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2008 U.S. Women's National Volleyball Team Schedule

China Tour Exhibition Matches

March 21: lost to Tianjin 0-3
March 22: lost to Tianjin 2-3
March 24: def. China Army 3-1
March 26: def. China Army 3-2
March 28: def. ZheJiang 3-1
March 29: def. ZheJiang 3-2
April 1: lost to JiangSu 1-3
April 2: def. JiangSu 3-0

Pan American Cup Tijuana and Mexicali, Mexico

May 30: lost to Dominican Republic 2-3
May 31: def. Costa Rica 3-0
June 1: def. Argentina 3-0
June 2: def. Mexico 3-0
June 3: def. Trinidad & Tobago 3-0
June 5: lost to Puerto Rico 1-3
June 6: def. Peru 3-0
June 7: def. Venezuela 3-2

at Colorado Springs, Colo.

June 11: lost to Brazil 2-3
June 13: def. Brazil 3-2
June 14: lost to Brazil 1-4

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 1 at Kobe, Japan

June 20: lost to Turkey 1-3
June 21: def. Kazakhstan 3-0
June 22: def. Japan 3-2

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 2 at Wroclaw, Poland

June 27: def. Thailand 3-1
June 28: def. Dominican Republic 3-0
June 29: def. Poland 3-0

FIVB World Grand Prix Weekend 3 at Taipei, Chinese Taipei

July 4: def. Poland 3-1
July 5: def. Turkey 3-1
July 6: lost to Italy 0-3

FIVB World Grand Prix Finals at Yokohama, Japan

July 9: lost to Brazil 0-3
July 10: def. Japan 3-2
July 11: lost to Cuba 2-3
July 12: lost to Italy 1-3
July 13: def. China 3-2

Olympic Games Beijing, China

Aug. 9: def. Japan 3-1
Aug. 11: lost to Cuba 0-3
Aug. 13: def. Venezuela 3-1
Aug. 15: def. China 3-2
Aug. 17: def. Poland 3-2
Aug. 19: def. Italy 3-2 (quarters)
Aug. 21: def. Cuba 3-0 (semis)
Aug. 23: lost to Brazil (finals)

MORRISON ADDED TO WOMEN'S STAFF: U.S. Women's National Team Head Volleyball Coach Hugh McCutcheon (Christchurch, New Zealand) announced today the hiring of Jamie Morrison (Dana Point, Calif.) as the team's assistant coach/technical coordinator, a similar role he held with the 2008 Olympic Games gold-medal winning U.S. Men's National Volleyball Team. For the 2005-2008 Olympic Games quadrennial, Morrison was part of McCutcheon's U.S. Men's National Team staff that guided the Americans to the 2008 Olympic Games gold medal in inspiring fashion. Team USA defeated Brazil in four sets in the championship match and progressed through the Olympic Games without losing a match. For the complete article, visit <http://usavolleyball.org/news/article/10327>.



TOM UPDATE: Logan Tom (Salt Lake City, Utah), a three-time U.S. Olympian and Best Scorer of the 2008 Olympic Games, is playing with Hisamitsu Springs in the Japanese V-League. She led Hisamitsu Springs to a 25-23, 25-19, 25-20 victory over Denso on March 8, which guaranteed her club a playoff spot among the top four teams. Tom scored 15 kills on 38 attacks with just one error for a 39.5 kill percent. She added four blocks as part of her 19-point performance. Hisamitsu Springs (17-8), currently in third place in the V-League standings, is idle this week and will finish the regular season against Takefuji Bamboo on March 20 and top-ranked NEC on March 21.

HANEEF-PARK UPDATE: Tayyiba Haneef-Park (Laguna Hills, Calif.), a two-time U.S. Olympian, is competing for the Pioneer Red Wings of the Japanese V-League. She scored 20 points all on kills via 49 swings in a 25-23, 25-18, 24-26, 25-22 loss to Takefuji Bamboo on March 8. Pioneer (12-12) is currently tied for sixth place with Toyota and teams meet head-to-head on March 14 at Aichi. Pioneer closes its regular season against Toray on March 20 and JT on March 21.



