

MADISON UNICYCLISTS

ANNUAL MEETING, JAN. 26, 2013

GOODMAN COMMUNITY CENTER

2014 MADISON UNICYCLISTS ANNUAL MEETING

AGENDA - SEE HANDOUT

Video and Photo Highlights (before and after business meeting)

Overview – History and Group/Officer Organization

Board Election and Officer Reports and Plans

Recognition and Awards


Dinner and Socializing, Discuss ways to integrate new kids



MADUNI HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION PHASE I

- ~2005 to 2008 – Small network of unicycle friends and neighbors grows, riding together at Celebrating Youth, MadFest, Willy St Fair, Orton Park, and the Zoo; Wilton, Stefan, McClintock, Koenig, and Ross families travel to Nationals; Adopted by Connie Cotter, Scott wins his age group and Isaiah rides his first marathon. Scott and Patricia attend 2008 Copenhagen UNICON.
- ~2009/10 – Families begin a regular gym practice, each paying GCC for one rental time, Althea, Smith's and other riders join in, many families to Nationals.
- 2010 – Families committed to host Nationals 2011 as a way to promote unicycling in Madison, generate funds, and motivate a formal organization - opened bank account, filed papers as non-profit corporation in WI, first Board - Ann O'Brien, Kelly Kearns, Randy Stefan, and Randy Smith. Emmett Ross and Wilton's travel to New Zealand UNICON where Scott becomes youngest 10K world champion.

MADUNI HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION PHASE II

- 2011 – Provide unicycles to growing Sandburg School program championed by Jenni Wolfe; regular open gym at GCC including Johnson's and Nina Marco; host successful Nationals.
- 2012 – Focus MadUni mission on youth programs; successful IRS 501c3 application and WI sales tax exemption. More kids and more schools: growing GCC open gym attendance including Ham, Buske, and Connell families; provide unicycles to O'Keefe/Marquette program championed by Jill Cohan and supported by Panofsky's and neighbors; Phillip Edmonds creates program at Shorewood; strong group to Nationals; Wilton's, Smith's, and McClintock's to Italy UNICON - Scott 10k and marathon world champion.
- 2013 – Strengthen organization, school programs and open gym; Patricia leads first-ever summer uni program; MUni group established, Doug and Ysak join Beilfuss, Cohan, Johnson, Siebert, Welch, Wilton, and Yandell families at Nationals in PA. Marin, Patricia and Scott are National Champions and new "Experts" emerge.
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ELECTIONS, OFFICER REPORTS AND PLANS

President – Ann O’Brien

Secretary - Sarah Dunning & Randy Smith

Treasurer – Randy Stefan, Dave Siebert

Equipment – David Panofsky

Membership – Patricia Wilton

Open Gym and Events – Karin Johnson

Vice President – Jill Cohan, Katie Beilfuss

School Programs - Jill Cohan, Jenni Wolfe, Phillip Edmonds

Muni – Elisabeth Marx

Historian and PR – Doug Buege



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

2013 President - Ann O'Brien
Vice President - Jill Cohan
Treasurer - Randy Stefan
Secretary - Randy Smith & Assistant Sarah Dunning

VOTE on slate of candidates

2014 President – Ann O'Brien
Vice President – Katie Beilfuss
Treasurer – Dave Siebert
Secretary - Sarah Dunning & Assistant Randy Smith



REPORTS AND PLANS

President: Ann O'Brien

- **Organization**
 - Review officers, positions, committees and plans
- **Activities: school programs, open gym, MUni, summer camp, events**
 - Thanks to leaders, practice point persons and volunteers
- **Corporate records** and documents on Google App; tax return for 2012 filed, 2013 due in a few months, plans to organize docs further with Secretary

Secretary: Sarah Dunning, Randy Smith

- **Transition** and organization of documents on Google App
- **Board minutes**


REPORTS AND PLANS

Treasurer – Randy Stefan (see handout), **Dave Siebert**

Membership Coordinator - Patricia Wilton

- New Membership Policy for 2014
- Work with Practice and School coordinators
 - Membership List Updates to Patricia [patricia.f.wilton@gmail](mailto:patricia.f.wilton@gmail.com)

