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Top 30 Participation Activities in the U.S.

Fitness activities and outdoor pursuits are the two categories now attracting the highest level of interest among sports participants in the U.S. Below are the top 30 sport and recreational endeavors in the US based on 2002 participation.

SPORT	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS (IN MILLIONS AGED 6+)
1. Bowling	53.2
2. Treadmill Exercise	43.4
3. Freshwater Fishing (not Fly)	42.6
4. Tent Camping	40.3
5. Billiards/Pool	39.5
6. Stretching	38.4
7. Fitness Walking	38.0
8. Day Hiking	36.8
9. Basketball	36.6
10. Running/Jogging	35.9
11. Stationary Cycling*	29.1
12. Dumbbells	28.9
13. Hand Weights	28.5
14. Weight/Resistance Machines	27.8
14. Golf	27.8
16. Calisthenics	26.9
17. Barbells	24.8
18. Inline Skating	21.6
19. Darts	19.7
20. RV Camping	18.7
21. Target Shooting (Pistol, rifle)	17.6
21. Soccer	17.6
23. Abdominal Machine/Device	17.4
24. Hunting (Shotgun/Rifle)	16.5
25. Tennis	16.4
26. Touch Football	14.9
26. Saltwater Fishing	14.9
28. Horseback Riding	14.6
29. Fitness Swimming	14.5
30. Ice Skating	14.5

Source: SGMA International's annual Superstudy of Sports Participation conducted by American Sports Data, Inc., which monitors 103 sports and fitness activities.

* (Recumbent, spinning, upright)

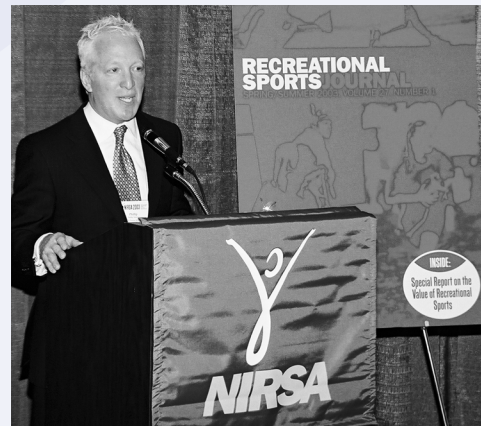


Journal Publishes Benchmark Study on Value of Recreational Sports

At a press conference at the 2003 NIRSA Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition, officials of NIRSA unveiled the 2003 Spring/Summer edition of the *Recreational Sports Journal*. This issue of *RSJ* contains the "Value of Recreational Sports on College Campuses" study conducted by Kerr & Downs Research in Tallahassee, Florida.

The nationwide study reveals that students who participate in recreational sports and fitness activities are more likely to succeed at their college work and be more satisfied with their overall college experience. With data collected from more than 2,600 students at 16 colleges, this independently conducted study is the largest of its kind.

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Dr. Phillip Downs of Kerr & Downs Research presents report at NIRSA Press Conference

2003 NIRSA Honor Award Recipient - Natalie Kovac, CRSS

NIRSA Honor Award Committee Chair, Hazel S. Varner, made the following presentation:

"It is an honor and a privilege to present the 2003 National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association Honor Award to someone who is held in such high regard by NIRSA members. We appreciate the years of dedication, service, and hard work given by this individual."



This innovative, highly productive professional leader became a role model, early on, in the development of students in recreational sports programs on college campuses. As an active member of NIRSA since 1977, this outstanding leader served on several NIRSA committees, presented at regional and national conferences, authored several articles and co-edited NIRSA publications. Our awardee received the NIRSA Outstanding Service award, both as a student and as a professional.

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Clark Atlanta University Hosts Packed 2003 ERSI Conference

The 75 professional NIRSA members and students who attended the February Emerging Recreational Sports Leaders conference in Atlanta came away with new skills and new contacts. Hosted by Clark Atlanta University, the goals of the event were not only to renew and foster relations with Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU's), but also to encourage the attending graduate assistants to consider health, wellness and recreation as a career. The NIRSA recreational sports directors, primarily from Regions I, II, and III, also urged the students to obtain further education beyond a bachelor's degree.

