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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)



HANEEF-PARK, JOINES TAMAS TALK TALL ON DR. PHIL:

Tayyiba Haneef-Park (Laguna Hills, Calif.) and Jennifer Joines Tamas (Milpitas, Calif.), both members of the U.S. Women's National Volleyball team and part of the silver-medal roster at the 2008 Olympic Games, know a thing or two about being tall. Haneef-Park stands 200 centimeters tall, or 6-feet, 7-inches. Only two other women's volleyball players were taller than her at the 2008 Olympic Games – both Russian players who are 202 centimeters tall, less than one inch taller than Haneef-Park. Joines Tamas is listed on international rosters at 191 centimeters tall, nearly 6-3 1/2 in feet and inches. At the 2008 Olympic Games, she was the second tallest player on the U.S. Women's Olympic Team roster behind Haneef-Park. In October of 2009, Haneef-Park and Joines Tamas jumped at the opportunity to share their story of growing up tall when asked to appear on the popular nationally syndicated television show Dr. Phil. Joines Tamas was contacted by her friend and editor of Volleyball Magazine, Erin Pryor, who had a friend working for the Dr. Phil show looking for tall, confident women to be part of a Dec. 2 episode titled "Parents' Biggest Fears." The episode would feature individual segments dealing with children's height, designer babies and sick children facing extreme odds for recovery. For the full feature, visit <http://usavolleyball.org/news/article/29727>.



BERG PUSHING ITALIAN TEAM TO TOP: Lindsey Berg (Honolulu), a setter on the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team which won the silver medal in Beijing, is playing for MC-Carnaghi Villa Cortese of the Italian Serie A professional league this winter. Villa Cortese, which moved up to Serie A this season, continues its transition to a top team as it defeated league-leader Monte Schiavo Banca Marche Jesi 25-20, 22-25, 25-11, 25-17 on Dec. 12. Berg set her team to a .273 hitting efficiency converting on 38 percent of its kill opportunities. The victory puts Villa Cortese in the league leadership with a 7-2 record and 20 points, one more than second-place Scavolini Pesaro. Villa Cortese challenges seventh-place Riso Scotti Pavia on Dec. 20 in its next Serie A match. To follow Berg throughout the season, check out her blog at <http://lindseyberg.blogspot.com/>.

TOM, ASYSTEL VOLLEY NOVARA: Logan Tom (Salt Lake City, Utah), a three-time Olympian and member of the 2008 U.S. Olympic Games silver medal roster, is competing for Asystel Volley Novara in the Italian Serie A professional league this winter. Novara won its second Pool D match in the CEV Indesit Champions League first round with a 25-18, 25-18, 28-26 victory over Romania's Metal Galati despite Tom's absence from the roster. Novara challenges Poland's Bank BPS Fakro Muszynianka on Dec. 17 in its third Champions League match. In Italian Serie A action, Novara dropped a 25-15, 25-16, 23-25, 25-18 match to Despar Perugia on Dec. 13. Tom played in the first three sets in a starting role, compiling five kills and a block for six points. Novara, now 4-5 on the season with 10 points, is in ninth place in the league standings. It will try to get back on the winning side with a Dec. 20 match against Zoppas Industries Conegliano, which is in 12th place in the 12-team Serie A Division.



BOWN COMPETING FOR JESI: Heather Bown (Yorba Linda, Calif.), a three-time Olympian with the U.S. Women's National Team, is competing for Monte Schiavo Banca Marche Jesi in the Italian Serie A professional league. Bown scored 10 points for Jesi on Dec. 12, but her team dropped a 25-20, 22-25, 25-11, 25-17 match to now-league leader MC-Carnaghi Villa Cortese. She tallied eight kills on 18 swings, one block and an ace in the loss. Jesi falls to 6-3 on the season and is in a tie for third place in the Italian Serie A League with Foppapedretti Bergamo. Jesi returns to the court on Dec. 20 against second-place Scavolini Pesaro.

