

## **Madtown Flyer**

Fall 2005

### **MADC Club Picnic**

by Todd Ebens

Hello fellow disc golfers. The time is upon us for the annual MADC fall picnic. Once again, it will be held at Olin Park (on John Nolen Drive near Lake Monona) on Sunday October 16<sup>th</sup>. We will begin designing and setting up a temporary course at 9 A.M. Please bring a basket if you have one! The club will provide one main course and beverages. We ask that you bring a dish to pass, preferably your best one! We will be doing multiple rounds of golf, as well as some fun frisbee games. The picnic will go from 9 A.M. until dusk, so be ready for a full day of discin' down by the lake! It should be a great event, as always! Please join us and help support disc golf in the Madison area. Hope to see everyone out there!! Happy flights!!

### **Club Elections**

by Todd Ebens & Brad Wendt

Annual elections for the MADC will be held at the club picnic on Oct 16<sup>th</sup>. The current positions up for election are Vice-President, Secretary, and 3 At-Large board positions. If you are at all interested, please come prepared with a mission statement about why you should be elected to that position. We will do the elections sometime around lunch during the picnic. This is your chance to help make a difference in the disc golf community and the club as a whole. Although the club board is very strong right now, we always welcome new energy and ideas. If you feel motivated,

take a shot and run for one of the positions up for election. If you wish to be on the actual voter ballot used at the picnic, please send your platform statement to the MADC by 10/13/05. It simply needs to state that you are running for (state the position) and add any reasons you feel good about serving on the board. Remember you must be a paid MADC Ltd member. You must also be a paid member to vote! So, be ready to join or renew at the picnic. Thanks and good luck on your bid!

### **Hiestand Renovation**

By Brad Wendt

Hiestand has never looked better, and it is not even finished yet! A pretty good number of people volunteered time and labor on the improvement. We all have enjoyed since it went back in the ground on August 1st. Everyone of you should feel good about a job well done. The Park Division named hole 5 "The Great Wall of Hiestand" for good reason. It was the most ambitious single hole project on Madison's public courses.

Look at the Hiestand Renovation job list for updated jobs to be published on the MADC website. Here is a quick list of jobs to be completed:

1. All tee pads will get a 4" x 4" post for a laminated paper tee sign. Each post needs to be dug 30" deep. Tee sign post stops will be staked and painted by picnic time.

2. Lime stone "Roc" will be dumped on the walk hill between holes #2 and #3, #5 and #6. These paths will need 6" x 6" lumber installed as wash regulators every 11' on the path.

3. Walking path between #2 tee pads need 4" path dug for "Roc". Walking path between #12 pro tee and am tee needs 4" deep path dug for "Roc". Walking paths in front of #13 am pad and #14 am pad needs 4" path dug for "Roc". Walking path from #15 to #16 am pad needs 4" path dug for "Roc". Walking path #17 to #18 am pad needs to be prepped for "Roc".

4. More grass seed needs to be planted around some of the completed areas.

You can see there is allot of work left. I did not even mention "Roc" needed for #15's ready tee and more "Roc" at the "Great Wall". Please find it in your heart to give some more time and muscle to Hiestand Park Renovation. It would be cool if this could be finished by frost time.

## **WI State Overalls**

by Todd Ebens

The 2005 WI State Overalls was held at Elver and Hiestand parks in Madison. We had 39 players from several states competing in distance, MTA, DDC, freestyle, accuracy, disc golf, and discathon. The weather for the weekend was great, despite the lack of wind for MTA. The competition was fierce and tons of fun. No doubt, some of the best freestylers I have ever seen were there and were an absolute treat to watch. DDC is now one of my favorite frisbee games. For those of you not familiar with it, it shares a lot of similarities with ultimate and tennis. If you have never had a chance to play, be on the lookout

for a casual DDC league next spring...more to come on that. The open division was highly competitive with 4-5 players in the hunt going into the last few events, with the overall title and the "Chalice Chalace" on the line. For those of you not familiar with the Chalace it is a silver cup trophy that is a traveling award for the top finisher between Wisconsin and Minnesota, ala the Paul Bunyan axe in college football. The battle went down to the last event with Madison's own Erik Drummond edging out California's Any Lemman in the discathon event. For those of you that haven't played in an overall competition, you should. It is by far some of the most fun I have ever had throwing a disc in my 15 years of throwing frisbees. I will be playing every year until my body won't cooperate, which hopefully won't be for a while. Thanks to all who helped and came to play. Hope to see more new faces next year when the WI State Overalls return to the bowl at Volrath Park in Sheboygan. Until then, practice your MTA!!!!!!!!!!!!

## **A Note from the Tournament Director**

By Brad Wendt

As director of WI State Overalls and Glass Nickel Pizza Mad City Open, I would like to thank every person that entered and played. Without players, the staff and their hundreds of hours is a total waste. Really, the staff does enjoy their efforts much more when as many players as possible play. I actually feel honored to help run these events for you. Like Todd said, operating tournaments is a team effort.

Thank you to all that helped at MCO: Nellie Vallarta-Ast, Larry Ast, Todd

Ebens, Dan Madden, Marie & Ben Schwinn, Pete Boersma, Jim Van Lanen, John Dorn, Duster, Ian Goldberg, Sammy "Steve" Juisto, Jamie Royea, Karen Wendt, Tony Gomez, Carla Gomez, Tony Gomez, Diane Kreuger, Mike Farnham, Andrew Van Lanen, and Tom Mertins. There were some people that swept tee pads that I may have missed.