"Sessions focused on careers in recreation, leadership development skills, and succeeding as a graduate assistant. These students might only have experience on a smaller university...we wanted them to know that recreational sports is not only a big business on big campuses, but ultimately it is a good career," says Damon Brown, ERSI Coordinator from Central Michigan University.

During this year's two-day conference, NIRSA professionals from around the country served as educators, role models and mentors, sharing their

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Attending the press conference ceremony were:

- Dr. Tim Hudson, Provost, University of Southern Mississippi, Hattiesburg, MS
- Dr. Glenn Nicholls, Vice President for Student Affairs, Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, OH
- Dr. Phillip Downs, author of the study and partner with Kerr & Downs Research, Tallahassee, FL

- Brian Carswell, NIRSA President, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
- Wayne Harper, Chair, NIRSA Foundation, University of Louisiana (Lafayette)
- Other NIRSA officials and members.

Additional copies of the *RSJ* are available to members free while they last by calling the NNC at (541) 766-8211. The study is available for download in the "Members Only" section at nirsa.org.

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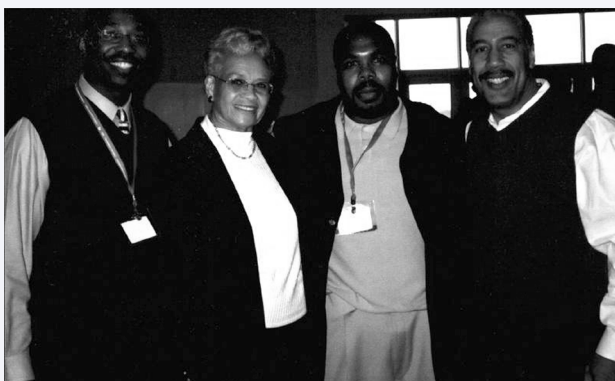
expertise and experiences with the student participants.

The topics varied: National Student Representative, Dirron Allen (Mississippi State), detailed the history of NIRSA, while both incoming president, Sid Gonsoulin (University of Southern Mississippi) and Dr. Kent J. Blumenthal, NIRSA executive director, discussed current trends in the Association.

Region III Vice President Stan Shingles (Central Michigan University) and Fabian DeRozario (Golden Key – National Honor Society) demonstrated ways to communicate for positive results. J.R. Rathjens, Ben Jordan-Downs, and Dan Goldberg, all graduate assistants from The Ohio State University, gave a presentation titled "The Grad School Experience."

Ernita Hemmitt from Clark Atlanta University described effective interview techniques and tips for writing a successful résumé: Demond Pryor, a graduate assistant at Central Michigan University, talked about ways to market yourself in recreational sports; and Damon Brown wrapped up the event with his presentation, "Turning Your Dreams into Reality."

"One of the most effective parts of the conference was the mock interviews we held for the students that was coordinated by Kenneth Hill, assistant director of intramurals at The Ohio State University," says Brown. "They learned how to how to prepare a



Damon Brown, Lee Wasson, Devin White (Host School Coordinator), and Dr. Dennis Kimbro (Keynote Speaker)

résumé, conduct themselves when applying for a job, and effective communications tips."

The Emerging Recreational Sports Leaders Conference continues to serve as a vehicle to educate students and professionals about the rich and exciting history of NIRSA. In 2004, the 13th Annual ERS� Conference is February 6-7 at Clark Atlanta University. For questions, contact: Damon Brown, Mt. Pleasant, MI at (989) 774-3689.

The ERS� Vision

The first ERS� conference back in 1992 was the vision of Mike Dunn, director of Recreational Sports, The Ohio State University and the Association. It was organized as a forum for "information exchange, education, discussion, critical communication, and positive dialogue for those interested in the field." The ERS� conferences are patterned on the same principles that NIRSA founder Dr. William Wasson had back in 1950 when he convened the first meeting of 20 intramural directors from eleven HBCU's so that "information and idea exchange" could take place.

