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Registration now open for All-Star tryouts

Registration is now open for the Badger Region High Performance All-Star teams [To register, click here.](#)

All-Star tryouts are the first step for any elite athlete interested in representing the Badger Region at the 2025 All-Star Championships taking place in Madison, Wis., this summer.

Cost of tryouts is \$40 and includes an HP All-Star t-shirt. The tentative dates for tryouts are as follows:

* **Feb. 28:** Tryouts for Girls U17 and U15 at the Baird Center (day before Badger Region Qualifier)

* **March 14:** Tryouts for Girls U13 at the Baird Center (day before the young girls weekend at Badger Region Championships)

* **March 21:** Tryouts for all boys at the Baird Center (day before the boys weekend at Badger Region Championships)

Age definitions are as follows:
U19: Born in 2006-07 (boys only)
U17: Born in 2008-09
U15: Born in 2010-11
U13: Born in 2011-12 (girls only)
After tryouts, 24-30 athletes per group will be selected to two one-day training sessions

in April/May. At the conclusion of the two sessions, 12 athletes per team will be chosen to attend an overnight camp in July and to represent Wisconsin at the All-Star tournament in Madison July 23-27.

Coaches, camp/training dates and additional information will be announced in late January.

No Badger Region HP All-Star events will conflict with summer tryouts in the Badger Region in 2025.

Questions? Email Brian Sharkey at brian@badgervolleyball.org or call 414-313-9055.

Power League begins Jan. 11

The start of the 2025 club volleyball season officially begins in the Badger Region Jan. 11-12 with the first weekend of the Badger Region Power League. And with the start of the Power League, comes the announcement of the 2025 Watchlist as chosen by coaches among participating teams in league.

For a look at this year's honorees, see Page 5-8. Athletes on high-school age teams (15-18) are eligible for the Watchlist.

This year, the Region welcomes a record number of teams (206) to the competition.

For the Power League schedule, [click here.](#)

The first weekend of the event will include teams playing at the following sites:

* 12s: Madtown (Sun Prairie Jan. 12 only)



- * 14 Elite: UW-Parkside (Kenosha)
 - * 14 Select: Center Court (Waukesha)
 - * 14 Regional: Madtown (Sun Prairie)
 - * 16 Elite: Center Court (Waukesha)
 - * 16 Select: RecPlex/UW-Parkside (Kenosha)
 - * 16 Regional: Cedarburg Sports Complex
 - * 18 Elite: Center Court (Waukesha)
 - * 18 Regional: Cedarburg Sports Complex
- Have questions about the Power League? Email us at membership@badgervolleyball.org. For more details, [click here.](#)

Region hiring three positions

The Badger Region has created a site dedicated to individuals looking to join forces with the Badger Region in the form of a career, job, position or other opportunity offered with the Region.

Badger Region Commissioner and Executive Director Jennifer Armson-Dyer announced in December that the Region is seeking three individuals to help fill new roles with the Region.

The first is a communications coordinator that will handle social media, website and newsletters. The second is an independent investigator that will be contracted to help sort through grievances and ethics violations that place among Badger Region members and at Badger Region events. The third is an operations coordinator to help with membership and administrative work at the Region office.

For a the applications and full job descriptions, [click here.](#)

In addition, the new page on the website includes links for those individuals looking to work as a certified official, work crew/laborer at events or volunteer as a committee member or ambassador in the Badger Region.

Questions? Email membership@badgervolleyball.org.

Free volleyball clinic coming to Oshkosh Jan. 15

Middle school boys and girls are encouraged to attend a free volleyball clinic in Oshkosh from 4:30 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 15.

The event will take place at the Boys & Girls Club of Oshkosh, 501 E. Parkway Ave.,

Oshkosh. The is cost is free as part of USA Volleyball's Try Volleyball initiative.

This is a great opportunity for individuals new to volleyball to come and learn

from Badger Region staff and coaches. No experience is needed. [To register for the event, click here.](#) Have questions? Email membership@badgervolleyball.org.

Jan. 14 Lunch & Learn to focus on team building

Save the date: The Badger Region's next Lunch & Learn is focused on Team Building with our latest partner Team Extreme and owner Brian Kenney.

Our focus will be on "Why Team Building

Matters" and Kenney will offer some tips for coaches on ways to build a better culture.

The event will be at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 14. Join us on Facebook Live! (<https://www.facebook.com/badgerregionvball>)

Team Extreme recently partnered with the Badger Region to offer team-building events to clubs in Wisconsin. Have questions about Team Extreme and its new partnership with the Region? Email brian@badgervolleyball.org.

Art of Coaching coming to MKE

The full slate of 2025 Art of Coaching clinics are now open for registration, including the Milwaukee event April 26-27 co-sponsored by the Badger Region. There are three ways to attend the world-class clinics – in person, streamed live online, and on demand.

Each clinic will give participants a variety of viewpoints on how to best coach volleyball from some of the game's top coaches, with specific clinics available for boys coaches, high school coaches, middle school coaches and club coaches.

Clinicians at the Milwaukee event include:

- * Ryan Theis — Marquette University
- * Marie Zidek — DePaul University
- * Mike Schall — University of North Carolina
- * Russ Rose — former Penn State University
- * Terry Liskevych — former Olympic coach

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If you'd like to attend the clinic in person, use code BADGER100 at checkout to save \$100 per coach. You can save even more by registering in a group.

If you can't make it in person, use code BADGER50 at checkout to save \$50 per coach on virtual

access.

To register and for more details, [click here](#).

The Art of Coaching Volleyball was founded on the belief that there's no one "right way" to coach volleyball. AOC clinics include a unique panel of presenters—all with diverse backgrounds and experiences, and all eager to demonstrate their unique coaching styles and points of view—so you can find what works best for you.

Whether you're a new coach or a seasoned veteran, you're guaranteed to leave with dozens of new ideas to try in your gym next season.

Region seeks volunteers for its events

With a full slate of events scheduled for the 2024-25 season, the Badger Region is looking for your help.

Don't know service rotations or how to train your setters to play defense? That's OK. Almost ALL of our volunteers are off the court.

For the upcoming season, ambassadors will be used in a variety of ways:

- * Helping at team check-in at a Badger Region-hosted tournament
- * Assisting at an All-Star tryout or Youth Clinic handing out t-shirts and helping direct traffic
- * Handing out Badger Region swag prizes at events
- * Taking photos for social media and our website at our big events

* Helping manage our medals and trophies at our marquee tournaments

And, maybe if you're not able to help in person, we are always looking for e-ambassadors.

Those individuals are the ones who might help write articles for our newsletters or share all our posts on their own social media platforms. Ambassadors are rewarded with Badger Region t-shirts, backpacks, and other cool merchandise for being a part of our team.

[To register as a Badger Region ambassador/volunteer, click here.](#)

Questions? Email brian@badgervolleyball.org.

REF SHOUTOUTS

On Sunday, Dec. 21, 2024, at the I AM Volleyball Reindeer Rumble at the AP Sports Complex in Cedarburg, Wisconsin, in the Girls 16 Division, in a cross over match between I AM VBC 16 BLACK and South Shore Slam 16 NAVY, the **I AM VBC 16 RED** work team was excellent. The line judges made

several correct close calls, the scorers' table, including the scorekeeper did a fine job, and Grace, the R2, was very thorough and handled substitutions, time outs, and net violations well. For this early in the season this team did a fantastic job!

Randy Watts, referee

LOVB pro team to kick off season in Madison

Have you heard? LOVB Madison is ready to take the court as Wisconsin's first professional volleyball team!

What is LOVB? League One Volleyball (LOVB, pronounced "love") is one holistic volleyball ecosystem, from club to pro. LOVB is the largest community of junior clubs in the country with locations across the U.S., including Wisconsin.

Its professional league, LOVB Pro, kicks off this month and is led by some of the world's best players.

The inaugural season will feature teams in Atlanta, Austin, Houston, Atlanta, Omaha, Madison, and Salt Lake —communities that were selected for having deep ties to volleyball, from the youth level to college programs, and passionate fan bases.

Each week, all six teams will play with a rotating format of one weekday head-to-head match, or one weekend three-match series between four teams.

A mid-season tournament, the LOVB Classic, will feature all six LOVB pro teams, competing in a winner-take-all competition. It will take place in Kansas City in conjunction with Triple Crown NIT, the premier youth volleyball tournament in the country. The champion of the inaugural pro season will be crowned at the



LOVB Finals in Louisville, Kent., in April.

The LOVB Madison roster includes two-time Olympian Annie Drews Schumacher, Olympic silver medalist and Wisconsin Badger alum Lauren Carlini, Sun Prairie native and All-American Claire Chaussee, Wisconsin Badger and All-American Temi Thomas-Ailara, and an impressive lineup of international talent. Recently announced— Wisconsin Badgers standout Sarah Franklin is joining the team, adding even more excitement to the season ahead.

Tickets can be purchased at www.lovb.com! For group tickets, please email ticketing@lovb.com.

Seniors: Apply now for Badger Region scholarships

The Badger Region will award \$500 to up to five male and 10 female student athletes who participated with a Badger Region recognized-club during the 2024-25 club volleyball season. These individuals can also have been assistant coaches or officials in the Region.

Two additional winners will receive a Badger Region / Frisco Mo Do-Good Scholarship for volunteer work in their community. And three additional winners will get a Fine Designs scholarship.

