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The Newsletter of the
Kansas City Flying Disc Club

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KANSAS CITY DISC GOLF DAY MAY 17, 2008 • ROSEDALE PARK • 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Kansas City Flying Disc Club cordially invites EVERY Disc Golfer to celebrate disc golf in Kansas City at the 4th Annual Kansas City Disc Golf Day. Proceeds from this event go towards the PDGA Professional and Amateur World Championships, which will be hosted by the KCFDC in July of 2009, when nearly 1,000 golfers will be in town for an entire week. Here's what there is:

- Commemorative tee shirt and golf disc for \$15.00.
- Play a round, keep score, and enter your scorecard in a raffle.
- Fun frisbee games like Saucer Tossler Golf, Arm Chair Mini Guts, Mini Golf.
 - Play Catch! Invent Games! Have Your Distance Measured!
 - KCFDC Picnic—sponsored in part by Boulevard.



At noon, the annual KCFDC spring picnic begins. This is free for active KCFDC members. To encourage the growth of the Club, the cost of a new membership for those buying a Disc Golf Day package is \$15, a savings of \$5.00. Otherwise, the picnic, which will include grilled meat, a variety of sides from contributing KCFDC members, and Boulevard Beer and soft drinks, will cost \$7.00. Note: as the shelter was rented, we're hanging out near the first tee. Bring your lawn chairs!



Schedule: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. — Sign up. Play a round. Noon-1:30 p.m. — Picnic
11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. — Games. 3:30 p.m. — Raffle for golf and games participants.



26TH KANSAS CITY WIDE OPEN NATIONAL TOUR AND SUPERTOUR



- Minimum \$4000 added in pro divisions.
- 110% of entry fee payout for ams, including players packages.
 - All pros play four rounds. All ams play five rounds.
 - Saturday-night party!
- Warm up for the 2009 World Championships in 2009.
- Beautiful and challenging courses: Water Works, Rosedale, Swope, Wyco, Prairie Center, and Blue Valley.

There are three major ways to support Kansas City's most prestigious and oldest event: volunteering to help, sponsoring, or playing. You can accomplish two out of three of these by getting your employer to become a tee sign sponsor for only \$300. Besides getting exposure of the sponsoring business, you get your entry fee paid into the event. For more information, to volunteer, or for other sponsorship opportunities, contact tournament director Dan Cashen at dcashen@tmsmech.com or 913-649-8183 or go to <http://www.kcfdc.org>.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION: To register online, go to <http://www.pdgasignup.com>. Or send check or money order to the KCFDC, PO BOX 025678, KCMO 64102. Please include your contact information, tee shirt size, division, and PDGA#. You must be a current member to play in this event. Entry fees are: open—\$135; pro women, masters, grandmasters, senior grandmasters—\$100; advanced—men, women, masters, women's masters, grandmasters—\$65; intermediate men and women—\$45. Tee Sign Sponsorship (includes one paid entry)—\$300. Must have 4 to open a division.

From the KCFDC President

by Rick Rothstein

It took a little longer than usual for the KCFDC to hold its annual election meeting, but in early February, about 30 people showed up at the Westin Crown Center on an icy evening and the people shown in the adjacent chart were duly elected. Jack Lowe, who had been KCFDC President for an unprecedented six straight years, was willing to run for yet another term, but I volunteered to take the helm for one term to allow Jack to concentrate more fully on the 2009 Pro & Amateur World Championships.

The goals for my term of office are to increase communication, get more players into organized events, to increase the club active membership roster to over 300, and to try to lessen the inevitable post-event let-down that inevitably occurs after a club hosts a major event like the World Championships.

In terms of communication, we are doing a better job of keeping our website, KCFDC.org, updated and so far this season, we've been getting a monthly calendar out. If you want late-breaking news about tournaments, leagues, and other topics (and/or a chance to talk smack), the best place to learn more is at the DISCUSSION section at <http://www.kcfdc.org>. Also, we are continuing to update our email lists of golfers and have been sending out notices of events a couple or three times a month. Issuing more frequent newsletters like this one is a goal, but not an easy one. If anyone reading this would like to become more involved in helping us get newsletters published, please let us know.

