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Badger Region announces handful of event dates

As the new membership season approaches, it's time to start looking ahead to the 2021-22 club volleyball season.

(Hint, hint. That's your reminder that your current membership expires Aug. 31 and needs to be renewed for next year.)

The 2021-22 season is going to be another great one here in the Badger Region and we want all our eligible athletes, coaches, officials and families to get ready for what is to come.

So far, the calendar includes the following events:



Badger Region Power League

This will be the fourth year of the Badger Region Power League and will feature teams from throughout the state. Locations of the event have not been determined at this time

Dates are

- * Jan. 8-9, 2022
- * Feb. 12-13, 2022
- * April 9-10, 2022

Badger Region Championships

This event, held annually at the Wisconsin Center in downtown Milwaukee, is the state championships of club volleyball in our Region. Dates and ages are as follows:

- * March 19-20: Girls 16s, Girls 17s, Girls 18s and the Dale Rohde Memorial Boys Tournament
- * March 26-27: Girls 11s, Girls 12s, Girls 13s and Girls 14s.
- * April 2-3: Girls 15s, All Boys Divisions and the Adult Championships



Dale Rohde Memorial Boys Tournament

This annual one-day tournament for boys will be March 19 or March 20 at the Wisconsin Center. It includes a tribute to longtime official, board member, player and parent Dale Rohde. The event includes a fundraiser silent auction.

Other events

The date and location of the Badger Region Qualifier for girls, the Badger Boys Series for boys and other events have not been announced at this time.



Rolf makes history at Olympics

USA Volleyball Director of Officials Development Pati Rolf, a former Badger Region board member and longtime coach and referee in Wisconsin, was named as the first female 1st Referee leading the first all-female officiating crew for a Men's Olympic volleyball match in Olympic history in the match-up between Canada vs. Venezuela yesterday evening.

Please join us in congratulating and celebrating this historic milestone for Pati in her illustrious international officiating career and recognizing this match as an important moment for all women in officiating in our sport around the world.

OLYMPIC VOLLEYBALL

U.S. earns two golds in Tokyo

Congratulations to the U.S. Women's Indoor Team and the U.S. Women's Beach Team of April Ross and Alix Klineman for winning gold medals in their respective divisions at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

The gold medal by the women's indoor was the first gold medal the U.S. has won in the sport.

Here is how all six teams fared at the most recent summer Olympics

* **Women's Indoor Team:** Gold Medal by defeating Brazil. Jordan Larson named Most Valuable Player. Jordyn Poulter named Best Setter. Michelle Bartsch-Hackley was named top outside hitter.

Haleigh Washington named one of the top middle blockers. Justine Wong-Orantes named top libero.

* **Men's Indoor:** Finished 2-3 in pool play. All three losses occurred to teams who made the Final Four. One of its wins was over France, the eventual Gold Medal Winning Team.

* **Women's Beach:** Alix Klineman and April Ross won Gold without dropping a set in the playoffs.

* **Women's Beach:** Kelly Claes and Sarah Sponcil won their pool but lost in the first round of bracket play to Canada.

* **Men's Beach:** Jake Gibb and Tri Bourne placed second in their pool but lost in the Round of 16 to Germany.

* **Men's Beach:** Nick Lucena and Phil Dalhausser finished tied for first in their pool but lost to Qatar in the Round of 16.

Both Gibb and Dalhausser announced their retirements at the conclusion of the Olympics.



OUTDOOR VOLLEYBALL

Teams enjoy the great outdoors

Teams competed for the title of Kenosha Grass Tournament Champions July 31 on the fields of Kennedy Park adjacent to Lake Michigan in Kenosha.

The ideal whether brought out teams that had tons of fun in the sun and on the court.

Divisions included a Girls 14/16U division, a Girls 18s/ Women's Division and a Boys/Men's Division.

This was the Badger Region's first grass event after the July 18 had to be canceled.

The decision to host grass tournaments in 2021 came after a year of cancelations and other frustrations with the COVID-19 pandemic. It also gave members (new and old) another chance to use their membership for a different activity outdoors.

Thank you to all those who joined us.



Girls first place: Jocelyn Romadka, Grace Lamb, Gillian Koenig and Diane Pichelman



Men's First Place: Ruben Emerich, Matthew Pilch, Hayden Karpinski



Women's First Place: Ally Barth, Natalie Ring and Addie Schmotzer.



Girls second place: Lucy Tapp, Anabelle Cerny, Lucy Roscoe, Abigail Winner



Men's Second Place: Dylan Berry, Alec Birz, and Mike Stevens.



