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Badger Region Championships logo competition in full swing

The Badger Region received logo submission from seven individuals for the 2024 Badger Region Championships logo contest.

And now, members have the ability to pick their favorites they want to see on t-shirts, hoodies and other apparel through Jan. 12, 2024.

To vote in the contest, click here.

Winners will receive Badger Region apparel, an Amazon gift card, a Molten volleyball, a Badger Region backpack and other Badger Region swag.

Scholarships now available for seniors

The Badger Region Student-Athlete Scholarship Committee will award \$500 to five male and 10 female student athletes/assistant coaches/officials who participated with a Badger Region recognized-club during the 2023-24 club volleyball season.

Two additional winners will receive a Badger Region / Frisco Mo

Do-Good Scholarship for volunteer work in their community. Winners can also be USAV coaches or officials who were seniors during the 2023-24 school year. The deadline to apply will be May 1, 2024.

Click here to apply: https://badgervolleyball.org/scholarship-application/

2024 Power League Watchlist revealed

Badger Region athletes receive recognition from BRPL coaches

Congratulations to the athletes nominated by their coaches to the second annual Badger Region Power League Watchlist.

To follow along with results of the Power League, click here.

Look for the naming of the All-League Teams the week of Feb. 11 for the 18 Elite and 16 Elite divisions. The 16 Select, 16 Regional and 18 Regional divisions will have their All-League winners named the week of April 7.

Ambryn Aanonsen, I AM 16-Red, Jackson, Sophomore, Middle: Lefty middle/rightside hitter has a tremendous block and high vertical.

Avery Abercrombie, Madtown 162 Select, Waunakee, Sophomore, Right Side: Avary is a strong athlete that can be relied on in any position. She has a great mindset and helps push herself and her teammates to be

Abby Alms, 414 Milwaukee 17-Elite, Greenfield, Junior, Outside: Abby is a physical presence on the court and operates at a high level with her at the net play and offensive output. She is a driven athlete, gets along well with everyone and is a pleasure to have in the gym. Abby wants to succeed and push herself to be the best at this level and every level heading

Kylee Altendorf, I AM 17-Red, West Bend, Junior, Outside: High IQ outside hitter who plays six rotations. Great sense for the other side of the net and seeing what's open both on offense and defense

Maya Anderson, Wisconsin Elite 15-Silver

kee, Freshman, Libero/DS: The hustle is superb with leadership mentality. Team player and more importantly correct mistakes on her own. Most coachable player I have come across, almost open minded to getting better. Volleyball IQ is very high and plays a role as libero so well with communication being her number one trait. If teammates don't see her, they hear her with the trust of getting the ball.

Molly Anderson, Lakes Juniors 17-Select, Fontana, Junior, Right Side: Molly is a left-handed hitter with a phenomenal jump and a quick arm swing. She is a powerful hitter who can also read the court and find open spots with off speed attacks. She is also fast, chasing down balls that otherwise would be lost. If our team didn't have so many great liberos, she would be a 6 rotation player. She is a bit of a

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perfectionist in a good way, wanting to conquer every skill before finishing for the night.

Jacy Andrew, 608 Juniors 16-Select, Oregon, Sophomore, Setter: Jacy is an athletic setter that likes to push the envelope on what she can achieve. She is willing to challenge her abilities to improve her level of play and make and position her team for success.

Liz Armour, Milwaukee Juniors 17-1, Muskego, Junior, Outside: Liz may be undersized but she can put jump and out swing most athletes in any gym. Liz not only has a wicked fast swing but makes wicked smart shots in system and out of system. Liz works hard on and off the court. She is a player with all the intangibles and work ethic and takes her team to new levels.

Kaliani Baldwin, Wisconsin Juniors 16-Elite, Salem, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Kaliani brings a lot of energy to the court. She has the ability to play any back row position. With a steady platform for out of system and constant voice, she is able to help her attackers in huge ways.

Rosie Barksdale, Wisconsin Elite 15-Blue, Milwaukee, Freshman, Libero/DS: Rosie moves extremely quickly, helping her get to every ball. She is strong both defensively and in serve receive. She outworks nearly every athlete in the gym and brings the most energy.

Brooklyn Bartelt, I AM 17-Red, West Bend, Junior, Libero/DS: Phenomenal read on the ball and great leader for the back row and front row.

Petra Bassel, Milwaukee Juniors 16-Elite, Brookfield, Sophomore, Libero: Petra's back row defensive is consistent; sticking and absorbing right to target. She also has an ambitious outside hit.

Abby Bauer, Wisconsin Elite 18-Elite, Wales, Senior, Outside: Abby is a fierce competitor! Abby has gained full confidence from me and the team. She can fill any role asked from her. Abby has some of the best ball placement I've seen from a hitter and is a solid player in the back row. I'm excited to see Abby lead the 18s team this year!

Samantha Behling, Milwaukee Juniors 16-Elite, Brookfield, Sophomore, Setter: Sam is a talented setter and she is always able to get her feet there. She also has a great swing on the right side.

Riley Bell-Nance, Wisconsin Juniors 17-Elite, Wadsworth, Ill., Junior, Middle: Riley is a dynamic attacker who can play in the middle or on the pin. She has made tremendous improvements

over the past year and continues to improve her ball control each day.

Gabriela Benitez, Reinas
16-1, Milwaukee, Sophomore,
Outside: Gaby is cool under
pressure and has a genuine love
for the game. Gaby has a very
unique approach to playing which
allows her to play loose and enjoy
every aspect of the match. Gaby
plays varsity for her high school in
which she was selected to the All
Conference first team in both her
freshmen and sophomore years.

Natalie Boehmer, Eclipse 18-Solar, Horicon, Senior, Setter: Smart, talented, hardworking athlete. Great defense as well as quarterbacking our team. Also a positive teammate on and off the court.

Leah Boettcher, Wisconsin Elite 16-Blue, Burlington, Sophomore, Outside: Leah is a six rotation, outstanding outside that can do it all. Her aggression on the court starts at the service line with a deadly accurate serve to consistently score. In the backrow, her defense is second only to our libero. In the front row, she is an incredibly versatile OH who keeps the opponents defense on their toes. Leah is a great member of the team as well, motivating them through her work ethic and overwhelming positive attitude.

Aubrey Borden, Wisconsin Elite 15-Silver, Milwaukee, Freshman, Outside: The effort shows through her consistency to nail the plays of the game. Whether in the front row or playing all the way around and helping out as a versatile player. Very much a team player with how she adapts to being placed in various positions. Very coachable and ask questions when needed otherwise corrects her mistakes next play. Has a lot of hustle in her along with high volleyball IQ.

Sydnee Braatz, 414 Milwaukee 15-Blue, Milwaukee, Freshman, Libero/DS: Sydnee is a rock for us in the back row. She is an excellent libero with the all-around game to full in at other spots when the team needs her.

Willow Braun, Wisconsin Elite 15-Elite, Glendale, Freshman, Libero/DS: Willow is extremely ambitious and highly competitive. She strives to be the best and does whatever it takes to win. Her defensive ability to read and react is at an elite level, especially for 15 years old.

Jana Brown, Epic 16-Royal, Racine, Sophomore, Middle: Jana is one of the best middles I've had the privilege of coaching so far. She is quick, effective and always keeps the team laughing. She works hard, adjusts when needed and communicates well with her setters. Isabella Brown, Wisconsin Juniors 15-Elite, Kenosha, Freshman, Setter: Bella works hard to run a very consistent offense. She is dependable from the service line!

Madeline Brown, 414
Milwaukee 16-Elite, Milwaukee,
Sophomore, Middle: Great Blocker – Extremely quick pin to pin
with a great understanding of how
to get correct hand positioning
in any situation. Also, she is an
explosive athlete who can hit a 1,
Gap, or Slide with multiple shots
into the court.

Ava Bruley, Spiketown USA 16.2, Green Bay, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Ava has great court awareness, passes with confidence and consistency, and with top notch communication can keep control of the court.

Peyton Burns, Milwaukee Juniors 15-Elite, Brookfield, Freshman, Outside: Peyton brings a heavy swing, with a good vertical from whichever pin she is hitting from. Her high reach on her arm swing combined with her court awareness and decision making help her score points when her team needs it most.

Grace Burfeind, Wisconsin
Elite 16-Red, Whitefish Bay,
Sophomore, Middle: I've been
very impressed with Grace at
practice and I'm very excited to see
what she does this season.

Luci Busalacchi, Wisconsin Premier 16-White, Mequon, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Luci is quick, scrappy, great at communicating, and very coachable. She is a player that will drastically improve by the end of the season and I am so excited to see her growth.

Ainsley Busch, Wisconsin Elite 15-Red, Wauwatosa, Freshman, Right side: Ainsley is a leader on the court and a captain of the team. She is good at reading blocks and placing the ball.

Audrey Butkovich, Spiketown USA 15.2, Little Chute, Freshman, Outside: Audrey is versatile with the ability to hit from anywhere on the court. Her calm demeanor and ability to bring her teammates together shows the makings of a true leader

Savannah Button, Southwest 17-Blue, Waukesha, Junior, Libero/DS: So willing to learn different techniques/positions. She is quick to read and cover and doesn't let a ball drop. She is intense and competes well

Anabelle Cerny, Wisconsin Juniors 16-1, Kenosha, Sophomore, Setter: Anabelle runs a very fast and consistent offense. She has a high volleyball IQ and balances the offense well. Anabelle is a dependable server and leader on her team.

Lauren Charbonneau, Wisconsin Elite 17-Red, Menomonee Falls, Junior, Setter: A quick middle who creates a presence at the net offensively and defensively.

Anika Cheney, 608 Juniors 15-1, Oregon, Freshman, Middle: An aggressive middle who is able to make smart plays at the net.

Kinsley Christensen-Bara, Wisconsin Juniors 14-1, Kenosha, 8th grade, Outside: Kinsley is a dominant attacker with an extremely tough serve. She is a leader on the court both offensively and defensively.

Isabelle Coffelt, 608 Juniors 15-Premier, Jefferson, Freshman, Middle: An aggressive middle who is able to make smart plays at the net.

Hailey Connelly, Lakes
Juniors 15-Select, Elkhorn,
Freshman, Outside: Hailey
Connelly is a 5-11 Outside Hitter
playing six rotations on our 15
Select team and has shown a
strong desire to keep improving
and play at a high level. At her HS
she played on JV1 as a freshman
and was a leader on the team.

