# THE BADGER BEACON

### Jr. Club Director meeting kicks off '16-'17 season

Practicing attorney Emily Swanson got the attention of club directors right away when she began her presentation at the Aug. 14 Junior Club Director meeting held at the Country Springs Hotel in Pewaukee.

"You guys aren't going to like what I have to say," she said.

Swanson shared information that pertained directly to properly registering with the Internal Revenue Service and properly classifying their coaches as employees for multiple reasons.

The Denver native also spoke about making sure that all clubs have Workers Compensation insurance, which is required by the state of Wisconsin to legally operate.



"Volleyball is my true passion, and I am so happy I found job where I can help clubs do things the right way and make sure they are functioning properly," said Swanson, a graduate of the University of Houston (undergrad) and University of Denver (law).

(Coaches or club directors who would like access to Swanson's PowerPoint presentation, can email brian@badgervolleyball.org to receive a copy.)

Other topics discussed by Badger Region staff members at the 2016 Junior Club Director meeting included:

\* Results from the Badger Region membership survey

\* Webpoint registration and other required forms for clubs and tournament directors

\* SafeSport requirements for all coaches for the 2016-17 clubs season

\* Ideas shared by Marquette women's head coach Ryan Theis and University of Wisconsin coach Kelly Sheffield on the state of the sport in the state.

\* Using the Beacon newsletter and

social media to share information.

\* Scorekeeping and referee reminders from our officials.

News about changes to the Badger Region Championships and Badger Region Qualifer also were presented to the club directors and coaches in attendance.

This year, the Badger Region Qualifers will be either one or two days based on number of teams. Ten or more teams in the event will make it a two-day event.

The Badger Region Championships will also feature a third division, the Badger Division for better formatting and scheduling of the event.

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# Questions about membership?

Email membership@badgervolleyball.org



## Boys clinic brings in top-notch coaches

Thirty-six coaches took time out of their schedules to be presented with the expertise of three seasoned coaches at the third annual boys volleyball coaches clinic Aug. 13 at Wisconsin Lutheran High School.

Presenters included Loyola University head coach Mark Hulse, Lewis University associate head coach Matt McCarthy and Loyola associate head coach Kris Berzins.

The event took place thanks to monies given to the Badger Region via a boys development grant the Region received at the beginning of 2016.

"Our presenters had great information that coaches are going to be able to benefit from immediately when they step in the gym either for their club or high school seasons," program director Brian Sharkey said. "This clinic was one of the best



I have ever been a part of."

This year's topics included designing offensive systems presented by Hulse, building better defensive skills from McCarthy and training the all-around athletes from Berzins.

## Region president welcomes suggestions, ideas

The Badger Beacon is asking each board member to submit an article for publication twice per year to let members know what they envision as best practices for the organization. This week, the column bring your news from President/Ref Training Chair Julie Voeck. Enjoy!

Being a member of the Badger Region board of directors and serving as the current Commissioner has been an amazing experience for me. Volleyball has been a major part of my adult life



so being able to work with so many people that are also passionate about volleyball is so rewarding.

the years I have been involved in many aspects of volleyball starting out as a volleyball player. I quickly became a referee as part of our team responsibilities at adult volleyball tournaments. In the early years I also coached girls' club volleyball for Tosa volleyball club and youth volleyball for several years before focusing primarily on officiating.

Since the early days, my focus

on officiating has led to a number of leadership roles in volleyball including becoming an FIVB international referee, a national USAV referee and scorer, an USAV arbitrator and president of the Professional Association of Volleyball Officials (PAVO) I also serve on the national referee rating and training teams for USAV and PAVO and the Board of Directors of the National Association of Sports Officials (NASO).

Each of these roles provides me with unique experiences in volleyball as well as the opportunity to learn from other people involved in volleyball across the country and other parts of the world. I enjoy sharing things I have learned from these experiences with Badger Region.

I'm proud to have been a member of Badger Region volleyball since the beginning when Wisconsin became Badger Region in 1995. Before being elected to the board, I served as the referee assigner and then referee chair. Neil Luebke (retired international referee) and Leif Storvik (USAV national referee whom Badger Region's most prestigious award is named after) were my mentors and instrumental in creating a fundamental focus on training and continuing education for referees. I was initially elected to the board as a member-at-large and then secretary before being elected as commissioner.

