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OVR-Kaepa® USA 2004 Girls' Volleyball Championships Sets New Records

A record 862 teams competed in the *Ohio Valley Region-Kaepa® USA 2004 Girls' Volleyball Championships*, held in Columbus from May 1-15, 2004.

The tournament began on May 1, with 10-and-under and 12-and-under age groups competing at 7 Columbus-area schools. Throughout the following two weekends, 13s-18s competed on 40 courts, another first, in the Greater Columbus Convention Center, with a separate, vast hall for camping.

The excellent level of play and the palpable energy in the Convention Center were striking. Many courts witnessed hard-fought battles culminating season-long rivalries. On other courts, teams that hadn't won a tournament all season rose to the challenge and won their division. Lauren Craig (Borderline 14 Black), Chelsea Graman (Mizuno Cincy Classics 16 Red), and Kiera Bailey (Zero Gravity Jrs. 18 White) complemented their athleticism with artistry, beginning tournament days with inspirational solos of the *Star-Spangled Banner*. Commensurate with the increase from 32 to 40 courts, the tournament debuted Magnesium/Calcium and Iron/Cobalt divisions. All teams finishing in first through third place were presented with individual gold, silver, or bronze medals.

Complete results and medal photos for this remarkable event are printed on pages 32-61 of this issue, and are also available on the OVR website.



Sarah Draves (10) and Ashley Wallace (2) of Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 18-1 put up a consistently strong block in 18 Open.

New Rules and Procedures for 2004-2005

As part of their constant effort to improve the quality of play and to expand playing opportunities in the Ohio Valley Region, the OVR directors and officers effected a number of changes for the 2004-2005 season. A few of the most important include:

- grade-level Club play within the OVR
- adults' teams must provide a certified official for pool play
- addition of two new officials' clinics, along with new clinic formats
- identical uniforms for adults' teams
- Women's Open players can now play down to A
- refinement of the Junior Officials' Development Program
- background screening
- use of FIVB rules, as presented by USAV

Some changes were made in direct response to members' requests and suggestions; others were made proactively to promote and sustain quality volleyball. In addition, consistent with USA volleyball, we will use FIVB rules, as presented by USAV. Background screening (www.ovr.org/register/background_screening.php) will be required for all individuals who will interact with juniors in sanctioned activities, including professional officials.

These new rules and policies, as well as others, are detailed throughout this issue of OVR The Block and on the OVR website. Please take some time to read the columns by Ron Wyzynski, Bob Price, Bill Zehler, Brian Hemelgarn, Tom Kohl, Nick Nystrom, Michelle Fox, and other contributors, and watch the OVR website for additional news.

Executive Director's Commentary

Ron Wyzynski, Executive Director & CEO

Dear members,

The OVR board of directors and staff recently completed our annual summer meeting, which consisted of 18 hours of volleyball decisions. This group heard reports and discussed the latest changes from USA volleyball, along with OVR member concerns



from last season. The changes that were made are a direct result of this information. As an example, two of these changes from the adults' competition side were: identical uniforms (USAV rule book change) and certified officials representing each team to do the round robin matches (requested by many teams).

The biggest issue for juniors will be that all adults in contact with juniors' teams as directors, administrators, coaches, or chaperones must now submit to a background screening check every two years, as required by

USA volleyball and many other national governing bodies. Officials in the OVR will also be included in this background screening process. The individual or club must pay for this screening evaluation and must submit a hardcopy permission and information form.

You'll see more of this nationwide for all kinds of activities directly connected to juniors. As a teacher and coach, I must submit to some of these requirements myself. Hopefully this will be a deterrent to those individuals who should not be working with juniors.

Another change in the juniors' category will be how age waivers are issued for club-level junior players and competition within the region. Since we have more than 11,000 female junior players, the number of requests for age waivers is very high. We hope that the new system, administered by Bill Zehler, will solve many problems and allows more juniors to play within their age and grade group.

The meetings also established dates for clinics and championships as well as venues for these activities to take place all around the OVR. Please use the website as a valuable resource to answer any questions that you might have for yourself, team or

club. When questions do occur, contact the office by e-mail or phone.

The board and officers are scheduled to meet again on October 3rd Westerville, Ohio. The OVR continues to grow every season. Your board of directors and officers at every meeting try to address that challenge by making the region better for you, whatever your area of interest. With more than 15,000 members there's always much to do!

As always, I wish everyone an enjoyable volleyball experience in the OVR.

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Commissioner's Corner

Bob Price, OVR Commissioner & President

THE 2005 SEASON is just around the corner. The Ohio Valley Region's board of directors and staff have been hard at work to provide all its members the highest quality volleyball experience.

Men's and Women's Programs

Participation in the Ohio Valley Region of USA volleyball programs will offer you the best competition at the local, regional, and national levels. Playing opportunities are provided for *all* skill levels, from the novice to the most accomplished. Events are held throughout the region beginning January through April 16, 2005; with the *Ohio Valley Regional Volleyball Championships* being held April 16-17 in the Greater Columbus Convention Center. The National Championships will be held in Denver, Colorado, beginning May 28, 2005. Your membership with the OVR permits you and your team to participate in any USA volleyball-sanctioned event in the United States.

The 2005 season will see a few changes for the adults. The following improvements are effective beginning November 1, 2004. First, teams must wear *identical* uniforms. Second, each team must provide a *certified* R1 official for its pool-play officiating assignments.

For additional guidance, please consult the *Men's and Women's Registration Packet* (www.ovr.org/mw/registration_packet/). If you have questions, Keith Burke, OVR Men's Tournament Director (burke@ovr.org, 614-818-9465) and/or Micki Fox, OVR Women's Tournament Director (fox@ovr.org, 330-666-8709) will be happy to assist.

Juniors' Programs

The Juniors' 2005 season will debut grade-level age definitions for *Club* teams. This new classification will allow grade-level teams to participate in Ohio Valley Region events *only!* Grade-level teams are not permitted to play outside of the OVR. Please refer to Bill Zehler and Tom Kohl for details.

Tryouts for the juniors' teams will begin soon. I cannot emphasize enough that parents must research and find the club that matches your philosophy and expectations. Parents must scrutinize the contracts they sign with the club – it is an agreement between you and the club *only!* Clubs seeking

player membership to the OVR are required to follow policies governing tryouts, and clubs violating those policies will be denied Ohio Valley Region player membership. Parents should be knowledgeable of the rules governing tryouts, available at www.ovr.org/juniors/tryouts/policies.php.

Players are not permitted to participate in *any* non-school volleyball program during the OHSAA (school) season. In other words, players are not permitted to try out until the school season is completed. For all 8th graders and younger, OVR tryouts cannot be held before October 29, 2005. Tryouts for any student 9th grade and above cannot be held prior to November 14, 2005. Parents, please be advised that clubs and teams not following OVR policy will be denied membership. Once tryouts have been completed, players may be offered a position or contract. Players *must* be given 10 days before they are required to accept an offered position on a team.

Background Screening

The OVR is requiring *all* club directors, coaches, chaperones, officials or any adult in a supervisory role with a juniors' program to pass a background screen. Parents should report any incidence if their son/daughter is participating in a program with an adult not on the approved list. Please report this information to Steve Donahue, the OVR compliance officer.

The OVR board of directors and staff extend an invitation to all volleyball enthusiast to take an active role in making the 2005 season the best ever.



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Juniors' Tournaments 2005

Tom Kohl, OVR Jrs' Tournament Director & Boys' Program Director



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE TEAMS that participated in the USAV National and Invitational tournaments.

I would like to personally thank all the tournament directors for your help this past season. A total of 105 tournament directors were responsible for 907 sanctioned regular-season juniors' tournaments. Incidents of incorrect pool play and/or tournament play are ongoing, but they're correctable. On the surface, this may not seem to be an issue, but in reality it is. Continuing to follow guidelines within our Juniors' organization helps to reduce the number of complaints related to tournament site safety conditions and tournament organization and ultimately creates a fair seeding process for the Bid tournaments and OVR championships. Tournament bond checks have been either mailed or shredded.

Online request for an application for sanction was successfully implemented. Online recording of tournament results and timely return of the *Report of Event* were improved. Thanks to Nick Nystrom for his efforts.

Looking to the new season

I am looking forward to another year of growth within the Juniors' programs and number of sanctioned tournaments. I have five concerns for the coming season:

1. Ensure the quality of tournament facilities and play.
2. Improve timeliness of online reporting of tournament results.
3. Maintain *Power Challenge* and *Bid Qualifier* organization.
4. Expand support documents for boys' volleyball.
5. Promote greater use of the OVR website by club directors to update their teams' information.

Addressing item 4, the revised *Procedures and Rules for Juniors' Regular Season Tournaments* no (www.ovr.org/juniors/tournament_packet/) applies to both girls' and boys' tournaments. Many changes were made to this document to update current rules

and to clarify minor abuses that were reported last year. In addition, the formats for 10-team and 14-team pool play have been revised.

With the cooperation of many people, the *2005 Procedures and Rules for OVR Juniors' Club Directors* (www.ovr.org/juniors/registration_packet/) is now available. This document was a request from the *Club and Tournament Directors' Forum* in December 2003.

Sanctioning New Juniors' Tournaments

I began accepting *Applications for Sanctions* (www.ovr.org/juniors/sanction/) beginning September 1, 2004. Tournament directors must register online prior to applying for sanction. Online publication of girls' regular-season tournaments is scheduled for 8AM on Sunday, December 19. Note that a tournament director's registration fees must be paid, forms complete, and background screen clear before his or her events will be published.

Please be advised that any entry fee in excess of the OVR-approved fee requires justification. Rental contracts, tentative financial report, and related documents must be supplied to document the higher expense.

OVR-Molten® 2005 National Bid Qualifier

Due to scheduling constraints at the Greater Columbus Convention Center (GCCC), the *Ohio Valley Region-Molten® 2005 National Bid Qualifier* (www.ovr.org/juniors/bid/) will be held over two weekends at the GCCC and at Synergy Sports and Fitness in Toledo. At the GCCC, we'll host 17s and 18s on April 9-10, 12s on April 16, and 13s on April 17. 14s will compete at Synergy on April 16-17.

New ideas

Ideas for the 2004-2005 season include the formation of a series of mini *Power Challenge* tournaments, concluding with the *Power Challenge Championships* in March. Also, there is a desire by the membership to re-evaluate the seeding process. A committee has been formed, and ideas have been exchanged and are being evaluated.

Should you have any suggestions, please e-mail me at kohl@ovr.org. Again, thanks for your help. I look forward to your cooperation in the 2004-2005 season.

The Juniors' Page

Bill Zehler, OVR Juniors' Program Director

THE 2004 SEASON CONCLUDED WITH GREAT SUCCESS. Our Junior Championship tournament was the most successful and largest event we have sponsored. We had four members of our region – Nicole Fawcett (Team Atlantis VBC – 17 Elite), Christa Harmotto (Renaissance VBC – Black 18), Bryn Kehoe (Team Z – 18-1), and Ami Stevens (Matchpoint – 18 Red) – on the USA Junior National team that won the NORCECA Championships in Canada. We also had a member of the USA Girls' Youth National Team – Stephanie Browne (TVC 16-1) – on the team that qualified for the Youth World Championships. That team was coached by OVR member and club director Rich Zeciski (Team Z). We also had two Youth teams and one HPC team in the *High Performance Volley Classic* in Austin, Texas.

New Policies for 2004-2005

Two major policy changes have come from the USA volleyball Regional Operating Division meeting in Atlanta and the Youth/Junior Olympic Volleyball Division meetings in Colorado Springs this summer. The first is background screening for anyone associated with juniors' volleyball in any capacity (www.ovr.org/register/background_screening.php). The second item is a policy change that was approved by our region's board of directors in August: grade-level teams for all Club divisions!

We have always offered waivers for athletes in elementary and middle school age groups. Our policy for these Club level age groups was in conflict with the policy of USA volleyball. When these athletes went on to high school teams, there was no option for them to play with their classmates. Now there is! We are going to continue to permit athletes in grades 9-12 play at their grade level in the Club division within our region.

There are still restrictions to this policy. Grade-level teams may not play at the Open level, nor may they play out-of-region at their grade level: they must play at the level of the oldest athlete on their roster. Other regions may not honor our waivers. We are working out all of the details now and will have a published policy on the OVR website. For now, you can plan your teams based on grade if you wish, and there is no application for a waiver!

Tryouts and Contracts

The tryout season is now upon us. Athletes and their parents are making every effort to make the club that is the best fit. Clubs are trying to attract the best athletes to form the best teams possible. We hope this is a positive experience for everyone involved. Families are cautioned to do their homework when looking for a club. We ask club directors to use common sense when trying to attract athletes to their organizations.

The first day clubs may host tryouts for athletes in grades 9-12 is the day *after* the State Volleyball Championships. Tryouts for athletes in the 8th grade or younger may be held no earlier than the last weekend in October (provided the middle school season is over). State high school athletic associations mandate that athletes from member schools may not tryout for off-season teams while their high/middle school teams are still involved in competition. Failure to adhere to these dates may jeopardize the eligibility of the athletes we are trying to serve. Please make sure your season is over before attending a tryout.

Clubs may offer contracts to athletes at the end of their tryout sessions. The parents of an athlete *may* sign a contract as soon as it is offered if they wish. Clubs may not require an immediate commitment. The parents of an athlete invited to join a club *must* be given a period of no fewer than 7 days from the tryouts to agree to sign a contract with the club.

All club directors and coaches conducting tryouts must be registered members of USA volleyball, with a completed background check. All tryouts sanctioned by our region will have secondary insurance coverage, provided everyone representing a club is a registered member of USA volleyball. Failure to obtain insurance for unsanctioned events will result in all responsibility for injury being placed on the club. The OVR accepts *no* responsibility for claims against directors or coaches that are not registered members of this region.



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From the Referees' Chair

Brian Hemelgarn, OVR Regional Referees' Chair

IT'S HARD TO BELIEVE another season is only a couple of months away! With the new season comes many exciting changes, and we should all be looking forward to the opportunities that await us!

First, however, we need to give kudos to the following folks who reached the next level in their officiating careers: Scott Burnett,

Bill Kissell, John Love, and Shera Moxley all received their Junior National referee ratings this summer. Likewise, Chuck Fleet and Tom Joseph completed the rating process for their National referee ratings at the boys' JOVC in July. Kristine Mullen and I both received our National scorekeeper certifications at the US Open in Atlanta. Most importantly, we're glowing with pride for Patty Salvatore, who became the first woman to officiate the Olympic games (indoor competition)!

As many of us already know,

Patty worked the women's Gold medal match. The OVR is doing some great things when it comes to officiating! Be sure to congratulate all of these folks the next time you see them.

Now, on to some of the changes we can look forward to for this season...

Our online registration system is up and running in no time, and with some modifications by our webmaster, Nick Nystrom, everyone should find it easy to navigate. Speaking of registration, our OVR

dues will again remain \$50 this season. Remember, our USAV membership expires on October 31, 2004, so we *all* need to register as soon as possible.

Having the largest region in the country means that the board of directors is constantly looking for ways to improve the service and quality that we're providing our members. At our August board retreat, we decided to add two other clinic sites! We're trying to reduce travel time for folks, so the addition of the Kent clinic will accommodate both Cleveland and Pittsburgh, and a clinic in the Dayton area will help those in the southwest area of the OVR. We're also revamping the clinic structure to better utilize our time! I think everyone will like these changes!

As many already know, USAV has adopted FIVB (Fédération Internationale de Volleyball) rules, with a few modifications, for the coming season. Many rules are the same, but there are some noticeable differences, so attendance at a pre-season clinic will be crucial for the success of our officials and of our events. These changes are going to be great for us as referees, as well as for players of all levels. It will take some work to retrain ourselves, but in the long run, this will be great for USA volleyball!

Finally, the OVR website will again be a primary means of communication for all of us this season. Details about online registration, testing, clinics and new officials' information will be available in a timely fashion. Please stay up to date by checking the website a few times each week, and we'll all be well-prepared for the upcoming season!

I'm looking forward to working with everyone again, and as always, if there is something I can do to better serve as Referee Chair, please let me know. On behalf of the OVR board of directors, thanks for



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Education and Training

Several educational programs will be offered to club directors and coaches. All club directors or a representative must complete the ASEP Sports Club Director course. This course will be offered in the region on December 4, 2004. There will be several

sites available to attend the IMPACT course. The USA volleyball CAP I and CAP II coaching courses will also be offered. Check the OVR website at www.ovr.org for sites and dates.

Have a *great* season!

A Change for Women's Open

Michelle Fox, OVR Women's Tournament Director

NEW THIS YEAR FOR WOMEN'S TEAMS... The same rules regarding playing down a division are the same for women's Open players as for all other levels of play. A player registered on an Open team may play with an A team within their club. For all levels of play, one player may play down a division, two players may play on a team within their division, and two players may move up and play any level. A team may have up to two players total from another team or teams in its club playing in any one tournament.



Regionals will be held on April 16-17, 2005 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. Divisions for each day will be posted on the Men's and Women's Tournament Schedule when approximate numbers of teams are known. — Ed.



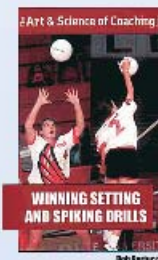
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www.ovr.org/hotels/

- ✓ Junior Championships**
- ✓ National Bid Qualifier**
- ✓ Regionals**
- ✓ Boys' Championships**
- ✓ Power Challenge**
- ✓ Regular tournaments**
- ✓ Courses and Clinics**
- ✓ Meetings**

The following 12 properties are conveniently located for a multitude of tournaments, clinics, courses, and meetings in and near Columbus. Links to those within approximately 30 minutes of OVR events appear throughout tournament and other schedules on the Ohio Valley Region's website, www.ovr.org. The links below provide additional information on each of the Columbus Marriott Market Hotel properties, including directions, distances, and maps to nearby event sites.