METCALF, STALLS UPDATE: Nancy Metcalf (Hull, Iowa), a 2004 Olympian, is playing for Eczacibasi Zentiva of the Turkish professional league along with 2008 Olympic Games alternate Tracy Stalls (Denver, Colo.). Eczacibasi Zentiva defeated Poland's Fakro Muszynianka 25-23, 24-26, 28-26, 25-20 on March 5 in the home-and-home Playoff 6 Round. The two teams will conclude the series on March 11 with the right to advance to the semifinals at Perugia, Italy, on the line. In its return to Turkish league action, Eczacibasi Zentiva defeated Gazi Universitesi 25-12, 25-16, 25-13. Metcalf scored 16 points with 13 kills on 20 attempts with just one error and three blocks.

Stalls subbed into the match in the second set and started the third as she scored two kills on three swings and a block. Eczacibasi Zentiva currently is 13-5 on the season and in third place in the Turkish league.

NNAMANI UPDATE: Ogonna Nnamani (Bloomington, Ill.), a two-time Olympian now playing professionally in Turkey for Galatasaray, notched 17 points in a 25-14, 25-22, 25-20 loss to Turk Telekom on March 7. She scored 15 kills with just two errors on 36 attacks to go with two blocks. Nnamani also handled 18 service reception attempts with a 44 positive percent. Turk Telekom is led by 2008 U.S. Olympic Women's Volleyball Head Coach "Jenny" Lang Ping. Galatasaray, tied for sixth place in the league standings with Besiktas at 9-9, returns to action on March 11 against perennial power Fenerbahce Acibadem.



McGINNIS, HUGHES UPDATE: Angie McGinnis (Fraser, Mich.) and Heather Hughes (Fallbrook, Calif.), both alternates on the 2008 U.S. Olympic Team, are now competing for Besiktas JK Bayan of the Turkish professional volleyball league. Besiktas rallied to defeat Eregli Belediyesi 29-17, 19-25, 22-25, 25-22, 15-11 on March 7. McGinnis set her squad to a 45 kill percent for the match, including a sizzling 62 percent in the first set when Besiktas scored 23 kills on 37 attacks. She added four kills on nine errorless attempts in the match to go with four blocks. Meanwhile, Hughes started the first three sets and totaled seven kills on 13 attacks and an ace for eight points. Besiktas, currently 9-9 on the season and tied for sixth place in the standings with Galatasaray, plays second-place Turk Telekom on March 15.

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U.S. Women's Olympic Indoor Volleyball Team Quick Facts
2008 Olympic Games Roster

- 1 - Ogonna Nnamani (OH)
- 2 - Danielle Scott-Arruda (MB)
- 3 - Tayyiba Haneef-Park (OPP)
- 4 - Lindsey Berg (S)
- 5 - Stacy Sykora (L)
- 6 - Nicole Davis (L)
- 7 - Heather Bown (MB)
- 9 - Jennifer Joines (MB)
- 10 - Kim Glass (OH)
- 11 - Robyn Ah Mow-Santos (S)
- 12 - Kim Willoughby (OH)
- 15 - Logan Tom (OH)

2008 USA Statistics at Olympics

Name	Kill/S	SA/S	BL/S
Ah Mow-Santos	0.03	0.03	0.10
Berg	0.00	0.12	0.08
Bown	1.97	0.12	0.55
Davis	0.00	0.00	0.00
Glass	1.67	0.13	0.33
Haneef-Park	2.73	0.27	0.40
Joines	1.00	0.00	0.83
Nnamani	1.33	0.25	0.25
Scott-Arruda	2.17	0.10	0.57
Sykora	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tom	2.91	0.24	0.58
Willoughby	1.52	0.17	0.04

Name	Pts/S	Dig/S	Hit Eff
Ah Mow-Santos	0.17	1.37	-.125
Berg	0.20	0.44	.000
Bown	2.64	0.61	.475
Davis	0.00	2.88	.000
Glass	2.13	1.73	.271
Haneef-Park	3.40	0.80	.250
Joines	1.83	0.00	.222
Nnamani	1.83	0.50	.341
Scott-Arruda	2.83	0.73	.438
Sykora	0.00	0.55	.000
Tom	3.73	2.09	.221
Willoughby	1.74	0.87	.333