Even though this spring has been exceptionally cool and rainy, league play has been strong with lots of new players giving it a try, and thus, amateur divisions at most leagues have rebounded. As more ams play, we can make that competition fairer by opening intermediate and/or novice divisions if warranted. Everybody who has played in league and local events now has a player rating that is somewhat analogous to the ratings given out by the PDGA. In fact, John Chapman has been applying the PDGA ratings formula to make this happen. We used these numbers to form doubles teams at Rosedale league the last Wednesday of April. We'll be doing that again at the end of May.

As of May 12, our active membership number is 247, the most ever. With Disc Golf Day coming up with its special offer of \$15 memberships for new members, we will be well on our way of reaching our goal of 300 by year's end. The importance of a large and effective KCFDC cannot be overstated. Sure,



Executive Committee of the KCFDC

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there are tangible benefits for members like discounts on entry fees and merchandise and a picnic and free entry into the KCFDC championships. But it's who we are collectively as the KCFDC that is of the upmost importance when we connect with the many governmental entities who manage the land upon which our disc golf courses reside. It's really quite simple: a KCFDC that represents more avid disc golfers will be more effective when lobbying for scarce funds to maintain our current courses and to procure more. So, please keep your membership active, and if you find yourself in love with disc golf and haven't joined the club yet, please do so.

While it is free to play disc golf in Kansas City, there is a behind-the-scenes cost to keeping the courses maintained and playable. Most of this cost is volunteer labor—be it emptying trash at Swope and Water Works, building bridges and fighting erosion at Rosedale, or working with our new suburban partners in Lee's Summit, Pleasant Hill, and Shawnee Mission Park to make these courses as good as they can be. If you want to get involved with any aspect of managing disc golf in Kansas City—improving and maintaining our courses; communicating via the web or written word; planning or running tournaments, leagues, or social events; member recruitment, etc.—please give me a call or contact the course coordinator at your favorite course.

Please remember that if it were not for the many dedicated and unselfish volunteers through the years, there would be no pro shop and deck at Swope, no course maps at Rosedale and Water Works, no stairs at Rosedale, no

Down Under or Blue Valley or Cliff Drive or Pleasant Hill. One last thing: whether or not you are a Club member or want to be a Club member, if you have some ideas about how disc golf can be even better in Kansas City, please give me a call.

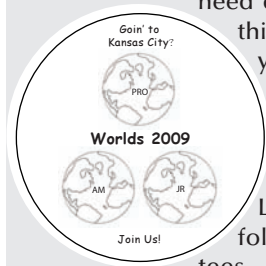
WHERE TO BUY DISCS IN KANSAS CITY. We recommend supporting these local businesses: *Oklahoma Joe's BBQ*, 47th & Mission RD, KCK. *It's A Beautiful Day*, 3918 Broadway, KCMO. *Red-X*, 2401 NW Platte Rd, Riverside, MO. *Nick's Outfitters*, 210 N State Route 7, Pleasant Hill, MO; *Disc Golf World*, 509 E 18th St, KCMO. Discs are usually for sale at at these leagues: Prairie Center, Swope, Rosedale, Wyco, and Water Works. There are also discs for sale at Dick's Sporting Goods, a national chain.

Worlds, Worlds Worlds in KC in 2009 – HELP WANTED!

The combined Professional, Amateur, and Junior Worlds Championships will be in Kansas City from July 25-August 1, 2009. While the KCFDC is no stranger to large events with the 1999 and 2003 Am Worlds and 25 KC Wide Opens on our resumé, this event will likely draw no fewer than 900 players, and conceivably could be the first combined Worlds to top the 1000-player mark. Regardless of what the final numbers are, we have lots to get done to ensure that we not only run a smooth event, but that everyone who is associated with the Worlds—players, staff, spectators, and sponsors, are "WOW'd by the experience?"

While there have been a couple of brief meetings where the committee chairpersons below were named, the Worlds' work begins in earnest following the Wide Open. As it is literally an "all hands on deck" situation in order for us to be ready for this huge undertaking, we need each of you to be

thinking about how you want to be part of this historic event. Tournament Director Jack Lowe says, "All the following committees share the same goal: to make everyone here a Winner of Worlds (WOW). This group will meet collectively once a month for the rest of the



summer, but as the 2008 season winds down, we will pump that up. We do not need nor want one or two people doing all of the work, so if there is an area or two that you can help in, please contact either the chair or me."

