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2009 U.S. Women's National Volleyball Team Schedule

Egypt Tour

Site: Cairo, Egypt

April 10: def. Egypt 3-1
April 12: def. Egypt 3-0

Pan American Cup

Site: Miami, Fla.

June 26: def. Costa Rica 3-0
June 27: def. Guatemala 3-0
June 28: def. Mexico 3-0
June 29: def. Peru 3-0
June 30: def. Puerto Rico 3-1
July 3: lost to Brazil 1-3
July 4: lost to Puerto Rico 1-3

FIVB World Championship Third Round - NORCECA Qualification

Site: Orlando, Fla.

July 6: def. Netherlands Antilles 3-0
July 7: def. Barbados 3-0
July 8: def. Costa Rica 3-0

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 1

Site: Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

July 31: lost to Germany 0-3
Aug. 1: def. Puerto Rico, 3-2
Aug. 2: def. Brazil 0-3

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 2

Site: Miao Li, Chinese Taipei

Aug. 7: def. Dominican Republic 3-2
Aug. 8: lost to Netherlands 2-3
Aug. 9: lost to Germany 0-3

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 3

Site: Bangkok, Thailand

Aug. 14: lost to Russia 1-3
Aug. 15: def. Puerto Rico 3-0
Aug. 16: lost to Thailand 2-3

Final Four Intercontinental Cup

Site: Lima, Peru

Sept. 9: lost to Brazil 2-3
Sept. 10: def. Peru 3-1
Sept. 11: lost to Dominican Republic 0-3
Sept. 12: def. Dominican Republic 3-1
Sept. 13: lost to Brazil 1-3 (gold match)

NORCECA Continental Championship

Site: Bayamon, Puerto Rico

Sept. 22: def. Mexico 3-0
Sept. 23: lost to Cuba 2-3
Sept. 24: def. Costa Rica 3-0
Sept. 25: def. Canada 3-1
Sept. 26: lost to Dominican Republic 2-3
Sept. 27: lost to Cuba 2-3 (bronze match)



U.S. LEARNS FIRST ROUND WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP POOL: The U.S. Women's National Volleyball Team was placed into Pool C of the 2010 FIVB Women's World Championship Tournament that will be held Oct. 29 to Nov. 14 in various Japanese cities. Team USA, ranked second in the world by the FIVB, joins NORCECA rival and No. 5 Cuba to headline Pool C being held Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 at Matsumoto, Japan. Other teams participating in Pool C are No. Germany, No. 13 Kazakhstan, No. 17 Thailand and No. 39 Croatia. The order of matches for the Americans will be Thailand on Oct. 29, Croatia on Oct. 30, Germany on Oct. 31, Kazakhstan on Nov. 2 and Cuba on Nov. 3. "Pool C is a strong group to contend against - as are all of the teams who have earned the right to compete in the World Championship," U.S. Women's National Team Head Coach Hugh McCutcheon (Christchurch, New Zealand) said. "We're excited to compete in this event and build on the foundation we established in 2009. While we hope to do well in this tournament, our initial focus and goal is to get out of our pool and qualify for the next round of competition." A total of 24 countries were drawn across four pools for the final round of the 16th edition of the FIVB Women's World Championship, which will be held in six venues across five Japanese cities (Tokyo, Nagoya, Hamamatsu, Matsumoto and Osaka). The FIVB World Championship is held every four years in the second year of the Olympic quadrennial. For the full press release, visit <http://usavolleyball.org/news/article/29291>.



U.S. WOMEN CONTINUE TRAINING: The 12 U.S. Women's National Team players taking part in the fall training session continue to show improvements as they are being put to the test by U.S. Women's National Team Head Coach Hugh McCutcheon (Christchurch, New Zealand) and his coaching staff. The session started on Oct. 12 and will go through December at the team's training headquarters - the American Sports Centers in Anaheim, Calif. Training sessions, generally starting at 9:30 a.m. to noon Monday through Thursday, are open to the public at no cost. On Fridays, the team has weights and either an indoor or beach training session. Middle blockers training include Jen Joines Tamas (Milpitas, Calif.), Tracy Stalls (Denver), Alexis Crimes (Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.) and Mekana Barnes (Highlands Ranch, Colo.). The outside hitter group includes Angie Pressey (Lake Mary, Fla.) and Julie Rubenstein (Camarillo, Calif.). Setters in the fall training session are Courtney Thompson (Kent, Wash.), Nellie Spicer (Barrington, Ill.) and Bryn Kehoe (North Bend, Ohio). Heather Hughes (Fallbrook, Calif.) is the only opposite in training during the fall. The libero position has Stacy Sykora (Burlison, Texas) and Jessica Fine (Tarzana, Calif.) working out at American Sports Centers. McCutcheon is hopeful the current training group will expand during the second phase of the off-season training period starting in mid-January with the addition of current collegiate seniors.

BERG, TOM MEET IN ITALIAN LEAGUE SHOWDOWN: Lindsey Berg (Honolulu) and Logan Tom (Salt Lake City, Utah), both members of the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team which won the silver medal in Beijing, were on opposite sides of the net in an early key test for their respective teams in the Italian Serie A professional league. Berg has provided MC-Carnaghi Villa Cortese with stability from her starting setter role as the team has moved up to Serie A in 2009-2010 after a second-place finish in Serie A2 last year. Tom is part of a talented Asystel Volley Novara Team that routinely is in the hunt for the Serie A title. However, on Nov. 22, it was the up-and-coming Villa Cortese squad that earned a hard-fought five-set victory (25-21, 23-25, 25-15, 17-25, 15-13). Berg helped Villa Cortese to a 35 kill percent on 174 attacks, translating to a .184 hitting efficiency with 29 errors over the five sets. Meanwhile, Tom scored a Volley Novara-leading 21 points with 18 kills on 50 attacks and three blocks. She also converted 16 service receptions into 56 percent excellent reception mark. Villa Cortese improves to 4-1 on the season, but is in a three-way tie for second place based on points. Berg's squad returns to the court on Nov. 25 against seventh-place Chateaux d'Ax Urbino Volley. To follow Berg throughout the season, check out her blog at <http://lindseyberg.blogspot.com/>. Volley Novara, now 3-2 and in fifth place with eight points, will face league-leader Monte Schiavo Banca Marche Jesi on Nov. 25. The match will feature a battle Tom and Heather Bown (Yorba Linda, Calif.), both three-time Olympians with the U.S. Women's National Team. Volley Novara will also be part of the CEV Indesit Champions League as it takes on Russia's Zarechie Odintsovo to open Pool D play on Dec. 3.



TRIVIA QUESTIONS (answers on page 2)

1. Who won the 2009 FIVB Women's Grand Champions Cup?
2. How many nations participated in the year-long qualifying process to reach the 2010 FIVB Women's World Championships?

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Players Training at American Sports Centers

Below is a list of players actively training at the American Sports Centers in California as part of the U.S. Women's National Team program.

- Mekana Barnes (MB, Highlands Ranch, Colo.)
- Alexis Crimes (MB, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.)
- Jessica Fine (L, Tarzana, Calif.)
- Heather Hughes (OPP, Fallbrook, Calif.)
- Bryn Kehoe (S, North Bend, Ohio)
- Angie Pressey (OH, Lake Mary, Fla.)
- Julie Rubenstein (OH, Camarillo, Calif.)
- Nellie Spicer (S, Barrington, Ill.)
- Tracy Stalls (MB, Denver, Colo.)
- Stacy Sykora (L, Burlison, Texas)
- Jennifer Joines Tamas (MB, Milpitas, Calif.)
- Courtney Thompson (S, Kent, Wash.)

