



# THE BADGER BEACON

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## Pewaukee earns grant after adding boys volleyball

Let's hear it for Pewaukee High School! The Woodland Conference school announced recently that it is adding a boys volleyball program that will begin competition in the fall of 2021 with a JV and a varsity program.



Thanks to their initiatives, the program will receive a \$1,000 from the Badger Region's Boys High School Grant Program.

We asked Pewaukee High School athletic director Jeff Behrens a few questions on adding a boys volleyball.

### What recommendation would you make to other schools looking to add boys volleyball

Behrens: My recommendation is to make sure that you have everything covered and that there is a sustained interest in the program. I feel that we conducted a very thorough analysis and there was a demonstrated interest to provide sustainability moving forward.

### How was the time right right now to start a boys volleyball program?

Behrens: The time was right at this point to begin our program because we have that sustainable interest, Title IX numbers are favorable and we feel that we have good support to get this program off the ground and maintain it for the future.

We also asked newly named head coach Allison Barnes a few questions in preparation for the teams' first season.

### What are you most excited about in regard to starting a new program?

Barnes: I am thrilled to be a part of the Pirate Community! To be able to come in and start a



program from scratch is an exciting challenge with high reward. We have the opportunity to come out strong and make a name within the men's volleyball community and quickly become a top program. I look forward to this opportunity and am eager to see how our first season goes.

### What hurdles might you expect in a first year program?

Barnes: Our number one hurdle we may need to overcome with a first year program is interest from the young athletes. I plan to make their season a fun, hardworking and a rewarding experience to peak interest. With word of mouth, we will be able to have a sustainable program. The second hurdle, is having wide variety of skillsets. We may have some players who have played club ball and others who never stepped on a court, but taking a step back and teaching the fundamental skills is my plan of action. If you were to ask any of my previous players, I always preach "fundamentals win games" and I plan to carry that over with the Pewaukee program.

*If your school is looking to add boys volleyball, contact Program Director Brian Sharkey at [brian@badgervolleyball.org](mailto:brian@badgervolleyball.org) for tips and advice.*

## Badger Region ref chosen for All-Star event

One of the Badger Region's own officials has been selected to officiate at the USA All-Star Championships in Orlando, Fla., July 21-25.

Francisco Torres Rivera, a resident of Milwaukee who received his Regional Ref and Region Scorer Ranking earlier this year, received



**Francisco Torres Rivera**

word just this week of this All-Star honor.

The opportunity to officiate at such a high-level event

requires a nomination and approval from the not only the Region but from an elite cadre of elite officials who will help train and officiate up-and-coming officials at the Florida event.

The All-Star event replaces the USA Volleyball High Performance Championships last month.

The Badger Region will be sending its four High

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## Region athletes invited to National Team Development Program

The Badger Region is being recognized in full force with how many athletes have been invited to train in the new National Team Development Program. Athletes invited to train with the NTDP as of June 1 include:

- Boys U16: Erik Jones (MVC)
- Boys U16: Vinny Coello (MKE Sting)
- Boys U18: Ryan Bartz (MVC)

- Boys U18: Nicodemus Meyer (MVC)
- Boys U18: Bradley Bell (MVC)
- Men's U21: Gavin Julien (MVC alumni)
- Men's Collegiate National Training Team: Ryan Coenen (MVC alumni)
- Girls U15: Gabriella Pitcel (MKE Sting)
- Girls U15: Madison Quest (MKE Sting)

- Girls U16: Anna Bjork (MKE Sting)
- Girls U16: Ella Demetrian (FC Elite)
- Girls U16: Melia Johnson (MKE Sting)
- Girls U17: Kennedy Martin (FC Elite)
- Girls U17: Claire Luoma (MKE Sting)
- Girls U17: Lily Wagner (MKE Sting)
- Girls U18: McKenna Wucherer (MKE Sting)
- Girls U18: Saige Damrow (FC Elite)



The Badger Region and Frisco Mo apparel announced the winners of their annual scholarships. The Frisco Mo winners (Cooper Polczynski and Anna Bohrer) were awarded their scholarships for doing good in their communities and are doing great things in the volleyball community, too! Take a look at what others have to say about our recipients here .



**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Jordan Berglin**  
 Club: Milwaukee Sting Volleyball Club  
 Hometown: Pewaukee, Wis.  
*"Kids like Jordan are great ambassadors to our game. She has represented her family, her club and her region as well as anyone could. She is an amazing athlete and an amazing kid!"*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Anna Bohrer**  
 Club: Sting United Madison  
 Hometown: Verona, Wis.  
*"With every interaction Anna approaches, she treats it as an opportunity to make herself and those around her better. She sets the bar for the team and leads both by example and with her words to reaffirm the goals of the team and pickup individuals around her."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Brooke Bolwerk**  
 Club: FC Elite  
 Hometown: Appleton, Wis.  
*"Aside from her on the court abilities, Brooke is a selfless teammate that will support her team no matter the role she earns. Brooke is one that will always encourage others and lift others up even in the most stressful moments."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Brady Frost**  
 Club: Fox Valley Performance  
 Hometown: Neenah, Wis.  
*"Brady is a true leader. Our team has looked to him in times of struggle, and he has always got us through. His will and determination cannot be matched. He leads by example, stays humble in victory, and is gracious in defeat."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Kellen Gonzales**  
 Club: Milwaukee Sting Volleyball Club  
 Hometown: Waukesha, Wis.  
*"He is an individual that younger players can view as a role model, because he demonstrates the compassion and dedication that it takes to excel in the classroom and on the court."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Jenna Graven**  
 Club: Eclipse Volleyball Club  
 Hometown: Horicon, Wis.  
*"When I have given her a task, such as learning the defensive skills necessary to play right side, she relentlessly pursues perfection. When she makes a mistake, she is willing to see it as part of the learning process."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Madelyn Hauer**  
 Club: Northern Wisconsin Stars  
 Hometown: Wausau, Wis.  
*"Maddie is an overall positive influence on her teammates — all of which are new to her this season. I believe Maddie works well with others to help build up the teammates who may not share her determination and confidence."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Eli Javier**  
 Club: Revolution Volleyball Academy  
 Hometown: Hartland, Wis.  
*"On a team of dedicated, hardworking young men, he is a standout both on and off the court with a strong work ethic and a willingness to do what is asked of him in addition to taking the initiative when needed. When the team struggles, he gives them the boost they need."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Sydney Lilienthal**  
 Club: Wisconsin Ice Volleyball Club  
 Hometown: Plover, Wis.  
*"Sydney is a valued member of each and every team she is on. Her kindness extends beyond the volleyball court and she respects each and every one of her teammates and coaching staff."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Ally Longden**  
 Club: Midwest Penguins  
 Hometown: Pewaukee, Wis.  
*"Ally worked with her church, Shepherd of the Hills Church, to organize events with 'Feed My Starving Children.' "I want to help others in everything I do. Working toward a greater good brings me joy and a purpose."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Eric Mueller**  
 Club: Eric Mueller  
 Hometown: Brookfield, Wis.  
*"Eric is a great member to the team. He gets along with everyone, and quickly understood the goals and expectations we set for him. His constant effort, and pursuit to get better is seen on a daily basis."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Quinn O'Brien**  
 Club: Southport Volleyball Club  
 Hometown: Mount Pleasant, Wis.  
*"Over the past four years, I have watched Quinn grow into a responsible and respectful young man. He has not only shown this on the court through his sportsmanship and leadership abilities, but also in and around the community."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Katie Palmer**  
 Club: River City Volleyball Club  
 Hometown: Lake Mills, Wis.  
*"After raising enough money to build a new well Lake Mills, Katie writes, "We did not do this for a grade or as a school project, we did this out of the kindness of our hearts. We helped individuals improve their quality of life by giving them something that we take for granted."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Rachel Pluta**  
 Club: Eclipse Volleyball Club  
 Hometown: Hubertus, Wis.  
*"Rachel is hardworking and a leader on and off the court. When she's not on the court, you can hear her cheering for those who are. And she is always there to pick up a teammate who is down on herself."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Cooper Polczynski**  
 Club: Fox Valley Performance  
 Hometown: Appleton, Wis.  
*"Not only does Cooper continue to hone his skills in volleyball, but he also takes advantage of helping others, and that is why he is so special. All of these activities along with his self-discipline, kindness and concern for others have made him an excellent role model."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Kailyn Schillinger**  
 Club: Eau Claire Slam  
 Hometown: Boyd, Wis.  
*"Kailyn has been an incredible teammate and has demonstrated a strong work ethic throughout her time in our program. Kailyn is also an outstanding teammate who is valued by all on her team."*

