MADISON UNICYCLISTS ANNUAL MEETING JANUARY 22, 2017



2017 ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA

- Video and Photo Highlights Slideshow
- Organizational Overview and Governance
- Reports including NAUCC 2016 & Unicon 18 Recap
- Level Recognition and Special Awards

MADUNI MISSION STATEMENT AND GENESIS

Madison Unicyclists are interested in promoting and fostering support and interest in the healthy, wholesome activity of unicycling among youth in the area. Our activities support learning opportunities by providing equipment and instruction in all facets of unicycling and to give public demonstrations of unicycling and to improve the skills of the participants and to contribute to the community.

See handout on tables with brief history and organization overview

ORGANIZATION AND GOVERNANCE

The board is discussing ideas such as: building stronger relationships between schools, members, new and old, and expanding to more youth, including leadership tracks and a program at Lapham.

Let us know your interests and vision. Write your ideas on a piece of paper today and give it to a board member, email, or talk with us. You are a Madison Unicyclist!

Volunteer Leaders:

<u>Executive Board</u> - President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Programs

Other Board Members:

- Community, Schools, and Activities
- Youth Leadership, Communications, Membership, Equipment, At-Large

<u>Other Leaders and Volunteers</u> - Point Persons and Hosts, Events, Muni, Cyclocross, Freestyle, NAUCC, Boosters/Friends, Historian, PR, Unicycling Society of America (USA), International Unicycling Federation (IUF)

2016 MADUNI BOARD

EXECUTIVE BOARD

President/Chair- Ann O'Brien

Vice President - Katie Beilfuss

Treasurer - Dave Siebert

Secretary - Tom Cichosz

Program Director - Jill Cohan

BOARD MEMBERS

Community Programs Coordinator - Karin Johnson School Programs Coordinator - Jenni Wolfe Activities Coordinator - David Panofsky Youth Leadership Director - Patricia Wilton **Communication Director- Scott Wilton** Membership Director- Shannon Sparks **Equipment Director- Rich Beilfuss**

Member at Large - Juan Losada

OTHER MADUNI LEADERS

School Program Champions:

- Coordinator Jenni Wolfe
- Sandburg Jenni Wolfe
- Marquette/O'Keeffe Jill Cohan
- Shorewood Phillip Edmonds
- Van Hise/Hamilton Tim Connell
- Lapham Juan Losada
- Nuestro Mundo Brian Anderson
- Booster/Friends: Sue Jones, Kelly Kearns

Activities:

Coordinator - David Panofsky

Events - Karin Johnson

Summer Camp - Patricia Wilton

Muni - David Panofsky

Cyclocross - Carl Ham

Freestyle Team - Patricia Wilton

Hockey - Rich Beilfuss

USA - Board Members: Jill Cohan, David Panofsky, Patricia Wilton; Rules Director: Scott Wilton

IUF Board - Scott Wilton, VP and Rules Director

SANDBURG SCHOOL PROGRAM REPORT CHAMPION - JENNI WOLFE

The Sandburg Unicycle Club has gotten two huge bonuses this past year, the first being the construction of a new gym. Prior to this renovation, we had to practice in one half of a "gymacafetoruim" while sharing the other half with the Swing Choir. It is lovely to spread out over an entire gym. That way the experienced riders can have half of the gym for skill building and games and the other half can be used for beginners. Several alumni, Maelin Her and Owen Buske, have returned to assist with the more experienced riders. The second bonus has been the ingenious construction of a unicycle rack with capacity to hold 20 unicycles. Two students, assisted by our part time art teacher, Mr. Kirley, used reclaimed lumber (donated by our principal) to construct the project. This was an alternative maker-space project for the boys who were challenged to use math and design skills in the process. I, in turn, was so delighted by their efforts that I've invited both boys to participate in the Winter Session starting in January.



The Sandburg Unicycle Club currently has 18 students, 8 of whom are level 1-2 riders and the rest beginners. We will have our annual Rolling Field in May as well as our school show. Both of these events are great motivators for passing Level 1.

NUESTRO MUNDO SCHOOL PROGRAM REPORT CHAMPION - JENNI WOLFE & BRIAN ANDERSON

The Nuestro Mundo Unicycling Program has gotten off to a terrific start! The gym teacher, Mr. Wheeler, has already held one six week fall session with 12 students. The program is so popular that he is accepting 12 different students for the Winter Session. Those students who have their own unicycles from the fall session can also participate in the subsequent classes. Jenni Wolfe, Brian Anderson, and Scott Wilton (with a surprise visit from Marin!) worked closely with Mr. Wheeler during the first session to ensure that the students had enough support with equipment needs and beginning riding skills. Sandburg's rolling unicycle rack was donated to the Nuestro Program, and MadUni provided new unicycles as well as helmets. Brian Anderson will continue to be MadUni's "School Champion" for the Nuestro practices. Jenni Wolfe will continue to liaise with leaders of the other school programs.