Jack Lowe, Tournament Director—Pros and Sponsorship Chairperson: 913.485.5123, jlowekc@att.net. Tasks: creating sponsorship materials and "hitting the streets" for sponsors—especially, but not limited to restaurants and bars. The host hotel is the Westin Crown Center, which means there's are literally hundreds of entertainment establishments within a few miles of the Westin.

John Chapman, Tournament Director—Ams and Competition-Courses Chairperson: 816.471.3472, john@discgolfworld.com. Tasks: Selecting which courses are to be used and then having them in the highest state of readiness possible.

Becky Stebbins, Hospitality-Entertainment Chairperson: 785.250.8300, borntoshimmer2003@yahoo.com. While golf is the reason people come to the Worlds, there is still plenty of time for off-the-course fun, including parties, players meetings, the Fly Mart, and other related activities.

Rick Rothstein, Merchandise Chairperson: 816.471.3472, rick@discgolfworld.com. The more creative the artwork we put on a variety of merchandise items, the more we will sell. Better sales equals enhanced amenities. We need art...NOW! I came up with the graphic that adorns this article. We can and must do better than this!

Chris Timko, Internet Communications Chairperson: 870.834.4569, cstimko@gmail.com. Besides overseeing the Worlds Web presence, this committee will ensure that all information concerning the tournament is concise and accurate for the many people who will be looking for online information. This group will also help in the development of web-based travel plans.

Vicki Keck, Medical Matters (contact Jack for more information). This group will basically ensure that we are equipped to handle most medical needs and to work in conjunction with local emergency response teams. Many volunteers will receive CPR training including a strong understanding of heat related illnesses.

Committees That Need Chairing

Communications: Working closely with the other committees, this committee is charged with such projects as the Tournament Program, a Caddy Book, and perhaps something like the, "Thirty Things To Do in Kansas City that You Did Not Know About!" list, which would be essentially a print/media guide group for all things Kansas City and disc golf during the week.

Juniors/Bussing: This group's purpose is to provide guidance and hospitality for the junior division players. Jack anticipates some assistance from the KC area Kiwanis Clubs in this area, so coordinating with these groups will be part of the committee's mission, as well as securing bussing (or other transportation) for these divisions.

Road Tripping

Many KCFDC members have been traveling to out-of-own tournament this year. Disc golf roadtrips are loads of fun as well as a chance to make new friends, re-unite with old ones, and best of all, to play new courses.

We congratulate the following KC road warriors for their outstanding play and victories: Dave Hemmeline-open, Ron Klein-adv masters, Nick Winkelbauer-intermediate, and Tony Dutiel-recreational at the Glass Blown Open SuperTour; Leslie Palmer-women's recreational at the Bowling Green Open A-Tier; Fred Smith-open at the Jefferson Barracks Open C-tier, and Tavish Sanders-pro women at the Spring Fling C-Tier.

[HTTP://WWW.KCFDC.ORG](http://www.kcfdc.org)

2008 Kansas City Disc Golf Tournament Schedule

5/17	Kansas City Disc Golf Day	Water Works	Tavish Sanders	913.449.8381	tavsanders@yahoo.com
5/18	Afternoon Delite #2	Pleasant Hill	Dan Coffman	816.210.1063	dclabe@yahoo.com
6/7	KC Wide Open ^{POGA}	Many of them	Dan Cashen	913.638.6399	dcashen@tmsmech.com
6/15	Afternoon Delite #3	Pleasant Hill	Dan Coffman	816.210.1063	dclabe@yahoo.com
6/21	Solstice Doubles	Swope	Sean Gibson	816.588.3472	discgolf@gmail.com
7/6	Sun Burn Open ^{POGA}	Blue Valley	Jack Lowe	913.485.5123	jlowekc@att.net
7/19	H2Open	Water Works	Rick Rothstein	816.471.3472	rick@discgolfworld.com
7/20*	Afternoon Delite #4	Pleasant Hill	Dan Coffman	816.210.1063	dclabe@yahoo.com
8/2	Olathe Open ^{POGA}	Prairie Center	Rick Rothstein	816.471.3472	rick@discgolfworld.com
8/23	Lions Den	Cliff Drive	Jack Lowe	913.485.5123	jlowekc@att.net
9/20	City of Fountains ^{POGA}	Cliff Drive/Blue Valley	Jack Lowe	913.485.5123	jlowekc@att.net
9/28	Rosedale Amateur Championships	Rosedale	Rick Rothstein	816.471.3472	rick@discgolfworld.com
10/12-13	KCFDC Championships	TBA	John Chapman	816.471.3472	john@discgolfworld.com
10/25	Day Glow	Water Works	Ted Keith	816.452.3016	tedkeith@sbcglobal.net