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International Transfers for USA Players

- Abrahamson, Laurel (C.V. Cuesta Piedra, Spain)
- Adams, Kimberly (Voley Murcia, Spain)
- Andreyko, Diana (Hainaut Volley, France)
- Anglin, Keri (VBC Glarona, Switzerland)
- Barboza, Cynthia (Toray Volleyball Team, Japan)
- Barrera, Jessica (OK Koper, Slovenia)
- Baumstark, Jamie (VBC Biel - Bienne, Switzerland)
- Bayley, Jacqueline (OK Galeb, Bar, Montenegro)
- Beck, Carrie (CV Benidorm, Spain)
- Beck, Morgan (Anorthosis Famagustus, Cyprus)
- Berg, Lindsey (Villa Cortese, Italy)
- Bible, Amanda (OK Koper Volleyball, Slovenia)
- Blum, Tiffany (Zok Matija Mesic Club, Croatia)
- Bown, Heather (Giannino Pieralisi Volley, Italy)
- Brown, Emily (Nantes Atlantique, France)
- Brown, Victoria (Club Voleibol Haro, Spain)
- Buteyn, Lindsey (VC Tirol, Austria)
- Cahill, Stephanie (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
- Cmaylo, Anna (Sparkasse Klagenfurt, Austria)
- Copenhagen, Diane (Heutink Pollux, Netherlands)
- Daley, Allison (Club Voleibol R.H. Las Palmas, Spain)
- Davis, Nicole (Evergrande Volleyball Club, China)
- Day, Emily (Franches - Montagnes, Switzerland)
- Deesing, Alesha (Xacobeo Zolo Ribeira Sacra, Spain)
- DeKiewiet, Jamie (HPK Naiset, Finland)
- DeTurk, Lauren (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
- Dyer, Alexandra (VC Tirol Innsbruck, Austria)
- Eddins, Stefani (A.D. Algar Surmenor, Spain)
- Evers, Whitney (Volley Dudingen, CH, Switzerland)
- Ford, Lauren (Finestrat, Spain)

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BOWN, JESI ON TOP OF ITALIAN LEAGUE: Heather Bown (Yorba Linda, Calif.), a three-time Olympian with the U.S. Women's National Team, has helped her Italian Serie A professional team to the top spot in the league standings after the fifth round of matches. She scored 12 points for Monte Schiavo Banca Marche Jesi in its Nov. 22 sweep (25-20, 25-17, 25-13) over RebecchiLupa Piacenza. Bown tallied nine kills on 14 attacks with just one error as part of a .571 hitting efficiency and 64 kill percent. She tacked on three blocks of her team's 13 blocks in the victory. Piacenza features two players familiar with the U.S. collegiate ranks and Pacific-10 Conference. Joanna Kaczor, who played for University of Southern California, tallied 10 points in the loss. Mia Jerkov, who played for University of California-Berkeley, came off the bench to score three points. Jesi improves to 5-0 on the season and has 14 points in the Serie A standings, two better than the three-way tie for second place.



RICHARDS HELPING OMICHKA TO RUSSIAN LEAD: Kristin Richards (Orem, Utah), an outside hitter and 2008 U.S. Olympic Team alternate, is playing in the Russia Super League for a second year in a row – this time with Omichka in Omsk. After starting the year off with a 3-0 record, Omichka lost its first match of the season to Uralochka-NTMK 25-18, 20-25, 25-22, 25-22 on Nov. 22. Statistics for the match are unavailable at this time. Omichka is currently tied for third in the Russia Super League with seven points and a 3-1 record. Richards and her team are idle until meeting up with Universitet-Tekhnolog on Dec. 5.

NNAMANI PACING PROSTEJOV IN CZECH REPUBLIC: Ogonna Nnamani (Bloomington, Ill.) continues to lead her Czech Republic professional team Prostejov to a 9-0 start to the season and a second-place ranking in the league standings. Nnamani scored 12 points in a sweep of Prerovsky Volejbalovy Klub on Nov. 19. She reached her dozen points with 10 kills on 25 attacks and just two errors to go with two blocks. Nnamani contributed 11 kills on 25 attacks, two blocks and an ace for 14 points in a three-set victory over PVK Olymp Praha on Nov. 21. Prostejov faces eighth-place Sternberk on Nov. 26 before starting CEV Indesit Champions League Play in December. Prostejov is part of Pool C and opens the first round against Turkey's Fenerbahce Acibadem on Dec. 3.



Answers to Trivia Questions? (from page 1)

1. Italy won the 2009 FIVB Women's Grand Champions Cup with a 5-0 record. Brazil was second.
2. A record-number 101 nations participated in the year-long qualifying process to reach the 2010 FIVB Women's World Championship.

They Said It - Nov. 24, 2009

| | I can't leave home without my... | My ultimate breakfast is... | Facebook or Myspace | Best Volleyball TV Announcer |
|------------------------|---|--|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Cynthia Barboza | kneepads | Nick's breakfast burrito | mybook or facespace | Chris McLachlin |
| Nancy Metcalf | cell phone | an omelet with bacon, cheese and mushrooms; and hash browns | Facebook | Beth Mowins |
| Jane Collymore | Guitar or iPod, back-scratcher | when I get the proper motivation to cook, maybe an egg scrambled...add spinach, turkey, mushrooms, etc. Throw some cavier and Brie into the mix. | I like zem both | Karch Kiraly. But I'm a little biased |