TRIVIA QUESTIONS (answers on page 1)

1. Who is the only player competing in the 2009 NCAA Division I Women's Championship semifinal round this week in Tampa who also was part of 2009 U.S. Women's National A2 Team?
2. What two major events will U.S. Women's National Team Head Coach Hugh McCutcheon be attending this weekend?
3. What is the current consecutive match win streak that Megan Hodge and Alisha Glass, who both trained with the U.S. Women's National Team this past summer, hold while competing at Penn State.

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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.)
Holly Benson (L, Colorado Springs, Colo.)
Alexis Crimes (MB, Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.)
Nicole Fawcett (OPP, Zanesfield, Ohio)
Jessica Fine (L, Tarzana, Calif.)
Jaimi Gregory (L, Westminster, Calif.)
Heather Hughes (OPP, Fallbrook, Calif.)
Bryn Kehoe (S, North Bend, Ohio)
Katie Wilkins Kimmich (OH, Lakeside, Calif.)
Angie Pressey (OH, Lake Mary, Fla.)
Julie Rubenstein (OH, Camarillo, Calif.)
Nellie Spicer (S, Barrington, Ill.)
Tracy Stalls (MB, Denver, Colo.)
Stacy Sykora (L, Burseson, Texas)
Jennifer Joines Tamas (MB, Milpitas, Calif.)
Courtney Thompson (S, Kent, Wash.)
Cheryl Weaver (MB, Washington, D.C.)

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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)
Arrington, Patrice (VC Igtisadchi Baku, Azerbaijan)
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)
Gerling, Rachel (VC Tirol Innsbruck, Austria)
Glass, Kim (VK Prostějov, Czech Republic)
Gregory, Kari Ann (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Griffin, Allie (Fabasoft Linz, Austria)
Griffin, Maggie (Heutink Pollux, Netherlands)

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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 third year in a row – this time with Omichka in Omsk. She led Omichka to a 33-31, 23-25, 25-18, 20-25, 15-9 victory over Dinamo Krasnodar on Dec. 12. Richards totaled 19 points with 15 kills, three blocks and an ace. Omichka is now 5-1 in league play and tied for second place with 11 points. Although the league is on hiatus until Dec. 26, Omichka will be in action hosting the Russian Cup on Dec. 21-22. The Russian Cup Finals includes Omichka, Dinamo Moscow, Zarechi-Odintsovo and Uralochka-NTMK. All four teams won their round-robin pool group of four teams to advance to the Russian Cup Final. To read about her Richards' trip to Israel to obtain her Russian visa, visit <http://usavolleyball.org/blogs/blog-for-kristin-richards/posts/1552-an-israel-history-lesson-while-obtaining-a-russian-visa>.



NNAMANI, GLASS PACING PROSTEJOV IN CZECH REPUBLIC: Ogonna Nnamani (Bloomington, Ill.) and Kim Glass (Lancaster, Pa.) continue to lead their Czech Republic professional team Prostějov to a 12-0 start. Prostějov evened its CEV Indesit Champions League Pool C record to 1-1 with an 18-25, 25-18, 21-25, 27-25, 15-10 victory over Poland's Aluprof Bielsko-Biala on Dec. 9 at Prostějov. Glass pocketed a match-high 22 points with 20 kills on 44 swings and two blocks. She chipped in a 66 positive percent and 53 excellent percent on service reception. Nnamani added nine kills and four blocks for 13 points in the five-set victory. Prostějov takes on Russia's Dinamo

Moscow in its next Champions League match on Dec. 15. In Czech Republic league action, Prostějov won its 12th straight match to start the league action as it downed SCM-CVS-JKY 25-12, 25-21, 25-20 on Dec. 13. Nnamani hammered 10 kills on 19 swings with only two errors to go with a block and ace for 12 points. Glass added nine kills, a block and an ace for 11 points. Prostějov plays Slavia Praha on Dec. 19 as its last league match in 2009 before a Jan. 9 restart of the league against Brno.

