

# **REGION REF BULLETIN**

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# ZebraWeb mobile app now available

From ZebraWeb sent in mid-July:

As the new season approaches, we are excited to remind you of an indispensable tool that will elevate your officiating experience: the ZebraWeb Mobile App on iOS and Android. With this app, you can manage your profile, set availability, accept or decline games, complete game reports, view payment history, and receive push notifications from ZebraMemos—all at your fingertips.

Using the ZebraWeb Mobile app places you among elite officials who value efficiency and professionalism. Boost your standing in the officiating world by ensuring you never miss an important update, memo or assignment. The convenience and efficiency it offers make your officiating experience smoother and more enjoyable.

Don't wait until the season is in full swing. Download the ZebraWeb Mobile app now on iOS and Android to take control of your officiating duties and elevate your game day experience. Join the ranks of officials who rely on ZebraWeb to stay ahead.

iOS URL: https://apps.apple.com/us/app/zebraweb/id1545410162 Android URL: https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.zebrawebapplication&hl=en\_US

Have questions? Email sara@badgervolleyball.org.

#### CONGRATULATIONS, ANTHONY!



Congratulations to Anthony Chan of Cudahy for earning his Junior Na-

tional certification at USA Volleyball's Girls Junior National Championships in Las Vegas. Anthony first became a USAV official in 2019 and advanced to Regional in 2021. Anthony also works as a Badger mentor for new and advancing officials and is always excited to share his passion for officiating with others. We are so proud



of Anthony and everything he does for Badger and USAV.

## In memoriam: Bob Wisinski and John Wasserstrass

The Badger Region is saddened by the loss of two longtime officials over the past two months.

#### **Bob Wisinski**

Robert Joseph Wisinski "Bob", age 72, from Muskego, passed away on June 7, 2024.

Bob is survived by his wife of 45 years, Pat Wisinski, daughters Jamie (Daniel) Horn and Karyn (Joe) Flick. Also survived by his beloved grandchildren, Benjamin, Joseph, Breann Horn, and Knox and Jory Flick. Further survived by brother, Mark Wisinski (Gale Mattison), niece Theresa Dickison and nephew Timothy Dickison (Christine). Additionally survived by many friends and family.

Bob was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and raised his family in Muskego. He graduated from West Milwaukee High School, and received his bachelor's degree in engineering at MSOE, and belonged to the Triangle Fraternity. Bob worked for WE Energies for 40 years.

Bob spent many years as a National Ski Patroller, and was most recently a referee for USA Volleyball. Bob was an avid motorcyclist, but proudly never owned a Harley. Bob was an enthusiastic Indy Car fan with many Indy 500 trips.

In retirement Bob was dedicated to his grandchildren and was heavily involved in their activities. He was an avid photographer and could be seen at any of his grandchildren's functions with his camera.

In remembrance of Bob, charitable donations can be made St. Leonard's Congregation.

#### John Wasserstrass

John Wasserstrass, 76, of Beloit, passed away on Wednesday, July 10, 2024, in his home.

He was born on Oct. 26, 1947, in Crystal Lake, Ill., the son of George and Marjorie (Tredup) Wasserstrass. John attended the University of Chicago from 1965 until 1969 and received his Bachelors Degree in Mathematics. He furthered his education at Georgia State University from 1970 until 1972 and received his Masters Degree in Math Education. John attended the University of Wisconsin Milwaukee from 1973 until 1977, graduating with a Masters Degree in Engineering. He was a Vietnam veteran serving with the U.S. Army from 1969 until 1972. John married Patricia Zierke on August 26, 1972.

John was employed by Beloit Corporation as a Software Engineer for 26 years until his retirement in 1999. He enjoyed playing and coaching volleyball, as well as playing pickleball. John was proud of his German heritage and was the president of the German Interest Group. Education was very important to John; he was a long-time member of the Beloit Society for Learning Unlimited. John played the violin in the University of Wisconsin Rock County Orchestra.

A Memorial Service for John will be held at 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Aug. 7, 2024 in the Daley Murphy Wisch & Associates Funeral Home and Crematorium, 2355 Cranston Rd., Beloit, WI. Visitation of Remembrance will be held from 2:00 p.m. until the time of service Wednesday in the funeral home.



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# Save the dates for these Region meetings, events

Start saving these dates on your calendar for the Badger Region-hosted events slated for the 2024-25 season. Here is what we know at the present time:

**Nov. 24:** In-person referee meeting No. 1 at 11 a.m.(site TBA)

**Dec. 8:** In-person referee meeting No. 2 at 11 a.m. (site TBA)

Jan. 11-12: First weekend of Badger Region Power League (assigning begins week of July 8)

**Feb. 8-9:** Second weekend of Badger Region Power League (assigning begins week of July 8)









Feb. 22-23, 2025: Dale Rhode Memorial Boys Volleyball Tournament (Baird Center, Milwaukee)

March 1-2, 2025: Badger Region Girls Qualifier (Baird Center, Milwaukee)

March 15-16, 2025: Badger Region Championships (Baird Center, Milwaukee) March 22-23, 2025: Badger Region Championships (Baird Center, Milwaukee)

**April 5-6:** Second weekend of Badger Region Power League (assigning begins week of July 8)

**July 24-27:** USA All-Star Championships (Alliant Energy Center, Madison) Events still to be scheduled include: \* Badger Boys Series (two dates)

Single-day events in the Badger Region are assigned starting th second week in December (unless they are scheduled for December). Questions? Email us at membership@badgervolleyball.org.