Elianne Crespo, Reinas 16-1, Catano, PR, Freshman, Right Side: This is Eli's 2nd year with the club, and plays right side. Although she primarily plays right side, Eli is able to play multiple positions at a very high level. Eli started playing volleyball at Las Bravas Club. She started at their youth developmental program at the age of 4 in Puerto Rico, before moving to the United States last year.

Emma Crow, Wisconsin Juniors 17-1, Antioch, Ill., Junior, Middle: Emma is a disciplined blocker, which allows her to find a lot of success as a middle blocker. She works hard in transition to be available to run routes both in front and behind the setter.

Arya Desai, Wisconsin Juniors 15-National, Antioch, Ill., Freshman, Setter: Arya is constantly working hard and asking questions to better herself as a setter. We can always count on her to give effort for the ball!

Amelia Dubey, Wisconsin Premier 16-Teal, West Bend, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Great back row player. See's the court. Always a team player. Vocal leader on and off the court

Emma Duff, Wisconsin Elite 18-Elite, Brookfield, Sophomore, Setter: Emma is a great leader on and off the court. She brings a level of competitiveness and focus that really pushes others to compete at a high level. I'm looking forward to seeing Emma lead our 18 Elite team!

Nicalai Eismann, Wisconsin Elite 15-Elite, Waukesha, Freshman, Outside: Nicalai is

an offensive powerhouse with the ability to go 6 rotations scoring front row and back row. She will demand the best of her teammates and leads them to win.

Delanie Farley, 414 Milwaukee 15-Elite, Brookfield, Freshman, Outside: Delanie is a true competitor who likes to hit the ball hard. She is aggressive and fearless. She is inquisitive in practice to better understand skills and the game.

Charlie Faustmnn, Southwest 17-Blue, Hartland, Junior, Libero/ DS: Runs the back row well with great communication with her teammates. She's quick and uses angles well. A very coachable athlete.

Alexis Fields, 608 Juniors 16-1, Oregon, Sophomore, Libero/ DS: Alexis Fields is a dynamic ds/ libero with fast reactions and steady serve receive. She brings volume and consistency to the court.

Lauren Fitzgibbon, Wisconsin Premier 16-White, Mequon, Freshman, Outside: Lauren is reliable, energetic, coachable and such a tough player. She has a great serve and makes good decisions when out of system. She is everything a coach wants from an outside.

Sara Frederick, River City 17-Black, Horicon, Junior, Libero/ DS: Solid DS with a great swing if needed along the front row.

Norma Glisczinski, 414
Milwaukee 16-Blue, Brookfield,
Sophomore, Middle: Norma has
an incredible drive for learning
and great ability to make herself
available for every play whether it's
offensively or defensively and even
while she is on the sideline. Her
attitude is infectious and she truly
is the glue of the team.

Addison Graebert, Wisconsin Elite 16-Elite, New Berlin, Sophomore, Right Side: Consistently seeking the right growth mentality feedback. Her high contact point and solid footwork has her reaching over and through blockers. She is a scorer consistently.

Ashley Graf, Spiketown USA 16.2, Appleton, Sophomore, Middle: Ashley is an all-around athlete. She is always determined to get the next point with strength and confidence, and is a great example of what having connections with teammates looks like

Gabby Graf, Wisconsin Premier 16-Teal, Slinger, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Controls the back court. Works hard on every play. Positive attitude. Works to get better on every touch

Piper Graham, Milwaukee Juniors 15-1, Muskego, Freshman, Middle: Piper is an offensive threat with incredible speed and athleti-

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cism. She runs a diverse offense and displays a powerful arm swing. Piper also possesses a strong block and killer serve. Her court presence is a huge asset for the team.

Kayla Grahn, Southwest 16-Blue, New Berlin, Sophomore, Middle: She runs a very quick tempo on offense, and has a high reach while hitting and blocking.

Danielle Gregory, Milwaukee Juniors 17-Elite, Brookfield, Junior, Libero: Solid all around L that will key our defense.

Hailey Grove, Wisconsin Elite 15-Red, Kenosha, Freshman, Setter: Hailey is a leader on the court. She is very self-aware and courtaware therefore she makes smart decisions when choosing her sets.

Ava Hanson, 414 Milwaukee
18-Elite, Oak Creek, Senior,
Middle: Ava is a pivotal part of this
teams first line of defense, quickly
reading and blocking the opposing
team's attacks. She is also a big role in
our teams offensive with her ability
to hit from a variety spots at the net.

Jadyn Hausser, Madtown 162 Select, Waunakee, Sophomore, Right Side: Jadyn is a main energy source for our group. She wants to learn different positions and is willing to fill any role – overall she is a very dynamic athlete!

Audrey Heiring, Wisconsin Juniors 17-1, Kenosha, Junior, Outside: Audrey is a dominant blocker. As a dynamic attacker, she is able to attack all areas of the court and is very disciplined at the net.

Hannah Heitzkey, I AM
15-Red, Cedarburg, Freshman,
Outside: Dynamic 6 rotation OH.
She has great awareness of the block
and has many tools to work around
it to score. I see her being our main
offensive weapon this season.

Kayla Heiselmann, Lakes Juniors 18-Select, Lake Geneva, Senior, Setter: Kayla is such a hard worker. She is consistent with her setting and is always in the gym working on technique. She gets along with all her teammates and shows great leadership on and off the court. Kayla is not only a phenomenal setter, but one of the top servers on the team. She plays aggressive defense and is a huge asset to the team.

Sam Henschel, Wisconsin Juniors 18-Elite, Oak Creek, Senior, Setter: Sam runs a steady offense and brings a calming presence to the court. She is an aggressive server and constantly works hard to run a consistent offense for her attackers.

Sara Hensler, Lakes Juniors 17-Select, Lake Geneva, Senior, Setter: Sara plays as both middle hitter and setter for our team, and excels in her role as team leader. As middle blocker, she reads the opposing offense very well, and is quick to her blocks. She has a strong arm, hitting quick sets well, and finding the defensive holes. Sara also is a smart setter, knowing where to place her hitters, and where to set based on the defense. Because she is not overly tall, she would do well in transition to pin hitter at the college level. She has played at outside and right side at varying times in her career.

Tatum Jahns, Milwaukee Juniors 15-1, Muskego, Freshman, Setter: Tatum possesses a high volleyball IQ and incredible court awareness for her age. Her voice, excitability, and knowledge aid her in running a clean offense. In addition, Tatum presents an impressive attack and serve.

Izzy Jerdee, 414 Milwaukee 16-Blue, South Milwaukee, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Izzy does not know the word can't, it's just not in her DNA, she truly believes she can get to each and every ball and make a play on it that will better that ball for her team. Her effort is inspiring and it elevates her teammates play each and every drill, practice and match.

Addison Jerman, 608 Juniors 15-1, Cambridge, Freshman, Setter: An athletic setter who has the ability to control the game and lead her team.

Ella Jetzer, 414 Milwaukee 17-National, Franklin, Junior, Outside: Ella has one speed and that is giving it all 100% of the time and never taking her foot off the gas. Ella has an ability to swing aggressively and then to change speed at last second to place the ball where defense is not. Ella displays a a leadership qualities on and off the court and is willing to do what she can for her team.

Nola Johnson, 608 Juniors 16-Select, Verona, Sophomore, Right Side: Nola is an all around player with a volleyball IQ beyond her years. She understands the game very well and knows how to exploit weakness in opposing teams.

Avery Johnson, 608 Juniors 15-Select, Oregon, Freshman, Right Side: A big blocker at the net, Avery has the potential to shut down most teams outsides.

Audrey Johnson, Wisconsin Juniors 16-1, Mequon, Sophomore, Outside: Audrey is a force at the net offensively. She has a strong platform, which allows her to be a good 6 rotation option to be able to use her as a back row attack with this teams strong offense.

Lily Kastman, 608 Juniors 16-Premier, Middleton, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Lily takes control of the defense verbally and with her play. She has two strong serves with a driving float and a good top-spin.

Kaitlyn Kaye, 414 Milwaukee 17-National, Greenfield, Junior, Middle: Kaitlyn has a high volleyball IQ and has the ability to take away shots from other players with her blocking ability. Kaitlyn this past high season earned 2nd Team All Conference and has already showed this club season to be a dominate middle. K

Emree Kellerman, Eclipse
15-Elite, Colgate, Freshman, Setter: Emree has worked hard to get
to where she is as a setter. Her hard
work led her to becoming the varsity
setter at her hs as a freshman!

Abbigal Kirwan, Lakes Juniors 18-Select, Wilmot, Senior, Middle: Abbi is such a positive player. She has primarily played OH but has stepped into the role of middle. She is always wanting to learn and improve on all her skills. She never misses a practice and will put in extra time in the gym. She is very quick and has a powerful swing. She doesn't necessarily have height on her side but that doesn't stop her from being a valued MH.

Cassie Klepp, Epic 16-Royal, Racine, Sophomore, Outside: Cassie is an extremely talented player. She works hard on and off the court, training during the off season to ensure she's more effective on the court. Shes also a great teammate, and is always helping her team members in a positive way.

Kate Klink, Eclipse 15-Elite, Hartford, Freshman, Middle: Kate is an amazing player who understands what we are asking her to do and athletic enough to back it up!

Teagan Kniep, Southwest 15-Blue, East Troy, Freshman, Middle: Teagan is a strong, coachable athlete who is always pushing herself to be the best she can be.

Rachel Krueger, Eclipse 18-Solar, Hartford, Senior, Outside: Dedicated, hardworking athlete always aspiring to the next level. All-around player with great defense as well as consistent attacker. Leader on and off court.

Kyleigh Knutson, Madtown 161 Select, Waunakee, Sophomore, Middle: Athletic middle with a game changing block and swing. Fast feet allows her to traverse from middle to pin on defense with ease. Great understanding of attack angles, with great footwork on a slide.

Emma Krysiak, 414 Milwaukee 15-Blue, Greendale, Freshman, Outside: Emma is a very hard working player who is constantly trying to improve her game. She is a multi-sport athlete who has tons of potential. Grace Kulpa, Wisconsin Premier 17-Teal, Manitowoc, Junior, Setter: Grace is a strong setter but has also proven to be a scrappy defensive player. When given the chance to attack, Grace is also one who can put the ball down in the front row. Despite not being the tallest, she is smart with where she puts the ball.

