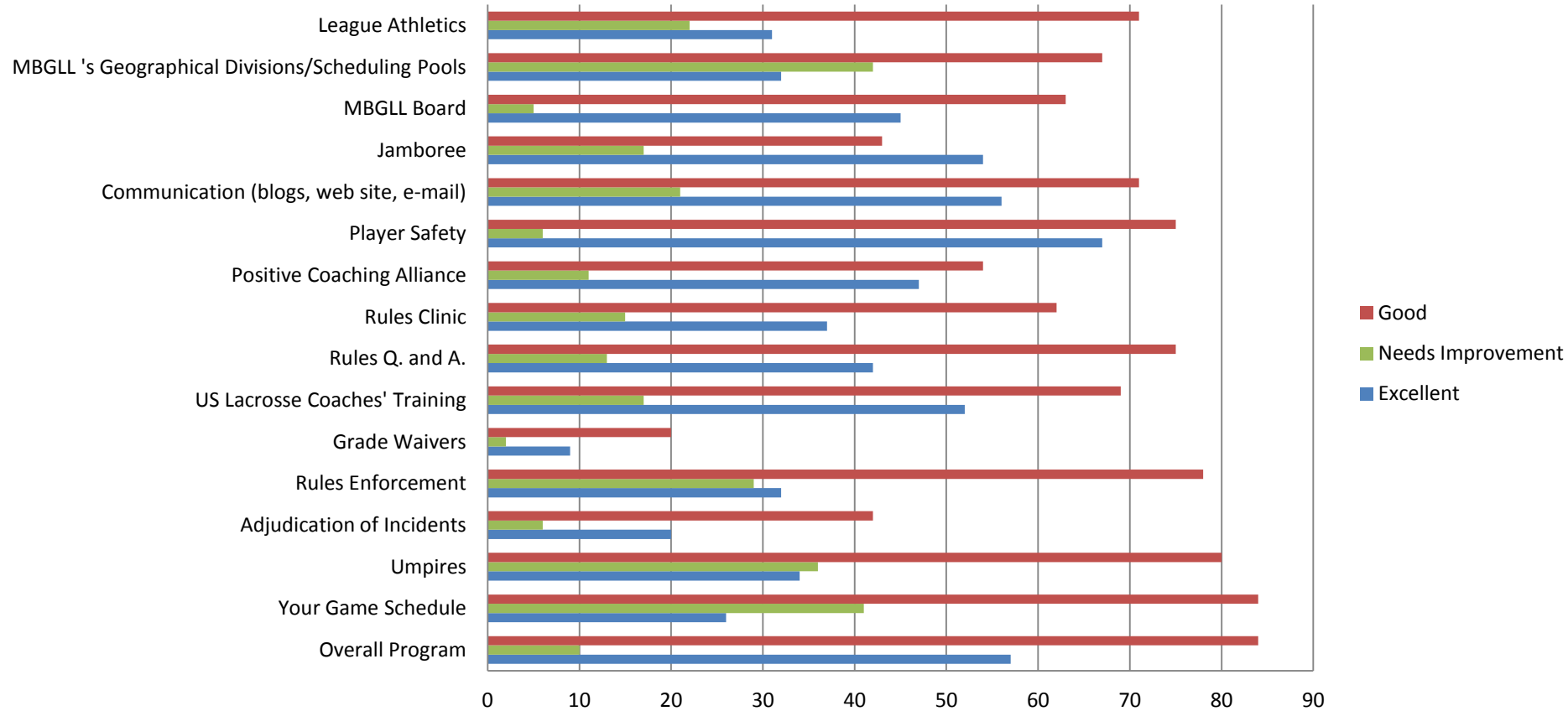


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Please rank how well you think MBGLL has done this year.

Answer Options	Excellent	Good	Needs Improvement	N/A	Rating Average	Response Count
Overall Program	57	84	10	0	1.69	151
Your Game Schedule	26	84	41	1	2.11	152
Umpires	34	80	36	1	2.03	151
Adjudication of Incidents	20	42	6	83	3.01	151
Rules Enforcement	32	78	29	13	2.15	152
Grade Waivers	9	20	2	118	3.54	149
US Lacrosse Coaches' Training	52	69	17	14	1.95	152
Rules Q. and A.	42	75	13	20	2.07	150
Rules Clinic	37	62	15	33	2.30	147
Positive Coaching Alliance	47	54	11	37	2.26	149
Player Safety	67	75	6	4	1.65	152
Communication (blogs, web site, e-mail)	56	71	21	2	1.79	150
Jamboree	54	43	17	37	2.25	151
MBGLL Board	45	63	5	34	2.19	147
MBGLL 's Geographical Divisions/Scheduling Pools	32	67	42	9	2.19	150
League Athletics	31	71	22	21	2.23	145
					<i>answered question</i>	152
					<i>skipped question</i>	1

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Please provide comments about MBGLL's services that you particularly enjoyed.

Answer Options	Response Count
	86
<i>answered question</i>	86
<i>skipped question</i>	67

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 31, 2012 11:07 AM	The referees were fantastic, especially since it was our first year. Everything was well run and put together.
2	Aug 17, 2012 2:03 AM	The rules clinic and coaches training
3	Aug 15, 2012 3:24 PM	I think the MBGLL board does a great job. They put in a lot of time and effort to make the league run well and it shows.
4	Aug 14, 2012 12:40 PM	I received many positive reviews of the US Lacrosse clinic
5	Aug 14, 2012 1:55 AM	Great communication. Excellent rules clinic. Dedication to player safety.
6	Aug 13, 2012 2:11 AM	You are very understanding about our travel issues during scheduling. Coaching clinics are great and serve to raise the game league-wide.
7	Aug 13, 2012 1:37 AM	Coach training was helpful. Umpires were good at (U9) instructing girls on game rules but allowing them to play. Web reminders keeping us in the loop were helpful.
8	Aug 12, 2012 9:25 PM	The regular email updates
9	Aug 12, 2012 9:16 PM	Classes
10	Aug 12, 2012 6:56 PM	Rules clinics and opportunities for coaches to gain more training, etc.
11	Aug 12, 2012 1:59 PM	Great spirit, most coaches have the same attitude toward teaching the game, smaller field for U9 & U11, board communication
12	Aug 12, 2012 1:25 PM	I really liked having a more regional jamboree.
13	Aug 12, 2012 2:11 AM	Great communication with e-mails
14	Aug 11, 2012 1:35 AM	email communication
15	Aug 10, 2012 9:19 PM	The training class was very informative
16	Aug 10, 2012 5:30 PM	training and rules q&a
17	Aug 10, 2012 1:02 PM	It was great that so much training was offered, and the Jamboree went really well I thought (Byfield)
18	Aug 9, 2012 9:39 PM	Jamboree was a great time for my players.
19	Aug 9, 2012 2:18 PM	I feel as if towns and coaches are always well informed regarding happenings with MBGLL and US Lacrosse. Also, as in this case, MBGLL is always offering the opportunity for towns to have input in league decisions and policies.
20	Aug 8, 2012 8:42 PM	The Jamboree at the new site, great idea and great event.

21 **Aug 8, 2012 3:17 AM** The Jamboree in Franklin was a great time for all

22 **Aug 7, 2012 10:44 PM** The Jamboree continues to be a highlight of the season. The PCA was very good, and should be continued.

23 **Aug 7, 2012 6:09 PM** I think the communications were good in that they were frequent and clearly expressed. I also think the extra coaching certifications, training, and tools has been very helpful in further understanding the girls game.

24 **Aug 7, 2012 5:45 PM** The PCA program held in Watertown was excellent. Would like to see more of it extend to parents. Also really liked the Rules Q & A.

25 **Aug 7, 2012 3:28 PM** We were happy to hear of MBGLL's move to a League Athletics website service. We have used it for many years now, and its the best out there.

26 **Aug 7, 2012 3:26 PM** League does good job keeping big program on the tracks. Comm was good. Messaging good.

27 **Aug 7, 2012 2:04 PM** We think once we were at the jamboree, it was great. Quite a bit of stress getting registered and not closed out. We have a lot of teams who all want to go. We need a second day for Franklin

28 **Aug 7, 2012 11:21 AM** the program was very good with communications, email answers and follow through. The board did an excellent job making sure the towns were all on the same page.

29 **Aug 7, 2012 1:38 AM** Jamboree is incredibly well organized

30 **Aug 7, 2012 1:33 AM** Good getting info out

31 **Aug 7, 2012 1:29 AM** text reminders, rules Q & A,

32 **Aug 7, 2012 12:27 AM** for the most part the match ups were good...all games had refs and for the most part the refs were very good. One idea is maybe a rating system for the refs to give feed back

33 **Aug 6, 2012 9:47 PM** Jamboree and Rules Q & A. Jamboree are just a good end of the year event designed to have fun with all the players. Too bad some towns choose to participate or run their own tournament the same weekend. Rules clinic is helpful to provide clarification to some of the finer rules as well as the basics for the newer coaches.

34 **Aug 6, 2012 9:02 PM** The coaching education was excellent.

35 **Aug 6, 2012 8:57 PM** Have a south Jamboree was great!

36 **Aug 6, 2012 8:16 PM** Christine does an excellent job.

37 **Aug 6, 2012 7:02 PM** pro-active communications and adherence to US Lacrosse program continues to impress with keeping the balance between program growth and sportsmanship / fun

38 **Aug 6, 2012 6:24 PM** Having two jamboree's was a fantastic idea.[]
Teams did not have to travel such long distances

39 **Aug 6, 2012 6:01 PM** I thought the 2 locations for the jamboree worked out very well

40 **Aug 6, 2012 5:33 PM** The opportunities for coaches to learn and improve their own skills is tremendous and, while it wasn't always easy to get new coaches to all the trainings, I do think that this requirement (hopefully with some flexibility) is a good one--there are too many (male) coaches out there who don't know what they're doing and/or bring a negative attitude to the game. []
It was a well-coordinated season.

41 **Aug 6, 2012 5:23 PM** WVery organized and girls had fun

42 **Aug 6, 2012 5:22 PM** The competition was better this year with more variety of teams

43 **Aug 6, 2012 5:22 PM** This was the first season for Northbridge so just to see the girls out there was amazing and rewarding. They learned so much.

44 **Aug 6, 2012 4:29 PM** we had a great season

45 **Aug 6, 2012 4:12 PM** I liked the pre-season rules clinic.

46 Aug 6, 2012 3:55 PM The coaching seminars were helpful and the kids had a lot of fun at the Jamboree.

47 Aug 6, 2012 3:46 PM The game reminders were very nice.

48 Aug 6, 2012 3:25 PM Volunteers do a great job

49 Aug 6, 2012 2:36 PM Jamboree

50 Aug 6, 2012 2:19 PM Well run and organized, good communication

51 Aug 6, 2012 2:04 PM good communications

52 Aug 6, 2012 2:03 PM I think the league is taking t he right steps to train coaches and referees and needs to continue to improve in this area.

53 Aug 6, 2012 1:58 PM The Franklin coaches really do a wonderful job. I really liked the fact that more of the games were played in Franklin rather than travel for the lower age group (k-2)

54 Aug 6, 2012 1:55 PM The jamboree was well run and a lot of fun.

55 Aug 6, 2012 1:32 PM I think the jamboree was great this year at the franklin location.

56 Aug 6, 2012 1:25 PM Great experience for my daughter. First time playing and was on a very experienced team. She absolutely loves lacrosse even though she is still learning the game. Great experience and looking forward to next year.

57 Aug 6, 2012 1:00 PM coach training initiatives are great!

58 Aug 6, 2012 12:56 PM Overall organization was good but when there were questions about teams or games during the season emails were never returned by the league.

59 Aug 6, 2012 12:52 PM Great job with scheduling and web-site

60 Aug 6, 2012 12:48 PM Communication! I emailed with a problem - someone responded and the problem was resolved- and another email followed up.

61 Aug 6, 2012 12:44 PM Quick responses to questions, League Athletics web site was great!

62 Aug 6, 2012 11:48 AM i thought the sportsmanship was much improved this season

63 Aug 6, 2012 2:28 AM Christine Haberman has been excellent. Staying on one field at the Jamboree was wonderful.

64 Aug 6, 2012 1:14 AM I appreciated offers to see college games.

65 Aug 6, 2012 1:11 AM LIMITED TO WEEKEND DATES, I HAD HOPED I COULD HAVE DONE MORE GAMES. I BELIEVE I DID ONLY 7 OR 8 GAMES. TRAINING WAS GOOD HOWEVER IF I AM ONLY ABLE TO GET SCHEDULED FOR 7 OR 8 GAMES IT IS NOT REALLY WORTH THE TIME INVESTED TO GET CERTIFIED

66 Aug 6, 2012 12:30 AM The jamboree was great and very well run. Would like to see teams better matched for the event at the u11 level

67 Aug 5, 2012 11:46 PM Away games too far for elementary aged girls

68 Aug 5, 2012 11:45 PM The jamboree was run very well

69 Aug 5, 2012 11:40 PM education

70 Aug 5, 2012 10:50 PM Geographical divisions were outstanding. Previous years it took longer to travel to game than it did to play them. Thank you!

71 Aug 5, 2012 10:38 PM I thought the Jamboree went very well this year. I really liked the select team option for towns. This was our first year and i would do it again.

72 Aug 5, 2012 10:04 PM Jamboree was fun for the girls

73 Aug 5, 2012 9:46 PM Game scheduling and times were fair for the most part. Some refs were great while others need significant training to be more effective.

74 Aug 5, 2012 9:42 PM The Jamboree and the new divisions were excellent this year

- 75 Aug 5, 2012 9:38 PM MBGLL was new for many of us on the board this year. Everyone was extremely helpful in helping us understand, ramp up, etc. Shout out to Ryan!
- 76 Aug 5, 2012 9:16 PM jamboree in two locations, coaches training, PCA for coaches
- 77 Aug 5, 2012 9:10 PM Good communication, good job educating about new rules, changes, etc
- 78 Aug 5, 2012 9:09 PM Rules clinic
- 79 Aug 5, 2012 8:43 PM The coaching clinics and rules Q and A were great, but I would like to see some scheduled in the summer and fall. March is a very tough time to try and get most of the clinics in. Too hard for most.
- 80 Aug 5, 2012 8:20 PM Informational seminars like coach training and rules training held "live" emphasize the importance of the subject matter.
- 81 Aug 5, 2012 8:14 PM Clinics offered to coaches
- 82 Aug 5, 2012 8:05 PM I love the idea of the sport of lacrosse. But am highly disappointed in the program offered.
- 83 Aug 5, 2012 8:01 PM I thought the website and email communications were very helpful.
- 84 Aug 5, 2012 7:58 PM The league and games were well organized.
- 85 Aug 2, 2012 3:32 PM I enjoyed everything about the league!
- 86 Aug 2, 2012 1:27 PM x

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Please provide suggestions on how to improve MBGLL's services.

Answer Options	Response Count
	93
<i>answered question</i>	93
<i>skipped question</i>	60

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 31, 2012 11:07 AM	Please offer more times for the training. Most coaches also coach other sports. Your training sessions only fell at times when the coaches were busy with playoff games.
2	Aug 17, 2012 2:03 AM	Deliniate in a book for just mbgyll rules and not get them in notes. It was not always uniform throughout the league
3	Aug 16, 2012 12:39 PM	Please get the umpires to call infractions. It does no good to "let them play" if they are not playing properly or safely
4	Aug 15, 2012 3:24 PM	Teams that stack their players. How do we fix that?
5	Aug 14, 2012 12:40 PM	Consider rethinking the 3 pass rule for the U15s Why is the rules Q&A/clinic mandatory each year? Too many mandatory clinics makes it difficult to attract new coaches.
6	Aug 14, 2012 1:55 AM	- better consistency re: referee interpretation of rules.[] - Hopefully AB will be available next year for the jamboree - our fields were sloped, pitted, etc.[] - If MBGLL doesn't want single teams at the rec level, they should work to better monitor that policy. Being a 3/4 team and playing a team of all 4th graders doesn't benefit either side. Same issue happened at the 5/6 level.
7	Aug 13, 2012 2:11 AM	Web site is difficult to navigate.
8	Aug 13, 2012 1:37 AM	Games were FAR away for us. [] Game times were all over the board which was confusing to parents. [] We had a few game scheduling issues that weren't resolved until the last minute leaving our parents hanging.
9	Aug 12, 2012 9:16 PM	Teams need to adhere to balanced teams especially at lower levels. would like ref to call off-sides at u-9 level because self-policing by coaches does not work, thus causing confusion when teaching girls to play above or below the line.
10	Aug 12, 2012 6:56 PM	Scheduling can be improved. Many of our teams signed up as a "beginners" team and was scheduled against "intermediate" level teams. Also, found inconsistent enforcement of rules by umpires.
11	Aug 12, 2012 1:59 PM	scheduling games closer to home - we never played adjacent towns, but oftentimes traveled 45 min to play, ref payment process is a nightmare to deal with, Jamboree officials seemed to have different rules to regular season (some contact and checking was allowed at U11), encouraging all towns to participate in Jamboree (it seemed only the best participated, making it frustrating for a 1st year program), maybe follow same schedule at MBYLL so that the Jamboree isn't played so late in June, thus encouraging more towns to want to participate
12	Aug 12, 2012 1:25 PM	Na

13	Aug 11, 2012 1:35 AM	coaches trainings in more locations
14	Aug 10, 2012 9:19 PM	Offer more training earlier
15	Aug 10, 2012 5:30 PM	Ensure all refs are comfortable telling coaches when a coach is violating rules. This is especially difficult for young refs with an "adult" coach - I witnessed a coach bully a ref and our team to avoid playing by the substitution rules.
16	Aug 10, 2012 1:02 PM	It would be great if training was offered in the fall as well as pre-season. While I know that scheduling is a huge headache, we had issues with our game schedules this season - level of competition.
17	Aug 9, 2012 2:18 PM	scheduling and paying of officials as always been an issue for andover. we have always done our best to assure that officials are paid the correct amount and in a timely manner. mbgll has made great efforts in addressing the scheduling and contacting of officials, however, for some reason, it seems like this season was the most difficult season in a while. officials were often scheduled late in the week and just as often changed just prior to games. as i have stated in the past, it would be great if towns could pay a flat fee with registration that would cover the cost of officials.
18	Aug 9, 2012 12:48 AM	Allow communication on how players can join the jamboree even if their coach is not participating in it. I identified MANY of my child's teammates participating but I was not informed as to how and if we even had this as an option. (We were new this year to the league).
19	Aug 8, 2012 8:42 PM	Keeping score, standings, playoffs etc. Many of these girls play other sports in which there are standing playoffs etc.
20	Aug 8, 2012 3:17 AM	Coordinate with MBYLL on scheduling. We had weeks where all 12 teams (8 boys and 4 girls) were traveling. We also had weeks where everyone was home. It is impossible to schedule 12 teams on one field in one day.
21	Aug 7, 2012 10:44 PM	Make it easier for coaches to volunteer. We seem to be adding a lot of requirements to coach, some taking more time than necessary (the rules clinic was overly complicated and way too long in duration). Keep it simple. Do more coaching clinics on drills to run at practice, do it by age group and skill level. Show new coaches how to develop skills and teamwork.
22	Aug 7, 2012 6:09 PM	Electronic payment for referees would be great.
23	Aug 7, 2012 5:45 PM	Please start earlier in the pre-season to provide coach training and certification. Also please look at other venues. This year has a new level of requirement for coaches, but it is difficult for coaches to make it to Groton or north shore and south shore. Many of our coaches also coach other sports in the year, so time is really tight. I would like to help facilitate one in Watertown. This location could serve Belmont, Arlington, Lexington, and many other towns.
24	Aug 7, 2012 3:28 PM	Scheduling games at the same fields for towns, instead of making them go all over the place. Last year was much better and we hope it continues to get better.
25	Aug 7, 2012 3:26 PM	Enforcing the messaging of fun vs winning. Several teams I played this year were very focused on the win at u9 level. Clarity on which rules will be focused on. Shooting space was a mystery to me. Some weeks strictly enforced and not on others. Would like more local training for coaches. More sessions you offer the better.
26	Aug 7, 2012 2:04 PM	I think the services are fine. I would love to see referees made available to visit early season practices and talk with teams
27	Aug 7, 2012 11:36 AM	Not having sufficient number of umpires to cover games was a problem-- it was disappointing and unsafe.
28	Aug 7, 2012 11:21 AM	The rules clinic should only be required for first time coaches. Have any rule change training be online. Also, the arbiter system was a little unpredictable and difficult to follow. we know it was new, but the mistakes were plenty. We had two senior refs show up at a game and both insisted on being paid, understandably so. But, this mistake should have been caught before this happened.

