



Penn State Club Sports Program Newsletter

Upcoming Home Events

Billiards

8-Ball Tournament
HUB Corner Pocket
3/19 at 7pm

Women's Lacrosse

Home Game
Bigler East Field
3/21 at 4pm

Men's & Women's Ultimate Frisbee

Spring Fling Tourn.
Park Ave. Fields
3/21-3/22 at 10am

Softball

3 games vs Pitt
Location TBA
3/28 at 10am

Men's Volleyball

Spring Tournament
IM Building Gym 2
3/28 at 8am

Racquetball

Sheaffer Invite
IM Building Courts
3/28 at 9am

Indoor Guard

Friends & Family
Show
126 White Bldg. at
12pm

Featured Club of the Month: Rifle Club



The Penn State Rifle Club's mission is to educate individuals about the safe handling of precision air rifles and .22 small-bore rifles, as well as inform shooters of scholastic opportunities, training, and competitions available to them at Penn State.

The club recently traveled to Boston, where MIT hosted the Bean Pot tournament. They won not only against MIT, but against other teams like the Coast Guard Academy and the John Jay School of Justice. This win helped qualify them for the Mid-Atlantic Rifle Conference Championships in March.

Rifle Club is always open to new members. They practice in Room 33 of the White Building and all equipment is provided for use by members. Meetings/practices are held Monday evenings (7-11 p.m.) and Thursday evenings (8-11 p.m.). If you have any questions or wish to know more about the Rifle Club, contact Ryan Guffey at rjg5056@psu.edu or visit their website! (www.clubs.psu.edu/up/rifleteam)

Competition Results/Statistics



On January 24, members of the Penn State **Badminton Club** competed in the Mainline Doubles Tournament in Bryn Mawr, PA. Prabhu Ramamoorthy and Rajat Garg won second place in the Men's Doubles division B. Vincent Li & Joseph Chung won second place in the Men's Doubles division C.

At a recent tournament, **Club Wrestling** member Paul Hollowell (last year's Club Sports Program male athlete of the year) won the 149lb weight class and Garrick Stafford won the heavyweight class. Brian Goeringer received 4th place at 184lb. Overall, The team placed 4th against some of the best NCWA teams in the state and finished only 5.5 points behind the 3rd place winners. Also On February 14th the club won the PA State Tournament. They finished with 96.5 points.



Dates of Interest

3/23/09

CSAC Meeting
158 Willard Bldg.
7pm

4/3/09

08-09 Club Award Nominations Deadline
Forms to be turned in at the Club Sports desk by 5pm

4/16/09

Club Sports Program Honors Reception
Mt. Nittany Club in Beaver Stadium
7pm

**Dates will soon be released for '09-'10 Classification and Allocation form deadlines. Please keep an eye on your email and the Club Sports Program website for announcements and deadlines!*

On February 28th, the **Figure Skating Club** competed in the 2009 Penn Quaker Classic at the University of Pennsylvania. Among many placings, the ladies won 4th place in the Team Maneuver Event with Kristin Holsing, Kristin Marzin, Kelsey Hoffman, Jess Shulik, and Nathalie Slick.



On January 31st, **Men's Club Volleyball** traveled to West Virginia to compete in a tournament hosted by James Madison University. 24th ranked Penn State won against #16 Virginia Tech in the semi-finals and went on to beat #5 JMU for the title in the tournament.

On February 28th, the team came out 5-0 in the EIVA Central Divisional Play Date, beating the University of Pennsylvania, Temple, University of Delaware, Navy, and University of Maryland.



Women's Club Lacrosse had their first game on February 28th hosted by Hofstra University. PSU beat Hofstra 13-7, despite the cold weather. Even though Hofstra is not part of their division, it was still an important win as they might see them at Regionals this spring.

Recently, **Mens Club Water Polo** hosted an invitational at McCoy Natatorium. They finished 2nd out of 7 teams. The invitational was refereed by volunteers from around the state and teams came from as far as Virginia, Virginia Tech and Bowling Green State (Ohio) to play.