Mia Kwapil, Wisconsin Juniors 16-National, Racine, Sophomore, Outside: Mia is an undersized outside with great ball control. She is very coachable and finds ways to swing and be aggressive. Mia's platform is steady and gives great effort defensively.

Carly LaPlante, Wisconsin Juniors 16-Elite, Racine, Sophomore, Middle: Carly is a mechanically sound middle blocker. She has smooth and strong movements along the net as a blocker and works hard to become a dominate attacker for her team both in front and behind the setter.

Keira Larson, Southwest
16-White, Hartland, Sophomore,
Libero/DS: A natural leader and
extremely hard worker, she's always
positive and picks her teammates
up. Her speed allows her to be so
many places on the court.

Evelynn Lasse, Wisconsin Elite 16-Blue, Wauwatosa, Sophomore, Setter: Evelynn has been part of Wisconsin Elite since its inception when she was 14. Evelynn is a versatile and intelligent setter who plays six rotations. In the front row, she is a threat as a RH who puts up a massive block and can run offense from the middle. Evelynn has a goofy and unserious personality that cuts through stressful matches to ground her teammates. She goes the extra mile to lead her team to success.

Ali Lawton, Madtown 152 Select, Waunakee, Freshman, Outside: Ali is an athlete who consistently shows up to compete. Playing all 6 rotations, her well-rounded nature and leadership mentality makes her a key player on the court and allows our team to play at a higher level.

Carolyn Lick, Madtown 181 Select, Sun Prairie, Junior, Libero: Amazing pursuit of the ball and gets herself into great defensive position quickly; reads game well.

Madyson Loberger, Wisconsin Juniors 18-Elite, Salem, Senior, Middle: Madyson is a disciplined blocker. She works hard in transition to be available each play and brings a lot of energy to the court.

Ryen Lyndon, Wisconsin Juniors 17-Elite, Antioch, Ill., Junior, Setter: Ryen is extremely hard working and will do whatever is asked of her. As a setter, she brings a lot of energy to the court and is a very well rounded volley-ball player.

Lauren Maszk, I AM 17-Black, Whitefish Bay, Junior, Outside: Lauren is powerful outside hitter who isn't afraid to switch up her shot and use the other teams weaknesses to her advantage.

Alaina Matola, 414 Milwaukee 16-Elite, Brookfield, Sophomore, Outside: A very high level player who is well-rounded with a high volleyball IQ. She is an explosive athlete who is able to hit all the shots, and has great ball control.

Savannah Matola, 414
Milwaukee 17-Elite, Brookfield,
Senior, Libero/DS: Savannah's
fundamentals are extremely sound,
her demeanor is admirable and she
is very inquisitive. Her style of play is
very calculated and she succeeds in
all aspects of playing libero; left back,
middle back, out of system, digging
opposing middles, reading shots.
Savannah can do it all and is willing
to do whatever it takes to succeed at
this level and hopefully the next.

Katie Mercure, Wisconsin Juniors 18-1, Wadsworth, Ill., Senior, Setter: Katie has a very high volleyball IQ and runs a fast, consistent tempo. She enhances the already high level of defense that this team has. As a leader, she find ways to keep her attackers calm and get each of them involved in the offense.

Faith Meyer, Southwest 15-Blue, Oak Creek, Freshman, Outside: Faith has a great worth ethic and desire to learn. She is a very positive teammate.

Gillian Mihalko, Eclipse 16-Solar, Watertown, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Great attitude, great athlete

Nola Miller, Madtown 153 Select, Cottage Grove, Freshman, Libero: The ceiling for Nola's potential as a Libero has yet to be seen. She fits into any role, but right now is holding down our defense as our captain of the backrow. She's a great teammate and is becoming a huge leader on the court.

Finley Moore, 608 Juniors 16-1, Mt. Horeb, Sophomore, Middle: Finley Moore is middle with an explosive jump and a fast arm. She moves efficiently and puts up a strong block

Mollie Murphy, Wisconsin Premier 17-Teal, Colgate, Junior, Setter: Mollie is an outstanding 6 rotation player, not only is she a dominant and confident setter but she has also stepped in to be a strong opposite hitter.

Avery Nelson, 608 Juniors 15-Select, Oregon, Freshman, Middle: An athletic middle with a lot of potential. She is an immedi-

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ate impact player who commands a presence on the court offensively and defensively.

Abigail Nevins, 414 Milwaukee 18-Elite, Muskego, Senior, Libero/DS: Abby is a dynamic and extremely talented libero. She is a key roll player on this team and has been a huge part of this team for many years. Her ability to read other teams offensives and cover half the court on serve receive is something that sets her apart.

Lindsay Noll, Wisconsin Juniors 16-National, Union Grove, Sophomore, Setter: Lindsay runs a good tempo and brings energy to all her attackers. She has a high volleyball IQ.

Avery Nordness, Madtown 171 Select, DeForest, Junior, Libero: Avery is a great defender as she is quick on the court and hustles after every ball. She works hard to be in position at all times and is very knowledgeable about the game. Avery takes constructive criticism well and strives to be the best player she can be all while keeping a positive attitude.

Estella Novoa, Wisconsin Elite
15-Blue, Whitefish Bay Freshman, Right Side: Estella is a strong player all around. She excels primarily on the right side when it comes to blocking and always taking a strong and confident swing.

Lauren Ossmann, Wisconsin Elite 16-Elite, Butler, Sophomore, Setter: Second year playing for Elite and showing great promise of playing D1 volleyball. Height and athletics are natural but her hard work and drive are pushing her quickly up the ranks. Formidable presence in the front row.

Lauren Pehl, Milwaukee Juniors 17-Elite, Waukesha, Junior, Outside: Solid 6 rotation player that is looked to in key moments.

Cassidy Peplinski, River City 17-Black, Watertown, Junior, Outside: Great swing in the front along with a solid block. She can play all 6 positions on the court.

Lindsay Piktel, Wisconsin Juniors 18-1, Salem, Senior, Outside: Lindsay is a dynamic and explosive attacker, having the ability to attack many angles on the court. She has a strong platform, which enables her to be an offensive weapon from the back row as well

Talia Piotrowski, 414
Milwaukee 15-Elite, Pewaukee,
Freshman, Libero/DS: Talia is
a highly talented LIB who excels
in serve receive and plays lights
out defense. She has a very calm
demeanor and does not rattle
easily. She is attentive at practice
and takes coaching well.

Cassidy Pohlman, 608 Juniors

16-Elite, Monona Grove, Sophomore, Libero/DS: A quick DS who generates a massive defensive presence on the court providing several offensive opportunities for her team.

Paige Proefrock, I AM 16-Red, Grafton, Freshman, Outside: Paige is a freshman playing up on our 16 Red team. Six rotation player that earned 2nd team all conference in the North Shore.

Miley Quade, Milwaukee Juniors 16-1, Slinger, Sophomore, Outside: Kendall is a great defensive player for us. She's reads well in serve receive and is so scrappy on defense. She also does a nice job in out of system to get our players an opportunity to score.

Jacki Rambatt, Lakes Juniors 15-Select, Sharon, Freshman, Libero/DS: Jacki Rambatt is a natural all around athlete, playing soccer, basketball and volleyball (and probably a few other sports as well). Jacki played with LJV this past "extended season" and in our Summer Pairs Beach League and performed very well. Her primary position is Libero but she also can play at the Setter position. She has great speed and gets to pretty much any ball on the court.

Laila Rasmussen, 608 Juniors 16-Elite, Mount Horeb, Sophomore, Setter: A diverse player setting and hitting on the right side this season. Provides a lot of consistency and an impact player.

Tessa Reed, Madtown 151 Select, Randolph, Freshman, Setter: Tessa is a freshman setter with a semior level Volleyball IQ. She runs a balanced offense, encourages everyone, and is looked up to by the whole team as our #1 leader. She's taking our team to the next level this season!

Brooke Rhoads, Madtown 161 Select, Sun Prairie, Sophomore, Outside: A true competitor, 6 rotation outside. Back row defense is good enough to be a libero, while the height/reach/swing makes her a force in the front row.

Brianna Roe, Southwest 16-White, Waukesha, Sophomore, Setter: A solid player at any position – she is setting for the team, but is one of the strongest hitters as well. Her openness to play anywhere and her team first mentality sets her apart.

Ayda Ruppenthal, 608 Juniors 15-Premier, Oregon, Freshman: Outside: A dynamic 6-rotation outside who is consistent and reliably both offensively and defensively.

Victoria Schmitz, I AM 15-Black, Menomonee Falls, Freshman, Middle: Victoria (Tori) caught my attention at our first tune-up. Her athleticism and jumping ability stood out from the other 15s. I've never seen a 15 hit the ball so hard! She is agile, and can down balls from the middle and the outside. She stays positive, and encourages her team even when things get difficult. She will be one of the middles to watch this season in the league!

Alaina Schopf, Spiketown, Door County 18s, Sturgeon Bay, Senior, Outside: Alaina exhibits leadership and a commitment to her team and the game. She is a 6-rotation player with an exceptional outside attack along with her defensive skills at multiple positions in the backcourt.

Aubrey Schwent, Lakes Juniors 16-Select, Elkhorn, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Aubrey is an exceptional Libero/DS. She is hardworking and determined, always looking to better herself and team. Aubrey is a supportive teammate and leader.

Ella Sebranek, Madtown 152 Select, Oregon, Freshman, Libero: Ella is a reliable libero with her strong ball control, quick defense, serve and receive, and ability to make plays out of system. She is eager to get a touch on every ball and it shows in her hustle.

Charlotte Shepherd,
Wisconsin Juniors 14-1, Wadsworth, Ill., 8th grade, Setter:
Charlotte has a high volleyball IQ
and runs a balanced offense. She
is sets a consistent tempo and isn't
afraid to be a part of the offense as
well as a 5-1 setter.

Camden Smith, Wisconsin Juniors 15-1, Kenosha, Freshman, Middle: Camden has shown tremendous improvement over the last year. She has worked hard to become an effective blocker and a key part of this teams success as an offensive weapon.