The Columbus, A Renaissance Hotel

50 North 3rd Street · Columbus, OH 43215
www.ovr.org/hotels/TheColumbus.php

Courtyard Columbus Dublin

5175 Post Road · Dublin, OH 43017
www.ovr.org/hotels/CourtyardColumbusDublin.php

Residence Inn Columbus Dublin

435 Metro Place South · Dublin, OH 43017
www.ovr.org/hotels/ResidenceInnColumbusDublin.php

Courtyard Columbus Worthington

7411 Vantage Road · Columbus, OH 43235
www.ovr.org/hotels/CourtyardColumbusWorthington.php

Residence Inn Columbus Worthington

7300 Huntington Park Drive · Columbus, OH 43235
www.ovr.org/hotels/ResidenceInnColumbusWorthington.php

TownePlace Suites Columbus Worthington

7272 Huntington Park Drive · Columbus, OH 43235
www.ovr.org/hotels/TownePlaceSuitesColumbusWorthington.php

SpringHill Suites Columbus Airport Gahanna

665 Taylor Road · Gahanna, OH 43230
www.ovr.org/hotels/SpringHillSuitesGahanna.php

TownePlace Suites Columbus Airport Gahanna

695 Taylor Road · Columbus, OH 43230
www.ovr.org/hotels/TownePlaceSuitesGahanna.php

Courtyard Columbus Airport

2901 Airport Drive · Columbus, OH 43219
www.ovr.org/hotels/CourtyardColumbusAirport.php

Courtyard Columbus Downtown

35 West Spring Street · Columbus, OH 43215
www.ovr.org/hotels/CourtyardColumbusDowntown.php

Fairfield Inn & Suites Columbus OSU

3031 Olentangy River Road · Columbus, OH 43202
www.ovr.org/hotels/FairfieldInnSuitesColumbusOSU.php

Residence Inn Columbus North at the Continent

6191 Zumstein Drive · Columbus, OH 43229
www.ovr.org/hotels/ResidenceInnColumbusNorth.php

Registration and Other Preparation for 2005

Nick Nystrom

PREPARATIONS FOR THE 2004-2005 SEASON began immediately following conclusion of the *OVR-Kaepa® USA Girls' Championships* in May. Much was done over the summer, and more will be accomplished over the months leading into our new season.

Registration

On September 1 we opened registration for juniors' club staff, and on September 8, we opened registration for renewing professional officials as well. Registration for individual "others", who are primarily site managers who would like to host OVR-sanctioned tournaments, opened soon after.

I accelerated our schedule – last year officials' and club staff registrations opened on October 1 and November 1, respectively – to allow additional time for club staff to register prior to holding tryouts and practices, and to allow officials several more weeks prior to the October 31 renewal deadline. Also, background screening extends the time required to complete registrations. As always, OVR-USAV memberships run from November 1 (or from the date on which a member's registration is completed) through October 31.

Full registration for clubs and teams will open on November 1, corresponding to the official start of the 2004-2005 season and to when the first clubs and teams will be ready to register.

When registering, please note that it is critical to *complete your registration promptly*. Providing your information through our online registration process is only the first step: you must then follow up by mailing your registration fee, background screening fee (for those working with juniors, including officials), and completed and signed forms to Steve Donahue. Registrations are not complete until Steve Donahue receives and records your fees, forms, and "Clear" background screen. Background screening adds new urgency to completing registrations. As a helpful reminder, registration numbers will only be displayed for individuals whose registrations are complete. If your registration does not show up as complete, you can find out what's missing at www.ovr.org/dir/member.php. With over 15,000 members, it is essential that everyone do their part. We've made things as easy as possible, and everyone – especially Steve – will appreciate your cooperation.

Accounts and Authentication (Signing In)

I enhanced the OVR authentication component, the software behind "signing in", to offer significantly more functionality and to tighten our security model. Consistent with our philosophy that the OVR website is a service provided for the benefit of our members, accounts (usernames and passwords) are now limited to members. Accounts are created automatically for all adult members on registration (transferring last season's if possible).

The "Forgot your username or password?" utility has also been improved, allowing password resets based on username, actual name, registration number, or e-mail address, enabling immediate recovery without having to wait for a round of e-mail.

Registration and authentication are now required to apply for sanction of juniors' tournaments and tryouts, as well as prior to other online procedures. Doing so protects members' interests, reduces their data entry, and yields immense rewards by generating correct and inter-related information.

Publications

Perhaps you've noticed that the current issue of OVR The Block is a bit larger than usual. Combining issues 21:3 and 21:4 was not by design, but rather, it occurred as a consequence of accommodating contributors' schedules. In this case, publishing related information together outweighed splitting it to meet our planned publication dates. However, publishing content more quickly would benefit all, so deadlines must be enforced more closely.

In Closing

Of course the real motivation behind this mountain of infrastructure is to play volleyball. If we do it right, our players will find what they need and not be encumbered by the rest. So find or form a team, make quick work of the administrative necessities, and then *enjoy some of the best of volleyball the country has to offer*. See you on the court.



August 13-15 Board Meeting Summary

The OVR board of directors, officers, and staff convened on August 12-15, 2004 at Mohican State Park, near Loudonville, Ohio. Following a planning session on the evening of August 12, board meetings were held all day on August 13-14 and on the morning of August 15. The OVR awards dinner was held on the evening of Saturday, August 14.

Present: Ron Wyzynski, Bob Price, Don Burroughs, Bob Dickenson, Troy Dixon, Steve Donahue, Art Faura, Tom Kohl, Brian Hemelgarn, Al Herbert, Jimmy McKinzey, Terry Miller, Nick Nystrom, Glenn Purdy, Barb Strome, Elaine Viney, Emi Vishoot, Bill Zehler

Not present: Keith Burke, Michelle Fox, Patty Salvatore.

Guest: Don Wood (Coach, Dayton Juniors, to discuss juniors' seeding)

1. Appointed positions

- Emi Vishoot resigned as Boys' Volleyball Program Liaison, effective November 1, 2004.
- Tom Kohl was appointed to the new office of Boys' Program Director.
- The position of Juniors' Program Director (Bill Zehler) was changed to Girls' Program Director.
- Brian Hemelgarn was reappointed as Regional Referees' Chairperson.
- Michelle Fox was reappointed as Women's Tournament Director.

2. Elections

- OVR registration numbers should be included with names and signatures on candidate's petitions. Incumbents need not repeat petitions (point of note; unchanged).
- The voting booth, to be staffed 8 hours per day, will be available at

Adult Regionals and all sites of Girls' Championships. A mail-in ballot will be available online.

- Voting booth staff will be paid and provided with T-shirt and food.
- Campaign literature cannot use OVR or USAV logos. No campaign literature material may be placed near the booth other than the profiles.
- Elaine Viney will continue as Elections Chair.
- Flyers and/or ballots will be distributed in team packets.

3. Financial Reports

- Ron Wyzynski will provide final 2003-2004 budget at the January meeting, following conclusion of the OVR fiscal year (which ends on October 31).

4. Penalties and Fines

- Bob Price will form a *Sportsmanship and Ethics Committee* to address additional consequences of, for example, ejections.
- Fines in place now for not officiating (\$100) will continue.
- Tom Kohl suggested a fine for Open teams enter Club tournaments.
- The Region will enforce policies that are already in place.

5. Men's and Women's Program

- The OVR may lose use of Kent State. Other sites are being considered.
- All adults' tournament results will be posted by the following Wednesday.
- Men's and women's seeding systems need not be identical.
- The officiating team must provide a USAV-certified first referee, beginning with the 2004-2005 season.

- All OVR teams, including adults, will be required to wear identical uniforms as noted in rulebook regarding logos, sleeve length, etc. Teams showing up with illegal uniforms can play, but will forfeit those matches (receiving no seeding points).
- For Women's competition only, players registered to Open level teams may play down to A.
- Regionals: April 16-17, 2005: GCCC
- At Regionals, it must be stressed that teams have no "home court".
- Men's and Women's teams that participate in Nationals and that submit a newsletter article will be compensated \$200.

6. Juniors' Program

6.1. Background Screening

- Background checks are required for all individuals working with juniors, including officials. Individuals may not work with juniors and their registrations are not complete until their background screens come back "Clear".
- Steve Donahue will administer the background screening program, forwarding forms to SSC1 and recording results in the OVR database.
- The background screening fee is \$20.

6.2. Regular-season competition

- Because there are no 11s' tournaments, the girls' 11s' division will no longer be offered at registration.
- The OVR is permitting clubs with athletes that are in a grade of school, but do not conform to the USA volleyball age definition for that grade, to form *grade level teams* in

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the Club division. This designation will replace waivers and will include athletes and teams in all grades. It will no longer be necessary to apply for a waiver, nor will there be any other extra paperwork. The rosters of Open teams, 13-and-Under, and 12-and-Under teams competing in national qualifying events may not include grade level athletes for any reason. Grade level will be required at registration for all juniors.

- Bill Zehler recommended expanding 10-and-Under to allow for coed play. Teams can also be all boys or all girls. Until April 1, coaches would be allowed to pop a ball over for serves that fail.
- Seeding points will be determined by a new, nonlinear function of teams' results, together with weights that are dependent on tournament strength. Tom, Troy, Art, and Nick met to establish initial weights for various prominent tournaments. Nick will develop and implement new algorithms for evaluation.
- Open teams may no longer play up to the next older Club level. For example, a 16 Open team will be allowed to enter a 16 Open, 17 Open, 18 Club, or 18 Open tournament, but it will not be allowed to enter a 17 Club tournament. Teams that illegally play up (e.g. 16 Open to 17 Club) will be flagged, with consequences for both the team and the tournament director.
- Tryouts for 10s-14s begin the last weekend (not the last Sunday) of October, provided the scholastic season is over.

6.3. Power Challenge

- Dates and times were resolved soon after the meeting:
 - 18s: March 5-6, Maumee
 - 15s: March 12-13, Oxford
 - 16s: March 12-13, Toledo
 - 17s: March 12-13, Maumee
 - 13s: March 19-20, Toledo
 - 14s: March 19-20, Mason
- Entry fee: \$320.
- Guaranteed 7 matches.
- The top 20-25 teams from each division are encouraged to participate.

6.4. Power Tournaments

- 1-day OVR tournaments, hosted by others and with higher point values.
- Contact Tom Kohl to schedule dates, divisions, and sites.

6.5. OVR Girls' Championships

- Over 890 teams played in our 2004 event. Over 20 dropped, of which 5-6 were able to obtain refunds.
- Intervention was required to seed teams correctly that had won bids to nationals. Such intervention caused no harm: teams that were moved up did not win Gold, nor did teams that were moved down win Bronze.
- At the club level, taking the top 32 teams to Gold/Silver/Bronze/Copper worked very well.
- 2005 Championships:
 - May 7: satellite sites
 - May 14-15, May 20-22: GCCC
- The Junior Championships will again use 40 courts in halls D/E/F.
- Only required personnel can be present at the Championship desk to relieve congestion.
- Match assignments should include round numbers but not times.
- Barb Ströme will perform JODP functions at the Championships.

- The Awards Committee will manage presentation of team awards.

6.6. Bid Tournament

- Dates and times were resolved shortly after the meeting:
 - 15s-18s: April 9-10, GCCC
 - 14s: April 16-17, Toledo
 - 12s: April 16, GCCC
 - 13s: April 17, GCCC
- The top team from Power Tournaments or Power Challenge may qualify for the Bid tournament.
- There may be a play-in on Saturday morning in the event of ties.

6.7. National Tournaments

- We will no longer have to ask whether teams will go to the Invitational, which is now first-come first-serve. The Invitational is now open to anyone, including Club teams. Both the 2005 Invitational and the 2005 Boys' JOVC will be in Louisville, Kentucky.
- Girls' JOVC: 13s will go to National and American divisions.

6.8. High Performance

- At the HP tournament, the OVR HP team finished 6th/15, the Youth team finished 6th/24, and the Y2 team finished 12th/24. The HP tournament level was very high, with participation by Southern California, Arizona, Hawaii, and others.
- The HP tournament entry fee, currently \$800, will increase.
- 170 girls attended tryouts for 36 spot for our 2004 tryouts. For 2005, tryouts will be distributed geographically, filtering to a final tryout at the Bid tournament with collegiate coaches assisting. Earlier tryouts can be held on evenings during the week, expanding players' opportunities to participate.

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- USAV will require that HP coaches have CAP II certification.
- There is not a coaching program in place to train coaches for high performance. Coaches' participation in the January clinic in Colorado Springs would be very helpful.
- A boys' HP program is needed.
- Don Burroughs will develop HP selection criteria to be distributed through the website.

6.9. Coaching Education: IMPACT

- Over 500 coaches passed IMPACT training in approximately 30 clinics, including club-hosted clinics.
- Wick Colchagoff, Lynn Morris, and Bart Gensburg assisted Don.
- The region saved \$16 per manual by printing and binding them locally.
- IMPACT clinic site rent is paid from IMPACT fees.
- Don Burroughs is now a certified IMPACT trainer.

6.9. Coaching Education: CAP

- Over 90 people showed up for the 2004 OVR CAP clinics in January at The Ohio State University.
- John Neville and Diana Cole were added for the 2004 clinics, and other excellent instructors would like to come for 2005.
- The new CAP III curriculum is not yet available.

6.10. Boys' Fall League

- Emi Vishoot is organizing the Boys' Fall League.
- The League Championships will be held on October 31.
- The September-October registration fee will be \$20 for players and \$25 for adults.

7. Officiating

- Brian will develop guidelines for head referees' responsibilities.

7.1. Officials' Compensation

- Referee fees are now \$150 (raised from \$135) per day for up to 6 matches at a regular-season juniors' event. Each additional match is \$25/match beyond 6 matches.
- The OVR will reimburse officials who work at any National event (Adult, Girls' JOVC, Boys' JOVC) in the amount of \$100, per event/site.
- The OVR will reimburse officials who pay application fees for national level (Junior National, National, National scorekeeper) certification in the amount of ½ of the fee after successful completion of certification.

7.2. Officials' Clinics

- Two additional clinics will be offered to make numbers at each more manageable.
- Clinic dates and sites were finalized soon after the board meeting:
 - Nov. 28, 2004: Toledo
 - Dec. 4, 2004: Westerville (new officials only)
 - Dec. 5, 2004: Westerville
 - Dec. 11, 2004: Charleston
 - Dec. 12, 2004: Dayton/Cincinnati
 - Jan. 8, 2005: Kent/Youngstown
- To allow individuals to attend multiple clinics, officials' clinics will be separated from club directors' and tournament directors' clinics.

7.3. Junior Officials' Development Program

- Each team must have at least one certified second referee and one certified scorekeeper, including at least 2 players per team. After April 1, coaches must officiate for teams lacking certified junior officials.

- Barb Strome will approve clinicians to hold junior officials' clinics. Those who would like to be clinicians must notify Barb by Sept. 15.
- Certifying officials and dates will be recorded for junior referees' and scorekeepers' certifications.
- Officials will send certification paperwork to Barb for entry in the OVR database.
- Clinicians will enter attendance information.
- Monthly reminders will be sent to club directors for teams lacking junior officials' certifications, along with additional reminders on the Wednesday prior to tournaments.

7.5. Junior Professional Officials

- 26 junior professional officials were certified. All passed and can work 10s' and 12s' tournaments.

8. Awards

- 2004 Glenn Purdy Meritorious Service Award: Emi Vishoot
- 2004 OVR Commissioner's Award: Bill Zehler
- 2004 OVR Award of Excellence for Coaching: Kathy Kleinhuizen (NKYVC) and Marv McCollum (Lineshot, posthumous)
- 2004 OVR Award of Excellence for Tournament Direction: Tammy Swearingen
- Bob Dickenson will chair the 2005 Awards Committee.
- Bob will select members for the 2005 Awards Committee.

9. Future Board Meetings

- October 3, 2004, 10AM: Westerville
- January 17, 2005, 9AM: Kent
- August 12-14, 2005, 8PM: Columbus

OVR Awards 2004

Emi Vishoot Selected for 2004 Glenn Purdy Meritorious Service Award

In recognition of Emi Vishoot's contributions to the Ohio Valley Region as a National Referee and Scorekeeper, Officials' Rater, service on the OVR Board of Directors, and with administration of OVR tournaments, Emi was awarded the 2004 Glenn Purdy Meritorious Service Award.

Glenn Purdy presented the award, which consists of framed National officials' patches, a gold whistle, and an engraved plaque, to Emi at the OVR awards dinner on August 14, 2004 at Mohican State Park.



Glenn Purdy (left) and Bob Price (right) presenting the 2004 Glenn Purdy Meritorious Service Award to Emi Vishoot.

Bill Zehler Honored with the 2004 OVR Commissioner's Award

Bill Zehler, in recognition for his extensive contributions to Ohio Valley Region volleyball, was presented the 2004 OVR Commissioner's Award by Bob Price, OVR Commissioner and President, at the OVR awards dinner on August 14.

Bill currently serves as OVR Girls' Program Director, tournament director of the Ohio Valley Region-Kaepa® USA Girls' Volleyball Championships (the country's largest regional championship event), and National Referee. Bill is on the OVR board of directors, is founder and director of the Borderline Juniors volleyball club, and every year hosts approximately 10 tournaments, each featuring many sites and divisions. Bill has also served as OVR Men's Tournament Director and tournament director of the OVR Boys' Championships.



OVR Commissioner/President Bob Price (left) and Ron Wyzynski, OVR Executive Director/CEO (right) present the 2004 OVR Commissioner's Award to Bill Zehler and the 2004 OVR Award of Excellence for Outstanding Volunteer to Sandy Rowland.

Patty Salvatore Named for Special 2004 OVR Commissioner's Award

In recognition of Patty's being chosen to officiate at the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens (see page 25), and following her earlier role officiating in the 1996 Olympics, Bob Price created a special award to acknowledge Patty's success. Presentation text and photos will follow in a future issue.

Sandy Rowland Selected for the 2004 OVR Award of Excellence for Outstanding Volunteer

In recognition of the tremendous help Sandy Rowland has given the Ohio Valley Region, the OVR Awards Committee selected Sandy for the 2004 OVR Award of Excellence for Outstanding Volunteer. For many seasons, Sandy has provided invaluable assistance with OVR Championships tournaments, elections, meetings, and operations.

Kathy Kleinhuisen, Marv McCollum, and Tammy Swearingen Selected for 2004 OVR Awards of Excellence

Kathy Kleinhuisen (NKYVC) and Marv McCollum (Lineshot) were selected for the 2004 OVR Coaches' Award of Excellence. Tammy Swearingen was selected for the 2004 OVR Tournament Director's Award of Excellence. Presentation text and photos will appear in a future issue.

2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 2004 Ohio Valley Regional Volleyball Championships, known to most players simply as “Regionals”, were held on April 18 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. These results are courtesy of Keith Burke and Micki Fox, OVR Men's and Women's Tournament Directors. The following pages hold photos of 1st and 2nd place teams who so agreed. These results and photos are also available on the OVR website (www.ovr.org/archives/2004/mw/regionals.php).

Men's Open

1. 🏐 Team Ohio – Six Bucks
2. Team Ohio – Shotgun DP
3. Team Ohio – Northcoast
3. Pittsburgh Volleyball – The Difference
5. Pittsburgh Volleyball – Beaver Steel
5. Team Ohio – Outsiders

Men's A

1. 🏐 Team Ohio - Plumer Insurance
2. Pittsburgh Volleyball – Younz Guys
3. Team Ohio – Team Heager
3. Last Minute
5. Pittsburgh Volleyball – MEAT
5. Team Ohio – Potts Specialized Hauling
5. Canton VBC – Budweiser
5. Team Ohio – Summit Racing

Men's BB Gold

1. 🏐 Team Ohio – Happy Hour
2. 🏐 Team Ohio – Kill Masters
3. LMNOeng.com
3. Dayton VBC – The Jump Off
5. For Pete's Sake
5. Westerville VBC
5. Killtacular
5. Team Ohio – Dayton VBC: Ultimate Kill II

Men's BB Silver

1. 🏐 Team Smack
2. 🏐 Lexington Boom
3. Canton VBC – Coon Caulking
3. C.T.S.