USA Volleyball VOLLEY-TWEETS

Kristin Richards (Dec. 15, 2009): "After we qualified for the final four of the Russian Cup last week, we found out that we are going to host it here in Omsk!! It'll be on the 21-22nd of this month, and will be very exciting! Also exciting: I get a quick break to go home and see my family so I'm America-bound in a matter of days.... :)"

Tayyiba Haneef-Park (Dec. 14, 2009): "I never thought I would be the domesticated type, but I am having so much fun being at home now. This week was a lot of fun and event filled for my non-volleyball life and I am looking forward to the upcoming weeks of classes. I have been pretty bored at home now that the house is all done, so I decided to get a new hobby. This week started with cake and ended with cake. Last Sunday I had my first Wilton cake class at Michaels where we learned how to bake, level, tort, fill and ice a perfect cake. Then I headed over to Loom knitting at Joann's Fabrics. I learned how to knit on a long and circular loom and since then have made three baby hats with matching booties, a scarf and a pair of house slippers. People say it's the cheaters way to knit because it's so easy, but I really enjoy it and can finish several projects in a matter of hours. Monday I had sewing class where we are learning to make a fleece robe, and Tuesday I learned how to do regular knitting. Since then I have been pretty occupied making Christmas gifts and sewing my own maternity clothes. This past Sunday was the most fun at cake class. We learned how to make icing at different consistencies to use to decorate a cake. We also learned how to make the famous "Wilton Rose." We got to take home our works of art and my husband is definitely going to enjoy the benefits of my new hobbies. A few pictures are posted on my facebook page and I will continue to post the projects as I complete them."

Nicole Davis (Dec. 15, 2009): "We won tonight in straight sets vs. a team from Guangxi (I believe is where we are) we three people coming in off the bench to contribute. Christa played well, prob would have been best blocker if there was an award for it. She's been consistently good for us. We don't play again until December 26 at home against the second-place team in the league. It should be a difficult match. We remain the only undefeated team, in first place."

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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, Tessa (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)
Karpia, Beth (VBC Koniz, Switzerland)
Kearney, Linzy (Marq-en-Baroeul, France)
Kelley, Kristin (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Larson, Jordan (VC Dinamo, Kazan, Russia)
Lebeda, Kori (Voley Murcia, Spain)
Livingston, Sherisa (Panellinios A.C., Greece)
Lott, Erica (PaKa, Finland)
Magee, Brandy (Pieksamaki, Finland)
Mancuso, Danielle (Dresdner SportClub 1898, Germany)
Martin, Kristina (CV Benidorm, Spain)
Matic, Crystal (CV Tenerife, Spain)
Maurer, Brynn (Alemannia Aachen, Germany)
McCutcheon, Katie (Zenski Odbojkaski Klub Dubrovnik, Croatia)
McNamee, Candace (Le Cannet-Rocheville, France)
McNatt, Therese (Nova KBM Branik, Slovenia)
Metcalf, Nancy (Minas Tennis Club, Brazil)
Mondizet, 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)
Odon, 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)
Simpson, Jaclyn (AEK, Cyprus)
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 Pfeffingen, 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)

BARBOZA STARTS PROFESSIONAL CAREER: Cynthia Barboza (Long Beach, Calif.), an outside hitter with the U.S. Women's National Team and alternate on both the 2004 and 2008 Olympic Games rosters, is playing in her first professional volleyball season in Japan V-League with Toray. Her team split its matches this past weekend and are now 3-3 overall and tied for third place in the league standings. Barboza was a reserve in the second and third sets against Toyota on Dec. 12, netting two kills on four swings and a block, including a kill on match point yielding a 25-17, 25-16, 25-13 victory. On Dec. 13, Barboza played all five sets, including starts in the middle three sets, in a five-set marathon loss (26-24, 23-25, 25-18, 30-32, 21-19) to Denso. She was credited with 14 kills on 43 total attacks an only two errors to go with two blocks. Toray will compete in the Emperor's Cup next week as the V-League is on hiatus through the rest of 2009.