**2021 Badger Region Scholarship Recipient**  
**Joslyn Wolff**  
 Club: FC Elite  
 Hometown: Reeseville, Wis.  
*"A three-year captain for her high school team, she is an exemplary leader not only with her words, but she makes her teammates around her better because they play that much harder in her presence."*

# Badger Region Board adjusts policies on ‘retention’

The Badger Region Board of Directors met Monday, May 10, and modified the Retention Period that is currently being used.

The following language has been added to the current policy: If a club holds tryouts for non-residents, then that club's retention period could be the 7 days preceding the approved tryout date.

Only one retention period is allowed per club.

It is important to note the addition to the current Retention Policy is only if a club plans to offer an early tryout for out-of-region athletes. All other clubs must still abide by the Aug. 1-10 Retention Period.

[Click here for the Out-Of-Region Tryout Policy](#)

The fully updated Retention Offer policy states: Badger Region will allow an optional “Retention Period” Aug. 1-Aug. 10 for clubs to be able to offer a spot in their club for the previous season's players for the coming season. After 7 p.m. CT on Aug. 10, this window closes until the applicable tryout period. However, if a club holds tryouts for non-residents, then that club's retention period could be the 7 days preceding the approved tryout date. Only one retention period is allowed per club.



Rationale: Regions throughout the country are moving their tryouts into summer. Allowing clubs to move their retention period up to get ahead of these border regions' tryout dates will allow Badger Region-based clubs the opportunity to retain their athletes from Wisconsin as well as have tryouts for out-of-state players in an effort to have a better understanding of the club/team makeup at the same time as the neighboring Region.

Will this give a club an unfair advantage by allowing them to open Retention early? No. Since clubs only have access to athletes in their program who played for them last year, this is not going to be a concern.

It is not like an athlete from “Club Spikers” can get a Retention Offer from “Club Bumpers” any time of year (July or August). Under the new policy, a club may either use the “early retention period” or the standard

Aug. 1-10 retention period. Not both.

The Board of Directors concluded that allowing this modification will help Wisconsin athletes have a better understanding of their options if they are considering trying out for a club that is outside of Wisconsin's borders.

If I were an athlete who was considering playing for an out-of-Region club that has tryouts July 18 (the new date set by the Great Lakes Region for the start of girls tryouts), I would like to know before July 18 if I was getting a retention offer from my club that I played with during the 2020-21 season. If I had to wait until Aug. 1, a potential spot at the out-of-Region club might have been snagged by another athlete, OR I may take an out-of-state offer to guarantee I had a place to play, not knowing if I was going to get a retention offer.

Please follow up with your board member representative regarding future tryout policy changes.

To contact your board member, view the list here: <https://badgervolleyball.org/board-of-directors/>. You may also reach out to any At-Large Board Member about this topic as well.

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Performance All-Star teams to the event that will feature dozens of all-star teams from other Regions around the country.

In addition to Torres Rivera, longtime official and former Badger Region president Julie Voeck will attend the Orlando event to officiate and train other elite-level officials.

We talked to Torres Rivera about the recent news.

**Question: Tell us what the selection to the USA All-Star event means to you?**

Torres Rivera: Being selected to the All-Star (High Performance) feels like being in a World Series or the Olympics just because of the important level of the tournament. Being able to work and participate in an International tournament is always a great experience in any level you can work in. For the past years I was able to work with the VIS (volleyball information system) group in Puerto Rico with many International tournaments and now been able to work as a referee is a dream come true.

**Question: What are you most looking forward to while at the event?**

Torres Rivera: Being able to work different roles with referees in a higher level from the USA and other countries to prepare my self for my next step (JR national, National patch, if possible try to reach the International).

**Question: How long have you been an official?**



Torres Rivera: I have been reffing from 2012 to 2017 in Ponce, Puerto Rico for two local groups for the high school season mostly. I also work those five years for the VIS group in the FVP (Puerto Rico volleyball Federation). In August 2017 I started my online process with the Badger Region, and in December 2017, I received my Provisional patch.

**Question: What do you like most about being an official?**

Torres Rivera: Being able to do my best to help develop the sport that has given me a new opportunity in life for the past 15 years.

## More updates from the US Open Adult Nationals

Three Badger Region members, Jeff Wilder, Hugh Goodman and Franco Marcos teamed up with Lex Luther, a team of men all over the age of 60 to compete in this year's US Open Adult National Championships that took place Memorial Day weekend in Louisville, Kentucky.

The team ended up finishing third in the Men's 60-and-over competition falling only to Federal Resources from Heart of America Region and Kings Mountain Fog from Northern California Region through the course of the three-day event.

Congratulations to them and all of the adults who competed at USAV Opens.

REF SHOUTOUT



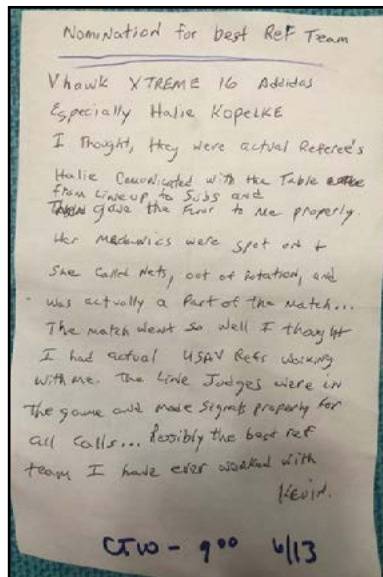
The V-Hawk Xtreme 16-Adidas team was honored at the Asics National Championships earlier this week while down in Chicago.