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Gerling, Rachel (VC Tirol Innsbruck, Austria)
Griffin, Allie (Fabasoft Linz, Austria)
Griffin, Maggie (Heutink Pollux, Netherlands)
Haas, Emily (Zenski Odbojkaski Klub Dubrovnik, Croatia)
Hall, Kiley (Cossonay Volleyball Club, Switzerland)
Hampton, Maurelle (Lindesberg Volley BK, Sweden)
Harmotto, Christa (Evergrande Volleyball Club, China)
Harry, Tesha (Dresdner SC, Germany)
Hart, Katherine (Zok Matija Mesic Club, Croatia)
Hart, Theresa (Zok Matija Mesic Club, Croatia)
Hartmann, Rachel (Neuchatel Universite Club, Switzerland)
Heler, Jacqueline Victoria (VBC Fribourg, Switzerland)
Hilbers, Johanna (Poitiers Volleyball Club, France)
Hood, Regan (ASPTT Mulhouse, France)
Hubbard, Atlee (Voley Murcia, Spain)
Jackson, Elizabeth (VBC Val-de-Travers, Switzerland)
Jenkins, Benavia (C.V. RH Las Palmas, Spain)
Karpiak, Beth (VBC Koniz, Switzerland)
Kearney, Linzy (Marcq-en-Baroeul, France)
Kelley, Kristin (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Larson, Jordan (VC Dinamo, Kazan, Russia)
Livingston, Sherisa (Panellinos A.C., Greece)
Lott, Erica (PaKa, Finland)
Magee, Brandy (Pieksamaki, Finland)
Mancuso, Danielle (Dresdner SportClub 1898, Germany)
Martin, Kristina (CV Benidorm, Spain)
Matic, Crystl (CV Tenerife, Spain)
Maurer, Brynn (Alemannia Aachen, Germany)
McCutcheon, Katie (Zenski Odbojkaski Dubrovnik, Croatia)
McNamee, Candace (Le Cannet-Rocheville, France)
McNatt, Therese (Nova KBM Branik, Slovenia)
Metcalfe, Nancy (Minas Tennis Club, Brazil)
Mondientz, Kristin (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Moore, Rebecca (TI-Volley, Austria)
Mustacchio, Darshaya (SSV Ulm 1846, Germany)
Nash, Christina (Toggenburg/KSV Wattwil, Switzerland)
Nnamani, Ogonna (VK Prostějov, Czech Republic)
Nyrop, Jessica (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Nzenwa, Queen (Club Volleyball Haro, Spain)
O'Connor, Erin (Kuusamon Pallo-Karhut, Finland)
Odion, Stella (SV Schwechat Post Volley, Austria)
Olsovsky, Kathleen (Habarovsk, Russia)
Orchard, Ellen (VC Kanti Schaffhausen, Switzerland)
Palmer, Crystal (Lindesberg Volley BK, Sweden)
Phillips, Lindsay (VC "Azerall" Baku, Azerbaijan)
Piccolini, Lindsay (Somero, Finland)
Richards, Kristin (Spartak Omsk, Russia)
Rogers, Tess (Oriveden Ponnitus, Finland)
Russell, Kelly (Sagres NVC Volleyball, Switzerland)
Sentleben, Jennifer (VBC Glaronia, Switzerland)
Serna, Stephanie (OK Tabor Maribor, Slovenia)
Shaw, Sheila (Rote Raben Vilsbiburg, Germany)
Slack, Brigitte (SVS Sinsheim, Germany)
Speer, Christina (Aachener TSV Alemannia Aachen, Germany)
Stalzer, Lindsay (CV Finestrat, Spain)
Stidham, Melissa (PislaPloki, Finland)
Stovall, Desma (Terville - Florange O.C., France)
Swarbrick, Jessica (Xacobeo Zolo Ribeira Sacra, Spain)
Sutherland, Devon (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Thomas, Elisha (VC "Azerall" Baku, Azerbaijan)
Thompson, Tori (A.D.Algar Surmenor, Spain)
Todd, Jennifer (Istres Ouest Provence, France)
Tom, Logan (Asystel Volley S.P.A., Italy)
Toone, Emillie (OK Kamnik, Slovenia)
Turner, Whitney (Sinsheim, Germany)
Uhl, Kara (Karsiyaka Spor Kulubu, Turkey)
Vatterrodt, Katherine (Lyon Saint Fons, France)
Verdin, Quincy (OK Tabor Maribor, Slovenia)
Waller, Erin (Sm'Aesch Pfeflingen, Switzerland)
Webster, Addie (VC Tirol, Austria)
Weider, Katherine (ASA Beer Sheva, Israel)
Williams, Sherri (CV Tenerife, Canary Islands)
Wilson, Makare (Spes S.s.d.p.a., Italy)
Wise, Bonita (LP Kangasala, Finland)
Yanchulova, Petia (Kanti Schaffhausen, Switzerland)

FIVB SETS WORLD GRAND PRIX PRELIMINARY ROUND POOLS: The U.S.

Women's National Volleyball Team will travel to Poland, Thailand and Hong Kong in consecutive weekends next summer as part of the 2010 FIVB World Grand Prix, according to a release distributed by the FIVB. The FIVB World Grand Prix is the top annual international tournament. The tournament format consists of nine preliminary round matches with three consecutive weekends of three matches each. The top five countries in the preliminary round plus the World Grand Prix Final Round host advance to a five-day, five match round robin to determine the overall winner. The 2010 FIVB World Grand Prix Final Round will take place in Ningbo, China. The U.S. opens FIVB World Grand Prix action Aug. 6-9 in Poland with matches against host Poland, Germany and NORCECA rival Dominican Republic in Group B. Team USA travels to Asia for the second and third preliminary round weekends. The Americans will face Italy, Puerto Rico and host Thailand Aug. 13-15 in an undetermined city in Thailand as part of Group D. The U.S. concludes the preliminary round Aug. 20-22 in Hong Kong as part of Group G. Team USA will challenge China, Germany and Thailand. For the full press release, visit <http://usavolleyball.org/news/article/29197>.



U.S. WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM OPEN TRYOUTS: USA Volleyball will hold its annual open tryouts for the U.S. Women's National Team and Associated Training Programs Feb. 19-21, 2010, at the U.S. Olympic Training Center (USOTC) in Colorado Springs, Colo. Hugh McCutcheon, the U.S. Women's National Team Head Coach, will lead the evaluation process for the tryout. The online tryout registration, which must be completed by Jan. 14, 2010, can be found by visiting <http://usavolleyball.allregistrations.com/VolunteerDetail.aspx/2010WomensNationalTeamTryoutRegistration>. Upon confirmation of registration, tryout participants will receive and must complete additional USOTC forms to be fully enrolled in the tryout. As part of the tryout, athletes will compete for spots on the U.S. Women's Volleyball National Team program and the U.S. Women's Senior A2 teams. The U.S. Women's National Team program is open to athletes who have concluded their college eligibility and who wish to train full-time. This program could begin as early as February 2010, or when an athlete's scholastic or professional club season has concluded. Athletes who will have remaining collegiate eligibility may still participate in the program with participation beginning May 2010 or when their scholastic calendar ends. For the full press release, visit <http://usavolleyball.org/news/article/29202>.

SYKORA TABBED ALL-UIL CENTURY FIRST TEAM: Stacy Sykora (Burleson, Texas), a three-time Olympian with the U.S. Women's National Volleyball Team, was placed on the University Interscholastic League (UIL) All-Century First Team with nine other athletes to represent the highest levels of volleyball achievement in Texas high school history. Since 1909, the UIL has grown into the largest inter-school organization of its kind in the world. The UIL provides high school students in the state of Texas with educational experiences through competition, while promoting good sportsmanship and cooperation among member schools. In addition to Sykora, three other athletes with U.S. Women's National Volleyball Team connections were named to the UIL All-Century Teams. Demetria Sance (San Antonio), a 2000 U.S. Women's Olympic Team member, was named to the UIL All-Century Second Team. She was a standout at San Antonio John Jay High School. Erin Aldrich (Dallas), who joined the U.S. Women's National Volleyball Team in 2001 after being a member of the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Team in the high jump, was named to the UIL All-Century Third Team for her accomplishments at Richardson Lake Highlands High School. Destinee Hooker (San Antonio), who trained with the U.S. Women's National Volleyball Team last spring, was named to the UIL All-Century Second Team for her career at San Antonio Southwest High School and is a current member of the University of Texas volleyball team. For the full press release, visit <http://usavolleyball.org/news/article/29174>.