Badger Region has seen tremendous growth in membership, programs and respect from other USAV regions since our humble beginnings just over 20 years ago. Badger Region is now the ninth largest region of the 40 USAV regions with over 12,000 regular registered members in the 2015-2016 season and growing.

As Badger Region commissioner, I hear a lot from our constituents – mostly on ways to make Badger Region even

better! Badger Region members are passionate about volleyball and like what Badger Region has done. The Badger Region Championships, for example, provides a top-notch, excellent volleyball experience for players, coaches, officials and parents. Badger Region is committed to continuous improvement and provide excellent volleyball experiences like Badger Region Championships based on member feedback.

Badger Region also recently conducted a survey of all of our membership to determine what we can do make membership better for our members. Stay tuned for additional articles in the Badger Beacon on updates on Badger Region programming.

As a board member in Badger Region, I welcome input and suggestions from members at any time. My door is always open to find ways to make Badger Region better to provide an enjoyable volleyball experience for all our members.

### Free volleyball events Aug. 27 throughout Wisconsin

Who doesn't want to try volleyball for free? Following the Olympics, USA Volleyball regions, clubs and affiliates across the country will be letting people try just that! The initiative will be Saturday, Aug. 27, in gyms, schools and courts around the country. Want to know more about Open Court? Follow along:

Open Court is a USA Volleyball promotion developed to take advantage of the Olympic momentum from our successful athletes and the Gold Map program.

While Gold Map is a "find a place to play" initiative, Open Court is a one-day "try volleyball for free" promotion aimed to drive potential players to grassroots programs and facilities. This is a first-time program for USA Volleyball, but other National Governing Bodies have successfully turned Olympic-based growth programs like Open Court into an annual event that drives new athletes to the sport. USA Hockey conducts two "Try-HockeyForFree.com" events a year, attracting thousands of kids to the rinks with incredible



retention rates over the years.

A handful of clubs and facilities are starting to get on board for the Badger Region's Open Court initiative. Click on the links below for details about the club/facilities/locations:

\* Eau Claire: UW-Eau Claire McPhee Cen-

ter, 509 University Drive, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

\* Madison: Madison Turners, 3001 S. Stoughton Road, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

\* Oak Creek: Oak Creek High School, 340 E. Puetz Road, 5 to 7 p.m. (Hosted by the boys and girls high school teams at Oak Creek). Click here to register for this location.

\* Sheboygan: Sheboygan North High School, 1042 School Ave. 10 a.m. to noon

\* Waukesha: Waukesha North High School, 2222 Michigan Ave., Noon to 3 p.m.

\* Wauwatosa: St. Joseph School, 12130 W. Center St., 2 to 4 p.m.

If you played club volleyball (in any Region) during the 2015-16 season, you already have a membership and don't need to sign any waivers for the Aug. 27 events. For those who did not play or coach during the 2015-16 club season, click here to be directed to the Open Court membership registration.

Can my facility/club/school host an open court location? Yes, it can! Contact Brian Sharkey at the Badger Region office at brian@badgervolleyball.org or call 262-349-9785.

## Changes to Region qualifier, championships

The Badger Region Qualifer and the Badger Region Championships are going to be undergoing some formatting changes to accomplish multiple things in the coming year:

- \* Keep all teams under one roof at the Badger Region Championships
- \* Prevent teams from play six or more matches in row.
- \* Prevent refs from officiating more than eight matches in a day.
- \* Allow for teams to play more than one opponent at the Badger Region Qualifier
- \* Prevent tournaments from going late into the evening on Sunday nights.

To do that, a tournament committee comprised of Terry Paulson (chairman), Brian Sharkey,

Kelly Lehman, Scott Blackmon, Larry Schoenick, Paul Schlomer, Ryan Thompson, Ted Schulte and Sara Voigt put together the following:

### **Badger Region Qualifier**

**Date No. 1:** Feb 25/26: G18s, G17 (at the Milwaukee Sting Center)

**Date No. 2:** March 11/12: G16s, G15s, G14s, G13s, G12 (at the Milwaukee Sting Center and Center Court)

Tournament entry date: Jan. 4. Tournament close date: Feb. 3 (G17/18s) or Feb. 18 (G12-G16).