The team was recognized for their outstanding reffing efforts and received a plaque from the tournament directors.



The team ended up finishing 15th out of 55 teams and winning the Silver Bracket.

Congratulations to the coaches, staff and directors at V-Hawk Xtreme! Thank you for representing the Badger Region so well.



JUNE 25-JULY 5

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BADGER REGION TEAMS  
COMPETING AT NATIONALS!**



JUNE 30- JULY 7



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## OUTDOOR VOLLEYBALL

# Badger Region plans grass and beach tournaments

On your marks. Get set. Go outside. The Badger Region has a full slate of outdoor opportunities for adults and youths this summer. Check them out here:

## BEACH EVENTS

The Badger Region has a pair of youth events it is hosting to get people out, enjoying the beach volleyball scene in the state of Wisconsin. Prizes will be given to all division winners.

**What: Badger Region Beach Bash**

When: Saturday, July 10

Where: North Beach (100 Kewaunee St., Racine)

Cost: \$80 per team

Register: [Click here](#)

**What: Badger Region Beach Championships**

When: Aug. 7 or Aug. 8 (one day or the other depending on age/division)

Where: North Beach (100 Kewaunee St., Racine)

Cost: \$80 per team

Register: [Click here](#)

Questions about beach events? Email Kelly Lehman at [kelly@badgervolleyball.org](mailto:kelly@badgervolleyball.org) or call 262-470-0837.



## GRASS EVENTS

The Badger Region is looking forward to bringing grass volleyball events to its members for the first time in recent memory. Events below will allow athletes to “play” up divisions if they so choose. Divisions will be merged if needed. Prizes will be given to all division winners.

**What: Milwaukee Grass Tournament**

When: Sunday, July 18 (No rain date)

Where: Alcott Park, 3678 S. 96th Street,

Milwaukee

Register: [Click here](#)

Divisions: Boys and girls quads divisions (\$100), men’s and women’s triples divisions (\$90)

**What: Kenosha Grass Tournament**

When: Saturday, July 31 (Rain date: Sunday, Aug. 1)

Where: Kennedy Park, 4051 Fifth Ave., Kenosha

Register: [Click here](#)

Divisions: Boys and girls quads divisions (\$100), men’s and women’s triples divisions (\$90)

**What: Oshkosh Grass Tournament**

When: Sunday, Aug. 15 (No rain date)

Where: Sunnyview Expo Grounds, 500 E. County Road Y, Oshkosh

Register: [Click here](#)

Divisions: Boys and girls quads divisions (\$100), men’s and women’s triples divisions (\$90)

Questions: Email Brian Sharkey at [brian@badgervolleyball.org](mailto:brian@badgervolleyball.org) or call 414-313-9055.

# Badger Region makes adjustment to mask policies

The Badger Region Volleyball Association’s Board of Directors approved new language regarding its mask policy at Badger Region-sanctioned events.

This policy went into effect June 2 after the unanimous vote was completed and verified.

The new wording is as follows:

“Based on updated mask mandates and guidelines from the CDC and the State of Wisconsin surrounding safety and

Covid-19, clubs have autonomy to make decisions on masking protocols for athletes, coaches and spectators at their facilities and their tournaments. The Badger Region Board of Directors strongly recommends anyone not actively participating as an athlete during an event continue to wear a mask, understanding that it is in the best interest of everyone’s safety, including those not yet vaccinated. The Region also strongly

recommends that all participants 11 and younger continue to wear masks as they are not yet eligible to receive a vaccine. Clubs are still allowed to create their own more restrictive policy for the safety of their members, and any local ordinances regarding masking at gatherings must be followed. Badger Region will not be liable for anyone who contracts Covid-19 while attending or participating in a region-sanctioned event.”

Clubs/members/spectators must all still follow individual facility rules regarding masking, as well as any local ordinances. If a gym or other location says only players on the court can have masks off, please help your club members respect this. Also, the CDC guidelines state that fully vaccinated people can be mask-optional, but those not vaccinated should continue to wear masks. [Details here.](#)

## NATIONAL TEAMS UPDATES

# Kiraly names U.S. Olympic Women's Volleyball Team

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. – USA Volleyball is proud to announce the 12 women who will compete for the U.S. at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, pending approval from the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee.

The team includes four Olympic veterans and eight newcomers.

Making their third Olympic appearances will be two-time medalists Jordan Larson at outside hitter and Foluke Akinradewo Gunderson at middle blocker. Both won silver in London in 2012 and bronze in Rio de Janeiro in 2016.

Making their second Olympic appearances will be outside hitters Kim Hill and Kelsey Robinson who both won bronze medals in Rio.

The Olympic newcomers on the roster are outside hitter Michelle Bartsch-Hackley, opposites Annie Drews and Jordan Thompson, setters Micha Hancock and Jordyn Poulter, middles Chiaka Ogbogu and Haleigh Washington and libero Justine Wong Orantes.

The six Olympic alternates are setter Lauren Carlini, outside hitters Kathryn Plummer and Sarah Wilhite Parsons, middle blockers Tori Dixon and Hannah Tapp and libero Megan Courtney.

“We’re extremely grateful for the extra time that the Olympic postponement provided,” U.S. Head Coach Karch Kiraly said. “Our core group of 23 Women’s National Teamers has done amazing work in the last 14 months, setting us up for phenomenal trust, connection, purpose and performance.”

“This roster announcement is a bittersweet moment, as we face a stark reminder that we cannot travel all 23 to Tokyo for battle, though they’ll all be there in our hearts and minds.”

Kiraly, a three-time Olympic medalist, has served as head coach for the U.S. Women since 2012 and will be an Olympic head coach for the



## Olympic beach vball teams nominated

USA Volleyball announced its four beach volleyball pairs it has nominated to represent the U.S. at the Olympic Games in Tokyo, pending approval from the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee. They include:

- \* Alix Klineman/April Ross
- \* Kelly Claes/Sarah Sponcil
- \* Taylor Crabb/Jake Gibb
- \* Phil Dalhausser/Nick Lucena

All four duos earned an Olympic berth by finishing among the top 15 of their gender’s FIVB Olympic Provisional Rankings. Klineman/Ross finished second in the women’s rankings and Claes/Sponcil sixth. Crabb/Gibb finished 11th in the men’s rankings and Dalhausser/Lucena 12th.

For the full press release [click here](#).

second time. He helped the team to the Olympic bronze medal in 2016 in Rio de Janeiro. His assistant coaches, Erin Virtue, Tama Miyashiro

and Luka Slabe, will all be coaching at the Olympics for the first time. Miyashiro won a silver medal with the U.S. as a player at the 2012 London Olympic Games.