Madisyn Stacy, Wisconsin Elite 16-Red, Racine, Sophomore, Setter: Madi has shown a great work ethic so far and I'm very excited to see her grow this season.

Kendall Staszewski, Milwaukee Juniors 16-1, Brookfield, Junior Libero: Kendall is a great defensive player for us. She's reads well in serve receive and is so scrappy on defense. She also does a nice job in out of system to get our players an opportunity to score.

Isabel Stauber, Wisconsin Juniors 15-1, Lake Villa, Ill., Freshman, Outside: Isabel is transitioning from being a middle to a key attacker on either pin. She has a strong block move and continues to step up defensively in the back row as well.

Samantha Stikel, Southwest 16-Blue, Oak Creek, Freshman, Setter: Versatile player, who has strong defense and sets a fast tempo. Has an aggressive and accurate float serve. Liza Studebaker, Madtown
151 Select, Oregon, Freshman,
MB/Pin: Liza is a dynamic player
that is able to jump in anywhere
and succeed. She has a strong
net presence, swinging higher
and faster than most her age.
Combined with an always positive,
persistent mindset, she's a force to
watch this season!

Ella Svacina, Milwaukee
Juniors 15-Elite, Oconomowoc,
Freshman, Outside: Ella brings a
ton of energy and communication
to the court. She has a high contact
point on her swing and reads hitters well when she's on defense.

Aliyah Thompson, 608 Juniors 16-Premier, Mt. Horeb, Sophomore, Outside: Aliyah is a solid 6 rotation outside with a heavy arm, passes well, and a strong defensive presence in middle back.

Sophia Tsai, Madtown 171
Select, Oregon, Junior, Middle:
Sophia is a great overall teammate!
She works hard in the middle
and gives great support to other
teammates pushing them to up
their game. Sophia is coachable,
always has a smile on her face and
consistently working to be better.

Claire Vanden Berg,
I AM 15-Black, Cedarburg,
Freshman, Libero/DS: Claire is a
top tier libero/ds in our area. Her
knowledge of the game and the
ability to read hitters keeps many
balls alive. She pursues balls and
never gives up on a play. She leads
the team will both kindness and
positivity, and is a true servant
leader. She's definitely one you will
want to keep your eye on!

Sophia Verplancke, I AM 17-Black, Grafton, Junior, Right Side: Sophia is a dynamic team player who never takes a play off and is a leader on and off the court.

Morgan Vetter, I AM 15-Red, Kewaskum, Freshman, Libero/ DS: Libero that can read the game very well. She moves in a calm but dynamic way on defense providing our team with extra chances to score with her defensive ups.

Tessa Wabiszewski, Wisconsin Elite 17-Red, New Berlin, Junior, Libero/DS: Tessa is a player that will always hustle and leave everything she has out on the court. She's quick, plays smart, and she is a leader on the court.

Samantha Weber, G-Force
16-Select, Germantown, Sophomore, Libero/DS: Sami is quick on the court and covers tremendous ground. Her effort and pursuit of the ball in each play drives the rest of the team to play at a higher level. Her platform is consistent and keeps the team in system to run the offense. Sami inspires her team by always being positive on the court as well. She has gotten more impossible balls

than I've seen in 19 years coaching.

Morgan Weiss, Lakes Juniors 16-Select, Delavan, Sophomore, Outside: Morgan excels on the outside and provides strong defensive support. She is an extremely versatile athlete and fills in where is needed for her team.

Sophia Wendt, G-Force 16-Select, Germantown, Freshman, Right Side: Sophia is a Freshman with tenacity and drive. She is utilized as a RS and MH and has beautiful transitions to gain explosiveness at the net. At 5'10" she has a big block and likes to push the tempo of the offense. Sophia is developing into a stellar force to be reckoned with at the net. Her smile is contagious and the team elevates their play when she is on the court.

Bergen Westrum, Madtown 163 Select, McFarland, Sophomore, Libero: Bergen is a Libero who always works hard and is everywhere on the court. She is willing to go above and beyond for her team. She loves growing as a player and is open to playing any position that is needed.

Ava Winter, Wisconsin
Juniors 15-Elite, Salem, Freshman, Outside: Ava has shown
tremendous growth from last club
season. She continues to develop
as a 6 rotation outside and is an
extremely hard worker.

Kara Witowski, Milwaukee Juniors 17-1, New Berlin, Junior, Libero: Kara is a libero with all the intangibles of a libero. She is loud, fearless, aggressive and competitive. There is never a ball that she doesn't go for. She plays great defense by making great reads and athletic moves. She has disciplined serve receive and excels on coverage. She's a player and coach would want on their team.

Ireland Wondra, Eclipse 16-Solar, Hartford, Sophomore, Middle: Natural middle, great attitude

Olivia Xiong, Spiketown USA 15.2, Oshkosh, Freshman, Libero/DS: Olivia is a strong presence on defense and from the service line. She plays with grit and tenacity.

Emily Zarkovich, Wisconsin Juniors 15-National, Wadsworth, Ill., Freshman, Libero/DS: Emily is a steady passer in serve receive and defense. She gives effort for every ball and works hard to stay on her feet.

Nida Zukauskaite, Spiketown Door County 18s, Sturgeon Bay, Senior, Outside: Nida is an all-conference player with an outstanding outside attacking ability from a high-contact point. She demonstrates a high volleyball IQ and a commitment to the game and her teammates.

Lunch & Learn puts focus on conflict resolution

Sportmanship topic of Jan. 11 webinar

How do we handle conflicts on the court or off the court?

That was the topic of conversation in a Lunch & Learn sponsored by the Badger Region focused on de-escalation and conflict resolution.

Joining moderators Jennifer Armson-Dyer and Brian Sharkey were Kevin Brylski (founder of Zone 7) and national official/ Badger Region president Jim Momsen.

Brylski's points of emphasis included communication and understanding the mutual goals that parents, athletes and coaches have for their teams and their athletes.

Brylski, who is a partner with the Badger Region, is willing to give de-escalation presentations to any Badger Region-certified club.

For more information on arranging a Zone 7 presentation at your club, contact membership@badgervolleyball.org.

Coming Jan. 11

Next up in a the Lunch & Learn series is a online discussion taking place at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 11 on Facebook Live

To bookmark the event or to re-visit after it airs live, click here.

Have questions? Email Program Director Brian Sharkey at brian@badgervolleyball.org.

Fiserv Forum to host more college matches

Milwaukee will host four powerhouse NCAA Div. I women's volley-ball teams on Labor Day weekend 2024.

Wisconsin, Texas, Stanford and Minnesota will compete at Fiserv Forum Sept. 1-2 at the inaugural event that will air on Fox and FS1.

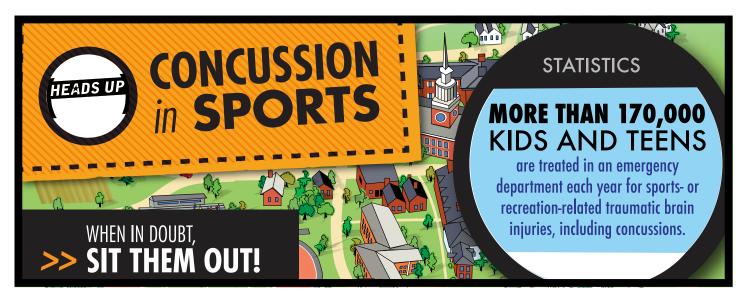
Stanford, Texas and Wisconsin were three of the final eight remaining teams in the NCAA Tournament this season. Earlier this year, FOX Sports made history when it aired a regular season women's college volleyball game on network television for the first time in the sport's history.







Tips of the week coming soon!



Are your team's jerseys compliant?

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.

To do so, the Region's Ref Chair is encouraging club directors or coaches to send images 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.

The photos of the jerseys

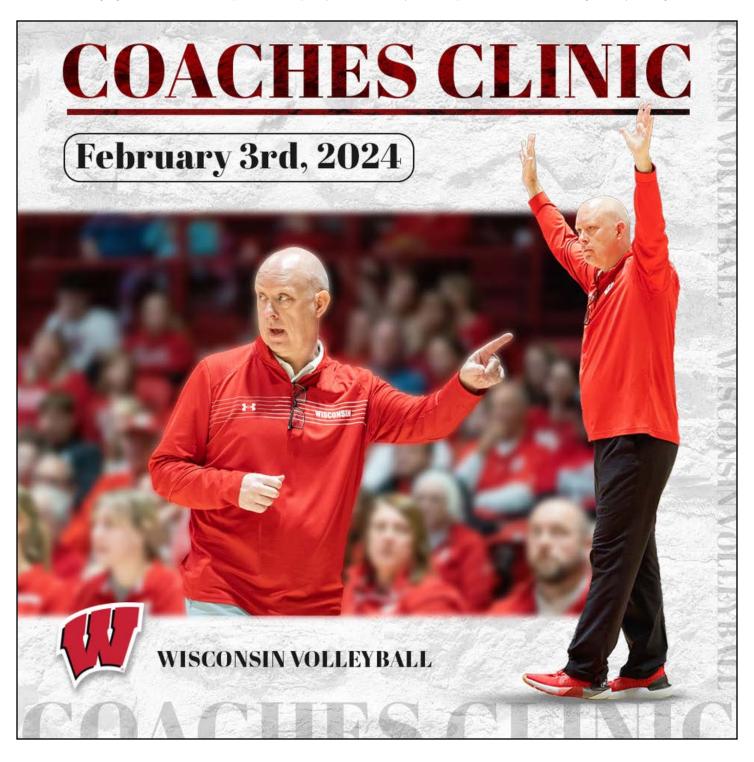
should not be of any junior athlete in uniform.

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

If your team plans to attend a

USA Volleyball Boys or Girls Qualifier or National Championship, the Region can also help direct you as to the proper channels you must go through to get jersey waivers.

Have questions? Email sara@ badgervolleyball.org.



USA Volleyball partners with pro group

Pro Volleyball Federation, the professional women's volleyball league in the United States, has teamed up with USA Volleyball – the national governing body of the sport in the U.S. – to promote volleyball at its highest level.

USA Volleyball will support Pro Volleyball Federation's professional league in America, which launches in January. The partnership reinforces the League's commitment to work with USA Volleyball clubs, athletes and regions while USAV supports Pro Volleyball Federation's commitment to providing top professional opportunities to America's greatest female volleyball players.