The deadline to apply is April 25, 2025. Winners will be announced in mid May.

[To apply for a Badger Region scholarship, click here.](#)

New Dig Pink experience coming to club volleyball

The Badger Region is excited to partner with the Side-Out Foundation to launch The Perfect Pass, a new Club Dig Pink campaign. The Perfect Pass harnesses the power of the volleyball community to tackle two critical challenges in breast cancer research: funding and patient participation. Through this program, volleyball teams nationwide commit to raising funds and, more importantly, expanding awareness of research opportunities for metastatic breast cancer (MBC) patients.

Clinical research is vital for advancing cancer treatment, yet connecting patients with innovative research opportunities remains a significant challenge, especially in communities underserved by major



cancer centers.

The Perfect Pass offers a unique solution by activating volleyball's vast community networks. Participating teams distribute pink ribbons with information cards at tournaments, challenging other teams to join the fundraising effort while helping spread awareness about Side-Out's research program through their personal and community connections.

Interested in getting involved? Reach out to learn how your club can engage, give back, and enhance the player experience.

[Click here to get started.](#)



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2025 Badger Region Power League Watchlist

The Badger Region is excited to announce its third annual Power League Watchlist for athletes on high school-age teams competing in this year's event. Congratulations to the 146 athletes nominated for this honor by their coaches. Good luck as you begin competition Jan. 11-12 at sites around the state.

18 Elite

* **Avery Abercrombie** (Junior, right side, Madtown 172 Select, Waunakee) –

* **Abby Alms** (Senior, outside, 414 Elite 18-Elite, Milwaukee) -- Abby comes into her final season of club with high expectations for the season for herself and her team. Abby is a tall/smart all around outside that can hurt teams from not just the front row but that backrow with her attacks. Abby is a multiple time all conference player over her 4 years in High School and looks to carry that into her final club season.

* **Kylee Altendorf** (Senior, outside, I AM 18-Red, West Bend) -- 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

* **Kasey Bieganski** (Senior, Right Side, 414 Elite 18-Elite, Milwaukee) -- Kasey comes into her final season of club with the same high expectations as Abby. Kasey is a lefty dual threat with the ability to play both pins and the backrow. Kasey has the ability to step up and take over a game with her swing and backrow ability. Kasey is a multiple year all conference player over her 4 years in High School and looks to continue to be dominate force on the court.

* **Michielah Borchart** (Junior, libero/DS, Madtown 171 Select, Mayville) –

* **Adeleine Catlin** (Junior, right side, Midwest Penguins 17-Black, Chenequa) -- Adeleine has a power swing, great block and plays both rightside and middle. She has an excellent work ethic and makes a difference on the court.

* **Shelby Ehlke** (Junior, outside, 608 Jrs. 17-Elite, Waunakee) -- As a stereotypical "undersized" outside, Shelby doesn't have any reliability issues associated with that categorization. She hits hard with a high point of contact all while being able to adjust to make subpar sets look better. Her serve and attack are above



average in pure tempo, which leads her to being a high points scoring hitter in the front and back row.

* **Isabell Graf** (Junior, libero/DS, Wisconsin Premier 17-Teal) -- Izzy has proven to be a smart and determined player in any position she is put in the back row. Never shy's away from a challenge, and is a leader on and off the court. Izzy has a strong serve, and is sneaky fast on defense.

* **Sophia Hultman** (Junior, outside, Midwest Penguins 17-Black, Waukesha) -- Sophia is an effective, smart all six rotation player. In the front row, she has power swings, hits all areas of the court with smart shots too. Great vision on open areas and tooling block. Back row excellent passing and consistent back row attack. Great leader.

* **Alanah Kaye** (Junior, outside, 1W Bay 17-Crimson, Brussels) -- Alanah is a high flying Outside that brings power to this 17s team. She's smart with her shot selection and overall a dynamic athlete.

* **Katelyn Kurek** (Junior, Setter, 1W Bay 17-Crimson, Oconto Falls) -- Katelyn is the heartbeat of this team whether she's running a 5/1 or a 6/2 and swinging right side in the front row. She brings consistency that her team leans on.

* **Alaina Matola** (Junior, outside, 414 Milwaukee Elite 17-Elite, Brookfield) -- Elite

outside with incredible hitting abilities. Can hit the off speed shot or hammer a hit with great force. She's elusive in the front row, as well as the back, with great speed to get to a ball in the backrow.

* **Emmy Miller** (Junior, Libero/DS, I AM 17-Red, West Bend) -- Emy is all over the court. Her consistent serve receive keeps us in system often and her positive attitude keeps the team engaged in tough moments.

* **Danica Pauls** (Junior, outside, Madtown 172 Select, Richland Center) -- Danica is an all-around sound player with exceptional volleyball IQ. Her skill set and court awareness will make her a reliable go-to player throughout the season. Danica's leadership qualities will be vital as the team looks to her for guidance and consistency in pivotal moments.

* **Maddie Pickart** (Junior, setter, Wisconsin Premier 17-Teal, Whitefish Bay) -- Maddie is a consistent setter who also is a strong defensive player. She is not afraid to attack the ball and hustles to get her feet to the ball to stay in every play.

* **Cassidy Pohlman** (Junior, libero/DS, 608 Jrs. 17-1, Monona Grove) -- One of the best leaders in the gym for her team and all of the younger ones. She never gives up on a ball and her physical ability to get it means most don't touch the ground.

She is a dream athlete for any volleyball coach.

* **Laila Rasmussen** (Junior, setter, 608 Jrs., 17-1, Mount Horeb) -- She plays six rotations and swings RS. One of the best all around players, especially at her size. Her ability to make bad sets look good on a swing is next level and her technical prowess is impressive. While she walks around with a kind low-key demeanor, she is a highly competitive athlete in the gym.

* **Ashley Ray** (Sophomore, libero, WI Juniors 17-1, Kenosha) -- Ashley's range defensively is unmatched for an athlete her age who plays at this high of a level. She is extremely disciplined and makes plays that boosts her team energy and momentum. She has the ability to cover half the court in serve receive in order to allow the terminal pins on this dynamic team to release to attack.

* **Ava Russell** (Senior, middle, I AM 18-Red, Mequon) -- Ava is a great middle hitter that gets side to side. She has a huge vertical and a very quick arm swing. Her ability to read the setter makes her blocking very effective.

* **Penny Schell** (Junior, outside, Madtown 171 Select, Cross Plains) -- Penny is a great hitter--front row and back row! She has great work ethic and is a great teammate. She is also currently playing high school

basketball, but gets to all volleyball practices...often attending after playing in a basketball game. She is a strong player with high volleyball IQ.

* **Grace Schneider** (Junior, right side, Milwaukee Jrs. 17-1s, South Milwaukee) -- Grace is an athletic lefty whose ability to score in and out of system is crucial to her team. Grace is an all around player who can dig, pass, block, swing, and most impressively commit to never letting a ball drop. Grace is not only a valuable player on her team but a valuable leader as well; always leading by example and driving her team forward. Grace's work ethic and selflessness is what sets her apart from others.

* **Grace Sember** (Sophomore, Middle, I AM 17-Red, Plymouth) -- Grace has that natural athletic ability that makes her standout as a middle. She's on the shorter side but can out jump and out reach most taller players—and it shows! She also works hard on defense and may end up playing all the way around as a middle. Definitely one that is fun to watch.

* **Kaelyn Sohre** (Junior, middle, 414 Milwaukee Elite 17-Elite, Cedarburg) -- Smart middle blocker, with great instincts when finding her hitter and taking away space. Always up in transition and finding an opening on offense when the block is up.

* **Lucy Tapp** (Junior, middle, WI Juniors 17-Elite, Oak Creek) -- Lucy has experience attacking from all three positions across the front row, but recently has transitioned into a 6 rotation outside. She gives genuine effort into finding ways to improve on and off the court. Lucy puts up a strong block and has a quick arm swing.

* **Lyla Thomas** (Junior, right side, Milwaukee Jrs. 17-1s) -- Lyla is a competitive pin hitter with a high ceiling. She is committed to finding a way to score no matter the situation and is always looking for a way to score points for her team. Lyla can swing from anywhere

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on the court at any tempo. Not only is she a competitive hitter but an aggressive blocker and in the back row, she is committed to never letting a ball drop.

* **Ava Turlais** (Junior, middle, WI Juniors 17-1, Oak Creek) -- Ava is a recent Drake university commit. She is a dynamic blocker and moves well laterally and can score from any area on the court. Whether she's in front of the setter or behind and going off one foot, she sees the court in front of her well and is a powerhouse at the net.

* **Lexi Weyenberg** (Junior, libero/DS, 608 Jrs. 17-Elite) -- The backbone of the back row, Lexi is huge reason why 17 Elite runs a smooth offense. Her passing consistency is next level and her attitude is incredible. For physical performance and mental fortitude reasons, Lexi is a player almost any coach would want on their team.

* **Abbie Winner** (Junior, setter, WI Juniors 17-Elite, Salem) -- Abbie has gained the trust of her teammates to be a leader on the court, as she focuses on team morale and leads by example with her discipline. She has a good defensive read constantly outworking opponents.

18 Regional

* **Avah Banks** (Senior, middle hitter, Eclipse 18-Solar, West Bend) -- Speedy athlete

* **Grace Baus** (Sophomore, outside, Hartford VBC 17-Black, Slinger) -- Gracie has a strong swing on the outside and solid passing in the back-row. She is available as a utility player with a great team first mentality.