“Ultimately, we coaches are elated for this Olympic roster selection, and for our program,” Kiraly said. “Each one of the 12 contributes unique skills and qualities that make her the right person for the job. This collection of special people who are elite volleyball players is poised to make a fierce Olympic run. We can’t wait to watch them ‘Let It Rip’ in Tokyo.”

The average age of the roster is 25 with more than a decade span between Jordan Larson, 34, and Jordyn Poulter, 23.

The roster is youthful but experienced internationally. All have competed internationally for the U.S. Women’s National Team and all have played for professional teams in other countries during the offseason from USAV.

The U.S. Women’s National Team is ranked No. 1 in the world and currently pursuing its third straight FIVB Volleyball Nations League title in Rimini, Italy.

The 2020 Olympic Games, which were postponed for a year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, are scheduled to begin on July 23 with the Opening Ceremony. The women’s volleyball tournament begins July 24.



## USAV Foundation seeks donations for teams

We are less than two months away from the Tokyo Olympics and our National Teams are back in action. Consider supporting their quest for gold by making a donation to the USA Volleyball Foundation. Donation levels start at just \$25 and include a limited edition USA Volleyball Tokyo 2020 collector’s pin.

The U.S. National Teams have been adversely

impacted by COVID-19. Your support will help fund our teams as they prepare to compete in Tokyo and beyond. With your donation you will receive limited-edition commemorative gifts to celebrate our teams on their path to the Olympics & Paralympic Games.

To donate, [click here](#).

## NATIONAL TEAMS UPDATES

# Men's Olympic roster includes eight Rio returners

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. – USA Volleyball has announced the 12-player men's team that will compete for the U.S. at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020, pending approval from the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee.

Eight players return from the 2016 squad that won the bronze medal in Rio de Janeiro.

Two athletes making their third Olympic appearances are opposite/outside hitter Matt Anderson and middle blocker David Smith.

Making their second Olympic appearances will be setters Micah Christenson and Kawika Shoji, middle blocker Max Holt, outside hitters Thomas Jaeschke and Taylor Sander, and libero Erik Shoji.

Competing in their first Olympics will be opposite Kyle Ensing, outside hitters T.J. DeFalco and Garrett Muagututia and middle blocker Mitch Stahl.

The seven Olympic alternates are middle blockers Taylor Averill and Jeff Jendryk, opposites Ben Patch and Kyle Russell, outside hitters Aaron Russell and Brenden Sander, setter Josh Tuaniga and libero Dustin Watten.

“We had some really difficult decisions to make,” said U.S. Men's Head Coach John Speraw. “Team USA over the last four or five years has become deeper. The discussions about whom to take on this team involved the performances during VNL as well as what these players bring as teammates and competitors.”

Speraw took over as U.S. Men's head coach in 2013 and will be working his second Olympic Games in that role. He was an assistant coach at the 2008 and 2012 Olympic Games.

Brian Thornton will be attending his first Olympics as an assistant coach. He played setter on the 2012 U.S. Olympic Men's Team. Assistant coaches Matt Fuerbringer



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and Mike Wall will be working their second Olympic Games in those roles.

“The past year has been challenging for all of us,” Speraw said. “We are grateful we have the opportunity to compete at an Olympic Games. There have been a lot

of people who have dealt with significant stress and loss. No matter what this journey throws our way, we will continue to be resilient and adapt and be grateful to represent the United States.”

The U.S. Men are ranked No. 3 in the world and currently competing at the FIVB Volleyball Nations League in Rimini, Italy. Since 2016, the Men's Team has finished third at the FIVB World Championship and at the World Cup.

The team will briefly return to its Anaheim training center before heading to Japan. Prior to its arrival in Tokyo, the team will train in the Japanese city of Mishima and play two matches against Japan's men's team.

All team nominations are subject to USOPC approval.

## Reminders for club directors including meeting, release reminders

### Save the date

Club directors and any individuals thinking about starting a club in the 2021-22 season need to mark their calendars for Wednesday, Aug. 11. That day, the Badger Region is scheduling a tentative club directors meeting. The meeting will likely take place in the early evening while the format (in-person/virtual) is still being determined. We feel it is important to meet with all of you heading into next season to address all the changes/updates

with Sports Engine, region requirements, and an overall reset in what we're sure we all hope will be a more “normal” year.

### Release reminders

If you or your club will be adding a player from another club (whose season is complete), please be sure to have the athlete/family or yourself reach out to the other club director as a courtesy to be sure all parties are aware of what is happening. The releasing club should also contact the Region office at

membership@badgervolleyball.org to state their approval. Badger Region staff will then work with Sports Engine to get the athlete assigned to the proper club and removed from any previous rosters. As a reminder, in these circumstances, both clubs would be eligible to offer retention offers to the athlete that changes clubs at the completion of their season.

Athletes do not need to be released from a club to participate with another club for grass or beach competition/training.

# BRYFVL MEMBERSHIPS

With the changeover to a new membership season on the horizon, the recent changeover to Sports Engine, the unique circumstances that the COVID-19 pandemic presented and other storylines have families asking questions about “what membership does my athlete need if they participate in Fall League? The simple answer: It depends. This document known as our “Choose Your Own Adventure” will help guide you through the process of knowing what is needed for you, your son or your daughter for the Badger Region Youth Fall Volleyball League.



## DID YOU HAVE A 2020-21 FULL OR SUMMER MEMBERSHIP?

(THIS MEMBERSHIP WOULD HAVE ALLOWED YOU TO PLAY 'TRAVEL/CLUB' VOLLEYBALL SEPT. 2020 -JULY 2021 OR PARTICIPATE IN CLINICS/BEACH EVENTS IN THE SUMMER OF 2021.

Yes

### THEN ...

Your membership is good through Aug. 31, 2021. You do not need to buy an additional membership until your current one expires. You will still need to purchase a new membership for any activities that take place after Sept. 1. You may purchase a membership that will be activated on Sept. 1, 2021, and cover you through Aug. 31, 2021 on or after Aug. 1 of this year.

**Note:** There no longer is a Badger Region Fall Membership. This option was created by USA Volleyball in the wake of the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic.



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### COSTS ...

**Summer membership:** \$15.

Covers athletes and coaches from the time of purchase through Aug. 31, 2021.

**Full membership:** \$50.

Covers athletes and coaches Sept. 1, 2021, through Aug. 31, 2022. This membership also covers individuals for the 2021 BRYFVL, the 2021-22 club season and summer BRYFVL activities. You can purchase the 2021-22 full membership starting Aug. 1, 2021.

No

### THEN ...

Assuming your program does tryouts or training in the months of May, June, July or August, you will need to purchase the Badger Region Summer Membership for \$15 to cover you for any practices that take place now through Aug. 31. You will still need to purchase an additional membership for any activities that take place after Sept. 1. You may purchase a membership that will be activated on Sept. 1, 2021, and cover you through Aug. 31, 2021 on or after Aug. 1 of this year.

**Questions:** Email the Badger Region staff at [membership@badgervolleyball.org](mailto:membership@badgervolleyball.org). Or call us at 262-349-9785.

