Welcome Back!

The Merit Fund Application form is now open! The criteria for requests was sent out with the October newsletter, and the form to request is found on WIN. Check it out! Be on the lookout for ways your club can get involved and serve the community, and plan your fundraisers as soon as possible. The Gymnastics club raised over $1,400 during the Fall!

WANT EXTRA PRIORITY POINTS? Be featured in our newsletter! We have a new form on WIN called the Newsletter Spotlight Entry. Clubs can submit articles, and if selected to be used in the newsletter your club will receive a priority point—up to 9 points total!

Deadlines:
Start preparing for those budget presentations as soon as possible! The link to sign up for a presentation was already sent out. Go over your presentation with your coordinator beforehand to make sure you are well prepared!
WE ARE HIRING!

Interested in joining the Competitive Sports family?

EXECUTIVE BOARD POSITIONS

There will be 6 spots available on the Executive Board for the 2015-2016 academic year. Spots are for 1 year or 2 year terms. Interested club members can apply at the link below. All clubs are eligible to have a representative serve except Tae Kwon Do and Women’s Basketball. Applicants will be asked to attend the April council meeting and prepare a 2-3 minute speech stating why they want to be a part of the board. Council members will be voting in April on new members. Applications are due Sunday, April 5th at 11:59pm.

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STUDENT COORDINATOR

We are now hiring for student coordinators for the 2015-2016 academic year. This is a great opportunity to take on a leadership position on campus and get paid while doing it. Club officers are encouraged to apply. Applications will be accepted until March 22nd at 11:59pm.

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Check out some of the job responsibilities!

- Coordinate and assist in the day-to-day operations of assigned sports including, but not limited to, planning, marketing, updating scores, standings, brackets, participation statistics and tracking summary information.
- Assist in the recruiting, hiring, training, scheduling and evaluating of intramural officials/scorekeepers in selected sports.
- Plan and facilitate pre-season, season, and post-season officials’ training and meetings.
- Update sport rules and rules tests for assigned sports.
- Responsible for mentoring and guidance of assigned clubs through monthly meetings and continual follow-up.
- Responsible for the coordination of assigned clubs pertaining to waiver collection, team rosters, equipment inventory, website updates, annual reports and budgets, fundraising, community service and the Wisconsin Involvement Network.
- Provide onsite presence, leadership and enforcement of program and University guidelines at practices.
April S. has been selected as a member of the Midwest Collegiate All Star Water Ski Jump Team! She will represent the entire Midwest region in the National All Star Tournament in May. This team is made up of the top 10 male and female competitors from each event; slalom, trick and jump. April will be competing in the jump event, and we wish her luck!

Q: When did you learn to ski?
A: I learned to ski when I was 6.

Q: When did you start competing?
A: I started competing freshman year. When I was at my first tournament, I was so happy! I asked how to approach the jump, and the older skiers just told me “knees trees freeze” and sent me off the dock. I landed my jump at my first tournament on my second try!

Q: What do you like most about jump?
A: I like the speed, and seeing really far, and feeling like I’m flying!

Q: What is your favorite water ski memory?
A: Favorite ski memory ah that's hard everything with this crazy team is a blast! My overall favorite is probably Skiapalooza!

Q: April is the team captain for next year.
What are you most excited about for the upcoming season?
A: I’m super excited to grow the team and see everyone improve and kill it at nationals!
**Important Reminders!**

**Budget Presentations**

As discussed at the Council Meeting, your club will need to sign up for budget presentation times on the Google Doc at the link below. The deadline for signups will be Wednesday, March 25th at 5pm. **If a club does not sign up for a presentation time, they will not receive DRS next year.** You can find a template for budget presentations under the Documents section of the Sport Clubs WIN Page. Once signups are done, we will send out the final schedule for presentations as a reminder!

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GyZQQxJN7gDJ4gBVDdm3xjLANM5KhaWE863YhsqD4k/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GyZQQxJN7gDJ4gBVDdm3xjLANM5KhaWE863YhsqD4k/edit?usp=sharing)

**Financial Probation**

Remember, many of you are now eligible to receive funds next year, as the Executive Board has voted to reduce the financial probation period of clubs from 4 years to 6 semesters! Please read the attached memo for details regarding the policy change. The clubs listed in Green on the Google Doc signup sheet are eligible to receive funds next year. Many of you did not request DRS funds because you thought you were ineligible. This is not a problem. You will need to email Ashley Lax, alax@recsports.wisc.edu with an updated budget excel sheet, which can be found under the Documents section of WIN. You have to email this to her before your budget presentation time so the board can review the updated request.

**Martial Arts Demo Night**

Don’t forget about the Martial Arts Demo Night on March 17th at the Nat from 8-9:30pm! This is a great opportunity to check out what our Martial Arts clubs are all about. This event will take place in room 1065 at the Nat. Arrive early to grab a seat!

Email Megan Thiele with any questions.

mthiele@recsports.wisc.edu
**Club Highlights:**

**Table Tennis**

Table Tennis went to the NCTTA Midwest Regional Tournament in Rockford, IL on February 21st. The coed team finished in 3rd place, behind University of Minnesota, Twin Cities and Lindenwood University. This was a great accomplishment for the club, especially because Lindenwood is a scholarship school for the top table tennis players worldwide. The team’s performance at this tournament almost guarantees an invitation to the NCTTA Nationals in April, held in Eau Claire, WI. The women’s team also performed well this weekend, finishing 1st overall! They will automatically advance to Nationals.

Congrats to the club on their success!

**Track Club**

The Track Club competed at NIRCA Club Relays on February 28th in Champaign, IL with 41 athletes at the event! They were quite the competitive presence, and this was one of the biggest teams they’ve had at an event in a long time.

On the women’s side, the club had first place team finishes in the Hurdle Relay and Triple Jump Relay; second place finishes in the 60m Dash Relay, 4x2, 4x4, High Jump Relay, Long Jump Relay, and the Shot Put Relay; and a third place finish in the Sprint Medley Relay. These and other performances won them a second place finish as a team overall!

On the men’s side, the club posted a first place finish in the Long Jump Relay, second place finishes in the 4x8 and Triple Jump Relay; and third place finishes in the Hurdle Relay, 4x4, High Jump Relay, and the Shot Put Relay. This gave the men an overall third place finish as a team!

**Dance Elite**

Dance Elite performed at the GlobeMed Fundraiser on February 6th. GlobeMed was raising money for wells in Africa, and the club really appreciated the opportunity to perform! They loved supporting the other performers and helping GlobeMed raise money for a great cause. Nice work ladies!
## Dates, Deadlines, & Upcoming Events

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