But I just have been trying to get a clarity

around that from the

**SCYL Admin:** Yeah. Yeah. No. Um I I mean Robert Katie, you could chime in if if I'm um off point here, but um if you're playing in a division in a tournament that can accept uh two age groups, then it does open up the team to be able to take on different ages. I mean, I know other programs do it very often. Um but I mean, I don't know if you have any anything different, Robert.

**Robert Condon:** No, that No, that's correct. Um, she definitely could add a few great older girls for tournaments as needed.

SCYL Admin: Yeah.
Robert Condon: Yep.

SCYL Admin: Yeah. Okay. Yeah.

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**SCYL Admin:** I mean, Christie, if that um if that is something that you want to do for those specific ones, absolutely. You just got to get with us to figure out um obviously cost and and uniform and all that kind of stuff. Um so, but yeah, I don't see why that would be a problem.

Christy Kingan: Great. Thank you guys.

SCYL Admin: Yeah, no problem. Um, who else is here? Rob.

Rob Hollasch: Yeah, thanks J. A

SCYL Admin: Yeah.

**Rob Hollasch:** question. Um, if all the teams are based around USA Lacrosse's grad year and that's what the tournaments are, are all the leagues, the local leagues that you're showing on the schedule, are they all going to move to that or are you going to have issues with any older players in their grad year playing any of those leagues? **SCYL Admin:** Yeah, Um, so it's kind of funny. So, USA Lacrosse as a governing board.

**SCYL Admin:** Yeah. Um, so it's kind of funny. So, USA Lacrosse as a governing board sets out a bunch of rules that they quote unquote want people to follow, right? So, are tournament providers and local leagues um subscribing to that age verification system?

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**SCYL Admin:** Not yet fully. um you know like for instance uh Mila or Western Maryland um they're relying on our registration process when we're registering for those leagues. Um and you do not need to be a USA lacrosse member to play in Mila or Carol Boys or

Girls League. So tournaments are starting to change um depending on where you go. Um and they are asking like I think it was probably two or three months ago USA lacrosse was asking for like passport or birth certificate or something like that to be uploaded. Um so do I think it's going to get there? Yeah. Um, I mean, I, you know, it's going to change because we're in this grouping right now with kids, um, from COVID that either got held back or stayed back. Um, so obviously those are the kids that are physically larger, maybe have more skill, doesn't really depending. It's it's really a safety concern just, you know, sizewise and and skill-wise. So, I think you're going to see that being subscribed to more often, but it's not really upheld much now.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um, I think Matt Matt could probably talk about it more on the girl side or Katie. Um, but that's what we're seeing on the boy side so far.

Katie G: Hey, this is Katie chiming in. Um, so you're totally right about if the tournament grad year is a combo, they're good to go. But also, especially for you, Christy, if the a tournament that you want to play in is specific to a grad year, you can always email them and ask like, "Hey, would it be okay to supplement, you know, with a couple players from this grad year?" We had to do that last fall. Three of our girls ended up not being able to make it, and we were able to supplement with permission from the tournament with four or excuse me, three fourth graders. Um, so it's definitely an option. Um, especially for the girls who we can't unfortunately pick up for this summer for 2034. Um, if they could, you know, figure out a way to work out with your team and play in those tournaments, I think that'd be a good compromise.

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**SCYL Admin:** Yeah. And Rob, I mean, you know, we we, you know, are paying attention to US lacrosse and yes, we do require a membership. Everybody has to have a USA lacrosse membership to play South Carol Select. Um, it's not expensive. Um, someone can correct me if I'm wrong, but I think it's between \$30 and \$40 for for your athlete. Um, they get a US Lacrosse magazine every month. Um, and that comes with the insurance policy through US Lacrosse. Now, you know, while they're they're playing here at our facilities in Carroll County, they are falling under our insurance as well through the county um and the wreck program. Um South Carol Youth Lacrosse um is through the

county's insurance policy. But when we leave our facilities, USA Lacrosse um does carry that insurance policy in case there is an injury at a tournament or whatever it may be. Um uh a couple questions that people have asked. Nikki, um have you identified a coach for the 2033 boys team? Um yes and no.

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SCYL Admin: Um, I know that's not what you want to hear. Um, but it it's kind of a tight rope right now. We have identified some interest from a high school um, he's the captain of the lacrosse team in Anono County um, that wants to continue with the sport and he wants to coach youth lacrosse. Um, he is going to be coming out to a couple practices in the upcoming weeks once his season is over. um and has all the interest in the world in doing it. Um we also have some feedback from some previous coaching staff that um may or may not be coming back. Um I will have a definite answer for you in two weeks. Um and I'm just telling you what the conversations that I've had of what I've been told. Um, I am actively every day trying to find a 2033 coach. Um, we, like I spoke about earlier, we've already had some parents that have already said, "Let's get this thing going. We will coach." Um, so I can probably give you an 85% yes that we will have a 2033 boys team, but I haven't come out, especially publicly yet to let everybody know that it is a guarantee because I don't want to have to eat my words and I don't want to really tick off uh a bunch of 33 parents that have already been on a roller coaster of a ride.