* **Meghan Brandenburg** (Senior, Setter, Wisconsin Elite 18-Select, Wauwatosa) -- Meghan is a versatile player, setting for her teammates to succeed while also playing smart ball when swinging. She is also a key leader on the team, sharing key points of improvement during game and post matches.

* **Janelle Damrow** (Junior, setter, Lakes Jrs. 17-Select, Delavan) -- Janelle is a hard worker who continuously gives 100% for her team. She is always wanting to improve and is willing to play any position asked. Although she

is primarily a setter, she is a huge contributor in the outside position as well.

* **Norma Glisczinski** (Junior, middle, 414 Elite 17-Blue, Brookfield) -- Norma is a true leader who strives to get better at each practice. Her presence is infectious. She's been a force in the middle and will also be swinging from the outside.

* **Mackenzie Holte** (Senior, outside, Eclipse 18-Solar) -- Outstanding all around player

* **Izabella Jerdee** (Junior, libero/DS, 414 Elite 17-Blue, South Milwaukee) -- Izzy is a true defensive specialist. She's a great passer and displays great instincts reading the opposing attackers. She sacrifices her body set after set, and that aggressiveness rubs off on others as well.

* **Izzy Johnson** (Junior, Setter, JAG 17-Red National, Wisconsin Dells) -- Dynamic player that runs a quick tempo offense. Aggressive at the net that can take over with her block and dumping capabilities.

* **Hannah Hunkins** (Senior, middle, JAG 18-White Elite, Necedah) -- Extremely hard worker with a high volleyball IQ. Can run all sets along the net and is very good in the backrow.

* **Jenna James** (Junior, outside, WI Juniors 17-National, Union Grove) -- Jenna is a vocal leader on the court, whether it be through eye sequencing or encouraging her teammates. Over the past year she has improved her attacking consistency and added more shots to her toolbox.

* **Kamryn Kinner** (Senior, libero/DS, JAG 18-White Elite, Tomah) -- All the things you love about a libero she is it. Hard-nosed player that will do everything to keep the ball off the floor.

* **Lily Kulow** (Junior, outside, 608 Jrs. 17-Select, Middleton) -- A strong constant athlete who is able to be a constant target for her setter in almost any circumstance. Her versatility gives coaches a lot of options.

* **Mia Kwapil** (Junior, outside, WI Juniors 17-National) -- Mia is one of the most communicative athlete in our gym with eye sequencing. She has a plethora of offensive shots and is strong behind the service line. Mia is consistent in the back row as well, as she has a

really smooth platform finish to target.

* **Emmy Novak** (Senior, libero/DS, River City 17-Black, Waterloo) -- A great leader on the court and doesn't get down when an error happens. Takes the ball with her hands on every free ball. Great court awareness.

* **Brooklyn Nygaard** (Junior, libero/DS, Wisconsin Elite 17-Red) -- She is a firecracker. Does not settle for second place.

* **Addison O'Marrah** (Junior, outside, River City 17-Black, Watertown) -- Great all around player. Always a smart hitter and digs the ball as good as a libero.

* **Lila Quinones** (Junior, libero/DS, Wisconsin Elite 17-Red, Pewaukee) -- Hard worker. Leads by example. Committed and driven.

* **Lyla Ranson** (Junior, right side, Lakes Jrs 18-Select, Elkhorn) -- Strong hitter in any position. Aggressive serve with solid defense to follow. Quick first step with fast reaction times.

* **Mia Schneider** (Senior, outside, Wisconsin Elite 18-Select) -- Mia is an all around player, filling in as a gadget piece wherever the team needs. She makes a point to never let a mistake happen twice and more importantly, she motivates her teammates. She leads by example and is a positive impact to everyone around her.

* **Annika Schoeneman** (Senior, setter, Spiketown Door County 18s, Sturgeon Bay) -- Annika is committed to our system, understands her role as a leader, and plays with remarkable calmness and control. She runs the team offensively with very little input necessary

* **Leah Schopf** (Freshman, libero/DS, Spiketown Door County 18s, Sturgeon Bay) -- Leah understands her serve receive and defensive leadership responsibilities. She reads and reacts remarkably well as a freshman.

* **Aubrey Schwent** (Junior, libero/DS, Lakes Jrs. 17-Select, Delavan) -- Aubrey is a leader on and off the court. She is competitive and fierce as a player, always going for the ball. She is positive and always wanting to improve.

* **Kiera Smith** (Junior, Setter, Madtown 173 Select, Sun Prairie)

* **Ella Spear** (Senior, libero/DS, Lakes Jrs. 18-Select) -- Great backrow leader, very vocal, consistently in the right spot, great reads on defense, covers well, strong serve

* **Elle Stangler** (Junior, middle, Hartford VBC 17-Black) -- Elle has an aggressive swing out of the front row. Typically an outside, she is finding her groove in the middle and working hard to improve every day

* **Alanna Swenson** (Junior, middle, 608 Jrs. 17-Select, Fitchburg) -- A very quick, strong middle that makes her presence known. She can block both pins effectively and is not a defensively reliability if she has to serve. While sweet off the court, she is highly competitive on it.

* **Marissa Titel** (Junior, outside, Madtown 173 Select, DeForest) -- Marissa is a 6 rotation Outside that has a high volleyball IQ and is adept at finding open spots in the defense on swings. Defense in the back row is Libero grade.

* **Bailey Wanless** (Senior, middle, JAG 17-Red National) -- High flying middle blocker who can attack anywhere along the net. Quick twitch muscles makes her a dynamic player that can score in a variety of ways.

16 Elite

* **Brailyn Albanese** (Freshman, setter, WI Juniors 15-Elite) -- Brailyn is team player; no coach every questions her work ethic. Brailyn delivers a consistent ball to the attackers and over the past year has become a leader at the net too as an attacker. She is willing to do whatever is needed in order for her team to find success.

* **Hailey Barningham** (Freshman, libero/DS, Rise VBC 16U Nationals, Brookfield) -- Hailey can play almost any position on the court, but she shines at Libero. Her effort on every play stands out, and this is her first full year in that position. She is also a player of Character. She cares about all of her teammates and sets out to be an encourager.

* **Mariah Castro** (Sophomore, middle, WI Juniors 16-Elite, Racine) -- Mariah brings a layer of physicality to this team. She works hard to be available in transition. She

is willing to make changes and adjustments knowing that they will help her play at her full potential.

* **Maren Cheadle** (Sophomore, right side, 608 Jrs. 16-1, McFarland) -- As a six-rotation player, Maren is capable of playing literally every position, including Setter, Lib, and MB. She packs a ton of power while still being able to make the soft finesse ball control moves. The hardest decision is where to play her because you want her everywhere!

* **Kinsley Christensen-Bara** (Freshman, outside, WI Juniors 15-1, Kenosha) -- Kinsley is a go-to attacker on this team and is a presence on the court defensively as well. She is physical and operates at the net at a high level. Kinsley is extremely driven. Her teammates look up to her as a leader both through her actions and words.

* **Addison Christenson** (Sophomore, setter, Midwest Penguins 16-Black, East Troy)

* **Anna Crokus** (Freshman, middle, 608 Jrs. 15-Elite, Madison) -- Anna is a very versatile, yet still raw player. Her athletic ability allows for impressive plays and she is ambidextrous!

* **Isabelle "Izzy" Deca-booter** (Freshman, libero/DS, 608 Jrs. 15-1, Verona) -- Izzy is a ball of energy on the court. Her passing ability keeps the offense consistent and her attitude is awesome! She plays harder than just about anyone else in the gym.

* **Kiley Dhein** (Sophomore, outside, 1W Bay 16-Crimson, Green Bay) -- Kiley is a smart six rotation outside hitter. She solid in first contact and efficient when attacking. Her positivity is also a great added value for her team.

* **Madeline Ferri** (Sophomore, rightside, 414 Milwaukee Elite 16-Blue, Pewaukee) -- Madeline is a dynamic athlete that has the ability to play both Middle and RS. She has enormous elevation abilities that allow for a menacing blocking presence. She is laterally quick with the ability to close the gap

* **Sophia Folmer** (Sophomore, Libero/DS, Madtown 161 Select, Oregon) -- Sophia is a true leader - captaining both our team and backrow. She communicates, reads, and defends well. Sophia is resilient and determined to better every

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ball. We appreciate the energy she brings to all aspects of her game.

* **Summer Hellenbrand** (Sophomore, Right Side, Madtown 161 Select, Marshall) -- Summer is an incredibly versatile player, filling multiple roles for our team this season. She has a natural ability to compete at a high level. Summer is hard-working, goal-oriented, and focused on bettering all aspects of her game. We're excited to see this play-maker in action!

* **Sierra Hoeft** (Sophomore, setter, I AM 16-Black, Cedarburg) -- Contagious energy, team leader, excellent skills

* **Emree Kellerman** (Sophomore, Setter, Eclipse 16-Elite, Hubertus) -- Emree plays with a passion that infects her teammates! She loves to pick up the pace of the offense and deliver the ball to where her hitters can inflict the most damage! Throw in a goofy sense of humor and you have a grade A setter!