- 29 **Aug 7, 2012 1:38 AM** It does not make sense to me to drive an hour, straight through several towns that also play youth lax... We had crazy commute schedules this year. I would prefer to play local towns. Officials, on the whole, we're not good. A few of the men (vs. Westford and Groton) did not even know the youth rules. We played an entire U13 game without one shooting space call. It is also not fair to ask one ref to cover the entire game and field... We had several games with one official.
- 30 **Aug 7, 2012 1:29 AM** more coaching resources
- 31 **Aug 7, 2012 12:27 AM** See above....not enough communication and town website and MBGLL was never in sinc...one game didn't get notified of change in time until the night before.
- 32 **Aug 6, 2012 9:47 PM** Face to face regional meetings. Everything seems to be e-mail/website communicated. There are very few physical meetings and generally not regionally based so unless you are near the meeting, often times they are very difficult to get to. A regional approach allows for good discussions and interactions between towns and often times good ideas come up and get refined to better league operations.
- 33 **Aug 6, 2012 9:02 PM** Perhaps we could all use more education on the rules and enforcement.
- 34 **Aug 6, 2012 8:57 PM** Enforcing rules especially at the U11 level which specifically states no retraining lines. Many officials and coaches held back 2 players taking away from the intent to mirror a full field game.
- 35 **Aug 6, 2012 8:16 PM** Each town's board should choose what their own coaches need regarding training and where they do and what they pay. It is all volunteer and having so many demands placed upon coaches and the board from MBGLL is starting to get out of hand. We are losing coaches.
- 36 **Aug 6, 2012 7:02 PM** too many game cancellations due to not enough players or non availability of a coach for a game date. fighting weather rescheduling is tough enough. a town program needs to meet the minimal commitments for the 8 games on the schedule out of respect for the league and the opponents time commitment.
- 37 **Aug 6, 2012 6:30 PM** Get schedules out in a more timely manner.
- 38 **Aug 6, 2012 6:01 PM** Team and jamboree registrations were challenging. Not sure how to improve the software. Aso , it would be helpful to coaches to have mid week training sessions in their region
- 39 **Aug 6, 2012 5:52 PM** Jamboree ref's need to be reviewed. It was a very dangerous tournament for my team, with the umpires disregarding the safety rules and even unclear on the safety rules when asked.
- 40 **Aug 6, 2012 5:33 PM** The communication prior to the Jamboree was a bit late - I had all kinds of questions from players' parents inquiring about the schedule and nothing was posted. I'd recommend more comms leading up to the event.
- 41 **Aug 6, 2012 5:23 PM** I think we should keep standings and scores for U 13 and 15
- 42 **Aug 6, 2012 5:22 PM** There should be scoring for U13 and U15 levels I think that the U15 level should do away with the three pass rule we need to prepare the U15 girls for there High School careers
- 43 **Aug 6, 2012 5:22 PM** Playing appropriate opponents, considering our true beginner level, would have eased the transition for the girls.
- 44 **Aug 6, 2012 4:27 PM** Need to be more competitive. Teams need to be matched up better skill set
- 45 **Aug 6, 2012 4:23 PM** I would like to suggest that the U11 scheduling process be reviewed to try to match towns that have U9 programs against each other. All but two of our games were against towns with no U9 programs which made for lop-sided games.
- 46 **Aug 6, 2012 4:12 PM** The website was harder to navigate this year to find contact info for other coaches and refs on our schedule page.

- 47 **Aug 6, 2012 3:55 PM** We had a really tough schedule this year. There needs to be some way for you to better judge how teams are. There were many intermediate and some proclaimed beginner teams that were really good. Maybe a collective years of experience marker, or a number of players on select or club teams could help make the games better. Even in the Jamboree, we were placed with two teams that were about our level and one that killed us.
- 48 **Aug 6, 2012 3:46 PM** The jamboree needs to have more room for more teams. My girls were very disapointed when registration was full after a day and i was not able to get them in.
- 49 **Aug 6, 2012 3:25 PM** Improve level of competition, create A & B teams
- 50 **Aug 6, 2012 3:02 PM** While I understand the value of training, the new requirements are way too rigorous for volunteer coaches at the rec youth level. Repeating the rules q & a yearly is unnecessary - the rules don't change enough year to year to warrant it. I would also lighten up the requirements for assistant coaches. The course offerings are great, but I believe they should be optional.
- 51 **Aug 6, 2012 2:43 PM** Boys and Girls Programs scheduling systems should be integrated and completed at the same time to help ease the jockeying for field space due to town limitations.
- 52 **Aug 6, 2012 2:36 PM** the web site is awful It must be revamped and be user friendly.It shouldnot be difficult to find your team, locate your schedule and contact opponent coaches. Also we had to cancel a game because we did not have a ref and we had a no show ref for another game.
- 53 **Aug 6, 2012 2:28 PM** At U11, we need some more consistency in the officiating so that the girls learn and understand the rules. For example, calling shooting space violations differently from one week to the next confuses everyone, including the coaches. Suggest that the officials learn to call these types of violations the same way, and also that the officials understand they have to communicate how to play within these rules to the girls on the field during the game. Some officials are excellent at this, but many need significant improvement.
- 54 **Aug 6, 2012 2:19 PM** simplify the Web site ..to much clutter. to many choices which created confusion for coaches ex: coaches clinics etc,,,
- 55 **Aug 6, 2012 2:04 PM** better scheduling, both geographically and similarly skilled teams.
- 56 **Aug 6, 2012 2:03 PM** Scheduling was a problem. I do not agree that the young girls should be playing so late in the afternoon/evening. i was told this was to keep the referees fresh which is ridiculous as most times, we had seperate referees for U11 / U9. I had some fairly late games and would return close to 8 pm on a Sunday which is not right for 10 year olds.[]
[]
Referee training is key for consistency. I found there was a divide between how the younger referees enforced the rules vs the older referees. The younger ones I think actually do a better job as they are typically still playing and have been a part of the girls game as it has evolved over the last 10 years.
- 57 **Aug 6, 2012 1:55 PM** Removal of the 3 pass rule from U-13 and above. Including modified stick checking at u-13 per USL guidance.
- 58 **Aug 6, 2012 1:42 PM** tough to do, but having the refs w/ LOUD whistles and exuding confidence. Some of the younger refs don't take charge and you can hardly hear the whistles....not an issue at all w/ seasoned refs.

- 59 **Aug 6, 2012 1:32 PM** I think clearer coaches training requirements would be helpful.[]
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 Our schedule seemed to change quite a bit this year which caused confusion with parents.[]
 []
 At the jamboree I beleive more time is needed between halves and games. I think all three games that we were invloved with started late at the beginning of the game and after the half. I believe the time it takes to switch fields, get the players on the field, etc. requires more time.[]
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 I would like to suggest a MBGLL night at the Boston Cannons lacrosse game. Our teams did this, this year and it was a big hit, I think as an overall league event we could get a lot of families to attend and have a good family lacrosse event
- 60 **Aug 6, 2012 1:25 PM** I would love to see more skills sessions outside of the season. Would make a huge difference. Something similar to Franklin Soccer School perhaps?
- 61 **Aug 6, 2012 1:00 PM** referees are inconsistent in the extreme. "letting them play" is often in conflict with player safety.
- 62 **Aug 6, 2012 12:56 PM** One of the major improvements needed is the scheduling of games. At N.Reading we have a U11, U13 and U15 Girls teams. MANY families have multiple kids playing at different age groups. I personally have one girl in each and it is impossible to coach or attend these games. I understand that some towns have too many teams to accomplish this but for towns with only 3 teams it would be beneficial for me as a coach of all 3 teams to have the away games booked similar as our home games with one town coming in for all games. There was too much work needed to switch the games so that I could coach the different levels. I dropped out of the U11 and lent my help when I could but I never really got to see any of my daughters U11 games.
- 63 **Aug 6, 2012 12:52 PM** none
- 64 **Aug 6, 2012 12:48 PM** Be careful with the schedules - beginner teams should play beginner teams - intermediate teams should play intermediate teams. I had a beginner team and my schedule was difficult with us playing 4 beginners and 4 intermediate teams. I had this problem resolved (Q#3 above) but it would be great if next year it was not a problem!!!
- 65 **Aug 6, 2012 12:44 PM** I understand we are not block scheduling, but it would be nice if we could get four home games for each of our teams and the girls could be home on the same dates. We have U11, U13 and U15 teams, but each Sunday, we are all going in different directions. We have lost families who have multiple girls on different age teams. I know its tough to create a perfect schedule, but if we go in different directions for away games, why can't we all be home four times as well on the same Suunday's?
- 66 **Aug 6, 2012 12:25 PM** It would be a good thing to provide an organizational chart of the league and who has responsibility for what. This may exist but I never saw it. I also found the website difficult to maneuver and not very intuitive.
- 67 **Aug 6, 2012 2:28 AM** Game schedule that has more variety of towns playing against and is closer by for poor parents!
- 68 **Aug 6, 2012 1:28 AM** You guys are great. It the Hamilton program that needs improvement. The girls are practicing with the entire group of 80 rather than with their team. They are not nurtured and are not improving enough. They are overwhelmed.
- 69 **Aug 6, 2012 1:14 AM** Website is still hard to navigate and poorly populated with information on coaches and town officials.
- 70 **Aug 5, 2012 11:46 PM** Closer games
- 71 **Aug 5, 2012 11:45 PM** As a 1st time asst. coach last year, I wish there were more clinics for those of us that never played the game.
- 72 **Aug 5, 2012 11:40 PM** find ways for towns to travel less
- 73 **Aug 5, 2012 10:50 PM** Referees should overlook three loop rule for U13 and below.

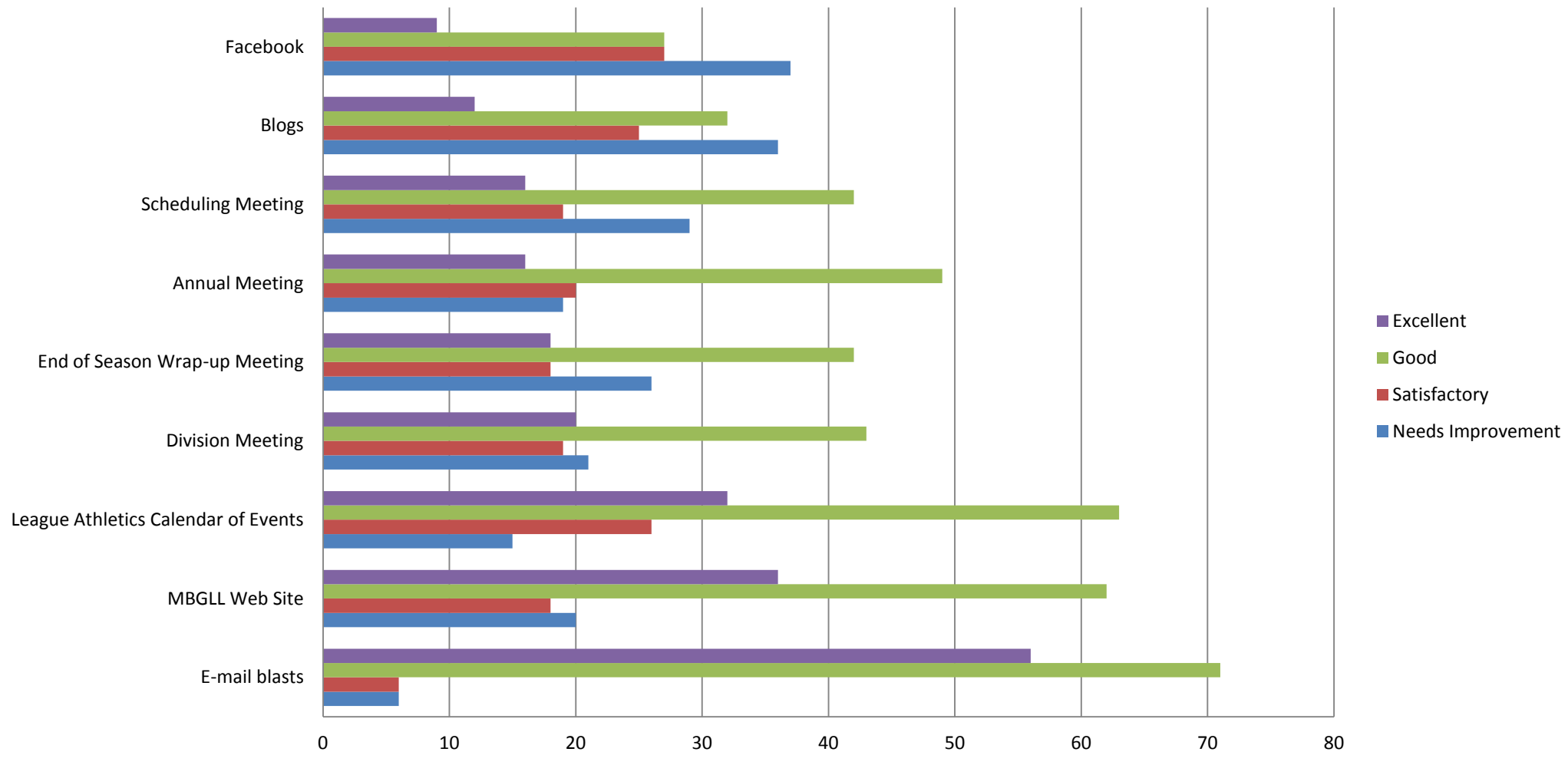
74	Aug 5, 2012 10:38 PM	The website still needs some work. It can be difficult at times to find some things. I know you don't want to hear it but the schedule still needs some adjustments to it.
75	Aug 5, 2012 10:08 PM	Need to have more options for coaches training where there is an option to take a course over a couple evenings instead of one days events. Some in the Fall.
76	Aug 5, 2012 10:04 PM	Nothing at this time
77	Aug 5, 2012 10:01 PM	Some players play up on higher grade teams; as much as possible could all grade levels play same town on same day.
78	Aug 5, 2012 9:46 PM	You need a jamboree structure similar to that of the Boys at Ft. Devens.
79	Aug 5, 2012 9:46 PM	Need a quick communication method - use of Facebook, more little communications between Jan and April - Using Facebook lets towns set up communication channels
80	Aug 5, 2012 9:46 PM	Provide more ref training to ensure more equitable and consistent game officiating. Also, provide more coach training on how to promote and encourage better sportsmanship - had a few games last season where a minority of opposing team players were abusive / poor sports with words and actions during the game.
81	Aug 5, 2012 9:42 PM	The time has come to start keeping score at least from 5/6 grade level on up and the Elite teams. Also the three pass rule should end at the 5/6 grade level. We need to prepare 7/8 girls for true high school lacrosse.
82	Aug 5, 2012 9:16 PM	require coaches and officials to list their email and cell phone # on site and in arbiter
83	Aug 5, 2012 9:10 PM	Need to get some higher level teams to participate. It's a challenge to get enough competition for all levels within the league.
84	Aug 5, 2012 9:09 PM	We need to have two refs at every game for u-13&u15 games
85	Aug 5, 2012 8:57 PM	Coach contact information was missing and it was difficult to confirm a few games.
86	Aug 5, 2012 8:43 PM	geographical schedule for select teams needs to improve.
87	Aug 5, 2012 8:14 PM	The league has been a learning league for so long now, time to become competitive - at least 7th/8th grade
88	Aug 5, 2012 8:05 PM	Have knowledgeable women coaching the girls. The girls shouldn't get hand me down boy uniform leftovers, they should be given girls uniforms to keep every year. The prices are too high for what is received. Age appropriate play should be happening - not coaches trying to teach high school defensive moves. The list goes on. No girls should be yelled at the way they were this year. Majority of the girls have no interest any more because of the negative experience.
89	Aug 5, 2012 8:01 PM	Refs are still very inconsistent
90	Aug 5, 2012 8:01 PM	Having to confirm the refs every week although not a big deal is just one more administrative thing that needs to be done. if there was some way to have the cell phone numbers on the LA site for coaches and refs just in case of last minute contact that would simplify things.
91	Aug 5, 2012 7:58 PM	More coaches with training on position.
92	Aug 2, 2012 3:32 PM	I thought some of the umpires were inconsistent. Some would enforce a particular rule, others would not. Overall they were good, but could use some improvement.
93	Aug 2, 2012 1:27 PM	x

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Please rank the effectiveness of the following communication methods that MBGLL used throughout the year.

Answer Options	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement	Response Count
E-mail blasts	56	71	6	6	139
MBGLL Web Site	36	62	18	20	136
League Athletics Calendar of Events	32	63	26	15	136
Division Meeting	20	43	19	21	103
End of Season Wrap-up Meeting	18	42	18	26	104
Annual Meeting	16	49	20	19	104
Scheduling Meeting	16	42	19	29	106
Blogs	12	32	25	36	105
Facebook	9	27	27	37	100
				<i>answered question</i>	139
				<i>skipped question</i>	14

Please rank the effectiveness of the following communication methods that MBGLL used throughout the year.



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Please list any other methods that you think MBGLL should use to better communicate.

Answer Options	Response Count
	26
<i>answered question</i>	26
<i>skipped question</i>	127

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 16, 2012 12:40 PM	I don't use facebook
2	Aug 12, 2012 6:57 PM	none
3	Aug 9, 2012 12:50 AM	Emails and links need to be streamlined and simplified.. its rather confusing to follow and often we'd get emails that were really for our coaches and not anything we needed to respond to. Therefore, confusing.
4	Aug 7, 2012 10:48 PM	Perhaps it is a town by town situation, but should messages be coming from MBGLL or the town? We seem to repeat them (game times, schedules & notifications). How do we create rules that can designate what organization the message comes from?
5	Aug 7, 2012 5:47 PM	Video tape some training sessions for users to log in in order to get remote training on rules, for instance, with a test at the end.
6	Aug 7, 2012 5:03 PM	Scheduling Meeting would be more effective if given more advance notice of proposed schedule. Also, may need a 2nd scheduling meeting once towns release other sport schedules, like soccer/softball/baseball as these seasons start latter than lax.
7	Aug 7, 2012 3:30 PM	Communication was excellent this year and last.
8	Aug 7, 2012 2:07 PM	I think communication is good. I don't use facebook and the end of year meeting had the blackout.
9	Aug 7, 2012 1:31 AM	minutes from meeting, not just power point slides as follow-up
10	Aug 6, 2012 9:50 PM	Regional meetings
11	Aug 6, 2012 9:03 PM	NA
12	Aug 6, 2012 5:25 PM	The ref assignments should be on the same web page as the game schedule and each town should pay into a ref pool and the MBGLL should pay the ref directly through something like paypal
13	Aug 6, 2012 5:25 PM	None
14	Aug 6, 2012 4:26 PM	The navigation of the schedules on the website could be improved
15	Aug 6, 2012 4:15 PM	It is not clear who from our league should be in contact with whom from MBGLL, coaches or other administrators. Leads to confusion around scheduling, changes, and Jamboree issues.
16	Aug 6, 2012 2:37 PM	An entirely different platform, new software.
17	Aug 6, 2012 12:46 PM	None
18	Aug 6, 2012 12:28 PM	I was not part of any of the meetings you mentioned but that may be because I was not on the coaches list for whatever reason. Emails are a good form of communication but a face to face or at least a dial-in is necessary from time to time.
19	Aug 6, 2012 1:14 AM	If there are blogs, I did not know about them.