PAST OLYMPIC GAMES FINISHES:

- 1964: 5th Place (Gold: Japan)
- 1968: 8th Place (Gold: Soviet Union)
- 1972: Did not qualify (Gold: Soviet Union)
- 1976: Did not qualify (Gold: Japan)
- 1980: Qualified, Boycott (Gold: Soviet Union)
- 1984: Silver (Gold: China)
- 1988: 7th (Gold: Soviet Union)
- 1992: Bronze (Gold: Cuba)
- 1996: 7th (Gold: Cuba)
- 2000: 4th (Gold: Cuba)
- 2004: 5th (Gold: China)
- 2008: Silver (Gold: Brazil)

BUSSE, CRIMES, PRESSEY UPDATE: Toa Baja, competing in the Puerto Rico Super League, features three players who trained with the U.S. Women's National Team during 2008. Cassie Busse (Prior Lake, Minn.), Angie Pressey (Lake Mary, Fla.) and Alexis Crimes (Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.) all are sharing a heavy offensive load for Toa Baja. The Llaneras improved to 12-0 on the season after rallying to defeat Carolina 25-15, 24-26, 18-25, 25-13, 15-5 on March 6. Pressey scored a match-high 19 points to go with 13 digs, while Busse chipped in 17 points in the victory. Crimes added 13 points for Toa Baja, which included a match-high five blocks. In her Puerto Rico Super League debut, Nicole Fawcett scored a team-high 16 points for Carolina.



OTHER AMERICAN STANDOUTS IN PUERTO RICO LEAGUE: Kelly Wing scored 15 points with 16 digs in leading Juncos to a four-set victory over Bayamon on March 4. Vicky Brown added 13 points in the victory, while Jordan Larson scored a match-high 20 points for Bayamon...The American quartet of Shonda Cole (18), Jane Collymore (18), Allison Daley (15) and Jessica Jones (13) scored 64 of San Sebastian's 76 points in a four-set victory over Mayaguez on March 5...Erin Moored contributed 21 points in a four-set Corozal victory over Guaynabo on March 5. Kristee Porter chipped in 16 points in the victory, while Patrice Arrington matched Moore's 21 points in a losing effort...Kylie Atherstone chalked up 14 points while Erica Short added 13 of her own in leading Carolina to a four-set victory over Guaynabo on March 4. Arrington scored 16 points in the loss, while Lindsay Phillips added 15...Maggie Griffin was credited with 12 assists in a starting role for Caguas as it defeated Ponce in five sets on March 6...Patrice Arrington notched 18 points in leading Guaynabo to a four-set victory over San Sebastian on March 7. Shonda Cole tallied 15 points in the loss, while Allison Daley added 13 points and Jessica Jones 11...Kelly Wing contributed 18 points for Juncos in a five-set victory over Mayaguez on March 7. Sarah Kirkwood tallied 12 points in the win, while Jessica Vander Kooi was credited with 14 points for Mayaguez...Kristee Porter scored 27 points in leading Corozal to a five-set victory over Carolina on March 8. Erin Moore added 16 points in the win. Nicole Fawcett charted 20 points in the loss, while Kylie Atherstone provided 15...Maggie Griffin set Caguas to a five-set victory over Bayamon on March 8. Jordan Larson notched 25 points in the loss, while Jeanne Fairchild added 19...For more highlights from the Puerto Rico Super League, visit <http://www.fpvoleibol.com/lvsf09/>.



AH MOW-SANTOS UPDATE: Robyn Ah Mow-Santos (Honolulu), a three-time Olympian for Team USA, has returned to her professional team in Switzerland as Volero after missing the early portion of the season. In the Playoff 1-2 Final best-of-five series with VC Kanti Schaffhausen, Volero lost twice this past week to lose the playoff series in three matches. On March 4, VC Kanti Schaffhausen won 25-23, 25-21, 25-23 in a close three-set match. Volero lost the third match in four sets (25-16, 20-25, 25-17, 25-20). For photos and Volero recap, visit http://www.volero.ch/index.taf?id=001vol_06&lang=de&newsaction=details&ic=AG&ec=1604&lid=2&clientid=C29.001&cli_clientid=&cli_ic=&cli_ec=.