Women's Second Place: Amanda Nevins, Sara Seib, Andrea Felton.





Keep up to date on all things volleyball via the many channels of the Badger Region

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SERVICE OVER SELF

Region names Meritorious Service Award honorees



2021 Meritorious Service Award
Jennifer Armson-Dyer
Badger Region Executive Director/Commissioner
Hometown: Omaha, Neb.

"Jen works with the board, the staff and the region to come up with names for this award, and I think because of this a certain name has never been put into the mix: her own. I really think this is a no-brainer for all she does for the Region."



2021 Meritorious Service Award
Julie Gahl

"Julie is always great to work with during the Badger Region Championships. She understands what our needs are, and what the needs of our staff are, and the Hilton is a great partner to have during our most stressful time!"



2021 Meritorious Service Award
Nicole Holland
Hometown: Waukesha, Wis.

"She is amazing. So thoughtful and caring during a time where we were just hoping to get through a full season. I can't say enough about how she made this season smoother for our athletes. Parents like her make coaching so much easier because it's more than walking in and out of a gym."



2021 Meritorious Service Award
Hailey Litzau & Peggy Pittner
Hometown: Sussex, Wis.

"Hailey and Peggy Litzau are the embodiment of Badger Region ambassadors. They jump at the chance to help out every time they are asked. And they always do it with a smile on their faces. They are an invaluable help to the Badger Region staff and events!"



2021 Meritorious Service Award
Scott Spiess
Badger Region Operations Manager
Hometown: Brookfield, Wis.

"Scott worked tirelessly throughout this season as the region transitioned to the new membership management system, learning as he was teaching and serving the customers. Scott does a wonderful job coordinating all of the moving pieces and is a great member of our staff."

The Badger Region has named its recipients of the Robert L. Lindsay Meritorious Service Awards.

This year's recipients include

- * Jennifer Armson-Dyer (Badger Region Executive Director/Commissioner)
- * Julie Gahl (Hilton Milwaukee)
- * Nicole Holland (Milwaukee Sting)
- * Hailey Litzau and Peggy Pittner (Badger Region Ambassadors; Litzau played last year for Milwaukee Juniors)
- * Scott Spiess (Badger Region Operations Manager)

The award recognizes those individuals who have contributed greatly to the sport of volleyball on a regional level. The USAV Meritorious Service Award is in recognition for "contributing outstanding participation, motivation and other services in the promotion of volleyball!"

Individuals who are given the Meritorious Service Award are eligible for other awards from USA Volleyball, including the prestigious "Friar Award." The award is named after Robert L. Lindsay, the eighth president of USA Volleyball (1980-1984) and a former regional commissioner.

Jr. Vikings coach receives national AVCA honor

The American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) has announced its club awards for the 2021 season. The AVCA Club Awards program is in its sixth year and recognizes deserving coaches in the youth/club volleyball community.

The AVCA Club Awards Committee selected a Club Coach of the Year in each of the seven girls age divisions (12-18), a Beach Club Coach of the Year, a Boys Club Coach of the Year, a Club Director of the Year and for the first time, a Beach Club Director of the Year. Club Award honorees will be recognized at the Jostens Coaches Honors event at the 2021 AVCA Convention in Columbus, Ohio.

Meghan Mache, a coach at Junior Vikings Volleyball Club, was named the Girls 12-and-under coach of the year. Here's a few of Mache's answers to questions posed by the AVCA:

Team name: Junior Vikings 11s

How long have you been at your club? 3 years

Team record in 2020-2021: 20 - 2



Meghan Mache, far right, was named the 2021 Girls 12-and-under Coach of the Year by the AVCA.

2nd place finish at the Badger Region Championships

Other places you have coached: None! I finished my volleyball career in 2016 and started with Junior Vikings in 2018!

What made you decide to get into coaching volleyball? I loved playing volleyball growing up, but did not get to start playing club until I was a sophomore

in high school. After finishing out my career at Marquette University, I still wanted to be involved with the game and Junior Vikings gave me an opportunity to do that! I love seeing the progress of the girls while they are still so young and fostering their love of the game!

Which coach(es) have influenced you the most? I had amazing coaches in high school,

club and at Marquette. I had 2 coaches at Marquette who really influences the way I played and now coach as well. Jackie Simpson taught me how to be a passionate player and coach and bring energy to every practice and game to get the team excited. Erich Hinterstocker showed me how important attention to detail is and taught me how to teach the individual skills. I use the same language that he used during practice with my players today!

