

2008 season was a very crazy season. The season started like all others with the scheduling. We introduced a couple of Scheduling Forms that were to be used by the teams with a deadline for submission. Again, we had teams that did not submit theirs and then screamed about the first draft of the schedule. If anyone has done scheduling, it takes hours to complete. Once a suitable draft was completed it was sent out to all teams to review and was given a deadline to submit any requests to change. A Form for this was also introduced. The same thing happened with teams not submitting anything and then when the Official Schedule was sent out a number of changes were requested. At one point the ALRA issued a warning that they were not going to accept anymore changes. We then had a team withdraw after the Official Schedule had been sent out and we had to hurry and try to get a new one done for that division. The problem at that point was floor time as the Minor Associations had started scheduling. There is no way a perfect schedule will ever be completed. I ask that for the 2009 season that every team do their homework with their venue a head of time, submit their information on time and the biggest thing is that if a team has 10 home games, they must give more than just 10 time slots to work with. I would like to thank Donna Haggstrom for all her hard work on the schedules.

Player/Bench Personnel Registration is another area where there were problems and hopefully we can come up with a better solution. A number of our teams had problems registering in the ALA Registration system and we had some teams that did not even get this done. Again, I hope that we can come up with a better registration system in 2009.

As most of you are aware the RMLL had 2 Commissioners resign over the season, so the work with those 2 divisions were left to Duane, Greg and myself. It was not easy, but somehow we managed the best we could.

I would like to thank all of you for all the hard work that you do with your teams as without you there would not be a Rocky Mountain Lacrosse League. It takes thousands of hours to operate the RMLL and I would like to thank Duane, Greg, Mike, Rob and Linda for all their hard work. It is really great working with such a great group of people.

I am looking forward to the 2009 season.

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