Reminders

If your club has any pictures that you would like to be shown at this year's Club Sports Program Honors Reception, please send them to Alix or Brandon. (arr5056@psu.edu, bcd5020@psu.edu)



CSAC Meetings: CSAC meetings are held once a month and require attendance from all Penn State club sport organizations. If you miss more than 2 meetings a year, the CSAC will deduct \$50.00 from your club's allocation account the following year. Please make sure that all CSAC representative and alternate forms are up-to-date and turned into the office. **The next meeting is Monday, March 23 at 7pm in 158 Willard.** If you are a representative or alternate and you are not receiving the CSAC list serv e-mails, please contact us.

Clubs Who Participated in THON:

Wmn's. Basketball
Boxing
Cheerleading
Crew
Cross Country
Equestrian
Field Hockey
Gymnastics
Men's Lacrosse
Women's Lacrosse
Powerlifting
Sailing
Ski Team
Snowboard
Men's Soccer
Women's Soccer
Softball
Squash
Swimming
Synchro. Swim
Tae Kwon Do
Tennis
Men's Volleyball
Wmn's. Volleyball
Men's Water Polo
Wmns. Water Polo

Club Sports Program at THON



Congratulations to all of our club sport dancers in this year's 46 hour dance maraTHON. With the help of your clubs efforts, Penn State raised over 7.4 million dollars to benefit the Four Diamonds Fund! Many thanks to those who came out to support all of the dancers, whether you brought a bouncy ball, Sudoku,

a favorite snack, or lended your strength to give a piggy back, it goes without saying that the dancers couldn't have done it without you!



Men's and Women's Lax
 The clubs raised \$18,300, which was a large improvement from last year. Congratulations to Sarah Clarke who represented the women's club as a dancer and did an amazing job!

Club Volleyball!
 Brandon Dalton and Calise Costello both danced this year for volleyball and did a fantastic job! They were volleyball's first THON dancers ever!

Club Swimming
 Their creative supporters were the ones in the stands with the blue waves! A lot of swimming alumni support as well as glittered dancer mail helped them get through the 46 hours.

Club Water Polo
 The clubs raised \$6,184.55 and had a blast doing it. Their invitational at McCoy Natatorium raised about \$2,000.00 to benefit THON. After a successful canning weekend, the team plays guitars around a campfire to celebrate how much they raised as a team.



Quote of the Month

"Champions aren't made in the gyms. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them -- a desire, a dream, a vision."

-Muhammad Ali

Announcements

If you're interested in helping at Late Night White Building as a part of **community service for your club**, contact Joe Donald (White Building Coordinator) at jxd176@psu.edu.



Sign up to sell tickets for the State College **Spikes game on August 31, 2009**. This will act as a fundraiser for your club and is a great way to start off the semester in terms of *recruitment!*

This year's **Club Sports Program Honors Reception** will be held on Thursday, April 16th in the Mount Nittany Club of Beaver Stadium from 7-10 PM. All officers who attended officer training will be offered a ticket. The reception includes club recognition, awards, dancing and refreshments.

Take the Quiz! *How much do you know about Penn State Football?*

Questions of the Week:

1. Who did Penn State play in their first collegiate football game?
 - a. Pitt
 - b. Lehigh
 - c. Bucknell
 - d. Dickinson
2. Who was the first Big Ten team that Penn State faced in a bowl game?
 - a. Michigan
 - b. Illinois
 - c. Michigan State
 - d. Ohio State
3. What was Joe Paterno's major at Brown University?
 - a. English
 - b. Accounting
 - c. Psychology
 - d. Biology

Read next week's newsletter to find out the answers!

Meet the Staff



Jessica Havern is from Waterford, PA majoring in health policy administration and will graduate with her masters in health administration from Penn State in 2010. She danced in THON in 2008 and was a communications committee member for THON 2009. She is also the vice president of Master of Health Administration Association and a member of Campus Crusaders for Christ. Her hobbies include volleyball, reading, "Grey's Anatomy," and of course, tailgating. She has been working for the Penn State Club Sports Program since last fall. In between processing your paper work she can help answer any question you have, so stop by the office and say "hello" to Jess!

For the Students, By the Students.

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<http://www.athletics.psu.edu/recreation/csindex.asp>

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