

# The UniBall Weekly

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## UniBall Lessons Level 2

To continue onto to the UniBall Lessons system here is what to expect in level 2:

### Offense:

- More Advanced team play
- Dribbling
- Trick shots on Smaller Maps
- How to fake out the goalie
- Wall Passes

### Defense:

- Small Map Zone Defense
- Blocking Trick Shots
- 2 v 1 defense on Small Maps

If I have forgotten anything on the smaller maps let me know. Level 1 and 2 are to introduce a player to the game and help them learn what they need to know so they can move on to the bigger maps. From what I have noticed, the players that learn their skills on the smaller map are more prone to be top competitors in the bigger games.

Level Two Teachers are Still TBA. If you are interested let zoron or Maria know.

## LiveScore Betting

The LiveScore channel has been one of the more active channels on BR Chat. With its updates of football (soccer) matches all around the world, any fan would appreciate its existence. But the fun doesn't stop there. LiveBets has also been incorporated into the LiveScore channel. With this bot, you can place bets with virtual money on matches that will take place for that day. First you must type !register in the LiveScore channel and then you are allotted €100 to bet on games. You are allowed to bet on a match up to 15minutes before the match kicks off. Once you place a bet, you cannot change or cancel it, so bet carefully and wisely. Now you might ask yourself, "I suck at betting what if I run out of money?" No problem! You can !refill your bank account once every 7 days and only if you're under €25. For more information, visit <http://livescore.uniball.org>.

Thanks to TheDevil, WetWookie and staniol for all their hard work in coding these 2 bots!

# UGN Takes a Break

As announced on March 16, UGN is going to be taking a break.

UGN is UniBall's longest running league. From the beginning UGN had some huge demand. It started out as survivor back in 2004 and grew from there. Many players were interested in the new survivor map and the new twist to the game that it offered. After a couple of seasons Racing and corner defense were added to the mix, making it one of UniBall's most diverse leagues. These leagues sparked up even more of an interest. Players had hosted racing leagues before but this league had something the others didn't, options. Not only did it offer options of different games in the same league but it offered a friendly user interface. After many successful seasons, surreal introduced UHL. UHL was UniBall's 1st hockey league that set up teams with users based on their overall score. It brought a whole new competitive level into the game. Users didn't have to sit around and wait for the games to fill and then random a bunch of times to try and make the teams fair. It also took the heat off of squad vs. games. Users started to interact and play more with each other.

This topic was only up for a matter of minutes until the reply's started to fly. Many players had their opinions about UGN and most of them did not hold back. After reading the articles and having a discussion with the players, it seemed that few problems were actually in the league but most of what most users wanted to see was change with in UniBall itself and the way some of the things were run. Many players wanted to see admins more involved with the leagues. The discussion came up that the "problem users" should not only receive a ban from the league but also from UniBall. Have the league channels moderated just like BR Main. This brought up another discussion. Why do we have admins that have no intention of returning to the game? Why don't we put in new admins that could help improve the game? This could not only help out the leagues, but help out UniBall and see more changes with user suggestions. Other users wanted to see the way teams in UHL were calculated changed. This discussion went on for over half of the day, and posts are continued to be added.

What does this mean for UniBall and UGN? Well simply put, the leagues such as DMR and Corner Defense are going to be shut down until further notice. As for hockey, MnM continues. Starting on April 1st, the season opens back up. WetWookie has not announced on how the league is going to run due to UGN's break. We will see if surreal's league taking a break changes anything with the way UniBall is run and the suggestions that were offered will be put into the league.

## TCL Season 4 Final

The game highlights can be seen here: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MW-Ro7tsqv4>.

To not spoil the game I will not reveal any results, however both teams played quite well but it was obvious as to which team was superior in this final.

## Player Reviews

Review by: Maria and zoron

I stress that everyone sees things differently in a game and I don't play with the reviewed player 24/7, everyone has good and bad games and once again it's solely my opinion at the time. The overall is just averages of all stats doesn't mean your better than a player with a lower rating as

everyone knows its good to have players who excel at certain aspects for a balanced and effective team.

### Rating 1-10

1 - Worst

5 - Average

10 - Best

Scoring: is the likeliness of you scoring a goal by any means with the ball in your possession, includes one on one moves, effectiveness with ball around goal line, etc.

Ball Handling: is the ability to maintain possession of ball through juking, graving and bouncing.

Playmaking: is the ability to get team-mates involved, score off assists, making plays, etc.

Passing: is self explained, but passing in regards to timing and accuracy

D - (man to man): is ability to guard players who has possession of the ball

D - (Off ball): ability to guard player without ball, covering passing lines, and preventing fast breaks, etc.