What is your favorite practice drill or activity? My favorite drill is Columbia (...or Around the World as my team fondly renamed it). I love that the rules are slightly different than a real game and it forces the girls to communicate about where they are on the court.

What is your favorite part of your coaching job? My favorite part of coaching is the girls I coach. Their passion for the game this year was contagious and made every practice and tournament so enjoyable. They worked really hard and refused to lose.

What questions do you have about being an official?

The Badger Region has begun planning for its 2021-22 season and that means working with current and future officials who will ref matches throughout the state this year.

Training sessions are in the works, and we would love to see more new faces at all of our events this season.

Don't know where to start with becoming an official? Just email sara@badgervolleyball.org and she (Sara Voigt) will point you in the right direction. Our website, badgervolleyball.org has all the information you need to get going, too.

But, we know you're strapped for time, we have some answers to frequently asked questions right here. Send your questions



that you might have for this column to brian@badgervolleyball.org.

1. What is the time commitment or frequency of work? Is it every weekend, Saturday and Sunday, or more of a sign-up for the availability model?

Time commitment is as much as you want. After certifying as an official, Sara will work with you to establish a ZebraWeb ac-

count where you will mark your availability. If you can only work Sundays, then you block off every Monday-Saturday and she will only assign you to Sunday events

2. Is the frequency or time commitment different from an official to a scorer?

Scorers do not get as much opportunity to work as officials. Scorers are used on occasion at our larger, more prestigious events such as the Badger Region Qualifier or the Badger Region Championships. Some other events do request score monitors, where you can help oversee the score sheets that the youth athletes and coaches are working on during matches. That, too, is an option.

3. What is the geographic area covered for travel?

Sara generally tries to assign you to the geographic region in which you live. If she needs you in to go outside a specific geographic area, she will usually ask in advance and you can decline. Just make sure to keep an open line of communication with her.

4. Is there a deadline to complete the certification process for the upcoming 2021-2022 season?

There isn't necessarily a deadline to get things done. But the sooner you get them done, the sooner you can be assigned and get your on-court evaluation (if needed) complete. Some of our bigger and more prestigious events in the region fill up fast.

Send in your questions for future issues of the Beacon.

USAV Beach Tour gets new look, rides Olympic wave

With the goal of increasing participation in beach volleyball across the country, USA Volleyball and its 40 regions announces the launch of the rebranded USA Volleyball Beach Tour.

With an updated logo and streamlined look, the rebranded tour will build off the momentum generated by millions watching the U.S. Beach National Teams at the Tokyo Olympics.

“Beach volleyball has seen tremendous growth in the last five years,” USA Volleyball President and CEO Jamie Davis said. “We’re excited to usher in a new era with the introduction of the USA Volleyball Beach Tour brand and expand opportunities for young athletes to get involved in the sport.”

The growth in beach volleyball has been shown in both the collegiate and junior ranks. More than 90 colleges across all divisions now offer the discipline, and over the last five years has been the fastest-growing NCAA Division I sport.

The USA Volleyball Beach Tour rebrands the USA Na-



tional Beach Tour, which was created in 2018. As of the end of the 2021 season the tour has grown to over 30 national qualifying events across the country. The USA Volleyball Beach Tour will operate under the same guidelines, with clubs and regions hosting beach national qualifiers and beach regional qualifiers across the country. Through the qualifier system, athletes earn the opportunity to compete at the USA Volleyball Beach National Championship, held every summer. At National Qualifiers, bids to the coveted

Open Division are awarded, while American Division bids are available for top finishers at Regional Qualifiers.

“This beach tour rebrand will help to strengthen its brand affiliation with USA Volleyball and the 40 regions of USAV,” said Steve Bishop, Florida Region commissioner and Beach Development representative to the USAV Board of Directors. “In past years, we’ve seen continued growth in the beach space across the U.S. as more playing opportunities are being created annually for our

members. We commend our USAV promoters that host the regional and national qualifiers in communities throughout the regions. Our collective goal and mandate is to have the highest athlete safeguards while creating the most competitive events in the U.S. I look forward to what the future holds for the USA Volleyball Beach Tour.”

Visit the Upcoming Events Calendar at usavolleyball.org for a current list of USA Volleyball Beach Tour events.

Club volleyball open house Sept. 12 at MKE Sting Center

Virtual open house will be released at end of September

The annual club volleyball open house will take place Sunday, Sept. 12, at the Milwaukee Sting Center (Hours TBA).