"We are so proud to provide these world-class athletes within the USA Volleyball pipeline with a domestic opportunity to play professionally at the highest level in the United States while still being able to pursue their dreams of representing their country on the



U.S. National Team," touted Dave Whinham, co-founder of the Pro Volleyball Federation. "We have tremendous respect for the work being done by USA Volleyball and its 40 regions throughout the country, and we are excited to strengthen the entire volleyball pipeline in our nation."

Pro Volleyball Federation currently boasts 17 players from the United States who have spent time in the U.S. National Team gym. Overall, there are 35 domestic and international players in the League who have been part of their respective country's Olympic or national team system.

More than 135 athletes have

signed contracts to play in the inaugural season of Pro Volleyball Federation. They will be led by a group of accomplished coaches who have combined for more than 2,500 career victories.

"Pro Volleyball Federation has created a buzz not only in the United States, but throughout the world of volleyball," said Jamie Davis, President and CEO of USA Volleyball. "We are thrilled to partner with Pro Volleyball Federation and see the League as a great platform where so many outstanding American players can continue their careers as professional athletes and US National Team members."

There is also no lack of Team USA representation within the ranks of Pro Volleyball Federation. In addition to the athletes, four-time Olympic medalist Kerri Walsh Jennings leads the ownership group of the San Diego Mojo. The Mojo feature three-time Olympian and two-time

silver medalist Tayyiba Haneef-Park as head coach, while Team USA stars Logan Tom and Laurie Corbelli bring extensive national team experience to Pro Volleyball Federation's executive staff.

The Mojo is one of seven teams playing in the League's first season, joining the Atlanta Vibe, Columbus Fury, Grand Rapids Rise, Omaha Supernovas, Orlando Valkyries, and Vegas Thrill. The second season in 2025 will welcome numerous additional squads, with Dallas, Indianapolis and Kansas City already announced as 2025 markets.

Pro Volleyball Federation's inaugural season begins on January 24 and runs through mid-May. Each city is supported by ownership groups who have invested in the future of the League. Team rosters will consist of 14 active members, each receiving a minimum salary of \$60,000. Players on the championship team will also share a \$1 million bonus.

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BADGER REGION TEAMS OF THE WEEK

(SEND PHOTOS TO BRIAN@BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG)



Congratulations to JAG 15-Red National for winning the Moosejaw Mayhem tournament at Just A Game Fieldhouse on Jan. 7 and being named the Team of the Week on Jan. 9. Submission by Torrie Zastrow.

USAV to host NTDP experience in Dallas

USA Volleyball will host a National Team Development Program (NTDP) Experience one day prior to the start of the 2024 Boys Junior National Championship (BJNC) on June 26-29 in Dallas.

The Experience will take place June 25 (check-in day for BJNCs) at the Kay Bailey Hutchison Convention Center in Dallas.

The NTDP Experience is a one-day development opportunity for invited athletes that showcases the training methods used by U.S. national teams and at NTDP Training Series events. Athletes will be nominated by club directors participating at BJNCs and USA Volleyball regions.

The Experience will combine on-court competition with an off-court classroom session emphasizing the best practices for success in international volleyball and in alignment with the five pillars of the USAV Development Model – Team, Heart, Body, Mind, Craft.

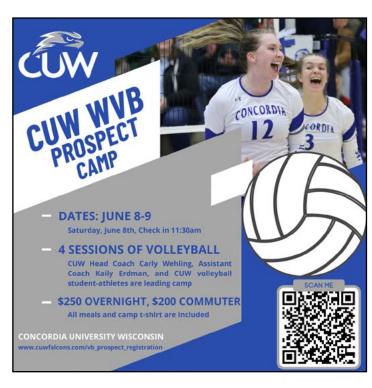
Club coaches, club directors, and athlete parents will be welcome to attend and observe the event, which

will use resources from the NTDP Academy (a free benefit for USA Volleyball members).

Nominations to the Experience will be accepted between through February 29 of 2024. NTDP will send invitations at the end of USAV boys qualifying events.

Coaches from many NCAA men's college volleyball programs and the NTDP Men's Indoor Scouting Network will staff the Experience led by Springfield College's Charlie Sullivan (Boys U19 National Team Head Coach).

- * Cal State University Long Beach
- * Cal State University Northridge
- * George Mason University
- * Grand Canyon University
- * Harvard University
- * Lewis University
- * Loyola University Chicago
- * Ohio State University
- * Penn State University
- * Pepperdine University
- * UC Irvine
- * UC San Diego
- * University of Southern California







Greetings Badger Region Nation!

The Side-Out Foundation is thrilled that the Badger Volleyball Region will be partnering with us at the Badger Region Championships in March! Teams will be able to raise funds for the Foundation and the money raised will be used to further the mission to bring hope to people living with metastatic breast cancer. We will have exciting news to share about our amazing research program in upcoming Badger Beacon issues provided by Side-Out.

Did You Know...

The Side-Out research program is available to anyone living anywhere with metastatic breast cancer (MBC) anywhere in the U.S.. Once a person is diagnosed with MBC, they talk to their oncologist about enrolling with Side-Out to receive their personalized Precision Medicine Report.

We are thankful to be collaborating with the Badger Region in March. Wishing all a restful, wonderful holidays and happy New Year!

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SUMMARY OF RULE CHANGES FOR THE 2023-24 SEASON



USAV RULE CHANGE

ALL AGE GROUPS ARE NOW ALLOWED 8 SECONDS TO SERVE.

14 AND UNDER ARE PERMITTED A RE-SERVE. WHAT'S CHANGED?

PREVIOUSLY 14 AND UNDER WERE ALLOWED 5 SECONDS TO SERVE

USAV RULE CHANGE

14 AND UNDER RE-SERVE: THE BALL MAY EITHER FALL
TO THE FLOOR OR THE PLAYER MAY CATCH THE BALL.
WHAT'S CHANGED? BEFORE THE PLAYER COULDN'T CATCH THE BALL

USAV RULE CHANGE

THE COACH OR ASSISTANT COACH IS NOW ALLOWED TO BE NEAR THE COURT WHILE THE BALL IS IN PLAY. THE COACH MUST NOT OBSTRUCT THE LINE JUDGE'S VIEW OF THE SIDELINE. SUBSTITUTES ON THE BENCH MUST STILL REMAIN SEATED OR IN THE WARM UP AREA.

USAV RULE CHANGE

JUDGMENT DECISIONS ARE NOT SUBJECT TO PROTEST.
A PROTEST RELATED TO A JUDGMENT DECISION MAY RESULT IN A PENALTY (RED CARD) BEING ASSESSED TO THE COACH.

QUESTIONS? EMAIL MEMBERSHIP@BADGERVOLLEYBALL.ORG



E.S.P. program recognizes sportsmanship

Wristbands given to adults being great role models

Sportsmanship isn't a suggestion for the way every player, coach and fan should act on and off the court. It is the expectation.

To reward those exceeding expectations, the Badger Region wants to recognize you.

The 2023-24 marks the eighth year of the "Enthusiastic. Supportive. Positive." program that highlights volleyball enthusiasts, specifically fans in the stands.

Last season, tournament directors throughout the Region distributed close to 250 wristbands at events and tournaments, and we're looking to hand out hundreds more.

Then, at the Badger Region Championships in March, anyone (adults/spectators only) who was awarded a wristband throughout the year, will be eligible to



win Badger Region gear such as T-shirts, water bottles, mini volleyballs and other cool swag.

So, what do you have to do to get a wristband? Support your team! Be positive! Show character that would make your mother proud!

Get a little crazy. Go the extra mile. Recognize the good in your team and others. Get excited when even your opponent makes an amazing save or play.

Don't cheer against another team. Don't taunt or heckle officials, coaches or players. Don't give your club or team a black eye with any "in your face" cheers.

Tournaments directors, Badger Region staff, referees and board members are watching.

If you get one of our colorful "ESP" wristbands, come to the Championship Desk at the Badger Region Championships for prizes. Anyone with a wristband gets one entry into the raffle. At certain points throughout the day, names will be drawn for the prizes.

The only rule: You must have your wristband on at the time of the raffle to receive your gift.

The ESP program is designed for recognition of adults or other individuals who are "outside the lines." Winners do not have to Badger Region members.

If you have someone like an athlete, coach or official who is deserving of recognition, please fill out a nomination form for the "Caught Doing Good" program (see below).

If you are a tournament director running a Badger Region/ USA Volleyball-sanctioned event in 2023-24 and would like to request a package of wristbands for distribution at your event, contact Program Director Brian Sharkey at brian@badgervolleyball.org.

Nominate a coach, player or ref for special honor

'Caught Doing Good' now in its third year

The Badger Region knows there are great people who play, coach or officiate our great sport in the state of Wisconsin.

Now is the time to take a second to recognize him or her for their outstanding character, leadership or contribution to the Badger Region or others in the volleyball community.

To nominate an individual for "Caught Doing Good," click here.

The 2023-24 season marks the third year of the "Caught Doing Good" program in the Badger Region.

In the past, some examples of folks Caught Doing Good were of coaches who took on multiple teams in the wake of situations at their clubs. There have also been coaches who have gone above and beyond to lead by example and be amazing role models for the young men and young



women in their care.

Some athletes have been recognized by their coaches or fellow teammates for their amazing show of sportsmanship, leadership and character on and off the court.

Just because a coach or athlete receives an award does not mean they are the best

coach in the Badger Region or the best athlete. It means they are doing things the right way, and in ways we can all learn from

Nominees for "Caught Doing Good" will be eligible to win awesome prize packs from the Badger Region including Molten packs or volleyballs, Badger Region apparel or other Badger Region-branded items such as fanny packs, coolers or mugs. Winners will also be featured in future Badger Region newsletters.

"We want to recognize the people on the court who are models of behavior for the rest of us," said Program Director Brian Sharkey. "It's much friendlier on our end to celebrate the positive stories than have to reprimand those that don't have their priorities in order."

Only Badger Region members (coaches, club directors, tournament directors, athletes, administrators, athletic trainers, etc.) are eligible for Caught Doing Good awards.

Have questions about Caught Doing Good? Email brian@badgervolleyball.org or call 414-313-9055.