Equipment Manager - David Panofsky

- Ensure availability of uni's and tools
 - Coordinate with practices/school coordinators and treasurer
 - Train riders on equipment choices and maintenance
 - Maintain records, develop lending policy
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REPORTS AND PLANS

Events and Open Gym - Karin Johnson

- 2013 MadFest, Ride the Drive, Willy Street, Monona, and Circus Space fundraiser, Lakeview Library 50th Anniversary, Celebrating Youth, Olbrich Gardens Night at the Circus.
- Open practices and outreach, volunteers sign up for practices, welcoming families, Increasing Muni rides with Elisabeth Marx as new coordinator
 - Sharon Lezberg lead brainstorming during dinner about integrating kids.


Website - Scott Wilton, assisted by Patricia Wilton

- Updated with photos, ideas and edits welcome

Historian and Publicity – Doug Buege

- On One Wheel and articles – Zoey Yandell and Olivia Siebert
- Ideas? Volunteers for Facebook, photos, videos, articles?
- Thanks to David Panofsky for gathering videos and photos today

REPORTS AND PLANS – SCHOOL PROGRAMS

- Sandburg - Jenni Wolfe
 - Marquette/O’Keeffe - Jill Cohan
 - Shorewood - Phillip Edmonds
 - Summer Camp– Patricia Wilton
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SANDBURG PROGRAM – JENNI WOLFE

- Regular practice, solid improving group of kids, kids can take unis home after signing forms from Jenni
- 15 MadUni cycles (3 16" recently purchased with Madison Half Marathon funds), 4 kids have their own
- Super help from Megan Johnson, kids really appreciate the liaison
- Meet once a week. Megan goes every week and teaching.
- Megan plays hockey or basketball while Jenni teaches younger ones. Great to have a role model and helper
- 74% are free or reduced lunch at Sandburg
- Jenni will keep records of representative population

SHOREWOOD PROGRAM – PHILLIP EDMONDS

- Shorewood meets every Thursday after school in Shorewood gym (if it doesn't have gymnastics equipment set up. Then we're in the hallways) until 5pm. Experimented with an additional Tuesday session but discontinued.
- We span every grade level (no 4k students as of yet) & are open to all.
- As of now we have about 35 signed up with usually 20 at our practices.
- The club is free, but parents sign up to provide a snack, one of our traditions.
- Emails from interested middle schoolers (formerly at Shorewood) and they are welcome to join practices.
- Interested in starting club at Hamilton working with Hank Schmelz principal, another rider is at Spring Harbor.
- Would like more experienced riders and helpers.
- Will incorporate more levels testing and records.
- Need more unis.



MARQUETTE/O'KEEFFE PROGRAM – JILL COHAN

Friday afternoon at the O'Keeffe Fieldhouse is now Unicycle Central. Through cooperation with both Marquette Elementary and O'Keeffe Middle School, unicyclists have been given the 2:30-5pm slot every Friday from September to June.

First Quarter – Restricted to Middle School students and independent Marquette Mad Uni riders. More of a drop in program than instructional club; a nice transition for incoming 6th grade riders.

Second and Third Quarters-

Marquette Unicycling Club - 8 students signed up for and attended the 6 week course. New this year, thanks to Mad Uni - all of the kids in the Marquette Club receive a unicycle to practice on for the duration of the club. Marq Uni Club riders practice from 2:35-3:45pm.

Marquette/O'Keeffe Unicycle Open Gym is held from 2:45-4:00pm for independent riders. These kids take turns helping Unicycle Club riders learn.

Mad Uni Open Gym is from 4:00-5:00 for advanced Mad Uni riders.

Fourth Quarter- Outreach to Red Caboose and other low SES students. Continue to have Open Gym for kids from 2:35-5:00pm. Annual Willy St. outing.



MARQUETTE/O'KEEFFE PROGRAM–JILL COHAN

Applied for a By Youth For Youth Grant.