Why should you as a parent, coach or athlete attend this event?

We have compiled our list of Top 5 reasons

1. To meet staff (coaches and director) of clubs throughout the Badger Region
2. To learn about all the offerings a club is going to have in the 2021-22 season. We want to encourage parents, athletes and coaches to know as much as possible before signing any contracts with a club before the



season starts.

3. To learn about the tryout process, tune-up clinics and all the other “pre-season” information that a club has to offer

4. To meet Badger Region staff who will be on site to answer questions about memberships, USA Volleyball, Badger Region

Volleyball, events coming up for the 2021-22 season and much more. (Plus, we have really cool giveaways.)

5. See a lot of old friends and new acquaintances that you will probably see at LOTS of events in th new year.

Club directors are required

to fill out this [form](#) if they are interested in having a table. Space is limited and will be available on a first-reply basis.

The Badger Region is covering all costs for clubs to participate in this event. Therefore the event is free to have a table at. The event, as always, is free to attend for potential athletes/parents.

Club directors will receive a confirmation email from Brian Sharkey letting them know if they have been accepted into the club volleyball open house. All participating clubs must have a Club Registration/Info Sheet on file to be eligible to be present at this event. All coaches/directors on site must also have memberships and background screenings complete.



Badger Region athlete competes, trains at Beach HP Championships

Max Dugan, a native of Stoughton and member of Lake Country Volleyball Club, was invited to train in the National Team Development Beach Program that took place in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Dugan was the only Badger Region member to train and compete and this elite event that took place July 29-31.

In the photos published here supplied by his father, Dave Dugan, Max is shown with his beach partner Parker Moorhead from Glen Ellyn, Ill.

Max and Parker finished in fourth place out of 19 teams in the Boys U17 division.

The duo went undefeated in pool play and lost in the gold semifinals to eventual champions Sterling Foley of Newport Beach, Calif., and Tread Rosenthal of Austin, Texas.

For full results from the Beach High Performance Championships, [click here](#).



Adult Nationals heading to Orlando in 2022

USA Volleyball has selected Orlando, Fla., to host the 2022 USA Volleyball Open National Championship, May 27-June 1, 2022.

The event was last held in Orlando in 2016 with a record number of 578 teams in attendance. USA Volleyball also operates the Sunshine Classic Girls Junior National Qualifier annually in Orlando in early spring.

"USA Volleyball is thrilled to be bringing the USA Volleyball Open National Championship back to Orlando in 2022," said Jamie Davis, USA Volleyball president and CEO. "Visit Orlando, the Greater Orlando Sports Commission, and the Orange County Convention Center always prove to be wonderful hosts for our athletes, officials, coaches and fans. I am sure that



in addition to experiencing the best volleyball has to offer in the United States that our group will thoroughly enjoy their stay in the destination."

USA Volleyball will hold its annual meetings in Orlando ahead of the event and celebrate annual inductees and award honorees at the USA Volleyball Hall of Fame presented at the Dorothy C. Boyce Banquet on May 25.

"We look forward to welcoming the 2022 USA Volleyball Open National Championship and corporate annual meetings to Orlando in May of next year," said Casandra Matej, president and CEO of Visit Orlando. "Orlando has been successfully and safely hosting in-person group events since reopening over a year ago. From professional sports to youth tournaments, sports tourism has been an important force in our destination's recovery, and we are thrilled that USA Volleyball has selected Orlando for their event next year."

"We are so pleased to welcome our good friends at USA Volleyball back to Orlando for the 2022 Open National Championship, banquet and corporate meetings in May of

2022. Our community has a long history of hosting premier volleyball events, and we know that our guests and their families will have a tremendous experience while visiting us in Central Florida," said Jason Siegel, president and CEO of the Greater Orlando Sports Commission.

The Orange County Convention Center (OCCC) has hosted more than 100 face-to-face events since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic – July 2020. Most recently, sporting events have dominated the center's spring and summer calendar, welcoming various youth volleyball, basketball and wrestling tournaments to the region with athletes, coaches and spectators from around the world gathering safely at the venue.

NORTH COUNTRY REGION HIGH PERFORMANCE TEAMS



Six Badger Region athletes and one coach stepped in this summer to fill vacant roster spots on the North Country teams at the USA-All-Star Championships. The NCR was greatly appreciative of their willingness to help our neighboring Region and the way they represented themselves through the tournament. (Reprinted due to omission in July 29 edition.)