* **Kate Klink** (Sophomore, Middle, Eclipse 16-Elite, Hartford) -- Kate is one of the most versatile MB's I have ever coached. She has a dynamic first step and is able to elevate quickly. Combine that with her ability to hit it hard, she is a powder keg waiting to explode!

* **Ryleigh Hinsenkamp** (Sophomore, outside, Wisconsin Elite 16-Red) -- Ryleigh has amazing athletic prowess that gives her a strong presence on the court, she aggressively goes for every ball, her team can rely on her to put the ball away when she's the only option left. We are looking forward to helping Ryleigh grow as a player and a leader this season.

* **Isabel Hurd** (Sophomore, middle, Madtown 162 Select, Sun Prairie)

* **Reese La Londe** (Freshman, outside, 414 Elite 15-Elite, Mequon) -- She is a truly dynamic athlete. Her commitment to getting better combined with her natural skills makes her a really special player on the court. She is also a fantastic teammate and demonstrates true leadership qualities whether on the court or off.

* **Sydney Loerke** (Freshman, middle, Madtown 151 Select, Deerfield)

* **Anastasia Lothe** (Freshman, middle, 608 Jrs. 15-1, Cambridge) -- Ana is a force

to be reckoned with at the net. Her offense is very intentional with swing speed and ball placement, and her defense is of a varsity level.

* **Kayla Lowen** (Freshman, middle, WI Juniors 15-Elite, Kenosha) -- Kayla is a dynamic attacker who has experience attacking from the middle and both pins. Last season she was a go-to attacker for her team and brings energy to the court that all of her teammates thrive off of.

* **Kendall McNamara** (Freshman, Setter, Midwest Penguins 15-Black) -- Kendall is an amazing athlete. When asked to step into a setting role during her 14's year, she excelled very well in this position. The work Kendall puts in is never less than 100 percent.

* **Mikaela Miller** (Sophomore, setter, 414 Milwaukee 16-Blue, South Milwaukee) -- Mikaela is always able to get her feet to the ball and make a play that sets up her offense for success. She has laser accuracy on her serves and delivers them with pace to stress the opponents serve receive. Her defense is on par with that of what you would expect from a libero/DS.

* **Madeline Moroney** (Sophomore, libero/DS, 608 Jrs. 16-1, Madison) -- Her motor never quits! She is one of the vocal leaders for the whole team with great vision of the game. While physical gifted with quickness and speed, she still has great technique and ball control.

* **Hailey Mueller** (Sophomore, outside, River City 16-Blue, Juneau) -- Hailey is a versatile and well-rounded player with an exceptional ability to read the court and strategically adjust her shots. Her high volleyball IQ enables her to share valuable insights with her team, making her a dependable leader.

* **Megan Olsen** (Freshman, right side, 414 Elite 15-Elite, Muskego)

* **Paige Proefrock** (Sophomore, outside, I AM 16-Red, Grafton) -- Paige is a dynamic 6-rotation player who can do it all. Her athleticism and work ethic makes her a dominant defender, and an even stronger attacker on the pins. Her powerful swing is coupled with a high game IQ that makes her difficult to block, even when out of system.

* **Shayla Ray** (Sophomore,

right side, WI Juniors 16-1, Gurnee) -- Shayla has the potential to be a truly dynamic player. She communicates well on and off the court. Shayla works hard off the ball. She has a quick arm which allows her to be terminal on the right side. Her team relies on her energy.

* **Amber Rowoldt** (Sophomore, libero/DS, River City 16-Blue, Lodi) -- Makenna is a dynamic leader and a constant source of energy both on and off the court. Her ability to lead her hitters with precision and her standout serve receive skills make her an invaluable asset to the team.

* **Ava Russell** (Sophomore, libero/DS, Midwest Penguins 16-Black, Greenfield)

* **Talia Piotrowski** (Sophomore, libero/DS, 414 Elite 16-Elite, Milwaukee)

* **Hannah Rudoll** (Sophomore, outside, 414 Elite 16-Elite, Milwaukee)

* **Kensley Schakelman** (Freshman, outside, Madtown 151 Select, Waunakee) -- Kensley is a dynamic player that brings a lot of energy. She has a powerful swing and is not afraid to take big chances. She also is an in-system back row attack option. Along with being an offensive weapon, Kensley has a monster block and is very consistent back row defender. To top it off, she has a flat, powerful serve that takes a lot of teams out of system.

* **Charlotte Shepherd** (Freshman, setter, WI Juniors 15-1) -- Charlotte is a left handed 5-1 setter who has an extremely high volleyball IQ. She has the ability to help this team win through speed, as she delivers a quick and consistent ball to the pins and the middles. Charlotte is not afraid to be offensive and is a leader on her team.

* **Sierra Sigl** (Sophomore, setter, 1W Bay 16-Crimson, Pulaske) -- Sierra is a smart setter that can also have an impact in the front row. She's a great teammate, always looking to get the best out of her hitters.

* **Camden Smith** (Sophomore, middle, WI Juniors 16-1, Kenosha) -- Camden locates the ball well and works hard off the net to be an available attacker in the middle. She sees the court in front of her well and is constantly communicating with her setters. Camden is a great team player; she keeps the team

calm and is always encouraging.

* **Ava Stelter** (Sophomore, middle, Wisconsin Elite 16-Red, Milwaukee) -- Ava is one of our team captains, a powerhouse hitter, and she puts up a huge block. She also has a consistent attitude, and she can always make a play out of anything. We are looking forward to helping her grow as a player.

* **Arizona Veith** (freshman, setter, 608 Jrs. 15-Elite, Cottage Grove) -- Arizona has a high setting IQ and great hands. Even while injured in the very beginning of the season, she was a huge part of helping her own teams setter improvement. She just got back on the court and is impressing!

* **Morgan Vetter** (Sophomore, libero/DS, I AM 16-Red, Kewaskum) -- Morgan is an elite defender who can read the hitter and put herself into position to pick up incredible balls. With a calm assurance, Morgan can take a hard driven shot and put it back into system. Matched with her precise serve receive, her game is the catalyst for a fast tempo offense. Her game IQ, consistency, teamwork, and coachability make her an invaluable asset to the team.

* **Kate Whitaker** (Sophomore, outside hitter, Madtown 162 Select, Sun Prairie) -- Kate is one of the most consistent outside hitters on our team. She has great court awareness and always hits the ball with power. Not only is Kate an amazing volleyball player, but she has the best attitude on and off the court. She is constantly communicating when on the court and encouraging her teammates from the sideline. She is a true leader on our team.

* **Ava Winter** (Sophomore, outside, WI Juniors 16-Elite, Salem) -- Ava is very coachable and gives genuine effort to try and execute what coaches ask of her. She helps lead her team by being a 6 rotation outside with effective ball control and is becoming a more dynamic attacker each club season.

16 Select

* **Anna Alexander** (Sophomore, middle, 608 Jrs. 16-Select, Belleville) -- Due to her agility on the court, and quick reading on the other side of the net, Anna is able to adjust blocking, digging, and serving

to best suit the team in winning the point. Anna is one of the leading servers on the team with an impressive float serve, gaining many aces as she zones to success. She is also a light on our team, spreading energy, positivity, and drive to the athletes she is surrounded with.

* **Briella Barbian** (Freshman, middle, Lakes Jrs. 15-Select, Fontana) -- Brie is a 6' 0" MB or OH and is a dynamic athlete that is starting to become a force in the front row. Brie played with her Bigfoot Varsity team as a MB and is looking to continue developing her skills at Lakes Juniors.

* **Rachel Briggs** (Freshman, setter, Southwest 15-Blue) -- Very soft hands and runs the offense with confidence. Takes comments from hitters and coaches with grace and adjusts quickly.

* **Peyton Burns** (Sophomore, outside, Milwaukee Jrs. 16-Elite) -- Peyton has a very strong and consistent arm swing from both the front and back row, along with the volleyball IQ to make the smart shots and score points in tough situations.

* **Maddy Cramer** (Sophomore, right side, Lakes Jrs. 16-Select) -- Maddy is versatile and determined force in the front row. She is a strong attacker and blocker, with a great jump float serve. Maddy is very driven and reliable teammate.

* **Honor Fleming** (Freshman, setter, Wisconsin Elite 15-Red) -- Honor is a player with drive and focus. She has multiple levels and speeds of setting that is impressive for a freshman. She is speedy to the ball and has a focus on the set that impresses me. She moves the ball around quickly and uses all her hitters with accuracy and purpose. She is a joy to be around and her focus is fun to watch on her face.

* **Gianna Grundy** (Freshman, middle, WI Juniors 15-National, Kenosha) -- Gianna is a very coachable athlete. She takes in feedback well and is a great team player. She has the ability to be a force from any position at the net.

* **Dakota Haley** (Freshman, libero/DS, Belle City Jrs. 15-Select, Silver Lake) -- Dakota is one of our captains. Dakota possesses great leadership qualities, always pushing herself and

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her teammates to be better. She is very vocal whenever she steps onto the court, whether that be in practice or game time. You never have to question how much heart she has. Very coachable.

* **Gwen Heubner** (Freshman, outside, Wisconsin Elite 15-Red) -- Gwen has a wonderful natural ability that is continually growing with her drive and focus. She is a strong outside hitter that sees the ball and the court before the play. She is one of our team's best passers and is a consistent and focused server. She has a wonderful attitude and is a joy to coach!