USA Volleyball and the City of Anaheim are pleased to announce the agreement to bring the U.S. Women's National Volleyball Team to Anaheim from Colorado Springs was finalized in April 2009. The agreement also designates Anaheim as the Exclusive Official Host City for the USA Men's and Women's National Volleyball Teams through 2016. The City of Anaheim and USA Volleyball are grateful for the support of these local sponsors who have contributed to the success of the U.S. Men's and Women's National Teams in Anaheim: American Sports Centers; Anaheim White House; JT Schmid's Restaurant & Brewery; PepZ Pizza & Eatery; OC Sports Grill; Ruth's Chris Steak House; CIM/Anaheim; Anaheim Marriott Suites; Anaheim Marriott Hotel; B.W. Stovall's Hotels; Crowne Plaza Hotel; Disneyland Resort Hotels; Doubletree Guest Suites; Embassy Suites Anaheim South; Hilton Anaheim Hotel; Red Lion Hotel Anaheim; Sheraton Anaheim; and numerous Anaheim/OC Visitor and Convention Bureau member hotels.



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June 10-20: Opponents TBA

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 1**Site: Poland**

Aust. 6-8: Poland, Germany, Dominican Republic

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 2**Site: Thailand**

Aug. 13-15: Thailand, Italy, Puerto Rico

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 3**Site: Hong Kong**

Aug. 20-22: China, Germany, Thailand

FIVB World Grand Prix Final Round**Site: Ningbo, China**

Aug. 25-29: Top 5 Teams plus China

Final Four Intercontinental Cup**Site: TBA**

Sept. 19-27: TBA

FIVB World Championship First Round**Site: Matsumoto, Japan**

Oct. 29: vs. Thailand

Oct. 30: vs. Croatia

Oct. 31: vs. Germany

Nov. 2: Kazakhstan

Nov. 3: vs. Cuba

AH MOW-SANTOS PART OF CLINIC: Robyn Ah Mow-Santos (Honolulu), a three-time U.S. Olympian and part of the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team that won the silver medal at the 2008 Olympic Games, will be part of clinic coaching girls ages 9-18. She along with three-time AVCA All-American Tanya Fuamatu are hosting Advanced Girls' Setters and Hitters Sessions from Dec. 2-30. For additional information, contact Melissa Lum at info@efchawaii.com or visit www.efchawaii.com/advanced.atm



HODGE NAMED CoSIDA ACADEMIC ALL-AMERICAN OF THE YEAR: Megan Hodge (Durham, N.C.), who trained with the U.S. Women's National Team briefly this summer before starting her senior collegiate season at top-ranked Penn State, has been named the ESPN The Magazine Academic All-American of the Year as announced by the College Sports Information Directors of American (CoSIDA). Current U.S. Women's National Team player Christa Harmotto (Aliquippa, Pa.) won the honor in 2008. Hodge is a business major with a 3.45 grade point average. She is a three-time American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) First-Team All-American and most likely earn the honor again in December. Hodge has led Penn State to back-to-back NCAA Division I National Volleyball Championships. In 2009, she is averaging 4.69 kills per set (ninth in the nation) with a .400 attack efficiency (10th in the nation). For the complete press release, visit <http://www.gopsusports.com/sports/w-volley/spec-rel/112309aaa.html>.



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2009 USA Women's National Team Results (18-14)

| Date | Opponent (Record) | Result | City | Pts Leader | Attend |
|---|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------|
| USOC Goodwill Tour in Egypt | | | | | |
| 4/10 | Egypt (1-0) | W, 25-14, 25-27, 25-18, 28-26 | Cairo, Egypt | Harmotto - 18 | NA |
| 4/12 | Egypt (2-0) | W, 25-13, 25-15, 27-25 | Cairo, Egypt | Rubenstein - 16 | NA |
| Eighth Women's Pan American Cup | | | | | |
| 6/26 | Costa Rica (3-0) | W, 25-7, 25-6, 25-16 | Miami, Fla | Larson - 14 | 825 |
| 6/27 | Guatemala (4-0) | W, 25-7, 25-12, 25-7 | Miami, Fla. | Barboza, Collymore - 9 | 700 |
| 6/28 | Mexico (5-0) | W, 25-19, 25-14, 25-11 | Miami, Fla. | Metcalf - 20 | 1,734 |
| 6/29 | Peru (6-0) | W, 25-22, 25-21, 26-24 | Miami, Fla. | Larson - 14 | 1,389 |
| 6/30 | Puerto Rico (7-0) | W, 25-15, 25-20, 24-26, 25-23 | Miami, Fla. | Richards, Larson - 18 | 2,950 |
| 7/3 | Brazil (semifinals) (7-1) | L, 25-22, 22-25, 19-25, 14-25 | Miami, Fla. | Metcalf - 19 | 2,500 |
| 7/4 | Puerto Rico (bronze) (7-2) | L, 22-25, 25-20, 21-25, 20-25 | Miami, Fla. | Scott-Arruda - 14 | 3,000 |
| Final Ranking: 1. Brazil; 2. Dominican Republic; 3. Puerto Rico; 4. USA ; 5. Peru; 6. Argentina; 7. Canada; 8. Costa Rica; 9. Mexico; 10. Trinidad & Tobago; 11. Guatemala | | | | | |
| FIVB World Championship Qualification Tournament – Third Round NORCECA Pool G | | | | | |
| 7/6 | Netherlands Antilles (8-2) | W, 25-10, 25-9, 25-5 | Orlando, Fla. | Haneef-Park, Barboza - 11 | 1,500 |
| 7/7 | Barbados (9-2) | W, 25-6, 25-11, 25-12 | Orlando, Fla. | Pressey, Richards - 11 | 1,200 |
| 7/8 | Costa Rica (10-2) | W, 25-15, 25-9, 25-15 | Orlando, Fla. | Barboza, Collymore - 18 | 2,500 |
| Final Ranking: 1. USA ; 2. Costa Rica; 3. Netherlands Antilles; 4. Barbados | | | | | |
| FIVB World Grand Prix Preliminary Rounds | | | | | |
| 7/31 | Germany (10-3) | L, 15-25, 15-25, 16-25 | Rio de Janeiro, Brazil | Fawcett - 11 | 2,632 |
| 8/1 | Puerto Rico (11-3) | W, 21-25, 20-25, 25-23, 25-14, 15-13 | Rio de Janeiro, Brazil | Fawcett - 27 | 2,853 |
| 8/2 | Brazil (11-4) | L, 18-25, 22-25, 13-25 | Rio de Janeiro, Brazil | Fawcett - 11 | 11,922 |
| 8/7 | Dominican Republic (12-4) | W, 25-18, 25-19, 23-25, 21-25, 23-21 | Miao Li, Chinese Taipei | Metcalf - 20 | 1,700 |
| 8/8 | Netherlands (12-5) | L, 25-12, 22-25, 16-25, 25-21, 13-15 | Miao Li, Chinese Taipei | Fawcett, Metcalf - 14 | 3,000 |
| 8/9 | Germany (12-6) | L, 22-25, 18-25, 25-27 | Miao Li, Chinese Taipei | Akinradewo - 13 | 2,000 |
| 8/14 | Russia (12-7) | L, 21-25, 24-26, 25-19, 17-25 | Bangkok, Thailand | Metcalf - 19 | 3,500 |
| 8/15 | Puerto Rico (13-7) | W, 25-16, 25-18, 25-22 | Bangkok, Thailand | Metcalf - 12 | 4,000 |
| 8/16 | Thailand (13-8) | L, 25-19, 20-25, 21-25, 25-23, 11-15 | Bangkok, Thailand | Akinradewo - 22 | 4,500 |
| Final Preliminary Ranking: 1. Brazil (9-0); 2. Netherlands (8-1); 3. China (7-2); 4. Russia (6-3); 5. Japan (5-4); 6. Germany (5-4); 7. Poland (4-5); 8. Thailand (4-5); 9. USA (3-6) ; 10. Puerto Rico (1-8); 11. Dominican Republic (1-8); 12. Korea (1-8). | | | | | |
| Women's Final Four Intercontinental Cup | | | | | |
| 9/9 | Brazil (13-9) | L, 12-25, 25-18, 22-25, 25-19, 13-15 | Lima, Peru | Pressey - 19 | 2,500 |
| 9/10 | Peru (14-9) | W, 25-10, 20-25, 25-14, 25-20 | Lima, Peru | Pressey - 23 | 1,800 |
| 9/11 | Dominican Republic (14-10) | L, 20-25, 19-25, 23-25 | Lima, Peru | Barboza - 15 | 1,500 |
| 9/12 | Dominican Republic (15-10) | W, 25-20, 23-25, 25-22, 26-24 | Lima, Peru | Bown - 14 | 2,450 |
| 9/13 | Brazil (15-11) | L, 17-25, 16-25, 27-25, 25-19 | Lima, Peru | Bown - 19 | 5,000 |
| Final Ranking: 1. Brazil; 2. USA ; 3. Dominican Republic; 4. Peru | | | | | |
| NORCECA Continental Championship | | | | | |
| 9/22 | Mexico (15-12) | W, 25-18, 25-10, 25-13 | Bayamon, Puerto Rico | Metcalf - 11 | 206 |
| 9/23 | Cuba (16-12) | L, 25-19, 25-16, 16-25, 26-28, 10-15 | Bayamon, Puerto Rico | Metcalf - 16 | 2,000 |
| 9/24 | Costa Rica (16-12) | W, 25-7, 25-10, 25-13 | Bayamon, Puerto Rico | Barboza - 12 | 1,100 |
| 9/25 | Canada (17-13) | W, 17-25, 25-10, 25-23, 25-21 | Bayamon, Puerto Rico | Fawcett, Larson - 15 | 550 |
| 9/26 | Dominican Republic (18-13) | L, 25-21, 24-26, 25-10, 20-25, 19-21 | Bayamon, Puerto Rico | Metcalf - 25 | 2,500 |
| 9/27 | Cuba (18-14) | L, 25-17, 25-16, 26-28, 16-25, 11-15 | Bayamon, Puerto Rico | Metcalf - 17 | 3,000 |
| Final Ranking: 1. Dominican Republic, 2. Puerto Rico; 3. Cuba; 4. USA ; 5. Canada; 6. Mexico; 7. Costa Rica; 8. Trinidad & Tobago | | | | | |