Men's B

1. 🏐 Dayton VBC: Crush (Remix)
2. 🏐 Team Ohio – Quality Door
3. BVVA – BVVA Arsenal
3. Team Ohio – Shockers
5. BVVA – BVVA II
5. Team Ohio – Dayton VBC: Tool Time

Women's Open

1. 🏐 Kattus
2. 🏐 Divas II
3. Sexy Geezers
3. Silver Swans

Women's A Gold

1. 🏐 TNA
2. 🏐 Team Sports - Toledo
3. Ultimate Warranty
3. PVO

Women's A Silver

1. 🏐 Black Squirrel
2. 🏐 Kickin' Ace
3. Set II Kill
3. Whitey's
5. Who Passed It
5. Charleston
7. Lance Insurance

Women's BB Gold

1. 🏐 Gillard Construction
2. 🏐 CDI
3. Players
3. Steelballers
5. 2 Da Limit
5. Westerville

Women's BB Silver

1. 🏐 Bits 'N' Pieces
2. 🏐 Momentum
3. Bionic B.Otches
3. Spikers
5. Cap City
5. Double A Slipform Curb

Women's B

1. 🏐 WPAFB Lady Hawks
2. 🏐 Misfits
3. D Girls
3. Volleyholics
5. Coaches
5. Cannon Coaches

2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN'S OPEN,
FIRST PLACE
TEAM OHIO –
SIX BUCKS



MEN'S A,
FIRST PLACE
TEAM OHIO –
PLUMER
INSURANCE



2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS



MEN'S BB GOLD,
FIRST PLACE
TEAM OHIO –
HAPPY HOUR



MEN'S BB GOLD,
SECOND PLACE
TEAM OHIO –
KILL MASTERS

2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

MEN'S BB SILVER,
FIRST PLACE
TEAM SMACK



MEN'S BB SILVER,
SECOND PLACE
LEXINGTON
BOOM



2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS



MEN'S B,
FIRST PLACE
DAYTON VBC:
CRUSH (REMIX)



MEN'S B,
SECOND PLACE
TEAM OHIO –
QUALITY DOOR

2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

WOMEN'S OPEN,
FIRST PLACE
KATTUS



WOMEN'S OPEN,
SECOND PLACE
DIVAS II



2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS



WOMEN'S A GOLD,
FIRST PLACE
TNA



WOMEN'S A GOLD,
SECOND PLACE
TEAM SPORTS –
TOLEDO

2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

WOMEN'S A SILVER,
FIRST PLACE
BLACK SQUIRREL



WOMEN'S A SILVER,
SECOND PLACE
KICKIN' ACE



2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS



WOMEN'S BB GOLD,
FIRST PLACE
GILLIARD
CONSTRUCTION



WOMEN'S BB GOLD,
SECOND PLACE
CDI

2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS

WOMEN'S BB SILVER,
FIRST PLACE
BITS 'N' PIECES



WOMEN'S BB SILVER,
SECOND PLACE
MOMENTUM



2004 OHIO VALLEY REGIONAL VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS



WOMEN'S B,
FIRST PLACE
WPAFB
LADY HAWKS



WOMEN'S B,
SECOND PLACE
MISFITS

Patty Salvatore First Female Referee to Officiate Olympic Indoor Volleyball

Patty Salvatore, Internationally Certified FIVB Arbitor, USAV National Referee, and OVR board member, officiated men's and women's indoor volleyball at the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens, Greece. Patty was the only official from the United States to officiate the 2004 indoor volleyball games, and she was also the first female to officiate Olympic indoor volleyball.

This accomplishment extends Patty's already impressive officiating resume. In 1996, Patty was the first female referee for Olympic beach volleyball. She is now one of the few (and perhaps the only) person to officiate both indoor and beach Olympic volleyball.

To recognize Patty's spectacular achievements, Bob Price, OVR Commissioner and President, created a special *OVR Commissioner's Award*. Patty's dedication, professionalism, and skill expertise set an admirable standard for all officials.



Photo courtesy of FIVB

ASEP Course and Refresher

The ASEP (American Sport Education Program) training course is a requirement all new Ohio Valley Region club directors within the first year of membership. Returning club directors who are already ASEP-accredited are encouraged to attend the afternoon session at no charge. We recommend this refresher because of the many changes that have recently been introduced, including changes to insurance, new background screening, and new tournament opportunities.

The OVR ASEP course for the 2004-2005 season will be held on December 4, 2004 from 9AM-4PM (afternoon refresher beginning at 1PM) at Westerville South High School.

The fee is \$75.00, which includes a printed includes manual. If additional club representatives wish to attend and do not require a manual, they may do so for \$25.00 each. Registrations received after November 15 are \$100.00 and \$35.00, respectively. The refresher, which does not include the manual, is free. Sign up today on the OVR website: www.ovr.org/juniors/coaching/asep.php.

Tom Kohl Appointed as Boys' Program Director

Addressing the need to expand boys' volleyball in the Ohio Valley Region, at the August meeting the board of directors created a new office, *OVR Boys' Program Director*, and appointed Tom Kohl (who retains his role as Juniors' Tournament Director) to the office. This role replaces and augments that of OVR Boy's Junior Volleyball Program Liaison, which is currently held by Emi Vishoot. Emi tendered her resignation, effective November 1.

Please support Tom in this new challenge. You can reach him at kohl@ovr.org or 937-773-7273.

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Ohio Valley Region—Molten® 2004 National Bid Qualifier: Results

Following are results from the Ohio Valley Region—Molten® 2004 National Bid Qualifier, along with photos of top-finishing teams. These results and photos are also available on the OVR website (www.ovr.org/archives/2004/juniors/bid/results.php).

12s

1. 🏐 Blackswamp VBC – 12
2. 🏐 Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 12 - Red
3. 🏐 Northern Kentucky VBC – 12-1 Tsunami
4. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 12 Red
5. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 11 Red
5. Lakota Sports Academy – 11s
5. Quicksilver VBC – 12s
5. Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 12-1
9. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 12 Black
9. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 12 White

13s

1. 🏐 Northern Kentucky VBC – 13-1 Tsunami
2. 🏐 Mizuno Cincy Classics – 13 Red
3. 🏐 Northern Kentucky Orange Crush
4. Team Z – 13-1
5. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 13-1
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 13 Diamond
5. Quicksilver VBC – 13 Blue
5. Team Atlantis VBC – 13 Elite
9. Blast VBC – 13 Maroon
9. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 13 Black
9. Jets Volleyball Club – 13-1
9. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 13 Black

14s

1. 🏐 Mizuno Cincy Classics – 14 Red
2. 🏐 Team Z – 14-1
3. 🏐 Northern Kentucky VBC – 14-1 Tsunami
4. 🏐 Glass City Volleyball Company – 14 Diamond
5. 🏐 Team Atlantis VBC – 14 Elite
6. 🏐 Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 14-1
7. 🏐 Dayton Jrs. – 14-Ha
8. 🏐 Northshore VBC – 14 Gold
9. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 14 Elite
9. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 14-1
9. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 14 Black
9. Decatur Force VBC – 14 White
9. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 14 Navy
9. Northern Kentucky VBC – 14-2 Tide
9. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 14 Red
9. Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 14-2

15s

1. 🏐 Team Z – 15-1
2. 🏐 Team Atlantis VBC – 15 Elite
3. 🏐 Dayton Jrs. – 15-Garcia
4. 🏐 Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 15 Hawks
5. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 15 Navy
6. Northern Kentucky VBC – 15-1 Tsunami
7. Northshore VBC – 15 Gold
8. Glass City Volleyball Company – 15 Diamond
9. Blackswamp VBC – 15-1
9. Club Q-SPORT – 15

9. J.A.G.2 – J.A.G.2
9. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 15 Black
9. Premier Volleyball Club – 15-1
9. Quicksilver VBC – 15 open
9. Sen-San VBC – Sen-San Lotycz
9. Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 15-2

16s

1. 🏐 Mizuno Cincy Classics – 16 Red
2. 🏐 SW Ohio Thunderbirds – S.W. Ohio Thunderbirds
3. 🏐 Northern Kentucky VBC – 16-1 Tsunami
4. 🏐 Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – 16 Black
5. 🏐 Team Z – 16-2
6. Team Atlantis VBC – 16 Elite
7. Renaissance Volleyball Club – Black 16
8. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 16 Navy
9. Blue Chip Volleyball – 16 Blue
9. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 16-1
9. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 16 Black
9. Dayton Jrs. – 16-Smerz
9. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 16 Black
9. Northern Kentucky VBC – 16-2 Tide
9. Northshore VBC – 16 Gold
9. Premier Volleyball Club – 16-1

17s

1. 🏐 Mizuno Cincy Classics – 17 Red
2. 🏐 Team Z – 17-1
3. 🏐 Team Atlantis VBC – 17 Elite
4. 🏐 Cleveland Volleyball Company – 17 Black
5. 🏐 Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 17-1
6. Team Z – 17-2
7. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 17 Black
8. Dayton Jrs. – 17-Buck
9. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 17-Tim
9. Premier Volleyball Club – 17-1
9. Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 17-2
9. Wooster Elite VBC – 17 Gold

18s

1. 🏐 Cleveland Volleyball Company – 18 Black
2. 🏐 Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 18-2
3. 🏐 Renaissance Volleyball Club – Black 18
4. 🏐 Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 18-Miller
5. 🏐 Matchpoint – 18 Red
6. 🏐 A.C.E. (Akron-Canton Elite) – A.C.E. Lions
7. Team Atlantis VBC – 18 Elite
8. Premier Volleyball Club – 18-1
9. Dayton Jrs. – 18-Lent
9. Mizuno Hollywood Elite VBC – Toms-18 Open
9. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 18 Red
9. Oiler Attack Club – 18 Black

Ohio Valley Region–Molten® 2004 National Bid Qualifier: Photos

1st place, 12s: Blackswamp VBC – 12



1st place, 13s: Northern Kentucky VBC – 13-1 Tsunami



2nd place, 12s: Cincy VBC – 12 Red



2nd place, 13s: Mizuno Cincy Classics – 13 Red



3rd place, 12s: Northern Kentucky VBC – 12-1 Tsunami



3rd place, 13s: Northern Kentucky Orange Crush



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Ohio Valley Region–Molten® 2004 National Bid Qualifier: Photos

1st place, 14s: Mizuno Cincy Classics – 14 Red



4th place, 14s: Glass City Volleyball Company – 14 Diamond



2nd place, 14s: Team Z – 14-1



5th place, 14s: Team Atlantis VBC – 14 Elite



3rd place, 14s: Northern Kentucky VBC – 14-1 Tsunami



6th place, 14s: Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 14-1



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Ohio Valley Region–Molten® 2004 National Bid Qualifier: Photos

7th place, 14s: Dayton Jrs. – 14-Ha



1st place, 15s: Team Z – 15-1



8th place, 14s: Northshore VBC – 14 Gold



2nd place, 15s: Team Atlantis – 15 Elite



4th place, 15s: Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 15 Hawks



3rd place, 15s: Dayton Jrs. – 15 Garcia



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Ohio Valley Region–Molten® 2004 National Bid Qualifier: Photos

1st place, 16s: Mizuno Cincy Classics – 16 Red



4th place, 16s: Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn – 16 Black



2nd place, 16s: SW Ohio Thunderbirds



5th place, 16s: Team Z – 16-2



3rd place, 16s: Northern Kentucky VBC – 16-1 Tsunami



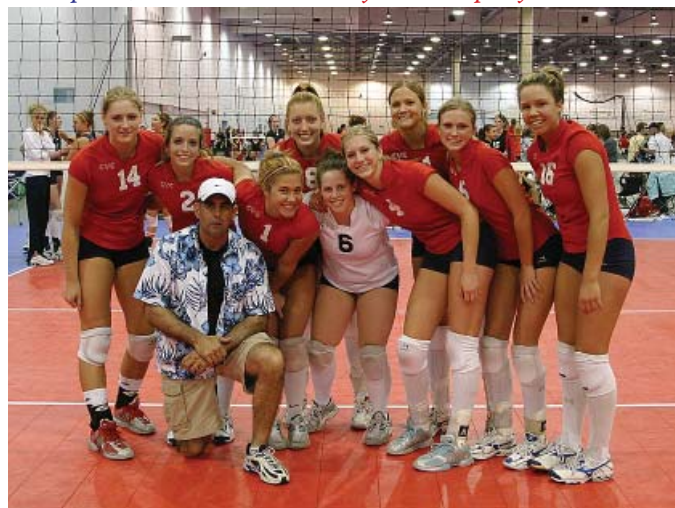
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Ohio Valley Region–Molten® 2004 National Bid Qualifier: Photos

1st place, 17s: Mizuno Cincy Classics – 17 Red



4th place, 17s: Cleveland Volleyball Company – 17 Black



2nd place, 17s: Team Z – 17-1



5th place, 17s: Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 17-1



3rd place, 17s: Team Atlantis VBC – 17 Elite



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Ohio Valley Region–Molten® 2004 National Bid Qualifier: Photos

1st place, 18s: Cleveland Volleyball Company – 18 Black



4th place, 18s: Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 18 Miller



2nd place, 18s: Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 18-2



5th place, 18s: Matchpoint – 18 Red



3rd place, 18s: Renaissance Volleyball Club – Black 18



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6th place, 18s: A.C.E. (Akron-Canton Elite) – A.C.E. Lions



Ohio Valley Region–Kaepa USA 2004 Girls' Volleyball Championships

RESULTS

We tabulate here complete results for the Ohio Valley Region–Kaepa® USA 2004 Girls' Volleyball Championships. The following pages hold all available photos of teams finishing in first and second place for their respective divisions. These results are also available, with additional photos, on the OVR website (www.ovr.org/archives/2004/juniors/girls_championships/results.php).

10-and-Under

10s Gold

1. Northern Kentucky VBC – 10-1 Tsunami
2. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 10 Red
3. Glass City Volleyball Company – 10 Diamond
3. Toledo YMCA Volleyball Club – Aces
5. Team Atlantis VBC – 10 Amy

10s Silver

1. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 10-1
2. Middletown – All Stars
3. Northern Kentucky VBC – 10-2 Tide
3. Western Buckeye VBC – 10 to 1

10s Bronze

1. LOCO – Pink
2. Team Atlantis VBC – 10 Piqua
3. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 10 Armadillos
3. LOCO – Pink10s

12s Gold

1. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 12-1
2. Northern Kentucky VBC – 12-1 Tsunami
3. Blackswamp VBC – 12
3. Quicksilver VBC – 12's
5. Club Crush – Lauber
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 12-2
5. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – Liberty - Attack
5. Northshore VBC – 12 Navy

12s Silver

1. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 12 - Red
2. Toledo SJVC – Panthers
3. Grand Lake VBC – Rockers
3. Lakota Sports Academy – 11s
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 11 Diamond
5. Loveland Volleyball Club – 12s
5. Maverick / Third Degree – 12-1
5. Southwest VBC – 12 White

12s Bronze

1. Wooster Elite VBC – 12 Gold
2. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 12 Red
3. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 11-1
3. North Central VBC – Orange 12
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 12 Diamond
5. Northshore VBC – 12 Red
5. Premier Volleyball Club – 12-1
5. Queen City Crush – 12

12s Copper

1. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 11 Red
2. Southwest VBC – 12 Red
3. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 12-1
3. Dayton Jrs. – 12-Carus
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Scarbinos 12s
5. Mad River Juniors VBC – TWISTERS
5. Northern Kentucky VBC – 12-2 Tide
5. Spirit VBC – Sheffield Spikers-Black

12-and-Under

12s Nickel

1. Trumbull VBC – 12s
2. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 12 Twisters
3. Blue Chip Volleyball – 12 Blue
3. Clippard YMCA Club Volleyball – Devils
5. Columbus United VBC – 12 & Under-Blue
5. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 12-1 Black
5. Northshore VBC – 12 White
5. Westland VBC – Westland 12s

12s Platinum

1. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 12 Red
2. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 12-Blue
3. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 12 Navy
3. New Wave VBC – 12-Gold
5. Northern Kentucky VBC – 11-1 Tsunami
5. LOCO – Gray
5. Middletown – Ball Hogs
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 12-5

12s Aluminum

1. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 12 White
2. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 12 Black
3. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 12 White
3. Western Buckeye VBC – TCN
5. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 12-2 Red
5. Wooster Elite VBC – 12 Navy

12s Chromium

1. Western Buckeye VBC – Western Buckeye Preble Rebels
2. Spirit VBC – Sheffield Spikers-Red
3. East Side Volleyball Club – ESVC-12
3. RAMS – White
5. Club Pioneer – Red
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 12-4

12s Plutonium

1. C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 12(3)
2. C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 12(1)
3. SOVC (Southern Ohio VC) – 12 Paul
3. The SURGE – The SURGE - 12's
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 12 Emerald
5. Middletown – Mighty Middies

12s Titanium

1. RAMS – Green
2. Western Buckeye VBC – Too Fun
3. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 12-2
3. Club Q-SPORT – Club Q-SPORT
5. Cap City VBC – 12 White
5. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 12 White

12s Mercury

1. New Washington VBC – NWVBC / 12
2. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 12 Lizards
3. C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 12(2)
3. Dayton Jrs. – 12-Dolibo
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Medicus 12s
5. London Elite – London 12

12s Kryptonite

1. Club Pioneer – Black
2. New Wave VBC – 12-Black
3. Cap City VBC – 12 Blue
3. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 12 Blue
5. LOCO – Teal

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13-and-Under

13s Gold

1. Maverick / Third Degree – 13-1
2. Quicksilver VBC – 13 Blue
3. Northern Kentucky Orange Crush
3. Wooster Elite VBC – 13 Gold
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 13 Diamond
5. Lakota Sports Academy – Red
5. Northern Kentucky VBC – 13-1 Tsunami
5. Team Z – 13-1

13s Silver

1. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 13-1
2. Blast VBC – 13 Maroon
3. Jets Volleyball Club – 13-1
3. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 13 Black
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 13 Silver
5. Clippard YMCA Club Volleyball – Diggers
5. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 13 Black
5. Southwest VBC – 13 White

13s Bronze

1. Toledo SJVC – Slammers
2. Southwest VBC – 13 Red
3. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 13 Black
3. Gecko VBC – 13-1
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 13 Red
5. Blackswamp VBC – 13
5. Middletown – Purple Llamas
5. New Washington VBC – NWWBC - 13

13s Copper

1. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 13-1
2. Grand Lake VBC – Dozers
3. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 13 Red
3. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 13 Red
5. Midwest Elite VBC – 13 Open
5. Northshore VBC – 13 Navy
5. Players Choice VBC – 13-LM
5. Wooster Elite VBC – 13 Navy