SCOTT-ARRUDA UPDATE: Danielle Scott-Arruda (Baton Rouge, La.), a four-time U.S. Olympian middle blocker, is playing for CGF Recycle Florens Castellana Grotte in the Italian Serie A league. She scored 14 points as Castellana Grotte defeated Yamamay Busto Arsizio 25-18, 25-21, 16-25, 22-25, 15-10 on March 8. Scott-Arruda put up a match-high four blocks and added 10 kills on 24 attacks for 14 points. Castellana Grotte improves to 9-12 on the season as it upset the fifth-place team in the standings. Castellana Grotte faces 11th-place Soo Affitti Tradeco Cesena on March 15 in its next Italian Serie A match.



BOWN UPDATE: Heather Bown (Yorba Linda, Calif.), a three-time Olympian and middle blocker on the silver-medal winning 2008 U.S. Olympic Team, returned to the court for Monte Schiavo Banca Marche Jesi on March 7 after missing the previous three Italian Serie A contests. She started the match but did not play past for the first set as Jesi defeated Riso Scotti Pavia 25-19, 21-25, 25-18, 25-23. Bown provided just one attack and four serves in her one set of action. Jesi improves to 14-7 on the season with 42 points and is in fourth place in the Serie A standings. Jesi faces league-leader Scavolini Pesaro on March 15 in its next Italian Serie A contest. Jesi also hosts the semifinals and finals of the CEV GM Capital Challenge Cup on March 14-15. Jesi faces Leningradka in the semifinals, while CV Albacete takes on Athens' Panathinaikos.

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USA Transfers to Foreign Clubs

Abrahamson, Laurel (Vangian R.C., Finland)
Ah Mow-Santos, Robyn (VBC Volero, Switzerland)
Alde, Stefanie (CV Cide, Spain)
Allen, Katherine (Gradacar, Bosnia)
Andreyko, Diana (OK Luka Koper, Slovenia)
Atherstone, Kylie (Carolina, Puerto Rico)
Beck, Carrie (Norsjo Volleyball, Sweden)
Bell, Lacey (Volley Ball Pexinois Niort, France)
Bisaillon, Brittney (BTV Luzern, Switzerland)
Blum, Tiffany (ZOK Matija Mesic, Croatia)
Bown, Heather (Giannino Pieralsi Volley, Italy)
Bratford, Trisha (Hapoel Kiryat Ata, Israel)
Britenricker, Joyce Nicole (Miranda Volleyball Club, Spain)
Brown, Emily (VK Doprastav Bratislava, Slovakia)
Brown, Victoria (Juncos, Puerto Rico)
Bruzdzinski, Katherine (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Busse, Cassie (Tao Baja, Puerto Rico)
Cahill, Stephanie (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Campbell, Lindsey (VC Tirol Volleyball Club, Austria)
Campbell, Norisha (TSV Sonthofen, Germany)
Cepero de Romero, Greichaly (Mayaguez, Puerto Rico)
Cmaylo, Anna (VBC Cheseaux/Lausanne, Switzerland)
Collymore, Jane (Juncos, Puerto Rico)
Copenhagen, Diane (VC Weert, Netherlands)
Crawford, Therese (Indias Mayaguez, Puerto Rico)
Crimes, Alexis (Toa Baja, Puerto Rico)
Daley, Ali (San Sebastian, Puerto Rico)
Deesing, Alesha (VFB91 SUHL, Germany)
DeKiewiet, Jamie (Grammar School Athletic Club, Cyprus)
Desilets, Makare (V.C. Samorodok Khabarovsk, Russia)
Dyer, Alexandra (Miranda Volleyball Club, Spain)
Eddins, Stefani (Somero, Finland)
Elmgren, Karen (Annecy Volleyball, France)
Evans, Lauren (Sparkasse Wild Katz, Austria)
Fairchild, Jeanne (Indias Mayaguez, Puerto Rico)
Ford, Lauren (Paka Volleyball, Finland)
Gates, Amanda (CV Ribera Sacra, Spain)
Genslak, Ashley (PSVBG Salzburg Volleyball, Austria)
Gerling, Rachal (VC Tirol Volleyball Club, Austria)
Girard, Franci (CPSV - Chemnitz, Germany)
Glass, Kimberly (Universitet Belogorie, Russia)
Glover, Jessica (VFM/Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Goins, Lauren (TSV Alemannia Aachen, Germany)
Goodman, Chelsea (Bayamon, Puerto Rico)
Haas, Emily (Sparkasse Klagenfurt, Austria)
Hamilton, Carol (LP Kangasala, Finland)
Haneef-Park, Tayyiba (Pioneer Red Wings, Japan)
Happel, Sarah (TG 1875 BAD SODEN, Germany)
Harry, Tesha (Dresdner Sportclub 1898, Germany)
Hart, Therese (ZOK Matija Mesic, Croatia)
Hartmann, Rachel (Carolina, Puerto Rico)
Heler, Jacqueline (TSV Dudingon, Switzerland)
Hilbers, Johanna (OK Nova Mokosica, Croatia)
Hood, Regan (Terville Florange, France)
Hove, Jordan (Boldklubben Marienlyst, Denmark)
Hudson, Crystal (TSV Bayer 04 Leverkusen, Germany)
Hughes, Heather (Besiktas, Turkey)
Ibekwe, Nneka (VC Tirol, Austria)
Jackson, Elizabeth (VBC Val-de-Travers, Switzerland)
Jenkins, Benavia (Club Volleyball Haro, Spain)
Johansen, Bethany (Bellinzona, Switzerland)
Joines, Jennifer (Fakel Novyi Urengoi, Russia)
Jones, Jessica (Las Caribes, Puerto Rico)