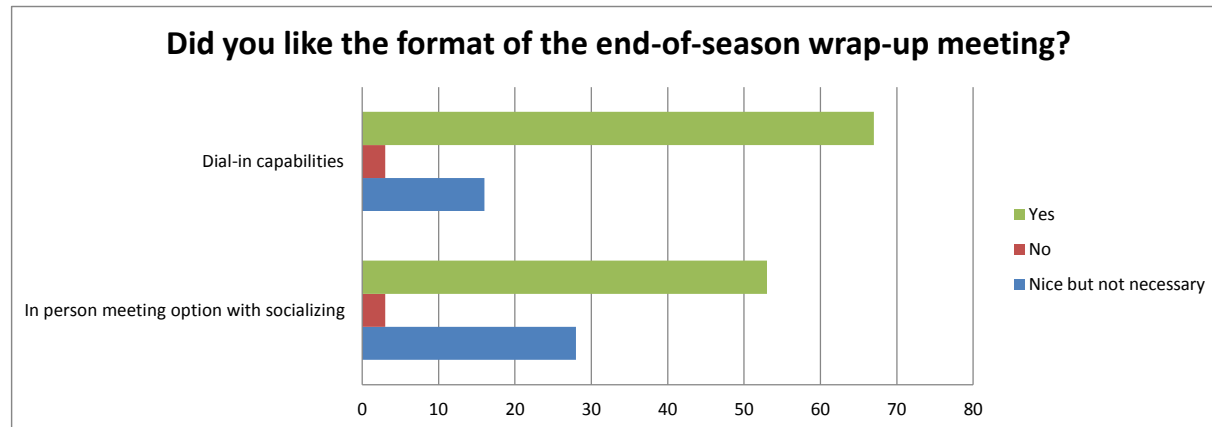
20	Aug 5, 2012 10:06 PM	None at this time
21	Aug 5, 2012 9:52 PM	facebook should be a group -- I did not even knew it existed
22	Aug 5, 2012 9:49 PM	Twitter
23	Aug 5, 2012 9:11 PM	face to face is most effective - you do a great job of this early in the season.
24	Aug 5, 2012 9:09 PM	None
25	Aug 5, 2012 8:47 PM	Date for scheduling meeting needs to determined in advance. You can't let people know a week in advance and require mandatory attendance. Private schools have a two week break in March which prohibits many to attend March meetings/clinics.
26	Aug 2, 2012 1:27 PM	x

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Did you like the format of the end-of-season wrap-up meeting?

Answer Options	Yes	No	Nice but not necessary	Response Count
In person meeting option with socializing	53	3	28	84
Dial-in capabilities	67	3	16	86
Other (please specify)				11
			<i>answered question</i>	94
			<i>skipped question</i>	59

Number	Response Date	Other (please specify)	Categories
1	Aug 10, 2012 5:31 PM	I did not attend	
2	Aug 9, 2012 2:19 PM	was unable to attend.	
3	Aug 7, 2012 2:07 PM	I think all towns should be represented in person. A lot of the meeting focused on the volunteer needs. I didn't feel there were enough towns represented to get a discussion going about the season itself. Also, with long travel to the meeting, I think everyone is anxious to ust plow through the agenda and get on their way. Maybe regional end of year meetings would be better	
4	Aug 6, 2012 9:50 PM	Appreciated the call in capability, obviously the power loss made things difficult but definitely you worked hard to be inclusive. Thanks.	
5	Aug 6, 2012 8:17 PM	Did not get an email about there being one.	
6	Aug 6, 2012 6:03 PM	There was a 20 minute delay and was difficult to hear	
7	Aug 6, 2012 5:35 PM	I think that by having the dial-in MANY folks did not attend (which, I suspect led to plenty of food wastage!). But it was a well-focused meeting.	
8	Aug 6, 2012 4:15 PM	Did not attend.	
9	Aug 5, 2012 11:47 PM	N/a	
10	Aug 5, 2012 8:47 PM	Don't need socializing.	
11	Aug 2, 2012 1:27 PM	x	

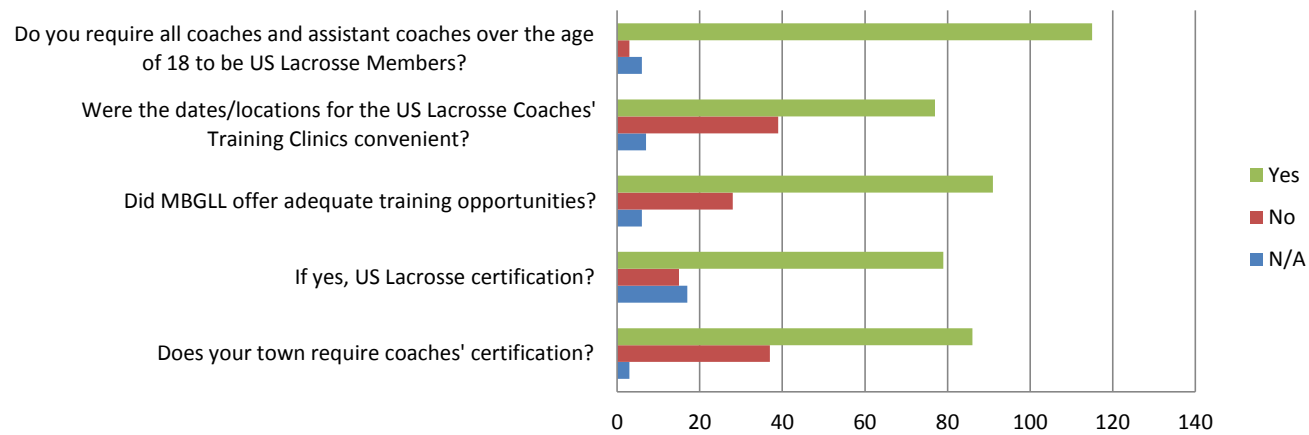


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Please answer the following questions regarding coaches' training.

Answer Options	Yes	No	N/A	Response Count
Does your town require coaches' certification?	86	37	3	126
If yes, US Lacrosse certification?	79	15	17	111
Did MBGLL offer adequate training opportunities?	91	28	6	125
Were the dates/locations for the US Lacrosse Coaches' Training Clinics convenient?	77	39	7	123
Do you require all coaches and assistant coaches over the age of 18 to be US Lacrosse Members?	115	3	6	124
<i>answered question</i>				129
<i>skipped question</i>				24

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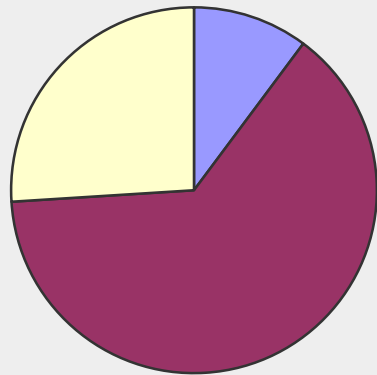


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Would you and your coaches attend a fall super-weekend of training where we would offer multiple educational opportunities over one weekend?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes definitely.	10.2%	13
Yes, if the dates fit my schedule.	63.8%	81
No, I prefer winter clinics.	26.0%	33
<i>answered question</i>		127
<i>skipped question</i>		26

Would you and your coaches attend a fall super-weekend of training where we would offer multiple educational opportunities over one weekend?



- Yes definitely.
- Yes, if the dates fit my schedule.
- No, I prefer winter clinics.

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What other forms of training do you offer your coaches?

Answer Options	Response Count
	42
<i>answered question</i>	42
<i>skipped question</i>	111

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 31, 2012 11:09 AM	We have Croart coaches come.
2	Aug 13, 2012 2:22 AM	NFHS Concussion training suggested.
3	Aug 12, 2012 6:58 PM	none, currently
4	Aug 12, 2012 2:13 AM	PCA, rules clinic, etc...
5	Aug 10, 2012 1:06 PM	none from our city
6	Aug 9, 2012 9:44 PM	MBGLL should offer (for a fee) trainers to come out to individual towns to train coaches. We do this in Soccer and I find it a great tool, where coaches can ask the trainers questions in small group setting.
7	Aug 8, 2012 8:43 PM	One weekend in the fall would be great to complete everything. Many of the coaches coach other sports and can talk take several weekends off to complete other trainings
8	Aug 8, 2012 3:21 AM	We have run atleast 1 coaches clinic every year.
9	Aug 7, 2012 10:52 PM	Hands on skills training. How to run drills. How to design an effective practice. All by age/skill. How to evolve the practice during the season. Game strategy by age. Run the same session multiple times to accomodate coaches schedules.
10	Aug 7, 2012 5:50 PM	We've recruited a couple of former college players to help with each team U13 and U15. This helps to train the coaches as well as the players. But it can be tricky for a young woman to come into the mix and be in charge.
11	Aug 7, 2012 5:08 PM	AED Training and will be doing CPR/First Aid this Spring as well.
12	Aug 7, 2012 3:35 PM	First aid and CPR. Conflict resolution for players, coaches and parents..
13	Aug 7, 2012 3:33 PM	Online. First aid was local fire dept
14	Aug 7, 2012 2:09 PM	We encourage them to take advantage of everything they can through MBGLL. We do not offer supplemental training
15	Aug 7, 2012 11:24 AM	we have train the trainer sessions. For the coaches who have been to multiple trainings, they spend time running a clinic to train the other coaches both on skills and positive coaching techniques.
16	Aug 7, 2012 1:33 AM	fall weekend not feasible due to other sports... I became a coach last minute (team had no one) and felt like there were not a lot of resources by that time...
17	Aug 7, 2012 12:28 AM	Online is best due to scheduling conflicts of other sports
18	Aug 6, 2012 9:52 PM	What is supplied by the league as well as interaction with the high school coaches.
19	Aug 6, 2012 9:03 PM	NA

20	Aug 6, 2012 8:22 PM	Again it should be up to the discretion of each town's board. If they can bring in a qualified trainer and pay them and then all of their coaches can attend in their town then it should suffice for MBGLL. We should not have to be coried from US Lacrosse to be a top level coach or whatever it is they are promoting....it is getting way too expensive and regulated by US Lacrosse.
21	Aug 6, 2012 7:07 PM	none
22	Aug 6, 2012 6:05 PM	Nothing other than than what the MBGLL offers
23	Aug 6, 2012 5:36 PM	none outside MBGLL
24	Aug 6, 2012 5:25 PM	We share drills, especially with new coaches, and get them to attend PCA.
25	Aug 6, 2012 4:17 PM	NA
26	Aug 6, 2012 3:58 PM	Head coaches need to have attended the courses offered by US lacrosse.
27	Aug 6, 2012 1:03 PM	we hire a coach to conduct "coach the coaches" clinic in town.
28	Aug 6, 2012 12:47 PM	High School coach offers one coaching seminar a year for all our coaches.
29	Aug 6, 2012 10:35 AM	private
30	Aug 6, 2012 1:12 AM	ON LINE
31	Aug 6, 2012 12:33 AM	Coaching clinics should've geared towards each age group. The rules and what needs to be taught / coached varies too much to have everyone at the same meeting
32	Aug 5, 2012 11:42 PM	We hire towns with good HS coaches to come teach us.
33	Aug 5, 2012 10:45 PM	We offerer a PCA class to all youth coaches
34	Aug 5, 2012 9:51 PM	Peer training and local HS / other opptys
35	Aug 5, 2012 9:47 PM	none
36	Aug 5, 2012 9:18 PM	none
37	Aug 5, 2012 9:12 PM	on line
38	Aug 5, 2012 8:50 PM	Each year we hire a club coach to run a coaching clinic for us in addition to those offered by mbgll.
39	Aug 5, 2012 8:16 PM	none
40	Aug 5, 2012 8:07 PM	Coaches shouldn't have to pay for training.
41	Aug 5, 2012 8:04 PM	At the moment we do not offer other trainings but would like to find a way to have our coaches trained at our field (or nearby) as a group.
42	Aug 2, 2012 3:33 PM	None

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What other forms of training would you like MBGLL to offer to coaches?

Answer Options	Response Count
	38
<i>answered question</i>	38
<i>skipped question</i>	115

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 14, 2012 1:57 AM	- training on higher level skills. Checking drills, draws, zone defense.
2	Aug 13, 2012 2:22 AM	Concussion training and First-aid. These could easily be offered on-line.
3	Aug 12, 2012 6:58 PM	none
4	Aug 10, 2012 1:06 PM	some fall training options. with training mandatory, just more options in general. Also, I think that the rules certification course is too much to do every year - it is very in-depth. Possibly require that 1 time, with abbreviated "updates only" course in subsequent years.
5	Aug 9, 2012 12:52 AM	Sensitivity training... One of the coaches was extremely not patient with my new player/daughter.. only favored to "superstars".. Did not provide enough one on one instruction for a player that never played before.. and NO patients.. he should never have been coaching for 9 yr. olds.
6	Aug 8, 2012 3:21 AM	Progressive training be grade levels
7	Aug 7, 2012 10:52 PM	See above
8	Aug 7, 2012 5:50 PM	Online training, more dates offered at more locations and starting earlier in the academic year. October and November, perhaps?
9	Aug 7, 2012 5:08 PM	Rules Clinics should also include veteran youth coaches and HS coaches (in addition to Officials) Officials telling the rules is very different than coaches providing best practices to coach/teach to the rules.
10	Aug 7, 2012 3:33 PM	I would like to see in town training. Get local hs coaches to do rules drills coaching. Full day sessions are tough for some. Spread out 10 weeks 2hr week and you can miss a session and still get most of training. During season, have some hs college level talent do onsite training with our teams.
11	Aug 7, 2012 2:09 PM	More frequent clinics - probably need more trainers.
12	Aug 7, 2012 1:33 AM	online practice plans, q&a with other coaches...?
13	Aug 7, 2012 12:28 AM	Again more online training due to work and other conflicts
14	Aug 6, 2012 9:52 PM	What's provided meets our needs.
15	Aug 6, 2012 9:03 PM	NA
16	Aug 6, 2012 7:07 PM	more regional dates for US lax coaching clinics they are a tremendous boost of good energy and focus going into the spring season. a local college lax coach clinic for MBGLL coaches would be a good local option
17	Aug 6, 2012 5:36 PM	not sure

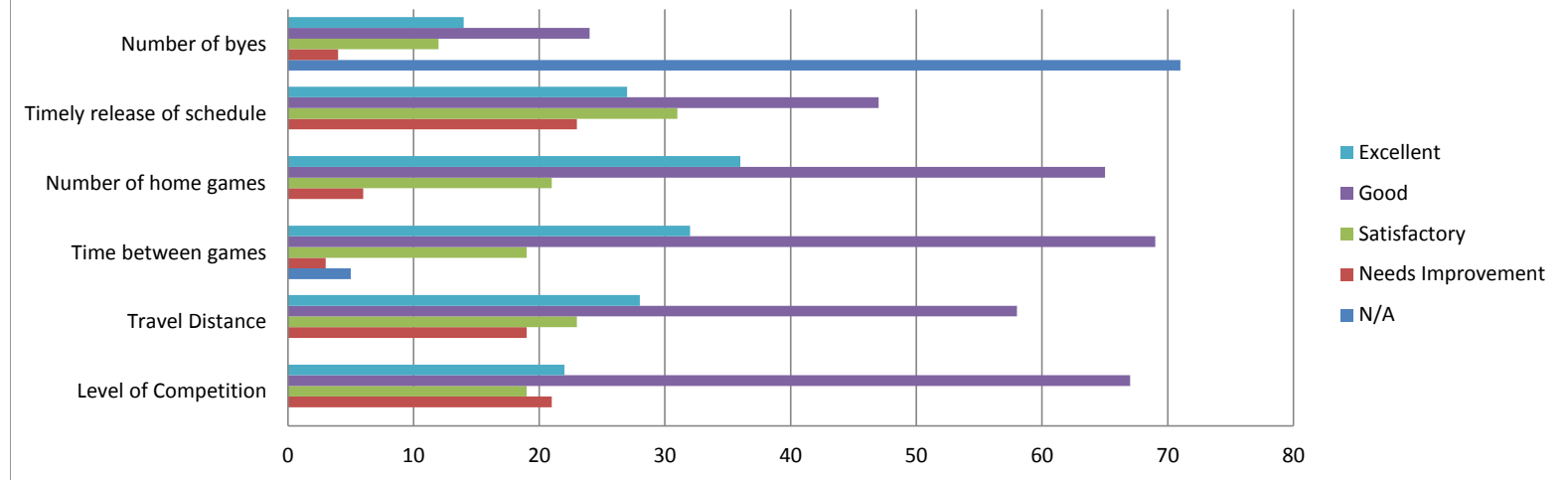
18	Aug 6, 2012 3:58 PM	Tiered skills sessions would be nice. By that I mean that you have a training based on age group. Sending a U15 coach to a level 1 coaching seminar may not be appropriate.
19	Aug 6, 2012 3:31 PM	More trainings in the winter at various locations. hard to require training as coaches are volunteers.
20	Aug 6, 2012 1:57 PM	More technical aspects of the team game and strategy.
21	Aug 6, 2012 1:33 PM	more web training
22	Aug 6, 2012 1:22 PM	I don't think volunteer coaches should be required to have certification. These are coaches that are offering their free time to do this. It's not like we have an abundance of coaches to choose from. Some coaches, including myself, will simply stop volunteering my time if I am required to attend all of these certification/training/rules sessions.
23	Aug 6, 2012 12:51 PM	More on drills and games to offer the girls at practice.
24	Aug 6, 2012 12:47 PM	None
25	Aug 6, 2012 12:33 PM	I know that everyone's time is at a minimum now days so I think coaches training over one weekend would work or one day out of several weekends. The locations should be convenient for those attending. Say within a 20 mile radius. Also some hands on clinics would be a plus as well. Clinics on ways to teach the basics etc..
26	Aug 6, 2012 2:30 AM	Have a separate Rules Q & A for new coaches and experiences coaches. Also, male coaches need to respect the women's game.
27	Aug 6, 2012 1:15 AM	videos and workbooks.
28	Aug 6, 2012 1:12 AM	ON LINE
29	Aug 6, 2012 12:37 AM	More date and location opportunities
30	Aug 5, 2012 11:49 PM	In person trainer to visit at practice with girls.
31	Aug 5, 2012 10:45 PM	I would like to see more US lacrosse clinics offered closer to some of the eastern towns.
32	Aug 5, 2012 10:10 PM	Not just one day. a few hours each evening for a couple of days.
33	Aug 5, 2012 9:43 PM	More online versus in person requirements. Requirements should not prohibit coaches from volunteering their time for fear of jeopardizing town's good standing status.
34	Aug 5, 2012 9:18 PM	first aid
35	Aug 5, 2012 9:12 PM	none come to mind
36	Aug 5, 2012 8:50 PM	Level 1 and 2, plus the rules Q and A are perfect.
37	Aug 5, 2012 8:03 PM	CPR
38	Aug 2, 2012 3:33 PM	We have it all

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Please rank the following questions regarding your 2012 playing schedule.

Answer Options	Excellent	Good	Satisfactory	Needs Improvement	N/A	Response Count
Level of Competition	22	67	19	21	0	129
Travel Distance	28	58	23	19	0	128
Time between games	32	69	19	3	5	128
Number of home games	36	65	21	6	0	128
Timely release of schedule	27	47	31	23	0	128
Number of byes	14	24	12	4	71	125
<i>answered question</i>						129
<i>skipped question</i>						24

Please rank the following questions regarding your 2012 playing schedule.



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Please tell us how well your schedule worked this year.

Answer Options	Response Count
	69
<i>answered question</i>	69
<i>skipped question</i>	84

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 31, 2012 11:13 AM	Our U11 was perfect. Our U15 had teams that should have been in higher levels, though I imagine it was hard to find enough beginner teams close by.
2	Aug 16, 2012 12:41 PM	The schedule was great. Easy travel to play games
3	Aug 15, 2012 3:26 PM	I coach two teams and sometimes there were conflicts getting to games.
4	Aug 14, 2012 12:46 PM	We had some good games and some very one-sided games. Starting the season two weeks late was difficult due to the April vacation. We had trouble fielding teams and had to pull from various teams to play all of our games.
5	Aug 14, 2012 2:00 AM	- competition wasn't strong enough. Most games were not competitive for us.
6	Aug 13, 2012 2:29 AM	We needed some adjustments and you were helpful, worked with us and resolved our issues. The season went great!
7	Aug 13, 2012 1:43 AM	This was not great for us at u9. We only had 6 games so 3 were away and they were FAR away. Long distances to travel for young kids just learning the game. Some game times were later in the day too. The young kids were pooped before the games even started. BUT they DID have a blast!
8	Aug 12, 2012 2:18 AM	Our U11 worked well but our u13 played Marblehead 3x's and 2x's had to travel TO Marblehead which is a 45 minute drive for us. Would have been nicer to play a wider variety of U13 towns instead of the same town 3x's.
9	Aug 11, 2012 1:42 AM	dont like having games first weekend of april vacation too many players go away
10	Aug 10, 2012 1:18 PM	While we competed in the U15 upper intermediate bracket, half of our games were against advanced teams (same with our other U15 team). I realize this is because those two adv. towns don't have enough others adv. towns to play, but it made the season very challenging - we lost all our games. Also, I would hope that ALL high intermediate towns had to play 4 advanced games as well. As long as other high intermediate towns had the same level of schedule, then it's fair at least.
11	Aug 9, 2012 9:48 PM	I think even though we don't keep scores they should be submitted to the league. That way as time goes you can see the strong programs vs the weaker ones and schedule based upon team strength.
12	Aug 9, 2012 2:21 PM	No complaints by coaches and parents = good schedule
13	Aug 9, 2012 12:53 AM	Very well
14	Aug 8, 2012 3:24 AM	we had some game that needed rescheduling for competitive reasons.
15	Aug 7, 2012 6:17 PM	We had a competitive schedule overall, so no complaints there.