METCALF GEARING UP FOR BRAZIL START: Nancy Metcalf (Hull, Iowa), a member of the 2004 U.S. Olympic Games roster, is in Brazil playing for Usimimnia/Minas of the Brazilian Superliga. In the season opener, Metcalf scored a match-high 13 points in leading Minas to a 25-17, 25-16, 25-14 victory over Macae Sports on Dec. 10. She provided 11 kills on 24 swings while adding two blocks. However, Minas dropped its second match of the week 26-24, 25-19, 23-25, 25-19 to Unilever on Dec. 12. Metcalf tallied 21 points in the setback that included 20 kills on 49 attacks and a block. Minas returns to action on Dec. 17 against Pauta/Sao Jose/SC, followed by a Dec. 19 match versus Cativa/Opnuss.

DAVIS, HARMOTTO WITH LANG PING: Nicole Davis (Stockton, Calif.), the libero on the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team that won the silver medal, and Christa Harmotto (Aliquippa, Pa.) are playing for Guangdong Hengda in the Chinese Professional League under the direction of "Jenny" Lang Ping, who served as head coach for Team USA at the 2008 Olympic Games. The squad defeated provincial rival Guangdong on Dec. 12, but needed to rally from an opening set loss to win in four sets. Hengda won its fifth match of the season on Dec. 15 by dominating a team from Guangxi, despite its setter Feng leaving during the match after a ball hit her in the eye. No match statistics are available for either match. Davis was honored as the Best Defense after the match, while Lang Ping was Best Coach. Hengda's Zhou Suhong earned Best Attacker after the match. According to Davis, Harmotto would have won Best Blocker if it were a post-match honor. Hengda now is the only undefeated team in the league at 5-0 and is off until Dec. 26.



Answers to Trivia Questions? (from page 1)

1. Libero Christine Tan of Minnesota
2. Hugh McCutcheon will be presenting at the American Volleyball Coaches Association Annual Convention and attending the NCAA Division I Women's Volleyball Championship semifinals and finals in Tampa, Fla.
3. Penn State won its 100th consecutive match on Dec. 12 against California.

City of Anaheim Official Host City of U.S. Women's National Team

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. Stovalls 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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Pan American Cup

Site: Mexico

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

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>.

U.S. WOMEN NEARING END OF FALL TRAINING SESSION:

The U.S. Women's National Team has 17 players taking part in the fall training session and 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.), Mekana Barnes (Highlands Ranch, Colo.) and Cheryl Weaver (Washington, D.C.). The outside hitter group includes Angie Pressey (Lake Mary, Fla.), Julie Rubenstein (Camarillo, Calif.) and Katie Kimmich (Lakeside, Calif.), who previously played for Team USA as Katie Wilkins. 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.) and Nicole Fawcett (Zanesfield, Ohio) are taking training reps at opposite during the fall training period. The libero position has Stacy Sykora (Burlleson, Texas), Jessica Fine (Tarzana, Calif.), Holly Benson (Colorado Springs, Colo.) and Jaimi Gregory (Westminster, 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.



McCUTCHEON AMONG SPEAKERS AT HP COACHES' CLINIC:

Hugh McCutcheon (Christchurch, New Zealand) will serve as one of the featured speakers at USA Volleyball's Seventh Annual High Performance Coaches' Clinic held Jan. 21-23, 2010, at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. The clinic theme is "Getting Up to Speed for London" in reference to the site of the 2012 Olympic Games. The 2010 USA Volleyball High Performance Coaches' Clinic costs \$425 for United States citizens and \$520 for non-United States citizens. The clinic cost includes instruction, material and room and board at the U.S. Olympic Training Center. In conjunction with the USA Volleyball High Performance Coaches' Clinic, the USAV Coaching Accreditation Program (CAP) will have additional CAP Level II on Jan. 20-21 and CAP Level III on Jan. 21-24 at the U.S. Olympic Training Center. The clinic is open to the first 100 coaches who complete the registration process, which can be started by visiting <http://www.usavolleyball.org/volleyball-disciplines/high-performance-indoor/coaches-clinic.html>.

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.



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)