2009 USA Women's National Team Stats

| Name | Sets | Kills | Kills/ Set | Kill PCT | Attack Errors | Total Attack | Hitting Eff. | Service Aces | Aces/ Set | Stuff Blocks | Blocks/ Sets | Points Points | Points Set |
|-----------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|
| Foluke Akinradewo | 36 | 66 | 1.83 | 48.5 | 11 | 136 | .404 | 2 | 0.06 | 31 | 0.86 | 99 | 2.75 |
| Cynthia Barboza | 94 | 197 | 2.10 | 37.9 | 51 | 520 | .281 | 21 | 0.22 | 16 | 0.17 | 234 | 2.49 |
| Mekana Barnes | 3 | 7 | 2.33 | 41.2 | 5 | 17 | .118 | 1 | 0.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 8 | 2.67 |
| Morgan Beck | 2 | 3 | 1.50 | 23.1 | 5 | 13 | -.154 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 1.50 |
| Lindsey Berg | 39 | 5 | 0.13 | 27.8 | 1 | 18 | .222 | 8 | 0.21 | 9 | 0.23 | 22 | 0.56 |
| Heather Bown | 51 | 69 | 1.35 | 48.9 | 9 | 141 | .426 | 12 | 0.24 | 31 | 0.61 | 112 | 2.20 |
| Jane Collymore | 12 | 33 | 2.75 | 55.0 | 6 | 60 | .450 | 6 | 0.50 | 4 | 0.33 | 43 | 3.58 |
| Therese Crawford | 7 | 19 | 2.71 | 40.4 | 4 | 47 | .319 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.14 | 20 | 2.86 |
| Alexis Crimes | 33 | 33 | 1.00 | 36.3 | 12 | 91 | .231 | 9 | 0.27 | 20 | 0.61 | 62 | 1.88 |
| Nicole Davis | 86 | 1 | 0.01 | 1.00 | 0 | 1 | 1.000 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.01 |
| Nicole Fawcett | 74 | 136 | 1.84 | 37.5 | 48 | 363 | .242 | 5 | 0.07 | 16 | 0.22 | 157 | 2.12 |
| Tayyiba Haneef-Park | 26 | 28 | 1.08 | 52.8 | 5 | 53 | .434 | 4 | 0.15 | 7 | 0.27 | 39 | 1.50 |
| Christa Harmotto | 69 | 101 | 1.46 | 52.3 | 26 | 193 | .389 | 8 | 0.12 | 47 | 0.68 | 156 | 2.26 |
| Heather Hughes | 0 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Jordan Larson | 79 | 181 | 2.29 | 30.6 | 81 | 591 | .169 | 15 | 0.19 | 20 | 0.25 | 216 | 2.73 |
| Angie McGinnis | 17 | 2 | 0.12 | 28.6 | 2 | 7 | .000 | 2 | 0.12 | 2 | 0.12 | 6 | 0.35 |
| Nancy Metcalf | 79 | 268 | 3.39 | 39.3 | 92 | 682 | .258 | 7 | 0.09 | 26 | 0.33 | 301 | 3.81 |
| Brittany Moore | 6 | 23 | 3.83 | 48.9 | 2 | 47 | .447 | 2 | 0.33 | 2 | 0.33 | 27 | 4.50 |
| Lauren Paolini | 9 | 19 | 2.11 | 61.3 | 3 | 31 | .516 | 4 | 0.44 | 1 | 0.11 | 24 | 2.67 |
| Angie Pressey | 34 | 79 | 2.32 | 38.2 | 31 | 207 | .232 | 3 | 0.09 | 20 | 0.59 | 102 | 3.00 |
| Kristin Richards | 48 | 122 | 2.54 | 36.2 | 60 | 337 | .184 | 5 | 0.10 | 14 | 0.29 | 141 | 2.94 |
| Julie Rubenstein | 7 | 17 | 2.43 | 35.4 | 7 | 48 | .208 | 6 | 0.86 | 1 | 0.14 | 24 | 3.43 |
| Danielle Scott-Arruda | 48 | 62 | 1.29 | 44.9 | 18 | 138 | .319 | 10 | 0.21 | 35 | 0.73 | 107 | 2.23 |
| Nellie Spicer | 39 | 17 | 0.44 | 53.1 | 4 | 32 | .406 | 5 | 0.13 | 3 | 0.08 | 25 | 0.64 |
| Tracy Stalls | 3 | 4 | 1.33 | 80.0 | 0 | 5 | .800 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.33 | 5 | 1.67 |
| Stacy Sykora | 88 | 2 | 0.02 | 100.0 | 0 | 2 | 1.000 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 0.02 |
| Elisha Thomas | 8 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | NA | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 0.38 | 3 | 0.38 |
| Courtney Thompson | 82 | 3 | 0.04 | 8.3 | 3 | 36 | .000 | 23 | 0.28 | 5 | 0.06 | 31 | 0.38 |
| Emillie Toone | 4 | 2 | 0.50 | 40.0 | 1 | 5 | .200 | 1 | 0.25 | 2 | 0.50 | 5 | 1.25 |
| Nicole Vargas | 4 | 2 | 0.50 | 28.6 | 2 | 7 | .000 | 2 | 0.50 | 0 | 0.00 | 4 | 1.00 |
| TEAM | 121 | 1,501 | 12.40 | 38.9 | 491 | 3,858 | .262 | 163 | 1.35 | 317 | 2.62 | 1,981 | 16.37 |
| Opponent | 121 | 1,361 | 11.25 | 34.5 | 605 | 3,946 | .192 | 105 | 0.87 | 257 | 2.12 | 1,723 | 14.24 |