'03-'04 Committee Chairs*

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Floor/Ice/Roller Hockey: Jeff Dvorak, University of Wisconsin (Madison)

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Sport Club Championship: Howard Taylor, Arizona State University

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Standards: Kathryn Bayless, Indiana University (Bloomington)

Student Leadership & Academic Awards: Kim Clark, University of Arizona

Student Professional Development: Troy Vaughn, Ball State University

Volleyball: TBA

*Committees subject to change

**Sub-chair

Honor Award

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We have all benefited from the work of this person who has served with distinction and who deserves our special recognition. One past president remembers that: "She is a great listener and problem solver seeking win-win outcomes in challenging situations." Another states: "She always gave her undivided attention to each NIRSA member. She worked incredibly hard behind the scenes so that the conference and office processes were flawless."

The past executive director of NIRSA wrote: "Her responsibilities over the years included the development and supervision of every facet of NIRSA as NIRSA emerged as a dynamic national and international organization. She was a principal player in the development of every major and minor program or service developed by NIRSA during her tenure."

Our Honor Award winner served as the assistant executive director of NIRSA from 1987 to the year 2000. We are pleased to present the 2003 NIRSA Honor Award to a most deserving Natalie Kovac."

2003 NIRSA Honor Award Committee: Hazel S. Varner, Chair; Members include: Stan Campbell, Larry Preo, Judy Yeast, and Christopher Wise.

NIRSA Honor Award Criteria

Complete guidelines governing nominations are on the NIRSA website at nirsa.org. Submit nominations for the 2004 Honor Award by **December 15, 2003** to Honor Award Committee Chair, Stan Campbell, CRSS, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (scampbell1@unl.edu).

NIRSA's Latest Certified Members

Congratulations go to the Association's newest Certified Recreational Sports Specialists (CRSS) for their success and competence.

Michael Beal
Eric Corbitt
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Tara Parker
Serafim Thomas
Terry Huntley
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For an exam application, study guide and testing dates, contact Eileen Shufelt at the NNC or eileens@nirsa.org.

The passing rate for first-time test takers at the 2003 Annual Conference exam was 65%.

National Executive Development Institute Debuts at Annual Conference

For the first time, the National Executive Development Institute (NEDI) took place in conjunction with the Annual Conference.

"The 2003 Program Committee wanted to provide our members with a way to get a double 'bang for their bucks' in this tight economy," says Karen Bach, NIRSA education director. "Having these two educational events combined as one afforded many attendees the opportunity to take advantage of the two events in the wake of cutbacks in travel and professional development."

Held all day Friday and Saturday, this year's NEDI provided an opportunity for interactive instruction as it focused discussion on how to affect positive change through strategic direction of team effort.

Dr. Joseph Christen, president of Management & Organization Development Consulting Services in Oregon, Ohio, lead the two-day event titled "Managing the Journey with Visionary Leadership." His message to the 18 attendees was that today's challenge in leading successful and dynamic organiza-



2003 NEDI attendees

tions is in having a vision for the future and a clear strategy to manage the journey.

"The 2004 Program Committee will re-

view evaluations of the NEDI before determining when the event will be offered in the future," reports Bach.

Due to space limitations, additional lists of those NIRSA members who received awards at Annual Conference will be in the next newsletter. They are, however, on the web at nirsa.org/secure/crss/index.htm.

A list of new State Directors will be sent by eFASTNEWS and is on the website at nirsa.org/administration/state/index.htm.

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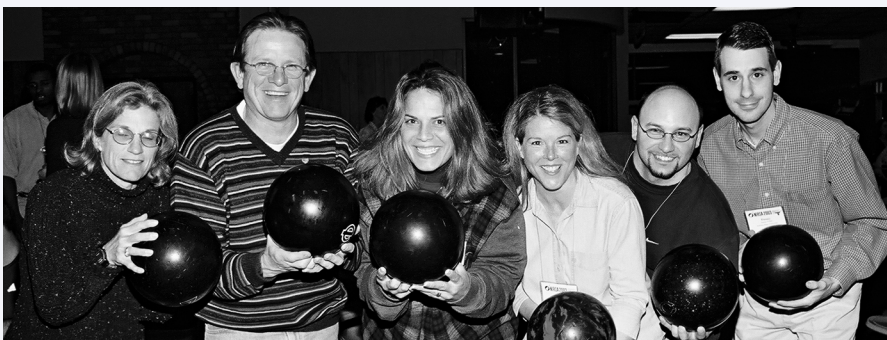
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Group enjoying Cosmic Bowling at Brunswick Ambassador Lanes

