## Fort Worth World Cup League 2022

## Rules and Information

## RULES

- Eight owners will draft six teams each.
- NEW RULE: World Cup teams may be drafted twice; the owner taking a team the second time earns $1 / 2$ points. You may own the same team twice--if you dare!
- Draft order determined randomly, with order reversing in even-numbered rounds (i.e., team that drafted sixth in the first round drafts first, team that drafted fifth drafts second, and so on)
- Owners earn one point per win (including the July $143^{\text {rd }}$-place game) and $1 / 2$ point per tie
- In the event of a tie in our final overall standings, first tiebreaker is final World Cup standing of best team on an owner's roster; second tiebreaker is cumulative goal differential for all six teams
- Owners may not drop, add, or trade teams
- Overall winner will bear the title of "World Cup Genius;" second place earns the title "Right Clever Fellow"


## WORLD CUP

- 32 teams compete
- first round puts teams in groups of four (Groups A through H); each team plays every other team once, and top two go to next round
- next and all subsequent rounds are single elimination
- games start on November 20 and end December 18


## NOTES REGARDING NEW DOUBLE-DRAFT RULE

- Over the last four World Cups, the top team by our scoring system had either 6 or 6.5 points (never has this been the team that actually won the World Cup!).
- Thus, the second team to draft the best performing international team will get in the range of 3.25 to 3 points.
- According to the last four World Cups, that's the equivalent of a team that finished $11^{\text {th }}$ or $12^{\text {th }}$ overall.
- In other words, if everyone drafts perfectly it becomes worthwhile to consider drafting already drafted teams once 11 or 12 other teams have been selected.

LEAGUE HISTORY (parenthetical ranks are original draft order; $\mathbf{a}=\mathbf{l o c a l}, \mathbf{b}=\mathrm{int}$ ' )

|  | World Cup Genius | Right Clever Fellow |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2006 | Peter Elliott $\left(6^{\text {th }}\right)$ | Barry Russell $\left(5^{\text {th }}\right)$ |
| 2010 | John Harvey $\left(6^{\text {th }}\right)$ | Peter Elliott $\left(2^{\text {nd }}\right)$, Paul Hird $\left(1^{\text {tt }}\right)$ |
| 2014 | Peter Elliott $\left(2^{\text {nd }}\right)$ | Paul Hird $\left(3^{\text {rd }}\right)$ |
| $2018 a$ | Erik Hansen $\left(5^{\text {th }}\right)$ | Barry Russell $\left(6^{\text {th }}\right)$ |
| 2018 b | Paul Hird $\left(5^{\text {th }}\right)$ | Peter Elliott $\left(4^{\text {th }}\right)$, Keith Harper $\left(2^{\text {nd }}\right)$ |
| 2022 a | Peter Elliott $\left(3^{\text {rd }}\right)$ | Barry Russell $\left(5^{\text {th }}\right)$ |
| 2022 b | Keith $\left(5^{\text {th }}\right)$ | Alex and Wilder $\left(7^{\text {th }}\right)$ |

## PARTICIPATING TEAMS AND ODDS OF WINNING WORLD CUP

| Team | Odds | Group |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Brazil | $4.5-1$ | G |
| France | $5.5-1$ | D |
| England | $6-1$ | B |
| Spain | $7.5-1$ | E |
| Argentina | $10-1$ | C |
| Germany | $10-1$ | E |
| Belgium | $12-1$ | F |
| Portugal | $12-1$ | H |
| Netherlands | $14-1$ | A |
| Denmark | $28-1$ | D |
| Croatia | $53-1$ | F |
| Uruguay | $50-1$ | H |
| Senegal | $65-1$ | A |
| Poland | $65-1$ | C |
| Switzerland | $80-1$ | G |
| USA | $80-1$ | B |


| Team | Odds | Group |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Serbia | 80-1 | G |
| Wales | 100-1 | B |
| Mexico | 100-1 | C |
| Ghana | 150-1 | H |
| Ecuador | 150-1 | A |
| Morocco | 200-1 | F |
| Canada | 250-1 | F |
| Cameroon | 250-1 | G |
| Japan | 250-1 | E |
| Qatar | 250-1 | A |
| Tunisia | 300-1 | D |
| South Korea | 400-1 | H |
| Australia | 400-1 | D |
| Saudi Arabia | 500-1 | C |
| Iran | 500-1 | B |
| Costa Rica | 1000-1 | E |

Local League Draft Order

1. John Harvey
2. Sean Crotty
3. Peter Elliott
4. Erik Hansen
5. Barry Russell
6. Jim Scott
7. Rishav Bista
8. Katie Polzer

International League Draft Order

1. Cary Anning
2. Brandy Scott
3. Paul Hird
4. John Harvey
5. Keith Harper
6. Rex McKenzie
7. Alex Harvey and Wilder Bogle
8. Brent Hewitt

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