

**Operations Report**  
EVERGREEN REGION BOARD MEETING  
April 25, 2023

**1. Operations**

**a. Membership**

- i. 2022-2023 full membership numbers have grown 13.4% since the 21-22 season based on USAV reports and have reached over 6,000 total members including limited memberships which is 12.3% growth since last season.
- ii. Junior Club Team Totals based on Region Seeding Guide
  1. U12 Teams | 74
  2. U13/U14 Teams | 124
  3. U15/U16 Teams | 87
  4. U17/U18 Teams | 55

**b. Awards**

**i. Class Act Winners were awarded in January & February**

1. January | Daniel Chilimidos, Player & Tammy Gay, Coach Boys
2. February | Dale Goodwin, Official & Jack Dyck, Coach

**ii. Meritorious Service Awards | Awarded at Regional Championship presentation**

1. Greg Knott | Coach, Confluence VBC | Pateros, WA
2. Stacey Vladimiroff | Coach, Shockwave VBC | Tri-Cities

**c. Banking**

- i. Current net revenue is showing positive net revenue.
- ii. Large events still need to be finalized and reconciled
- iii. All Star Championship Teams will be putting together proposals for contribution requests to help offset costs for families accepted to championship traveling teams.

**d. Official's**

- i. ArbiterPay worked well for Region Office to pay officials weekly for R1 hosted events by Region & mileage for any club hosted events. Reduced staff hours spent on cutting checks, postage etc.
- ii. Junior feedback from events is officials is coaches love having them at events and event staff notices less spectators, coach issues with officials staffed at events. This decreases the amount of complaints and escalation of issues with properly trained officials able to handle conflict. Their hard work and willingness to cover events is very appreciated by the Region Staff & Juniors Division.
- iii. We had junior officials submit interest forms but only had 1 follow through and work different events with guidance from Alex Sandoval (Douglas) this season as a mentor.

**2. Adult Division**

- a. ERVA hosted an one adult tournament a month from January-April of various formats. All events were hosted at Eastern WA University this season.
- b. Sizzler hit another record teams at 106 teams who participated in the event in 2023.

STCU & Hearts & Homes NW contributed to the event by donating \$1,000 each which was used for raffle drink tickets throughout the playing times on Saturday & Sunday. In addition, a videographer filmed and edited a new promo video for the event to be used for sponsors & on the website to promote the event.

Dennis & staff will be working with convention center staff & ops to see if there is a way to move the bar while still overlooking courts to gain 1 more court to expand and add some more teams with the additional court.

- c. Adult Northwest Championship tournament is being held this weekend April 29-30 at EWU. 12 men's 6's teams, 8 women's and 4-8 coed 4's will compete over the two day event. The hope is to establish the event and work to grow to a larger event over the two days with multiple rounds off pool type play into a double or modified double elimination bracket.

### 3. Junior Division

#### a. Region Rumble

- i. ERVA and CEVA are co-hosting the 2nd year of the President's Day 3-day tournament for the U14 age division.

The event ended up with 48 teams in the U14 division over the 3 day event. CPA 14 Hedder of the Evergreen Region won the event keeping the title in the ERVA. This is a revenue share event with CEVA in a 50/50 split of the net profits.

The event will rotate down to the CEVA region next season. We proposed adding a U12 division that would alternate as well so next season ERVA would host the U12s so we could retain our facility date with the HUB. The U12 division would most likely be just a two day event to offer a local multi-day event for the u12 division.

#### b. INK

- i. INK had 48 teams in the U14 & U16 Division along with 24 in the U12 & U18 Division. The profits from this event will go towards the 23-24 Junior Player Scholarship funds for next season.

#### c. ERVA Bids

- i. Only the U16 division this season had a playoff event for the 3 teams interested in the bids awarded from the Region. The other age divisions had 2 or less teams interested in a bid and was awarded through the Region Office. The unused bids were given back to USAV to be reallocated.
  - i. U12 American | 208 U12 Elite
  - ii. U13 | NONE
  - iii. U14 National | Shockwave VBC
  - iv. U14 American | CPA 14 Hedder
  - v. U15 Freedom | Riptide 15 Tsunami
  - vi. U16 National | RVC 16 Kari
  - vii. U16 AMerican | CRU 16 Baden
  - viii. U16 Freedom | CPA 16 Katie
  - ix. U17 | Club Gold 17 Blue
  - x. U18 National | CPA 18 Nicole

#### d. Regionals

- i. The Regional Championships wrapped up this past weekend with 165 teams over all the age divisions competing. U12 | 25 teams, U14 | 56 teams, U16 | 52 teams & U18 | 32

teams.

- ii. The event was hosted at the HUB Sports Center & The Podium both days.
  - i. U12 Champions | U12 208 Elite | CDA, ID
  - ii. U14 Champions | U14 Shockwave VBC | Tri-Cities
  - iii. U16 Champions | U16 CPA Drew | Spokane, WA
  - iv. U18 Champions | U18 CPA Nicole | Spokane, WA

#### **e. Border Smackdown**

Current numbers are 66 total teams. U14 | 19 teams, U16 | 21 teams & U18 | 25 teams which is the highest number of teams so far in the history of the event.

We are adding some additional player & coach enhancements this season such as 1st and 2nd place medals, CLASS Act Sportsmanship prize awards throughout the event. Leslie is working to add a coaches clinic to Friday evening.

We are looking at adding some special interest stories to draw in outside media to cover the event in addition to new videography to use for marketing the event.

This will also be the first season the event will be formatted and available on AES for teams to access and use to keep up on results & schedules online.

Region staff will be at event assisting with logistics this year since it does not overlap with the USAV May Meetings.

#### **4. Outdoor**

- a. 11 courts have been put up at Browns Park with the remaining courts and sand to be up by May 1st when adult leagues start.
- b. Kokua and Renovators are clubs renting courts for training groups and tournaments. Other local groups have also submitted requests for court rentals. Kokua hosted tryouts on Friday, April 21st and had over 120 players turn out.
- c. ERVA adult & junior leagues begin in May with the league coordinators from last season coming back to help work and cover those leagues on site in the evenings.

ERVA Commissioner Report – M Coupland  
24 April 2023

1. Membership Report (thru 28 Feb 2023):

FULL: **5151** (growth of 12.8%) - \* If a person has more than one full membership in a region for the season they are counted only once.

TOTAL: **5781** (growth of 10.9%) - \* These totals are the number of unique members in a region. A member who has more than one membership in the season in a region is counted only once.

FULL + Limited: **6870** (growth of 9.9%) - \* Totals are for memberships purchased during the season. Because a member may purchase more than one membership in a season these counts are higher than member counts.

2. Employee review was performed in March 2023 – thank you to those that participated in the employee survey and many thanks to Lindsay. Coming out of our review we have some work to do for planning purposes on employee compensation and planning for the current & future growth – employee & member growth. Will work with ERVA Board Treasurer, Asst Commissioner, and Operations Manager to develop a plan for future growth.
3. Upcoming Committee Meetings in prep for RVAA/USAV May Meetings
- a. SubCommittee for Insurance Broker RFP – this week
  - b. Insurance Committee of the RVAA – 8 May
  - c. Education Committee of the RVAA/JA – 10 May
4. Upcoming May meetings for RVAA/USAV in Dallas, TX – MCoupland, LCallaghan, DSpray - Safesport Meeting on Sunday 21 May, RVAA Commissioner & JA Meetings Mon & Tues, 22&23May, USAV Board Mtg Wed 24 May
5. CEVA/ERVA joint summer session – July 12&13