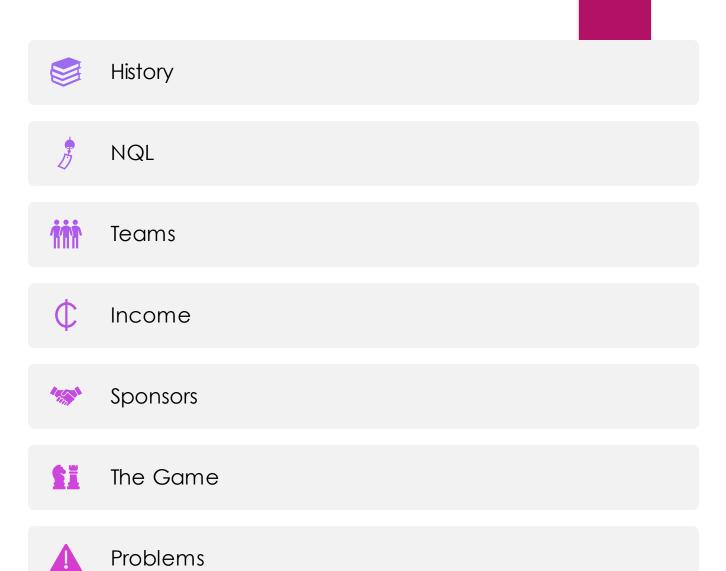


## Overview



# History of Quidditch

- First recorded game in Queerditch Marsh in the year 1050
- Snitch introduced in 1269
- The snitch introduced a new position called the seeker
- World cup started in 1473 (every four years)
- Official rules published in 1750
- Layout finalized in 1883

# National Quidditch League

- ► Founded in 1965; 55 years ago
- First season was 1965-66
- Reside over United States
- 8 fully sponsored teams



## Managed Teams

- ▶ Atlanta Griffins (Atlanta, Georgia) 1976-present
- ▶ **Tennessee Gorgons** (Nashville, Tennessee) 1967-present
- ▶ **New York Warlocks** (New York City, New York) 1966-present
- ▶ LA Beaters (Los Angeles, California) 1967-present
- ▶ **Seattle Stags** (Seattle, Washington) 1966-present
- ▶ Miami Merpeople (Miami, Florida) 1965-present
- Chicago Quaffles (Chicago, Illinois) 1965-present
- ▶ Houston Keepers (Houston, Texas) 1965-present



## Income

- Unincorporated nonprofit association
  - Distributes profits evenly amongst teams
  - Exempt from federal tax
- Revenue
  - ► Licensing deals
  - ► Ticket sales
  - Merchandising
- ▶ 2019: NQL made 60 million USD



## Current Team Sponsors

- ► Tennessee Gorgons Godric Gryffindor Sports Association
- New York Warlocks ButterBeer Inc.
- LA Beaters Bojangles'
- Seattle Stags Chick-fil-A
- Miami Merpeople Wands-A-Billion
- Chicago Quaffles Ford Motor Company
- Houston Keepers The Home Depot
- Atlanta Griffins The Coca Cola Company



## The Season and Game

- ► Round-robin season
- Season ends with a bracket-style tournament
- Quidditch is played on broomsticks
- Games end when the snitch is caught (150 points)
- The team with the most points wins



#### **NQL 2019 Season Bracket**



# Problems Overview



Scheduling



Finances



**Employees** 



Organization

## Scheduling



- Scheduling when and where teams play
- Struggle with location for games
- Communicating the sponsors meeting
- Figuring out when we need to be with which team at a certain time

## Finances



- Create marketing strategies for advertising
- Acquiring adequate sponsorship
- Acquiring merchandising deals
- ► Financing office space

## **Employees**



- Only three employees and one intern
- Needed to manage the teams and the league
- Create a head of marketing position

## Organizing Data



- Problems with the ranking system based on wins and losses
- Our system is not up to date
- To solve our problem we'll create a public database including:
  - ▶ Team names, cities/stadium location, coaches, players, sponsors, rank(wins/losses), salary, age, start year in league, position, previous winners, top players in the league

# Takeaway



► The NQL has been successful by running as efficiently as possible but would benefit from some organizational help.