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# Region to compete in USA-All Star Championships

ORLANDO, FLA. — The Regions of USA Volleyball are proud to announce the creation of the USA All-Star Championships, an elite volleyball event for regional all-star teams, that will be held July 21-25 in Orlando, Fla. This event will replace the High Performance Championships, originally scheduled for Phoenix, Arizona.

Produced by the regions and hosted by the Florida Region of USA Volleyball at the Orange County Convention Center, the inaugural event will feature all-star teams from many of the 40 Regions of USA Volleyball in six women's/girl's divisions and three boy's divisions.

The Orange County Convention Center's Executive Director Mark Tester commented, "The OCCC is thrilled to welcome and support this USA Volleyball sanctioned all-star event along with its athletes, coaches and fans to our safe and healthy venue in Orlando. Volleyball continues to be a significant driver in Central Florida's economic recovery and we are pleased that Orlando was selected as the host city for the upcoming USA All-Star Championships in July!"

Since the unfortunate cancellation of the High Performance Championships on May 6, the Regions have worked to secure



convention center space and court rentals and have committees in place to finalize details on international and high-level officials and training opportunities, collegiate coaches and recruiting opportunities, vendors (AES, BallerTV, University Athlete, NeuroFuel, GymRats & Team Travel Source) and many

other partners, to ensure this event exceeds all expectations.

"This is an important annual event and the speed at which it was formed is a testament to the collective talent and creativity of the 40 regions of USA Volleyball," commented Steve Bishop, President of the Florida Region and this year's event host. "This group possesses amazing skills as independent organizations, and when those resources and talents are combined, there isn't much they cannot accomplish. On behalf of our Florida Region members, we're honored to host this inaugural event and we look forward to welcoming the regional all-star delegations and their fans along with top officials and college recruiters to Orlando later this summer for an event to remember."

The ability to pivot and make the best of a challenging situation is being demonstrated by the collaborative efforts of many Regions in-front-of and behind the scenes, using decades of experience in running high-quality events for their members. More details will be forthcoming, and information on the event can be found on the USAV Regions website: <https://www.usavregions.org/2021-usa-all-star-champs.html>.

## BOYS SUMMER VOLLEYBALL CAMP

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## 2021 SUMMER INDOOR CAMPS

**BERGS ALL-SKILLS CAMP SESSION I**  
**COST: \$105 AT KENOSHA BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB (Space is limited)**

DATE	TIME	GRADE/GENDER
July 6-9, Tues-Fri	9:00-10:30am 11:00-12:30pm	5th-8th Coed 9th-12 <sup>th</sup> Girls

**EPIC 1<sup>st</sup> CONTACT CAMP COST: \$79 AT KENOSHA BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB**

DATE	TIME	GRADE/GENDER
July 12, 14, 16- M,W,F	9:00-10:30am	5th-8th Coed

**BERGS ALL-SKILLS CAMP SESSION II**  
**COST: \$105 AT KENOSHA BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB (Space is limited)**

DATE	TIME	GRADE/GENDER
July 19-22, M-Th	9:00-10:30am 11:00-12:30pm	5th-8th Coed 9th-12th Girls

**EPIC SETTERS AND HITTERS CAMP**  
**COST: \$79 AT KENOSHA BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB**

DATE	TIME	GRADE/GENDER
July 12, 14, 16- M,W,F	11:00-12:30pm 1:00-2:30pm	7th-8th Coed 9th-12th Girls

*The Bergs All-Skills Camps will be led by the coaching duo of 5 Time State Champion Charlie Berg and Epic Director Evan Berg along with other members of the Epic Coaching Staff.*

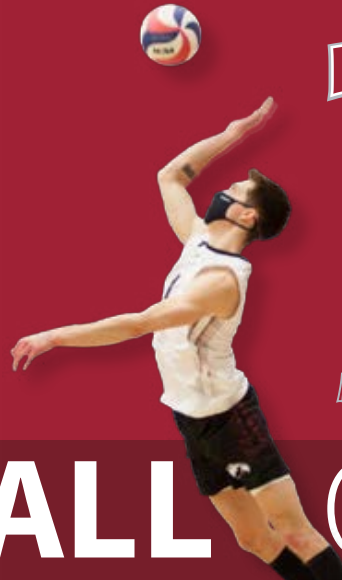
**EPIC HIGH SCHOOL TUNE-UP CAMP**  
**COST: \$95 BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB**

DATE	TIME	GRADE/GENDER
Session I July 26, 28, 30 <sup>th</sup>	10:00-12:00pm	9th-12th Girls
Session II Aug. 2, 4, 6 <sup>th</sup>	10:00-12:00pm	9th-12th Girls
Boys HS Tune Up Aug 2, 4, 6	12:30-2:30pm	9th-12th Boys

Positional and High School Tune up camps will be lead by Epic directors and coaching staff.



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# VOLLEYBALL CAMPS

## THE STAFF

Our camps are run by the Head Coach Jeff Thomas and staff. Our current players mixed with other local area coaches assist in additional instruction & evaluation.



**Jeff Thomas,**  
Head Coach  
jdthomas@edgewood.edu  
(608) 663-6771



**Jaime Vareka,**  
Assistant Coach



**Cooper Kennitz,**  
Assistant Coach

## 1ST CONTACT CAMP *6th - 12th grade* | JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 | 9A check-in, 10AM-12:30 PM | \$50

SERVING, PASSING & DEFENSE

1st contact camp is a great way to hone in on your ability to control the ball when first initiated. This is a great way to improve your consistency with important aspects of the game of volleyball and will help increase your output efficiency.

## COLLEGE PROSPECT CAMP *HS 10th - 12th grade* | JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup> - 17<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 | 9A check-in, 10AM-12:45 PM, 1PM-2PM | \$180

ADVANCED LEVEL SKILLS TRAINING, PERFORMANCE TESTING, RECRUITING SEMINAR

Our boys high school prospect camp is designed to help current high school sophomores thru seniors improve their fundamental & technical skill in the game of volleyball, play in competitive drill settings and better prepare them to navigate the college recruitment process as a high school athlete.

SUPPLEMENTAL  
TRAINING

**DAY 1:** Performance testing (*vertical, reach, block & approach jump*)

**DAY 2:** Recruiting seminar

**DAY 3:** Competitive play

## ALL-SKILLS CAMP SERIES 1 *6th - 12th grade* | JULY 5<sup>TH</sup> - 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 | 9A check-in, 10A-12P; 2P-4PM | \$150

FOUNDATIONAL LEVEL SKILL WORK WITH EACH SPECIFIC COMPONENT RECOMMEND TAKING THIS PRIOR TO SERIES 2

Our All-Skills camp series 1 is designed to lay the fundamental ground work for skill development in all components of volleyball. We work to help solidify good habits and improved consistency here.