* **Keira Kleiber** (Sophomore, libero/DS, I AM 16-White) -- Great hustle and energy, constantly moving

* **Violet Kory** (Freshman outside, Madtown 152 Select, Sun Prairie) -- Violet is such a power house for our team. She is the person we can count on to put the ball away. Her positivity and energy is contagious. She is an essential part to our successful offense. Violet is not only an amazing volleyball player, but an amazing young lady as well.

* **Scarlett Larsen** (Freshman, libero/DS, 414 Elite 15-Blue, Brookfield) -- Scarlett has shown us that she is a fantastic passer but she is also driven to be an outstanding libero. We never have any doubts about her court presence. She has incredible confidence in herself and her teammates. She is a quiet person off the court and an amazing player on the court.

* **Melina Lenius** (Sophomore, libero/DS, Milwaukee Jrs. 16-Elite) -- Melina has a high passing percentage in serve receive and is quick on her feet to make the saving pass or dig to give her team the chance to score. She also has an aggressive serve that allows her to score points even as a Libero/DS.

* **Mikayla McQueeney** (Freshman, libero/DS, Madtown 152 Select, Sun Prairie)

* **Deandra Molina** (Freshman, right side, Southwest 15-Blue) -- Strong hitter with a great IQ. Capable of hitting from any position. Adjusts well and makes smart decisions.

* **Molly Muchka** (Sophomore, libero/DS, 608 Jrs. 16-Select) -- Molly is a vital member of our 16 select team, as libero. Running, passing 3's,

setting, and acing opponents are just a few of her talents. She dominates the court with her ability to find her way to the ball and will find any possibly way to make it playable. She is an asset to any team needing a strong defensive specialist.

* **Grace Parker** (freshman, outside, Eclipse 15-Solar, Waukesha) -- Grace is one of the leaders of the team. Her level headed attitude and desire to push herself helps her shine now and in the future.

* **Madelyn Perkins** (Freshman, setter, Lakes Jrs. 15-Select, Walworth) -- Maddie is capable of playing pretty much any position but is primarily a Setter. Maddie is developing her court skills, speeding up the pace and working with her hitters to give them a quality set. Maddie is also an awesome attacker from anywhere on the court and is looking to elevate her game with Lakes Juniors.

* **Sienna Schroeder** (Freshman, setter, Belle City Jrs. 15-Select, Waterford) -- Sienna is one of our captains. She is a very versatile player and possesses great leadership qualities. Sienna is always positive, a supportive teammate, and always is filling her role. She is a great setter, as well as attacker, with great court awareness and strategic skills. Very coachable.

* **Tess Spende** (Freshman, outside, Eclipse 15-Solar, Watertown) -- Tess' athleticism brings the team to the next level. Her positive attitude brings the team closer together make the game even more fun.

* **Izzie Strohm** (Sophomore, outside, I AM 16-White) -- Dynamic playmaker, big arm and lots of energy.

* **Ella Sullivan** (Sophomore, right side, 414 Elite 15-Blue, Brookfield) -- We are lucky to say that we have had Ella on previous teams and her improvements continue to impress us. She is more than a right side hitter. She is also a setter when we need her and as a left handed player it makes her a real threat at the net. She is a quiet person but that doesn't stop her from being a great teammate and player on and off the court.

* **Lorelai Sutherland** (Freshman, libero/DS, Madtown 15-Select) -- Lo's dedication on the court helps her teammates rise to the occasion. She continues to work hard, take leadership and works hard to be

the best player and teammate she can be.

* **Dakota Sztuczko** (Sophomore, Setter, Madtown 163 Select, Cottage Grove) -- Dakota is a hard working setter who can be utilized in any position. Dakota is constantly increasing her setter IQ and is a natural leader. Dakota will step up when needed and is always there for her teammates.

* **Makenna Taylor** (Freshman, setter, WI Juniors 15-National, Salem) -- Makenna is a smart and hardworking athlete. She plays great defense and brings a lot of positivity to her teammates on and off the court.

* **Peyton Visek** (Sophomore, outside, WI Juniors 16-National, Gurnee) -- Peyton brings a quick and heavy arm with a good vertical from both pins. She has good court awareness and makes smart decisions to allow her to score when her team needs her.

* **Leah Vossekul** (Sophomore, middle, Eclipse 16-Solar, Mayville) -- Leah has a great attitude and is a hard worker at practice. She has a tremendous block and can hit from multiple locations along the net.

* **Stella Woodward** (Sophomore, outside, Lakes Jrs. 16-Select) -- Stella is a hardworking and competitive player. She is a strong outside and has great court awareness. Stella is a supportive teammate on and off the court.

* **Emily Zarkovich** (Sophomore, libero/DS, WI Juniors 16-National, Lake Villa) -- Emily communicates well on and off the court. She has an aggressive serve and is a steady passer in serve receive, as she creates early angles and finishes well to target.

16 Regional

* **Emily Banganz** (Sophomore, setter, JAG 16-Red National, Montello) -- Tall, athletic setter that can keep opponents on their toes with her ability to dump and spread out the offense. Hard worker and great teammate that does everything well

* **Mya Biedrycki** (Freshman, outside, WI Juniors 15-Select, Salem) -- Mya is a quick and athletic volleyball player. She finds ways to make gritty plays.

* **Jessica Busateri** (Freshman, Libero/DS, Hartford VBC

U15-Black, Hartford) -- Jessica's skills and teamwork surpasses her age and grade level. As a Libero, she controls the backrow as a leader in passing, setting at times, and backrow attacks. Although still early in high school, she's got a great future ahead of her in developing her skills further as she follows in her older sister's footsteps.

* **Eileen Egan** (Freshman, middle, WI Juniors 15-Select) -- Eileen is a hard working middle who is constantly improving. She is quick and effective. She communicates well with her setters.

* **Abigail "Abby" Evans** (Freshman, outside, 608 Jrs. 15-Select, Stoughton) -- Abby is an absolute powerhouse! She knows how to use her physical gifts while not trying to do too much. Her quick derision making at the net saves crucial points for her team.

* **Elena Evenson** (Freshman, libero/DS, Madtown 154 Select, Oregon) -- Elena is high energy and brings an assertive voice and great hustle to the court. She has a strong platform and is constantly looking to draw connections and improve her game knowledge. She can play any back row position and delivers great second contacts out of system.

* **Rylan Harder** (Sophomore, libero/DS, JAG 16-Red National, Montello) -- Can play multiple roles at a high capacity for the team. She has tremendous ball control, has a tremendous vertical to hit outside and always works hard in all phases of the game.

* **Brooke Hetland** (Freshman, libero/DS, Belle City Jrs. 16-Select, Union Grove) -- As a libero, Brooke has quick reflexes and lots of determination on the court. She has great defensive skills, often making hard digs and precise passes that set her teammates up for success. Brooke's leadership and composure under pressure make her a great asset to the team.

* **Abigail Humphris** (Sophomore, right side, Eclipse 16-Lunar, Germantown) -- She has a good attack and good blocking.

* **Robin Kempf** (Sophomore, libero/DS, Eclipse 16-Lunar, Mayville) -- She has quick reactions and good skills. Great team player

* **Kyla McCaffery** (Freshman, outside, Madtown 154

Select, Poynette) -- Kyla has great ball control and a tough serve. Playing as an outside this club season, she brings steady positivity to the court. What she lacks in height, she more than makes up for with a high IQ and lots of creativity and aggressiveness.

* **Ameriana Myers** (Freshman, outside, RISE MKE 15-National) -- Ameriana has a 'can do' attitude and is always working hard in the gym to get better. She takes feedback so well and is always looking how to get better. She has a very strong arm and a great ability to see the court

* **Ella Racenet** (Freshman, right side, Hartford VBC U15-Black, Sussex) -- Ella is a very talented young lady that is skilled in all positions. Her power hitting, blocking, serving aces, and passing skills stands out on the stat sheets. She's a young leader on the court and in practice, and quick to adjusting to anything thrown at her. We are proud to having her as part of our team, and look forward to seeing what more she's capable of achieving this season.

* **Janelle Seidlitz** (Freshman, middle, RISE MKE 15-National) -- Janelle is one of the most hardworking middles. She always comes to practices ready to learn and brings great competitiveness to the court. She has a big block and is definitely a middle you'll want to watch!

* **Maddy Thoren** (Freshman, libero/DS, 608 Jrs. 15-Select, Stoughton) -- One of the toughest volleyball players out there. She never makes excuses and always thinks she can get the ball. Her level of effort has helped her become the player she is today. Maddy is a kid EVERY coach wants on their team.

* **Olivia Vallier** (Freshman, libero/DS, Oak Creek K-Force, Oak Creek) -- Olivia is a dynamic athlete, an extremely hard worker and dedicated to continuing to improve her skills. As a libero, she is quick on her feet, never gives up on any ball and is quick to read and react to deliver a pass or dig that gives her setters the best chance for an on-target set. She has made many small adjustments to improve her positioning, her serve-serve and her floor coverage. Above all, she is a great teammate and positive force to rally the best from other players.

Chicago suburb to host Volleyball Nations League

The world's premier volleyball competition is returning to the United States in 2025 as two cities will host preliminary rounds of the Volleyball Nations League.

VNL annually brings together the best teams and players from around the world for four weeks of competition. Eighteen teams in each

gender will play 12 matches during three weeks of preliminary competition. The top teams then play each other for gold, silver and bronze in the VNL Final Round.