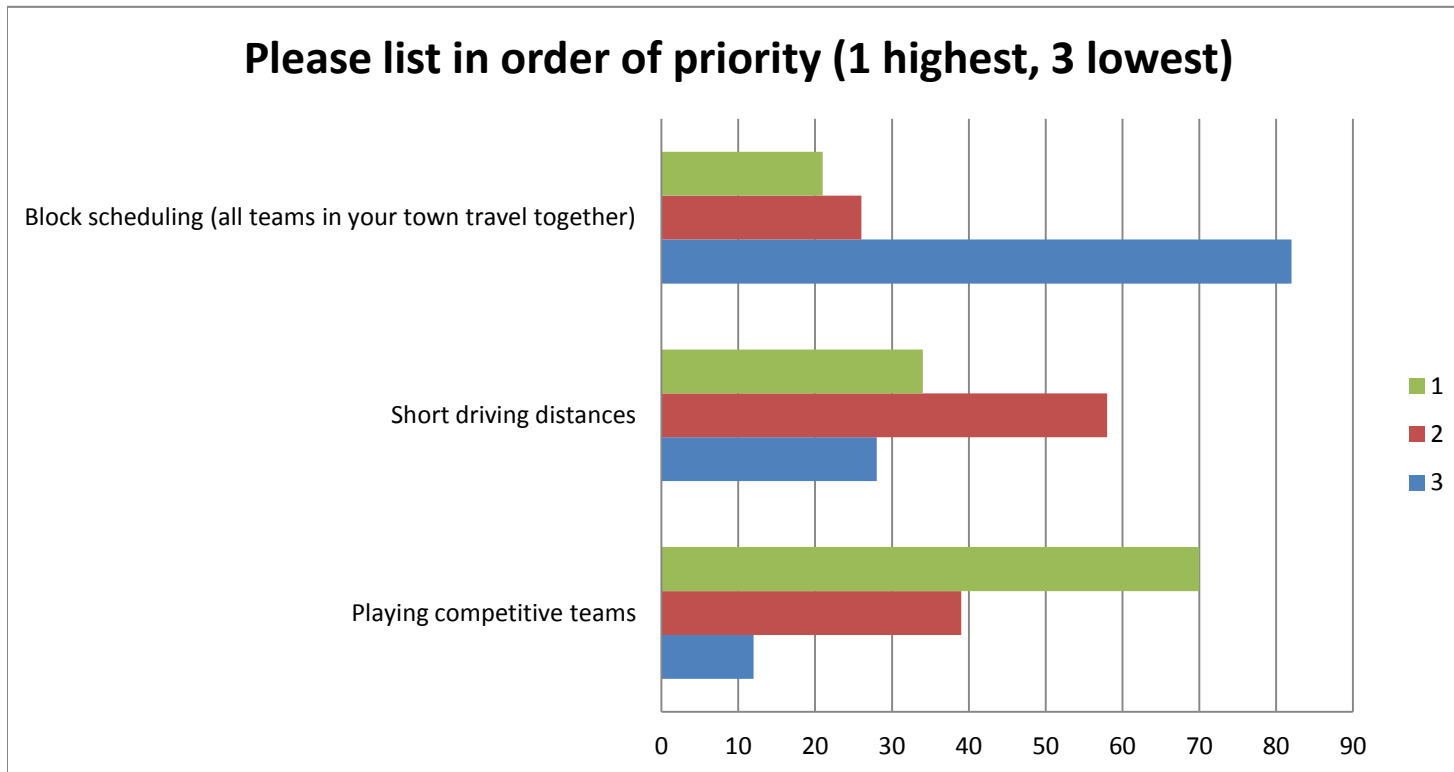
- 16 **Aug 7, 2012 5:54 PM** The girls schedule has been released too late. Our town, like many towns, I'm sure, have to juggle all spring sports, and it is harder for us to get preferred field times when we submit so late.
- 17 **Aug 7, 2012 5:14 PM** We had two teams at each age level, so on most game days the schedule was 1 team of each age group was home, the others were away. It would have been good for the girls to on occasion play a back to back with their fellow age group so each team could watch each other. They frequently practiced together, but rarely got to see each other play.
- 18 **Aug 7, 2012 3:42 PM** It was fine. Reading plays some out of the way towns. Not sure why we don't play more adjacent towns? I'd actually prefer to have more games.
- 19 **Aug 7, 2012 3:38 PM** It was a little sporadic at first, but the coaches worked with other towns to get everything straight
- 20 **Aug 7, 2012 2:16 PM** As Director, I hear from all the coaches and parents. Overall the travel distances was the big concern. Natick is on the far south and east of our division and play too many far away games-especially U9. They were traveling 75 minutes each way for a 40 minute game. The league should also fill the byes. I tried on my own and wasn't able to get a game one Sunday. In terms of level of competition, our U15 teams definitely feel they played against stacked opponants. even with players absent and then returning, we shouldn't play one team and cream them by 15 goals and the following week play their other team and lose by the same margin.
- 21 **Aug 7, 2012 11:29 AM** The schedule for most teams was fine this year. I believe all the teams had an equal number of home and away games. The problem we run into with the games that are outside of 30 minutes is some families just wont travel that far. I understand that there are towns in our league who always have to travel significant distances, but I find myself justifying the drive every year to families. A drive of more than 30 minutes each way for a game that lasts only 50 minutes is tough.
- 22 **Aug 7, 2012 1:39 AM** Fine may need to adjust play level
- 23 **Aug 7, 2012 1:35 AM** vast variation in level of competition in certain towns
- 24 **Aug 7, 2012 12:30 AM** Very good 8 games should be the minimum...two games were above our level where we got killed but rest were decent match ups
- 25 **Aug 6, 2012 9:54 PM** With the number of ability divisions to select from, we unfortunately had more skills than the vast majority of the teams we played making the games uneven at our U-15 level.
- 26 **Aug 6, 2012 9:05 PM** Good, but more advance notice would be better
- 27 **Aug 6, 2012 9:01 PM** Good location, reasonable travel
- 28 **Aug 6, 2012 8:25 PM** We have three teams and not once did they all three play together at home. It would have been nice to have had a girls lacrosse day for Woburn with all the three teams at home. We could have planned an event or something similar to promote and try to attract new players for the following year.
- 29 **Aug 6, 2012 7:12 PM** regarding marblehead select, we had a good balance of home and away and only 1 game over an hour in commute which was fair.
- 30 **Aug 6, 2012 5:55 PM** Schedule worked fine.
- 31 **Aug 6, 2012 5:38 PM** It worked pretty well - we still had to travel pretty far a couple of times and my girls only had 3 games, but I know it's a huge process, so I'm not actually complaining!
- 32 **Aug 6, 2012 5:27 PM** It was fine.
- 33 **Aug 6, 2012 4:35 PM** well, coming from MV you did a good job.
- 34 **Aug 6, 2012 4:29 PM** All but two of our U11 games were lopsided. Would be nice to match up towns who have U9 programs.

- 35 **Aug 6, 2012 4:20 PM** OK, we had to make some changes & had one scheduled as a solo game so no referee was assigned. It is almost impossible to reschedule games due to weather issues.
- 36 **Aug 6, 2012 4:01 PM** We were killed by most of our competitors. There needs some better form of ranking teams, maybe based on collective years of experience or a Jamboree type weekend before the year starts and everyone has a couple slotting games they are required to play in.
- 37 **Aug 6, 2012 2:30 PM** Schedule was good.
- 38 **Aug 6, 2012 2:11 PM** Some of the opponents we played did not seem to have balanced, mixed-grade level teams.
- 39 **Aug 6, 2012 2:06 PM** We played too many teams from the same town. We had 3 games vs North Andover's teams plus playing them in our tournament. While the girls are different on each town team, I would prefer just to play other towns.
- 40 **Aug 6, 2012 1:35 PM** I do not think there should be bye's for the 1/2 teams. We simply don't have that many games.
- 41 **Aug 6, 2012 1:27 PM** It worked out well.
- 42 **Aug 6, 2012 1:06 PM** fine. No real issues.
- 43 **Aug 6, 2012 1:00 PM** As I specified previously our home game schedule was perfect and our away was the worst. Families with more than one daughter were spread out so that they had to choose which one to attend and there is no reason for it. With N.Reading only having 3 teams and there being so many towns in the league there seems to be no reason why we cannot simply travel and all levels play the same town. The scheduling systems needs an overhaul.
- 44 **Aug 6, 2012 12:59 PM** At the beginning of the season. I had a beginner team and my schedule was difficult with us playing 4 beginners and 4 intermediate teams. This made the games and schedule very difficult and depressing. I had this problem resolved and 3 of the intermediate games were changed to beginner teams. The answers to the above questions are in response to my second (changed) schedule. It would be great if next year it was not a problem and all of the teams on our schedule are against beginner teams!!!
- 45 **Aug 6, 2012 12:50 PM** Our parents did not complain, but we traveled 45 minutes to an hour for most games. Would be greatly appreciated if we could have our teams receive 4 home games as well as all home on the same Sunday's to limit the travel of our parents.
- 46 **Aug 6, 2012 12:40 PM** Too many changes, some even last minute.
- 47 **Aug 6, 2012 12:37 PM** Our schedule was fine but the field situation needs to improve. There were too many field changes. I realize that this was due to fields being closed and new ones becoming available but the league should be responsible for making sure everyone is aware of the changes and not the coaches.
- 48 **Aug 6, 2012 11:40 AM** had to make changes mid season to keep it fun because we were a high intermediate team scheduled with beginner teams, a mismatch
- 49 **Aug 6, 2012 2:33 AM** Successive weeks of traveling away to the same town - 45 minutes away! Too many games too far away.
- 50 **Aug 6, 2012 1:17 AM** Too much travel. There are towns closer that we were not matched with. Town that will be our rivals in HS.
- 51 **Aug 6, 2012 12:41 AM** Because the schedule was so late we had field scheduling difficulties with the boys program because their schedule was completed before ours was even discussed..
- 52 **Aug 6, 2012 12:35 AM** Need to start games on time. Too many occasions where we had to wait for the prior game to end.
- 53 **Aug 5, 2012 11:50 PM** It was fine.
- 54 **Aug 5, 2012 11:43 PM** Very competitive schedule but this teams long distances away
- 55 **Aug 5, 2012 10:55 PM** In 9 years of coaching youth lax, our schedule this year was truly outstanding!
- 56 **Aug 5, 2012 10:52 PM** Overall out town schedule was not bad. Our U11 did have to travel to Groton 3 times though

- 57 Aug 5, 2012 10:12 PM Too many last minute changes. Should have to ask other coach/program before make change.
- 58 Aug 5, 2012 9:55 PM Schedule was good
- 59 Aug 5, 2012 9:54 PM Travel times and distances were good. Most teams were respectful and good sports. No major scheduling issues.
- 60 Aug 5, 2012 9:49 PM We travel too far and do not have enough home games
- 61 Aug 5, 2012 9:48 PM Schedule worked well. A few instances of very aggressive play that was not reigned in by coaches. Limited but inapporprate nonetheless.
- 62 Aug 5, 2012 9:20 PM great schedule
- 63 Aug 5, 2012 9:14 PM alot of variability in level of competition
- 64 Aug 5, 2012 9:12 PM Very week.evenly matched teams. Not to far to travel
- 65 Aug 5, 2012 8:56 PM We rated ourselves as intermediate and played some team that were higher than us and some lower. I prefer not always playing teams of equivalent skill. It's good for the girls to have some easy wins and some competitive losses. I liked it better when we didn't rate skill level of the teams and played neighboring towns.
- 66 Aug 5, 2012 8:29 PM Our schedule was good except when we played games against teams in a higher level who seemed to forget we were a lower level. Very frustrating!
- 67 Aug 5, 2012 8:18 PM good....some fields shouldn't be used though - dangerous
- 68 Aug 5, 2012 8:06 PM our schedule worked well. My only comment is that with only an 8 week schedule it was unfortuante that one of our teams had a bye and that another had to cancel a game becuase the other team couldn't field a team for the given day or any of the proposed make up days.
- 69 Aug 2, 2012 3:37 PM I still think we are too accommodating for towns. Take the time at the divisional meeting to hear blackouts and conflicts, then make the schedule final the next day with options for home team to adjust times.

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Please list in order of priority (1 highest, 3 lowest)				
Answer Options	1	2	3	Response Count
Playing competitive teams	70	39	12	121
Short driving distances	34	58	28	120
Block scheduling (all teams in your town travel together)	21	26	82	129
<i>answered question</i>				129
<i>skipped question</i>				24

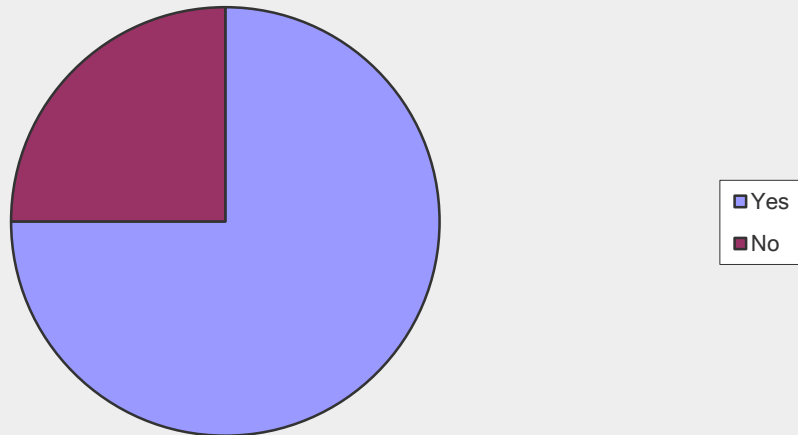


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Should MBGLL offer advanced teams a larger geographic region so that they may play competitive games?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	75.0%	93
No	25.0%	31
<i>answered question</i>		124
<i>skipped question</i>		29

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Do you think that MBGLL should offer scheduling meetings next year?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	68.4%	80
No	31.6%	37
<i>answered question</i>		117
<i>skipped question</i>		36



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Please offer other scheduling suggestions.	
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<i>answered question</i>	35
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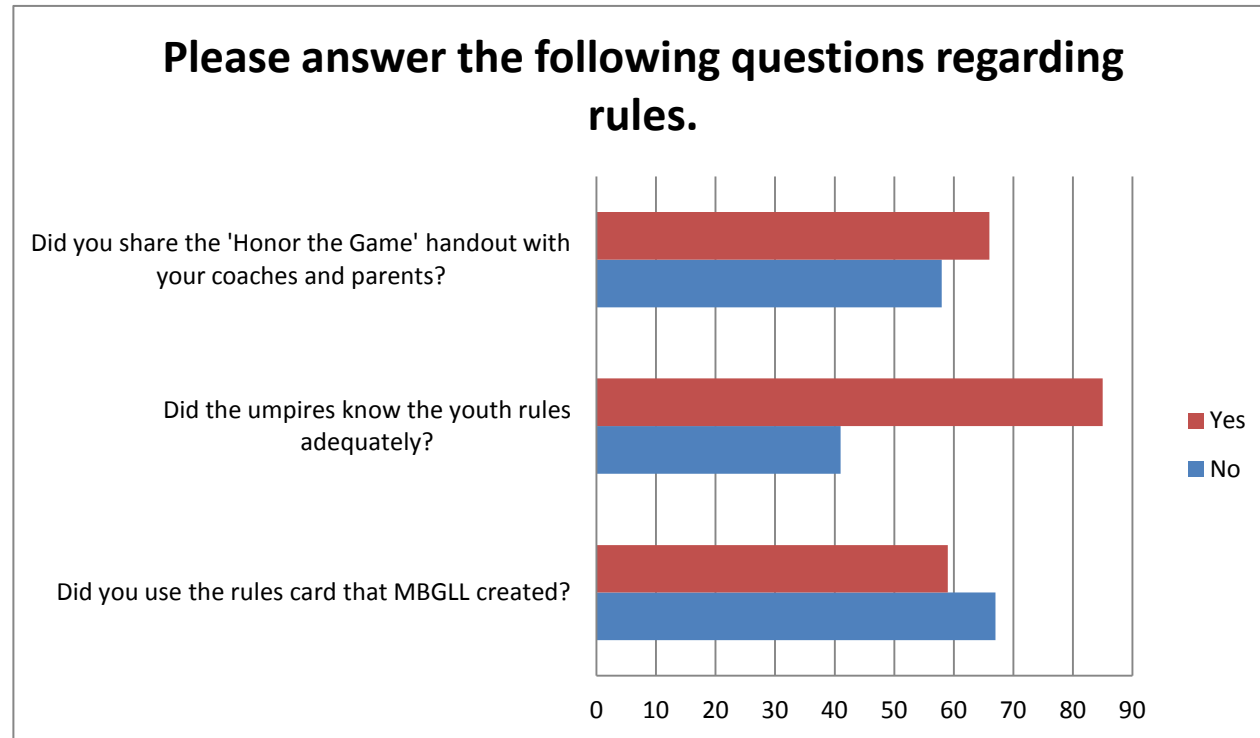
Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 14, 2012 12:46 PM	I don't mind the scheduling meetings as long as the issues are taken care of.
2	Aug 14, 2012 2:00 AM	I would definitely prefer longer travel times if it resulted in games that were more competitive.
3	Aug 13, 2012 1:43 AM	I don't know that getting more people involved in scheduling would help... could make it more confusing/harder. It would just be nice if we could have some more towns involved at the younger levels so we didn't have to travel so far. Maybe not possible due to towns with programs...
4	Aug 12, 2012 2:18 AM	PLEASE have U11 be able to choose the competitiveness of their games when registering - advanced vs. beginner. Our U11 played all but 1 very beginner teams and our scores were approx. 12-0 even with passing many times so it was not fair for either team.
5	Aug 10, 2012 1:18 PM	For parity levels - [] We should ask towns to register without their parity selected. [] Then closer to the season, once rosters are more final, require towns to submit a total # of years of experience and the # of players on the team. You could base it either on the full total or on the average on the team. While a little more time consuming, it would be a measurable way to create the parity groupings. [] For example, towns with brand-new U11 programs won't be playing towns that have U9 programs (which means their U11s would all have 2 years of experience).
6	Aug 9, 2012 2:21 PM	Current format seems to work.
7	Aug 8, 2012 3:24 AM	Please coordinate with MBYLL
8	Aug 7, 2012 5:54 PM	I coached a U11 team, and so there were no level ranking for my team. However, if you look at the programs for any given team at the U13 and U15 levels, anyone can determine how strong a program a U11 might be as well. We rated our program as an intermediate team, and we played all towns, except for one, that ranked themselves as advanced or higher. We did not play two towns close by who were ranked intermediate. This seems to be a big oversight. We like playing strong programs, but at minimum we should have no more than half our games against such teams.
9	Aug 7, 2012 3:42 PM	I think scheduling meetings woud open door to unfair schedels (ie youd get some teams pushing for best times locations competition leaving less attractive options for other. Let folks have input but league should set schedule. I think we drive far enough as is. I prefer not to go any further.
10	Aug 7, 2012 3:38 PM	Block schedule is probably the highest priority. Make it easy on families that have girls on different teams.

