



September 2022

NCOME NEWSLETTER

Creativity in the Eastern Region since 1982

Welcome!

A new season of Odyssey is upon us and we are ready to help you on this journey.

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2022-23 LONG-TERM PROBLEMS

This year's problems are out and ready for your teams to dig into! Click the links below to explore the problems & purchase or renew your Membership.

Problem 1:

Pirates and the Treasure

Problem 2:

Because iCan

Problem 3:

Classics...The Walls of Troy

Problem 4:

Where's the Structure?

Problem 5:

The Most Dramatic Problem Ever!!

Problem 6:

Dinos on Parade!

[Problem Synopses](#)

[Renew/Purchase Membership](#)



EASTERN REGION SCOOP

Regional Tournament

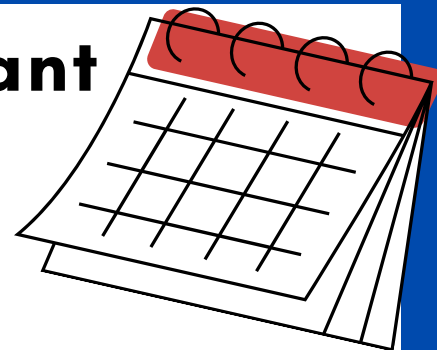
Saturday, March 4th
Wakefield High School

State Tournament

Saturday, March 25th
Wakefield Middle and
High School



Important Dates



October 12:

Eastern Region
Board Meeting

All are welcome to attend!

Meetings are held at 7pm via
Zoom. Contact Randy Burton at
vtburtonra@gmail.com for the
link to join.

October 29:

Coaches Training

November 9:

Eastern Region
Board Meeting

November 12:

Skills Fair

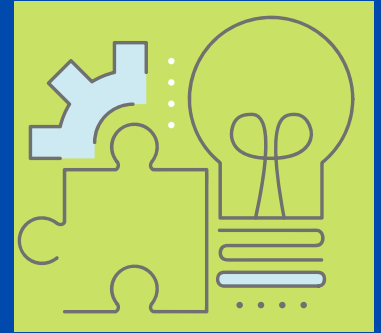
More info to come!

COACHES TRAINING

Virtual Workshop

Sat, Oct 29, 2022

8am-3pm



- New Coaches Seminar
- Returning Coaches Seminar
- Problem 1: Pirates and the Treasure
- Problem:2 Because iCan
- Problem 3: Walls of Troy
- Problem 4: Where's the Structure?
- Problem 5: The Most Dramatic Problem Ever!!
- Problem 6/Primary: Dinos on Parade!
- Style
- Outside Assistance
- Spontaneous
- Brainstorming Tips and Techniques
- Solving a Long-Term Problem
- Balsa
- Spontaneous Practice

[Register here!](#)

\$15 per person

MOUNTAINS TO THE SEA

Friends of NC Odyssey of the Mind,

Our 2021-2022 year saw over 800 students across the state improve their creative problem solving skills through Odyssey of the Mind. This includes 41 teams (an all-time North Carolina high!) that made the trip to Iowa State this past May for World Finals. It was the first full World Finals since 2019!

Now, it's time to get your creative juices flowing again and begin your 2022-2023 Odyssey. Your Region and State Boards have been planning and preparing this summer to again make Odyssey of the Mind a fun learning experience.

Region and State Tournaments that will be held in Spring 2023 are being planned. Currently we are aiming for February 25, March 4, and March 11 for our region tournaments and March 25 for the State Tournament. Those dates will vary, depending on venues available in each region.

To help with rising costs, this year we are increasing our tournament fees:

a. Region Tournaments- \$115 (early bird)/\$160 (normal) for Divisions 1, 2, and 3. This is an increase from \$105/\$150. Registration dates are determined by each region and generally end from late-Dec to mid-Jan. Primary team tournament fees vary by region and generally are in the \$35/team range.

b. State Tournament - a new fee of \$50 will be charged for any team advancing to the State Tournament. In the past, State Tournaments were paid for in part with a portion of your Region Tournament fee. We are looking forward to providing opportunities for our North Carolina students to develop, improve, and showcase their creative problem solving and team building skills.

Stay Creative!

Tom Bojanski

Association Director - NC Odyssey of the Mind

[Read Tom's full letter here](#)

SPONTANEOUS

Starting the year out strong

As a coach, you might struggle to find Spontaneous problems for your team. Maybe you are always looking for the supplies needed for a particular problem. We are here to help you!

Create your own Spontaneous Supply Kit

string	paper
pipe cleaners	markers
clay	paperclips
cardboard tubes	scissors
balloons	masking tape
buttons	unsharpened pencils
tissue paper	clothespins
pompoms	paper plates
cotton balls	straws
ping-pong balls	plastic spoons
marbles	cups
small toys	corks
rubber bands	spaghetti
toothpicks	marshmallows

More tips
available on our
NCOME Wiki!



NCOME BOARD MEMBERS

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Your 2022-2023 Board!

Regional Director:

Randy Burton

Vice Regional Director:

Zoe Hansen Burnet

Tournament Director:

Lexie Groner

Secretary:

Gail Hemedinger

Treasurer:

Bob Pecaut

Webmaster:

Andy Cordes

Web Assistant:

Dawn Imershein

Tournament Sales:

Andy Cordes

Communications:

Lexie Groner

Pin Design:

Mark Blake

T-Shirt Design:

Marj Moe



BECOME INVOLVED

The Eastern Region is always looking for new members to participate!

There are many, varied roles that need many, dedicated hands. Please consider volunteering and being a part of this marvelous organization!

We are currently looking for someone to run our **social media** accounts. If you are interested, please contact Lexie Groener at ncometd@gmail.com.

Click on the icons
connect with us!

