

The UniBall Weekly

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UniBall Lessons, Level 3

The last installment of the lessons will be level 3. In this lesson we are going to focus on the larger maps such as hockey. All of the stuff that has been taught in lessons one and two are going to be brought back to help you learn on a bigger map. In this level you will learn:

Offense:

- Basic and Advanced team play
- Passing Lanes and the best times to pass
- Setting up plays
- The most efficient way to score against a zone defense
- Self passing to include different trick shots.

Defense:

- Large map zone defense
- Man to man
- Preventing goals on a zone defense
- Defending on the face off.

Level 3 is going to be a longer lesson. As you can see there are many things that are going to be worked on. When I talk to the instructors of this level I will determine if this needs to be more than one night. If you have any comments please feel free to let zoron or Maria know!

UBLadder Bot Stats

Not only can you organize your ladder matches and view who is online, but now the UBLadder bot lists current stats for users on the ladder! When you type `!mystats` or `!stats name`, it will pull the information from that player's profile and show you their stats. This only works for people who are on the ladder, so if the `!stats name` command doesn't work, it means that you typed the wrong name or they're not on the ladder.

Ex: **tekno-gts Squad** - **Duel Rating - 1405** **Squad Skill - 1031** **Wins/Losses - 52/13**
Current/Longest Streak - 4/14

The win/losses only take into account the duel win/losses and not squad (since there is no stat for that on each person's player info).

The bot will also update ladder matches as they are reported. It will show the player or squad that won, who they played against and the score with a lovely phrase to go along with it!

Ex: <WWBot> Tekno-Gts eschews mercy for Visa to the tune of 10 to 7

Thanks to WetWookie for coding the new UBLadder Bot! Squad win/losses are also projected to show up by the bot at a later time. The old commands for the bot are also still functional, such as !mates name, !team squad, !three, and !whoon squad. If you haven't already, /join ubladder and make full use of the new bot!

April Fools say WHAT!?!?!

So at approximately 8:30am on Wednesday morning April fools day users saw this message.

Reconnect for Admin..... CONGRATS!!!!

So you rejoin and see an A by your name! You are also in the Admins channel. Now if you joined an hour or so after a bunch of users figured out that it was a joke, this is what you came on to:

"Hey!!! Congrats man! You deserve it! I'm glad to see you got it!" So, by the time you realized it was a joke, you either thanked a bunch of people, tried to use your power or were bragging about it and calling your IRL friends on the phone.

This trick is one to go down in the history books. It went on for about 12 hours and fooled almost every person in UB. Screenshots will be posted of this joke in the future and I do not think it is one that will be able to be beaten. I guess we will have to wait until next year to find out!

I will admit it had me hook line and sinker for about 10 minutes!

NJ Zoinky, Ragnar and NickW!

Interview with Invasor:

Interviewers: zoron and -Alien-

Tell me a little bit about your self, How old are you? When did you start playing UniBall? And what brought you to the game

- I'm 23 and I don't remember how I came across the game, it was some free game site, possibly gamehippo.com

When you started playing what is one thing that you remember? It could be a player, game, admin, etc.

- I remember I sucked and didn't know there was a brake for like 4 months

Yeah, I had that problem too, I didn't know there was br chat until drakling told me about it, so I played for like 4 months without a brake and did not know there was a chat to go with the game.

You had a name before outkast, what was it?

-Jayrad4 and Xes (sex backwards - I was so cool)

Do you remember your first squad?

- It was *L* for Losers. It was with my buddy in real life, we never won. That's how we came up with our name. Then we started to win and had to change the name.

Does your buddy still play?

-No, his name was Freestylez, some may remember him. He was very good

You have been known to make some top end squads. Ones that usually are top ranked. What kind of players do you look for to join them? Also, what makes your squad better than other squads?

- It depends; I have been in some squads where it was just flat out the best I could get. Then others where I thought there were guys who were on the brink of being good and people didn't know yet. Lots of people don't like my squads; some people refer to me as a Nazi and don't like my slow play. I prefer to call my style just smart. I don't have the skills of a pomm or a corv but I like to think that I can compete only because I am one of the smartest. I like to train people, its fun

Out of all of your line ups, what would be your favorite line up?

-alb and thur and myself. su was my favorite squad because we really took the time to develop chemistry and we were beating lineups we had no business beating, and then everyone started playing that style.

Who else do you think is within your league of this smartness you talk about?

- I think Wawa, I like playing with him, but things just never worked out for that to really happen. I was in pub, but then I had to go inactive cuz of a new job and getting my life in order and they all went to zg, then when they all went back I was not invited cuz ia hates me and says I am not as active as him and Wawa would never leave his crew to come to SU with me Bert and the others.

Are their any other players besides Wawa that have this smartness you are talking about?

-He is a player I compare myself too. I mean smart players are like Albert, iron, tigger. Guys who know how to adjust to their opponents to win. There are other guys who will play their game no matter if they are getting blown out or not. I would mention some names but I feel that they know who they are

What are you plans for your future in UniBall?

- I like One, I hope to develop this team until we can compete with the top guys. They will leave me to join squads like DD mpt pub etc. Someday I would like to go back to pub to play with Wawa and ec.

-As for UB's future, I dunno man, I don't see much of one they have to get new players playing and work on some the staff.

What do you think of crazy ideas like guns on Uniball ships?

-Stupid, what they should do is fix the gravity in this game, old gravity was so much better.

It was a lot different, teams had to be teams to win

- Yeah, guys could actually juke and play without bouncing, and this is just retarded. You would hit a guy and that guy couldn't get it back. Now you sit there and watch globe let u hit him and he speeds off and scores

What about your IRL future. Will you have the time with your job to continue playing and teaching players to be top competitors?

- I am an Accountant, busy season is almost over. With my fiancé just about finishing school I don't know if UB will be a part of my life in about a year, but for now it's good to pass the time.

- Yes I got engaged just before Christmas. She's is in a physical therapy program - 6 years for her, we have been together since sophomore year of High School.

What do you think of the current stuff to help new players and motivate the new ones to come such as ubhelp, the newsletter and lessons?

- The newsletter? What took UBC so long? Great idea! How about a ladder weekly recap, like the latest squad happenings? Who joined what squad and mention big ladder matches and big upsets.

I just have to say this interview was a lot of fun. It lasted about two hours. Of course everything could not be put in, but outkast is very open in his opinions. I think him and alien might have become friends in this interview. He has many great ideas and hopefully he sticks around! Best of luck to you outkast!



You Got Quote'd!



This week's quote of the week comes from the April fools joke! It was definitely a day of laughs! Everyone ended up being involved which made it even better!

Topm: you made me an admin?

Topm: what does that mean

surreal: yes

surreal: you get to boot people

surreal: type /error goliath

Topm: cheers

surreal: it'll boot him

Topm: ah cool

surreal: do it now

***Topm has left ZG

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:

"ASSISTS mean exactly what it is!"



Happy Birthday UniBallers!



Happy Birthday to UniBallers celebrating their birthday this month:

zoron

April 27th

22 years old

punkkid

April 19th

21 years old

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