13s Nickel

1. Glass City Volleyball Company – 13 Emerald
2. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 13 Red
3. Cap City VBC – 13 Blue
3. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 13 White
5. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 13 White
5. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 13 Navy
5. Oiler Attack Club – 13 Black
5. Premier Volleyball Club – 13-1

13s Platinum

1. Westerville VBC – 13 Black
2. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Knotts 13s
3. C.O.A.S.T. – 13-2
3. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 13-1
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 13 Ruby
5. MEVC – Green Beans
5. Spirit VBC – 13 Red
5. Toledo SJVC – Stingers

13s Aluminum

1. Columbus United VBC – 13 & Under-Blue
2. Blast VBC – 13 Black
3. Quicksilver VBC – 13 Silver
3. Team Atlantis VBC – 13 Tigers
5. C.O.A.S.T. – 13-1
5. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 13 White
5. Northshore VBC – 13 Red
5. Wooster Elite VBC – 13 White

13s Chromium

1. Dayton Jrs. – 13-Wood
2. Northshore VBC – 13 White
3. C.O.A.S.T. – 13-3
3. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 13 Blue
5. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 13 White
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 13 Black
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Slipkasky
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 13-3

13s Plutonium

1. Blue Chip Volleyball – 13 Blue
2. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 13 Black
3. Air Attack VBC – Air Attack 13J
3. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 13-4 Red
5. North Central VBC – Orange 13
5. Premier Volleyball Club – 13-White
5. The SURGE – 13's
5. Westland VBC – Hot Tamales

13s Titanium

1. Premier Volleyball Club – 13-Red
2. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 13-2
3. MEVC – 13 Club
3. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 13-5
5. Advance Volleyball Club – 13s
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Ludwick
5. Spirit VBC – 13 Blue

13s Mercury

1. Northern Kentucky VBC – 13-2 Tide
2. Dayton Jrs. – 13-Smith
3. Bean City Volleyball Club – Markum
3. Dayton Jrs. – 13-Boch
5. Club Gold – 13-Blue
5. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 13-2 Blue
5. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 13-3 White
5. Mad River Juniors VBC – Surge

13s Kryptonite

1. PVC (Portage Volleyball Club) – Shazam
2. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 13-1
3. Cap City VBC – 13 Silver
3. Westland VBC – V.B.C.s
5. Cannon VBC – Garnet
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Bozeks 13s
5. Players Choice VBC – 13-TR
5. Western Buckeye VBC – Spikers

13s Lead

1. Air Attack VBC – Air Attack 13R
2. Clippard YMCA Club Volleyball – Thunder Wolves
3. LOCO – Purple
3. Dayton Jrs. – 13-Kraft
5. Grizzly Volleyball Club – Grizzly
5. MEVC – Diggers

13s Zinc

1. Spirit VBC – 13 White
2. Club Q-SPORT – 13
3. Bean City Volleyball Club – Thomas
3. Western Buckeye VBC – Aces
5. Southwest Spikers VBC – 13's
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 13-6

13s Tin

1. Riverstar VBC – 13's
2. Maverick / Third Degree – 13-2
3. Cannon VBC – Scarlet
3. Set 2 Kill – Set 2 Kill
5. Blue Chip Volleyball – 13 White
5. Set 2 Kill 2 – Set 2 Kill

13s Tungsten

1. Oiler Attack Club – 13 Orange
2. Mad River Juniors VBC – Rage
3. North Central VBC – Navy 13
3. Westland VBC – Aces
5. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – OHVA 13 White

14 Open

14 Open Gold

1. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 14 Red
2. Team Z – 14-1
3. Northern Kentucky VBC – 14-1 Tsunami
3. Team Atlantis VBC – 14 Elite
5. Dayton Jrs. – 14-Ha
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 14 Diamond
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 14-1
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 14-2

14 Open Silver

1. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 14 Black
2. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 14 Red
3. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 14-1
3. Quicksilver VBC – 14 open
5. Wooster Elite VBC – 14 Gold
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 14 Elite
5. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 14 Black
5. Team Z – 14-2

14 Open Bronze

1. Blue Chip Volleyball – 14 Blue
2. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 14 Hawks
3. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 14 Navy
3. Mizuno Hollywood Elite VBC – 14 Open
5. Club Q-SPORT – 14
5. Dayton Jrs. – 14-Dalhamer
5. Midwest Elite VBC – 14 Open
5. Northern Kentucky VBC – 14-2 Tide

14 Open Copper

1. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 14 White
2. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 14 Blue
3. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 14-Burd
3. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 14 Red
5. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 14-1
5. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 14-3
5. North Columbus VBC – 14-1 Gold
5. Riverstar VBC – 14's

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14 Club

14 Club Gold

1. Renaissance Central VBC – 14 Black
2. Glass City Volleyball Company – 14 Emerald
3. Cap City VBC – 14 Blue
3. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 14-1
5. Team Atlantis VBC – 13 Elite
5. Blackswamp VBC – 14-2
5. Decatur Force VBC – 14 Royal
5. Spirit VBC – Storm

14 Club Platinum

1. Oiler Attack Club – 14 Orange
2. Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – Kaepa Pgh Elite 14 Black
3. Toledo SJVC – Comets
3. Westerville VBC – 14 Red
5. New Wave VBC – 14-Gold
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 14-5
5. Trumbull VBC – White 14s
5. Western Buckeye VBC – Blitz

14 Club Mercury

1. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 14-2 Red
2. Westland VBC – Cougars
3. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 14 Red Buckaroos
3. Premier Volleyball Club – 14-2
5. C.O.A.S.T. – 14-1
5. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 14 Orange
5. Lineshot – Brown
5. Oiler Attack Club – 14 Black

14 Club Tungsten

1. Queen City Crush
2. Aces VBC – ACES 14's
3. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Jordan
3. Premier Volleyball Club – 14-Blue
5. Mad River Juniors VBC – Hurricanes
5. New Knoxville Volleyball Club – 14s
5. Spirit VBC – Cheetas
5. Southwest Spikers VBC – 14's

14 Club Silver

1. Grand Lake VBC – Gems
2. Club Ashtabula Volleyball – CAVS14 Purple
3. Southeast Xtreme Volleyball Club
3. Southwest VBC – 14
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 14 Ruby
5. SOVC (Southern Ohio VC) – 14 Amy
5. Spirit VBC – Crush
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 14-3

14 Club Aluminum

1. Players Choice VBC – 14-TK
2. Players Choice VBC – 14-TK
3. Northwest Ohio Volleyball – Duncan
3. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 14 White
5. Darke County Volleyball Club – Phat Gurlz Slim
5. Northshore VBC – 14 White
5. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 14 Black
5. Zero Gravity Jrs. – 14 Black

14 Club Kryptonite

1. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Anchors 14s
2. North Columbus VBC – 14-2 Black
3. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Ludt 14s
3. Wooster Elite VBC – 14 White
5. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 14-3
5. KLARS VBC – 14 Purple
5. Premier Volleyball Club – 14-Navy
5. Spirit VBC – Tigers

14 Club Calcium

1. Westland VBC – Gold & Black Attack
2. Northern Kentucky VBC – 14-3 Hurricanes
3. Cap City VBC – 14 Black State
3. Club Impact – 14 Silver
5. ALETA Aces – 14C-White
5. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 14 Black
5. Bean City Volleyball Club – Maisch
5. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 14 Yellow

14 Club Bronze

1. Dayton Jrs. – 14-McDonald
2. North Central VBC – Orange 14
3. C.O.A.S.T. – 14-4
3. Northshore VBC – 14 Navy
5. ALETA Aces – Blue
5. North Central VBC – Orange 14
5. Players Choice VBC – 14-TP
5. Trumbull VBC – Blue 14s

14 Club Chromium

1. Maverick / Third Degree – 14-2
2. Wooster Elite VBC – 14 Black
3. PVC (Portage Volleyball Club) – Fusion
3. Westerville VBC – 14 Black
5. Cannon VBC – Rose
5. LOCO – Yellow
5. Columbus United VBC – 14 & Under-Blue
5. Club Impact – 14 Blue

14 Club Lead

1. Blue Chip Volleyball – 14 White
2. OSEO – OSEO14
3. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 14 Gold
3. Dayton Jrs. – 14-Myers
5. Advance Volleyball Club – 14s
5. C.O.A.S.T. – 14-2
5. C.O.A.S.T. – 14-3
5. Lineshot – Navy

14 Club Magnesium

1. LOCO – Orange
2. East Side Volleyball Club – ESVC 14-1
3. New Wave VBC – 14-Black
3. River City Thunder – 14
5. Bean City Volleyball Club – Yetman
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Townsend 14s
5. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 14-3 White
5. Marion Volleyball Club – 14-Jayne

14 Club Copper

1. C.O.A.S.T. – 14-5
2. Cap City VBC – 14 Silver
3. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 14 White
3. SOVC (Southern Ohio VC) – 14 Laura
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 14 Black
5. Blanchard Valley – Red Streaks - 14
5. SW Ohio Thunderbirds – 14
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 14-4

14 Club Plutonium

1. Air Attack VBC – Air Attack 14B
2. MEVC – 14 Club
3. Air Attack VBC – Air Attack 14J
3. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 14 Red
5. Diamondback VBC – Vipers
5. Frogtown Volleyball Club – Fourteens
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 14 Sapphire
5. Maverick / Third Degree – 14-1

14 Club Zinc

1. Clippard YMCA Club Volleyball – Slammers
2. Western Buckeye VBC – Bullets
3. Jani-King – 14 Club
3. Westlake VBC – 14 Gold
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 14 Silver
5. Gold Diggers VBC – 14 Gold
5. Northshore VBC – 14 Black
5. The SURGE – 14 White

14 Club Iron

1. Newark Spikers – Momentum
2. Elyria PRIDE Volleyball Club – 14 Club
3. Premier Volleyball Club – 14-White
3. Spirit VBC – Sharks
5. Charleston VBC – Downtown Dinks II
5. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 14-4
5. Elyria PRIDE Volleyball Club – Pride Lite
5. Vipers VBC – Red

14 Club Nickel

1. KLARS VBC – 14 Blue
2. Westerville VBC – 14 Blue
3. Jump Serve Volleyball – 14 Club
3. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 14 White
5. Charleston VBC – Downtown Dinks I
5. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 14 White
5. Stars & Spikes VBC – 14 Club Red
5. Westland VBC – Panthers

14 Club Titanium

1. Penn Highlands Volleyball Club – C J Williams
2. Dayton Jrs. – 14-Bautista
3. Premier Volleyball Club – 14-Red
3. Queen City Crush – 14-2
5. Blanchard Valley – Black Streaks - 14
5. Dayton Jrs. – 14-Doliboa
5. Northshore VBC – 14 Red
5. The SURGE – 14's Silver

14 Club Tin

1. New Washington VBC – NWVBC - 14
2. Club Ashtabula Volleyball – CAVS14 Silver
3. Marion Juniors Volleyball Club – King
3. PVC (Portage Volleyball Club) – Slam
5. Cannon VBC – Red
5. East Side Volleyball Club – ESVC 14-2
5. Stars & Spikes VBC – 14 Club Blue
5. Western Buckeye VBC – Blaze

14 Club Cobalt

1. New Wave VBC – 14-Silver
2. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Sofranko 14s
3. Grizzly Volleyball Club – Grizzly 14-2
3. Marion Volleyball Club – 14-Jill
5. East Ohio VBC – EOVC - 14
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Robinsons 14s
5. Middletown – Big "M"
5. Vipers VBC – Blue

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15 Open

15 Open Gold

1. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 15 Red
2. Northern Kentucky VBC – 15-1 Tsunami
3. Dayton Jrs. – 15-Garcia
3. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 15 Black
5. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 15 Hawks
5. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 15 Black
5. Team Z – 15-1
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 15-1

15 Open Silver

1. Team Atlantis VBC – 15 Elite
2. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 15 Navy
3. Quicksilver VBC – 15 open
3. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 15-2
5. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 15-Betty
5. Club Q-SPORT – 15
5. Dayton Jrs. – 15-Ney
5. Glass City Volleyball Company – 15 Diamond

15 Open Bronze

1. SW Ohio Thunderbirds – 15-1
2. J.A.G.2 – J.A.G.2
3. Glass City Volleyball Company – 15 Emerald
3. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 15 Red
5. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 15 S*M*A*S*H
5. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 15-1
5. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 15-1
5. Northern Kentucky VBC – 15-2 Tide

15 Open Copper

1. Cap City VBC – 15 Silver
2. Premier Volleyball Club – 15-2
3. Club Impact – 15 Open
3. Matchpoint – 15 Red
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 15 Elite
5. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 15-3
5. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 15 White

15 Club Gold

1. Lakota Sports Academy – 15s
2. Club Ashtabula Volleyball – CAVS15 Purple
3. LOCO – Green
3. Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – Kaepa Pgh Elite 15 Black
5. Grand Lake VBC – Pink Ladies
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Spirit 15s
5. PVC (Portage Volleyball Club) – G-Force
5. Wooster Elite VBC – 15 Gold

15 Club Silver

1. C.O.A.S.T. – 15-1
2. Southwest VBC – 15
3. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 15-1 Black
3. Renaissance Volleyball Club – Black 15
5. Dayton Jrs. – 15-Carus
5. SW Ohio Thunderbirds – 15-2
5. Trumbull VBC – Silver 15s
5. Western Buckeye VBC – Bandits

15 Club Bronze

1. KLARS VBC – 15 Pink
2. Premier Volleyball Club – 15-Red
3. Decatur Force VBC – 15 Royal
3. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 15 Black
5. ALETA Aces – 15C
5. Northern Kentucky VBC – 15-3 Hurricanes
5. Penn Highlands Volleyball Club – Lilley
5. SOVC (Southern Ohio VC) – 15 Cathi

15 Club Copper

1. Quicksilver VBC – Quicksilver 15 Club
2. Dayton Jrs. – 15-Kump
3. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 15 Red
3. Players Choice VBC – 15-BW
5. Lineshot – Grey
5. Lineshot – Maroon
5. Premier Volleyball Club – 15-White
5. PVC (Portage Volleyball Club) – Darkstars

15 Club Nickel

1. Toledo SJVC – 15 Rebels
2. Team Atlantis VBC – 15 Brandewie
3. Beaver Valley Premier – BVP 15-1
3. Grand Lake VBC – Outlaws
5. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 14 Black
5. Air Attack VBC – Air Attack 15
5. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 15 White
5. Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – Kaepa Pgh Elite 15 - Gold

15 Club

15 Club Platinum

1. Toledo SJVC – Black
2. Club Ashtabula Volleyball – CAVS15 Silver
3. MEVC – S.W.A.T
3. Marion Volleyball Club – 15-Nichole
5. Black Bandits Volleyball Club – Black Bandits 15's
5. Cannon VBC – Maroon
5. Marion Juniors Volleyball Club – Jody
5. Westlake VBC – 15 Gold

15 Club Aluminum

1. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 15 Red
2. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 15 Blue
3. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 15-1
3. Queen City Crush – 15-1
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 15 Black
5. Cap City VBC – 15 White
5. Marion Volleyball Club – 15-Kyla
5. Northwest Ohio Volleyball – Joan Gross

15 Club Chromium

1. Spirit VBC – 15 Black
2. Jump Serve Volleyball – 15 Club Purple
3. C.O.A.S.T. – 15-4
3. The SURGE – 15 Silver
5. Toledo All-Starz – Toledo All-Starz
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 15 Red
5. Premier Volleyball Club – 15-Navy
5. Westland VBC – Pumas

15 Club Plutonium

1. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 15-5 Green
2. C.O.A.S.T. – 15-3
3. Columbus United VBC – 15 & Under-Blue
3. Penn Highlands Volleyball Club – Bartock
5. MEVC – L-A- VATE
5. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 15-2 Red
5. Premier Volleyball Club – 15-Blue
5. Southwest Spikers VBC – 15's (1)

15 Club Titanium

1. KLARS VBC – 15 Blue
2. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 15 White Lightning
3. Team Atlantis VBC – 15 Kaiser
3. West Side Bobcats – Bobcats Gold
5. Jump Serve Volleyball – 15 Club White
5. MEVC – Planet Volleywood
5. Middletown – Middie Magic
5. Wooster Elite VBC – 15 Navy

15 Club Mercury

1. Players Choice VBC – 15-CN
2. Spirit VBC – 15 Red
3. Maverick / Third Degree – 15-1
3. Oiler Attack Club – 15 Black
5. Blanchard Valley – Red Streaks - 15
5. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 15 White
5. Middletown – Purple Panthers
5. Toledo SJVC – Starz

15 Club Kryptonite

1. The SURGE – 15 White
2. Zero Gravity Jrs. – 15 Black
3. Glass City Volleyball Company – 15 Ruby
3. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Craig 15s
5. Clippard YMCA Club Volleyball – Crushers
5. East Ohio VBC – EOVC - Black
5. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 15 White
5. Toledo YMCA VBC – Jump Serve

15 Club Lead

1. Stars & Spikes VBC – 15 Club Red
2. North Central VBC – Orange 15
3. Gold Diggers VBC – 15 Gold
3. Westland VBC – Crazy Aces
5. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 15 Black Diamonds
5. LOCO – Black
5. Grizzly Volleyball Club – 15-2
5. Spirit VBC – 15 White

15 Club Zinc

1. West Virginia Juniors
2. SW Ohio Thunderbirds – 15-3
3. Advance Volleyball Club – 15s
3. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Theiss 15s
5. East Ohio VBC – EOVC - Gray
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Hunsberger 15s
5. Southwest Spikers VBC – 15's (2)
5. Wooster Elite VBC – 15 White

15 Club Tin

1. Spirit VBC – Spirit
2. C.O.A.S.T. – 15-2
3. Cannon VBC – Magenta
3. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 15 Blue
5. Matchpoint – 15 Black
5. Marion Juniors Volleyball Club – Cherie

15 Club Tungsten

1. MVVP (Muskingum Valley VP) – 15
2. West Side Bobcats – Bobcats Black
3. Bean City Volleyball Club – Kuhn
3. East Side Volleyball Club – ESVC-15
5. Frogtown Volleyball Club – Fifteens
5. Jani-King – 15 Club

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16 Open

16 Open Gold

1. Team Z – 16-1
2. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 16 Red
3. Dayton Jrs. – 16-Smerz
3. Northern Kentucky VBC – 16-1 Tsunami
5. Blue Chip Volleyball – 16 Blue
5. Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – 16 Black
5. Team Z – 16-2
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 16-1

16 Open Silver

1. Team Atlantis VBC – 16 Elite
2. A.C.E. (Akron-Canton Elite) – Tigers
3. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 16-1
3. SW Ohio Thunderbirds
5. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 16 Black
5. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 16 Navy
5. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 16 Black
5. Maverick / Third Degree – 16-1

16 Open Bronze

1. Dayton Jrs. – 16-Ferguson
2. Gold Diggers VBC – 16 Gold
3. Northern Kentucky VBC – 16-2 Tide
3. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 16-2
5. Club Q-SPORT – 16
5. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 16 Blue
5. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 16 Red
5. Quicksilver VBC – 16 Open-Kara