- 11 **Aug 7, 2012 2:16 PM** I understand it is a headache, but cross division games could really help the travel for a town like Natick who misses towns very close because they are in Metrowest south. Especially at U9 we need to reduce the travel. Fewer teams at this age might necessitate crossing divisions
- 12 **Aug 7, 2012 11:29 AM** Put out the schedule earlier (if possible) and let the teams work together ahead of time to come up with changes. The meeting gets long with each town trying to switch it up. I think most people come prepared, but if we had the schedule even earlier maybe more people would be prepared.
- 13 **Aug 7, 2012 1:39 AM** Re adjust after 3 games for parity
- 14 **Aug 7, 2012 12:30 AM** League should try to better coordinate with the boys lacrosse league especially for home games
- 15 **Aug 6, 2012 9:05 PM** NA
- 16 **Aug 6, 2012 9:01 PM** Create 8 team divisions. Island travel required every other year.
- 17 **Aug 6, 2012 8:25 PM** But only if they are actually used.....there were issues after we did what we were told. The schedule turned out differently and it took tons of emails to correct.
- 18 **Aug 6, 2012 7:12 PM** increased opportunity for towns to have liaisons with local colleges for turf options to limit rain rescheduling. For select teams, knowing the NESL, EVO schedules to reduce conflicts.
- 19 **Aug 6, 2012 6:07 PM** Have no idea how you juggle all the teams
- 20 **Aug 6, 2012 5:38 PM** I;m not sure what you mean by "scheduling meeting" - don't you already do those?
- 21 **Aug 6, 2012 5:28 PM** Scheduling meetings were the best
- 22 **Aug 6, 2012 4:35 PM** i think you need one, but it's hard from me to attend coming from MV
- 23 **Aug 6, 2012 4:08 PM** North East and North West should play each other in order to have better match ups per level of team.
- 24 **Aug 6, 2012 2:47 PM** Scheduling should be done concurrent with boy's program since the same field space is used to alleviate overlap.
- 25 **Aug 6, 2012 2:11 PM** I think it would help with scheduling if a metric were developed to determine a teams relative level of experience. How long have the girls been playing lacrosse, both individually and together as a team? Is the team built entirely of 1 grade (if so, which grade), predominantly 1 grade, or balanced between 2 grades in the the age group?
- 26 **Aug 6, 2012 1:35 PM** 1/2 level teams should not have sunday at 5 pm games. I think it is a tough time of the day for younger girls.
- 27 **Aug 6, 2012 1:00 PM** More scheduling meetings are a must.
- 28 **Aug 6, 2012 12:59 PM** Again: All schedules should be made with teams of the same level. Beginner teams should play beginner teams - Intermediate teams should play intermediate teams - and advanced teams should play advanced teams.
- 29 **Aug 6, 2012 12:50 PM** The current format is fine
- 30 **Aug 6, 2012 2:33 AM** It's helpful to travel with our other U15 team and play side by side games
- 31 **Aug 6, 2012 12:41 AM** Scheduling should be done sooner and some coordination should be done with mbyll
- 32 **Aug 5, 2012 9:49 PM** Let us play towns of comperable ability levels that do not require a 45 minute drive
- 33 **Aug 5, 2012 9:01 PM** We played some teams that were much more skilled than us. At the U11 level which is still developmental it was a bit frustrating to play teams beyond our skill set.
- 34 **Aug 5, 2012 8:56 PM** The scheduling meetings are helpful, but really not necessary as long as you have contact info. for all opposing towns.
- 35 **Aug 2, 2012 3:37 PM** Release the schedule sooner with minor modifications. I felt the schedule release was delayed.

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Please answer the following questions regarding rules.

Answer Options	Yes	No	Response Count
Did you use the rules card that MBGLL created?	59	67	126
Did the umpires know the youth rules adequately?	85	41	126
Did you share the 'Honor the Game' handout with your	66	58	124
	<i>answered question</i>		127
	<i>skipped question</i>		26



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Please list any concerns that you have with current Mass Bay Girls' Lacrosse League's (Recreation Program only) or US Lacrosse League's rules.

Answer Options	Response Count
	43
<i>answered question</i>	43
<i>skipped question</i>	110

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 16, 2012 12:45 PM	Call the existing rules. 2 years in a row, my goalie has been hit in the head with a shot and no call by the ref. My goalie did NOT move into the shot, just was hit. []
2	Aug 15, 2012 3:30 PM	Call covers and held sticks on ground ball pickups. we don't need new rules, just call the existing ones!!!!!! We played teams that stacked their teams. Then played a different team from that town and they were marginal. Some teams are very competitive, I heard girls and coaches challenge the umpires rudely. Coaches constantly yelling at the umpires from the sidelines. Umpires not being consistant with their calls.
3	Aug 14, 2012 12:53 PM	The 3 pass rule for the U15s
4	Aug 12, 2012 9:19 PM	Do not recall getting card or handout.
5	Aug 12, 2012 7:04 PM	Umpires are juggling to many different sets of rules. Despite confirms the rules before each game there were still inconsistencies in the rules applied.
6	Aug 12, 2012 2:05 PM	Overall very good, but Jamboree was officiated differently in that some checking was allowed at younger levels (or infractions just weren't called). The refs at the jamboree all seemed young, so we questioned whether they were Jr refs or just HS volunteers. Since we were a first year program playing high level teams (one coach said most of his players were 'select'), it made for a frustrating day
7	Aug 12, 2012 2:22 AM	My VERY BIG concern, along with other Ipswich coaches, is mbgll not following the same youth rules as US Lacrosse this year. I wish you would stay consistent with them and allow U13 modified checking and U15 full checking.
8	Aug 10, 2012 1:23 PM	I think we should consider removing the 3-pass rule for U15, at least intermediate and up. When the 8th graders get to high school, they find themselves in a completely different style of play, and I think that rule contributes to the gap. [] I think the U13 and U15 teams should be able to keep score - they are in middle school (almost) and all their other sports keep score - I think they can handle it.
9	Aug 9, 2012 12:57 AM	At any level provide more "Basic instruction of rules" of game as workshop/clinic types BEFORE the season starts so new players are not completely LOST as coaches seem to feel there is not enough time to teach them other than in the games and OTHER coaches and PARENTS are not patient in allowing the learning curve of new players.. its disappointing that everyone forgets that this is INSTRUCTIONAL.. too much emphasis is placed on winning at early age.. Strong players dominate the game and the new players don't get an opportunities to engage in the game.. I was really surprised to see this at such a young age.. I'd expect this environment at High School, not are rec. program.

- 10 **Aug 8, 2012 8:45 PM** all umpires call the games differently
- 11 **Aug 8, 2012 3:28 AM** MBGLL/US Lacrosse should adopt the "play on" rule to help the flow of the game. "play on" would acknowledge the foul but would not penalize the team with ball possession.
- 12 **Aug 7, 2012 6:20 PM** My main complaint is around the inconsistency of the officiating. I think along with knowing the rules, the officials need to understand the level of play and officiate accordingly. Some officials follow the letter of the law too closely, to the point where the whistle is blown so many times that players and coaches get frustrated. The inconsistency in the quality is my biggest concern.
- 13 **Aug 7, 2012 6:00 PM** There was some inconsistency in the way our games were called. During the regular season, this was not a big issue. We had one game with no assigned umpire, so we had one coach from each team ref the game. In the jamboree for the north, we had one incredibly bad experience with a ref. I think she was overwhelmed, but there were some major safety issues for my players that I was quite unhappy about.
- 14 **Aug 7, 2012 5:26 PM** I think the girls youth rules are great as is, as long as they are properly taught by informed/trained coaches and enforced by competent umpires.
- 15 **Aug 7, 2012 3:47 PM** Inconsistency was a challenge. Some games shooting space would be strictly enforced and others not. My girls were confused by the end of the season.
- 16 **Aug 7, 2012 1:36 AM** I don't know what the 'honor the game' handout is?[]
No problems with the rules
- 17 **Aug 7, 2012 12:31 AM** Some teams used picks in the jamboree when they were not supposed to...some refs did not do a great job calling shooting space which is dangerous
- 18 **Aug 6, 2012 10:14 PM** Officials calling equal defensive pressure too tightly. Almost every player who plays what would be described as good fundamental basketball defensive is called a push and when inside the arc, a free position. Defenders are totally handicapped with the tightness with how this is called. If a defender just holds their ground, they get called for a push.
- 19 **Aug 6, 2012 9:06 PM** I did not see the MBGLL rules card
- 20 **Aug 6, 2012 9:03 PM** We need to teach the girls to cut through the 8 and not park themselves there on offense. This will prevent a lot of shooting space rules. We also need to let defense make contact to prevent a goal. Players now think that once 3 passes are made they can just run in and shoot.
- 21 **Aug 6, 2012 8:26 PM** You should not get involved in the advanced league. Focus on the regular teams.
- 22 **Aug 6, 2012 7:20 PM** the stringing rules for the sticks is frustrating when a youth player has a brand new branded stick from comlax or dick's sporting goods and the \$100 plus stick is not strung to meet the regulations. If US Lacrosse could work w the manufacturers or local stores to understand the regulations it would save some minor frustration. otherwise the rules for gear and field play are fair, equitably monitored and in the spirit of keeping kids safe and advancing their skills without added safety gear for one off incidents.

- 23 **Aug 6, 2012 5:42 PM** The umpires were really inconsistent - and, I suppose it's human nature, but almost all focused almost exclusively on one or 2 things to the exclusion of everything else. One focused on shooting space, another on the 3 second rule. One seemed to only really care that sticks were strung right (after the sticks had been checked in the previous 6 games, 3 girls had to restring theirs) - the rest of her reffing was sporadic at best.
- 24 **Aug 6, 2012 5:28 PM** No concerns at this time.
- 25 **Aug 6, 2012 4:17 PM** The game has evolved at the youth level. The 3 pass rule At u-15 slows the whole pace of the game down. Also does little to prepare the girls for HS.
- 26 **Aug 6, 2012 4:06 PM** The three pass rule is problesome but a necessary evil. It teaches the girls to stop the flow of the game, without regard to playing better defense. If the focus was on stopping the girl with the ball, without checking, i.e. ABCD's of defense, then we could drop the three pass rule. However, I understand the need for it.
- 27 **Aug 6, 2012 3:35 PM** MBGLL should follow US lacrosse rules and abandon the 3 pass rule at U13 & U15. It teaches lazy defense and awful offense. watching a team play catch w/ their back to the goal and racing to the goal is not lacrosse.
- 28 **Aug 6, 2012 2:18 PM** The 3 pass rule worked well, but once it seemed like the referee was very strict about what she considered a pass. The referees were somewhat inconsistent about what they called. One ref focused on 3-seconds, others called TONS of shooting space. Overall though, even though ref to ref was somewhat inconsistent in what was called, they all did a good job at calling the game.
- 29 **Aug 6, 2012 1:10 PM** Requiring a team to clear the ball beyond mid-field in order to re-set the other team's pass count seems counter-productive. Coaches respond to this rule by running the ball downfield rather than passing. That's not the way the girls should learn to clear the ball but that is the reality. The pass count should re-set to zero as soon as the other team gains possession.
- 30 **Aug 6, 2012 1:01 PM** Umpires are all over the board with how they call the came. Every umpire seems to call shooting space, offsides, etc differently. I would say that most of them were really good though.
- 31 **Aug 6, 2012 12:56 PM** The game will not continue to grow in our area if parents continue to drive each week. Some sort of scheduling improvements have to happen soon. It is not fair that our U15 team is home, but U13 and U11 are on the road each week. it would be easier to keep parents on board if we could play together more often. Two years in a row our teams were not at the same place on the same day. Many of our games were moved to other towns because referee's will not officiate if it is only one game.
- 32 **Aug 6, 2012 12:39 PM** I never received the rules card or "Honer the Game" handout or I would have used them.
- 33 **Aug 6, 2012 2:36 AM** Too many ignorant coaches entering the sport - people (males) who have no experience with women's lax.
- 34 **Aug 5, 2012 11:51 PM** I would like girls to wear helmets
- 35 **Aug 5, 2012 11:00 PM** Three loop rule should be overlooked, almost none of the girls in youth lax know how to use the third loop to their advantage.
- 36 **Aug 5, 2012 9:51 PM** There is no uniform enforcement or difiiton of what constitutes a pass for the three pass rule. Each officail has their own standard.
- 37 **Aug 5, 2012 9:22 PM** some refs were not familiar with U9/U11 rules
- 38 **Aug 5, 2012 9:15 PM** none - need to make a concerted effort for 2 umpires per game. At U13 and U15 - there's a difference when there's only 1...too much to watch.
- 39 **Aug 5, 2012 9:12 PM** None
- 40 **Aug 5, 2012 9:03 PM** I found the refs very different from game to game, some making calls our players had not been introduced to yet. Wish they were all on the same page.
- 41 **Aug 5, 2012 9:00 PM** I have been coaching for 7 years, so no need for me to use rules cards. For new coaches I think they are beneficial. Some umps know rules well and others could use a brush up. Shooting space and 3 seconds not called enough at youth level.
- 42 **Aug 5, 2012 8:20 PM** Many coaches allow team to play off-sides...don't know the game well enough
1 ref on field isn't enough for the 7th/8th grade teams...start training jr refs like soccer does
- 43 **Aug 2, 2012 3:38 PM** No restraining line for U9 is a problem in my opinion.

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What other (if any) rules do you think that MBGLL should adopt for the recreation program?

Answer Options	Response Count
	34
<i>answered question</i>	34
<i>skipped question</i>	119

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 16, 2012 12:45 PM	If any team is up by 4 goals, then that team should have a five pass count instead of a three pass count. Most teams play this way, but some don't. ☐ Get coaches to have sportsmanship. If the score is 7-1 at half time in your favor, have your kids play opposite hand on top or similar.
2	Aug 14, 2012 2:01 AM	I love 3 pass rule at the recreation level. Great way to get all players involved.
3	Aug 12, 2012 9:19 PM	Go from three pass to two pass
4	Aug 12, 2012 2:22 AM	U13 - modified checking and U15 - full checking!!! We need to prepare our girls for high school and you are holding them back by waiting to U15 for any checking to occur. I observed many U13 games with girls pushing and getting aggravated because they are being held back from trying to check. They are old enough and in most cases skilled enough to do this.
5	Aug 10, 2012 5:34 PM	Seemed good to me. Perhaps start to have refs give warnings to U9 and U11 teams for not staying behind restraining line (1/2 field). Don't need to change ball possession, but many teams violate the spirit of this "rule" and send all defenders into offense.
6	Aug 7, 2012 6:20 PM	I think MBGLL should be more vocal about towns not stacking teams. It was pretty evident that was the case with a couple of towns we played.
7	Aug 7, 2012 6:00 PM	I would like to see offsides at U11 for the second half of the season. I know for the beginning of the season, there are a lot of very new players who do not understand this aspect. But once the teams have a couple of games experience, they should implement offsides to help the girls understand how to stay spread out. U11 clumping is avoidable, if we do this. I think it's a bit of a safety issue, too, since they are often digging for ground balls in a clump.
8	Aug 7, 2012 5:26 PM	I think MBGLL should consider longer running time for the U11s. These same players play 25 minute halves in soccer and 8 minute qtrs in basketball. 8 games is not alot @ 40 minutes a game. Factor in subs and field time is maybe 20 minutes a game. More time on the field would increase on- field development in game time situations. 5 extra minutes a half would be like adding almost two additional games to the season. Again in soccer, BAYS, play 10 games. Basketball, (in MetroWest BBall) play almost 15 games. You have the ability to increase on field time without adding weeks/days.
9	Aug 7, 2012 3:47 PM	U9 keep goalies in the circle. This lead to unfair advantage when one team had girl who could run out the ball but Thier opponent was able to perform at same level. Keep 2 def and attack back and call offsides when violated. We played most games this way all season but offside calls were inconsistent.

- 10 **Aug 7, 2012 2:17 PM** Should the u15's go to full checking to prepare the girl's for High School?
- 11 **Aug 7, 2012 12:31 AM** every rule was good
- 12 **Aug 6, 2012 10:14 PM** Elimination of the 3-pass rule at the U-15 level. I am a huge proponent of this rule at the younger levels as it really teaches both stick skills but also understanding how to run to get open and catch and throw passes while running, great stuff. However, because the game is set up with 3-passes, zero team offense can be executed during a game as almost without exception every team plays deny the ball defense because no one is worried a player can go to the goal until there are 3 passes. No off ball defensive player is in proper team defense positions because they are not worried about the need to crash because a team cannot go to the goal. Some teams do not cover the ball carrier until all the other players are covered. By the time the girls get to 7th and 8th grade, they are ready for team skill development to go with their individual skill development. The 3-pass rule is limiting that. High school coaches are getting players, if they have not played NESLL or a town does not have quite enough players to also do the Select league, players who have never seen a single fast break/offensive transition situation. When the only defense is deny the ball, its impossible to run a set up offense because of this rule. When the 3rd pass is completed, because the
- 13 **Aug 6, 2012 9:06 PM** NA
- 14 **Aug 6, 2012 9:03 PM** U13 should have modified checking
U15 should have a one pass after the restraining line rule and full checking.
- 15 **Aug 6, 2012 8:26 PM** Stick checking
- 16 **Aug 6, 2012 7:20 PM** this was the first year i noted several teams not swapping offence for defense, adding 5 pass instructions etc. when the goal differential went past 5. I don't advocate a rule for that as the league coaching guidelines clearly emphasize altering play to keep in the spirit of the game if there is a significant competitive differential but just an fyi
- 17 **Aug 6, 2012 6:27 PM** DELETE the mandatory 3pass rule
- 18 **Aug 6, 2012 5:42 PM** PLEASE lets keep the 3-pass rule and make the clearing the 50 rule clear and consistent (that was implemented done inconsistently--in fact, Christine had to clarify it for one ref in a Belmont game!)
- 19 **Aug 6, 2012 5:28 PM** I think the rules are fine as they stand.
- 20 **Aug 6, 2012 4:17 PM** If the 3 pass rule is elimated it forces coaches to put a greater priority into teaching TEAM DEfense!
- 21 **Aug 6, 2012 4:06 PM** Instead of a 3 pass rule, maybe we could offer a 5 to 7 second rule, in that the players need to make sure they get rid of the ball within that time frame. We used this in our summer program and the girl's were immediately looking to pass when they received the ball. It increased the speed of the game and helped the girls with their catching ability.
- 22 **Aug 6, 2012 3:35 PM** Modified check at U13 and full check at U15. Teach the game how it is meant to be played or players that are serious lacrosse players will stop playing in MBGLL.
- 23 **Aug 6, 2012 2:18 PM** At U11, I don't think a team should play a player down when a major foul is called. The ref should just explain to the player what happened (stick to the head) or (shot at the goalie). It seems ok to sub the player out, but the team shouldn't have to play a player down. None of the fouls I saw at this young age were intentional or vicious, just accidents.
- 24 **Aug 6, 2012 12:56 PM** None
- 25 **Aug 6, 2012 2:36 AM** More about sportsmanship. I had to file an incident report about a male coach who was overly aggressive with me after a game. Unacceptable & horrible example to the players/kids.
- 26 **Aug 6, 2012 1:18 AM** None, the hardest thing a rules commitee can do is to say, all is well, no changes needed at this time.
- 27 **Aug 6, 2012 12:37 AM** Taylor the rules for each level so the game is easier to understand. Too many rules creates different levels of refs at the younger levels

28	Aug 5, 2012 11:00 PM	At U15 one pass only but only after a player crosses the restraining line.
29	Aug 5, 2012 9:51 PM	At the u-11 level, play across the field rather than on a shorter field.
30	Aug 5, 2012 9:15 PM	none
31	Aug 5, 2012 9:12 PM	None
32	Aug 5, 2012 9:00 PM	Omit the shooting string coil rule. It doesn't make a difference at the youth level how many coils they have in their strings and it wastes time during stick checks.
33	Aug 5, 2012 8:35 PM	Allow scoring. The game is not taken seriously by all families. If players have a conflict with soccer they choose soccer over lacrosse because they keep score and have standings.
34	Aug 2, 2012 3:38 PM	Keep 2 back in U9. Allow deputy in U9 only.