The top men's teams return to the Chicago area in 2025, as the NOW Arena in Hoffman Estates, Ill., will host a men's preliminary phase June 25-

29, 2025. The city last hosted the VNL in 2019.

Elite players from the United States, Poland, Brazil, Italy, Canada and China will compete in Hoffman Estates over five days. With the U.S. and Poland competing, VNL Chicago will host two of the three medalists from the 2024 Olympic Games. [For tickets, click here.](#)

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Jan 18	LOVB Salt Lake vs LOVB Houston*	6 PM	Wisconsin Field House, Madison
Jan 18	LOVB Madison vs LOVB Omaha*	9 PM	Wisconsin Field House, Madison
Jan 29	LOVB Madison vs LOVB Houston	7 PM	Alliant Energy Center, Madison
Feb 28	LOVB Madison vs LOVB Omaha*	7 PM	Alliant Energy Center, Madison
Mar 1	LOVB Omaha vs LOVB Atlanta*	4:30 PM	Alliant Energy Center, Madison
Mar 1	LOVB Madison vs LOVB Austin*	7 PM	Alliant Energy Center, Madison
Mar 13	LOVB Madison vs LOVB Omaha	7 PM	Alliant Energy Center, Madison

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Won80 talks FAVES and Sportsmanship

During the first week of December, Mark Horbinski from WON80 shared his messages of My Coach Plays FAVES and SUPPORTSMANSHIP with the student-athletes, coaches and parents of the Belle City Juniors and Shawano Storm. It was a unique opportunity to engage and involve the entire club community in a conversation regarding the importance of positive sportsmanship and the role each group plays.

Tip of the hat to Belle City Juniors and Shawano Storm for the impressive turnout at both events. It speaks very highly of their commitment to positive sportsmanship. Special thanks to Badger Region Volleyball for providing these opportunities to the clubs!



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WHY BADGER REGION?

When you purchase a home, vehicle or big appliance, you want to know all the facts and how far your dollar will go. So it only seems logical to look at all of the great events, learning opportunities, training programs and member benefits that clubs, players, coaches and officials receive when they become members of the Badger Region and USA Volleyball. Everyone has their own answer to "Why Badger Region?" What's yours?

EVENTS

- * Opportunities to play in "local" one-day events hosted by Badger Region clubs and facilities



- * Opportunities to play in the Badger Region Power League
- * Opportunities to earn a Badger Region Championship for boys or girls
- * Opportunities to earn a spot in the Girls Junior National Championships by playing in the Badger Region Qualifier

ADMINISTRATION

- * Policies and procedures for all clubs to be consistent
- * Guidelines and handbooks for running tournaments
- * Mentoring and training for new club directors
- * Templates for club and

PLAYERS

- * Free 8-and-under memberships
- * Developmental league memberships
- * Framework for middle school and youth leagues
- * Scholarships to high school seniors
- * High Performance training with access to high-level recruiting opportunities
- * Second-chance tryouts for athletes
- * Sand clinics, tournaments throughout the state
- * Player/club matching assistance



SAFETY

- * Strongest, most in-depth background screening in youth volleyball
- * Education (through SafeSport) for child protection
- * Parent participation program to get more adults trained in SafeSport and refereeing
- * Code of conduct that is universal for all events
- * Baseline coach risk management training



- parent handbooks
- * Templates for tryouts and club acceptance forms
- * Personalized feedback to uniform and jersey questions
- * Partnerships with TeamSnap, Sports Imports, Hudl and others that benefit all clubs and athletes

OFFICIALS

- * The only referee and scorer training available is through USA Volleyball
- * Free training for clubs to train their athletes.
- * Free training for refs who are still in school
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COACHES

- * Free baseline IMPACT training
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- * Continuing education for coaches
- * AVCA tips of the Week
- * Coaches Coaching Coaches classes

USA VOLLEYBALL

- * National governing body recognized by the United States Olympic Committee (USOC)
- * Connection to Team USA and the other national teams
- * Administrative framework along with insurance coverage



ALL OF THIS AND SO MUCH MORE IS 'WHY BADGER REGION!'

GET TO KNOW THE BADGER REGION

Whether you're a longtime coach or official or you're a parent of a new athlete, the Badger Region is here for you. The mission of the Badger Region is to promote initiatives for safe, structured and fun life-long volleyball experiences.

That could be competition and training. That could be education and training. That could be grassroots or High Performance programs. We encourage all our members to take time to get to know the folks who handle the day-to-day operation of the Region (staff) and set the Region's policies (board of directors).

Have questions? Email us at membership@badgervolleyball.org.

BADGER REGION BOARD



HOLLY JABLONOWSKI

Role: Southeast Rep/President

Elected: 2016

Favorite part about Badger Region: My favorite part about being part of Badger Region is it's something that you can be involved in for your entire life. There is programming and opportunities from youth all the way to adult. And, we're a pretty kick butt region that many other regions look to for advice and model after.



SCOTT BLACKMON

Role: Coaches Rep/Vice President

Year elected: 2019 as VP, 2004 as at-large rep

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: I have watched this Region grow so much since arriving on this board. In my time I have watched this region grow from one person's home, to a two-person office about half the size of a volleyball court, to where we are at now; a five-person staff and an office large enough for full Board meetings and individual offices. The growth has been slow, steady and nothing short of amazing. I could not be more proud of our staff and this region.



BEAU RATH

Role: Badger Region Treasurer

Year appointed: February 2022

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: Seeing and participating in discussions with the board and staff truly discussing what is best for volleyball in the state of Wisconsin and what Badger Region can do to help further these initiatives.



CURTIS MADSON

Role: Metro Milwaukee Rep/Secretary

Year elected: 2018

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The best part of being part of the Badger Region all of the different opportunities it provides and supports such as our Power Leagues, Badger Boys Series, Qualifier, Championships, Beach, High Performance and many more.

BADGER REGION STAFF



JENNIFER ARMSON-DYER

Role: Executive Director / Commissioner

Year hired: Hired 2009 as the membership services coordinator, promoted to Director of Operations in 2011 with a title change to Executive Director and Commissioner in 2019.

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The people and their successes. I love watching the littles get serves over, teams winning or coming back from being down, a player having success after doing what a coach asks, a tournament coming together after months of planning, the smiles after a successful clinic or an official getting their advancement or doing really well in a tough match. Volleyball has made such a huge impact on my life that I love being able to give others opportunities to have the same.



BRIAN SHARKEY

Role: Sr. Director Communications & Programming

Year hired: 2014

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The volleyball community is amazing and has given me so much that I am proud to give back to the athletes, coaches and officials who make all of what we do possible. Not going to lie, volleyball defines a large portion of who I am, and I'm super excited to be enjoying this journey in the Badger Region.



SCOTT SPIESS

Role: Director of Operations & Education

Year hired: 2017

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The people. The staff & board helping all members make the connection to USA Volleyball. The clubs and coaches providing opportunities for kids to play. The athletes and officials showing their love for the game.



KELLY LEHMAN

Role: Director of Events

Year hired: 2018

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The competitions!!! Competing/Coaching/Spectating/Officiating the game of volleyball is fun for all age levels and all skill levels. The Badger Region has amazing events that accentuate that enjoyment for tens of thousands of people in our state every year.



SARA VOIGT

Role: Director of Officials and Youth Development

Year hired: 2015

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: My favorite thing about Badger Region is meeting new people and sharing my love for volleyball.

BADGER REGION BOARD OF DIRECTORS (CONTINUED)



JON ELLMANN

Role: At Large Rep

Elected: 2023

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The People: Staying connected with all of the amazing coaches, directors, and administrators in the region is not only fulfilling and fun, but also a professionally enriching experience. It's tank filling to give back to a region that provides so much to so many.



JASON WHEELOCK

Role: At-Large Rep

Elected: 2023

Favorite part about Badger Region: Being part of the Badger Region and on the Board of Directors gives me another way that I can help kids fall in love with the sport that has given me everything. I can share my thoughts and concerns on a wide variety of issues with the sole purpose of giving kids the best experience they can have in the sport of volleyball. I also enjoy working alongside such passionate and dedicate individuals that make up the Badger Region Board of Directors as well as the Executive Committee.



BREIT NELSON

Role: Northwest Rep

Year elected: 2021

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The best part of being a part of Badger Region is the community and connections. The volleyball world is tight-knit, and the Badger Region is a great example of that. I love being part of an organization that works to support athletes, coaches, and clubs through events and programs designed to build skill, and game IQ and promote a strong sense of teamwork. I also really like the emphasis we've put on sportsmanship in efforts to create a positive environment for everyone involved in a game we all love!



AMY REAVES DALEY

Role: Northeast Rep

Year elected: 2022

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The camaraderie amongst other coaches, directors, and the region staff, as well as the strong reputation the region has for talented teams/athletes.

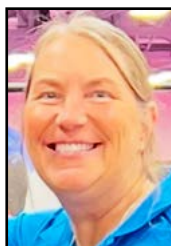


KYLEIGH NEAVE

Role: At Large Rep

Elected: 2024

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: I love being a part of Badger Region because all staff and board members focus on making volleyball fun and competitive. They work hard to gather feedback in order to better their indoor and outdoor events in order to allow for more athletes to play the game of volleyball. I appreciate that the Badger Region prioritizes coaching education for coaches and finds creative ways to teach volleyball to those who are new to the sport!



