



Under 21 Division Report
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8 teams entered the 2005 Under 21 men's division with Limestone City winning the championship. They become only the second SOSA team to win an ERSL Regional championship.

The team coaches met in March and decided to have a showcase event. All 8 teams started their regular season on the weekend of the 14th & 15th at the University of Ottawa in the opening games of the 2005 ERSL season. In a post season meeting the coaches thought the event was a success and requested that it be repeated in 2006.

The post season meeting did identify some problems however. The level of organization within the division was raised as a major concern. Whereas some teams were well organized others were quite poorly managed and in some cases struggled to get a team on the field. The coaches were of the opinion that if we want to have the Under 21 men's division as a high profile division then the overall level of organization needs to improve.

Another concern was that access to high quality fields on a Wednesday evening were difficult for some clubs, so the suggestion was made to move the regular game night to a Sunday evening. This was agreed at the post season meeting.

2006 Dates

Friday 16th December 2005 – Applications for the 2006 U21 Division close

Thursday 5th January 2006 – Team interviews

Wednesday 11th January 2006 – Recommendations given to ERSL board

Monday 16th January 2006 – Announcement of which teams will play in the 2006 Division

Wednesday 19th April – Coaches / managers pre season meeting

Weekend of May 13th 2006 – Under 21 Showcase event