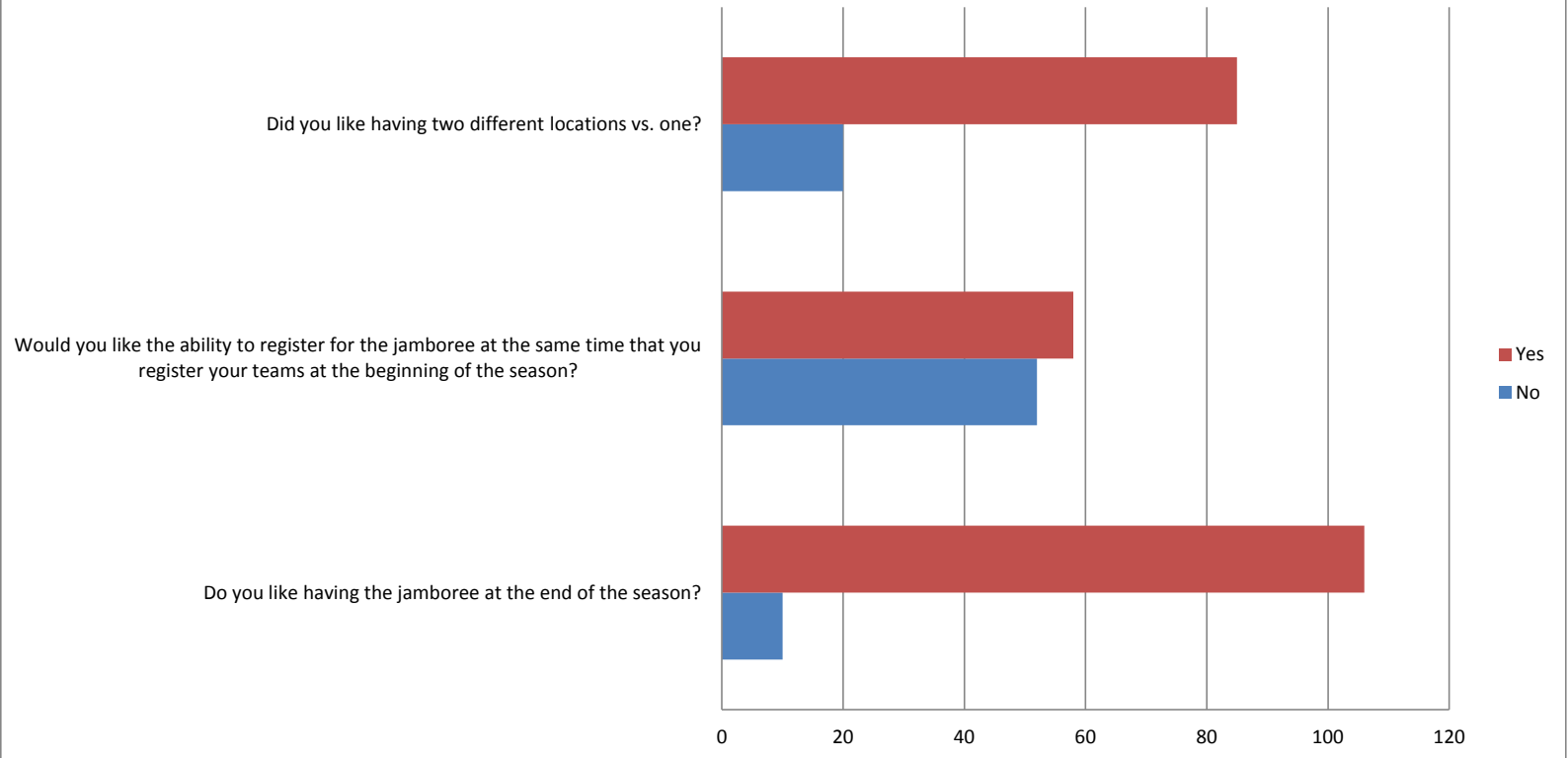
MBGLL 2012

Please answer the following questions regarding MBGLL's Jamboree.

Answer Options	Yes	No	Response Count
Do you like having the jamboree at the end of the	106	10	116
Would you like the ability to register for the jamboree at	58	52	110
Did you like having two different locations vs. one?	85	20	105
Other (please specify)			21
		<i>answered question</i>	116
		<i>skipped question</i>	37

Number	Response Date	Other (please specify)	Categories
1	Aug 16, 2012 12:48 PM	closer to the "south"	
2	Aug 13, 2012 1:45 AM	NOT ON FATHERS DAY!	
3	Aug 12, 2012 9:31 PM	Jamboree was well done this year. Preferred the Franklin site vs Acton	
4	Aug 10, 2012 5:36 PM	mid-season jamboree would be better	
5	Aug 7, 2012 3:59 PM	So long as we can modify as jamboree nears. We have 2 teams but only sent one combined group to jamboree. Its tough to gauge interest early on and unless you have dates times we can't pin down attendance	
6	Aug 7, 2012 3:40 PM	Have not attended the jamboree	
7	Aug 7, 2012 2:26 PM	I liked having the choice of 2 locations. I think we need 2 days at each location. Everyone who wants to participate should be able to register. There should not be a registration frenzy for the limited spots. Registration at the beginning of the season does not make sense. My coaches don't know from their families who will be around	
8	Aug 7, 2012 11:31 AM	The registration process was a nightmare this year with some age groups getting a slot and others not. We had some disappointments. If we registered with town registration then the jamboree can be planned out ahead of time and the towns can plan accordingly.	
9	Aug 6, 2012 10:17 PM	Made travel easy. I just do not want to lose the feel of a big event because that's part of the atmosphere which makes it fun.	
10	Aug 6, 2012 3:16 PM	Best jamboree yet, Franklin was a great location. Well done!	
11	Aug 6, 2012 2:51 PM	Need a bigger venue so everyone has an opportunity to attend. We did not sign up quickly enough after the opening sign-up date. We waited a week and it was too late.	
12	Aug 6, 2012 2:31 PM	Teams are more likely to sign up at a sight more conducive to there area as well as the length of day due to less teams competing at each site.	
13	Aug 6, 2012 1:12 PM	two locations vs one was not a big deal	
14	Aug 6, 2012 12:43 PM	2 locatsion makes is hard for parents/coaches who have more than 1 child on diff. teams	
15	Aug 6, 2012 2:38 AM	As stated earlier - Jamboree games on one field was heavenly!	
16	Aug 6, 2012 1:31 AM	Could not get coaches to take teams.	
17	Aug 6, 2012 12:44 AM	We were unable to attend the jamboree because the times filled too quickly	
18	Aug 6, 2012 12:40 AM	Can't commit at the beginning of the year	
19	Aug 5, 2012 9:53 PM	we found it impossible to register so we did not attend. It is a shame because I have a son and we loved the Devins Jamboree.	
20	Aug 5, 2012 9:16 PM	I think having the jamboree one or 2 weeks earlier will improve participation by teams	
21	Aug 5, 2012 8:10 PM	Everything can't be so far. And this should be included, not an additional expense.	

Please answer the following questions regarding MBGLL's Jamboree.

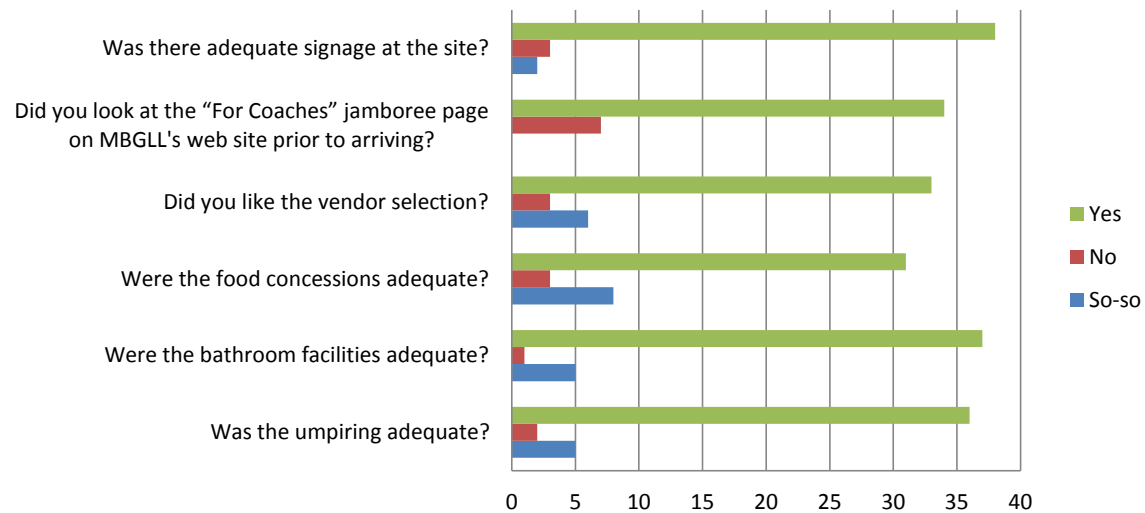


MBGLL 2012

For those who attended the MBGLL 2012 Jamboree in Byfield ...

Answer Options	Yes	No	So-so	Response Count
Was the umpiring adequate?	36	2	5	43
Were the bathroom facilities adequate?	37	1	5	43
Were the food concessions adequate?	31	3	8	42
Did you like the vendor selection?	33	3	6	42
Did you look at the "For Coaches" jamboree page on MBGLL's web site prior to arriving?	34	7	0	41
Was there adequate signage at the site?	38	3	2	43
<i>answered question</i>				43
<i>skipped question</i>				110

For those who attended the MBGLL 2012 Jamboree in Byfield ...

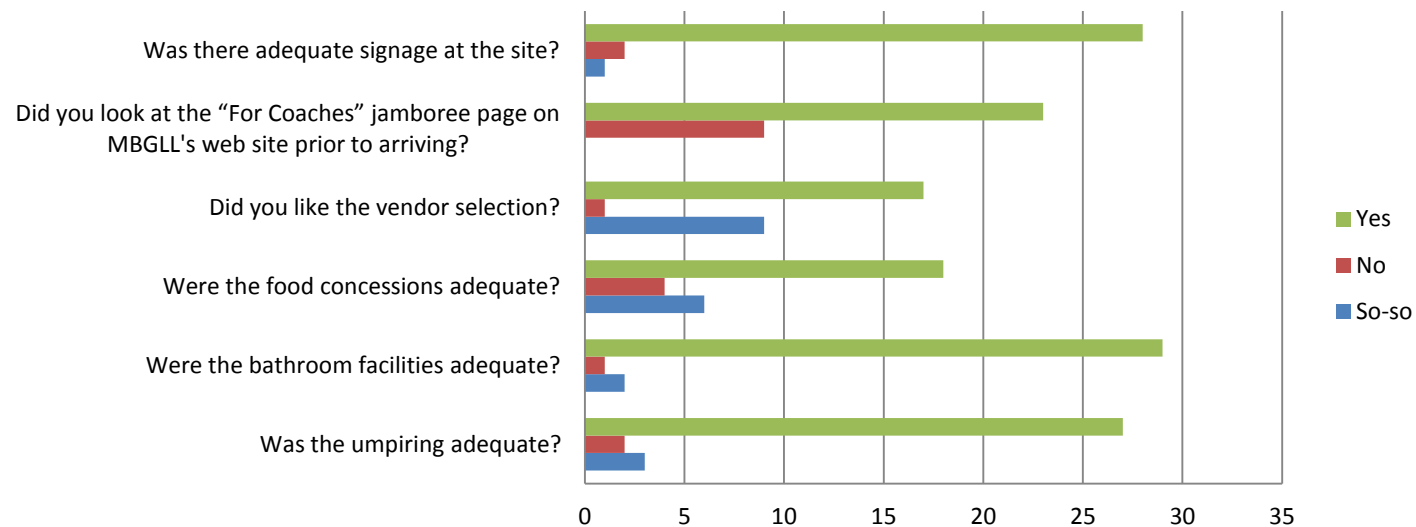


MBGLL 2012

For those who attended the 2012 MBGLL Jamboree in Franklin...

Answer Options	Yes	No	So-so	Response Count
Was the umpiring adequate?	27	2	3	32
Were the bathroom facilities adequate?	29	1	2	32
Were the food concessions adequate?	18	4	6	28
Did you like the vendor selection?	17	1	9	27
Did you look at the "For Coaches" jamboree page on	23	9	0	32
Was there adequate signage at the site?	28	2	1	31
<i>answered question</i>				33
<i>skipped question</i>				120

For those who attended the 2012 MBGLL Jamboree in Franklin...



MBGLL 2012

How may we improve the jamboree next year?	
Answer Options	Response Count
	37
<i>answered question</i>	37
<i>skipped question</i>	116

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 31, 2012 11:16 AM	The girls had a ball. Our first year U11 team did play a team whose skill level was significantly higher. If you could make it more even that would be helpful.
2	Aug 16, 2012 12:48 PM	Have more than 2 locations. Many teams were shut out of Franklin. Driving 2+ hours for a Jamboree is NOT fun.
3	Aug 14, 2012 12:55 PM	I received very positive feedback from both coaches and parents on the location and overall tournament. Good job.
4	Aug 14, 2012 2:04 AM	- Move back to AB if possible. The fields we played on were terrible. - The referee who did the 5/6 games on Sunday afternoon for GD was terrible. He didn't know the rules, blew the whistle all the time, took forever to line players up. With running time, it totally took the flow out of the game. I don't know his name - but check the schedule for the ref who had two of the 3 GD Black games.
5	Aug 13, 2012 2:40 AM	There was no food in the afternoon in Franklin
6	Aug 13, 2012 1:45 AM	Would be great if we could avoid Father's Day? We lost a lot of players b/c of that...
7	Aug 12, 2012 2:06 PM	better instruction of rules for those refereeing younger levels
8	Aug 12, 2012 2:25 AM	Have it at a different weekend then the North Andover Tournament. There are very few tournaments in the north shore of MA and both the jamboree and N Andover on the same weekend limits players to play in just one.
9	Aug 10, 2012 5:36 PM	Would prefer jamboree earlier in season
10	Aug 9, 2012 9:53 PM	We ended up teaming up with another team to field one full team. I actually didn't know you could do this (might be my error) other teams may not have known either, so if there is more communication on this you may add even more teams. i would actually encourage this, it was good to chat with another coach about the game and the girls all made new friends!
11	Aug 9, 2012 2:05 AM	Better vendors.
12	Aug 9, 2012 12:59 AM	As above, Advise how players can join other teams if their coach/team is not engaging in the jamboree. As new to this league.. we did not know we could even participate and who to contact if we could.
13	Aug 7, 2012 6:22 PM	Offer vendors with reasonable or discounted pricing. It felt like price gouging was going on with \$30 t-shirts.
14	Aug 7, 2012 5:28 PM	Shorten the U11 halves, so more than 2 minutes for halftime. Not enough time to change out goalies.
15	Aug 7, 2012 3:59 PM	Free tee shirts

16	Aug 7, 2012 2:26 PM	For sure you need to encourage the vendors to keep the prices down. \$60 sweatshirts? In Natick there is a soccer tournament and the heavy Champion sweatshirts are \$ 25. It is great because virtually every kid buys one and helps promote the game. [] We would be willing to start earlier or go later to allow more time between games and even at halftime. We had teams with back to back games on different fields. Overall though, we had a great time!
17	Aug 7, 2012 1:38 AM	did not attend. attended local tournament
18	Aug 7, 2012 12:32 AM	make sure all teams are playing by the same rules and know that
19	Aug 6, 2012 5:57 PM	better umpires
20	Aug 6, 2012 5:45 PM	see comments about communications posted earlier - there were few emails and the info on the website was hard to find. The schedules were changed up to the last hour which caused some confusion for some of our teams - and earlier schedules didn't say DRAFT all over them, so I had some parents sending everyone a draft schedule which was changed the next day (only we didn't know it). Earlier, more consistent communications would be helpful (even if it says draft on it).
21	Aug 6, 2012 5:31 PM	It was good this year.....warmer weather
22	Aug 6, 2012 4:38 PM	great weather and well run event!
23	Aug 6, 2012 4:24 PM	A few more minutes between games would be helpful to finish a game and get to the next field. We did not even have time to re-dress a goalie, let alone congratulate the other teams.
24	Aug 6, 2012 4:08 PM	Make sure that the schedule is more of a competitive schedule. We had two competitive games, and one where we were killed. The Jamboree is meant to be fun end to the season. If we are getting killed it is not that fun.
25	Aug 6, 2012 3:37 PM	Do a Jamboree at the beginning of the season and offer various levels of play.
26	Aug 6, 2012 2:40 PM	Jamboree in Byfield was Excellent
27	Aug 6, 2012 1:38 PM	I did not know their was a for coaches page for the jamboree. [] I beleive more time is needed between games and at the half during the games. This is a long day and the players need time during the game for hydration.
28	Aug 6, 2012 12:59 PM	Begin the season earlier and end earlier. This will motivate more teams to play if the Jamboree was earlier. Late June, schools are out and many families leave for vacation.
29	Aug 6, 2012 1:20 AM	Vendors were too expensive.
30	Aug 6, 2012 12:44 AM	More available time slots
31	Aug 6, 2012 12:40 AM	More teams
32	Aug 5, 2012 10:55 PM	Hope for good weather
33	Aug 5, 2012 10:13 PM	We couldn't register even though we tried the morning registration opened.
34	Aug 5, 2012 10:08 PM	Offer a location closer to Southeastern Mass
35	Aug 5, 2012 9:23 PM	loved it! hard to improve
36	Aug 5, 2012 9:14 PM	Have the jamboree at one venue
37	Aug 5, 2012 8:36 PM	Allow more teams to participate

MBGLL 2012

Do you know of a larger site that can accommodate 11 to 12 fields? If yes, where?

Answer Options	Response Count
	15
<i>answered question</i>	15
<i>skipped question</i>	138

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 7, 2012 5:28 PM	No
2	Aug 7, 2012 1:41 AM	Ft devens?
3	Aug 7, 2012 1:38 AM	Needham's Defazio field..., though mainly used for soccer
4	Aug 6, 2012 10:17 PM	Fort Devens.
5	Aug 6, 2012 5:36 PM	No.
6	Aug 6, 2012 5:31 PM	Haverhill
7	Aug 6, 2012 4:24 PM	no
8	Aug 6, 2012 3:37 PM	Middlesex School, Groton School
9	Aug 6, 2012 1:38 PM	Harvard Stadium and the surrounding area hosts lots of tournaments and seems to have plenty of fields to accomidate the Jamboree.
10	Aug 6, 2012 12:59 PM	Devens, but it would have to be one weekend before the boys tournament.
11	Aug 6, 2012 11:44 AM	The Groton School,
12	Aug 6, 2012 1:20 AM	My son did a tournament at Groton, I believe.
13	Aug 5, 2012 10:55 PM	Harvard
14	Aug 5, 2012 9:14 PM	Ft Devens
15	Aug 5, 2012 8:10 PM	The farm in the Ipswich area. Couple of colleges are close together with multiple field options.

MBGLL 2012

What suggestions do you have for the give-away for next year?	
Answer Options	Response Count
	29
<i>answered question</i>	29
<i>skipped question</i>	124

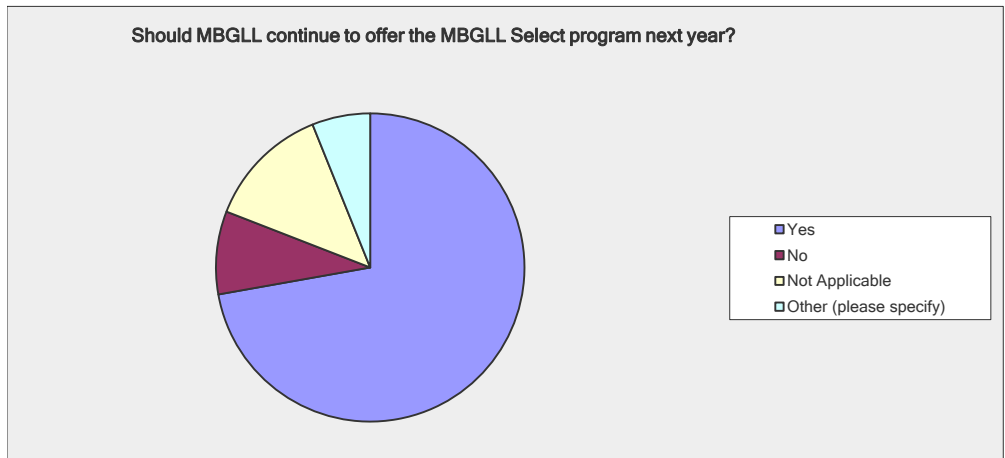
Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 16, 2012 12:48 PM	1) t-shirts. don't put a year on them. Make them fancy without a year and then can be given away for multiple years. 2) a lacrosse ball
2	Aug 14, 2012 12:55 PM	socks
3	Aug 14, 2012 2:04 AM	I like the bags.
4	Aug 13, 2012 2:40 AM	Pennies
5	Aug 12, 2012 1:33 PM	Lip balm, t shirts, stick wraps, head wraps, water bottles
6	Aug 10, 2012 5:36 PM	socks
7	Aug 7, 2012 6:22 PM	Cool shorts
8	Aug 7, 2012 6:02 PM	head bands and hair ribbons are very popular with the girls.
9	Aug 7, 2012 5:28 PM	end caps for sticks, bandanas, pre-wrap, socks, shoelaces, headbands.
10	Aug 7, 2012 3:59 PM	Tee shirts
11	Aug 7, 2012 2:26 PM	Get the sponsors to raffle off some higher end gear (sticks, shirts, nets, equipment) to players. Prizes may increase player interest. Maybe design a special jamboree stick wrap or a t shirt. I know the girls love wearing shirts from other tournaments/camps they have attended.
12	Aug 7, 2012 12:32 AM	Pinnies
13	Aug 6, 2012 9:08 PM	Pinnies - players could use them for practice the following year and its great advertising for MBGLL
14	Aug 6, 2012 6:15 PM	Tshirts for players and coaches
15	Aug 6, 2012 6:09 PM	Loved the backpacks. Maybe pinnies?
16	Aug 6, 2012 5:31 PM	None
17	Aug 6, 2012 4:38 PM	go back to the tee shirt
18	Aug 6, 2012 3:16 PM	Water bottles, small 'sweat' towels
19	Aug 6, 2012 1:38 PM	tshirt, headband, a lacrosse ball engraved with the the logo, date and time.
20	Aug 6, 2012 12:59 PM	None
21	Aug 6, 2012 12:43 PM	Lacrosse Sox/ Head bands
22	Aug 6, 2012 2:38 AM	Lanyard?
23	Aug 6, 2012 1:20 AM	Cool socks.
24	Aug 6, 2012 12:40 AM	T shirts.
25	Aug 5, 2012 9:23 PM	balls, headband
26	Aug 5, 2012 9:05 PM	Liked the headbands a few years ago. Players also liked the sunglasses.
27	Aug 5, 2012 8:22 PM	t-shirts or midcalfs
28	Aug 5, 2012 8:10 PM	What give-away?
29	Aug 5, 2012 8:08 PM	Love the bags! They are practical and you can never have enough! headbands are also a good idea. Or water bottles.