Maximum number of teams per division: 20

**Format:** One-day tournament for divisions with 2-9 teams.

Two-day tournament for divisions with 10-20 teams.

### **Badger Region Championships**

Date No. 1: March 18/19 — All Boys, G14 Club, G14 Open, G16 Club, G16 Open. This weekend is also March Madness (NCAA Men's Basketball in Milwaukee and the big St. Patrick's Day Parade.)

**Date No. 2:** March 25/26 — G11s, G13 Club, G13 Open, G15 Club, G15 Open

**Date No. 3:** April 1/2 — G12 Club, G12 Open, G17 Club, G17 Open, G18 Club, G18 Open

Tournament entry date: Jan. 4. Tournament close date: Feb. 18 Maximum number of teams per division: 16 in Open, 32 in Club, unlimited in Badger divisions. The Badger Division is new this year and is reserved for third-tier teams and teams who register late for the club division. The Badger Region Championships is not being capped. All teams entered will get in. To guarantee yourself in the division your team belongs, club directors must register as soon as possible and get their checks in as soon as possible, too.

Format: Teams are guaranteed three matches on the first day of competition. Some teams will only get two matches guaranteed on day two, but others (depending on the number of teams in their divisions) will get three matches on day two.



## Boys leagues in Kenosha, Oshkosh

The Badger Region is partnering with two men's volleyball power-houses to help grow boys volleyball in the state of Wisconsin.

Carthage College (NCAA Div. III) and the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh (NCVF Div. I) men's volleyball teams are working with the Badger Region for this unique opportunity to get more boys playing volleyball at the middle school level.

The Badger Region sees this as a great opportunity because the Kenosha and Oshkosh areas do not have middle school volleyball, and in Oshkosh there is no high school volleyball.

However both cities are home to two of the best NCAA Div. III and College Club teams, respectively, in the country.

Both leagues that are being organized for this fall offer one hour of instruction, in addition to a minimum of two games played each night of the league.

Players and staff from Carthage and UW-Oshkosh men's volleyball team will serve as instructors, coaches and officials for each of the dates.

All participants must have a Badger Region/USA Volleyball membership to participate. These memberships are only \$15 and can be found at www.badgervolleyball.org and then click on "membership." Please sign up for



Carthage coach LJ Marx offers instruction at the 2015 Carthage Middle School League in Kenosha.

a "summer membership" for this opportunity. The \$15 membership is the ONLY cost for players or families for this league.

If players already have a USA Volleyball membership from playing club volleyball throughout the 2015-16 season, they do not need to purchase a separate membership.

This year, the UW-Oshkosh League will run 5 to 7 p.m. on Sept. 18, Sept. 25, Oct. 2 and Oct. 9 in the Kolf Center at UW-Oshkosh.

The Carthage College League will be from 6 to 8 p.m. on Sept. 18, Sept. 25, Oct. 2 and Oct. 9 at the Tarble Athletic Center, 2001 Alford Park Drive, Kenosha.

Space is limited to the first 60 athletes who sign up for the

league

Participants can go to the home page of Badger Region (www.badgervolleyball.org) to register for either the Carthage or Oshkosh leagues. In addition to filling out the online middle school league sign up forms, participants should also make sure they have a membership while on the site.

Funding for these leagues is thanks to a grant the Badger Region Volleyball Association received from USA Volleyball at the start of 2016.

Last year, close to 60 boys participated in the first-ever league at Carthage College.

Have questions? Contact Brian Sharkey at brian@badgervolley-ball.org or call the Badger Region office at 262-349-9785.

# HP boys and girls from WI

The Badger Region was well-represented by athletes who trained and competed with National High Performance teams they included:

#### **Girls Select A1:**

- \* Jamila (EJ) Day
- \* Madeline Haines
- \* Mariah Grunze
- \* Sydney Dowler

### **Girls Select A2:**

Grace Tully

### Girls' Youth National Team:

Mia Grunze

#### Girls Youth A2:

Shea Lauria Rylie Vaughn

#### **Girls Junior A1:**

\* Catherine Van Grinsven

#### Girls Junior Continental:

- \* Laurel Bailey
- \* Alexis Alden (invited but did not attend)

#### **Boys Junior A1**

Matt Klassen Ben Steffen Matthew Szews

#### **Boys Youth A1**

Conner Lilly Aaron Plaisted Nicholas Watry

### **Boys Select A1**

Bryce Behrendt Eagan Peters-Michaud

### WYVL season approaching; registration now available

Center Court Sports Complex in Waukesha and the Badger Region Volleyball Association are celebrating the seventh year of existence of the Wisconsin Youth Volleyball League (WYVL).