Digs on Egypt Tour: Nicole Davis 34 (4.86 digs/set); Nellie Spicer 11 (2.75); Nicole Vargas 10 (2.50); Morgan Beck 5 (2.50); Therese Crawford 15 (2.14); Julie Rubenstein 13 (1.86); Brittany Moore 9 (1.50); Mekana Barnes 4 (1.33); Stacy Sykora 6 (1.00); Lauren Paolini 6 (1.00); Christa Harmotto 1 (0.25). Team 114 (16.29 digs/set).

Digs at Pan American Cup: Nicole Davis 82 (3.90 digs/set); Stacy Sykora 9 (2.25); Nancy Metcalf 32 (1.60); Kristin Richards 27 (1.35); Jordan Larson 17 (0.81); Cynthia Barboza 10 (0.53); Danielle Scott-Arruda 10 (0.45); Nellie Spicer 9 (0.45); Christa Harmotto 7 (0.33); Angie Pressey 1 (0.33); Courtney Thompson 5 (0.29); Tayyiba Haneef-Park 4 (0.21). Team 213 (8.88 digs/set).

Digs at FIVB Women's World Championship Qualification Tournament: Stacy Sykora 45 (5.00 digs/set); Courtney Thompson 13 (2.17); Jane Collymore 16 (1.78); Kristin Richards 5 (1.67); Cynthia Barboza 13 (1.63); Tayyiba Haneef-Park 9 (1.29); Angie Pressey 5 (1.25); Danielle Scott-Arruda 7 (1.00); Heather Bown 2 (1.00); Christa Harmotto 1 (0.11). Team 117 (13.00 digs/set).

Digs at FIVB World Grand Prix: Stacy Sykora 53 (2.12 digs/set); Nicole Davis 63 (1.54); Courtney Thompson 43 (1.26); Kristin Richards 24 (1.00); Cynthia Barboza 19 (0.86); Nicole Fawcett 27 (0.82); Nancy Metcalf 13 (0.65); Jordan Larson 22 (0.63); Angie McGinnis 10 (0.59); Christa Harmotto 2 (0.33); Tracy Stalls 1 (0.33); Foluke Akinradewo 9 (0.25); Alexis Crimes 6 (0.19); Angie Pressey 0 (0.00); Heather Hughes 0 (0.00); Lauren Paolini 0 (0.00). Team 292 (8.11 digs/set).

Digs at Final Four Intercontinental Cup: Nicole Davis 45 (3.21 digs/set); Lindsey Berg 47 (2.94); Nancy Metcalf 45 (2.81); Cynthia Barboza 47 (2.35); Stacy Sykora 45 (2.25); Angie Pressey 44 (2.20); Nicole Fawcett 19 (1.19); Nellie Spicer 12 (1.00); Heather Bown 10 (0.56); Christa Harmotto 8 (0.40); Alexis Crimes 0 (0.00); Jane Collymore 0 (0.00). Team 221 (11.05). Opponent 225 (11.25).

Digs at NORCECA Continental Championship: Stacy Sykora 59 (2.46 digs/set); Jordan Larson 45 (1.96); Nicole Davis 5 (1.67); Cynthia Barboza 34 (1.36); Kristin Richards 1 (1.00); Lindsey Berg 22 (0.96); Nancy Metcalf 21 (0.91); Nicole Fawcett 14 (0.56); Danielle Scott-Arruda 10 (0.53); Courtney Thompson 12 (0.48); Christa Harmotto 4 (0.44); Heather Bown 7 (0.29); Angie Pressey 1 (0.20); Elisha Thomas 0 (0.00). Team 229 (9.16). Opponent 210 (8.40).

All-Time USA Women's Indoor Volleyball Olympians

1964 (Tokyo)

5th Place

Patti Bright
Jean Gaertner
Lou Galloway
Barbara Harwerth
Linda Murphy
Gail O'Rourke
Nancy Owen
Mary Jo Peppler
Mary Perry
Sharon Peterson
Verneda Thomas
Jane Ward

Head Coach: Dr. W.P. Burroughs

Manager: Ida Litschauer

1968 (Mexico City)

8th Place

Patti Bright
Kathryn Heck
Fanny Hopeau
Ninja Jorgensen
Laurie Lewis
Miki McFadden
Marilyn McCreavy
Nancy Owen
Barbara Perry
Mary Perry
Sharon Peterson
Jane Ward

Head Coach: Harlan Cohen

1980 (Moscow)

Did Not Compete (USA Boycott)

Janet Baier
Carolyn Becker
Rita Crockett
Patty Dowdell
Laurie Flachmeier
Debbie Green
Flo Hyman
Laurel Brassey
Debbie Landreth
Diane McCormick
Terry Place
Sue Woodstra

Head Coach: Arie Selinger

Assistant Coach: Toshi Yoshida

Manager: Ruth Becker

1984 (Los Angeles)

Silver Medal

Jeanne Beauprey
Carolyn Becker
Linda Chisholm
Rita Crockett
Laurie Flachmeier
Debbie Green
Flo Hyman
Rose Magers
Kim Ruddins
Julie Vollertsen
Paula Weishoff
Sue Woodstra

Head Coach: Arie Selinger

Assistant Coach: John Corbelli

Assistant Coach: Marlon Sano

1988 (Seoul)

7th Place

Deitre Collins
Caren Kemner
Laurel Kessel
Tammy Liley
Liz Masakayan
Jayne McHugh
Melissa McLinden
Kim Oden
Keba Phipps
Kim Ruddins
Angela Rock
Liane Sato

Head Coach: Terry Liskevych

Assistant Coach: Debbie Landreth Brown

Assistant Coach: Kent Miller

1992 (Barcelona)

Bronze Medal

Janet Cobbs
Tara Cross-Battle
Lori Endicott
Caren Kemner
Ruth Lawanson
Tammy Liley
Elaina Oden
Kim Oden
Liane Sato
Paula Weishoff
Tee Williams
Yoko Zetterlund

Head Coach: Terry Liskevych

Assistant Coach: Greg Giovanazzi

Assistant Coach: Kent Miller

Technical Coordinator: David Sims

Medical Consultant: Dan McDonough

1996 (Atlanta)

7th Place

Tara Cross-Battle
Lori Endicott
Caren Kemner
Kristin Klein
Tammy Liley
Bev Oden
Elaina Oden
Danielle Scott
Paula Weishoff
Tee Williams
Elaine Youngs
Yoko Zetterlund

Head Coach: Terry Liskevych

Assistant Coach: Aldis Berzins

Assistant Coach: Jeanne Beauprey Reeves

Technical Assistant: Dave Fleming

2000 (Sydney)

4th Place

Robyn Ah Mow
Heather Bown
Tara Cross-Battle
Mickisha Hurley
Sarah Noriega
Demetria Sance
Danielle Scott
Stacy Sykora
Charlene Tagaloa
Logan Tom
Kerri Walsh
Allison Weston

Head Coach: Mick Haley

Assistant Coach: Toshi Yoshida

Assistant Coach: Jeri Estes

Technical Coordinator: Monica Paul

Trainer: Emery Hill, Jr.