MBGLL 2012

Should MBGLL continue to offer the MBGLL Select program next year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	72.2%	83
No	8.7%	10
Not Applicable	13.0%	15
Other (please specify)	6.1%	7
<i>answered question</i>		115
<i>skipped question</i>		38

Number	Response Date	Other (please specify)	Categories
1	Aug 13, 2012 2:50 AM	Did not have a select team here but its a great idea, wish we had the time to participate.	
2	Aug 9, 2012 2:27 PM	as stated before, i believe that the select program would be more successful/competitive and beneficial for it's participants if towns were allowed to enter a team of girls that DO NOT play in the recreational league. i also believe that a move in this direction would allow for more balanced play and better experiences for teams in the recreational league. i think that the current format has the rec league and the select league competing with each other and stretches girls schedules more than necessary.	
3	Aug 7, 2012 11:33 AM	for our town the select program is not logical. We have too many girls playing on other select teams.	
4	Aug 6, 2012 6:13 PM	Unfortunately our U13 team had a few cxl games . Not a great experience	
5	Aug 6, 2012 2:31 PM	Difficult for girls to play both Select and Recreational	
6	Aug 5, 2012 9:10 PM	Even though our town has had a select U13 team for the past two years, I'm not sure we will continue in 2013. Most of our higher level players are already playing club, so the interest and availability of players is low.	
7	Aug 5, 2012 8:24 PM	rather than make a select team become a competitive league for all	



MBGLL 2012

MBGLL requires that all players who participate in the select league also play in the recreational league. Recreation games are scheduled on Sunday afternoons. MBGLL Select games currently take place on Saturday afternoons. What day and time (morning/afternoon) would you like the MBGLL Select teams to play?

Answer Options	Response Count
	46
<i>answered question</i>	46
<i>skipped question</i>	107

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 15, 2012 3:32 PM	Any day but Sunday.
2	Aug 14, 2012 12:56 PM	Friday night
3	Aug 12, 2012 2:26 AM	morning
4	Aug 10, 2012 5:37 PM	Saturday afternoons
5	Aug 10, 2012 1:27 PM	not sure - it's so hard to work around the soccer and softball schedules
6	Aug 9, 2012 10:02 PM	NA
7	Aug 9, 2012 2:27 PM	The current schedule works fine.
8	Aug 9, 2012 1:00 AM	If they are that good,,maybe the should ONLY play in the select teams to allow others to be taught and truly learn without dominance.
9	Aug 7, 2012 6:03 PM	Friday evenings would be great!
10	Aug 7, 2012 4:02 PM	Don't impact the rec league please
11	Aug 7, 2012 3:42 PM	Saturday Mornings
12	Aug 7, 2012 2:28 PM	I think late on Saturdays or Friday evenings are best.
13	Aug 7, 2012 11:43 AM	Morning
14	Aug 7, 2012 1:43 AM	Thursday
15	Aug 7, 2012 1:41 AM	I think kids playing on one team is enough. Many play other sports as well. Can't give both full effort they deserve. Heard lots of problems with not enough kids showing up to field a team
16	Aug 7, 2012 12:33 AM	late afternoon so no conflict with soccer
17	Aug 6, 2012 8:35 PM	It would be better if you would just let us have an advanced team with girls that have been playing for a few years and then a beginner team if we get a lot of new players....this would be a lot better instead of makin them double committ to lacrosse when they maybe also playing soccer or softball etc.
18	Aug 6, 2012 7:25 PM	Friday's between 4 and 8pm
19	Aug 6, 2012 6:33 PM	Weeknights
20	Aug 6, 2012 6:29 PM	I would keep it the same as this past year, it worked very well
21	Aug 6, 2012 6:17 PM	Saturday morning to mid afternoon

22 Aug 6, 2012 6:13 PM Sat afternoons or even Fri night could be an option

23 Aug 6, 2012 5:45 PM Saturday early evening, or a week night. There was huge overlap with select soccer and other events on Saturdays it made it difficult to field a select team every Saturday.

24 Aug 6, 2012 5:44 PM I thought that the Saturday afternoons worked out well

25 Aug 6, 2012 5:36 PM The current system seems to be fair.

26 Aug 6, 2012 4:09 PM Saturday's are fine

27 Aug 6, 2012 3:21 PM Saturday afternoons

28 Aug 6, 2012 2:55 PM During the week

29 Aug 6, 2012 2:32 PM if the team sign up it shouldn't matter the time of day

30 Aug 6, 2012 2:31 PM Saturday afternoons.

31 Aug 6, 2012 1:59 PM Saturday morning would be good

32 Aug 6, 2012 1:29 PM Why should they be required to play both? Isn't one team enough to play on!

33 Aug 6, 2012 1:15 PM Saturday afternoon is good. Friday evening is possible.

34 Aug 6, 2012 1:05 PM Friday nights

35 Aug 6, 2012 1:01 PM Saturday

36 Aug 6, 2012 12:45 PM Sunday is great. No conflicts with baseball.

37 Aug 6, 2012 10:38 AM Afternoon

38 Aug 6, 2012 4:05 AM This is not true! The tournament game was scheduled for a Sunday. That should not have happened. Not fair to make the girls chose which game to play in. What game do you think they chose? The town team suffered because of the scheduling conflict.

39 Aug 5, 2012 11:03 PM Friday nights

40 Aug 5, 2012 11:00 PM I would like to see some friday night and Saturday games. I also know that each town has fiels limitations, So leaving it at Saturday and allowing the teams to work out the details is probabaly the best way

41 Aug 5, 2012 10:14 PM week night.

42 Aug 5, 2012 10:12 PM Saturdays would be fine

43 Aug 5, 2012 9:18 PM Sat afternoons seems to work well. Only other option is to double up on Suns am and pm or try Fri night (traffic!)

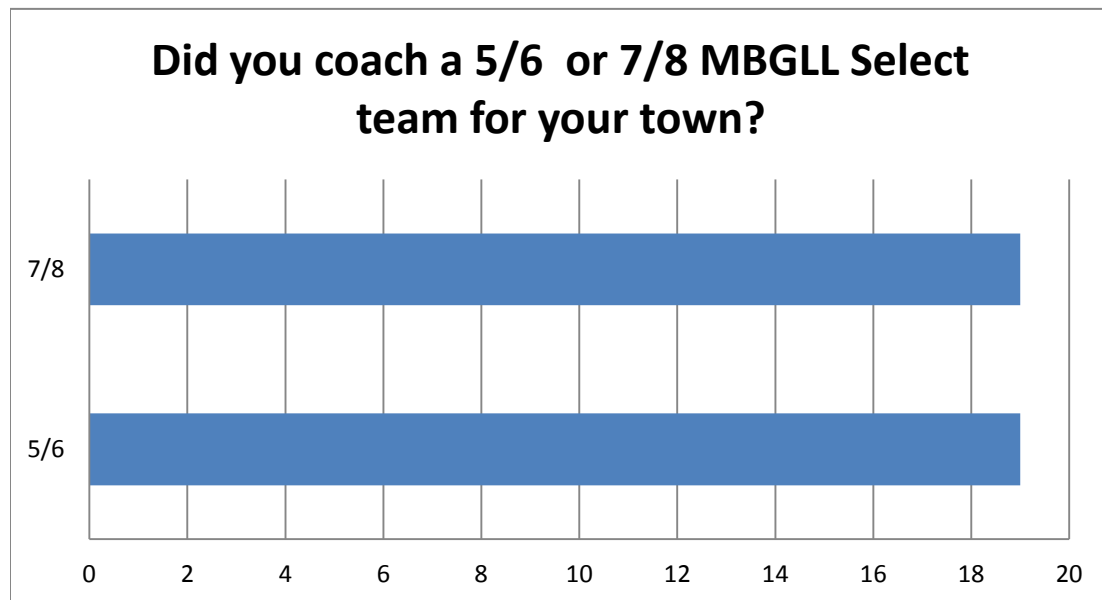
44 Aug 5, 2012 9:10 PM Saturday afternoons work best for Hamilton-Wenham.

45 Aug 5, 2012 8:24 PM Also Sunday, but in late afternoon

46 Aug 5, 2012 8:11 PM No need to do both. []
That is excessive and doesn't allow the girls who need more experience the playing time they need. []
These are kids, the excessive wear and tear on their bodies is too much.

MBGLL 2012

Did you coach a 5/6 or 7/8 MBGLL Select team for your town?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
5/6	59.4%	19
7/8	59.4%	19
<i>answered question</i>		32
<i>skipped question</i>		121

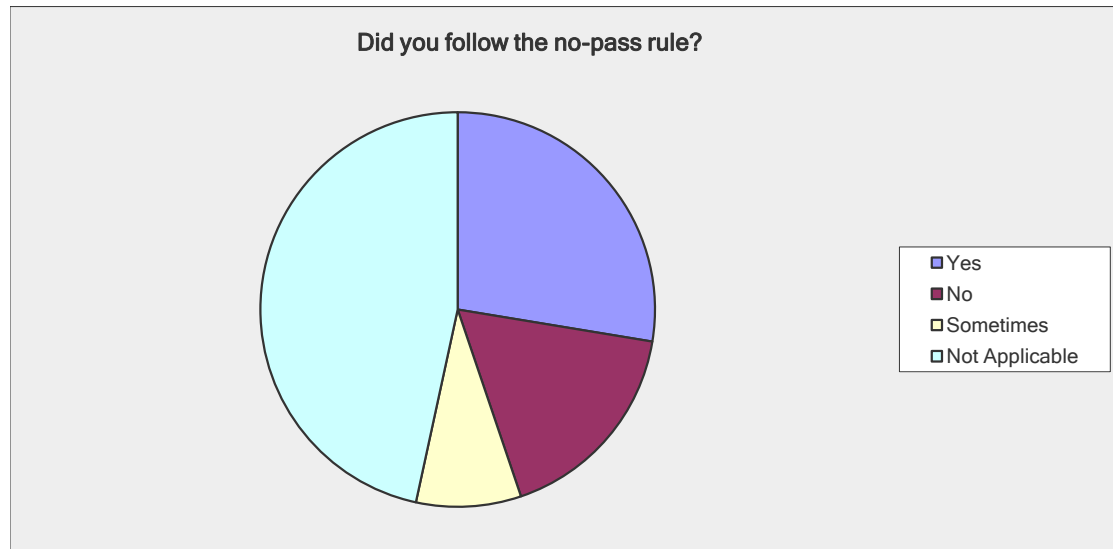


MBGLL 2012

Did you follow the no-pass rule?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	27.6%	16
No	17.2%	10
Sometimes	8.6%	5
Not Applicable	46.6%	27
Other (please specify)		3
		<i>answered question</i> 58
		<i>skipped question</i> 95

Number	Response Date	Other (please specify)	Categories
1	Aug 7, 2012 1:41 AM	Don't know what that is...	
2	Aug 6, 2012 7:25 PM	for a single game coaches jointly agreed to enact the 3 pass rule, otherwise the schedule was played w no pass	
3	Aug 5, 2012 10:12 PM	We required three passes.	

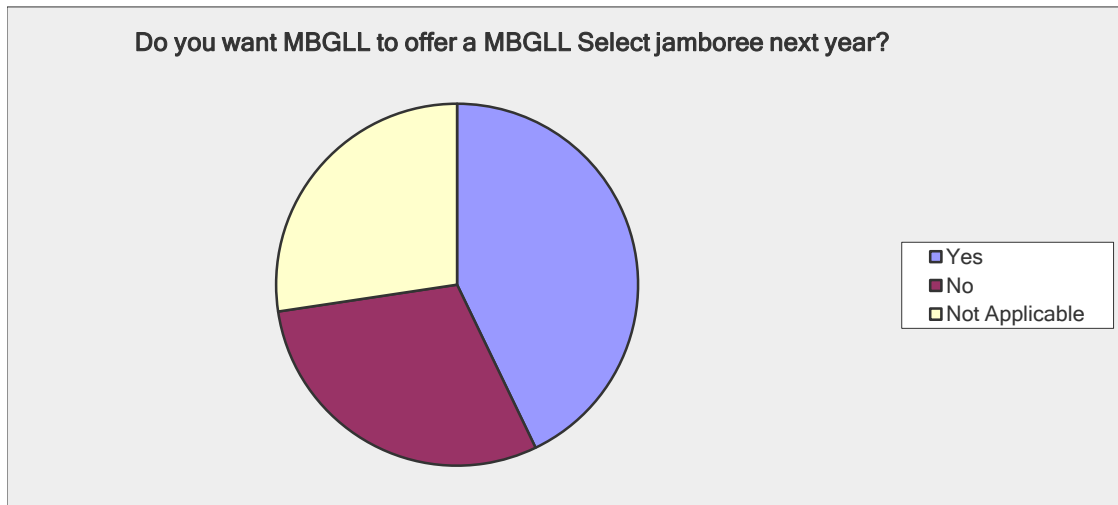


MBGLL 2012

Do you want MBGLL to offer a MBGLL Select jamboree next year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	42.9%	36
No	29.8%	25
Not Applicable	27.4%	23
Other (please specify)		4
<i>answered question</i>		84
<i>skipped question</i>		69

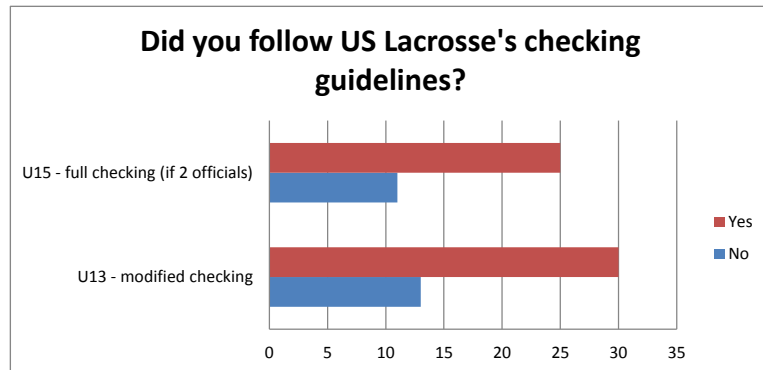
Number	Response Date	Other (please specify)	Categories
1	Aug 14, 2012 2:06 AM	Not necessary	
2	Aug 7, 2012 2:28 PM	I think the kids have had enough lacrosse by that point and may choose the select over rec jamborees	
3	Aug 6, 2012 6:29 PM	I think an all star festival would be great	
4	Aug 6, 2012 3:39 PM	Yes if it is early in the season	



MBGLL 2012

Did you follow US Lacrosse's checking guidelines?			
Answer Options	Yes	No	Response Count
U13 - modified checking	30	13	43
U15 - full checking (if 2 officials)	25	11	36
Comments			14
		<i>answered question</i>	52
		<i>skipped question</i>	101

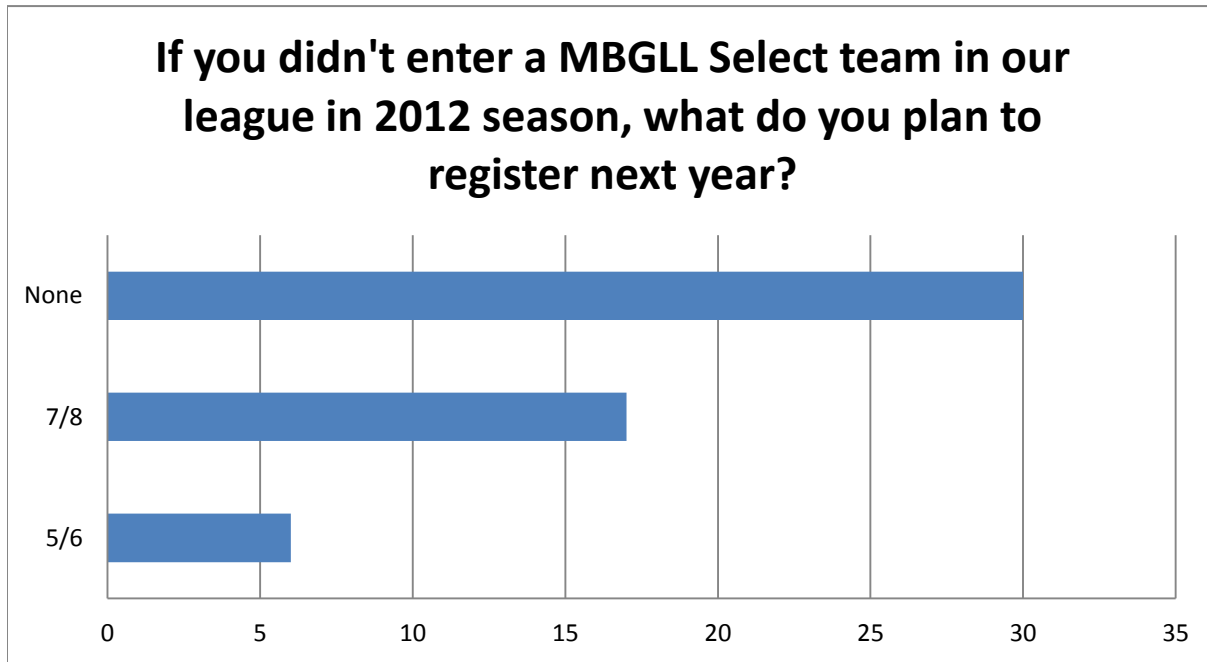
Number	Response Date	Comments	Categories
1	Aug 16, 2012 12:49 PM	n/a - U11	
2	Aug 14, 2012 2:06 AM	Very little modified checking at the U13 level this year.	
3	Aug 7, 2012 11:33 AM	we were under the impression that the checking in u13 was only for select and that modified checking was available at u15. Officials confirmed this at most games. I only had one where that was not the case.	
4	Aug 6, 2012 4:27 PM	We never had 2 officials, so U-15 was only modified checking.	
5	Aug 6, 2012 3:39 PM	U13 weren't allowed to check & U15 was modified, it was not good, should be modified at U13 & full at U15.	
6	Aug 6, 2012 2:55 PM	We only had 1 referre for U15 so it was modified checking	
7	Aug 6, 2012 1:05 PM	not everyone followed the rules at U13	
8	Aug 6, 2012 1:03 PM	This worked very well and the refs explained it well also.	
9	Aug 6, 2012 2:40 AM	U 15 - modified checking/below shoulder!	
10	Aug 5, 2012 11:00 PM	we went with the MBGLL rules of none at 13 and modified at 15	
11	Aug 5, 2012 10:12 PM	Never had two officials	
12	Aug 5, 2012 9:19 PM	Full checking took place with only one official it's very important all u15 games have two officials	
13	Aug 5, 2012 9:10 PM	modified checking at U15.. Never had two officials and we think it's safer to use modified at this level given the varying skill level in the town program.	
14	Aug 5, 2012 8:31 PM	we followed a modified checking rule	



MBGLL 2012

If you didn't enter a MBGLL Select team in our league in 2012 season, what do you plan to register next year?

