



## 2023 President's Report

### 2023 Season

I would like to congratulate all of you on another wonderful season. I would also like to congratulate all of our members who traveled to any of the WGI events. If you have not taken your group to a Regional, I encourage all of you to do so.

### Regular Season Competitions

MCGC held 9 regular season contests in 2023, 6 on Saturday and 3 on Sunday. To our Contest Host, a huge Thank You for another great season. I would also like to thank Sharon MacDermaid, our Contest Coordinator, and Blair Kuhn, our Judge Coordinator, for helping to make the season successful.

### Championships

I would like to thank Manjit Gill and her committee of volunteers for another world class event.

This year, like last year, we pushed the limits on how many groups performed in one day. I believe we will need to consider going to a two-day Championship in the very near future. Of the options that we have discussed we believe that splitting the Scholastic and Independent groups is the best option. However, we want to hear your ideas and get your input so that we can continue to give everyone the best Championship.

### 2023 Board

I would like to take this opportunity to thank The Board for all their time and effort. I ask that you join me in saying Thank You to each of them.

### Committees

A huge Thank You to everyone who volunteered on a Committee this Season, we could not do it without your help. I would encourage everyone to consider joining a Committee for the 2024 Season.

## **Concerns**

There are two areas of concern that I believe we need to look at.

- 1) Regional A Class. We had 28 Scholastic A groups and 8 Independent groups in this class this year. That was 46% of our Circuit. I believe this class should only be ~25% of our Circuit. If our Circuit is going to continue to grow then we need to find a way to help these groups grow.
- 2) Contest Weekends. Having a West Side/East Side weekend is something that we need to look at. There are multiple issues that occur when we do this, and I believe that we should only hold these if they are absolutely necessary.

If you have comments, concerns, or suggestions, for either of these please bring them to the Board and/or Membership for consideration. Your input is crucial in the continued success of your circuit.

## **Hall of Fame**

I would like to congratulate Mark Heather on his induction into the MCGC Hall of Fame.

## **Thank You**

I would like to thank the Membership for giving me the opportunity to serve as your President. It was an Honor to be your President this year and I look forward to the 2024 Season.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Liwak  
President