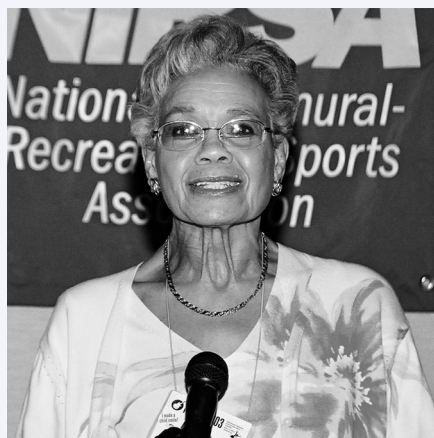
National Service Award Winners

The National Service Award recognizes the outstanding contributions of individual members in NIRSA, encourages creativity and innovation, and establishes a standard of excellence in professional achievement.

Sandi Carlisle, CRSS, Northern Illinois University
Howard Taylor, CRSS, Arizona State University
Kim Clark, University of Arizona
Randall Ford, CRSS, University of Texas at Austin
Chris Daigle, Boston University
Nathan Barnhart, University of Wisconsin (La Crosse)
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Mirum Washington-White, CRSS, University of Arizona
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Chad Ellsworth, CRSS, Arizona State University
Michael Bond, CRSS, University of West Florida
Kurt Klier, Cornell University
Kevin Engelbrecht, Baylor University
Jeffrey Kearney, CRSS, Northeastern University

Deadline for the 2004 National Service Awards is September 30, 2003. All award criteria and nomination forms are available on the NIRSA website and at the NNC. Please send nominations forms to the NNC.



Mrs. William Wasson at the People of Color Social

Horace Moody Awards

The Horace Moody award recognizes six professional members who have been instrumental in student development.

Region I: Jeffrey Kearney, CRSS, Northeastern University

Region II: Peter Tulchinsky, Elon University

Region III: Troy Vaughn, CRSS, Ball State University

Region IV: Warren Simpson, Hardin-Simmons University

Region V: Todd Pfingsten, CRSS, Minnesota State University (Mankato)

Region VI: Pamela Su, CRSS, Sonoma State University

The deadline for nominations for the 2004 Horace Moody Award is December 31, 2003. All award criteria and nomination forms are available on the NIRSA website and at the NNC. Send nomination forms to National Student Representative, Jeff Gontarek (email: jgontarek@loyola.edu) or FAX: (410) 617-5321.



Host committee stars Pat Kennedy and Mina Moore taking a breather at the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame Party.

2003 Regional Award of Merit Winners

The Regional Award of Merit recognizes the outstanding contributions of individual members made on either a regional or state-wide basis within NIRSA.

Region I: Hazel Varner, CRSS, Retired - Keene University

Region II: Rhonda DuBord, CRSS, University of Miami

Region III: Jan Wells, CRSS, University of Michigan (Ann Arbor)

Region IV: Kent Bunker, CRSS, Oklahoma State University (Stillwater)

Region V: John Meyer, CRSS, University of Colorado (Boulder)

Region VI: Kathleen Hatch, CRSS, Washington State

The deadline for nominations for the Regional Award of Merit is December 31, 2003. All award criteria and nomination forms are available on the NIRSA website at nirsa.org, and from the NNC. Send the nomination forms to your Regional Vice President. (See list on page N4).