Board approves changes to tryouts

Region clubs allowed to offer a summer tryout

The Badger Region Board of Directors met Nov. 20, and voted to allow an additional tryout and commitment period to take place in the summer starting with the 2024-25 club volleyball season while maintaining the October and November tryout and commitment periods that are currently in place.

The following motion was approved by the Board 11-1 and will be effective July 1, 2024.

The Badger Region will allow clubs to open tryouts to all ages and gender of athletes on the second Saturday after the conclusion of the final day of the USA Volleyball Girls Junior National Championships (GJNC) or Boys Junior National Championships (BJNC) (whichever is later). All tryouts must be completed by 11:59 p.m. CT the Sunday before the start of the WIAA season. If an athlete receives an offer from a club, it must be honored until 7 p.m. CT Aug. 1. Any offer made after that time is at the discretion of the club.

Summer tryouts must be concluded once high school season begins. If a club holds a tryout during the regular fall tryout period, they may do so the first Saturday in October for athletes 14-and-younger, or the Saturday after the conclusion of the WIAA state volleyball tournament (15-and-older). Clubs must honor their offers until the Monday after the tryout period at 7 p.m. Any offers made after 7 p.m. are at the discretion of the club.

Clubs can offer a retention offer to those athletes who played for their club that season for the following club season to athletes starting on July 1 through seven days after the final day of the GJNC or BJNC (whichever is later).

Details

The second Saturday after the last day of the GJNC and BJNC would allow a minimum of at least eight days for an athlete to recover from the end of their season. It will also allow some time for athletes and families to consider pos-



sible retention offers they may have received, and mirrors tryout policies from neighboring regions.

The policy allows clubs to host tryouts for all ages and genders during the summer tryout period while still retain-

ing the fall tryout periods. Clubs may choose to host tryouts during any or all of the available periods. The updated policy does not mandate that a club hold tryouts during the summer tryout period; this is up the discretion of each individual club.

The Aug. 1 commitment date allows a longer tryout period and will allow athletes to attend multiple tryouts possibly over two weekends. This gives athletes and families to try out at multiple locations and not have to race from club to club on just one day of tryouts. The Aug. 1 deadline gives clubs and athletes two weeks before the high school season starts.

Moving the retention period to July 1 through seven days after the final day of the GJNC or BJNC allows clubs who choose not to participate in the summer tryout period to retain athletes. The summer tryout period and summer retention appeal to athletes who want to know what club they will train with and compete with after their high school or middle school seasons.

If a club chooses to host a tryout in the summer period, they can then advertise for

available team openings for the fall tryout periods. Allowing a summer tryout gives clubs additional planning time to organize their resources to prepare for the upcoming club volleyball season.

Timeline

These policies will go into effect for the 2024-25 season, with the applicable dates below for the coming season

- 1. Retention will open July 1, 2024, for the 2024-25 season the last day of the 2024 GJNC / BJNC will be July 11.
- 2. The last day a retention offer can be signed will be July 18.
 - 3. The first allowed dates for tryouts will be July 20
- 4. The first commitment date will be Aug. 1. Any offers made after this date are at the discretion of the club.
- 5. The last allowed date of summer tryouts will be Aug. 18.
 - 6. WIAA (high school) season starts Aug. 19
- 7. Fall tryouts can start Oct. 5 for 14-and-under (Commitment date: Oct.7)
- 8. Fall tryouts can start Nov. 16 for 15-and-older (Commitment date: Nov. 18)

More details about how official commitments will be made and other logistical adjustments will be published once they are finalized.

The Badger Region appreciates all of the time spent by the tryout committee, board members, club directors and others during this several year process. Numerous surveys of families and clubs, club director listening sessions and almost two years of planning went into the decision made by the Board of Directors.

We understand that with change comes questions, which we will help facilitate. Please send any questions to membership@badgervolleyball.org.



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Region to host 2025 All-Star event

Madison chosen for elite tournament

The Badger Region Volleyball Association and the Madison Area Sports Commission (MASC) are proud to announce that Madison and the Alliant Energy Center have been selected to host the 2025 USA Volleyball All-Star Championships. The event will feature All-Star teams from across the country composed of boys and girls players, ages 13-19, as well as officials from around the nation.

Madison was selected from various sites around the country by the participating programs. It will be the first time a Wisconsin city has hosted this prestigious event since 2010, when it was held in Wisconsin Dells.

"We are very proud to be hosting this event in Madison, in partnership with the Madison Area Sports Commission," said Badger Region Volleyball Executive Director and Commissioner Jennifer Armson-Dyer. "Wisconsin is a hotbed of volleyball at all levels, and to be able to bring this event to our local community is very rewarding. We're looking forward to showing the juniors volleyball community what Madison is about."

The event will take place in late July 2025 at the Alliant Energy Center and will feature four days of competition across nine divisions of both boys and girls volleyball ages 13-19. More than 100 participating teams will come from the 40 regions of USA Volleyball along with international teams. In the past, teams from Canada, Puerto Rico, Australia and New Zealand have attended the event.

Not only will players, coaches and spectators travel from around the nation to Madison, but officials will as well. Each participating region sends experienced and up-and-coming officials to work the event and be mentored by world-class officials to gain experience officiating high-level volleyball and making important connections to further



The Badger Region brought home two gold medals from the All-Star event in Tulsa in 2022. The event will be in Madison in 2025.



their careers.

"Hosting this prestigious tournament in Madison -- one of the epicenters of volleyball has long been a goal of ours," said Jamie Patrick, VP of MASC. "We look forward to continuing our partnership with Badger Region Volleyball to welcome athletes and their fans to compete, cheer and enjoy volleyball and activities in the indelible Madison."

The All-Star Championships started in the early 2000s as an elite-level event designed to showcase regional All-Star teams along with national training teams from USA Volleyball, the national governing body of volleyball in the United States, in multiple age divisions. Previously known as the High Performance Champion-

ships, the USA Volleyball All-Star Championships are now run by the Regional Volleyball Associations and it is endorsed by USA Volleyball as a "pipeline" event to the National Team Development and Olympic programs.

Badger Region has been a participant in this event since its beginning, capturing 15 medals, including most recently a bronze medal by the U13 girls team last July in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and a gold medal by the U17 boys and U17 girls teams in 2022 in Tulsa, Okla. The 2024 All-Star Volleyball Championships will be held in Des Moines, Iowa in mid-July. Information about the Badger Region Volleyball tryouts for the 2024 teams will be announced in January.

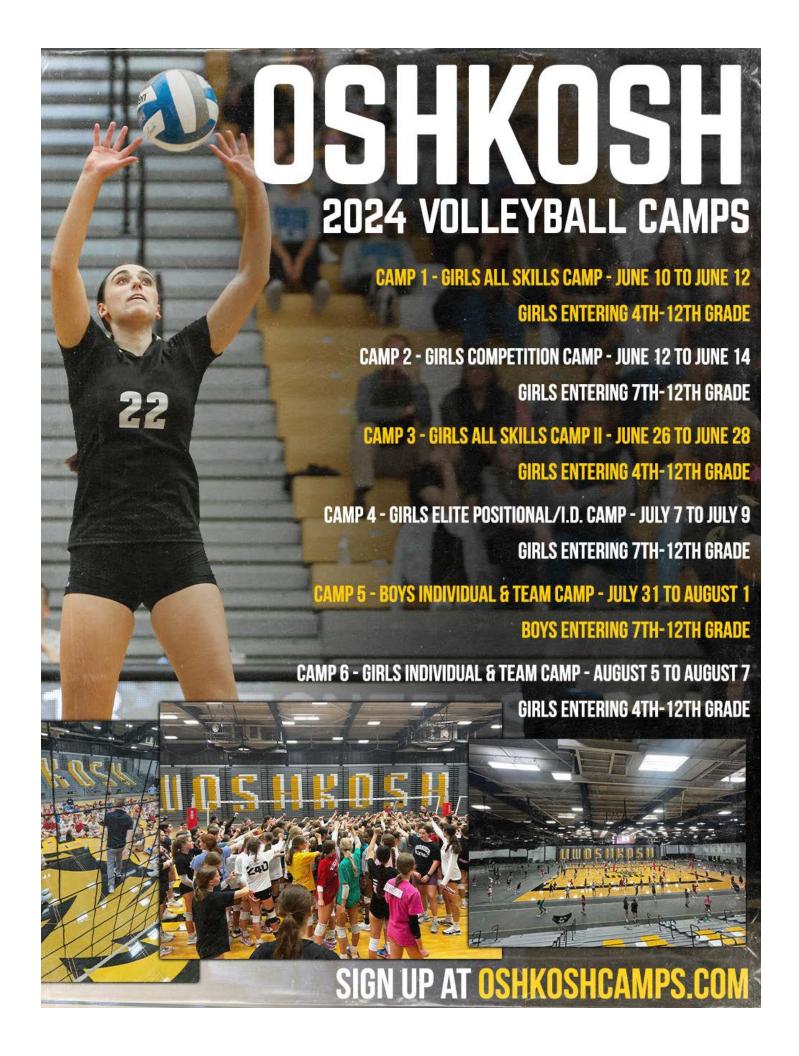
For more information on the event as details emerge, please visit the Badger Region website at www.BadgerVolleyball.org or contact us at membership@badgervolleyball.org.

Badger Region

The Badger Region Volleyball Association is one of the 40 Regions of USA Volleyball. A 501c3 nonprofit organization, Badger Region's mission is to promote initiatives for safe, structured and fun life-long volleyball experiences. Badger Region is one of the nine largest regions in the country, with more than 16,000 members across the state of Wisconsin. Our membership ranges from introductory and grassroots teams at 10 and under through semi-professional adult teams associated with the Volleyball League of America. We provide educational opportunities for players, coaches, club directors, tournament directors, officials and fans, and prioritize child safety and safe, welcoming environments. Please visit www.BadgerVolleyball. org to learn more about Badger Region Volleyball.

About the Madison Area Sports Commission:

The Madison Area Sports Commission (MASC) is the greater Madison area's official sports marketing organization. Launched by Destination Madison in 2010, MASC is charged with elevating the recognition and awareness of the impact of sports tourism on the regional economy while serving the unique needs of the sports tourism business. For more information about the organization, visit madisonsports.org.