16 Open Copper

1. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 16 Red
2. Cap City VBC – 16 Silver
3. Grizzly Volleyball Club – 16 Elite
3. Wooster Elite VBC – 16 Gold
5. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 16-2
5. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 16-3
5. North Columbus VBC – 16-1 Gold
5. Quicksilver VBC – Quicksilver 16 Open-Jeff

16 Club

16 Club Gold

1. Renaissance Central VBC – 16 Black
2. Maverick / Third Degree – 16-3
3. Toledo SJVC – Rebels
3. Westerville VBC – 16 Red
5. Dayton Jrs. – 16-Bonner
5. Highlands VBC – 16's-White
5. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 16-1 Black
5. PVC (Portage Volleyball Club) – Tricksters

16 Club Silver

1. Queen City Crush – 16 Black
2. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – Liberty - Patriot Intimidators
3. Southwest VBC – 16
3. Zero Gravity Jrs. – 16 Black
5. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 16 White Eagles
5. River City Thunder – Drillers
5. SOVC (Southern Ohio VC) – 16 Abbey
5. Team Atlantis VBC – 16 Metz

16 Club Bronze

1. Renaissance Central VBC – 16 Grey
2. Wooster Elite VBC – 16 White
3. Club Gold – 16 Gold
3. Players Choice VBC – 16-E2
5. Columbus United VBC – 16 Blue
5. Northshore VBC – 16 Navy
5. Players Choice VBC – 16-E1
5. Spirit VBC – 16 Momentum

16 Club Copper

1. Cap City VBC – 16 Black
2. New Wave VBC – 16-Silver
3. Stars & Spikes VBC – 16 Club Blue
3. Trumbull VBC – White 16s
5. Beaver Valley Premier – BVP 16-1
5. Cannon VBC – Carbuncle
5. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 16 White
5. Premier Volleyball Club – 16-Red

16 Club Nickel

1. SOVC (Southern Ohio VC) – 16 Ashley
2. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 16 Red
3. Lithopolis Jr. Netters VBC – Netters
3. Spirit VBC – 16 Blast
5. New Washington VBC – NWVBC - 15c
5. Marion Juniors Volleyball Club – Starner
5. Penn Highlands Volleyball Club – Knizner
5. Toledo SJVC – X-Plosion

16 Club Platinum

1. Western Buckeye VBC – Bombers
2. Cap City VBC – 16 Blue
3. Dayton Jrs. – 16-Kuhn
3. Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 16 Red
5. Charleston VBC – Rage - Black
5. Club Jam – cj-2
5. North Central VBC – Orange
5. Trumbull VBC – Blue 16s

16 Club Aluminum

1. Maverick / Third Degree – 16-2
2. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 16 Red
3. Frogtown Volleyball Club – Sixteens
3. Wooster Elite VBC – 16 Navy
5. Columbus United VBC – 16 Black
5. Maverick / Third Degree – 16-4
5. Oiler Attack Club – 16 Orange
5. Westerville VBC – 16 Blue

16 Club Chromium

1. Western Ohio VBC – 16 Blue
2. The SURGE – 16 Silver
3. North Columbus VBC – 16-2 Black
3. Players Choice VBC – 16-CP
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Sarai Miller 16s
5. Lineshot – Ash
5. QT X-Treme VBC – 6-teens
5. Westlake VBC – 16 Gold

16 Club Plutonium

1. Glass City Volleyball Company – 16 Diamond
2. New Wave VBC – 16-Gold
3. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 16-1
3. C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 16(3)
5. Advance Volleyball Club – 16s
5. C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 16(2)
5. C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 16(4)
5. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 16 White

16 Club Titanium

1. Marion Volleyball Club – 16-Audra
2. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 16-2
3. Westland VBC – Hit Men
3. Westerville VBC – 16 Black
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 16 Black
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Poinski 16s
5. Team Atlantis VBC – 16 Frantz
5. Westerville VBC – 16 Black

16 Club Mercury

1. Sen-San VBC – Sen-San Bechtler
2. Elyria PRIDE Volleyball Club – Pride 16's
3. Air Attack VBC – Air Attack 16
3. Westland VBC – Planet Volleywood
5. Middletown – Rebels
5. Spirit VBC – 16 Terminators
5. The SURGE – 16 White
5. Stillwater VBC – 16's-Ginn

16 Club Kryptonite

1. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 16 Black
2. Westlake VBC – 16 Blue
3. Charleston VBC – Fire and Ice I
3. Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – Kaepa Pgh Elite 16 - Gold
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Hack 16s
5. River City Thunder – 16-2
5. Stars & Spikes VBC – 16 Club Red
5. West Virginia Juniors – Silver

16 Club Lead

1. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 16 Orange
2. Blanchard Valley – Red Streaks - 16
3. C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 16(1)
3. Jump Serve Volleyball – 16 Club
5. Club Impact – 16 Blue
5. KLARS VBC – 16 Purple
5. Premier Volleyball Club – 16-Blue
5. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 16 Black

16 Club Zinc

1. New Wave VBC – 16-Black
2. East Side Volleyball Club – ESVC-16
3. Cannon VBC – Crimson
3. Club Impact – 16 Silver
5. Charleston VBC – Fire and Ice II
5. East Ohio VBC – EOVC - 16
5. Kaepa Hollywood of Pennsylvania – The Hollywood Panthers
5. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Reilly 16

16 Club Tin

1. KLARS VBC – 16 Red
2. Odyssey Volleyball Club – Odyssey 16
3. Club Ashtabula Volleyball – CAVS16
3. Westerville VBC – 16 Green
5. Club Extreme – Fire
5. Marion Volleyball Club – 16-Lainey
5. Middletown – Warriors
5. Aces VBC – ACES 16's

16 Club Tungsten

1. Queen City Crush – 16 Orange
2. Charleston VBC – Rage - Red
3. New Wave VBC – 16-Blue
3. New Knoxville Volleyball Club – 16s
5. Bean City Volleyball Club – Green
5. Darke County Volleyball Club – Titans
5. Club Impact – 16 White
5. Winfield Generals Club – 16's

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17 Open

17 Open Gold

1. Team Z – 17-1
2. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 17 Red
3. Dayton Jrs. – 17-Buck
3. Team Atlantis VBC – 17 Elite
5. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 17 Black
5. Mizuno Cincy Classics – 17 Black
5. Team Z – 17-2
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 17-1
9. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 17-Tim
9. Premier Volleyball Club – 17-2
9. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 17-2
9. Wooster Elite VBC – 17 Gold

17 Open Silver

1. Cleveland Volleyball Company – 17 Blue
2. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 17 Red
3. Club Q-SPORT – 17
3. Northshore VBC – 17 Gold
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 17 Red
5. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 17-Doug
5. Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – 17 Black
5. Quicksilver VBC – Quicksilver 17 Open

18 Open

18 Open Gold

1. Sports Express Bullets – SE Bullets
2. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 18-1
3. Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 18 Navy
3. Team Atlantis VBC – 18 Elite
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 18 Elite
5. Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 18-1
5. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 18-2
5. Zero Gravity Jrs. – 18 Gold

18 Open Silver

1. Matchpoint – 18 Red
2. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 18 Red
3. A.C.E. (Akron-Canton Elite) – Lions
3. Matchpoint – 18 Black
5. Dayton Jrs. – 18-Lent
5. Mizuno Hollywood Elite VBC – Toms-18 Open
5. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 18 Open

17 Club

17 Club Gold

1. Toledo SJVC – Renegades
2. Southwest VBC – 17 White
3. Northshore VBC – 17 Navy
3. Kaepa Toledo VBC – TVC 17-3
5. Cap City VBC – 17 White
5. SOVC (Southern Ohio VC) – 17 Cari
5. Southwest VBC – 17 Red
5. Team Atlantis VBC – 17 Oaks

17 Club Silver

1. Glass City Volleyball Company – 17 Diamond
2. Team Atlantis VBC – 17 Anderson
3. Maverick / Third Degree – 17-2
3. Western Buckeye VBC – Breakers
5. Beaver Valley Premier – BVP 17-1
5. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 17-1
5. Lineshot – White
5. Westlake VBC – 17 Blue

17 Club Bronze

1. Dayton Jrs. – 17-Hicks
2. Gold Diggers VBC – 17 Gold
3. Mizuno Hollywood Elite VBC – 16 Open
3. Elyria PRIDE Volleyball Club – Pride 17's
5. Maverick / Third Degree – 17-1
5. Odyssey Volleyball Club – Odyssey 17
5. PVC (Portage Volleyball Club) – Swat Team
5. Wooster Elite VBC – 17 Navy

17 Club Copper

1. Trumbull VBC – Blue 17s
2. KLARS VBC – 17 Purple
3. Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 17 Red Thunder
3. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Daggy 17
5. Renaissance Volleyball Club – Red 16
5. Cannon VBC – Ruby
5. Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – 17 Gold
5. Players Choice VBC – 17-CP

17 Club Nickel

1. Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 16-Doug
2. Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 17-2
3. East Side Volleyball Club – ESVC - 17
3. Westland VBC – Westland 17s
5. Oiler Attack Club – 16 Black
5. SW Ohio Thunderbirds – 16-2
5. Spirit VBC – 17 Black
5. Trumbull VBC – White 17s

17 Club Platinum

1. PVC (Portage Volleyball Club) – Ice
2. Club Impact – 16 Open
3. MEVC – The Extinguishers
3. The SURGE – 17's
5. Cap City VBC – 17 Blue
5. Club Extreme – Panthers
5. Darke County Volleyball Club – Smack
5. Dayton Jrs. – 17-Kaffenbarger

17 Club Aluminum

1. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 16 Blue
2. Club Jam – cj1
3. Advance Volleyball Club – 17s
3. C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 17(2)
5. C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 17(3)
5. Marion Volleyball Club – 17-Jeni
5. North Central VBC – Orange 17
5. New Knoxville Volleyball Club – 17s

17 Club Chromium

1. Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 17 Black
2. LOCO – Blue
3. Glass City Volleyball Company – 17 Emerald
3. Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Pilarciks 17s
5. LOCO – White
5. Jani-King – 17 Club
5. Mad River Juniors VBC – Thunder
5. River City Thunder – 17

18 Club

18 Club Gold

1. Northwest Ohio Volleyball – The Ultimate Force
2. Renaissance Central VBC – 18 Black
3. Columbus United VBC – 18 & Under-Black
3. Penn Highlands Volleyball Club – Myers
5. LOCO – Red
5. Kaepa Hollywood of Pennsylvania – The Hollywood Blue Devils
5. Riverstar VBC – 18's
5. SOVC (Southern Ohio VC) – 18 Nici

18 Club Silver

1. Dayton Jrs. – 18-Anders
2. Highlands VBC – Highlands 18's
3. Lineshot – Beige
3. MEVC – G Unit
5. KLARS VBC – 18 Maroon
5. Original South Eastern Ohio VBC – Original South Eastern Ohio VBC
5. Westland VBC – Westland 18s

18 Club Bronze

1. Club Spike - MLVA – The Force
2. New Wave VBC – 18-Black
3. Columbus United VBC – 18 & Under-Blue
3. East Side Volleyball Club – Slammin 'n Jammin
5. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 18 Red
5. Eastside Acers – Eastside Acers (Cincinnati)

18 Club Copper

1. Greene County VBC – Cabos
2. Charleston VBC – 18s
3. Gold Diggers VBC – 18 Gold
3. Newark Spikers – LC Superstars
5. Teays Valley – Seymore Volleyball Club
5. Wooster Elite VBC – 18 White

18 Club Nickel

1. Premier Volleyball Club – 18-2
2. New Wave VBC – 18-Gold
3. Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 17 Black Elite
3. Cap City VBC – 18 Girls Black
5. Matchpoint – 17 Red
5. Jackson Volleyball Club – JVC

18 Club Platinum

1. Bean City Volleyball Club – Daily
2. Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 17s
3. Jani-King – 18 Club
3. QT X-Treme VBC – 8-teens
5. Black Bandits Volleyball Club – Black Bandit 18's
5. Brown County Volleyball Club – BCVC-1

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PHOTOS

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1st place, 10s Gold: Northern Kentucky VBC – 10-1 Tsunami



2nd place, 10s Gold: Mizuno Cincy Classics – 10 Red



1st place, 10s Silver: Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 10-1



2nd place, 10s Silver: Middletown – All Stars



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1st place, 10s Bronze: LOCO – Pink



2nd place, 10s Bronze: Team Atlantis VBC – 10 Piqua



1st place, 12s Gold: Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 12-1



2nd place, 12s Gold: Northern Kentucky VBC – 12-1 Tsunami



1st place, 12s Silver: Cincy VBC – 12 Red



2nd place, 12s Silver: Toledo SJVC – Panthers



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1st place, 12s Bronze: *Wooster Elite VBC – 12 Gold*



2nd place, 12s Bronze: *Mizuno Cincy Classics – 12 Red*



1st place, 12s Copper: *Mizuno Cincy Classics – 11 Red*



2nd place, 12s Copper: *Southwest VBC – 12 Red*



1st place, 12s Nickel:
Trumbull VBC – 12s

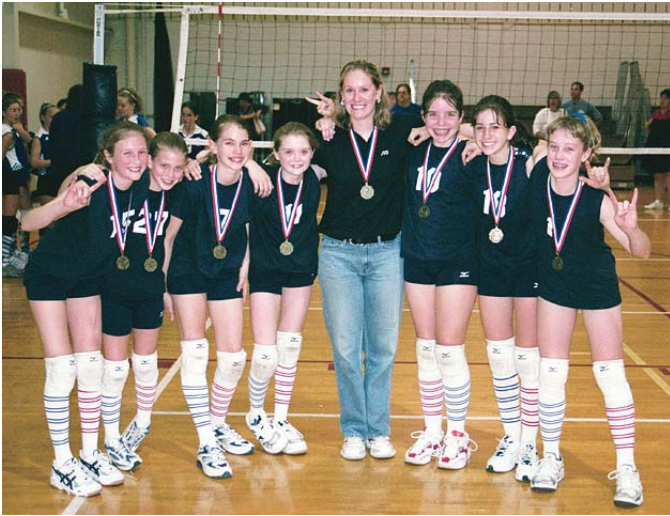


2nd place, 12s Nickel:
Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 12 Twisters



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1st place, 12s Platinum: Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA)



2nd place, 12s Platinum: Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 12-Blue



1st place, 12s Plutonium: C.O.A.S.T. – COAST 12(3)



2nd place, 12s Plutonium: COAST 12(1)



1st place, 12s Titanium: RAMS – Green



2nd place, 12s Titanium: Western Buckeye VBC – Too Fun



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1st place, 13s Gold: *Maverick / Third Degree – 13-1*



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1st place, 13s Bronze: *Toledo SJVC – Slammers*



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2nd place, 13s Bronze: *Southwest VBC – 13 Red*



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1st place, 13s Nickel: *Glass City Volleyball Company – 13 Emerald*



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2nd place, 13s Nickel: *Ohio Volleyball Academy (OHVA) – 13 Red*



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1st place, 13s Platinum: *Westerville VBC – 13 Black*



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*2nd place, 13s Platinum:
Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Knotts 13s*



*1st place, 13s Aluminum:
Columbus United VBC – 13 & Under-Blue*



2nd place, 13s Aluminum: Blast VBC – 13 Black



1st place, 13s Chromium: Dayton Jrs. – 13-Wood



1st place, 13s Plutonium: Blue Chip Volleyball – 13 Blue



*2nd place, 13s Plutonium:
Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 13 Black*



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*2nd place, 13s Titanium:
Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 13-2*



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1st place, 13s Mercury: Northern Kentucky VBC – 13-2 Tide



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2nd place, 13s Mercury: Dayton Jrs. – 13-Smith



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*1st place, 13s Kryptonite:
PVC (Portage Volleyball Club) – Shazam*



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1st place, 13s Zinc: Spirit VBC – 13 White



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2nd place, 13s Zinc: Club Q-SPORT – 13



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1st place, 14 Open Gold: Mizuno Cincy Classics – 14 Red



1st place, 14 Open Silver:
Cleveland Volleyball Company – 14 Black



2nd place, 14 Open Bronze:



2nd place, 14 Open Copper:



2nd place, 13s Tin: Maverick / Third Degree – 13-2



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*1st place, 14 Club Gold:
Renaissance Central VBC – 14 Black*



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*2nd place, 14 Club Gold:
Glass City Volleyball Company – 14 Emerald*



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*1st place, 14 Club Silver:
Grand Lake Volleyball Club – Gems*



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*2nd place, 14 Club Silver:
Club Ashtabula Volleyball – CAVS14 Purple*



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*1st place, 14 Club Bronze:
Dayton Jrs. – 14-McDonald*



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*2nd place, 14 Club Copper:
C.O.A.S.T. – 14-5*



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*1st place, 14 Club Nickel:
KLARS VBC – 14 Blue*



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*2nd place, 14 Club Platinum:
Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – 14 Black*



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*1st place, 14 Club Aluminum:
Players Choice VBC – 14-TK*



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*2nd place, 14 Club Aluminum:
Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 14-2*



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*1st place, 14 Club Chromium:
Maverick / Third Degree – 14-2*



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*2nd place, 14 Club Chromium:
Wooster Elite VBC – 14 Black*



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*1st place, 14 Club Plutonium:
Air Attack VBC – Air Attack 14B*



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*2nd place, 14 Club Plutonium:
MEVC – 14 Club*



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*1st place, 14 Club Titanium:
Penn Highlands Volleyball Club – C J Williams*



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*1st place, 14 Club Mercury:
Mid-Ohio Juniors – MOJO 14-2 Red*



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*1st place, 14 Club Kryptonite:
Kaepa Hollywood VBC (Ohio) – Anchors 14s*



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*2nd place, 14 Club Kryptonite:
North Columbus VBC – 14-2 Black*



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2nd place, 14 Club Zinc:
Western Buckeye VBC – Bullets



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1st place, 14 Club Tin:
New Washington VBC – NWVBC - 14



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2nd place, 14 Club Tin:
Club Ashtabula Volleyball – CAVS 14 Silver



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1st place, 14 Club Tungsten:
Queen City Crush – Queen City Crush



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2nd place, 14 Club Tungsten:
Aces VBC – ACES 14's



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2nd place, 14 Club Calcium:
Northern Kentucky VBC – 14-3 Hurricanes



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2nd place, 14 Club Magnesium:
East Side Volleyball Club – ESVC 14-1



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1st place, 14 Club Iron:
Newark Spikers – Momentum



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2nd place, 14 Club Iron:
Elyria PRIDE Volleyball Club – 14 Club



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1st place, 14 Club Cobalt:
New Wave VBC – 14-Silver



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2nd place, 15 Club Tungsten:
West Side Bobcats – Bobcats Black



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*1st place, 15 Open Gold:
Mizuno Cincy Classics – 15 Red*