Attitude: includes actions during games, state of mind, arrogance, ego, hostility, etc.

This week's player review will be Globe:

## Player Review: Globe

Uniball Player Comparison: Pomm, Bandit

Football (soccer) Comparison: Cristiano Ronaldo

Scoring: **10**

Ball Handling: **10**

Playmaking: **6**

Passing: **5**

D - (man to man): **4**

D - (Off ball): **2**

Attitude: **2**

Overall: **5.6**

Strengths: He is one of the best when it comes to individual play. He can set up plays for himself and get out of very tough situations. He knows all of the hockey trick shots and likes to use them. When it comes to him playing in a hockey game, his team will most likely win because of the skill that he has.

Weaknesses: He is not a strong defensive player, when he loses the ball he tends to give up. When it comes to man vs man he is in the lower tier of UniBall. When his team starts to lose, he starts to hog and gets frustrated. He will find a reason to leave if his team is not winning. He is not a strong team player, even though he can set up good plays when he wants to.

-Ranked by Maria

-Reviewed by zoron

# Interview with EC

Interviewer: -Alien-

-Alien-: How did you come across Uniball?

EC: Jiggs, Badmario, Bizarre are my old neighbors, so I can credit them.

-Alien-: Are they still your neighbours now?

EC: No I moved about a year ago, but still live like 5 minutes from them.

-Alien-: Ah I see, so they taught you the basics or did you learn on your own?

EC: A little bit, I would have to give outkast all the credit for training me.

-Alien-: Don't know him that well unfortunately but what year was that then?

-Alien-: That you were introduced to Uniball?

EC: 2006 I think.

EC: Early 2006.

-Alien-: Oh so fairly recent, I thought you were an old player???

EC: Nope, my first name was TCramer13.

-Alien-: So are you happy with UniBall's developments and all new stuff over the last few months?

-Alien-: New ladder, leagues, UBC etc.

EC: Yea it's pretty nice, I hope that the ladder gets going like it used to be, the website is really nice, it's a good direction for ub.

-Alien-: Yeah I hope so too and think same as you, so what about outside UB, you care to share anything with your personal life?

EC: Umm, I'm getting ready to end my senior year of high school then I'm heading to Penn State to study criminology.

-Alien-: University?

EC: Yea.

-Alien-: You get good pay for that don't you?

EC: Yea it will be alright once I get my degree.

-Alien-: I'm guessing you're around 18 then?

EC: Yea ill be 18 in May.

-Alien-: You got any plans for the future?

EC: For UB: I plan on playing with pub for the rest of my UB Career, and for life I'm hoping college goes well and then get a nice job !!

-Alien-: Do you have any specific hobbies?

EC: I actually wrestle for my High school.

EC: 5th in the state.

EC: \$\$

-Alien-: You won a lot of fights?

EC: lol I try to avoid fights, but if they come up can't back down.

EC: I also play counter strike source professionally.

-Alien-: For money?

-Alien-: Tournaments?

EC: We get money from tournaments but all of our fees and LAN expenses, equipment is paid for so basically if we win I get paid and it doesn't cost me anything. We usually split like \$2500 between 5 guys.

-Alien-: I see, anything else u want to include?

EC: I want to give a shout out to Dan...

EC: The red wings suck!

EC: Go Pens!

-Alien-: Ok, good interview there sir.

-Alien-: Have a good day.

EC: You too.



## You Got Quote'd!



Sometimes things can be taken too literally, causing confusion for that person and a good laugh for others. This week's You Got Quote'd section comes from a misunderstanding by Tigerworm.

\*\*\*Tigerworm has joined Ladder

Tigerworm: sup

Maria: hi

Tigerworm: From Killer: join ladder

Maria: I think he meant the ladder game ;x

## Tweeder-isms

A moment of UB-Zen

And now, your moment of enlightenment brought to you by UniBall's own Buddha, Tweeder. Mediation is encouraged but not required. Allow your mind to be at ease, and your senses alive. Tweeder says:

"ITS A F\*\*\*\*\* GAME! it was made to be played, not to be won"



## Happy Birthday UniBallers!



Happy Birthday to UniBallers celebrating their birthday this month:

LunarLite	March 5 <sup>th</sup>	18 years old
mop	March 8 <sup>th</sup>	19 years old
gillesp	March 11 <sup>th</sup>	21 years old
pennerup	March 12 <sup>th</sup>	17 years old
varsity	March 19 <sup>th</sup>	22 years old
fez	March 29 <sup>th</sup>	23 years old
Method	March 31 <sup>st</sup>	22 years old

If you would like your birthday posted in the newsletter, e-mail [uniballhelp@gmail.com](mailto:uniballhelp@gmail.com) with your name, birthday and how old you're going to be!