Team Doctor: Dr. David Weinstein

Team Manager: Bob Gambardella

2004 (Athens)

5th Place

Robyn Ah Mow-Santos
Elisabeth Bachman
Lindsey Berg
Heather Bown
Tara Cross-Battle
Tayyiba Haneef
Nancy Metcalf
Ogonna Nnamani
Keba Phipps
Danielle Scott
Stacy Sykora
Logan Tom

Head Coach: Toshi Yoshida

Assistant Coach: Kevin Hambly

Assistant Coach: Tara Cross-Battle

Technical Coordinator: Robyn Romansky

Trainer: Emery Hill, Jr.

Team Leader: Tom Pingel

2008 (Beijing)

Silver Medal

Robyn Ah Mow-Santos
Lindsey Berg
Heather Bown
Nicole Davis
Kim Glass
Tayyiba Haneef-Park
Jennifer Joines
Ogonna Nnamani
Danielle Scott-Arruda
Stacy Sykora
Logan Tom
Kim Willoughby

Head Coach: "Jenny" Lang Ping

Assistant Coach: Sue Woodstra

Assistant Coach: Li Yong

Assistant Coach: Tom Hogan

Technical Coordinator: Diane French

Trainer: Emery Hill, Jr.

Team Leader: Joan Powell

International Volleyball Fact Sheet

Introduction: Volleyball has major international competitions every year and, at its highest level, is a physically demanding sport played by some of the world's most elite athletes. Of course, volleyball is also a popular recreational activity enjoyed by more than 38 million persons in the United States (more than any team sport but basketball) and more than 800 million persons globally, making it the world's most popular participant sport. This fact sheet is designed to provide more understanding about international volleyball and its major competitions, including the Olympic Games.

International Governing Body: The international governing body for volleyball is the Federation Internationale de Volleyball (FIVB), headquartered in Lausanne, Switzerland. The FIVB is the world's largest sports federation, with more than 200 member nations. Under the direction of its president, Dr. Ruben Acosta of Mexico, the FIVB oversees the administration of volleyball throughout the world and is responsible for producing several major events, including the Olympic Games, World Championships, World Cup, World League and World Grand Prix.

National Governing Body: The national governing body (NGB) for volleyball in the United States is USA Volleyball, formerly known as the United States Volleyball Association. Founded in 1928, USA Volleyball is responsible for the administration of all forms of volleyball in the United States, including producing the annual USA Open Volleyball Championships, Junior Olympic Championships and the USA Outdoor National Championships. As mandated by the 1978 Amateur Sports Act, USA Volleyball is responsible to the U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC) and the FIVB for training and nominating the teams which represent the United States in the Olympic Games and other important volleyball competitions worldwide.

Major Competitions: The four major events on the international volleyball calendar are the Olympic Games (men and women, indoor and beach), World Championships (men and women, indoor and beach), World Cup (men and women, indoor), World League (men, indoor) and World Grand Prix (women, indoor). All events are conducted quadrennially, with the exceptions of the annual World League/Grand Prix and the biennial Beach World Championships.

World Rankings: Following the decision of the FIVB Board of Administration, a new system of point attribution based on a new scale has been implemented for the FIVB World Ranking of Volleyball National Teams. The following competitions are now included:

- Senior World Championships included for four years - 25 percent reduction each year. Points are also granted for the qualification matches, to the best non-qualified teams.
- Olympic Games included for four years - 25 percent reduction each year. Points are also granted for the qualification matches, to the best non-qualified teams.

- World Cup included for two years - 50 percent reduction the second year.
- Senior Continental Championships included for two years - 50 percent reduction the second year; points are also granted for the qualification matches to the best non-qualified teams.
- Men's World League / Women's World Grand Prix included for one year.

Top 40 teams in the FIVB World Ranking:

Women (Points)

1. Brazil (255)
2. USA (170)
3. China (154)
4. Russia (151)
- 5T. Cuba (145)
- 5T. Italy (145)
7. Japan (128)
8. Serbia (123)
9. Poland (71)
10. Netherlands (66.5)
11. Germany (64.5)
12. Korea (38)
13. Kazakhstan (32.5)
14. Dominican Republic (30)
15. Kenya (29.5)
16. Peru (29)
17. Thailand (28)
18. Puerto Rico (26)
19. Algeria (22)
20. Turkey (20.5)
21. Chinese Taipei (20)
22. Egypt (18)
23. Canada (16.5)
- 24T. Cameroon (16)
- 24T. Venezuela (16)
- 26T. Azerbaijan (15)
- 26T. Mexico (15)
28. Tunisia (14.5)
29. Uruguay (14)
30. Costa Rica (13)
31. Argentina (10.5)
32. Senegal (8)
- 33T. Belgium (7.5)
- 33T. Bulgaria (7.5)
35. France (7)
- 36T. Australia (6.5)
- 36T. Czech Republic (6.5)
- 36T. South Africa (6.5)
39. Croatia (6)
- 40T. Romania (5.5)
- 40T. Slovakia (5.5)
- 40T. Ukraine (5.5)

Men (Points)

1. Brazil (235)
2. Russia (185)
3. USA (178)
4. Bulgaria (130.5)
5. Serbia (117)
6. Italy (111)
7. Poland (94.5)
8. China (66.5)
9. Argentina (58.5)
10. Puerto Rico (51)
11. Spain (49)
12. Japan (45)
13. Cuba (44)
14. Germany (42)
- 15T. Australia (38.5)
- 15T. Venezuela (38.5)
17. France (34.5)
18. Egypt (31.5)
19. Korea (29)
20. Tunisia (28.5)
21. Canada (26.5)
22. Finland (22)
23. Cameroon (18)
24. Iran (17)
25. South Africa (15)
26. Netherlands (14.5)
27. Czech Republic (13.5)
28. Paraguay (12)
29. Greece (11.5)
- 30T. Kazakhstan (10.5)
- 30T. Portugal (10.5)
- 32T. Chile (10)
- 32T. Thailand (10)
34. Barbados (9.5)
35. Mexico (9)
- 36T. Colombia (8.5)
- 36T. Trinidad & Tobago (8.5)
- 38T. Chinese Taipei (8)
- 38T. Dominican Republic (8)
- 38T. Indonesia (8)
- 38T. Turkey (8)

Olympic Games: Volleyball made its debut in the 1964 Olympics in Tokyo. Twelve teams in both the men's and women's draw earn the right to compete:

Past Olympic Champions (Men)

1964: Soviet Union (USA, ninth)
1968: Soviet Union (USA, seventh)
1972: Japan, (USA, DNQ)
1976: Poland (USA, DNQ)
1980: Soviet Union (USA, DNQ)
1984: USA
1988: USA
1992: Brazil (USA, third)
1996: Netherlands (USA, ninth)
2000: Yugoslavia (USA, 11th)
2004: Brazil (USA, fourth)
2008: USA

Past Olympic Champions (Women)

1964: Japan (USA, fifth)
1968: Soviet Union (USA, eighth)
1972: Soviet Union (USA, DNQ)
1976: Japan (USA, DNQ)
1980: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1984: China (USA, second)
1988: Soviet Union (USA, seventh)
1992: Cuba (USA, third)
1996: Cuba (USA, seventh)
2000: Cuba (USA, fourth)
2004: China (USA, fifth)
2008: Brazil (USA, second)

World Championships: The World Championships are held every four years in the second year after the Olympics. The site, usually separate for the men's and women's competitions, is determined by the FIVB based on bids received from interested cities. The 24 berths for the men and women are gained in the following manner (2006 information is provided in parenthesis where available):

- Host country
- Defending World Champions
- FIVB determined the appropriate number of qualification spots for each continent/zone based on performance at the 2002 World Championships and the number of teams registered for the 2006 World Championships. Each continent/zone played a World Championships Qualification Tournament in early 2002.