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#### OFFSEASON LEARNING

Knowledge of volleyball rules for better understanding and explanation is incredibly important. Volleyball officials must also possess excellent communication skills. This includes being able to clearly explain rulings in order for everyone involved in the game, from coaches and players to spectators and other officials, to understand why certain decisions have been made.

They also need to be able to articulate themselves in such a way that it does not come across as overly biased or unfair. Use some off time to review the USAV rule book and interpretation.

Here's a link to the USAV officials page for more information <a href="https://usavolleyball.org/resources-for-officials/rulebooks-and-interpretations/">https://usavolleyball.org/resources-for-officials/rulebooks-and-interpretations/</a>

### Set up your direct deposit for event pay

Did you know that if you work the Badger Region's marquee events that you can be paid with direct deposit through our accounting company? Yes. You can.

Independent contractors who work the Region Championships, Qualifier, Power League and Dale Rohde Memorial can set up an account and get paid via direct deposit. To set up an account through Bill.com, click here.

The system will ask you some questions so follow the prompts, and you will also be asked to confirm your contact information.

The monies worked while officiating, scoring or serving as a lead official, score monitor, etc., can then be deposited electronically. A paper check would not be sent. Through this system, deposits are made roughly three days after they are processed and approved.

#### **Shoutouts**

Calling all officials: Please send your outstanding work crew nominations to Badger Region program director Brian Sharkey at brian@badgervolleyball.org. Please get their team name, club name and the head coach if possible. We will highlight your nomination and the team on social media and in future newsletters.

#### Line judges sought for '25 All-Star event

We are looking for line judges for USA All-Star Championships the Badger Region is hosting in Madison in 2025!

If you are interested in line judging All Star Champs July 24-27, 2025, send Sara an email at sara@badger-volleyball.org. Line judge training will be scheduled in Spring 2025 for everyone in preparation of the event (dates to be announced later).

A limited number of R1 and R2 selections will be made by at a later time.

#### Officials uniforms

Badger Region and USA Volleyball officials should start using a new website to order approved apparel for upcoming seasons. The website is: <a href="https://vbofficialsgear.com/">https://vbofficialsgear.com/</a>

# Card reporting

If you issue a red card during a Badger Region-sanctioned match, please remember to record it by filling out this form on the Badger Region website. This will help us document repeat offenders and looking for other trends.





# 2024 REFFING FACTS

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WISCONSIN GOVERNING BODY	Badger Region Volleyball Association	Wisconsin Board of Volleyball Officials (WBVO)	Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association
NATIONAL GOVERNING BODY	USAVolleyball.	NCAA IA	National Federation of High Schools
PARTICIPANTS	Juniors, Men, Women and beach athletes	Men Women	Junior boys and junior girls
RULE SETS	Substitution of the substi	WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL  2019-3031  INDOOR  BLES BOOK	Volleyball
WISCONSIN REFEREE POPULATION	~ 160	~ 50	~ 1,600
REFEREE CERTIFICATIONS	PERFORMANCE-BASED  National  Junior National  Regional  Provisional  In-Training  Scorer	PERFORMANCE-BASED  National Local State Apprentice  National Line Judge Certified Line Judge Scorer	TENURE-BASED Master L5, L4, L3, L2, L1
AVAILABLE TRAINING	* USA Volleyball * Badger Region	* NCAA/PAVO * Wis. Board of Officials	* WIAA * Local Association
MAJOR RULE DIFERENCES  115 rule differences in all  Click here for PAVO Rule Comparison document	* Timeouts: 30 seconds * Subs: 12 * Net Fault: Touching net between antennas while playing the ball * Center Line Fault: If interfere or safety issue * Court size: 9 meters by 18 meters * Time to serve: 8 seconds for all age levels (re-toss for athletes 14-and-under)	* Timeouts: 60-90 seconds  * Subs: D1 Men: 6, D3 Men: 12, Women 15  * Net Fault: Touching net between antennas while playing the ball  * Center Line Fault: If interfere or safety issue  * Court size: 9 meters by 18 meters  * Time to serve: 8 seconds to serve (no re-toss)	* Timeouts: 60 seconds * Subs: 18 * Net Fault: Any time touching the net * Center Line Fault: Foot or hand completely beyond * Court size: 30 feet by 60 feet * Serve: 5 seconds to serve with one re-toss.