*Tentative

Kansas City Leagues					
Monday	6:00 pm*	Prairie Center	Bob Hayett	913.888.8863	bobormariaqe@everestkc.net
Monday	5:30 pm	Rosedale New Players**	Steve Harris	816.985.1884	
Tuesday	6:00 pm	Swope	Matt Hays	816.590.6360	matt@foretrenty.com
Wednesday	6:00 pm	Rosedale	John Chapman	816.471.3472	john@discgolfworld.com
Thursday	6:00 pm	Water Works	Ted Keith	816.452.3016	tedkeith@sbcglobal.net
Friday	6:00 pm	Wyandotte County	Tracy Walker	913.441.0653	tdubdisc@gmail.com
Saturday	10.00 am	Cliff Drive/Blue Valley***	Mike Penney	816.356.4523	mikepenney93@hotmail.com
Sunday	Noon	Pleasant Hill	Dan Coffman	816.210.1063	dclabe@yahoo.com

* Please register 15 minutes prior to time listed or call the league director. **League entry is \$5 except for New Players which is free. ***Blue Valley is on May 31.

Regional Events

5-24/25	First Class Credit Union Challenge	Des Moines, IA	Joe Wiley	319.331.5905	joecool8482@yahoo.com
5-31/6-1	Doo-Dah Open	Wichita, KS	Bob Decker	316-683.5064	rdecker@hiebertcpa.com
6/14	Star City Shootout	Lincoln, NE	Andy Essink	402.770.7392	are46@hotmail.com
6/28	The Rock	Salina, KS	Brandon MaceB	785-825-4495	brandonmaceman@sbcglobal.net
7-12/13	Mid-America Open	Columbia, MO	Mark Ehlert	573.474.9363	markehlert@yahoo.com

Mini Box Scores — Kansas City

Leap Daze Open

Rosedale - March 2 - 28 players
 Arturo Villarreal - open - 98
 Marshal Wolfe - advanced - 112
 Caleb Walker - intermediate - 118
 Corinna West - women - 168

Kan-U-WyCo

Wyandotte County - March 9 - 98 players
 David Hemmeline - open - 100
 Randy Brown - masters - 107
 Chris Wiggins - advanced - 107
 Ken Hostetler - adv masters - 125
 Andy Jewett - intermediate - 115
 Leslie Palmer - int. women - 160
 Caleb Walker - recreational - 128
 Steve Flowers - novice - 131

Down Under Invitational

Rosedale Down Under - March 30 - 34 players
 Arturo Villarreal - open - 93

Eric Garberg - masters - 107
 Tavish Sanders - women - 112
 Dick Parker - advanced - 105
 Ryan Oldham - intermediate - 111

Redbud Open

Ted's Dread - April 14 - 37 players
 Fred Smith - open - 116
 Tavish Sanders - women - 139
 Andy Jewett - advanced - 132
 Kyle Rodecap - intermediate - 131
 Ryan Muenkes - novice - 149

FLHW.org Prostate Cancer Doubles Shootout

Pleasant Hill - April 21 - 50 players
 Team Easy3 - Arturo Villarreal/David
 Hemmeline - A Flight Champions - 117
 Team This Bud's For You-Roy
 Nestlerode/Bud Stump - B Flight Champions
 - 96
 Team Kolkmeier - Andrea/Eric Kolkmeier - C
 Flight Champions - 105
 \$2000 raised for FLHW.org.

