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OVR Teams Victorious at Nationals

OVR seized four victories and 10 other gold-bracket finishes at this year's USA Volleyball national tournaments.

Team Z 171, last season's 16 Open National Champions, returned in 2003 to seize the Girls' 17 Open National Championship. Mizuno Cincy Classics 16 Red earned their National Champion title in Girls' 16 Club. Other Gold-bracket achievements by OVR girls' teams include Dayton Jrs. 18-Wulff (5th, 18O), Sports Express Black 18-1 (5th, 18C), Kaepa TVC 17 Cromer (2nd, 17C), Dayton Jrs. 17 Beam (5th, 17C), Eastside Cleveland Juniors 17 Navy (5th, 17 Inv.), Cincy VBC 14-1

(5th, 14 Inv.), and Northshore VBC 14 Gold (5th, 14 Inv.).

Renaissance Red-18 emerged as National Champions in Boys' 18 Club, and Cincinnati Attack Inc. 17-1 Black won their National Champion title in Boys' 17 Club. Also earning Gold-bracket finishes were Cincinnati Attack Inc. 18-1 Black (5th, 18C), Tool City 17s (2nd, 17C), and Renaissance Red-17 (5th, 17C).

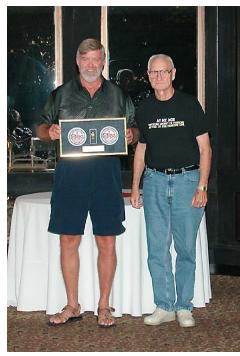
Beaver Steel took 9th in Men's Open, Kattus Pro-Team took 4th in Men's 40s, and Miami Valley Masters 55s took 5th in Men's 55.

Results for all 69 OVR teams that went to Nationals are summarized on page 15.

Terry Miller Receives the Glenn Purdy Meritorious Service Award

In recognition of Terry's tremendous contributions to the Ohio Valley Region as OVR Scorekeepers' Chairperson, National Referee, Officials' Rater, as well as his roles certifying junior officials, with OVR Championship events, and on the OVR board of directors, the OVR awards committee selected Terry Miller as the recipient of this year's Glenn Purdy Meritorious Service Award. Glenn presented the award, which consists of framed National officials' patches, a gold whistle, and an engraved plaque, to Terry at this year's OVR Awards Dinner.

The Glenn Purdy Meritorious Service Award recognizes outstanding contributions and commitment in refereeing and/or scorekeeping. Previous recipients include Glenn Purdy and Rick Laskey.



Glenn Purdy (right) presenting the 2003 Glenn Purdy Meritorious Service Award to Terry Miller.