MARQUETTE/O'KEEFFE SCHOOL PROGRAM REPORT CHAMPION - JILL COHAN

The Marquette/O'Keeffe Open Gym/Unicycle Club is continuing to be a gathering spot for kids to make new friends and stay connected with old friends through unicycling.

Riders assist new riders in learning whether it is with the 9-10 Marquette Unicycle Club participants or the 20 or so O'Keeffe Middle School students who drop in and try a new experience.

Once the newer riders are comfortable practicing on their own, the accomplished riders play games, practice new skills or simply socialize on one wheel.

The club has grown this year with the new sixth grade group and greater participation from the 4th grade group at Marquette. The group is very welcoming and encouraging to all riders.

By the way- 3:30-5 is open to any independent riders. So come on over whether you are in kindergarten or an adult rider and end your week with unicycle friends.

LAPHAM SCHOOL PROGRAM REPORT CHAMPION - JUAN LOSADA

What a fantastic experience Katie Beilfuss and I had running a pilot program at Lapham School with six kids from 1st and 2nd grades. Two out of those six kids were already riding or almost riding (Teagan and Trina) but nonetheless the challenge was there for us with four brand new little ones! We luckily were able to recruit key helpers from Lapham and Marquette School and expertise from Jill, Marin and Ellis on most practices. We even had expert riders like Patricia Wilton and Marin Cohen motivate the kids showing some of their skills and answering questions. What we lacked in gym space at Lapham due to afterschool program conflicts we exceeded in energy and support from staff, children and helpers. ALL the children who took part in the program were successfully riding after the 6 week period which is a wonderful accomplishment!



Special thanks to Jill Cohen, Marin Cohen, Ellis Kondrashov, Theo Beilfuss, Sofia and Valentina Losada, Jane Coleman, Tess McGlenn, Iris Rawlings and Ava Davenport for their contributions to make this program successful.





SHOREWOOD SCHOOL PROGRAM REPORT CHAMPION - PHILLIP EDMONDS

- We span every grade level K-5 & are open to all.
- We have about 16 riders at each practice in the Shorewood Hills gym.
- Occasionally we are honored to have former Shorewood UniClub riders helping us.
- We welcome parents and helpers and anyone interested in unicycling.

We recognize

- Aiden Johnston as our most dedicated rider
- Zion Ondoma as our most improved rider
- Noa Lavi as our most tenacious, (indefatigable?) rider

VAN HISE/HAMILTON SCHOOL PROGRAM REPORT CHAMPION - TIM CONNELL

Due to space constraints, a formal program is on hold and limited to kids riding in the hallways after school.

MADUNI SUMMER CAMP Director - Patricia Wilton

Assistants Megan Johnson and Ben Hugo helped make Advanced Camp great with seventeen campers.

Beginner Camp had sixteen riders between the morning and afternoon sessions, with some campers staying all day. Thanks to the many youth who stepped up to help out for the week!

2017 Camp Dates:

Advanced Camp (Levels 3+): June 12-16, 9am - 4pm

Open Level Camps (Levels 1+): June 19-23 Morning Session: 9am - 12pm Afternoon Session: 1pm - 4pm All Day option available





LEVELS PASSED IN 2016

Tom Cicholz Kevin Coleman Iris Crabb **Griffin Glassel** Lucy Goeddel **Ryman Lollar** Zella Lollar Lyllie Sennemman **Cory Schmidt**

Kendall Schoenecker **Annika Stringer Finnian Stringer Neils Stringer** Adelyn Vaske Alexa Vaske **Eliza Williams Bo Yang**



Tom Cicholz Kevin Coleman Iris Crabb Juan Losada Tess McGlenn Jane Mileham Ryman Lollar

Shannon Sparks Kendall Schoenecker Teagan Schoenecker Will Spetz Niels Stringer Alexa Vaske



Brian Anderson Simon Anderson Tom Cicholz Jill Cohan Jane Coleman Kate Megna **Ryman Lollar** Laura Schoenecker **Teagan Schoenecker**



Mark Adams Marion Elbow Sofia Losada Sophia Reiner Laura Schoenecker Teagan Schoenecker



Ellis Kondrashov Sophia Reiner Tessa Schoenecker Zoey Yandell



None

Level 7

Sarah Yandell

Level 7



NAUCC 2016 & UNICON 18 HIGHLIGHTS

MADUNI FREESTYLE TEAM 2ND PLACE AT NAUCC 2016!