- Increase outreach to under represented communities.
- Purchase “communal” unicycles for advanced riders (2 muni, 2 trials, 2-24 inch unicycles)
- Provide scholarships for NAUCC (2 in 2014, 8 in 2015)

Featured in Wisconsin State Journal –
Education Corner



SUMMER CAMP– PATRICIA WILTON

Assisted by Megan Johnson

- 2013 first-ever uni camp a success!
- 2014 June 16-20, 9am-4pm, St. Bernard's Gym (Level 3 and up)
- Second camp for Levels 0-3 after Nationals, TBD
- Each day have a different focus (artistic, trials, long distance ride, etc.)
- Other activities such as, swimming at the beach, tie-dye t-shirts, etc.
- More info to come



RECOGNITION AND AWARDS

- **Levels achieved in 2013**
 - Missing some school kids names
 - Please stand and stay standing when your name is called.
 - At the end of each level, others join the group if that is the highest level you have achieved but in a different year.
- **NAUCC 2013 Highlights**
 - Also see photos on website
- **Special AWARDS**

LEVEL 1

Evelyn Anton

Rich Beilfuss

Matias Berggren

Whitman Bottari

Nancy Entenmann

Hannah Fry

Suraya Gade

Gabe Gitchell

Ysak Gitchell

Ariel Haber-Fawcett

Lily Jenssen

Owen Jenssen

Gavin Lentz

Maria Matyka

Emmett Milligan

David Panofsky

John Purnell

Brett Schneider

Katherine Squitieri

Emmy Welch

Sarah Yandell

Zoey Yandell

LEVEL 2

Mary Baggot

Ian Beilfuss

Whitman Bottari

Jill Cohan

Tim Connell

Hannah Fry

Gabe Gitchell

Ysak Gitchell

Carl Ham

Lily Jenssen

Maria Matyka

Colleen Milligan

Emmett Milligan

Sylvie Panofsky

Brett Schneider

Sarah Yandell

Zoey Yandell

LEVEL 3

Ian Beilfuss

Doug Buege

Paige Buske

Hayden Cohan

Marin Cohan

Hannah Fry

Ysak Gitchell

Soren Gotschall

Martin Panofsky

Sylvie Panofsky

Olivia Siebert

Sarah Yandell

LEVEL 4

Ian Beilfuss

Paige Buske

Hayden Cohan

Marin Cohan

Ysak Gitchell

Soren Gotschall

Martin Panofsky

Sylvie Panofsky

Will Stefan

Olivia Siebert

Sarah Yandell

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LEVEL 5

Ian Beilfuss

Marin Cohan

Ysak Gitchell

Martin Panofsky

Sylvie Panofsky

Olivia Siebert



LEVEL 6

Martin Panofsky
Cecil Ross



LEVEL 7

Martin Panofsky

Cecil Ross

Patricia Wilton



LEVEL 8, 9, 10

None



NAUCC 2013 HIGHLIGHTS

- Remarkable achievements by all competitors [please stand and stay standing]
- North American Champions: Marin Cohan, Patricia Wilton, Scott Wilton
- Expert Competitors: Hayden Cohan, Marin Cohan, Megan Johnson, Martin Panofsky, Sylvie Panofsky, Olivia Siebert, Sarah Yandell
- Awesome Age Group Champions too!
- Record number of MadUni families in attendance: Beilfuss, Buege, Cohan, Gitchell, Johnson, Koenig, Panofsky, Siebert, Stefan, Welch, Wilton, Yandell