Swope Spring Renewal Pairs Championships

Swope - April 26 - 110 players
 Otto Spiers/Todd Henry - open - 82
 Dan Cashen/Rick Rothstein - 100-year divi-
 sion - 98
 Jeff Whorton/Tom Mollenkamp - amateur -
 90
 Becky Stebbins/Jon Stebbins - mixed - 112
 Nick King/Ben Hilleary - student - 115
 Travis O'Dell/Walter Bleser - Corporate
 Challenge
 Men Rd 1 - 58
 Chris Timko/Paul Reeter - Corporate
 Challenge Men
 Rd 2 - 44
 Liz Borg-Bowman/Stacy Clifton - Corporate
 Challenge
 Women Rd 1 - 74
 Liz Borg-Bowman/Stacy Clifton - Corporate
 Challenge
 Women Rd 2 - 69

Mighty MO

Water Works & Cliff Drive - April 10- 71
 players
 Eric McCabe - open - 99
 Liz Lopez - pro women - 126
 Pete Cashen - pro masters - 110
 Tom Mollenkamp - advanced - 108
 Tom Butler - advanced masters - 113
 Aaron Johnson - intermediate - 110
 Leslie Palmer - intermediate women - 153
 Frosty Hicks - recreational - 134

Ice Bowl 2008

Rosedale Park - January 27
 295 players, helpers and/or contributors.
 \$4020 raised for the Bishop Sullivan Center
 and FLHW.org. Bryan Guthrie wins the
 Champagne Traveling Trophy. Bill Turner
 wins the chili contest. Nearly 40 people
 brought food to share and everyone got to
 eat. Eric Garberg wins the DISCatcher in the
 CTP contest. Congratulations Kansas City.

ACE POOLS AS OF MAY 12, 2008: Prairie Center—\$188, Swope—\$397; Rosedale—\$467; Water Works—\$653; Wyandotte—\$1932; Cliff Drive/Blue Valley—\$468. Each league has an ongoing ace pool. The \$1 entry is optional. If the person who has neetered the Ace pool gets a hole-in-one, he/she receives 1/2 of the current ace pool after a year's KCFDC dues are extracted. Aces so far this year have been #2 at Rosedale by Justin Starks, using a Pro Wraith (skipped in), good for \$235 and #5 at Prairie Center by Leo Daprato, using a Force, good for \$128. Andy Lewis aced #7 (with a bounce-in thumber) at Rosedale but not in league or tournament play.

Kansas City Flying Disc Club Membership Application

Name _____ Gender: M ___ F ___ Address _____
 City/State _____ Zip _____ Date of Birth _____ Home Phone (____) _____
 Work Phone (____) _____ E-mail _____

May we send your copy of Chain Mail, the club newsletter, electronically? _____

May we publish your home or work phone in the newsletter periodically? _____ Home or work? _____

Course Affiliations (mark all that apply): Swope ___; Prairie Center ___; Rosedale ___; Water Works ___; Wyandotte County ___; Cliff Drive ___; Blue Valley ___; William Yates Elementary ___; Shawnee Mission Park; ___ Pleasant Hill ___

I might be able to help in these areas (mark all that apply): ___ Membership recruitment. ___ Run and/or staff an event or league. ___ Merchandise sales. ___ Course maintenance. ___ Helping with social events (picnic, parties). ___ Helping with communications (newsletters, web site, etc.) ___ Other (Let us know.) I don't have time to help out. Please accept my donation of \$ _____. Keep up the good work!

[] New member - \$20.00. You receive a lifetime membership number, club membership card, newsletter, a club picnic, discounts on merchandise and entries at all leagues some other events, an automatic invitation to the KCFDC Championships, voting privileges, a mini, the opportunity to participate in the Bag Tag Challenge, and the privilege to join others to work for the betterment of disc sports in KC

[] Renewing member - \$20.00. Please fill out completely if your membership information above has changed.

[] Family Membership - \$30.00. Same privileges as above for entire family (single family household). List the names of the other family members on the back.

[] Bag Tag - \$5.00.

Make checks payable to the Kansas City Flying Disc Club. Mail to KCFDC, P. O. Box 025678, Kansas City, MO 64102. Visit www.kcfdc.org. FFI: 816.471.3472.

Amount Received: _____ . Date Received _____ . Mini given? _____ ? Membership card given? _____ . Received by _____ .

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