Badger Region athletes on the North Country Youth Team:

- No. 17: Ethan Davis
 - No. 20: Connor Haeuser
 - No. 25: Grant Shipley
- Asst. Coach: Cooper Kemnitz



Badger Region athletes on the North Country Select Team:

- No. 2: Alex Hauer
- No. 5: Zachary Bugajski
- No. 6: Ryan Kelly
- No. 8: Hudson Sweitzer

Head Coach: Cooper Kemnitz



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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

No

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.

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. Or call us at 262-349-9785.

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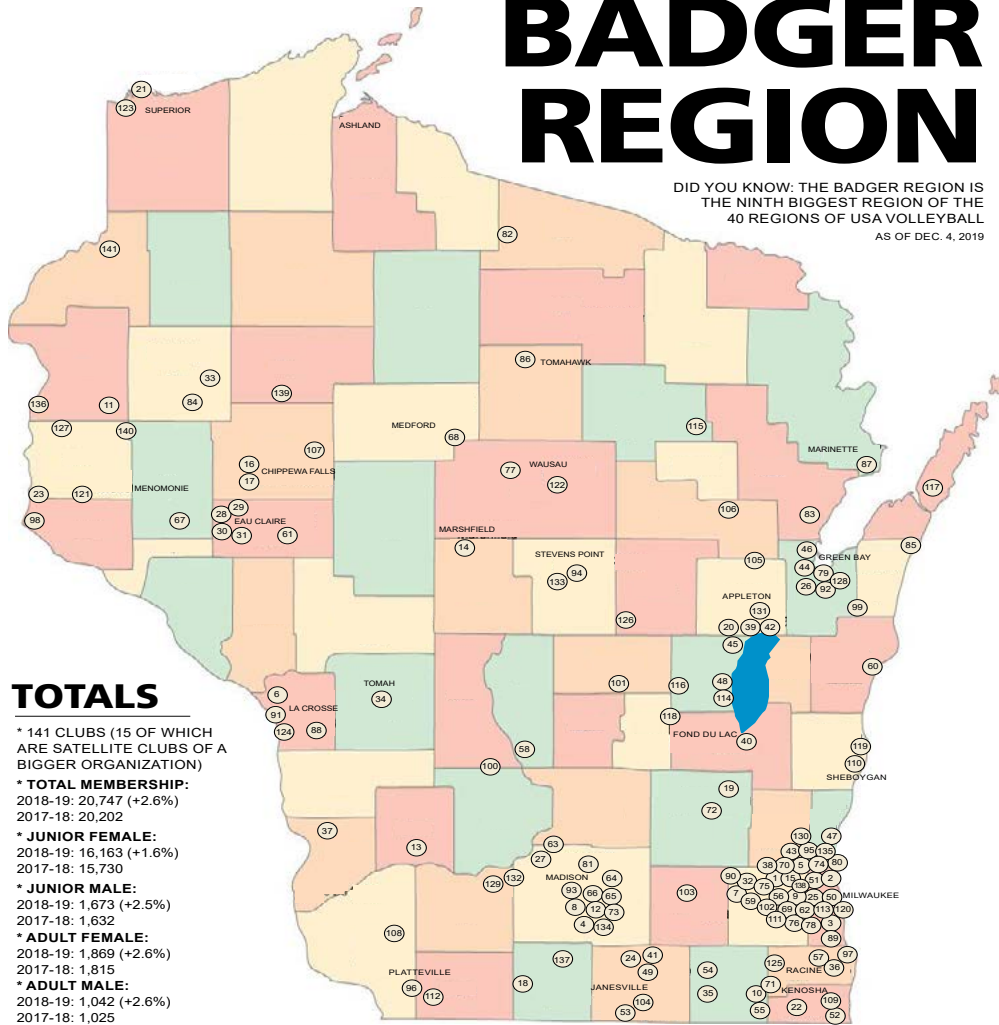
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TOTALS

- * 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

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.

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When you purchase through the link listed above, a percent of your purchase comes back to the Badger Region Volleyball Association each month.



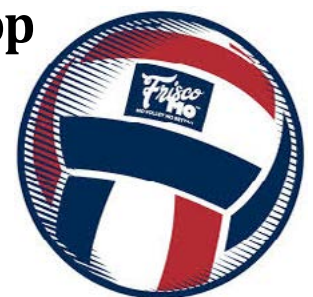
Badger Region, Frisco Mo partner for unique Wisconsin-themed volleyball shop

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.