Of course, the entire event was enhanced greatly by our very generous MCO sponsors. ALL our players and staff walked away with merchandise, and half of the pros added some cash in their pockets. Thank you: Glass Nickel Pizza Company, Paradigm Gardens, Discraft, Gateway, Flying Fortress, Play It Again Sports on Gammon, Sports Pub, Seversin's Citgo, Car X, Sports World, Old Town Pub, Good Times Bar, Sportacular Flying Disc, Back9designs, PDGA, WI Disc Golf Tour, Innova, Lifetime Disc Sports LLC, and of course, Madison Area Disc Club Ltd.

WI State Overall Championship was made much more enjoyable and festive by these great sponsors; Dental Heath Associates, Glass Nickel Pizza Company, Seversin's Service Center, Insty Prints Monona, Old Contry Buffet, Anchore Bank, Sport Products, Mc Donalds, Sportacular Flying Disc, PDGA, and MADC Ltd.

Please use these wonderful businesses often through out the year. And tell them you played in the 13th Glass Nickel Pizza Mad City Open and WI State Overall Championship!!!

## **GDS Disc Golf Tournament**

by Todd Ebens

Itching to get in that last tourney of the season? Well here it is. On Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, I will be hosting the GDS tour Turkey Toss disc golf tourney at Hiestand Park. Registration will be from 8-9 A.M. with entry fees consisting of \$30 for pros and \$20 for ams. Divisions will include open, masters, adv. Intermediate, and women. Am players will be eligible to compete in open and accept cash without losing their Am status, as this is not a PDGA sanctioned event. Each player will receive a disc, sticker and mini from Gateway Disc Sports. We will be playing two rounds of golf with a short break in between rounds. We will also be doing a turkey toss to see who can shot-put a 10 pound turkey the furthest. This event is geared toward getting more people who have not played a tourney to get involved and to see how much fun tournament play can be. We will be doing our awards at Good Times or Glass Nickel Pizza (TBA). It should be a great time for all. For more info please contact me at [www.president@madcitydisc.org](mailto:www.president@madcitydisc.org). Hope to see you there! Cheers.

## **Mad City Open 2005**

by Todd Ebens

The Mad City Open 05' has come and gone, and what an event it was! With perfect weather, the stage was set for an incredible weekend of disc golf. Ams played Elver on Saturday, followed by divisional draw doubles afterwards. Pros and Adv played on Sunday at Token Creek and Hiestand. This year we had 144 total players over the two days and around \$12,000 in total prize value. Our raffles were awesome as we gave away many discs as well as two full size disc golf baskets and a mini basket. The competition wasn't bad either. Many top

players were in attendance including Wisconsin's own two-time U.S. and World Champ Barry Schultz. In the end, it was Madison native, now from the Twin Cities, Jon Drummond, taking the first in the Open division. Also, Ian Goldberg of Stevens Point was the raffle grand prize winner taking home the beautiful Gateway Titan disc golf basket donated by Gateway Disc Sports valued at over \$400! Ian since donated the basket to the Yulga Disc Golf Course after someone stole the practice basket there. Congrats to everyone. I also would like to thank everyone who helped put this event on, as it is a full team effort to make it all happen. In particular, Nellie Vallarta-Ast, the entire Wendt family, and Ben and Marie Schwinn. Without them, it definitely would not have happened. There are others too numerous to mention, but you know who you are and I thank you from the bottom of my heart for your dedication and hard work. We are already looking forward to next year to make it an even bigger and better event. Once again, thanks to all who helped and congratulations to all the winners. You can find complete results at [www.widiscsports.com](http://www.widiscsports.com). Until next year, may your drives be true and your putts in the heart. Over and out.

## **Madison Women's Night**

By Marie Schwinn

Alas, the days are becoming shorter and the nights longer. This can only mean one thing...the Madison Women's Night must draw to an end. This year, the Madison Women's Night lasted 22 weeks and drew 23 different women! 13 of those women were new to Women's Night this year! These 13 women received a free disc for participating. Of

the 23 women golfers, 6 represented Madison at the US Women's Disc Golf Championship in Peoria, IL. Next year, the Madison Women's Night hopes to reach 35 participants and hopes to send 10 women to the US Women's Disc Golf Championship. Ladies, watch for announcements in the spring concerning the start of the 2006 Women's Night. Fellas, make sure you encourage your female friends and family members to join the fun. See you next year!

## **2005 United States Women's Disc Golf Championship**

By Ben Schwinn

The 2005 United States Women's Disc Golf Championship took place on September 22-25 in Peoria, IL. This year six women represented the Madison area. Last year's advanced champion, Sarah Korinek, placed 14 of 23 in the open division. Kim Keen, placed 6<sup>th</sup> out of 12 women in the advanced division. Kim also won her division in the distance competition. Marie Schwinn also "competed" in the advanced division. Unfortunately, a nasty virus prevented her from competing in all 5 rounds! The Madison women tore up the intermediate division. Carla Gomez made it to the Final 9 and placed 4<sup>th</sup> out of 19 intermediate women! Laura Anderson and Jen Taylor also finished strong, with 6<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> finishes, respectively. Most importantly, the women had a great time and plan on playing the tournament next year. The goal for next year is to send at least 10 Madison women to the tournament. Please encourage those women around you to play!!

## **Elver Adopt-A-Hole Program**

By Marie Schwinn

The Elver Adopt-A-Hole program was a huge success this year. The volunteers did an excellent job of litter patrol on the course. The club wishes to thank those volunteers again: Tom Mertins, Dave Jewell, Greg Walker, James Kramer, Madison Women's Night, Elizabeth Maves, Derek Brink, Dave Pearson, Joshua Krueger, Todd Ebens, Gretta Reiter, Tom Pokrop, Mike Farnham, David Griswold, Marie Schwinn, and Ben Schwinn.

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