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*2nd place, 15 Open Gold:
Northern Kentucky VBC – 15-1 Tsunami*



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*1st place, 15 Open Silver:
Team Atlantis VBC – 15 Elite*



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*2nd place, 15 Open Silver:
Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 15 Navy*



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*1st place, 15 Open Bronze:
S.W. Ohio Thunderbirds 15-1*



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*1st place, 15 Open Copper:
Cap City VBC – 15 Silver*



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*1st place, 15 Club Gold:
Lakota Sports Academy – 15s*



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*2nd place, 15 Club Gold:
Club Ashtabula Volleyball – CAVS15 Purple*



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*1st place, 15 Club Silver:
C.O.A.S.T. – 15-1*



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*2nd place, 15 Club Bronze:
Premier Volleyball Club – 15-Red*



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*1st place, 15 Club Copper:
Quicksilver VBC – Quicksilver 15 Club*



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*1st place, 15 Club Nickel:
Toledo SJVC – 15 Rebels*



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*2nd place, 15 Club Nickel:
Team Atlantis VBC – 15 Brandewie*



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*1st place, 15 Club Platinum:
Toledo SJVC – Black*



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*2nd place, 15 Club Platinum:
Club Ashtabula Volleyball – CAVS 15 Silver*



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*1st place, 15 Club Chromium:
Spirit VBC – 15 Black*



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*2nd place, 15 Club Chromium:
Jump Serve Volleyball – 15 Club Purple*



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*2nd place, 15 Club Plutonium:
C.O.A.S.T. – 15-3*



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*2nd place, 15 Club Titanium:
Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 15 White Lightning*



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*2nd place, 15 Club Mercury:
Spirit VBC – 15 Red*



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*1st place, 15 Club Kryptonite:
The SURGE – 15 White*



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*2nd place, 15 Club Lead:
North Central VBC – Orange 15*



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*1st place, 15 Club Zinc:
West Virginia Juniors*



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*1st place, 15 Club Tin:
Spirit VBC – Spirit*



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2nd place, 15 Club Tungsten: West Side Bobcats – Bobcats Black on page 52

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*1st place, 16 Open Gold:
Team Z – 16-1*



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*2nd place, 16 Open Gold:
Mizuno Cincy Classics – 16 Red*



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*1st place, 16 Open Silver:
Team Atlantis VBC – 16 Elite*



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*1st place, 16 Open Bronze:
Dayton Jrs. – 16-Ferguson*



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*1st place, 16 Open Copper:
Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 16 Red*



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*2nd place, 16 Open Copper:
Cap City VBC – 16 Silver*



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*1st place, 16 Club Gold:
Renaissance Central VBC – 16 Black*



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*1st place, 16 Club Silver:
Queen City Crush – 16 Black*



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*2nd place, 16 Club Silver: Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball –
Liberty - Patriot Intimidators*



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*2nd place, 16 Club Bronze:
Wooster Elite VBC – 16 White*



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*1st place, 16 Club Nickel:
SOVC (Southern Ohio VC) – 16 Ashley*



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*2nd place, 16 Club Nickel:
Kaepa Buckeye VBC – 16 Red*



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*1st place, 16 Club Platinum:
Western Buckeye VBC – Bombers*



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*1st place, 16 Club Aluminum:
Maverick / Third Degree – 16-2*



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*2nd place, 16 Club Aluminum:
Renaissance Cleveland VBC – 16 Red*



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*1st place, 16 Club Chromium:
Western Ohio VBC – 16 Blue*



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*2nd place, 16 Club Chromium:
The SURGE – 16 Silver*



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*1st place, 16 Club Plutonium:
Glass City Volleyball Company – 16 Diamond*



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2nd place, 16 Club Plutonium:
New Wave VBC – 16-Gold



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1st place, 16 Club Titanium:
Marion Volleyball Club – 16-Audra



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2nd place, 16 Club Titanium:
Club O.N.E. (Ohio North East) – 16-2



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1st place, 16 Club Mercury:
Sen-San VBC – Sen-San Bechtler



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2nd place, 16 Club Mercury:
Elyria PRIDE Volleyball Club – Pride 16's



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1st place, 16 Club Kryptonite:
Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 16 Black



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*1st place, 16 Club Lead:
Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 16 Orange*



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*1st place, 16 Club Zinc:
New Wave VBC – New Wave VBC 16-Black*



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*1st place, 16 Club Tin:
KLARS VBC – 16 Red*



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*1st place, 16 Club Tungsten:
Queen City Crush – Queen City Crush 16 Orange*



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*2nd place, 16 Club Tungsten:
Charleston VBC – Rage - Red*



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*1st place, 17 Open Gold:
Team Z – 17-1*



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*1st place, 17 Open Silver:
Cleveland Volleyball Company – 17 Blue*



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*1st place, 17 Club Gold:
Toledo SJVC – Renegades*



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*1st place, 17 Club Silver:
Glass City Volleyball Company – 17 Diamond*



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*1st place, 17 Club Copper:
Trumbull VBC – Blue 17s*



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*2nd place, 17 Club Copper:
KLARS VBC – 17 Purple*



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2nd place, 17 Club Aluminum:
Club Jam – cjl



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2nd place, 18 Open Silver:
Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 18 Red



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1st place, 18 Club Silver:
Dayton Jrs. – 18-Anders



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1st place, 18 Club Bronze:
Club Spike - MLVA – The Force



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1st place, 18 Club Copper:
Greene County VBC – Cabos



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1st place, 18 Club Nickel:
Premier Volleyball Club – 18-2



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2004 USA Girls' Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships

Championships

724 teams traveled to Houston, Texas, for the 25th Annual USA Junior Olympic Girls' Volleyball Championships. The championships were held from June 23-30 at the Reliant Center, hosted by the USA Volleyball with help from the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau.

For the first time, the Youth and Junior Olympic Volleyball (YJOV) Division voted to split the Club Division into the National and American Divisions, allowing for 152 additional teams to compete for a championship.

Teams qualified either through a national qualifier tournament or through the regions' bid tournaments (see the *Ohio Valley Region-Molten® 2004 National Bid Qualifier*, elsewhere in this issue). At-large bids for the Open Divisions were given to teams that did not win a bid at a qualifier but still proved to be among the best in the nation by finishing at the top of their divisions in national competitions.

The tournament consisted of more than 8,500 participants divided into Open, National, and American levels. The 12-13 Club and 14-15 Open, National, and American divisions competed on June 23-26, and the 16-18 Open, National, and American divisions competed on June 27-30.

The 2005 USA Junior Olympic Girls' Volleyball Championships will be held at the Salt Palace in Salt Lake City, Utah, on June 29-July 6, and the 2005 USA Junior Olympic Girls' Invitational Volleyball Championships will be held in Louisville, Kentucky, from June 30-July 3.

Invitational

The 3rd Annual USA Junior Olympic Girls' Volleyball Invitational was held in the Austin Convention Center in Austin, Texas, from June 24-27. The tournament was hosted by USA Volleyball, working with the Austin Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Teams that did not qualify for the USA Junior Olympic Championships in Houston were eligible for the *Invitational* based on their regional finishes.

The *Invitational* featured 6 age divisions ranging from 13-18. 200 teams competed in the 4-day tournament.

OVR Results and Highlights

Results for all OVR-based teams that participated in the 2004 USA Girls' Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships and the 2004 USA Girls' Junior Invitational Volleyball Championships are summarized on the following pages. Visit this list online at www.ovr.org/archives/2004/juniors/nationals.php for links to tournament report and photos. Day by day results, brackets, and final standings including teams from other regions are available on USA Volleyball's website at www.usavolleyball.org/Juniors/.

Of special note, *Mizuno Cincy Classics - 14 Red* and *NKYVC - 14-1 Tsunami* placed first and second, respectively, in the 14 National division. *Team Atlantis VBC - 14 Elite* seized victory in the 14 American division, and *Premier Volleyball Club - 17-1* won the 17 American division.

Congratulations to all who rose to the challenge of competing at the national level!

2004 USA **Girls'** Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships

OVR RESULTS

Girls' 12 National

Northern Kentucky VBC – 12-1 Tsunami	2 nd Place, Bronze	19 th / 64
Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 12 - Red	2 nd Place, Flight 2	34 th / 64
Mizuno Cincy Classics – 12 Red	3 rd Place, Flight 2	35 th / 64
Blackswamp VBC – 12	3 rd Place, Flight 3	43 rd / 64

Girls' 13 National

Team Z – 13-1	2 nd Place, Flight 1	26 th / 64
Northern Kentucky Orange Crush	5 th Place, Flight 1	29 th / 64
Northern Kentucky VBC – 13-1 Tsunami	5 th Place, Flight 1	29 th / 64
Mizuno Cincy Classics – 13 Red	3 rd Place, Flight 2	35 th / 64

Girls' 13 Invitational

Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 13-1	3 rd Place, Gold	3 rd / 24
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Girls' 14 Open

Team Z – 14-1	1 st Place, Silver	9 th / 28
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Girls' 14 National

Mizuno Cincy Classics – 14 Red	1 st Place, Gold	1 st / 48
Northern Kentucky VBC – 14-1 Tsunami	2 nd Place, Gold	2 nd / 48

Girls' 14 American

Team Atlantis VBC – 14 Elite	1 st Place, Gold	1 st / 48
Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 14-1	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 48
Dayton Jrs. – 14-Ha	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 48
Glass City Volleyball Co. – 14 Diamond	1 st Place, Flight 1	21 st / 48
Northshore VBC – 14 Gold	2 nd Place, Flight 2	26 th / 48
Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 14-2	1 st Place, Flight 4	33 rd / 48

Girls' 14 Invitational

Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 14-1	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 36
Decatur Force VBC – 14 White	2 nd Place, Silver	10 th / 36

Girls' 15 Open

Mizuno Cincy Classics – 15 Red	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 28
Dayton Jrs. – 15-Garcia	3 rd Place, Bronze	15 th / 28

Girls' 15 National

Team Z – 15-1	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 48
Team Atlantis VBC – 15 Elite	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 48
Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 15-1	5 th Place, Silver	13 th / 48

Girls' 15 American

Kaepa Borderline Jr Volleyball – 15 Hawks	2 nd Place, Flight 2	26 th / 48
Northern Kentucky VBC – 15-1 Tsunami	1 st Place, Flight 3	29 th / 48
Eastside Cleveland Juniors – ECJ 15 Navy	3 rd Place, Flight 3	31 th / 48

Girls' 15 Invitational

Blackswamp VBC – 15-1	5 th Place, Silver	13 th / 40
Sen-San VBC – Sen-San Roberts	2 nd Place, Bronze	18 th / 40
Northshore VBC – 15 Gold	1 st Place, Flight 2	33 rd / 40

Girls' 16 Open

Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 16-1	3 rd Place, Flight 2	15 th / 28
Team Z – 16-1	1 st Place, Flight 4	15 th / 28

Girls' 16 National

Northern Kentucky VBC – 16-1 Tsunami	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 48
Team Z – 16-2	2 nd Place, Bronze	18 th / 48
S.W. Ohio Thunderbirds	3 rd Place, Flight 5	39 th / 48

Girls' 16 American

Dayton Jrs. – 16-Smerz	2 nd Place, Silver	10 th / 48
Kaepa Pittsburgh Elite VB Assn. – 16 Black	1 st Place, Flight 1	21 th / 48
Team Atlantis VBC – 16 Elite	1 st Place, Flight 2	25 th / 48
Renaissance Volleyball Club – Black 16	1 st Place, Flight 4	33 th / 48

Girls' 16 Invitational

Premier Volleyball Club – 16-1	2 nd Place, Gold	2 nd / 42
Cincy VBC – Cincy VBC 16-1	2 nd Place, Silver	10 th / 42
Northshore VBC – 16 Gold	5 th Place, Silver	13 th / 42
North Columbus VBC – 16-1 Gold	9 th Place, Silver	17 th / 42
Mizuno Hollywood Elite VBC – 16 Open	3 rd Place, Flight 2	33 th / 42

Girls' 17 Open

Team Z – 17-1	2 nd Place, Flight 1	10 th / 28
Mizuno Cincy Classics – 17 Red	3 rd Place, Flight 2	15 th / 28

Girls' 17 National

Team Atlantis VBC – 17 Elite	1 st Place, Silver	9 th / 48
Cleveland Volleyball Company – 17 Black	5 th Place, Silver	13 th / 48

Girls' 17 American

Premier Volleyball Club – 17-1	1 st Place, Gold	1 st / 48
Dayton Jrs. – 17-Buck	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 48
Team Z – 17-2	5 th Place, Silver	13 th / 48
Mizuno Cincy Classics – 17 Black	1 st Place, Bronze	17 th / 48
Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 17-1	2 nd Place, Flight 2	26 th / 48

Girls' 17 Invitational

(no OVR teams entered)

Girls' 18 Open

Sports Express Bullets – SE Bullets	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 28
Team Z – 18-1	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 28
Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 18-1	2 nd Place, Flight 5	26 th / 28

Girls' 18 National

Kaepa Toledo Volleyball Club – TVC 18-2	3 rd Place, Flight 2	27 th / 48
Cleveland Volleyball Company – 18 Black	2 nd Place, Flight 3	30 th / 48

Girls' 18 American

Central Ohio Volleyball Club – 18-Miller	3 rd Place, Silver	7 th / 24
Renaissance Volleyball Club – Black 18	1 st Place, Bronze	9 th / 24
A.C.E. (Akron-Canton Elite) – A.C.E. Lions	3 rd Place, Flight 1	15 th / 24
Matchpoint – 18 Red	1 st Place, Flight 2	17 th / 24

Girls' 18 Invitational

Zero Gravity Jrs. – 18 Gold	3 rd Place, Silver	7 th / 27
Mizuno Hollywood Elite VBC – Toms-18 Open	2 nd Place, Flight 2	21 st / 27

2004 USA **Girls'** JUNIOR Olympic Volleyball Championships

Mizuno Cincy Classics 14 Red Win National Championship!



Back row: Tricia Tallman (Coach), Rachel Krabacher (#5), Ashley Doyle (#6), Brooke Maher (#18), Lindsey Roy (#32), Chuck Harmon (Head Coach).

Middle row: Rebecca Dufford (#24), Alexandra Randolph (#22).

Front row: Samantha Morgan (#13), Marisa McCafferty-Smith (#1), Jaclyn Schnicke (#3).

Through the first two days of pool play Cincy Classics came out second, with a 4-1 record in a 6-team pool and their only loss of the tournament, to Northern Lights, 25-13, 20-25, 11-15. On Day 3, Cincy Classics beat Kiva and Dallas Summit to go 2-0 and win the pool. Later that night, the Classics came back to play a grueling 3-game match with KC Sting to win the challenge match to put us in Gold. Every match in the Gold round went 3 games for all teams. After going through NASA and Lions Juniors, we came up against our friends from across the river here in Cincinnati, NKYVC, who we

have played and scrimmaged several times throughout the season. The tournament's finale lived up to every other game between the two teams, with both teams showing amazing floor defense and hitters wowing the crowd that was packed around center court. It was great to see Team Atlantis on the next court, taking the American title, while the other two OVR teams were battling for the National title. When the final whistle blew it was Cincy Classics in three, 25-17, 21-25, 15-12.

— Chuck Harmon, Coach, Mizuno Cincy Classics 14 Red

Zero Gravity 18s Fall 3 Points Shy of Probable Championship

We weren't supposed to be there... We weren't good enough... We were too small of a club... But that was just in the Ohio Valley Region. After a tough season in the OVR, Zero Gravity 18s did everything needed to put themselves in position to make a run at being the 2004 USAV Girls Junior Olympic National Invitational Champions. During the season, Zero Gravity 18s played well and finished 5th at the Power Challenge, but lost to eventual Champion CVC in the quarter-finals. They finished 5th at the OVR Regional Championships, only losing to the eventual first (Sports Express) and second (TVC 18-1) place teams. There always seemed to be a "big" road block in our way. The quality of play in the Ohio Valley Region prepared us for play at the National Level, maybe even too much.

The Invitational started with 32 of the top teams from across the country on Thursday, with Zero Gravity being seeded #31.

After surprising #2 seed Net Force 18s in their first match, Thursday saw our ladies drop a tough match against Metro American 18s. Zero Gravity finished second on their net to remain in the hunt for the Gold. Friday's pool proved to be much tougher, with Thursday's first- and second-place teams trying to win their net and advance. In their first match against Ikaika VBC 18s, Zero Gravity started slow with a first game loss, but fought back to take the match in 3 games. Next up was Team Complete Athlete 18s and they proved — for the time being — to be too much for our ladies, winning in 2 games. Standing in the middle of their path to the Gold was undefeated SF Juniors Black 18-1. Needing a win to force a 3-way tie for first on the net, our ladies weren't phased, even after dropping the first game. After the win 18 Gold had one more hurdle: a one-game playoff against Team Complete Athletic who had dominated them earlier in the day for a spot in the Gold. This time it was a different story, with our ladies jumping out to an early lead and never looking back, taking the game 25-18.

We won our first game against Metro American 18s on Saturday, but dropped the next game by 3 points after having a few chances to close it out. Zero Gravity 18s won their next match against White



Bear Lake and then needed a win against #1 seed Lincoln Star City 18-1 to finish in a 3-way tie for first on the net. Our ladies defeated eventual Gold Champions Lincoln Star, but were sent to the silver on a tie breaker.

With their spirits crushed and only a chance to finish 5th on Sunday, our ladies could have thrown in the towel, but they showed their true heart with wins over Memphis Metro 18s and an excellent Northwest Juniors 18 Storm Adidas team. Zero Gravity won their last match but forfeited the victory to let the other team play one more match since we needed to catch our flight home. Our ladies finished 5th overall (1st in Silver) but it will be listed as 7th because of the forfeit. The girls played exceptionally well the entire weekend, losing to only 2 teams and defeating the Gold Champions and third-place team during pool play.

Team members included Brittany Abel, who dominated the tournament and was named to the All-Tournament Team, Renee Haggard, Lindsey Kovac, Melissa Eckroad, Allie Buckohr, Jaimie Denham, Ashley Sunday, and Lauren Whitehill. Debbie Beaty could not attend. Congratulations on a great season, ladies!

— Chuck Musselman, Director, Zero Gravity Juniors

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Kaepa Borderline 15 Hawks Fly High at the 2004 USA Girls' Championships



The 15 Hawks traveled to Houston Texas, and it didn't take long to find out the competition was going to be some of the best the Hawks had seen all year. The Hawks opened the first day dropping their first two matches to 15 Nationals Spike Sport (Houston TX) and 15 Gold Main Beach (California).

Day 2 saw the Hawks rebound and resume their winning ways, beating Mizuno M1-15 (North Country Region). Day 2 also saw the Hawks go 3 games in every match. Next up was Sky High Red (Great Lakes Region). Again this match went back and forth, with the Hawks winning the first game 25-21 and dropping the next game 15-25. The lead in Game 3 switched rapidly with great plays on both sides of the net, until the Hawks eventually fell, 12-15. In the last match of the day, the Hawks squared off against NYC Avalanche. The Avalanche won a nail-biter first game 23-25, but the Hawks came back to win the next two 25-18, 15-12.