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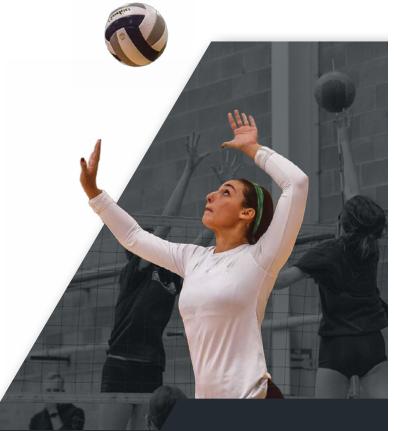
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VOLLEYBALL APPRECIATION NIGHT

OSHKOSH ARENA | 1212 S MAIN ST OSHKOSH, WI 54902

The Wisconsin Herd is excited to host all volleyball clubs, teams, and programs to Oshkosh Arena! All ticket buyers for Volleyball Night will be invited to participate in exclusive group experiences! Thank you to Badger Region Volleyball on this offer!

- Jockey High Five Tunnel!
- All volleyball groups will receive a video board + PA recognition!
- Volleyball night groups invited onto the floor postgame for a group picture with your program, shoot free throws!

FOR TICKET INFORMATION: SCAN THE QR CODE! OR VISIT:

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FRIDAY DECEMBER 15TH @7PM



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2024: NATIONALS HERE WE GO!

GIRLS 18S



USAVolleyball

Girls Junior Nationals

April 26-28

Baltimore, Maryland

2025: Salt Lake City, Utah ADULTS



USAVolleyball

Open National Championships

May 24-29

Columbus, Ohio

2025: Denver, Colo.

GIRLS



USAVolleyball

Girls Junior Nationals

GII-13s: June 21-24 Dallas, Texas;

G14-17s: July 3-11 Las Vegas, Nev.

2025: 11-13s: Kansas City 2025: 14-17s: Dallas BOYS



USAVolleyball

Boys Junior Nationals

June 26-29 Dallas, Texas

2025: Minneapolis



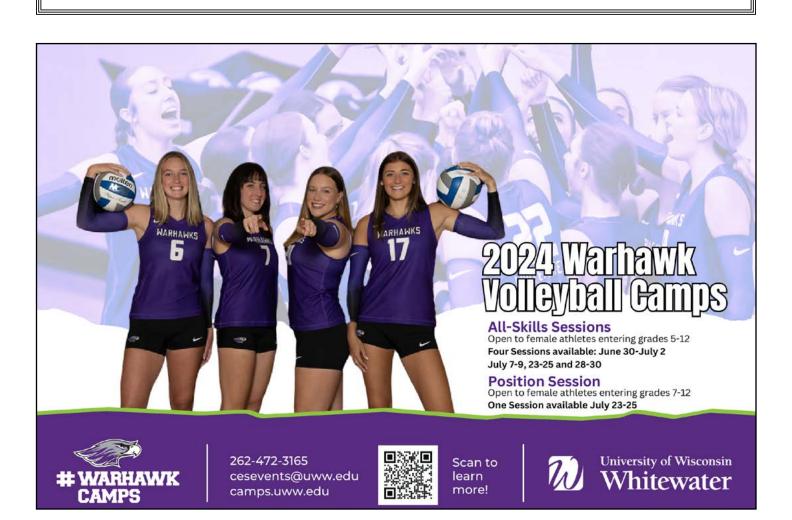
USA All-Star Championships

July 18-22

Des Moines, Iowa

2025: TBA

Dates and locations for a majority of the 2024 Boys Bid Tournaments and Girls National Qualifiers can also be found on the events page at www.usavollevball.org.



MINOR ATHLETE ABUSE PREVENTION POLICIES (CLICK HERE)



EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Within the first 45 days of initial membership or upon begin





REGULAR CONTACT

When one person's position over another person is such that, based on the totality of the power or right to direct, control, give orders to, or make decisions for that person

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REQUIRED PREVENTION POLICIES







- PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANT (PCA): When an Adult Participant is a Personal Care Ass
- b. The PCA must complete the required training as defined in the Education & Training Policy.

ONE-ON-ONE INTERACTIONS POLICY

MEETING AND TRAINING SESSIONS

- Individual Training Sessions.
- Policy Jurisdiction: All In-Program Contact.
 Consent required from paner/guardian annually. Can be withdrawn at any time.
 Panents/Guardians must be allowed to observe.
- One-on-One Interactions Policy Exceptions are allowed for In-Program meetings and indi
- Pulcy, Jurisdiction: At facilities that are pertially or fully under the production of the Organization
 Meetings do not need to be described and interruptible if the following requirements are meet.

 Described and this present in the totality and is assert of the meeting.
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 1. The province discharge program consent as required by law and ethical standards.

ATHLETIC TRAINING MODALITIES, MASSAGES, AND RUBDOWNS

- Must ALWAYS have a second Adult Participant in the room during treatment.
 Required consent from parent/guardian that needs to be documented at least an
- . During treatment Minor Athlete's breast, buttocks, grain, and genitals MUST always be co-

LOCKER ROOMS AND CHANGING AREAS

- The photographic or recording capabilities of any device [cell ghones, cameras, tablets] cannot be used by any Participant in tooker rooms or changing areas during In-Program activities.
- Adult Participants MUST NOT change clothes or behave in a way that exposes their breast, buttocks, groin, or gentlats to a Minor Adricts.
- The Adult Participant is an athlete with no Authority over the Minor Athlete and there is no more than four years age difference (Disease)—Age Exception.
 The Adult Participant and Minor Athlete are wearing ownwear and the shower is part of a pre-or pool activity rinde.

- Monitoring must occur for all tocker rooms and changing areas at sanctioned events and facilities partially or fully under Organization's jurisdiction. A semi-private or private area to change must be provided to all Minor Athletes at sanctioned events and facilities partially or fully under the Organization's jurisdiction.

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS

- . This includes all communication started by a Minor Athlete.
- Only electronic platforms that can be Open and Transparent should be used.
- All team communication or communications with multiple Minor Athletes from an Adult Participant must copy or include another Adult Participant, or all the Minor Athletes' parents/guardians.
- Organizations must honor a parent/guardian's request to disc unless there is an emergency.





- in-Program transportation requirements are met if the Adult Participant is accompanied by another Adult Participant or at Issail two mixors.

- An Adult Participant CANNOT share a hotel room or otherwise slieep in the same room with a Miduring In-Program lodging except.

- Written consent is required for all in-Program lodging at least annually
- Adult Participants traveling with an Organization overnight. » Must agree to and sign the Organization's lodging policy an
- » Are assumed to have "Authority" and must comply with the Center's Education & Training Policy.

RECOMMENDED POLICIES FOR **KEEPING YOUNG ATHLETES SAFE**

- Adult Participants should not have Dut of-Program Contact with Minor Athletes or appropriate consent has been obtained.

Adult Participants should not give personal gifts to Minor Athletes (Close-in-Age or Dual Relationship).

. Photographs or videos of athletes should only be taken in nublic view.

- . Must observe generally accepted standards of decency.



2024 MOLTEN WISCONSIN VOLLEYBALL FESTIVAL

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March 2nd and 3rd

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- 5 MATCHES GUARANTEED
- ALL PLAYING SCHEDULES ON AES
- AWARDS FOR 1ST AND 2ND IN ALL GOLD DIVISIONS
 - BALLER TV STREAMING ALL MATCHES
 - CUSTOM APPAREL ON SITE
 - \$425 PER TEAM
- REGISTRATION OPENS ON AES OCT. 1ST



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Badger Region Volleyball Association

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Congratulations to the Inferno 172 team for winning their first tournament of the year on Jan. 7. And thank you to coach Max Brown for the photo submission.

Jan. 19: Second Badger Boys Series at the Milwaukee Sting Center.

Feb. 8: Badger Region Board of Directors meeting

Feb. 10-11: Second weekend of Badger Region Power League (Elite, Select and Regional Divisions) at sites throughout the state

March 2-3: Dale Rohde Boys Memorial Tournament (Madison Alliant Energy Center)

March 2-3: Badger Region Girls Qualifier (Madison Alliant Energy Center)

March 9-10: Badger Region Championships for Girls 11-12s (Champion Center in Appleton)

March 16-17: Badger Region Championships for Girls 13s Wisconsin/ Badger Divisions and Girls 15s (Resch Convention Center in Green



March 16-17: Badger Region Championships for all Boys as well as Girls 14s (Wisconsin Center in Milwaukee)

March 23-24: Badger Region Championships for Girls 13 Open and 13 Club as well as all G16s, G17s and G18s (Wisconsin Center in Milwaukee)

April 6-7: Final weekend of Badger Region Power League at sites throughout the state (Select and Regional Divisions only)

May 8: Badger Region Board of Directors meeting

July 18-21: USA All-Star Championships in Des Moines, Iowa

Aug. 3-4: Badger Beach Championships at Bradford Beach in Milwaukee

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

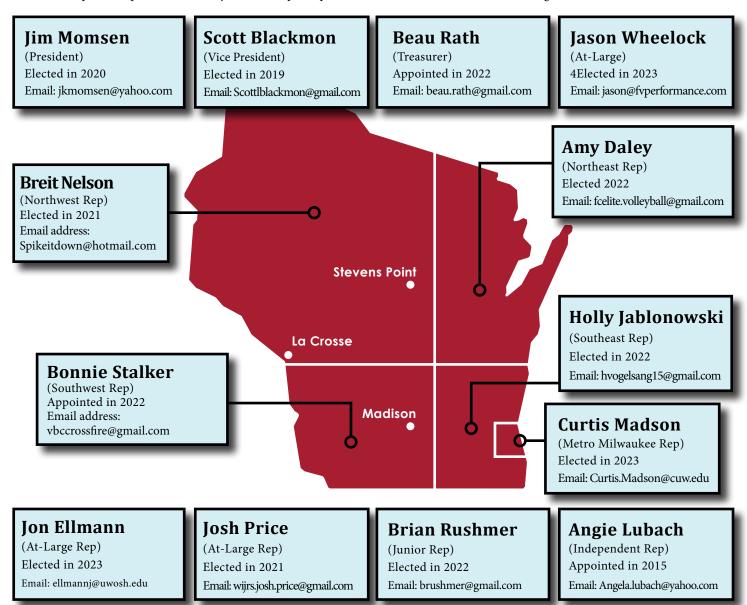
think policies or financial decision in the Region need to be changed.