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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CALENDAR OF EVENTS



This year's Badger Region Club Volleyball Open House is Sept. 12 at the Milwaukee Sting Center.

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. 12: Badger Region Club Volleyball Open House at the Milwaukee Sting Center (Time: TBA)

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.

Jan. 8-9: First weekend of the Badger Region Power League (Sites TBA)

Feb. 12-13: Second weekend of the Badger Region Power League (Sites TBA)

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April 2-3: Badger Region Championships for Girls 15s, All Boys and All Adult Divisions at the Wisconsin Center. (ages subject to change)

April 9-10: Final weekend of the Badger Region Power League (Sites TBA)

May 27-June 1: USA Volleyball Adult Open Nationals in Orlando, Fla.

Have a great story idea or person you want featured in the Badger Beacon?
Email Brian Sharkey at 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:

Jim Momsen
(President)
Elected in 2020
Email: jkmomsen@yahoo.com

Scott Blackmon
(Vice President)
Elected in 2019
Email: Scottblackmon@gmail.com

BJ Le Roy
(Treasurer)
Elected in 2018
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(Secretary)
Elected in 2021
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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)

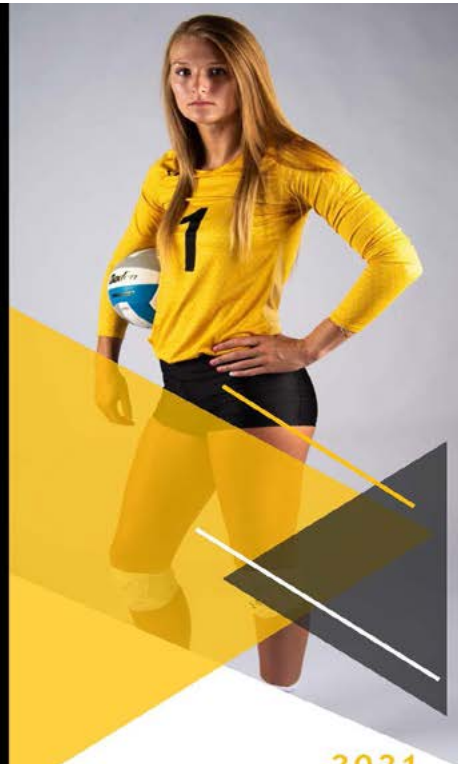
CAMP 5 – AUG 2-4, 2021*
BOYS INDIVIDUAL/TEAM CAMP
(GRADES 6-12)

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



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	5th-8th Coed
	11:00-12:30pm	9th-12th Girls

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	5th-8th Coed
	11:00-12:30pm	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 1st 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

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	7th-8th Coed
	1:00-2:30pm	9th-12th Girls

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

DATE	TIME	GRADE/GENDER
Session I July 26, 28, 30 th	10:00-12:00pm	9th-12th Girls
Session II Aug. 2, 4, 6 th	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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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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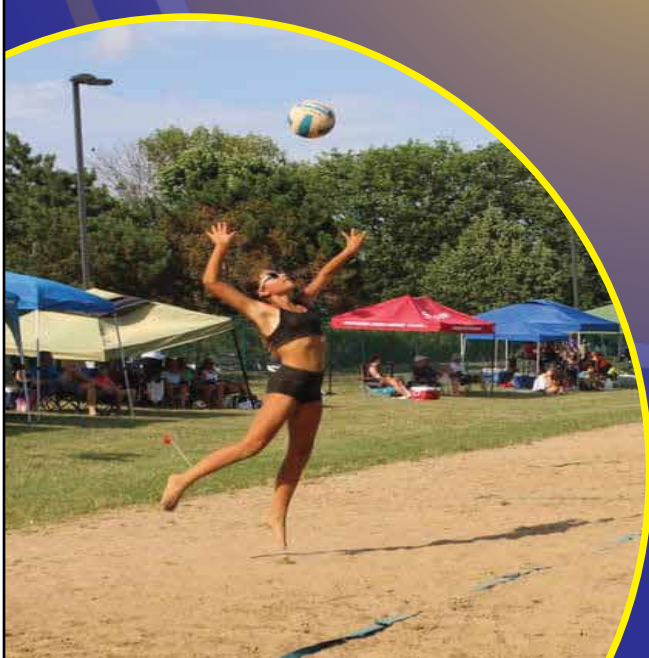
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JBV High Performance -- Camp-style skills training, this camp will include doubles, triples, quads, 5s and even 6s game-play.

JBV Beach Teams -- Sign up with a specific partner and train together.

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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

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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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