The Hawks were 2-3 going into Day 3 and the second pooling. The Hawks started off hot in the first match of the day, totally dominating Polynation 15 (Intermountain Region) 25-12, 25-8 to bring the

Hawks back to 3-3 over all. Next up was West Bend Power (Badger Region). West Bend took the first game 22-25, but the Hawks rebounded and again dominated, 25-13, 15-10.

This set up a challenge match, pitting the Hawks against the top-favored team in the tournament, NKYVC 15-1 Tsunami. The Hawks already met that team twice already this year, both times being totally dominated by Tsunami. This had to be considered the highlight match in the entire National Tournament. First, because it was played in front of the grand stands on the Championship Court and second, because the winner of the match would head directly over to watch the Men's USA team play Russia in a volleyball exhibition match next door while the loser would ref.

The Hawks played their best match of the season and dominated Tsunami 25-17, 25-21. The Hawks ended Day 3 of play with a 5-3 record as they headed over to watch team USA play.

The last day of competition placed the Hawks in Flight 2. First up would be the Lady Lakers, who the Hawks would have no problem dismantling, 25-15, 25-16.

The last match of the tournament found the Hawks against another California team. Club Yahoo and the Hawks met in the finals of Flight 2. Club Yahoo took the first game 13-25, then the Hawks took the second 25-16. Game 3 saw the Hawks sputter, 15-6. The Hawks finished Nationals with a 6-4 record, finishing 26th overall.

The 15 Hawks are the best volleyball or sports team I've ever had the privilege to coach. This is truly a team's team. All year long they worked hard for me, and I'm so very proud of every player. You don't get to Nationals without hard work and a lot of sweat, lots of joy, and a few tears. Nothing comes easy in this region, and the dedication of every member showed it. The team had a 96% attendance rate for practice and tournaments this year. This one just one of many keys to the team's success. The Hawks finished the year at 47-22 in matches and 100-57 in games played.

— Al Powell, Head Coach, Borderline 15 Hawks

Mizuno Cincy Classics 17 Black Win Bronze Division at Nationals

We had a great first two days and finished 2nd in our pool at 4-1 with keys wins over Mizuno Long Beach 17 Elite and our own OVR rival, Kaepa Toledo 17-1.

Our re-pool on the 3rd day consisted of two other OVR teams, which was an interesting scenario for a national tournament! Unfortunately, we were unable to win against Team Z 17-2 and Premier. We were victorious in our challenge match and were going to Bronze, where we defeated both Dunes 17 Black and Texas Juniors DFW 17 Gold in 2 games to be crowned Bronze division champions. It was a great feeling to end our club season with a victory and we were off to the photo booth to have our pictures taken as Bronze Division Champions.

Playing the afternoon flight allowed us some free time to tour

Houston. Members of our team went on a tour of downtown via the light rail system, to the Houston Zoo, and to NASA. Courtesy of a friend of the family who lived in Houston, we even had a Cincinnati favorite – a corn hole game that we set up in front of our hotel. The American and Russian men's volleyball teams were staying at our hotel, and the Russians really thought we were strange!

We had a great season and showed lots of improvement while having fun and making new friends. The trip to Houston and the Bronze Division Championship was a great way to end our season.

Players included Catherine Wolfe, Celeste Lindsey, Bethany Willenbrink, Amanda Glacken, Allison Meyer, Elizabeth Brandel, Maria Schmitt, and Emily Guthrie.

— Lori Busse, Head Coach, Mizuno Cincy Classics 17 Black

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Blackswamp 12s Experience Nationals in Houston

Wednesday, June 23, 2004 was Day 1 of competition, the beginning of pool play. Our first opponent was the Fort Smith Junior 12-1 team from Fort Smith, Arkansas. We lost the first game 19-25, we won the second game 25-20, and we won the third game 15-12 to battle back and win our first match at Nationals!

Our second opponent was the Asics MAVS 12-1 team from Kansas City, Missouri. We lost the first game 18-25 and we lost the second game 20-25, for our first match loss at Nationals. It was a tough loss because we opened game 1 with a 5-1 lead, then led again at 10-9 before losing 18-25, and in game 2, we had a 15-9 lead before our opponents had a 12-point run, then won the game and match. But we love our Swampers!

Our third opponent was the Celtic Force 12 Black team from Chicago, Illinois. We lost the first game 27-29 (our narrowest margin of defeat), we won the second game 25-14, and we battled back to win the third game 15-4 to win our second match at Nationals.

We finished our pool in a 3-way tie for second place, so we had to play a critical tiebreaker game versus a team that beat us earlier, the Asics MAVS 12-1 team from Kansas City, Missouri. Whoever wins finishes second in the pool, whoever loses finishes third. We lost the tiebreaker game 20-25, placing us third in our pool after Day 1 and essentially knocked us out of the Gold and Silver brackets entering into Day 2 of competition. But despite our slow start, we had an overall good day!

Thursday, June 24, 2004 was Day 2 of competition, continuing pool play. Our first opponent was the AZ Sky 12 Hot Tamales team from Phoenix, Arizona. We won the first game 25-12 and we won the second game 25-14 to win our 3rd match at Nationals!

Our second opponent was the Nebraska Elite 12-Purple team from Omaha, Nebraska. We lost the first game 24-26, we won the second game 25-18, and we won the third game 15-8 to battle back and win our 4th match at Nationals!

Our third opponent was the Milwaukee Sting 12 Gold team from Milwaukee, Wisconsin. We lost the first game 15-25 (our largest margin of defeat), and we lost the second game 21-25 to lose our 2nd match at Nationals. It was a tough loss because we opened game 1 with a 5-3 lead, then our opponents went on an 11-point run to make it 6-14, eventually winning game 1. In game 2, we had a 3-0, 7-5, 12-9, and 19-14 leads before our opponents went ahead to win the game 21-25, and with it, the match.

Our Day 2 match record was 2-1; we beat teams from Phoenix, Arizona and Omaha, Nebraska. Despite our unforced errors, we had an overall good day! We finished in second place in our Day 2 pool,



Left to right: Taylor Burns, Alex Hossler, Brittany Egbert, Mary Ellen McAllister, Alexa Frank, Elizabeth Bentz, Maggie Yost, Stephanie Smith, Alexis Creeger, Brianna Richey, Jessica Dull, Samantha Gosche

which unfortunately knocked us out of the Bronze level brackets.

Friday, June 25, 2004 was Day 3 of competition, continuing pool play. We had only 2 matches this day.

Our first opponent was the High Country 12-1 team from Salt Lake City, Utah. We won the first game 25-3 (our largest margin of victory), and we won the second game 25-15 to win our 5th match.

Our 2nd opponent was the Bongo 12 Gold team from Platteville, Colorado. We won the first game 25-20, and we won the second game 25-18 to win our sixth match at Nationals!

Our match record on Day 3 was 2-0, and we beat teams from Salt Lake City, Utah and Platteville, Colorado. We had an excellent day by finishing first place in our Day 3 pool.

Saturday, June 26, 2004 was Day 4 of competition — The Finals! We had a maximum of 3 matches today, single elimination, so we play until we win all 3, or until we lose. Our first opponent was the AZ Sky 12-1 team from Phoenix. We won the first game 25-6, and we won the second game 25-12 to win our seventh match at Nationals!

Our 2nd opponent was the Dunes 12 Teal team from Michigan City, Indiana. We lost the first game 19-25, and we lost the second game 22-25 to lose our 3rd and final match at Nationals.

Our match record on Day 4 was 1-1, and we beat another team from Phoenix, Arizona.

For the whole 4-day competition, our Swampers ended up with a respectable 7-3 match record, and a 14-10 game record. We competed against some strong teams which we could have beaten. We played to our strengths and we showed our weaknesses. We learned a lot, we gained valuable championship experience, and we have memories which will last a lifetime. Way to go Swampers!

— Dave Reinhart, Director, Blackswamp VBC

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5 NKYVC Tsunami Teams Take Houston by Storm!

For the past 5 years, Northern Kentucky-Ohio Volleyball Club has been building a club program from the ground up by training each new age division a year at a time. In 2004, NKYVC fielded teams in age divisions from 10U through 16U, and will expand to 17U in 2005.

We have developed a training program that prepares our athletes for national-level competition. Because of that training and the efforts put forth by every NKYVC athlete and coach, we are now a nationally competitive club and one of the premier clubs in Greater Cincinnati and the Ohio Valley Region.

Every year since its inception, NKYVC has qualified and sent its top teams to the USA Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships. The 2004 USAV season maintained that momentum as the 121, 131, 141, 151, and 161 Tsunami teams arrived in Houston, excited to represent the NKYVC family and eager to compete against the nation's most competitive teams. In addition to the stellar performance of all five teams, there were two significant highlights for NKYVC at this year's nationals.

The 141 Tsunami Team finished the season as National Runner-Ups in the 14 National Club division. The 14 Nami team fought a great battle for the finals, losing in three games to Cincinnati Classics 14 Red. It is always exciting to watch the defensive wizardry of this team and the special antics

of the "nami mommies" cheering and supporting their daughters and teammates on the sidelines! I think the "nami mommies" are nationally recognized as well! It was also very exciting to have every NKYVC team and their families supporting Jill Hunt (Bornhorn) and her squad. *We are family* at NKYVC!

In addition, two NKYVC 161 Tsunami athletes earned All-Tournament honors at the USAV Junior Olympic National Championships. Katelyn Luckman and Andrea Price led their 161 Tsunami team to a 5th-place National Club finish at the 2004 games. "Both young ladies played consistently over the 4-day event and impacted the overall team performance and finish significantly," Coach Kathy Kleinhuizen stated. "We are proud of all our NKYVC athletes, and when they are recognized nationally for their contribution and efforts it is a great honor for the individuals and the entire club."

NKYVC would like to applaud all the teams that participated in the Junior Olympic Championships held June 23rd-June 30th in Houston. Our consistent attendance at the national championships and exceptional performance

is something to be very proud of. We look forward to many more years of sending teams to participate in the Championship games!

The coaches and players on the following pages represented NKYVC and the OVR at the 2004 USA Junior Olympic Nationals...

We have been competing successfully in the Ohio Valley and USAV Nationals for the past 5 years... it is reassuring to know our training methods work and our program, athletes and coaches are nationally recognized for their efforts," — *Katie Wesseling, NKYVC Club Director*

I hope people realize how hard our athletes work to accomplish their goals in both the OVR and nationally. I am proud to be a part of this club and the development of our athletes and coaches. Every year they decide they want to accomplish more, and that truly exemplifies the art of being an athlete and sportsperson," — *Kathy Kleinhuizen, NKYVC Coaching Director*



141 Tsunami: 2nd/48 teams, 14 National Club division

Head Coach: Jill Hunt (Bornhorn)

Team Members: Kristen Allen, Katelynn Bachman, Maggie Bowers, Meagan Dunn, Jessica Kramer, April Lubrecht, Kenzie Martin, Sarah Robinson, Nicole Staverman

It is always exciting to watch the defensive wizardry of this team and the special antics of the "nami mommies" cheering and supporting their daughters and teammates on the sidelines!

141 Tsunami left their mark and their best volleyball in Houston-we look forward to next season!

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121 Tsunami: 19th/64 teams, 12 Club Division

Head Coach: Sara Palazzo

Team Members: Lindsey Elders, Cayla Flood, Brooke Jones, Ashley Robinson, Leslie Schellhaas, Karlie Ward, Lauren Wolf, Kendall Wulfeck, Jaimie Wulfeck

"My girls played very solid and had the highest finish out of all the 12s teams competing from the Ohio Valley Region (tied for 19th). The entire team rose to the occasion, played up to, or better, than their potential. When they weren't playing, they had a blast making friends with Team St. Louis and cheering on the Puerto Ricans to victory!"
— Coach Sara Palazzo



131 Tsunami Finished 29th/64, 13 Club Division

Head Coach: Angie Reckers (Boden)

Team Members: Caitlin Clark, Kaela Freppon, Sarah Iden, Jordan Laumann, Heather Schierer, Alyxandra Schulte, Karley Reid, Sarah Haas, Mary Turner, Olivia Kennedy.

"This year we certainly achieved all of our goals at nationals we ended the season as a bonded and accomplished team. I couldn't have asked for a better team to coach. These young athletes have amazing futures with volleyball and life. The love and work ethic they have for the game is immeasurable. We enjoyed a very successful season and this team will never be forgotten."
— Coach Angie Reckers



151 Tsunami Finished 29th/48 teams at 15 American Division

Head Coach: Maureen Donnellen

Team Members: Elizabeth Carl, Rachel Gadberry, Stephanie Niemer, Kristin Wells, Aimee Ryan, Liza Toebbe, Danielle Wurtz, Heather Knuze, Maria Scherrer. Not in photo: Rachel Gadberry.

Together, the 151 team learned to overcome obstacles by working harder than they've ever worked before and learned about what it takes to compete at the highest level of their potential. Each finished the season knowing what it means when coach says, "Take nothing for granted." Congratulations, 15-1 Nami. We can't wait to see what you do with your next season.
— Coach Maureen Donnellen



161 Tsunami Finished 5th/48 Teams 16 National Division

Head Coach: Kathy Kleinhuisen

Assistant Coach: Julie Neiser

Team Members: Nicole Baker, Abbey Blank, Megan Dooley, Jessica Isaac, Katelyn Luckman, Hillary Otte, Andrea Price, Allie Bertke, Kristy Hock, Stephanie Hemmer.

The "nami" went undefeated at the national championships 8-0 until the quarterfinals where they faced off against eventual tournament champions Tampa Bay Black, bringing to a close a fantastic club season.

Team Motto: *Hardest working team in the gym!*

Team Belief: *Leave no teammate behind!*

"Words can not describe the kinds of athletes and young women on my roster – it is a pleasure to coach each of them."
— Coach K



2004 USA Boys' Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships

Boys' programs in the Ohio Valley Region continue to expand, with 11 clubs representing 42 boys' teams registered for the 2003-2004 USA volleyball season.

Nearly half of those teams traveled to Austin, Texas for the 25th Annual USA Junior Olympic Boys' Volleyball Championships on June 30–July 6. A total of 349 teams from across the country competed for medals in both Club and Open divisions.

Following are results for the 20 OVR teams that competed in the 2004 USA Boys' Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships are summarized here. Visit the ovr archives at www.ovr.org/archives/2004/juniors/nationals.php for this list, supplemented by links to contributed tournament reports and photos.

Day by day results, brackets, and final standings including teams from other regions are available on USA Volleyball's website at www.usavolleyball.org/Juniors/.

Congratulations to the teams who participated, and thanks to the coaches, club directors, and parents who made the 2004 OVR boys' season possible.

2004 USA Boys' JOVC: OVR Team Results

Boys' 12 Club

(no OVR teams entered)

Boys' 13 Club

(no OVR teams entered)

Boys' 14 Club

Tool City – 14s	3 rd Place, Flight 1	27 th / 37
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Boys' 15 Open

Cincinnati Attack, Inc. – U15-1 Black	1 st Place, Bronze	17 th / 21
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Boys' 15 Club

Renaissance Volleyball Club – 15 Red	2 nd Place, Flight 1	14 th / 16
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Boys' 16 Open

Cincinnati Attack, Inc. – U16-1 Black	5 th Place, Silver	13 th / 32
Renaissance Volleyball Club – Red-16	3 rd Place, Flight 3	31 st / 32

Boys' 16 Club

Beaver Valley Premier – BVP 16-1	5 th Place, Gold	5 th / 51
Northcoast VBC – NC 16s Black	5 th Place, Flight 1	29 th / 51
Tool City – 16s	2 nd Place, Flight 2	34 th / 51
Renaissance Volleyball Club – Black 16	5 th Place, Flight 2	37 th / 51

Boys' 17 Open

Cincinnati Attack, Inc. – U17-1 Black	1 st Place, Flight 1	21 st / 36
Mizuno Cincy Classics – 17-1 Red	2 nd Place, Flight 1	22 nd / 36

Boys' 17 Club

Renaissance Volleyball Club – Red 17	3 rd Place, Silver	11 th / 30
Tool City – 17s	2 nd Place, Flight 1	23 rd / 30
Renaissance Volleyball Club – Black 17	1 st Place, Flight 2	27 th / 30

Boys' 18 Open

Cincinnati Attack, Inc. – U18-1 Black	5 th Place, Flight 1	25 th / 36
Renaissance Volleyball Club – Red-18	1 st Place, Flight 2	29 th / 36

Boys' 18 Club

Tool City – Royals	2 nd Place, Gold	2 nd / 52
Northcoast VBC – NC 18s Gold	3 rd Place, Bronze	19 th / 52
Tool City – Trojans	5 th Place, Flight 1	29 th / 52
Cincinnati Attack, Inc. – U18-2 Red	3 rd Place, Flight 4	48 th / 52

2004 USA Boys' Junior Olympic Volleyball Championships

Beaver Valley Premier 16-1 Places 5th at JOVC, 1st at AAUs

Beaver Valley Premier (BVP) 16-1 participated in the *USA Volleyball National Championships* (June 30-July 3 in Austin, Texas). The team is comprised of players in western Pennsylvania from Ambridge (Rick Beeman, Matt Sutton, Chris Vrooman, Dan Walter, Charlie Goodell, TJ Danies), Hopewell (Mike McLaughlin), and Seneca Valley (Dan Beebe, Adam Beebe, Dan Follett).

The team travelled over 3,500 miles in my 12-passenger van for the 11-day round-trip excursion to Illinois (for the *AAU National Championships*) and then to Texas for the *USAV Nationals*.

In Austin, we earned 5th place out of the 50 teams in the 16 Club division. This is also a great feat because half of the BVP team is 15 years old or younger, and we competed against some of the top teams in the country. We were defeated in the Gold division quarterfinals by Asica Rainbows from Hawaii. Rick Beeman was named to the All-Tournament team and became BVP's first *USAV All-American*.

As a footnote, at the *AAU Nationals*, we captured First Place by defeating a very strong team, Louisville Fury, from Louisville, Kentucky. This is the first ever National Championship victory for the club.

Also at the *AAU Nationals*, BVP had 3 players (5 were chosen) selected as All-Americans. They were Chris Vrooman, Charlie Goodell, and Rick Beeman, who was also named MVP.

— Glenn Freed, Director and Coach,
Beaver Valley Premier



Back row: Rick Beeman (#17), Charlie Goodell (#18), TJ Daniels (#15), Adam Beebe (#7), Chris Vrooman (#12). Front row: Mike McLaughlin (#3), Dan Beebe (#5), Dan Walter (#8), Matt Sutton (#9), Dan Follett (#21). Not pictured: Mike Emling (#6), Chris Fontana (#11).