SPECIAL AWARDS



MOST IMPROVED-BEGINNER
Ysak Gitchell

2014





MOST IMPROVED-YOUTH
Martin Panofsky

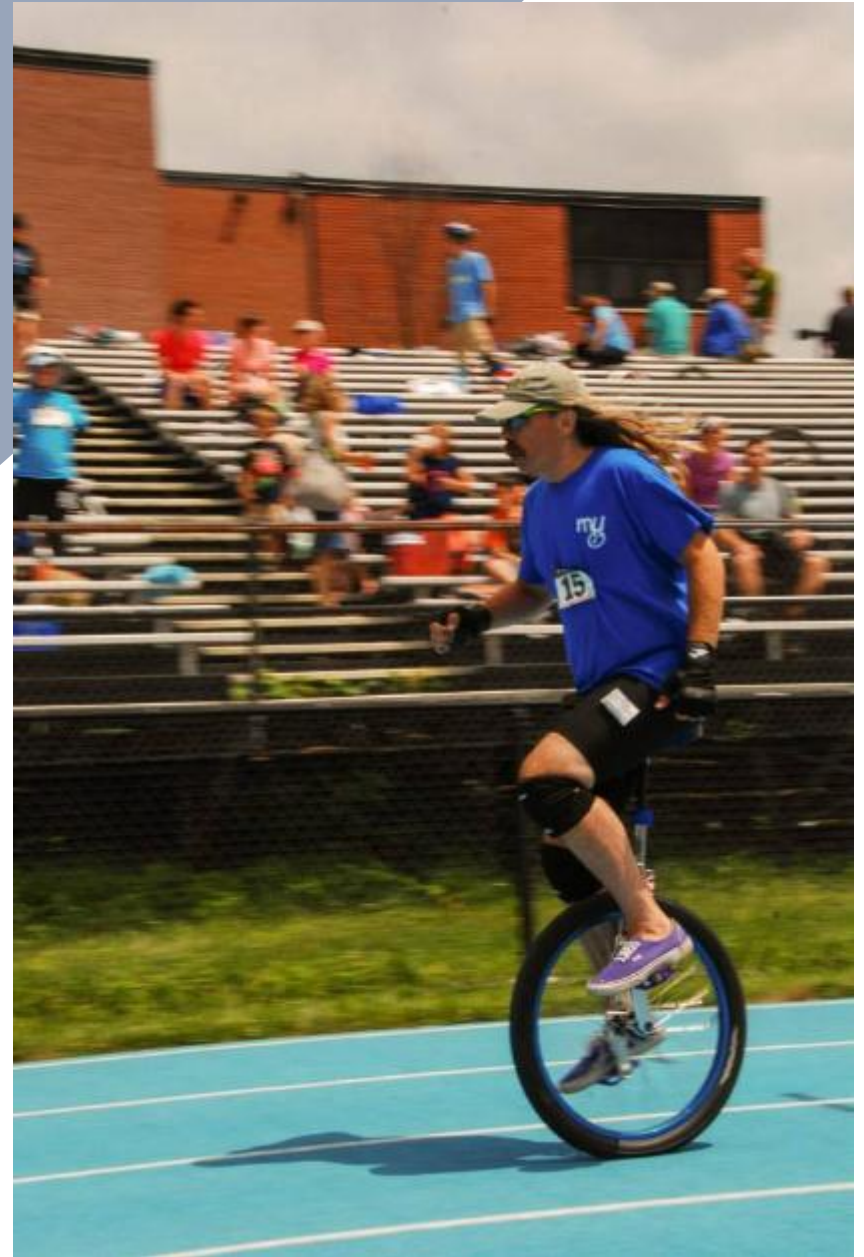
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MOST IMPROVED-ADULT
Doug Buege