2003 NIRSA Foundation Scholarship Winners.
Front: Eric Unger, Galen Mahle, Leslie Crowe, Jeremiah Karl. Back: Luke Bartlett, Danny Feitel, Dale Lewis, Nathan Martin

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Volleyball Tourney “Digs” Record with 229 Teams

The 19th Annual NIRSA Collegiate Volleyball Sport Club Championships in April in Columbus, OH were huge. Everything pertaining to the event is about numbers: a record 229 teams attended; 30 courts covered more than 200,000 square feet of convention center space; 30+ NIRSA members, staff and volleyball volunteers helped administer the event; 100+ officials worked the 868 matches; and 3,000+ participants from 153 colleges and universities had an outstanding collegiate experience. View the complete tournament results at nirsa.net/sc/vb/2003/index.htm. Next year's event will be held **April 8-10, 2004** at the Charlotte Convention Center in Charlotte, NC.



Men's Division I National Champion:
University of Arizona



Men's Division II National Champion:
Milwaukee Area Technical College



Men's Division III Champion:
Texas A&M University 'B'



Women's Division I National Champion:
University of Texas at Austin



Women's Division II Champion:
Miami University 'B'

The University of Florida “A” team celebrates its National Championship

The University of Florida's “A” team defeated defending champion Texas A&M (College Station) to win the 2003 USA Team Tennis National Campus Championship at the Florida Tennis Center in Daytona Beach, FL in March. A record 40 teams from 27 schools participated in this year's event featuring tennis sport club and intramural teams from colleges and universities. Using the coed format of World Team Tennis (men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles and mixed doubles), the winner of this true “team event,” isn't about winning the singles match, but is based on the total games won by an entire squad. NIRSA, United States Tennis Association, and the Intercollegiate Tennis Association administered the tournament. For more information on the partnership that ITA, USTA, and NIRSA formed four years ago to foster increased interest and participation in tennis on college/university campuses, contact Valerie McCutchan at valerie@nirsa.org.



Record High Set in Foundation Matching Funds Donations

Donations to the NIRSA Foundation Matching Campaign set a record high at the 2003 NIRSA Annual Conference. The Foundation received \$17,680 in contributions, which included an initial \$5K donation and an interest in establishing another NIRSA Foundation scholarship. As promised, an anonymous supporter matched the first \$10,000, making the grand total for the 2003 campaign \$27,680.

Foundation Board Superstars Shine

The accomplishments of the NIRSA Foundation are a result of its dedicated Board and the tireless volunteers who assist in its events. With much gratitude, NIRSA salutes outgoing Chair, Wayne Harper, CRSS, of University of Louisiana (Lafayette); Silent Auction Coordinator, Sue Boling, CRSS, of Virginia Commonwealth University; and NIRSA Past President Brian Carswell of University of Arizona, for this extremely successful year. The overwhelming successes of the Foundation Golf Tournament, Silent Auction, and NIRSA Foundation Career Opportunities Center, are a result of the dedicated efforts of many appreciated volunteers.

Foundation Golf Tournament Scores Big

Eighty-six slightly damp and chilly golfers weathered the snow delay to play in the 9th Annual NIRSA Foundation Golf Tournament at the Annual Conference to help raise \$31,000. While the day ended up being a little soggy, they proved once again that there is no such thing as a bad day for golf. Thanks to their grit, and with support from the tournament sponsors and contributors, the tournament raised funds towards Foundation Scholarships. The tournament sponsors were: Woodway USA, Sunflower Marketing, C.C. Creations, Texon II, American Golf Corporation, and the Collegiate Golf Alliance. The tournament contributors included: Sayings For You, HNTB Sports Architecture, and Athletic Business. The Foundation Golf Committee looks forward to celebrating its 10th anniversary next year in Albuquerque as the tournament returns to its inaugural site.

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NIRSA's Mission Statement

The mission of the National Intramural Recreational Sports Association is to provide for the education and development of professional and student members and to foster quality recreational programs, facilities and services for diverse populations. NIRSA demonstrates its commitment to excellence by utilizing resources that promote ethical and healthy lifestyle choices.



Joseph Akob, formerly Associate Director of Campus Recreation at Florida Atlantic University, is now the Director of the Recreation Center at East Stroudsburg University in East Stroudsburg, PA.

David Davenport has moved from Old Dominion University to become Director of Intramural, Recreation and Wellness Promotion Programs at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, TN.