## ALL-SKILLS CAMP SERIES 2 *6th - 12th grade* | JULY 7<sup>TH</sup> - 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2021 | 9A check-in, 10A - 12P; 2P - 4PM | \$150

ADVANCED LEVEL SKILL WORK WITH EACH SPECIFIC COMPONENT

Our All-skills camp series 2 is specifically designed to be a continuation of our first series as we expand on each competency more in depth, seeking to improve even more on the output & consistency. Here we also more focus more on the tactics & strategy of the game.

# 414 Milwaukee Elite 2021 Summer Camps



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## WISCONSIN PRODUCTS PAVILION (WPP)

July 5-9, 2021

Sessions	Time	Grade	Level	Cost Before 6/1	Cost On/After 6/1	Max
A All Skills	1:30pm - 3:30pm	6-8	Experienced	\$120	\$130	24
B All Skills	1:30pm - 3:30pm	9-12	Experienced	\$120	\$130	24
C Liberos	4:00pm - 6:00pm	8-12	Advanced	\$130	\$140	12
D Outside Hitters	4:00pm - 6:00pm	8-12	Advanced	\$130	\$140	12
E Setters	4:00pm - 6:00pm	8-12	Advanced	\$130	\$140	12
F Middles	4:00pm - 6:00pm	8-12	Advanced	\$130	\$140	12

## WISCONSIN PRODUCTS PAVILION (WPP)

July 12-16, 2021

Sessions	Time	Grade	Level	Cost Before 6/1	Cost On/After 6/1	Max
G Youth - All Skills CO-ED	12:00pm - 1:30pm	3-6	Beginners	\$95	\$105	40
H All Skills	1:45pm - 3:45pm	6-8	Experienced	\$120	\$130	24
I All Skills	1:45pm - 3:45pm	9-12	Experienced	\$120	\$130	24
J Liberos	4:00pm - 6:00pm	8-12	Advanced	\$130	\$140	12
K Outside Hitters	4:00pm - 6:00pm	8-12	Advanced	\$130	\$140	12
L Setters	4:00pm - 6:00pm	8-12	Advanced	\$130	\$140	12
M Middles	4:00pm - 6:00pm	8-12	Advanced	\$130	\$140	12





## REGISTER TODAY!!!

### CAMP 1 – JUNE 9-11, 2021

GIRLS ALL SKILLS CAMP #1  
(GRADES 4-12)

### CAMP 2 – JUNE 14-16, 2021

GIRLS COMPETITION CAMP  
(GRADES 6-12)

### CAMP 3 – JULY 6-8, 2021

GIRLS ALL SKILLS CAMP #2  
(GRADES 4-12)

### CAMP 4 – JULY 18-20, 2021

GIRLS ELITE POSITIONAL/ID CAMP  
(GRADES 7-12)

### CAMP 5 – AUG 2-4, 2021\*

BOYS INDIVIDUAL/TEAM CAMP  
(GRADES 6-12)

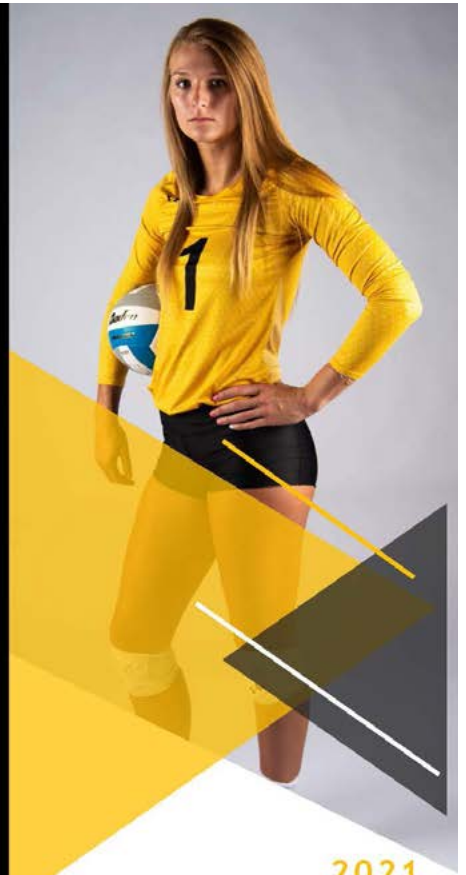
### CAMP 6 – AUGUST 11-14, 2021\*

GIRLS INDIVIDUAL/TEAM CAMP  
(GRADES 6-12)

*\*MAIL IN ONE PACKET THAT INCLUDES A REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT/DEPOSIT FOR EACH CAMPER.*

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Jon Ellmann  
Head Women's Volleyball Coach



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## CAMP SCHEDULES

### OPENING DAY

4:00 – 6:00 pm

Check-in

6:00 – 8:30 pm

Evening Session

### FULL CAMP DAY(S)

9:00 – 11:45 am

Morning Session

1:30 – 4:00 pm

Afternoon Session

6:00 – 8:30 pm

Evening Session

### CLOSING DAY

9:00 – 11:45 am

Morning Session

1:30 – 4:00 pm

Final Session

4:00 pm

Awards Ceremony

4:30 – 5:30 pm

Check-Out

girls | grades K-12 | Camp Director: Kim Wudi

# volleyball camps

## JV/Varsity Team Camp

ENTERING GRADES 9-12 | July 9-10, 2021

**\$150\*** | per camper, overnight, meals included

**\$110\*** | per camper, commuter, lunch and dinner included

## Middle School Skills Camp

ENTERING GRADES 6-8 | July 11-13, 2021

**\$250\*** | overnight, meals included

**\$185\*** | commuter, lunch and dinner included

## Setter-Hitter Clinic

ENTERING GRADES 7-10 | July 14, 2021

**\$90\*** | commuter, meals not included

## Defensive Specialist/ Libero Clinic

ENTERING GRADES 8-12 | July 15, 2021

**\$90\*** | commuter, meals not included

## College Prospect Camp

ENTERING GRADES 10-12 | July 16-17, 2021

**\$150\*** | overnight, meals included (no commuter option)

## High School Skills Camp

ENTERING GRADES 9-12 | July 18-20, 2021

**\$250\*** | overnight, meals included

**\$185\*** | commuter, lunch and dinner included

## Advanced Setter-Hitter Clinic

ENTERING GRADES 10-12 | July 21, 2021

**\$90\*** | commuter, meals not included

## Youth Skills Clinic

ENTERING GRADES K-3 | July 22-23, 2021

ENTERING GRADES 4-6 | July 22-23, 2021

**\$60\*** | commuter, meals not included

\* fees listed are for registration by June 15



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# Summer Camp Programs

**WJV Summer Kick-Off Camp - 6/6-6/8 - Introductory All Skills Camp.**

**Dan Dresen Camp - 7/12-7/14 - Alverno College's Head Volleyball Coach and Lead Trainer at WJV will lead this camp session.**

**Leigh Barea Camp - 7/19 and 7/20 - University of Wisconsin Parkside's Head Volleyball Coach and Lead Trainer at WJV will lead this camp session.**