The mission, right from the beginning has been to advance the sport of youth volleyball in the State of Wisconsin and in so doing advancing the area high schools with a strong feeder program.

Young players benefit by having fun learning fundamental skills while playing in a structured competitive environment that helps to promote the high school programs that are involved. The WYVL offers divisions for both boys and girls in grades 5

through 8.

Organizers recommend teams who participate in the WYVL be a "sign-up" team rather than a "tryout" team to foster maximum participation and development.

League play will be on Saturdays and Sunday at Center Court in September and October. Each "league" will be broken down into grade level. For example, fifth grade plays against fifth grade and sixth grade plays against sixth grade and so on. For the 2016 season, both "A" and "B" divisions will be offered at the 6th, 7th and 8th grade levels. There will be only one division for the 5th-grade level.

Organizers hope to offer boys divisions at the 5th/6th and the 7th/8th grade levels.

Since this is meant to be a learning experience, organizers are looking for parents to help coach and manage teams. In so doing, high school coaches can then solely concentrate on their own high school programs during the WYVL seasons.

Badger Region will once again be offering free USAV IMPACT Coaching Certification in August to all WYVL coaches.

Have questions about the league? Contact Tom Jurczyk at Center Court via phone at 262-548-3838 or tom@centercourtwis.com.

Have questions about getting a membership for the league? Contact Sara Voigt in the Badger Region office at 262-349-9785 or at sara@badgervolleyball.org.

## Fans: Wear your sportsmanship with pride

"I love to watch you play."

They're the six most important words you can tell your son or daughter about the sports they play. It sends the whole message: Enthusiastic, Supportive, Positive.

And to help spread these good words, the Badger Region Volleyball Association has come up with a way of rewarding fans who elicit the true meaning of having sportsmanship in the stands.

You may see wristbands around our region with the ESP program's message (Enthusiastic, Supportive, Positive). We have one for you, if you can live by these three words as you cheer for teams, coaches and officials in our region.

As a matter of fact, we have two of them for you; one for your wrist, and one to give away when you catch a different team's fan using ESP. In fact give them both away, we will get you another one. Or two.

How does this work?



A handful of tournament directors from the Badger Region have requested a specific number of wristbands the Region has on hand to give out (it's a finite number here, people, not enough for every parent or fan).

They will hand out the wristbands at their tournaments to the parents and fans they see modeling themselves in an "Enthusiastic, Supportive and Positive" manner.

They will receive two wristbands, one for themselves and one for some that parent or fan deems worthy of ESP wristband.

People who show up to the Badger Region Championships wearing the ESP wristband will receive a special gift for being a positive role model for the young athletes in the gym.

Just don't make us have to take the wristband away from you. That would be embarrassing.

These wristbands are for fans, not players. Let's take our cheering and our region up a few notches:

- \* Get a little crazy.
- \* Go the extra mile.
- \* Support your team with positive cheering.
- \* Recognize the good in your teams and others.
- \* Get way off the chain and clap when the other team makes a great play.
- \* We need good opponents to get better. Be that good opponent.

Put away the in-your-face cheers, actions and yelling, and hold others to the same standard.

For more information about the program, contact Badger Region Volleyball Association Board Member BJ LeRoy (Northeast Rep/Adult Rep) at 4bjleroy@gmail.com.

Club directors can contact Brian Sharkey (brian@badgervolleyball.org) to request a few of the remaining wristbands for the 2015-16 season.

### **Refreshers from IMPACT**

By BJ LeRoy

Badger Region Board Member

At a coaching clinic, one of the attendees was showing his favorite drill while the other attendees acted as players. I was one of the players. The coach was talking so much that I tuned him out. I wasn't hearing a word he was saying.

One instructor walked up and whispered something in coach's ear. Immediately, the coach was quieter, said about 10% of his previous comments, and I could hear him again. Turns out, he was saying some decent stuff. I just couldn't hear it through all the (previous) noise.