* For continuation of transfer list, see page four of this weekly update.

WILLOUGHBY UPDATE: Kim Willoughby (Napoleonville, La.), a 2008 U.S. Olympic Games silver medalist, is now playing for Despar Perugia in the Italian Serie A league. Perugia lost to third-place Asystel Volley Novara 25-23, 22-25, 25-22, 25-19 on March 8. Willoughby came off the bench in the first set and started the remaining three sets. She totaled a team-high 17 points with 14 kills on 34 attacks and just three errors. Willoughby added three blocks in the match. Perugia, 11-10 on the season and in sixth place, plays second-place Foppapredretti Bergamo on March 15 in its upcoming Italian Serie A match.



GLASS UPDATE: Kim Glass (Lancaster, Pa.), a 2008 U.S. Olympian, is playing professionally in Russia with Universitet Belogorie. Her squad lost to league-leader Dinamo 25-14, 25-15, 25-14 as both teams are heading in opposite directions. Dinamo won its 10th straight match while Universitet Belogorie dropped its third consecutive match. Match stats were unavailable at release distribution time. The Russian Super League is idle next week as third-place Universitet Belogorie looks to snap its losing streak on March 19 against Uralochka-NTMK.

JOINES, RICHARDS UPDATE: Jennifer Joines (Milpitas, Calif.), a 2008 U.S. Olympian, and Kristin Richards (Orem, Utah), a 2008 U.S. Olympic Team alternate, are competing for Fakel in the Russian professional league this winter. Fakel lost its 10th straight match on March 8 as Spartak won 26-24, 25-13, 25-23 as two of the three sets were settled by the minimum two points. Match stats were unavailable at release distribution time. After an idle week on the Russian Super League schedule, Fakel looks to get in the win column on March 19 against Balakovskaya AES.



BARBOZA SELECTED AAU SULLIVAN AWARD SEMIFINALIST: Cynthia Barboza (Long Beach, Calif.), an alternate for both the 2004 and 2008 U.S. Olympic Women's Volleyball teams, has been selected as a one of 12 semifinalists for the 79th Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Sullivan Award. The AAU James E. Sullivan Award is based on the qualities of leadership, character and sportsmanship. The award goes far beyond athletic accomplishment and honors those who have leadership skills and strong character which is evident in the nominee's lifestyle as a whole. The Sullivan Award Reception and Presentation will take place April 15 at The New York Athletic Club in New York City.