Past World Champions (Men)

1949: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1952: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1956: Czechoslovakia (USA, sixth)
1960: Soviet Union (USA, seventh)
1962: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1966: Czechoslovakia (USA, 11th)
1970: East Germany (USA, 18th)
1974: Not held
1978: Soviet Union (USA, 19th)
1982: Soviet Union (USA, 13th)
1986: USA
1990: Italy (USA, 13th)
1994: Italy (USA, third)
1998: Italy (USA, ninth)
2002: Brazil (USA, ninth)
2006: Brazil (USA, 10th)

Past World Champions (Women)

1952: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1956: Soviet Union (USA, ninth)
1960: Soviet Union (USA, sixth)
1962: Japan (USA, DNP)
1966: Japan (USA, second)
1970: Soviet Union (USA, 11th)
1974: Japan (USA, 12th)
1978: Cuba (USA, fifth)
1982: China (USA, third)
1986: China (USA, 10th)
1990: Soviet Union (USA, third)
1994: Cuba (USA, sixth)
1998: Cuba (USA, 13th)
2002: Italy (USA, second)
2006: Russia (USA, ninth)

World Cup: The World Cup is held every four years, in the year prior to the Olympic Games. Though originally held at various sites, it has been hosted by Japan since 1977. Prior to 1991, the World Cup took place in the year immediately following the Olympics. The 12 berths in the World Cup for men and women are gained in the following manner:

- Host country (Japan- Men and Women)
- Defending World Cup champion
- Winners of the five zone championships
- The highest-placed team (of each zone) not qualified for the Olympic Games in accordance with the ranking of the zone championships.

Past World Cup Champions (Men)

1965: Soviet Union (USA, DNP)
1969: East Germany (USA, DNP)
1973: Soviet Union (USA, seventh)
1977: Soviet Union (USA, 10th)
1981: Soviet Union (USA, DNQ)
1985: USA
1989: Cuba (USA, fourth)
1991: Soviet Union (USA, third)
1995: Italy (USA, fourth)
1999: Russia (USA, fourth)
2003: Brazil (USA, fourth)
2007: Brazil (USA, fourth)

Past World Cup Champions (Women)

1973: Soviet Union (USA, sixth)
1977: Japan (USA, seventh)
1981: China (USA, fourth)
1985: China (USA, DNQ)
1989: Cuba (USA, DNQ)
1991: Cuba (USA, fourth)
1995: Cuba (USA, seventh)
1999: Cuba (USA, ninth)
2003: China (USA, third)
2007: Italy (USA, third)

Zone Championships: The volleyball world is divided into five international zones. The United States is in the NORCECA (North America Central America Caribbean) Zone, with championships held every other year at various sites. The other zones are Europe, Asia, Africa and South America. The frequency of zone championships competition varies in each of the five sections. Any nation in a particular zone may participate in its zone championships whenever such a competition is conducted.

Past NORCECA Champions (Men)

1969: Cuba (USA, third)
1971: Cuba (USA, second)
1973: USA
1975: Cuba (USA, third)
1977: Cuba (USA, fifth)
1979: Cuba (USA, fifth)
1981: Cuba (USA, second)
1983: USA
1985: USA
1987: Cuba (USA, second)
1989: Cuba (USA, third)
1991: Cuba (USA, second)
1993: Cuba (USA, second)
1995: Cuba (USA, second)
1997: Cuba (USA, second)
1999: USA
2001: Cuba (USA, second)
2003: USA
2005: USA
2007: USA

Past NORCECA Champions (Women)

1969: Mexico (USA, bronze)
1971: Mexico (USA, DNP)
1973: Cuba (USA, third)
1975: Cuba (USA, second)
1977: Cuba (USA, third)
1979: Cuba (USA, second)
1981: USA
1983: USA
1985: Cuba (USA, second)
1987: Cuba (USA, second)
1989: Cuba (USA, third)
1991: Cuba (USA, second)
1993: Cuba (USA, second)
1995: Cuba (USA, second)
1997: Cuba (USA, second)
1999: Cuba (USA, second)
2001: USA
2003: USA
2005: USA
2007: Cuba (USA, second)
2009: Dominican Republic (USA, fourth)

World League and World Grand Prix: The World League features the top 12 men's volleyball teams in the world in competition for a total purse that has grown to \$15 million since the inaugural season in 1990. Teams are divided into three, four-team pools and each country playing the other teams in their pool four times (twice at home, twice on the road). The winner and runner-up in each pool advance to a seeded playoff round. The regular season is usually played in May and June with playoffs in early July.

The World Grand Prix is the women's counterpart to the World League, and offers a total purse of \$2 million to its 12-team field. Teams play in different four-team pools each weekend, at round-robin tournaments hosted by cities throughout Asia. The three teams with the best records join the host country for the Grand Prix Finals. The regular season is played in August and early-September with playoffs in mid-September.

World League Champions

1990: Italy (USA, fourth in pool)
1991: Italy (USA, third in pool)
1992: Italy (USA, first in pool, third overall)
1993: Brazil (USA, fifth in pool)
1994: Italy (USA, fourth in pool)
1995: Italy (USA, fourth in pool)
1996: Netherlands (USA, DNP)
1997: Italy (USA, DNP)
1998: Cuba (USA, DNP)
1999: Italy (USA, DNP)
2000: Italy (USA, first in pool, sixth overall)
2001: Brazil (USA, third in pool, tied-ninth overall)
2002: Russia (USA, DNP)
2003: Brazil (USA, DNP)
2004: Brazil (USA, DNP)
2005: Brazil (USA, DNP)
2006: Brazil (USA, third in pool)
2007: Brazil (USA, third in finals)
2008: USA
2009: Brazil (USA, sixth)

World Grand Prix Champions

1993: Cuba (USA, seventh regular season)
1994: Brazil (USA, fifth regular season)
1995: USA
1996: Brazil (USA, fifth)
1997: Russia (USA, eighth)
1998: Brazil (USA, eighth)
1999: Russia (USA, DNP)
2000: Cuba (USA, sixth)
2001: USA
2002: Russia (USA, sixth)
2003: China (USA, third)
2004: Brazil (USA, third)
2005: Brazil (USA, eighth)
2006: Brazil (USA, seventh)
2007: Netherlands (USA, eighth final, seventh preliminary)
2008: Brazil (USA, fourth)
2009: Brazil (USA, ninth)