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.

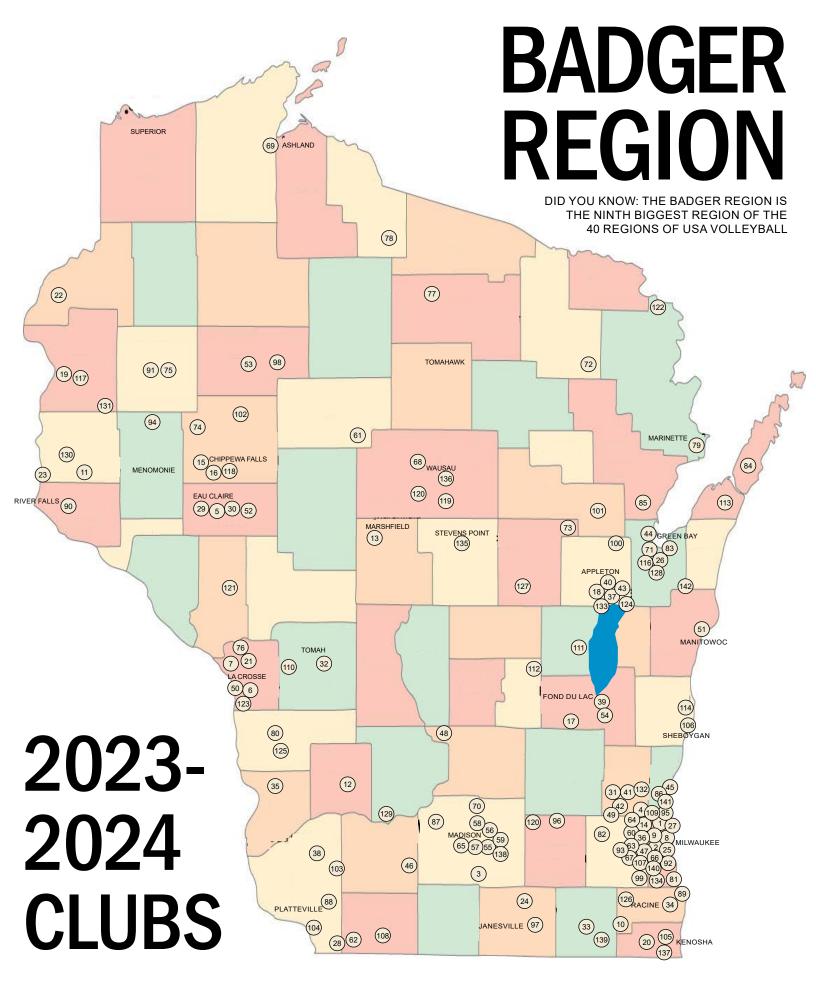
You'll be hearing from each Board member twice a year in the form of a column in the Badger Beacon. Now, let's meet them:



Individual chairs and advisors who offer input to the Board of Directors but don't have authority to vote at meetings: Grassroots Chair: Alexis Middleton Officials Rating/Training: John Nelson Scorer Rating/Training: Erin Stalker Junior Girls Chair: Braeden Melton Junior Boys Chair: Mike Stevens Adult Chair: TJ Abshire Past President: Julie Voeck

REGION STAFF

Executive Director/Commissioner: Jennifer Armson-Dyer Program Director: Brian Sharkey Operations Manager: Scott Spiess Tournament Director: Kelly Lehman Program Specialist: Sara Voigt Elections for the Badger Region Board of Directors occur. Nominations take place in April and the election is for adult members May 1-10.



1	360 Volleyball Academy	Glendale	76	Northside VBC	La Crosse
2	414 Milwaukee Elite	Milwaukee	77	NW Stars Volleyball Club, Inc	Tomahawk
3	Acers VBC	Oregon	78	Northwoods Extreme (formerly No. Extreme)	
4	Adversity-Wisconsin VBC	Germantown	79	Northwoods Volleyball Club	Marinette
5	Air Volleyball Club *	Eau Claire	80	Norse Force	Westby
6	A-Level Ělite *	La Crosse	81	Oak Creek K-Force	Oak Creek
7	Amplify Volleyball	Onalaska	82	Oconomowoc Volleyball Club	Oconomowoc
8	Azuri Performance, LLC *	Milwaukee	83	One Wisconsin - Bay *	Green Bay
9	Block Party	Wauwatosa	84	One Wisconsin - Door County	Door County
10	Burlington Elite Volleyball	Burlington	85	One Wisconsin - Oconto Falls	Oconto Falls
11	BW Heat B	Baldwin	86	Ozaukee Boys Volleyball Club	Cedarburg
12 13	Center Stars Central Wisconsin VBC	Richland Center Marshfield	87	Phoenix VBC (formerly Wisconsin Heights)	
13 14	Chargers Volleyball Club *	Menomonee Falls	88	Platteville Fusion	Platteville
15	Chippewa Valley Volleyball Club	Chippewa Falls	89	Racine Blaze	Racine
16	Chippewa Valley Velocity	Chippewa Falls	90	Rage Volleyball	River Falls
17	Club Breakout	Waupun	91	Red Cedar Elite	Barron
18	Club Fox Valley	Appleton	92	Reinas De La Cancha	Milwaukee
19	ClubRedWI	St. Croix Falls	93	Revolution Volleyball Academy (RVA)*	Waukesha
20	Club W *	Salem	94	Ridgeland Reds	Ridgeland
21	Coulee Region Power	Coulee	95	Rise MKE VBC (formerly Jr. Red Knights)	Milwaukee
22	Crex Meadows	Grantsburg	96	River City Volleyball Club	Watertown
23	Croix Attack VBC	Hudson	97	Rock VBC	Janesville
24	Crossfire VBC (formerly Milton Aces)	Milton	98	Rusk Rage	Tony
25	DASH Sports LLC	Milwaukee	99	Select Volleyball Program	Mukwonago
26 27	DePere Diggers	DePere	100	Seymour Lightning Strikes	Seymour
28	Dominican Jr. Knights * Driftless Spikers	Whitefish Bay Hazel Green	101	Shawano Storm	Shawano
26 29	Eau Claire Slam	Eau Claire	102	Small Town Storm	Cornell
30	Eau Claire Storm	Eau Claire	103	Southern Heat	Livingston
31	Eclipse Volleyball Club	Hartford	104	Southern Force	Kieler
32	Elevate VBC	Tomah	105	Southport Volleyball Club *	Kenosha
33	Elkhorn Volleyball Club	Elkhorn	106	South Shore Slam	Sheboygan
34	Epic Volleyball Club *	Racine	107	Southwest Milwaukee VBC	Waukesha
35	Express Volleyball Club	Gays Mills	108	Southwest Spikers	Darlington
36	Falls Focus	Menomonee Falls	109	Spike Milwaukee *	Wauwatosa
37	FC Elite	Menasha	110	Sparta Sparks	Sparta
38	Fennimore Impact	Fennimore	111	Spiketown USA (Oshkosh)	Oshkosh
39	Fond du Lac Fusion	Fond du Lac	112	Spiketown Central (Berlin)	Berlin
40 41	Fox Valley Performance * G-Force VBC	Appleton Germantown	113	Spiketown Door County	Door County
41	Hartford Volleyball Club	Hartford	114	Spiketown (Sheboygan)	Sheboygan
43	Heat VBC *	Appleton	115	Spiketown Reign (Wautoma)	Wautoma
44	Howard Suamico Inferno VBC	Suamico	116	Spiketown Triton (Green Bay)	Green Bay
45	I AM Volleyball Club *	Grafton	117	St. Croix Select	Roberts
46	Infinity Volleyball Crew	Barneveld	118	Synergy Volleyball Club	Chippewa Falls
47	Junior Vikings Volleyball Club	Milwaukee	119	Team United VBC	Mosinee
48	Just A Game VBC	Wisconsin Dells	120 121	Tempo Volleyball Club Tenacity Volleyball Club	Waterloo Blair
49	Lake Country Pipe Hitters *	Hartland	121	UP North Volleyball Club	Niagara
50	La Crosse Velocity	La Crosse	123	Xtreme VBC	La Crosse
51	Lakeshore Storm VBC	Manitowoc	123	Valley Velocity	Appleton
52 52	Laser VBC	Fall Creek	125	Viroqua Venom	Viroqua
53 54	Legacy VBC Luminosity Volleyball Club	Ladysmith Fond du Lac	126	Waterford Wave	Waterford
55	Madison Elite *	Madison	127	Waupaca Fire VBC	Waupaca
56	Madison Inferno *	Sun Prairie	128	West Side Slam	DePere
57	Madison Ignite	Madison	129	Western Elite VBC	Spring Green
58	Madison Starlings *	Madison	130	Western Wisconsin Smash	New Richmond
59	Madtown Juniors	Sun Prairie	131	White Lightning	Clear Lake
60	Mamba Volleyball Academy *	Waukesha	132	Wisconsin Attack Volleyball Club	Milwaukee
61	Medford Storm	Medford	133	Wisconsin Blaze	Appleton
62	Midwest Elite Volleyball Club	Hazel Green	134	Wisconsin Elite	Franklin
63	Midwest Penguins Volleyball	Waukesha	135	Wisconsin Flight	Stevens Point
64	Milwaukee Sting VBC *	Menomonee Falls	136	Wisconsin Ice VBC	Wausau
65	Milwaukee Sting United (Madison)	Madison	137	Juniors Volleyball Clubs	Pleasant Prairie
66 67	Milwaukee VBC * Motion Volloyball Players *	Milwaukee	138	608 Juniors	Madison
67 68	Motion Volleyball Players * MVP Club	New Berlin Marathon	139	Lakes Juniors	Lake Geneva
69	North Bay Legends *	Ashland	140	Milwaukee Juniors *	New Berlin
70	North Star Volleyball Club	DeForest	141	Wisconsin Premier VBC	Mequon
71	Northeast Wisconsin Black Sheep	Green Bay	142	Wisconsin Shock	Denmark
72	Northern Lights WI Volleyball Club	Laona			
73	Northern Ignite	Clintonville			
74	Northern Pride	Cumberland		ıbs in Badger Region offer boys volley	
75	Northern Storm	Cameron	As of I	Dec. 1, 2023: 142 clubs exist (11 of whice	h are satellites)