2014





HARDEST WORKER-YOUTH

Hayden Cohan

2014





HARDEST WORKER-ADULT

Jill Cohan

2014





BEST TEACHER-YOUTH

Nina Marco & Megan Johnson

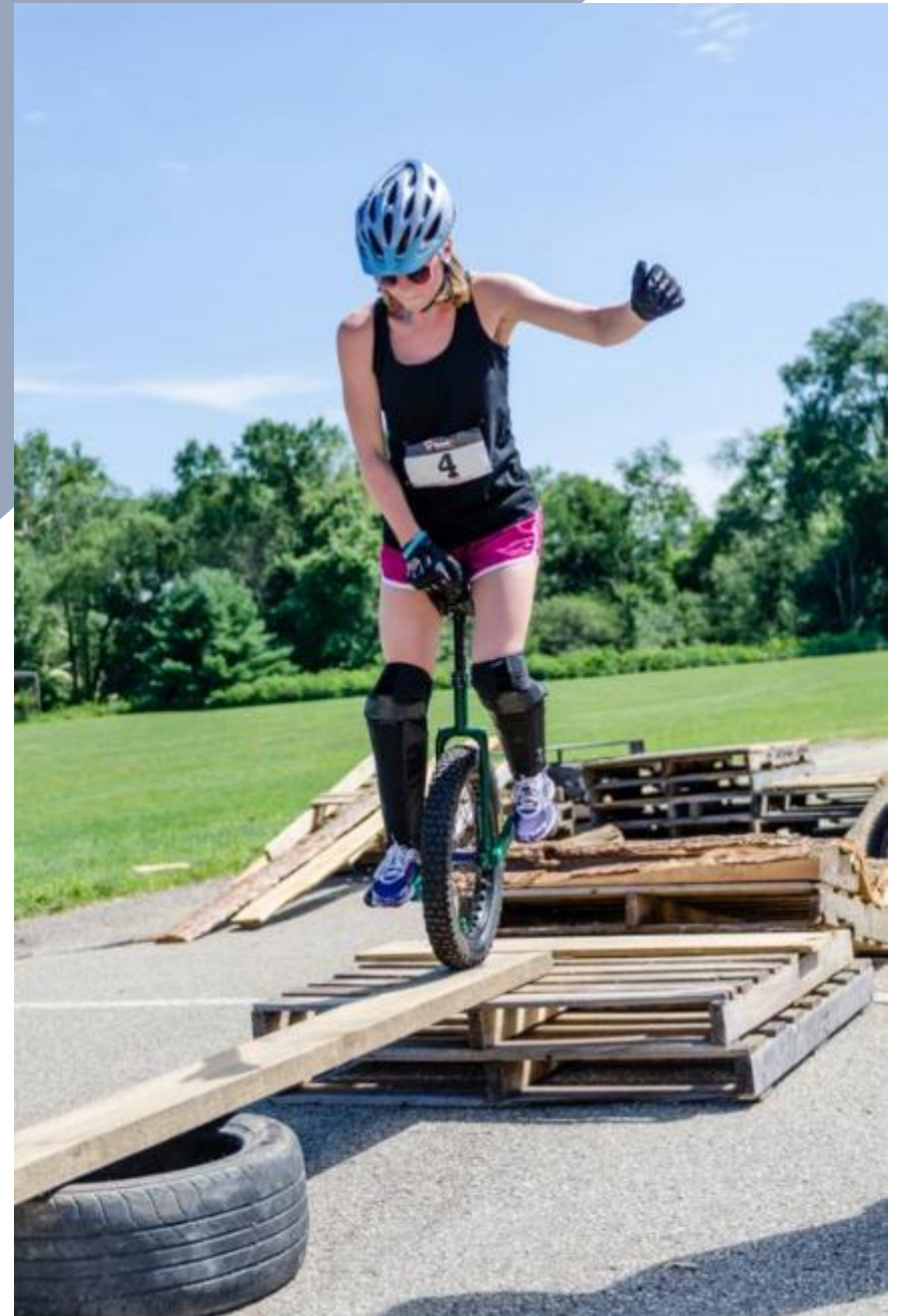
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BEST TEACHER-ADULT
Patricia Wilton

2014





BEST LEADER BY EXAMPLE
Ian Beilfuss

2014





BEST LEADER BY EXAMPLE
Megan Johnson

2014





JUMP RIGHT IN AWARD

Rich Beilfuss

2014





SCHOOL PROGRAM CHAMPION

Jenni Wolfe – Sandburg School Program

2014





SCHOOL PROGRAM AWARD

Sandburg School Program – Konrad Budzynski

2014





SCHOOL PROGRAM CHAMPION

Jill Cohan – Marquette/O'Keeffe School Program

2014





SCHOOL PROGRAM AWARD

Marquette/O'Keeffe School Program – Zax Higgins

2014





SCHOOL PROGRAM CHAMPION

Phillip Edmonds - Shorewood School Program

2014





SCHOOL PROGRAM AWARD
Shorewood School Program

Most Improved

Cho Harding

Most Helpful

Dora Trinkle

Most Enthusiastic

Patricia Flores

2014



WHEEL OF FAME
SPOKE AND SOUL

2014

New this year
Not annual awards
Plaques?
Names?



WHEEL OF FAME

Scott Wilton – Founder, Three-Time World Champion,
Mentor and World Unicycle Leader

2014





SPOKE AND SOUL AWARD

Randy Stefan –Super Supporter: Uni Parent, Founder,
2011 NAUCC Co-Director, Treasurer and Always There

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UNICON XVII
MONTREAL JULY 30-AUGUST 10



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ANY OTHER BUSINESS?

UNICYCLE EVENTS TO PUT ON YOUR CALENDAR

**AT DINNER, DISCUSS WAYS TO INTEGRATE NEW
KIDS**

MEETING ADJOURNED