**WJV Evening Summer Camp - 7/22 and 7/23 - Two Day All Skills Camp.**

**Josh Price Camp - 7/26-7/28 - Wilmot HS Head Volleyball Coach and Director at WJV will lead this camp session.**

**High School Prep Camp - 8/2-8/4 - Come train and prepare for your High School Season. Two sessions Varsity and Junior Varsity**

**Casey Price Youth Camp - 8/9-8/11 - Come train with the best youth director in the area. 14s and Under Only.**



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REGISTER LINK:  
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SESSIONS:  
7/9-10 ALL SKILLS  
7/12 DEFENSE & PASSING  
7/13 BALL CONTROL & SETTING  
7/14 ATTACKING & BLOCKING  
7/12-13 WEE WARRIORS  
7/16-18 HIGH SCHOOL TEAM CAMP

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## 2021 Marquette Volleyball Camps

**ALL SKILLS- July 7-9 for boys/girls gr. \* 7-10**

**COLLEGE PREP- July 10-11 for girls gr. 9-12**

**ATTACKERS/BLOCKERS- July 12 for gr. 6-12**

**PASSERS/DEFENDERS- July 13 for gr. 6-12**

**YOUTH DAY- July 14-16 for boys/girls gr. 3-6**

**SERVING I- July 14-15 for boys/girls gr. 7-8**

**GIRLS TEAM CAMP- July 17-18 for gr. 9-12**



*\*Grade entering for 2021-2022 school year*

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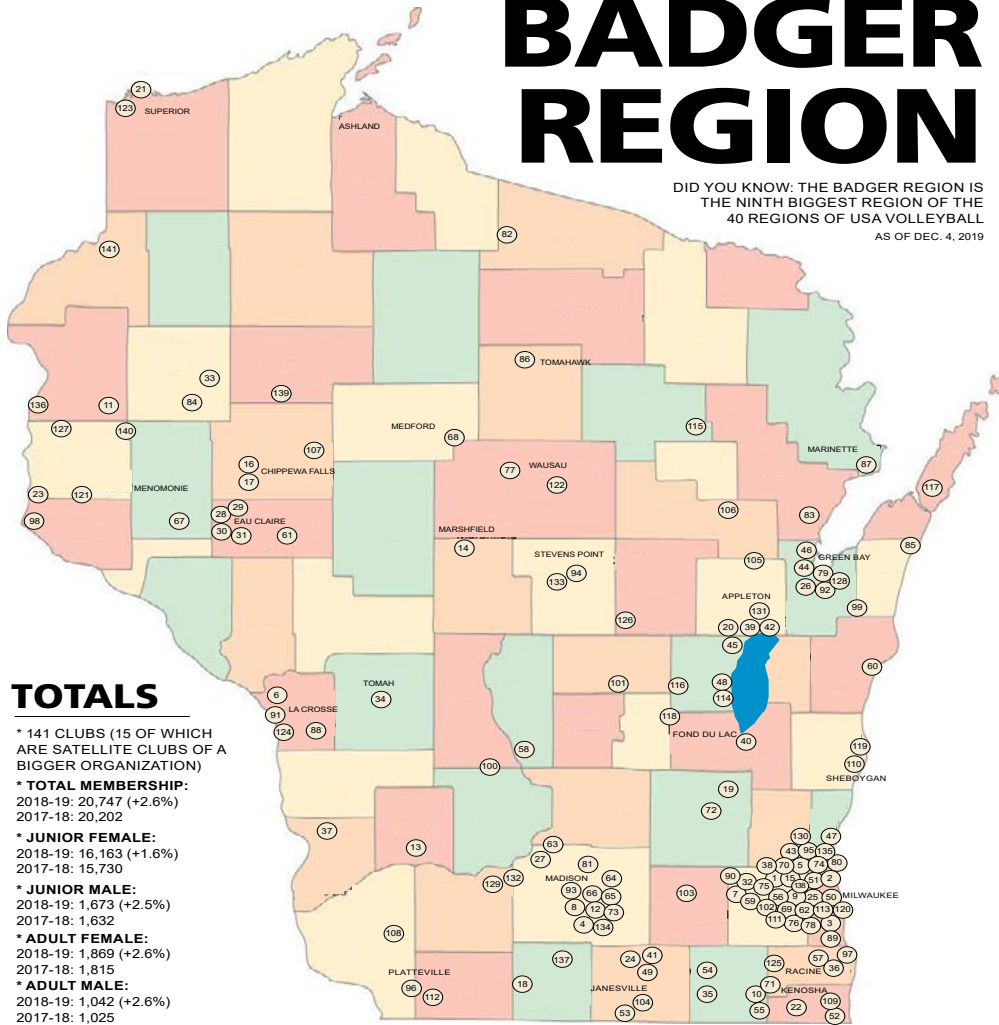
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## TOTALS

- \* 141 CLUBS (15 OF WHICH ARE SATELLITE CLUBS OF A BIGGER ORGANIZATION)
- \* **TOTAL MEMBERSHIP:**  
2018-19: 20,747 (+2.6%)  
2017-18: 20,202
- \* **JUNIOR FEMALE:**  
2018-19: 16,163 (+1.6%)  
2017-18: 15,730
- \* **JUNIOR MALE:**  
2018-19: 1,673 (+2.5%)  
2017-18: 1,632
- \* **ADULT FEMALE:**  
2018-19: 1,869 (+2.6%)  
2017-18: 1,815
- \* **ADULT MALE:**  
2018-19: 1,042 (+2.6%)  
2017-18: 1,025

FOR LINKS TO ALL CLUBS, VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT [WWW.BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG](http://WWW.BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG)

## Get your jersey questions answered

The Badger Region Volleyball Association wants to make sure your team's jerseys are compliant with all rule sets and changes that have gone into effect starting in the 2020-21 season regarding uniforms.

To do so, the Region's Ref Chair is encouraging club directors or coaches to upload images to this link (below) if there is any concern that numbers are not contrasting enough with the dominant color of the jersey or if a jersey is not contrasting for libero purposes.

**UPLOAD HERE:** <http://badger-volleyball.org/jerseys/>

Reminder: All numbers must clearly contrast with the color of the jersey, regardless of the color of the outline of the number.

Have questions? Email [badgerref-chair@yahoo.com](mailto:badgerref-chair@yahoo.com).

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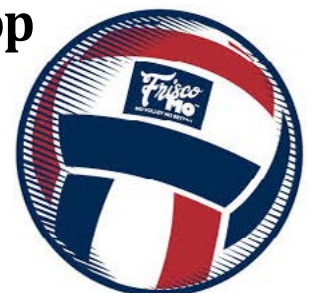
## Badger Region, Frisco Mo partner for unique Wisconsin-themed volleyball shop

How do I get fun, Badger Region apparel all year round? Now you can thanks to a recent partnership between the Badger Region and Frisco Mo.

The online-only shop offers everything from pillows and posters to stickers and mugs to the more traditional hoodies and t-shirts.

A permanent link to the store now sits on [www.badgervolleyball.org](http://www.badgervolleyball.org).