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**SCYL Admin:** So, give me another week or two. Um, and I will have a definite answer for you. Um, I would love to be able to get them registered for at least one tournament at the end of the season. I've already talked to Colin Fagan over at MDLL who is saving a end of June spot for the red, white, and blue tournament at Talson University for 2033 team. And as soon as we get some um clarity on it, um I will be emailing all 33 old 33 team members and opening up tryyouts for it. So I hope that answers your question, Nikki. Anybody have anything else? I'll take them all.

**Name not available:** Hey, so just to add another um and correct me if I'm wrong, I think we spoke about this before. It probably doesn't solve the It definitely doesn't solve the summer tournament issue, but we can have more than one team per graduating year,

hypothetically at least, correct, if there's

SCYL Admin: you're

Name not available: interest and and uh coaches. So like we could have two 33

teams

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SCYL Admin: Yeah, Name not available: in

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SCYL Admin: see. Yeah. No, no. I mean

Name not available: Okay.

SCYL Admin: that one thing we are not going to do is tell a bunch of kids that they can't

play lacrosse if

Name not available: Right.

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Name not available: to that point, sorry to cut you off. If anybody on here is listening and you've got a bunch of people on your current wreck team that are interested and they're like, "Oh, our age group doesn't have enough opening slots, especially if a coach is in interested. Reach out to Jordan. we can put another team together. Not necessarily going to get summer tournaments, but you could start practicing through the summer and get stuff going on for the fall and stuff. Is that correct?

**SCYL Admin:** Yeah, absolutely. And that's kind of what I've been working on right now um is being able to uh get uh enough volunteers there to make practices throughout the summer after the rec season is over happen.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um, that's my number one concern outside of getting the coaching staff, but I'm not I, you know, I hesitate to put together a team that can't have the coach, right? The coaches are the most important piece of the puzzle. So, if the coaches are there and the need is there, then I will absolutely put something together. Um, but I do need to

have uh unfortunately I wish I I had better better info, but I I want to make sure that we've got all of our eyes dotted and tees crossed before I start sending out messages. But yes, to answer that question too, Brandon, um if we have multiple, there is nothing wrong with having multiple teams at H, right? Like um if the need is there, then then we will put it together. Absolutely. Nissa, did you have a question?

**Nisa&Miles Morris:** Yeah, I was just thinking about like the interest in the players having enough players interested um for the 2036 grad year. Is there like kind of an end date where we need a certain number of players by to determine whether or not we're going to have a club team um for that like first fall tournament?

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**Nisa&Miles Morris:** Uh should that be determined like by the end of July um evaluations or is there kind of like a grace period there?

SCYL Admin: Yeah, I mean I think when a young team is starting, you're going to get people that kind of just flow in at a rate that is just inconsistent. Um I think for for you for 2036 like we we want to get a date set in stone that we are going to put together an evaluation. Um, we want to put out expectations of what we plan to do between the end of the wreck season and the fall and winter. Um, so, uh, I think it may benefit you to do an evaluation earlier than July, um, if you could. Um, and that way you can start with what you have and continue to run open practices um, until that that fall deadline or timeline for for fall tournament. Um, I mean, you're 8v8, so I I don't think you need a ton of girls. Um, but you will obviously see interest continue to grow. um as the information is out there.

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**SCYL Admin:** Um and I I push it out locally as much as I possibly can, mom's groups and Facebook groups and on our social media page and obviously word of mouth. Um so I even I even pushed it out to other programs the other day that I know don't have club teams. um just send it to their like info email for their club just to let them know that we we will be running evaluations for the 36 grad year. So um I think get with me after this in the next week or so and like let's put together a plan for you um like let's say in June if it's something that's available to you and then we can run open practices um and and you can you know establish your roster that way.

Nisa&Miles Morris: Okay, perfect. Thank you.

**SCYL Admin:** Yeah, absolutely. Anybody else? No, no, no, no. Okay. Well, thanks everybody. Um, be on the lookout um for um evaluation dates um for each team. Um, we put together a website um that's going to have all this information on there.

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SCYL Admin: Um, check out uh our social media on Facebook um for any updates and then I will email out um a graphic an infographic of our um summer evaluations um when we'll be running them. Um it's going to span June and and probably July. Um, I think some coaches have decided that they are taking, you know, time off, vacations, family, you know, all the common sense things. Um, and then getting back together towards, um, the end of the summer, um, to get, uh, boys and girls back to practicing again. Like I said, every team is going to do this differently based off of our volunteer coaching staff. I want to make that super clear. Um, I know last year there was some some parents that were like, "Well, why is that team doing that?" Well, it's because likely that coach was taking their family on vacation. Um, and there's nothing wrong with it. Um, we are a little different than some of these bigger paid clubs that are paying their coaches and their staffs. Um, just please keep that in mind as far as expectations are concerned. Um, and you know, hopefully we'll continue to grow this thing um, in 2025, 2026. Um, and as always, if you guys have any questions, um, any feedback, um, don't hesitate to reach out to us just to let us know. We are absolutely here for it. If we can do something better um, to make the teams run smoother or the kids better, then that's absolutely what we're going to do. So, thanks everybody for coming. I will get this these notes out and this recording out. And if you don't see it, just shoot me an email and I'll get it. Send it directly to you again. I appreciate everybody coming out tonight. Thank you so much.

Robert Condon: Thank you.

SCYL Admin: that's,

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