



Well, the 2022 Long Island Futsal Season came to an exciting conclusion last weekend (March 12, 13, 2022) after starting right after the New Year, and extending an extra week due to the snowstorm that occurred at the end of January. This was the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for the Long Island Futsal League and it was good to be back after last year's hiatus.

It was a challenging year for all the participants (players, parents, coaches, referees), as we had to adhere to the State and local school districts requirements regarding mask mandates and spectator limits. I want to thank all the players and parents for their cooperation as we all did our best to stay in compliance with the regulations (which differed from county to county) and still provide for a quality and enjoyable experience.

However, it certainly was refreshing (pun intended) when all restrictions were lifted the last two weeks of the season in Suffolk County.

We saw some firsts and remarkable finishes in this post pandemic return to play for the  
**Long Island Futsal League**

- A new league started up in Nassau County at the Massapequa Field House with nearly 70 teams registered in ten divisions
- Multiple divisions with Dual Champions and even one division with Triple Champions
- Several teams in the BHS Division teams welcomed the Central Academy Futsal team from St. Petersburg, Florida to participate in some friendly matches in February. All the games were extremely competitive which saw the Mt. Sinai United team besting the Central Academy team in the final.
- **Wild Finishes:**
  - **Suffolk BHS** – four teams in the running for the Championship going into the last week of the season. In the end, the Connetquot Varsity team outlasted Sachem HS 6-5 to take 1<sup>st</sup> place and Newfield HS moved up to a close second.
  - **Suffolk BU16** - this division saw the Massapequa Boltz square off against the Newfield HS JV team in a game the referee said was the best futsal - played game he ever officiated. The final score was 13-12 in favor of the Boltz who took the Championship.
  - **Nassau BU13/14** – going into the last week the HBC Inferno 2008 were six points behind in standings but had two games to play – they won them both and tied the Commack Pride Black team. Dual Champions were awarded as both teams split their head to head matches.
  - **Nassau GU13** – the Massapequa Lady Arsenal, Northport Cheetahs 1 & 2 were all tied going in the last week. All three teams won their last game so the first ever Triple Champions was declared.

All the scores and standings have been updated on the website: [www.lifutsal.com](http://www.lifutsal.com)

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