OLYMPIC LIBEROS TO HOST SOLD OUTCAMP: Stacy Sykora (Burlison, Texas) and Nicole Davis (Stockton, Calif.), who have occupied the libero position for the last three Olympic Games for Team USA, hosted a capacity one-day clinic on ball control and defense for all positions on March 8. The clinic was held at Grand Canyon University. The clinic took place from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Athletes were broken down into two age groups – 12-14 and 15-18. Sykora served as the U.S. libero at the 2000 and 2004 Olympic Games, then earned a silver medal at her third Olympic Games in 2008 as a defensive specialist. Meanwhile, Davis was the 2008 Olympic Games libero.



TRIVIA QUESTIONS (answers on page 4)

1. Name the 2008 U.S. Women's National Team member who will be participating in the 2009 NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championship March 13-14?
2. Which U.S. Women's National Team player recently debuted her own Web site and blog?

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Kearney, Linzy (RC Villebon, France)
Kehoe, Bryn (VBC Biel-Bienne, Switzerland)
Kelley, Kristin (TSV Sonthofen, Germany)
Kirkwood, Sarah (Valencianes de Juncos, Puerto Rico)
Klemenhagen, Leah (Volley Murcia Universidad, Spain)
Kohler, Emily (VBC Vol-de-Travers, Switzerland)
Larson, Jordan (Bayamon, Puerto Rico)
Leck, Kaitlin (Club Voleibol Albacete, Spain)
Livingston, Sherisa (CV Tomis 2004, Romania)
Lott, Erica (VC Weisbaden, Germany)
Lungren, Sara (Benidorm, Spain)
Magee, Brandy (Club Voleibol Albacete, Spain)
Match, Crystal (Neuchatel Universite, Switzerland)
McConaha, Kimberly (KSV Wattwil, Switzerland)
McGinnis, Angela (Besiktas, Turkey)
McLaughlin, Cassandra (Kuusamon Pallo-Karhut, Finland)
McNamee, Candace (Zok Ptuj, Slovenia)
McNatt, Therese (Benidorm, Spain)
Miramontes, Robin (Club Voleibol Torrelavega, Spain)
Moore, Erin (Corozal, Puerto Rico)
Moriarty, Michelle (Franches-Montagnes, Switzerland)
Nnamani, Ogonna (Galatasaray, Turkey)
Noll, Lindsey (LP Kangasala, Finland)
O'Connor, Erin (Kuusamon Pallo-Karhut, Finland)
Odion, Stella (Oriveden Ponnistus, Finland)
Omar, Amanda (Kuusamon PalloKarhut, Finland)
Piccolini, Lindsay (TSV Bayer 04 Leverkusen, Germany)
Porter, Dominick (Volleyball Club Dresden, Germany)
Porter, Kristee (Corozal, Puerto Rico)
Pressey, Angela (Toa Baja, Puerto Rico)
Price, Kathryn (Besiktas, Turkey)
Reed, Rashinda (Pislaploki, Finland)
Reineke, Taylor (Neuchatel Universite, Switzerland)
Richards, Kristin (Fakel Novyi Urengoi, Russia)
Rogers, Tess (Vanajan RC, Finland)
Romero, Daniela (Desportiva Ribeirense, Portugal)
Royster-Crockett, Marrita (Cheseaux, Switzerland)
Russell, Kelly (Sm' Aesch Pfefingen, Switzerland)
Salters, Belita (Ponce Leones, Puerto Rico)
Sanders, Juliana (TSV Sonthofen, Germany)
Sandstrom, Stefanie (OK Nova Mokosica, Croatia)
Savage, Francheska (OK Banka Pula, Croatia)
Scott-Arruda, Danielle (Florens, Italy)
Shaw, Sheila (VC Weisbaden, Germany)
Shepp, Allison (OK Ptuj, Slovenia)
Short, Erica (Carolina, Puerto Rico)
Simpson, Jaclyn (VC Weisbaden, Germany)
Slack, Brigitte (TSV Bayer 04 Leverkusen, Germany)
Solomon, Am'ra (CVA Toledo, Puerto Rico)
Stalls, Tracy (Eczacibasi Sports Club, Turkey)
Stalzer, Lindsay (Menorca, Spain)
Stidham, Missie (Sparkasse Klagenfurt, Austria)
Stovall, Desma (USSPA - Albi, France)
Swarbrick, Jessica (Zeiler Koniz, Switzerland)
Sweany, Morgan (OK Benedikt, Slovenia)
Thiry, Addie (OK Benedikt, Slovenia)
Thomas, Elisha (VK Prostějov, Czech Republic)
Thompson, Courtney (Zeiler Koeniz, Switzerland)
Thompson, Makini (VBC Langenthal, Switzerland)
Todd, Jennifer (Terville Florange, France)
Tom, Logan (Hisamitsu Springs, Japan)
Turner, Whitney (OK Luka Koper, Slovenia)
Van Meter, Rachel (Schweriner SC, Germany)
Van Meter, Rachel (Vicenza Volley, Italy)
Weidner, Katherine (OK Vinkovci, Croatia)
Wernert, Kelley (Popsivo, Indonesia)
Williams, Sherri (C.V. Haro, Spain)
Willoughby, Kim (Perugia, Italy)
Wise, Bonita (C.E. Camp Escolar, Spain)
Yanchulova, Petia (Anorthosis Famagusta, Cyprus)
Zeltman, Sarah (VC Tirol, Austria)