The 2005 USA Junior Olympic Boys' Volleyball Championships will be held the Kentucky Fair & Exposition Center in Louisville, Kentucky, on July 6-13, 2005.

2004 USA Volleyball National Championships

USA Volleyball, the Atlanta Convention and Visitors Bureau, and the Southern Region hosted the *2004 USA Volleyball National Championships* at the World Congress Center in Atlanta, Georgia, from May 29 through June 5. This was the 75th edition of the tournament, which originated in 1928 in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

A record 556 teams competed in 30 separate tournaments. 311 men's teams, 209 women's teams, 26 co-ed teams, and 10 Special Olympic teams competed for championships in the Open, Club, Masters (age 30 and over), Senior (age 50 and over), Co-Ed, and U-Volley (height-restricted) divisions. Divisions canceled due to lack of teams included Men's & Women's 30s and 35 Masters, Women's AA/A U-Volley, and

Coed AA/A Regular and Reverse.

In the premier events of the tournament, the Men's and Women's Open Volleyball Championships, BAMESO – I Dig (Garden Empire Region) won the Men's Open, and USA A2 (Rocky Mountain Region) won the Women's Open. Winners of each division are listed here, along with results for Ohio Valley Region teams that participated. Complete results are available on USA Volleyball's website, www.usavolleyball.org/adults/04openresults.asp.

The *2005 USA Volleyball Adult Open Championships* will be held in Denver, Colorado, from May 28-June 4, 2005. Complete tournament and registration information will be posted at www.usavolleyball.org/Adults/.

2004 USA Volleyball National Championships: Selected Results

Women's Open

1. USA – A2 (Rocky Mountain)

Women's AA

1. Willowbrook Stars (Lone Star)

Women's A

1. Judo Chop (Great Plains)

35. Club One More Vollejdolls (OVR)

Women's BB

1. Team Flora Bama (Gulf Coast)

19. Gillard Construction (OVR)

Women's B

1. Pejsa Enterprises (Iowa)

Women's 40+

1. Tx Advantage Asics (S. California)

Women's 45+

1. Sassi Ones 45W (S. California)

Women's 50+

1. BLT (S. California)

Women's 55+

1. Mavericks "55" (S. California)

Women's 60+

1. Mavericks "60" (S. California)

Women's 65+

1. Texas Stars – 65 (Lone Star)

Women's BB/B U-Volley

1. Mini MIT (Keystone)

Men's Open

1. Bameso (Garden Empire)

Men's AA

1. Creole I (Garden Empire)

Men's A

1. Crackers & Rice (Florida)

Men's BB

1. Weaver Markets II (Keystone)

Men's B

1. The Old & the Restless (Gateway)

3. Shiloh Industries (OVR)

Men's 40+

1. Texas Rangers (North Texas)

3. Kattus/Outsiders (OVR)

9. Michigan Wild (OVR)

Men's 45+

1. Kings Mountain Fog 45 (N. California)

Men's 50+

1. Kings Mountain Fog 50 (N. California)

9. Westerville VBC (OVR)

Men's 55+

1. Sao Paulo Masters 55 (Brazil)

9. Miami Valley Masters 55s (OVR)

Men's 60+

1. Quiksilver Legends 60 (S. California)

7. Miami Valley Masters 60s (OVR)

9. Great Lakers (OVR)

Men's 65+

1. Molten VBC (Badger)

Men's 70+

1. MAC Classics 70s (Chesapeake)

Men's 75+

1. Minnesota Gold 75 (North Country)

Men's AA/A U-Volley

1. Top Shelf (Great Lakes)

5. Team Ohio - GYSP (OVR)

Men's BB/B U-Volley

1. Yorktowne U-Volley (Keystone)

Coed BB/B

1. No Fear (Lone Star)

Coed BB/B Reverse

1. Tsunami SFVC (Southern)

Special Olympics

1. Fairway-Waycraft Chargers)

2004 USA Volleyball National Championships: Tournament Reports

Shiloh Industries

Shiloh Industries, won the Bronze Division of the Men's B tournament at the 2004 USAV Open/Club Adult Championships, at the Georgia World Congress Center, in Atlanta.

61 teams competed in the 2004 Men's B tournament. Based on pool play performance and, in some cases, challenge matches, each of the 61 teams advanced to the 16-team Gold, 14-team Silver, 15-team Bronze, or 16-team Copper tournament. In initial pool play, Shiloh won 2 matches and lost 3, defeating Natural Disaster Badin (Iroquois Empire) and Up All Night (New England), and losing to Pepper Shak (Michiana), Team Flora Bama (Gulf Coast), and High Velocity (Great Lakes). The 2-3 pool play result qualified Shiloh for a one-match event, with the winner qualifying for the Bronze tournament and the loser qualifying for Copper. Shiloh's opponent did not appear on the court; thus, Shiloh easily qualified for Bronze.

In the Bronze playoffs, Shiloh defeated its first-round opponent, Scuba Time (Southern), 25-22, 25-23; the quarterfinal opponent, Homeboyz1 (Lone Star), 25-17, 14-25, 16-14; the semi-final opponent, HSH (Great Lakes), 25-17, 25-16; and the finals opponent, Team Shiner Bock (Carolina), 25-21, 25-15.

Playing for winning Shiloh team were Butch Thomas, Kevin Hine, Doug Smith, Sterling, Johnson, Hanse Cromer, Ryan Garland, Daniel Foreman, Nick Hauptstueck, Jim Foreman, and Ed Hine. Although very few juniors participate in the Adult Nationals, and fewer still play on championship teams, Shiloh included two, Daniel Foreman and



Shiloh Industries

Kevin Hine. Also remarkable is the 40-year age gap between Shiloh's oldest (57) and youngest (17) players.

2004 marked the fifth consecutive year that Shiloh has represented the Ohio Valley Region in the Men's B Nationals. All the Shiloh team members were proud to represent the OVR and thrilled to be champions at the 2004 USAV Open.

— Ed Hine

Michigan Wild

The Michigan Wild over 40 team experience at the Nationals was at best an experience we will all remember for a long time.

It started about a month prior to the tournament when we had three players unable to play due to injury, leaving only 5. Jeff Kless, captain, started a search to find a sixth player who was over 40. Three days prior to the tourney, we found Randy Etheridge, a 6'4" setter from Atlanta to play with us!

Driving down in a van, four players and a player's daughter ended up getting a flat tire in Cincinnati on a 3-lane highway. After the tire was replaced, we made it and registered in a timely fashion.

Our team consisted of only 6 players (the only team with such distinction), whereas the other 10 teams had as many as 11 players dressed. Players included Jeff Kless (6'4"), captain coming off injury due to a torn ligament in left hand; Scott Mais (MH, 6'4") from Kalamazoo, Michigan, Randy Etheridge (S, 6'4") from Atlanta; Steve Schwartz (OH, 5'11") from Warren, Michigan; John Rusaw (OH, 5'10")

from Fenton, Michigan; and Keith Hinkle (OH, 5'9") from Grand Rapids.

Play started on Wednesday, where we played two matches with both going three games, losing to the team out of Philadelphia who won it last year, and losing in three to another squad.

The second day we won both games against the south Carolina team, then it took three games again to lose our second match of the day. The third match, we played well enough where they took a time out, but we ended up losing to the California team with Doug Partie!

On Friday, we ended losing in three to a team 15-12 in third game then bowed in tow to the team that in last year, in 2 straight.

Overall we beat every team at least one game except the team from California, finishing with a 6-12 game record.

It was great to see Terry Miller, Bob Price, and the other Ohio and Michigan teams compete.

— Jeff Kless, Captain, Michigan Wild

2004 USA Volleyball National Championships: Tournament Reports



Miami Valley 55s: Steve Crane (9), Steven DiBacco (17), Terry Miller (55), Bob Price (5), Dick Kappel (4), Rick Laskey (1), Bob McLain (10), Rip Rohrer (7), Mike O'Hair, John Tokash (51).

Miami Valley 55s

Based on our performance at last year's tournament, the Miami Valley 55s team was seeded third in our pool of six teams. With a roster of ten players, we experimented with different lineups during pool play, and it wasn't until the playoffs that we finally found a successful lineup. Two of the top four teams in the 18-team tournament were in our pool: defending champion Brazil and Roof. We did not do well the first two days, finishing 6th in our pool.

In the first round of the single elimination Gold Bracket, we lost to Bay Magic in three games, 13-25, 25-13, 12-15. Then we faced Rusty's in the losers' bracket and won 25-18, 25-12. Spike Force put us out of the tournament in the next match, 25-15, 25-18. We finished tied for 9th place overall.

Team members included setters Bob Price and Rick Laskey, middles Bob McLain and Mike O'Hair, outside hitters Terry Miller, Dick Kappel, Rip Rohrer, Steven DiBacco, and John Tokash, and Libero Steve Crane. — *Rick Laskey*



Miami Valley Masters 60s
Front row, left to right: Don Clark (10), Earl Morgan (4), Roger Morgan (1), Dale Isgrigg (3).
Back row, left to right: Alan Brunzman (2), Ivan Woltmann (7), Jerry Osterholt (9), David Burton (5), Don Moody (6), Tom Fulton (8).

Miami Valley Masters 60s

The Miami Valley Masters 60s volleyball team participated in the USA Volleyball Association Nationals in June of 2004. Playing in the 13-team Masters 60s division, they earned two wins and four losses in pool play. Losing to Just Volleyball, Rusty's, Team Sota, and Spike Force while beating Texas Seniors and Dinosaurs 60s, the MVM 60s finished 5th in their pool.

In the Championship playoff, the MVM 60s lost their first match to Warren Six Pac, then beat Texas Seniors before being beat out by Rusty's, tying them for 7th overall. Team members included Roger Morgan, Alan Brunzman, Dale Isgrigg, Earl Morgan, Dave Burton, Don Moody, Ivan Woltmann, Tom Fulton, Jerry Osterholt, and Don Clark. Thanks to everyone who helped make this a great experience. — *Rick Laskey*

2004 USA Volleyball National Championships: Tournament Reports

Kattus / Outsiders

The Outsiders were in Pool 2 along with Burgess VBC (NC), X-Men (GL), Nittany Legends (KE), and Texas Rangers (NT). There were a total of 6 teams in the other pool. Kattus Outsiders began pool play on Wednesday by defeating the Texas Rangers (eventual 40s champion) in a very competitive 3-game match (21-25, 25-20, 15-12). The next pool play match was against the Nittany Legends. We won that match in 2 games by scores of 25-21 and 25-12.

On Thursday, our first match had us playing the X-Men, again winning in 2 games by scores of 25-6 and 25-19. The first-game winning margin would be instrumental in the seeding for the playoffs. Our final pool play match had us playing against Burgess VBC, the team that finished ahead of Kattus in the 2003 Championships. The Outsiders jumped out early and won the first game, 25-17. The second game swung their direction, with The Outsiders falling, 16-25. The third and deciding game was a hard-fought battle to the end. Unfortunately, Burgess eked out the victory, 14-16.

The Outsiders finished pool play with a 3-1 record. Fortunately, Burgess lost to the Texas Rangers, whom we had defeated the day before, creating a 3-way tie for first place in the pool. Based on point percentages, The Outsiders received the #1 seed from our pool going into the elimination bracket (thank you very much X-Men in game #1).

The elimination round started for Kattus on Friday morning. After receiving a first round bye, we hooked up against Team Ted out of the Great Lakes region. We won the match relatively easily by scores of 25-18 and 25-18. Our next match pitted us against the team that we played first in pool play, Texas Rangers. Kattus dropped two consecutive games to Texas by scores of 25-20 and 25-19, thus dropping us into the losers' bracket for Saturday's play.

Saturday morning began with an 8:00AM match against iDig40s from Northern California. After trailing 15-21 in the

opening game, the Outsiders received a wake-up call and rallied to win the game, 25-22. After the dramatic comeback, iDig seemed to lose their fight and dropped the second game to us by a score of 25-13. The next match – the one that decides who gets into the medal rounds – was against Burgess VBC. Having lost to them in pool play (and in this match last year), Kattus was motivated to come out on top. The first game was back and forth for most of the game before Kattus made a break and won 25-17. The second game was a much tougher battle, but we held on for the win, 30-28. The win moved us into the losers' bracket championship match, again to face the Texas Rangers.

The Outsiders came quickly out of the blocks to secure a 25-19 win over the Texas team in the initial game. The second game was much closer, with both teams taking and giving up the lead throughout the game. Kattus had several swings at match point in the second game but were unable to capitalize on the opportunities and eventually dropped the second game, 25-27. At that point, the air had been let out of our balloon. With fatigue setting in, the deciding game of the match went to Texas, 8-15. The Texas Rangers went on to defeat Team Oakley twice in the final match to secure the championship.

Loren Gebert, from The Outsiders, was selected to the All Tournament Team. Other members of the team from Ohio included Jeff Moody, Mike Torch, Rob Ebright, Scott Thomas, Andrejas Plume, Brian LeMaster, Pat Carus, and Marlin Weisenbarger. The team also included two out-of-region players added at the last minute: David Williams (Arizona) and David Strege (Iowa).

Overall, the experience was a great one. The disappointing part was having several swings to get into the championship match but being unable to convert. The tournament was well run, the people of Atlanta were great, and only a few cards and finger waggles were issued.

— Marlin Weisenbarger

2005 USA Volleyball Adult Open Championships
Denver Convention Center, Denver, Colorado
May 28-June 4, 2005

Maverick 13-1 Wins Bronze Medal at AAUs




Back row: Brittany Morris (#12), Kathryn Dilger (#8), Niinie Djakic (#22), Kara Lapso (#18), Tony Messina (coach).
 Middle row: Brittany Snider (#7), Alyssa Brigeman (#4), Marrison Roach (#10).
 Front row: Meghan Cugliari (#1), Maddie Mawby (#24).

THE MAVERICK 13-1 TEAM participated in the 2004 AAU National Volleyball Tournament from June 15-19, 2004 in Orlando, Florida. Maverick 13-1 was one of 24 teams from around the country to participate in the 13-and-under bracket.

On the first day of competition, the Mavericks defeated Gigantes Volleyball from Puerto Rico, Tampa Bay 13 Black, and Montana Juniors. This qualified the Mavericks to proceed to the top twelve teams. On the second day of competition, the Mavericks defeated Orlando 13 Elite, Kaepa Northern Lights 13-1 from Minnesota, and Louisville Club South 13 Black, placing the team in the top 6 teams of the tournament. The third day of competition determined seeding, with the Mavericks ending the day seeded 5th after difficult matches against Gigantes Volleyball and Avono, both from Puerto Rico.

The fourth and final day, the Mavericks' first match was against the 3rd seed, Victor Rojas 2 from Puerto Rico. In a very exciting match, the Mavericks prevailed 16-25, 25-15, 15-12. This victory advanced the Mavericks to the semifinals, paired once again with the Avono team. The Mavericks were defeated 25-10, 25-12 to end the tournament with a third place finish overall. The girls received bronze medals and a team trophy at the closing ceremonies held at Disney's Wide World of Sports complex.

— Jim Beharry, Director, Maverick / Third Degree


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OVR Calendar 2005

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OVR-USAV memberships run from November 1 through October 31.

Registration for the 2004-2005 season opened on September 1 for renewing professional officials and for juniors' clubs wishing to apply for sanction of tryouts and tournaments, and on November 1 for all others.

Registration Packets

Juniors' Registration Packet www.ovr.org/juniors/registration_packet/
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Juniors' Competition

OVR Juniors' Forum

December 4, 2004: Westerville South HS (tentative).
Other dates and sites may be announced.

Tryouts

www.ovr.org/juniors/tryouts/
Applications for Sanction of Tryouts ... accepted beginning September 1

OVR Tournaments

Juniors' Tournament Packet www.ovr.org/juniors/tournament_packet/

Applications for Sanction of Juniors' Tournaments

... accepted beginning September 1 www.ovr.org/juniors/sanction/

OVR-Kaepa® USA Juniors' Tournament Schedule

Regular-season tournaments will be published on December 19 at 8:00AM.
www.ovr.org/juniors/tournaments.php

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18s: March 5-6, Maumee 17s: March 12-13, Maumee
15s: March 12-13, Oxford 13s: March 19-20, Toledo
16s: March 12-13, Toledo 14s: March 19-20, Mason

Ohio Valley Regional Championships

2005 OVR Boys' Regional Championships www.ovr.org/juniors/boys/
February 27, 2005, site TBA

Ohio Valley Region, Inc. Kaepa®-USA www.ovr.org/juniors/championships/
2005 Girls' Volleyball Championships

Dates and divisions are tentative, subject to numbers of entries:

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13s and 14 Open	May 14, 2005, GCCC
14 Club	May 15, 2005, GCCC
17 Club & Open, 18 Club & Open	May 20-21, 2005, GCCC
15 Club & Open	May 21, 2005, GCCC
16 Club & Open	May 22, 2005, GCCC

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www.ovr.org/juniors/hp/
Tryout dates and sites TBA

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National Qualifiers www.usavolleyball.org/Juniors/nat_qual.asp
March 18-April 24, 2005 (see web listing for complete details)

Ohio Valley Region-Molten® 2005 National Bid Qualifier www.ovr.org/juniors/bid/

15s-18s: April 9-10, GCCC	12s: April 16, GCCC
14s: April 16-17, Toledo	13s: April 17, GCCC

2005 USA Junior Olympic Girls' Volleyball Championships

June 29-July 6, 2005, Salt Lake City www.usavolleyball.org/Juniors/

USA Junior Olympic Girls' Invitational Volleyball Championships

June 30-July 3, 2005, Louisville, KY www.usavolleyball.org/Juniors/

2005 USA Junior Olympic Boys' Volleyball Championships

July 6-13, 2005, Louisville, KY www.usavolleyball.org/Juniors/

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OVR Men's & Women's Tournament Schedule www.ovr.org/mw/tournaments.php

2005 Ohio Valley Regional Volleyball Championships

April 16-17, 2005: Greater Columbus Convention Center
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Nationals

2005 USA Volleyball National Championships
May 28-June 4, 2005, Denver, Colorado www.usavolleyball.org/Adults/

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December 4, 2004, 9AM-4PM, Westerville South HS, Westerville, OH

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December 4, 2004, Westerville South HS, Westerville, OH (tentative)
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Officiating

Registration / Renewal www.ovr.org/register/
All returning professional officials must register by October 31.

New Officials www.ovr.org/officiating/new_official_signup.php
Sign-up for a clinic to begin the process.

Professional Officials' Clinics www.ovr.org/officiating/clinics.php

November 28, 2004	Toledo
December 4, 2004	Westerville South HS (new officials only)
December 5, 2004	Westerville South HS
December 11, 2004	Charleston, WV
December 12, 2004	Dayton/Cincinnati
January 8, 2005	Kent or Youngstown

Administrative

OVR Board Meetings www.ovr.org/executive/

October 3, 2004, 10AM, Westerville South HS
January 17, 2005, 9AM, Kent
August 13-14, 2005, 8PM, Columbus

Publications

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