

2002 Junior National Volleyball Championships

The following reports were inadvertently omitted from the preceding issue of *OVR The Block*. Apologies!

Dayton Juniors Impress at Nationals

To say that the Dayton Jrs volleyball club attended the National Championship at Sandy Utah is a understatement. They did not only attend, but they did very well. The club was represented in the 17s (Open), 16s and 13s age divisions.

The **17s–Blue Angels**, coached by Rob Beam, went through their pool with a record of 5-1 thanks to a constant attack mentality. They achieved wins over strong clubs such as Circle City, 2nd City and Nike N’west. The only loss coming from Delta Valley after the Blue Angels had secured first place in the pool and at least a top eight finish in the tournament. They proceeded to defeat one of the favorite teams Nevada Jrs in the qtr finals and lost in the semis to the 2002 National Champions Muncie Chipmunks. Their record for the tourney was 6-2. Ali Hausfeld (setter) and Carrie DeMange (middle hitter) were selected to the All- Tournament Team.

The **16s–Chill**, coached by Yoon Ha, came out firing on all cylinders going undefeated in the first two pools they played with records of 3-0 a piece. Their quick attack and great floor defense provided them with wins over tournament runner-up NORCAL and other notables such as Indy Jrs and The Beach. In the third round they came up short finishing third and pushing them to the Silver Division. Overall they finished with a record of 8-3 and a 11th finish in the Championship.

The **13s–Blue Sparkles**, coached by Paula Boch, did less well in the first day of play, ending up with a record of 0-3. On the second day they did very well with a record of 3-1, finishing in a three-way tie for first. Due to the tiebreakers they ended up third in the pool. On the third day of play they went 2-0 with two impressive wins. After winning their first match

in tournament play to Ft Smith Jrs, they ended up loosing in three in their final match of the season to the Mavericks 13-1. Their record for the Championship was 6-5.

Members for the 17s–Blue Angels were: Jess Strader, Sarah Treadway, Ali Hausfeld, Carrie DeMange, Jenna Miller, Sarah Douglas, Abby Showers, Jen Moore and Tara Lakes. Members for the 16s–Chill were: Chelsea Noble, Jackie Strader, Stephanie Ross, Molly Spencer, Lizaiha Garcia, Amber Allen, Beth Oldiges, Lindsey Woeste and Betsy Hiltibran. Members for the 13s–Sparklers were: Jessica Raffa, Emily Borchers, Katie Laravie, Sarah Fisher, Katie Hoendorf, Stefanie Bomberger, Lauren Woeste, Michelle Nicol, Kacie Hausfeld, and Megan Martin.

It was a great season for all teams, and they expect to get there again next year!!!
— Howard Garcia

Team Atlantis Snipes Win Silver in SLC

Team Atlantis Snipes won the 16 Club Silver division (9th overall) at the 2002 USA Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships in Salt Lake City. Earlier in the tournament, Team Atlantis Snipes defeated the eventual Gold division runnerup 25-20 and 25-20, and they also took one game from the eventual Gold champion. Nicole Fawcett was named to the all-tournament team.

Also, Bryn Kehoe and Nicole Fawcett were named to the Youth National A2 team which will be training in Colorado Springs July 8-14 under former Ohio State player and ex-head coach from Georgia Tech and University of Pittsburgh, Shelton Collier.
— Bob Fawcett

Contributions Wanted!

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