The instructor told us later, he asked the coach to dial it back from a 10 to a 3. I hope it stuck, for sake of his players.

Are you consistent? Do you change your demeanor between practice and matches? Have you considered the frequency of your feedback? Are the players able to absorb it all? Is your delivery method getting in the way of the message?

IMPACT references are from Chapter 5, Motor Skills;

- \* Intrinsic feedback/self coaching
- \* Feed forward instead of back
- \* Better vs More Feedback

### Be demanding, never demeaning

Many people equate demanding with loud. We know those coaches...we see them yelling from the sidelines, screaming at players and officials. Or, player put-downs happen. Imagine what practice might be

It doesn't have to be that way. Some of the most demanding people we know may be quieter, suggestive, or even nurturing as they ask a lot of (and get a lot from) their players. How do they do it?

With your players, how do you stay demanding, while keeping their ego and self-image intact?

Often is seems that kids will run through a wall for a coach, when s/he hardly says a thing. A couple of calm yet demanding ideas;

- \* "I know you can get this."
- \* "Your team needs this from you."
- \* "Not yet."
- \* "Almost, you're so close!"

Another great way to be demanding is circling back to your request.

\* "What did we decide was the best way to \_\_\_\_\_? Can we keep doing that?"

# New program gives coaches more training

"The best way to learn is through a good mentor."

Over the next few years, the Badger Region will help deliver information to coaching mentors throughout the region, to help the next generation of coaches get better, faster. We want to help place our experienced coaches in a position to share their knowledge, see new coaches in action, and guide coaches toward proven methods.

The region has five FREE mentor-training clinics to give away. At each two-hour clinic, all club coaches participate, while three coaches are trained to be mentors by an Advisor Coach. We have done a good portion of the work for the new mentors.

Mentor information comes from the latest High Performance clinics, and other USA Volleyball Education resources that are hard to attend in person.

Contact BJ LeRoy (4bjleroy@gmail.com) or the Badger Region Office for more information. For the full 3C website being started by the Region, go to: http://badgervolleyball.org/ coaches-coaching-coaches/

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The Badger Region Volleyball Association promotes initiatives for safe, structured and fun life-long volleyball experiences!

If you (or you or your organization) would like to advertise in a future Badger Beacon, contact Brian Sharkey at the phone number or email address above.

#### More online:

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### **Badger Region Volleyball Association**

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Aug. 20: Junior Boys Triples and Junior Girls Triples (Grass) Tournament at Alcott Park in Milwaukee.

Aug. 22: First day of tryouts for high school boys at their respective academic institutions, per WIAA rules.

Sept. 18: Start of middle school boys leagues at UW-Oshkosh in Oshkosh, Wis., and Carthage College in Kenosha, Wis. Sign up at www.badgervolleyball.org.

Oct. 1: First day clubs can hold tryouts for Girls 14-and-under in the Badger Region. Returners commitment date: Oct 11. Newcomers commitment date: Oct. 13.

Oct. 1: First day club directors can enter their teams into two-day tournaments or qualifiers that become available today.

Nov. 12: First day clubs can hold tryouts for Girls 15-andover in the Badger Region. Returners commitment date:

Nov. 15. Newcomers commitment date: Nov. 17.

Nov. 18: First day clubs can hold tryouts for Boys 14-and-under in the Badger Region.

Nov. 19: First day clubs can hold tryouts for Boys 15-andover in the Badger Region. Returners commitment date:

Nov. 22. Newcomers com-

mitment date: Nov. 23.



Lewis University men's volleyball associate head coach Matt McCarthy leads the second session of the Badger Region boys coaches clinic on Saturday, Aug. 13.

Nov. 25: First day club directors can enter their teams into one-day Badger Region tournaments.

Feb 25-26: Badger Region Qualifier (Girls 17 and Girls 18) at Milwaukee Sting Center

March 11-12: Badger Region Qualifier (Girls 12-16) at Milwaukee Sting Center and Waukesha Center Court.

March 18-19: Badger Region Championships weekend No. 1 (All Boys, G14s, G16s) at the Wisconsin Center in downtown Milwaukee

March 25-26: Badger Region Championships weekend No. 2 (G11s, G13s, G15s) at the Wisconsin Center in downtown Milwaukee

April 1-2: Badger Region Championships weekend No. 3 (G12s, G17s, G18s) at the Wisconsin Center in downtown Milwaukee

April 9: Dale Rohde Memorial Boys Volleyball Tournament at Kettle Moraine High School and Waukesha Center Court.