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
5/6	12.2%	6
7/8	34.7%	17
None	61.2%	30
<i>answered question</i>		49
<i>skipped question</i>		104



MBGLL 2012

If you declined to participate in the MBGLL Select program in 2012, why didn't you register a team?

Answer Options	Response Count
	51
<i>answered question</i>	51
<i>skipped question</i>	102

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 31, 2012 11:17 AM	We were a first year program.
2	Aug 16, 2012 12:49 PM	U11- not able to field a select team
3	Aug 15, 2012 3:32 PM	Not enough girls interested.
4	Aug 14, 2012 12:56 PM	Games were on Saturday and too far away
5	Aug 13, 2012 2:50 AM	The coaches didn't have the time to cover all games
6	Aug 12, 2012 9:21 PM	Coached u9 feel that jamboree is too long Of a day for players of that age.
7	Aug 12, 2012 7:07 PM	not enough players and coaches to field a select team
8	Aug 12, 2012 1:34 PM	Our program is too new
9	Aug 12, 2012 2:26 AM	Lack of interest in players - most play soccer on Saturdays
10	Aug 11, 2012 1:47 AM	didnt know about it until season was near over
11	Aug 10, 2012 1:27 PM	we just couldn't get enough top players committed to a second game - conflict in time etc. We're considering doing a combined team next season with another town. - TBD
12	Aug 9, 2012 10:02 PM	Still a new fairly new program.
13	Aug 8, 2012 3:31 AM	Our girls are not at that level yet.
14	Aug 7, 2012 10:57 PM	Too many girls have other committments like soccer on Saturday that makes scheduling a nightmare for parents.
15	Aug 7, 2012 5:30 PM	Not enough player interest. Too many potential players had other conflicts, club soccer, town soccer, dance, AAU basketball.
16	Aug 7, 2012 4:02 PM	I'm 3/4. We didn't have a select crew to assemble a team. My older plays 5/6 and I'd say same was true at that level.
17	Aug 7, 2012 3:42 PM	It was put together so late, we were not set up with coaches and practice times to accomodate having both teams..
18	Aug 7, 2012 2:28 PM	not enough interest-kids overscheduled or playing rec and club already-this is our biggest problem. he more skilled players are also playing club and many playing rec and club soccer too!
19	Aug 7, 2012 11:33 AM	not enough interest in the town
20	Aug 6, 2012 10:18 PM	Not enough players in our town to have a team. That would be the goal as the program gets bigger.
21	Aug 6, 2012 6:13 PM	Did not seem like there were alot of u15 teams in our area registered. Parents do not want to drive more than 1 hour
22	Aug 6, 2012 5:46 PM	No other coach stepped up and I didn't have the time/availability - so, a coaching shortage, not an interest shortage.

23 Aug 6, 2012 5:36 PM Not enough interest. no players with high level skills as yet. Program too new.

24 Aug 6, 2012 5:33 PM Not enough talent

25 Aug 6, 2012 4:41 PM could not get a full team together...

26 Aug 6, 2012 4:20 PM the girls who want more play on club teams,

27 Aug 6, 2012 4:09 PM Not enough interest

28 Aug 6, 2012 3:39 PM Not competitive and games were on Saturdays.

29 Aug 6, 2012 3:21 PM We wanted to see how the program was working before committing.

30 Aug 6, 2012 2:31 PM I think it's tough to get girls to commit to playing a double schedule (requiring

31 Aug 6, 2012 1:29 PM Our girls are still beginners!

32 Aug 6, 2012 1:15 PM the girls have too many conflicts with other sports/activities to add another game/practice.

33 Aug 6, 2012 1:03 PM At the end of the summer on Fathers Day was simply not a good time to have a jamoboree. If it were during a break in the season you would have much more participation.

34 Aug 6, 2012 1:01 PM Have just enough girls for a town team. Would not have enough for a select team.

35 Aug 6, 2012 10:38 AM 7/8 girls seem to busy to do rec & select but may change next season

36 Aug 6, 2012 2:40 AM we prefer to field 2 equal U15 teams.

37 Aug 6, 2012 1:21 AM our town holds open spring sign-up too late for us to get a handle on who may return/play each year.

38 Aug 6, 2012 12:53 AM It's a rec program

39 Aug 6, 2012 12:46 AM We are only in our second year of the girls lax rec program

40 Aug 5, 2012 11:55 PM Did n't know about it

41 Aug 5, 2012 11:03 PM Not enough qualified coaches

42 Aug 5, 2012 10:20 PM Conflicts with kids playing multiple sports

43 Aug 5, 2012 10:12 PM Did not get enough girls interested to form a team

44 Aug 5, 2012 9:54 PM Our skill level s not high enough and we feared long road trips.

45 Aug 5, 2012 9:24 PM not enough girls

46 Aug 5, 2012 9:19 PM It's a whole separate selection process. It's also hard enough to get the plays to attend two days of practice consistently between all of their other activities outside of lacrosse.

47 Aug 5, 2012 8:31 PM not enough skilled players at the 7/8 level in my town

48 Aug 5, 2012 8:24 PM Too many girls also play soccer and those games are on Saturdays - can't be at two places at one time

49 Aug 5, 2012 8:10 PM Not enough girls since we only have one team at that level. We hope to combine with a surrounding town next year so we can.

50 Aug 5, 2012 8:07 PM Not enough players currently in program

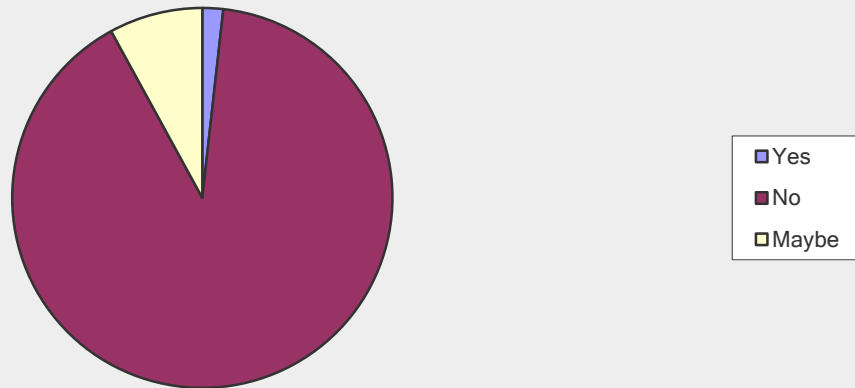
51 Aug 2, 2012 3:41 PM In 2011 we didn't play a full schedule and finding committed coaches and players was difficult.

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Are you able to devote some time to help MBGLL with key positions such as President, Vice President, North Division Director, South Division Director, New Programs Director,

Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes	1.8%	2
No	90.3%	102
Maybe	8.0%	9
<i>answered question</i>		113
<i>skipped question</i>		40

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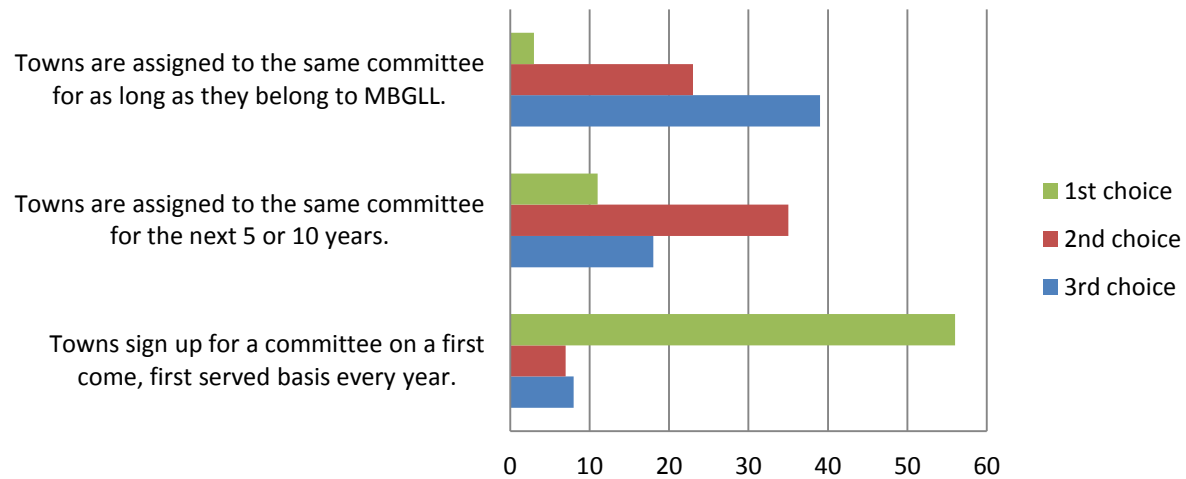


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How would you like towns to receive assignments for volunteer positions?

Answer Options	1st choice	2nd choice	3rd choice	Response Count
Towns sign up for a committee on a first come, first	56	7	8	71
Towns are assigned to the same committee for the next 5	11	35	18	64
Towns are assigned to the same committee for as long	3	23	39	65
<i>answered question</i>				71
<i>skipped question</i>				82

How would you like towns to receive assignments for volunteer positions?



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Please offer other suggestions as to how MBGLL may ensure enough assistance in running the league in future years.

Answer Options	Response Count
	14
<i>answered question</i>	14
<i>skipped question</i>	139

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 7, 2012 6:08 PM	I cannot possibly dedicate enough time to do an adequate job for the program, but I can help with just about anything. I am a board member and coach for my own town. My husband coaches and travels about 50% with work. My two daughters play this sport, and have other activities. I work full time. So there is a lot to juggle. But I will try to help in any way possible.
2	Aug 7, 2012 4:06 PM	That's a tough one? Offer free pass on fees for kids with parents in volunteer positions
3	Aug 7, 2012 2:36 PM	All I can say is the folks running their town programs already have too much on their plate. We then try and recruit coaches and other volunteers within our own program.
4	Aug 6, 2012 9:12 PM	Create 8 team divisions and let them work together to accomplish tasks.
5	Aug 6, 2012 7:28 PM	mandate that town league boards also commit 2 board members to MBGLL for 3 year terms for stability and transition
6	Aug 6, 2012 5:48 PM	on the question above about volunteering assignments - town staff turn-over as people's kids matriculate - I don't think we can assign towns to the same committee forever as people will have different interests and skills.
7	Aug 6, 2012 3:40 PM	It's hard with volunteers - we are all doing work for our town programs too
8	Aug 6, 2012 2:42 AM	Male coaches are adding a lot of aggression to the women's game - sometime through their ignorance. Refs have to keep the field safe and the sidelines under control with no crazy male coaches.
9	Aug 6, 2012 1:22 AM	No suggestions. just perservere until there are enough parents with experience to fill positions.
10	Aug 6, 2012 12:49 AM	I do not like the idea of requiring people to volunteer. People should do it because they want to be involved, not as a requirement.
11	Aug 5, 2012 10:13 PM	Positions could rotate in some way.
12	Aug 5, 2012 9:12 PM	Neighboring towns should be on the same committees. That way they could meet together in a convenient manner and also get to know the opposing towns they play.
13	Aug 5, 2012 8:11 PM	I wish I could!
14	Aug 2, 2012 3:43 PM	All towns should have to volunteer at least one position every 5 years. If not, they lose their eligibility to be in the league.

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What else would you like MBGLL to offer?	
Answer Options	Response Count
	14
<i>answered question</i>	14
<i>skipped question</i>	139

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 16, 2012 12:50 PM	More training for umpires.
2	Aug 9, 2012 10:07 PM	To avoid mis-matches maybe try to take a look at the size of the towns you match together. Example, we played Billerica they have about 45k people in the town. North Middlesex (basically Pepperell) has 11K. So it's safe to assume, if I have 2-3 strong players, they have about 10-12. The basic math creates a mis-match.
3	Aug 9, 2012 1:02 AM	More INSTRUCTIONAL /Game rules/ clinics
4	Aug 7, 2012 6:10 PM	Clinics for players
5	Aug 7, 2012 5:32 PM	CPR/First Aid/AED Training
6	Aug 7, 2012 2:36 PM	More referees attending early season practice. A pool of coaches (HS or college) or US Lacrosse trainers available to attend practices once a season to help town coaches and their teams
7	Aug 7, 2012 1:45 AM	Fall clinic
8	Aug 6, 2012 7:33 PM	keep on working on making the web sight easier and easier to use. perhaps a coaches corner w links to more instructional drills, the one D1 led clinic was cancelled and it did create a good buzzz for kids and coaches
9	Aug 6, 2012 3:41 PM	Adopt US lacrosse rules @ U13 & U15 rec & select. No 3 pass and modified check at 13 and full at 15
10	Aug 6, 2012 1:03 PM	Grow the game in the central Mass area
11	Aug 6, 2012 4:11 AM	At LEAST 10 games/per season. Not right that the boys get more games than the girls!!! Also, all other sports offer more than 8 games/season.
12	Aug 6, 2012 1:24 AM	Fall Jamboree.
13	Aug 5, 2012 9:26 PM	more parent PCA training
14	Aug 5, 2012 8:26 PM	Summer and Winter clinics....many indoor sport centers would be willing to host

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Please offer suggestions as to how MBGLL may help to attract coaches to your programs.

Answer Options	Response Count
	23
<i>answered question</i>	23
<i>skipped question</i>	130

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 10, 2012 1:29 PM	great question! Maybe reaching out to local colleges to let them know about the league and how to find coaching vacancies
2	Aug 7, 2012 6:10 PM	Ally wiht college programs to recruit girls in their last year of school.
3	Aug 7, 2012 5:32 PM	More "Coach the Coach" type sessions, independent from US Lax
4	Aug 7, 2012 4:11 PM	Covering my kids fee this season was great. Keep that. Offer coach coat and shirt. We have pretty good coach coverage right now.
5	Aug 7, 2012 2:36 PM	more clinics, closer to home even if not led by certified trainers
6	Aug 7, 2012 11:37 AM	The training 'requirements' are tough. People's time is very limited and by making training mandatory we lose some potential coaches. If we considered a train the trainer model where one person from the town gets certified and they then turn around and run trainings and clinics for their coaches. This would make it convient for travel and less daunting for new coaches. In my experience, once a person gets the first year of coaching under their belt they are bitten by the bug. Those people usually go on to trainings all on their own subsequently. The only training I would require coaches to go to once is the Rules Clinic.
7	Aug 7, 2012 12:34 AM	online coaching certs
8	Aug 6, 2012 10:22 PM	Post a success video on the website interviewing a coach with no previous experience with the game and let them say how their experience was with the training and running a team. Help breakdown the fear of the unknown by someone who did it.
9	Aug 6, 2012 7:33 PM	good question - i don't have anything constructive at this time
10	Aug 6, 2012 5:49 PM	very good question - we need all the help we can get!
11	Aug 6, 2012 5:35 PM	Don't make training mandatory
12	Aug 6, 2012 3:24 PM	Lighten up on training requirements
13	Aug 6, 2012 1:41 PM	try and offer some clinics for specific positions coached by current college players.
14	Aug 6, 2012 1:33 PM	have parent training's in town - rules, expectations, how to play
15	Aug 6, 2012 1:03 PM	None
16	Aug 6, 2012 1:24 AM	you are doing great.
17	Aug 6, 2012 12:44 AM	Training that simplifies the sport at the U9 & U11 levels. Indoors if possible
18	Aug 5, 2012 11:57 PM	More education about lacrosse
19	Aug 5, 2012 10:13 PM	Help out with fees for their children
20	Aug 5, 2012 9:51 PM	less in person requirements
21	Aug 5, 2012 9:18 PM	We need more dates for the coaching clinics. As I said before the mandatory clinics scared people away. Online courses with a test at the end are great, like the US lacrosse level 1.
22	Aug 5, 2012 8:26 PM	offer clinics more often
23	Aug 5, 2012 8:13 PM	At least offer stipends, scholarships for graduate level students, etc

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How may MBGLL track players in our youth league that go on to play college lacrosse?

Answer Options	Response Count
	22.00
<i>answered question</i>	22.00
<i>skipped question</i>	131.00

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 10, 2012 1:29 PM	Not sure - possibly get high school contacts directly? It's even hard for us to track that!
2	Aug 7, 2012 6:10 PM	We had our first year of HS girls graduating this year. Time will tell if any players go on to college.
3	Aug 7, 2012 4:11 PM	?
4	Aug 7, 2012 3:47 PM	Start a where are they now page on the web site that tracks players that move onto HS and College teams. Show their accomplishments and accolades. I think if the younger girls see this, they'll be able to picture themselves on that page some day.
5	Aug 7, 2012 2:36 PM	Not sure-there is a 4 year separation with HS
6	Aug 7, 2012 12:34 AM	offer select in every town for serious players and if maybe combine towns that don't have enough select level players
7	Aug 6, 2012 10:22 PM	As part of the registration process, ask a program question about how many of your former players are currently playing in college and how many played but have now graduated from college.
8	Aug 6, 2012 7:33 PM	town levels should capture the data then updated MBGLL each winter.
9	Aug 6, 2012 5:49 PM	oohh, good question! But how would you use this info? for marketing purposes?
10	Aug 6, 2012 5:36 PM	Can we self report and maybe list on the website with permission from the player?
11	Aug 6, 2012 5:35 PM	N/A
12	Aug 6, 2012 2:00 PM	have a page on the website dedicated to this and the coaches submit bios and photos
13	Aug 6, 2012 1:03 PM	NA
14	Aug 6, 2012 1:24 AM	Facebook. Ask them to send updates.
15	Aug 6, 2012 12:51 AM	Offer scholarships and college recruitment opportunities for the players
16	Aug 6, 2012 12:44 AM	Kids would need to volunteer info. Post it on the site under an alumni section
17	Aug 5, 2012 11:05 PM	Ask town program directors
18	Aug 5, 2012 10:15 PM	survey the high school coaches
19	Aug 5, 2012 9:19 PM	Maybe through US Lacrosse membership?
20	Aug 5, 2012 9:18 PM	You could have a link on mbgll where parents could enter data, much like laxpower. You could post the link on Facebook? It would be great!!
21	Aug 5, 2012 8:26 PM	Survey former members
22	Aug 5, 2012 8:17 PM	Perhaps there is a way to invite those players to "register" on a "team" on LA. I'm sure players who go on to play at the college level would be happy to share their good news.

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Other Comments/Suggestions?	
Answer Options	Response Count
	13
<i>answered question</i>	13
<i>skipped question</i>	140

Number	Response Date	Response Text
1	Aug 14, 2012 2:06 AM	MBGLL does a great job! :)
2	Aug 7, 2012 6:10 PM	Thank you for the opportunity to respond to this survey.
3	Aug 7, 2012 4:11 PM	Get the higher levels to assist the lower levels.
4	Aug 7, 2012 2:36 PM	Overall we are happy with the league. For Natick, Christine has been a great help when I have had issues.[] Our 2 biggest concerns are the travel and the forced volunteering
5	Aug 6, 2012 7:33 PM	more ink / photos in US Lacrosse Magazine for our region - the kids really dig into that from cover to cover
6	Aug 6, 2012 5:49 PM	thanks very much for all you do!
7	Aug 6, 2012 3:24 PM	Do not schedule games during April vacation - or at least on only one end of it.
8	Aug 6, 2012 1:03 PM	none
9	Aug 6, 2012 4:11 AM	PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE offer AT LEAST 10 games per season. It is not right to leave it up to the coaches to schedule extra games. It is great that the league is setting up this survey - please take my concerns that the girls are being cheated into serious consideration. Thank you.
10	Aug 6, 2012 2:48 AM	After 20 years of coaching, I am signing off. The coaching experience has been tainted, in my opinion, by over half the youth coaches of girls teams now being male coaches. Would boys lax welcome so many female coaches (who obviously did not play men's lax)? I think not. It's sad that the game is being handed over to men - coaching girls - and women will no longer be their role models. Most men in the rules Q & A were clueless and wanting to find a loophole to the women's rules. Unless refs (also many males) preserve the women's game of finesse, sportsmanship and cooperation, we are losing the integrity of the sport. Good Luck!
11	Aug 5, 2012 10:15 PM	There need to be more opportunities to teach the rules of the game so parents can better understand what they are watching.
12	Aug 5, 2012 9:21 PM	Developer outreach programs to the towns through the schools