PATTI DAWSON

Role: Official's Rep to the board

Year hired/elected/appointed: 2024

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: Best part of being part of the Badger Region is growing such a wonderful game is the best state in the country with the best people and being able to represent my fellow officials on the board.



BONNIE STALKER

Role: Southwest Rep

Year appointed: 2022

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: Best part about being a part of Badger Region is being around other people who love volleyball, all ages and walks of life. I meet new people, make new friends, connect with old friends and can make a positive impact on the lives of the younger generation.



BRIAN RUSHMER

Role: Junior Rep

Year elected: 2019

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The best part of the Badger Region is the people. I love that so many great people come together for the same goal for our sport. Volleyball has provided so much for me in my life that anything I can do to help create those opportunities for others I will.



DAN HABECK

Role: Independent Board Representative

Appointed: 2024

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The best part of being a part of the Badger Region is contributing to the continued growth of the game.

What is the importance of the Badger Region?

What is the Badger Region?

If you were to compare it to the structure of the U.S. government, USA Volleyball operates at a federal level and the Regions would operate at the state level. Regions have to follow the lead of USA Volleyball on lots of policies, but can set up the infrastructure at the local level that is best for each part of the country.

When someone has a concern, they contact their Region office.

If there are athletes that want to play and just compete at the local level, the Region can direct them to those resources. If they want to travel the country and compete on the national stage, Regions can point athletes and coaches to those types of opportunities, too.

Regional Volleyball Associations, like the Badger Region, are the grassroots, localized, customer-support hubs throughout the country.

USA Volleyball sets the standards, structure and the framework that the 40 Regions of USA Volleyball operate within.

USA Volleyball is also the only entity in the United States that can send a team to the Olympics, NORCECA or other FIVB Championship Events.

The Regions work very closely with the clubs because the clubs are working with athletes, coaches and officials in the community.

Regions are on the ground level where that 10-year-old gets his first serve over the net, or where an official advances to her next level or where a coach receives mentoring that helps them guide future ballers.

[For a sitdown with the Badger Region staff and board president Holly Jablonowski on what makes the Badger Region tick, click here.](#)

BADGER REGION ADVISORY BOARD MEMBERS



JIM MOMSEN

Role: Past President

Year appointed: Official since 2003, Board Member (SE Rep) 2008-2015), Vice President 2015-2019, President 2019-2024.

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: Meeting and working with all the great and passionate people that are a part of the Volleyball Community.



JULIE VOECK

Role: Past President

Year hired/elected/appointed: 2019, for this position

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: Seeing this amazing organization continue to grow volleyball in Wisconsin. It has been great being part of this experience. I love being at the Badger Region events and interacting with Badger Region members, staff and officials.



JOHN NELSON

Role: Officials Liaison to USAV

Appointed: 2023

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The best part of being part of Badger Region is getting to be around very good volleyball and work with so many great people.



ALEXIS MIDDLETON

Role: Grassroots chair

Year appointed: 2018

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The best part about being part of the Badger Region is being around so many people who deeply care about the game, training and mentoring athletes and growing the game in the region.



ERIN STALKER

Role: Scorekeeping Liaison to USAV

Year appointed: 2023

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The community and support throughout the region and our determination to excel in the development of our officials and scorers.

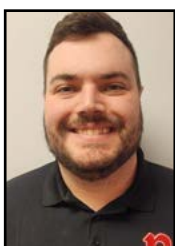


TJ ABSHIRE

Role: Adult Chair

Year appointed: 2018

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The best thing about being part of Badger Region is seeing people enjoy the sport of volleyball through various stages of their life. From Juniors, to Adults to Seniors, there is truly a level of play for all within the Badger Region; my involvement has allowed me to get to know people of all ages and to help them transition to new opportunities to play the sport that they love as they get older.



MIKE STEVENS

Role: Junior Boys Rep

Elected: 2022

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: The camaraderie and support we all show each other. At the end of the day, we're a tight-knit region and we know each other fairly well. We celebrate each others' successes and do our best to help each other where possible.



BRAEDEN MELTON

Role: Junior Girls Chair

Elected: 2022

Best part about being a part of Badger Region: To be a part of such a strong group of directors, coaches, admin, and players is truly one of the greatest privileges I've had in my volleyball journey. With common goals, we all work greatly to create a positive and productive experience for anyone who is in our Region or crosses paths with it.



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



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Dates/divisions set for Region's marquee events

It's going to be an exciting time at the Baird Center in downtown Milwaukee in February and March of 2025.

That is when and where the Badger Region will host four weekends of competition in the upcoming year. And with the expansion of the Baird Center, the facility will be able to hold more than 50 courts every weekend. That means for the Badger Region Championships, we will be back under one roof and all in two weekends.

Check out the dates and some of the details of some of the Badger Region's marquee event slated for 2025. All dates and age divisions are subject to change.

Badger Region Power League

- * Jan. 11-12, 2025
- * Feb. 8-9, 2025
- * April 5-6, 2025

The new 12's Division will be Jan 12, Feb. 9, and April 5-6.

The Elite Divisions will only be Jan. 11-12 and Feb. 8-9.

Badger Region Championships

- * **March 15-16, 2025:** G12, G13, G14, G17, G18
- * **March 22-23, 2025:** G10s, G11s, G15s, G16s and all boys

Badger Region Girls Qualifier

- * **March 1-2:** Featuring bid divisions for Girls 11s-18s.



Dale Rohde Memorial Boys Tournament

- * **Feb. 22-23:** Featuring over 130 boys teams from across the upper Midwest. The 2024 event featured 130 teams in Madison.

Also to note, the Dale Rohde Tournament and Badger Region Qualifier will coincide with the Milwaukee Auto Show taking place in the adjacent halls of the Baird Center. [Click here for discounted car show tickets](#)

Badger Boys Series

The Badger Boys Series dates are Dec. 6 and Jan. 17 at the Milwaukee Sting Center. This program is designed for boys U12 and U13 teams that is low-cost, low-travel and low-stress. It is also used as a Badger Region officials training opportunity.

2025 USA All-Star Championships

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. The competition dates for the events are July 24-27.

Have questions? Email kelly@badgervolleyball.org for more information.

Are your program'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.

[To submit your jerseys for approval, click here.](#)

Questions? Email sara@badgervolleyball.org.





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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 be 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

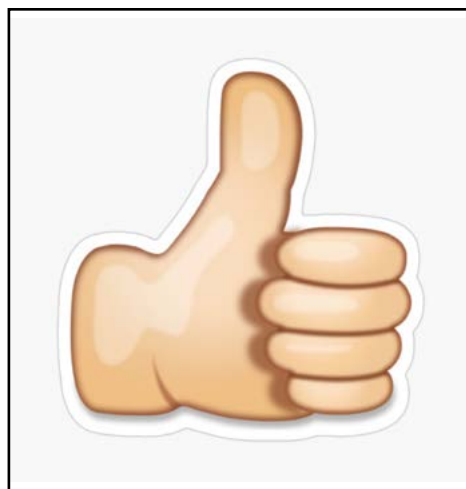
The Badger Region knows there are great people who play, coach or officiate our great sport in the state of Wisconsin.

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.

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.

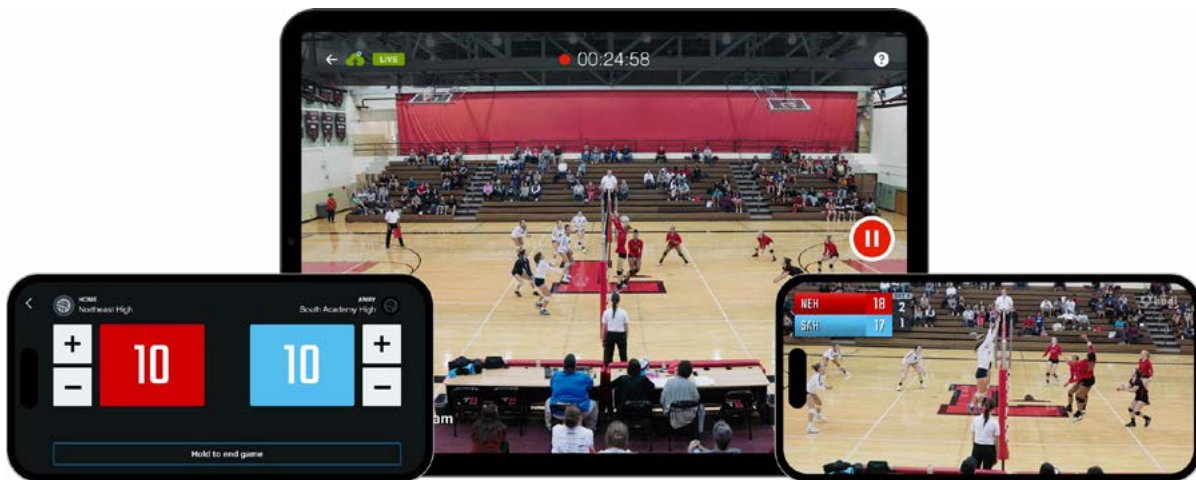
About the Madison Area Sports Commission:

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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2026: TBA

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National
Championships

May 23-28

Denver, Colo.

2026: TBA

GIRLS



USAVolleyball

Girls Junior
Nationals

G11-13s: June 21-24
Kansas City, Mo.