Have a great story idea or person you want featured in the Badger Beacon? Email Brian Sharkey at brian@badgervolleyball.org.

# One big volleyball family

Playing for your local volleyball club makes you a part of a MUCH, MUCH bigger network of volleyball players, coaches, directors, officials and more. Take a look of how we're all connected:

### **USA Volleyball**



USA Volleyball (USAV) is the National Governing Body (NGB) for the sport of volleyball in the United States and is recognized as such by the Federation International de Volleyball (FIVB) and the United States Olympic Committee (USOC). The vision of USA Volleyball is to be acknowledged as the world leader in volleyball. USA Volleyball uses its 40 regions (like the Badger Region) to help implement its vision to players, coaches, sitting athletes, officials and other administrators of the sport.

USA Volleyball operates girls, boys, adult, High Performance and beach nationals to accommodate athletes of all ages and ability levels. It is also the source of numerous education resources such as IMPACT, CAP, SafeSport and officials training that is filtered down to the various member regions.

USAV is a separate organization from both the Junior Volleyball Association (JVA) and the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU). However, many (not all) of the athletes/coaches in JVA and AAU are also members of USAV.

USA Volleyball also oversees the teams that compete at the Olympics (men's, women's, sitting, beach).

### **Badger Region Volleyball Association**

Badger Region Volleyball Association is a non-profit membership organization dedicated to providing a high-quality volleyball experience to its members. As seen in last week's Badger Beacon newsletter, the Badger Region is made up of a Board of Directors elected by its members, five staff members and numerous advisory board members. The Board votes on and enforces the policies enacted by USA Volleyball and those unique to the Badger Region.

The Badger Region staff works to develop programming to enhance the experience of the junior clubs, adult clubs, officials, tournament directors and other members that the Region serves. The Badger Region staff works as a liaison between the various members and USA Volleyball, helping with registration (via Webpoint) and education (for coaches, players and officials). It also looks for opportunities to assist in the growth of the sport, especially among under-served groups.

The Badger Region also operates its own High Performance team (that competes against National High Performance teams) and its own Premier Volleyball League (PVL) team that competes at the Adult Championships.



### Junior/Adult Clubs

In the 2015-16 season, there were over 150 junior clubs registered in the state of Wisconsin (with about 20 of them being satellites of another club already established somewhere in the Badger Region) and about 20 adult volleyball clubs.

Each club is its own entity or business — many of which are non-profit organizations or other recognized IRS group. Philosophies on coaching, playing time, tournaments attended and costs to participate in a club are set at the club level.

The various clubs throughout the state are required to have IMPACT certified coaches with current background screenings, SafeSport trained coaches and have all athletes prepared to scorekeep, linejudge and officiate matches if needed.

Directors work with tournament directors to relay schedules and other tournament information (i.e. costs, parking, concessions, etc.)

Costs for jerseys, tryouts, travel and such are often determined by a club's board of directors, president or other administrators set up by the organization. Clubs must file the correct paperwork with Badger Region to be a region-recognized group.

With an athlete or coaching membership in Badger Region, you get full access to all the great resources mentioned on this page.

### Officials

Every official at a Badger Region-sanctioned tournament must be a member of USA Volleyball and have a current background screening.

Officials work closely with tournament directors and coaches to ensure that events run smoothly in accordance with the rules published in the Domestic Competition Regulations, the rulebook established by USA Volleyball.

Officials are assigned by the Region's Officials Assignor (Larry Schoenick) and work with the Officials Chair (Jim Momsen) and Officials Rating/Training Chair (Julie Voeck) to get the proper training to ref the tournaments in the Badger Region.

There are multiple levels of officials within each Region, ranging from Provisional all the way up to International.

# Tournament Directors

Tournament directors organize, market and facilitate events throughout the state. To be a recognized Badger Region-sanctioned event, the director must ensure the tournament operates according to Badger Region tournament guidelines (see our website). Tournament directors must be members of the Region and have background screenings to perform their duties.

Tournament directors report to the Badger Region Tournament Director (Terry Paulson) with results, problems and highlights from their respective competitions.