

November 20, 2011

District Board Meeting Report

1. The District Board voted at the November Board Meeting to allow Lexington to Host the 2014 Grand National Teams (GNT's) . A rotation between the Units is recommended and any Unit wanting to get in the rotation is to make a presentation showing capability to the District Board.
2. In 2016, the Cincinnati Regional and the Lexington May Sectional were inadvertently placed on the same date. A. J. Stephanie and Terrell Holt to resolve. Terrell has been in communication with A.J. and the Cincinnati Regional Chair to keep the Lexington May Sectional dates as normal the weekend following Mother's Day.
3. Bob Lyons is retiring from the Tournament Scheduling job effective January 1, 2012. A. J. Stephanie, the Cincinnati Unit President has taken this position for the future.
4. Indianapolis wants to switch their Sectional and Regional dates due to fears of ice storms in March. This is still being worked on.
5. Regional Tournament Attendance Trends:
 - a. Gatlinburg.....Down 10% in 2011
 - b. Cincinnati.....Down 25% in 2011
 - c. Indianapolis.....Down 1% in 2011
 - d. Dayton.....Up 4-5% in 2011 (Attributed to Gold Rush Pairs)
 - e. Louisville / Lexington..... Down 10.9% in 2011 (Attributed to I-75 Bridge Out)
6. Bill Higgins has resigned as the GNT Coordinator. Kit Overpeck will take over this function.
7. Beth Reid reported that the National Board is recommending we take a look at Regional Schedules for 10:00, 2:30 and 7:30 to try to improve attendance. Our players are getting older and do not want to play at night. New events are suggested to be moved to 10:00 from the 1:30 time frame. This is still being studied.