Ian Beilfuss Marin Cohan Hayden Cohan Marion Elbow Allison Johnson Lauren Johnson Megan Johnson Benji Kaufman Kissick Ellis Kondrashov Sylvie Panofsky Tessa Schoenecker Olivia Siebert Patricia Wilton Sarah Yandell **Zoey Yandell**

NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPIONS & EXPERT COMPETITORS

- Ian Beilfuss Criterium Standard
- Martin Panofsky 10k Standard, Cyclocross Standard, 800m, 400m, Muni Uphill
- Sarah Yandell 800m, 400m, 10k Standard, Criterium Standard
- **Expert Competitors** *(in addition to those already standing)* Other noteworthy appearances were given by Marin Cohan (2nd) and Olivia Siebert (3rd) who contributed to MadUni sweeping the expert podium in both the Criterium & 10k Standard. Megan Johnson also defended her placings as the second best female road racer in North America and Hayden Cohan made his individual debut onto the expert podium by placing second overall in Muni Downhill.

PATRICIA WILTON - NORTH AMERICAN CHAMPION



Experienced competitor and MadUni leader, Patricia Wilton, took home more individual North American titles than any other competitor at the event. Her **eleven** titles were in Overall Road Racing (Criterium Unlimited, 10k Unlimited, and Marathon), Overall Mountain Unicycling (Uphill, Downhill, and Cross Country), Overall Track Racing (One Foot), and Cyclocross Unlimited.

PLEASE STAND IF YOU ATTENDED NAUCC 2016!

UNICON 18 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

- **Martin Panofsky** 1st place Age Group Muni Cross Country, Muni Uphill, and Cyclocross Standard.
- **Cecil Ross** 2nd place Age Group Track Coasting. 8th Overall Male Track Coasting.
- **Patricia Wilton** 2nd place Age Group for 10k Unlimited, 3rd place in Age Group for Marathon Unlimited, Muni Cross Country, and Muni Uphill. 5th place Overall Female for 10k Unlimited and 6th place Overall Female for Marathon Unlimited.
- **Other Unicon Attendees** Hayden Cohan, Marin Cohan, Sylvie Panofsky, and George Smith

SCOTT WILTON - WORLD CHAMPION



MadUni's most decorated rider at Unicon was Scott Wilton. He received **seven** medals at this World Championship. This included becoming the World Champion in Cyclocross Standard! He also placed 2nd overall in the 10k and Marathon Unlimited, 4th overall in Muni Uphill, and made it to the finals of Muni Downhill. **Congratulations Scott!**

WI CYCLOCROSS CHAMPIONSHIPS - CARL HAM ORGANIZER



Three cheers for Carl and riders!

Top women: Sarah Yandell, Megan Johnson, Sylvie Panofsky

Top men: Scott Wilton, Martin Panofsky, George Smith, Ian Beilfuss, Ellis Kondrashov

SPECIAL AWARDS

MOST IMPROVED -BEGINNER

NIELS Stringer



MOST IMPROVED -Youth

BENJI KAUFMAN Kissick



MOST IMPROVED -Adult

BRIAN ANDERSON



HARDEST WORKER -Youth

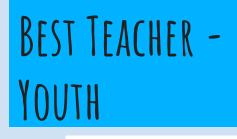
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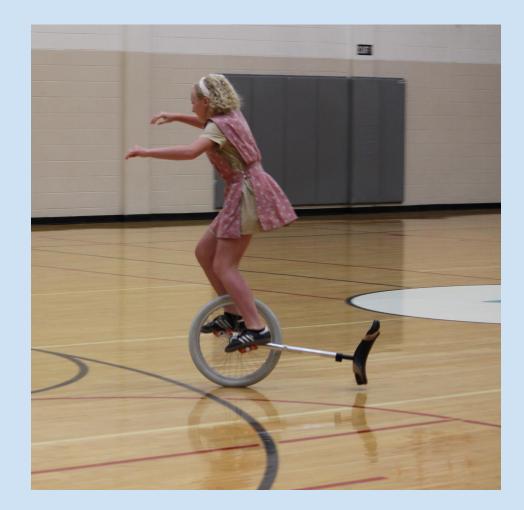
HARDEST WORKERS -Adult

JILL COHAN & KATE MEGNA





Marin Cohan



BEST TEACHER -ADULT

JUAN LOSADA



BEST LEADER BY Example

Marion Elbow



BEST LEADER BY Example

Jane Coleman





TOM CICHOSZ



SPECIAL AWARDS



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mondo 2016: February 12-14, St. Paul, MN
- Southwest Muni Fest: March 17-19, Moab, UT
- MadUni Muni Weekend: April 7-9, Black River Falls, WI
- NAUCC 2017: July 15-22, North Bend, WA

THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS: OUTGOING AND INCOMING BOD, TO TODAY'S HELPERS WITH PHOTOS, FOOD, AND AWARDS, AND FOR EVERYONE'S CONTRIBUTIONS ALL YEAR!

SUGGEST PRIORITIES FOR NEXT YEAR, NOTE VOLUNTEER INTEREST, AND SIGN-IN ON NOTEPAD ON TABLE.

MEETING ADJOURNED