Charles Espinosa, formerly the Recreational Sports Director at St. John's University, is now the Physical Education Director of the Cardinal Shehan Center at Hayes High School in Bronx, NY.

Jason Gardner, formerly the Director of Recreation at University of West Alabama (Livingston) has been promoted to Director of Student Activities.

Amy Hendrick from East Carolina University has moved to Vanderbilt University in Nashville, TN to be the Activities Coordinator.

Katy Locke from Loyola College (Maryland) is now the Program Director of Aquatics at the University of Tennessee (Knoxville).

Adam Pruett, formerly an undergraduate at the University of Florida working as an Intramural Sports Supervisor, is the Intramural Graduate Assistant at the University of Kentucky (Lexington).

Anne Zielinski, previously the Coordinator of Informal Recreation and Student Personnel at Virginia Commonwealth University (Richmond) has been promoted to Assistant Director of the Cary St. Recreation Complex, Student Personnel, and Sports Clubs.

2003 RSJ Award Winners

Spring/Summer 2002 Vol. 26, No. 1: "Participation Patterns in Campus Recreational Sports: An Examination of Quality of Student Effort from 1983 to 1998," by Dr. Robert J. Barcelona, University of New Hampshire, and Dr. Craig M. Ross, Indiana University.

Fall/Winter 2002 Vol. 26, No. 2: "Campus Recreation Participation, Health, and Quality of Life" by Dr. Gary D. Ellis; Dr. David M. Compton; Briget Tyson, M.A., and Mary Bohlig, M.A. from the University of Utah.

calendar of events

2003

June 7, 2003

Arizona Cactus Golf Scramble, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ

June 13, 2003

*New York State Workshop: Syracuse, NY

June 17-19, 2003

NIRSA BOD Summer Meeting: Corvallis, OR

June 19-21, 2003

*Collegiate Sport Club Symposium: Denver, CO

September 10-13, 2003

NIRSA BOD Midyear Meeting: Albuquerque, NM

September 25-26, 2003

*Arizona State Workshop: Tucson, AZ

September 26-27, 2003

*Pennsylvania State Workshop: Philadelphia, PA

September 30-October 2, 2003

*Region V Conference: Fort Collins, CO

October 2-3, 2003

*Illinois State Workshop: Rock Island, IL

October 8-10, 2003

*National Aquatics Institute presented by NIRSA: Minneapolis, MN

October 15-18, 2003

*National Recreation Facilities Institute presented by NIRSA: Newport Beach, CA

November 5-7, 2003

*Region I Conference: Atlantic City, NJ

November 6-7, 2003

*Ohio State Workshop: Dayton, OH

November 6-7, 2003

*Wisconsin State Workshop: Eau Claire, WI

November 9, 2003

Region VI State Directors' Meeting: Emeryville, CA

November 9, 2003

*Region VI Student Lead-On and Golf Tournament: Emeryville, CA

November 10-11, 2003

*Region VI Conference: Emeryville, CA

November 13-14

*Indiana State Workshop: Muncie, IN

November 20-22, 2003

Soccer Sport Club Championship: Tuscaloosa, AL

December 7-9, 2003

*Region II Conference: Athens, GA

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January 15-16, 2004

*Tennessee State Workshop: Johnson City, TN

April 8-10, 2004

Volleyball Sport Club Championship: Charlotte, NC

April 17-21, 2004

*Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition: Albuquerque, NM

June 2004

*National School of Recreational Sports Management-Level I: Location TBD

October 28-30, 2004

*Region II Conference: Charlotte, NC

November 10-12, 2004

*Region I Conference: Syracuse, NY

2005

April 5-9, 2005

*Annual Conference & Recreational Sports Exposition: Orlando, FL

***POTENTIAL CRSS TESTING SITES:** Certified Recreational Sports Specialist (CRSS) exam applications are available through the NNC Education Department. Individuals must submit a complete exam application with the appropriate documentation, fee, and any written requests for special auxiliary aids needed during testing, to the NIRSA National Center a minimum of 30 days before the preferred testing date. Once applications are reviewed, applicants will be notified of their eligibility to take the examination.

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