A portion of the proceeds benefits future Badger Region programming in the state of Wisconsin. For a link to the shop, click here.



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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:  
[www.badgervolleyball.org](http://www.badgervolleyball.org)  
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Pinterest: BadgerRegionVol  
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**Badger Region Volleyball Association**

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**



**Motion 16-Green won the JVA World Challenge 16 Aspire Division in Louisville on June 13.**

**June 26-July 5:** USA Volleyball's Girls Junior National Championships in Las Vegas

**June 30-July 7:** USA Volleyball's Boys Junior National Championships in Kansas City

**July 6-8:** Badger Region Girls High Performance Camp at UW-Oshkosh

**July 16-17:** Badger Region Boys High Performance Camp at Lakeland University

**July 18:** Badger Region Grass Tournament in Milwaukee

**July 21-25:** USA All-Star Championships (Orlando, Fla.)

**July 31:** Badger Region Grass Tournament in Kenosha

**Aug. 1-10:** Badger Region Retention Period opens for clubs to sign athletes who played with them during the 2020-21 season.

**Aug. 11:** Badger Region Junior Club Director Meeting (Site TBA)

**Aug. 15:** Badger Region Grass Tournament in Oshkosh

**Aug. 16:** WIAA season can begin for high school athletes in Wisconsin

**Sept. 11-12:** Opening weekend for the Badger Region Youth Fall Volleyball League

**Sept. 19:** Badger Region Board of Directors meeting (1 p.m.)

**Oct. 2:** Tryouts may begin for all Badger Region athletes 14-and-under.

**Nov. 13:** Tryouts may begin for all Badger Region athletes 15-and-older.

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

# How is the Badger Region Board structured?

The Badger Region Volleyball Association is governed by a Board of Directors that must be elected by members on a regular basis. Area reps serve three-year terms, while members of the executive board serve four-year terms.

Members, whether they are players, coaches, parents, directors, athletic trainers or officials, are encouraged to communicate with their respective representative if they

think policies or financial decision in the Region need to be changed.

Some policies enforced by Badger Region come from USA Volleyball, our sport's national governing body, so those can't be changed. But many others can.

The Board is advised by a 11 chairpersons (or experts) in various parts of the game, and five staff members (some of which have multiple responsibilities).

The state is divided into five parts geographically for representation. Plus, there are two at-large board members who you can approach if you don't feel comfortable with your current rep. And there is a rep dedicated just to issues that surround our Junior volleyball clubs and athletes.

You'll be hearing from each Board member twice a year in the form of a column in the Badger Beacon. Now, let's meet them:

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**BJ Le Roy**  
(Treasurer)  
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**Kim Wudi**  
(Secretary)  
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**Breit Nelson**  
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**Angie Lubach**  
(Independent Rep)  
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 Junior Boys Chair: Jeff Liker  
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Elections for the Badger Region Board of Directors occur. Nominations take place in April and the election is for adult members May 1-10.



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## EPIC'S BEACH MISSION

The Epic Beach mission is to create a lifelong passion for the sport of volleyball and the art of competition. This will be our 5th season and we are looking forward to providing the very best beach experience possible at North Beach, Racine's premier beach volleyball location.

## PERFORMANCE BEACH TRAINING

(Boys and Girls ages 13-18)

- Program designed for players looking to learn the game of beach doubles.
- Training will be available for all levels of players from beginner to more advanced
- A partner is NOT required to join as players will have the opportunity to play with other players in the program
- Training days will be (7/6, 7/8, 7/13, 7/15, 7/20, 7/22, 7/27, 7/29) for 1.5 hours each from 11:00 – 12:30 pm
- Cost of program includes every practice plus a free entry into one of Epic's hosted beach tournaments
- Cost of the program is \$250

## NEW IN 2021-EPIC BEACH KIDS \$99

(Incoming 4th-6th grade Coed)

- Have fun learning the game of beach volleyball
- Introductory and developmental skills that can be applied to both outdoor and indoor
- Five 1-hour sessions – Every Wednesday (6/30, 7/7, 7/14, 7/21, 7/28) from 11:00am – 12:00 pm

# BE EPIC

## 2021 PREMIER BEACH TEAM

We had an awesome group of both boys and girls in 2019, so we are bringing it back again in 2021. This program requires that you have a partner as training will be more focused on specific and individual team strategies in order to be successful in the game of beach doubles.

- High level training for the more serious beach player.
- Open to girls and boys ages 14 – 18 years old.
- Designed for the national level indoor player or players with previous beach experience.
- Beach uniform included:
  - Girls (Tank and Sports Bra)
  - Boys (Tank and Shorts)
  - Optional Beach items available
- Cost includes entry to one of Epics Hosted Beach events plus entry into one of the JVA Beach Events on either July 31st or Aug 1st
- Coaching at beach tournaments will be included for selected dates
- Training days will be (6/15, 6/17, 6/22, 6/24, 6/29, 7/1, 7/6, 7/8, 7/13, 7/15, 7/20, 7/22, 7/27, 7/29) for 1.5 hours each from 9:00 – 10:30 am
- **\*\*\*Space is limited.** Our goal is 10 teams for this program. We want to keep the group size smaller and keep a good coach/player ratio for more specific team feedback.
- Cost of the program is \$475 for the season

**All beach practices will be held at North Beach in Racine.**

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Ozaukee Volleyball Club

# Sand Volleyball Camp

for both **BOYS & GIRLS**

Up to 8 weeks of skills training and fun competition starting the week of June 14th and finishing the week of August 3rd. Attend as many days as you want during that time period, according to your schedule! Our camp is a unique combination of skills/drills and league/tournament play!

Sessions structured and led by Coaches Brian Rushmer, Damien Evans, Adam Heitzkey, Adam Lopata, and special guests!!

More information and online registration at:

<https://www.ozaukeevolleyballclub.com/summersandcamp>

**High School** co-ed sessions cost \$250 and run Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs from June 14 through the week of Aug 3rd. Sign up for either the 1:15-3pm or 3:15-5pm sessions which are held at the 5 sand courts at Galioto's in Cedarburg

**Middle School** co-ed session costs \$185 and runs Tues & Thurs from June 15 through the week of Aug 3rd from 12:00-1:30pm held at the 5 sand courts at Galioto's in Cedarburg

*Have fun the whole summer, enhance skills, and improve conditioning by playing in the sand for one great price!*

**Brian Rushmer**  
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# POINTERS VOLLEYBALL

**2021 CAMPS / CLINICS**  
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- Spring Pointer Pups | **Apr. 7, 14, 18 &/or 25**
- Hitter-Setter-Libero Camp | **July 11-13**
- Serve and Pass Camp | **July 14, 15 or 16**
- Pointers Position Clinic | **July 21**
- Pointers Elite/Prospect Camp | **July 30-Aug. 1**
- Pointers ID Clinic | **May 14**
- Pointers All-Skills Academy | **July 13-15**
- Summer Boys & Girls Pointer Pups | **July 19-20**
- Pointers Team Camp | **July 23-25**

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