G14-17s: June 25-July 3
Dallas, Texas

2026: TBA

BOYS



USAVolleyball

Boys Junior
Nationals

July 3-6

Minneapolis, Mn.

2026: TBA



USA All-Star
Championships

July 24-27

Madison, Wis.

2026: TBA

Dates and locations for a majority of the 2025 & 6 Boys Bid Tournaments and Girls National Qualifiers can also be found on the events page at www.usavolleyball.org.

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

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

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Badger Region Volleyball Association

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Jan. 11-12: First weekend of the Badger Region Power League ([Schedule here](#))

Jan. 17: Second Badger Boys Series at the Milwaukee Sting Center for Boys 12s and Boys 13s

Feb. 8-9: Second weekend of the Badger Region Power League

Feb. 22-23: Dale Rohde Boys Tournament at the Baird Center in Milwaukee run side-by-side with the Milwaukee International Auto Show. [Click here for discounted car show tickets](#)

March 1-2: Badger Region Qualifier at the Baird Center Milwaukee run side-by-side with the Milwaukee International Auto Show. [Click here for discounted car show tickets](#)

March 15-16: First weekend of Badger Region Championships at the Baird Center in Milwaukee

March 19: Free youth boys clinic at Concordia University Wisconsin at 1 p.m. after the Edgewood/Concordia men's volleyball match.

March 22-23: Second weekend of Badger Region Championships at the Baird Center in Milwaukee

March 25: Badger Region member night at Concordia University Wisconsin as the Falcons take on Wisconsin Lutheran College in men's volleyball at 7 p.m. Free for all Badger Region members!!!

April 5-6: Final weekend of the Badger Region Power League

April 25-27: USA Volleyball Girls Junior National Championships for Girls 18 and under in Salt Lake City, Utah.

May 23-28: USA Volleyball Adult Open Championships in Denver, Colo.

June 21-24: USA Volleyball Girls Junior National Championships for Girls 13-and-under in Kansas City, Mo.

June 25-July 3: USA Volleyball Girls Junior National Championships for Girls 13-17 in Dallas, Texas.

July 1-13: Retention opens heading into the 2025-26 season

July 3-6: USA Volleyball Boys Juniors National Championships in Minneapolis.

July 19: First day of tryouts for the 2025-26 tryouts can take place in the Badger Region for all ages and genders.

July 16-21: National Beach Volleyball Championships in Virginia Beach, Va. ([Register here.](#))

July 24-27: USA All-Star Championships in Madison, Wisconsin!

Aug. 1: First commitment date for athletes who tried out during the summer tryout period.



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:

Holly Jablonowski
(President / Southeast Rep)
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Dan Habeck
(Independent Rep)
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 Adult Chair: TJ Abshire
 Past President: Julie Voeck / Jim Momsen

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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	70	North Star Volleyball Club	DeForest
2	414 Milwaukee Elite	Milwaukee	71	Northeast Wisconsin Black Sheep	Green Bay
3	Acers VBC	Oregon	72	Northern Lights WI Volleyball Club	Laona
4	Adversity-Wisconsin VBC	Germantown	73	Northern Ignite	Clintonville
5	Air Volleyball Club *	Eau Claire	74	Northern Pride	Cumberland
6	A-Level Elite *	La Crosse	75	Northern Storm	Cameron
7	Amplify Volleyball	Onalaska	76	Northside VBC	La Crosse
8	Azuri Performance, LLC *	Milwaukee	77	NW Stars Volleyball Club, Inc	Tomahawk
143	B-Town Ballers	Sheboygan	78	Northwoods Extreme (formerly No. Extreme)	Mercer
9	Block Party	Wauwatosa	79	Northwoods Volleyball Club	Marinette
10	Burlington Elite Volleyball	Burlington	80	Norse Force	Westby
11	BW Heat B	Baldwin	81	Oak Creek K-Force	Oak Creek
12	Center Stars	Richland Center	82	Oconomowoc Volleyball Club	Oconomowoc
13	Central Wisconsin VBC	Marshfield	83	One Wisconsin - Bay *	Green Bay
14	Chargers Volleyball Club *	Menomonee Falls	84	One Wisconsin - Door County	Door County
15	Chippewa Valley Volleyball Club	Chippewa Falls	85	One Wisconsin - Oconto Falls	Oconto Falls
16	Chippewa Valley Velocity	Chippewa Falls	86	Ozaukee Boys Volleyball Club	Cedarburg
17	Club Breakout	Waupun	87	Phoenix VBC (formerly Wisconsin Heights)	Mazomanie
18	Club Fox Valley	Appleton	88	Platteville Fusion	Platteville
19	ClubRedWI	St. Croix Falls	89	Racine Blaze	Racine
20	Club W *	Salem	90	Rage Volleyball	River Falls
144	Cool City Select	Two Rivers	91	Red Cedar Elite	Barron
21	Coulee Region Power	Coulee	92	Reinas De La Cancha	Milwaukee
22	Crex Meadows	Grantsburg	93	Revolution Volleyball Academy (RVA)*	Waukesha
23	Croix Attack VBC	Hudson	94	Ridgeland Reds	Ridgeland
148	CrossCourt VBC*	Appleton	95	Rise MKE VBC (formerly Jr. Red Knights)	Milwaukee
24	Crossfire VBC (formerly Milton Aces)	Milton	96	River City Volleyball Club	Watertown
25	DASH Sports LLC	Milwaukee	97	Rock VBC	Janesville
26	DePere Diggers	DePere	98	Rusk Rage	Tony
27	Dominican Jr. Knights *	Whitefish Bay	99	Select Volleyball Program	Mukwonago
28	Driftless Spikers	Hazel Green	100	Seymour Lightning Strikes	Seymour
29	Eau Claire Slam	Eau Claire	101	Shawano Storm	Shawano
30	Eau Claire Storm	Eau Claire	102	Small Town Storm	Cornell
31	Eclipse Volleyball Club	Hartford	103	Southern Heat	Livingston
32	Elevate VBC	Tomah	104	Southern Force	Kieler
33	Elkhorn Volleyball Club	Elkhorn	105	Southport Volleyball Club *	Kenosha
34	Epic Volleyball Club *	Racine	106	South Shore Slam	Sheboygan
35	Express Volleyball Club	Gays Mills	107	Southwest Milwaukee VBC	Waukesha
36	Falls Focus	Menomonee Falls	108	Southwest Spikers	Darlington
37	FC Elite	Menasha	109	Spike Milwaukee *	Wauwatosa
145	Features Volleyball Academy	La Crosse	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	Fox Valley Performance *	Appleton	113	Spiketown Door County	Door County
41	G-Force VBC	Germantown	114	Spiketown (Sheboygan)	Sheboygan
42	Hartford Volleyball Club	Hartford	115	Spiketown Reign (Wautoma)	Wautoma
43	Heat VBC *	Appleton	116	Spiketown Triton (Green Bay)	Green Bay
44	Howard Suamico Inferno VBC	Suamico	117	St. Croix Select	Roberts
45	I AM Volleyball Club *	Grafton	118	Synergy Volleyball Club	Chippewa Falls
146	Ida Bay VBC	Sturgeon Bay	147	Team Rally	Holmen
46	Infinity Volleyball Crew	Barneveld	119	Team United VBC	Mosinee
47	Junior Vikings Volleyball Club	Milwaukee	120	Tempo Volleyball Club	Waterloo
48	Just A Game VBC	Wisconsin Dells	121	Tenacity Volleyball Club	Blair
49	Lake Country Pipe Hitters *	Hartland	122	UP North Volleyball Club	Niagara
50	La Crosse Velocity	La Crosse	123	Xtreme VBC	La Crosse
51	Lakeshore Storm VBC	Manitowoc	124	Valley Velocity	Appleton
52	Laser VBC	Fall Creek	125	Viroqua Venom	Viroqua
53	Legacy VBC	Ladysmith	126	Waterford Wave	Waterford
149	Limitless Performance	Janesville	127	Waupaca Fire VBC	Waupaca
54	Luminosity Volleyball Club	Fond du Lac	128	West Side Slam	DePere
55	Madison Elite *	Madison	129	Western Elite VBC	Spring Green
56	Madison Inferno *	Sun Prairie	130	Western Wisconsin Smash	New Richmond
57	Madison Ignite	Madison	131	White Lightning	Clear Lake
58	Madison Starlings *	Madison	132	Wisconsin Attack Volleyball Club	Milwaukee
59	Madtown Juniors	Sun Prairie	133	Wisconsin Blaze *	Appleton
60	Mamba Volleyball Academy *	Waukesha	134	Wisconsin Elite	Franklin
61	Medford Storm	Medford	135	Wisconsin Flight	Stevens Point
62	Midwest Elite Volleyball Club	Hazel Green	136	Wisconsin Ice VBC	Wausau
63	Midwest Penguins Volleyball	Waukesha	137	Juniors Volleyball Clubs	Pleasant Prairie
64	Milwaukee Sting VBC *	Menomonee Falls	138	608 Juniors	Madison
65	Milwaukee Sting United (Madison)	Madison	139	Lakes Juniors	Lake Geneva
66	Milwaukee VBC *	Milwaukee	140	Milwaukee Juniors *	New Berlin
67	Motion Volleyball Players *	New Berlin	141	Wisconsin Premier VBC	Mequon
68	MVP Club	Marathon	142	Wisconsin Shock	Denmark
69	North Bay Legends *	Ashland			



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