* NOTE: Only players who have completed the transfer process are listed.

2009 PAN AMERICAN CUP COMING TO MIAMI: USA Volleyball will host the Eighth Annual Women's Pan American Cup June 26-July 4 in conjunction with the USA Junior Olympic Girls' Volleyball Championship in the Miami area. The nine-day Pan American Cup, which will tentatively have three of the four 2008 Olympic Games semifinalists (Brazil, USA and Cuba), will be played on the campuses of the University of Miami and Florida International University. "USA Volleyball is extremely excited about the opportunity to host one of the largest international volleyball events in Miami and to pair it with the 2009 USA Junior Olympic Girls' Volleyball Championships," USA Volleyball Chief Executive Officer Doug Beal said. "It will provide a unique opportunity for our developing young volleyball players to be exposed to elite international volleyball teams from North America, South America and the Caribbean. The two events will also generate terrific excitement in the community and lead to greater popularity for the sport." USA Volleyball is hosting its first-ever Women's Pan American Cup, which serves as a qualifying event into the 2010 FIVB World Grand Prix. The event is the largest international volleyball event hosted by USA Volleyball in terms of country participation. Team USA has not hosted a women's senior-level international tournament since the 1998 FIVB World Championship Qualifier tournament in 1998. Due to international scheduling and professional league commitments, matches on domestic soil have become a rarity with only seven contests against foreign teams in the most recent Olympic quadrennial (2005-2008).



REPLICA JERSEY AVAILABLE FOR LIMITED TIME: Are you looking for a unique holiday



gift for your volleyball loved ones? USA Volleyball has the answer with replica jerseys from its 2008 Olympic Games indoor teams being made available for a limited time at <http://usavolleyball2008.com/store/>. The U.S. Olympic Women's Team replica jerseys, priced at \$65 apiece, are available in extra small, small, medium, large and extra large. Replica jerseys are available for all 12 U.S. players who participated in the 2008 Olympic Games. Each replica jersey will have the Olympian's name on the back with their jersey number on both the front and back. In addition, USA Volleyball has several other 2008 Olympic Games apparel items commemorating the unprecedented indoor and beach volleyball success obtained in Beijing. Products available on the online store include short and long-sleeve T-shirts, sweatshirts and hoodies in multiple designs.

OLYMPIC COMMEMORATIVE APPAREL ON SALE: USA Volleyball has unveiled five commemorative logo designs to appear on apparel saluting USA Volleyball's medal successes at the recent Olympic Games and Paralympic Games in Beijing. Apparel can be purchased by visiting <http://usavolleyball2008.com/store/>. Men's and ladies' T-shirt designs are \$15, while the youth T-shirt size is \$13. Long sleeve t-shirts are \$18, crew sweatshirts are \$23 and hoodies are \$30. Sizes XXL and larger have a slightly higher price. USA Volleyball's success on the Olympic grand stage in Beijing has never been achieved by any other nation since volleyball was added to the Olympics in 1964. The U.S. Olympic Men's Indoor Volleyball Team, which was named the United States Olympic Committee Team of the Month for August 2008, captured the gold medal at the Olympic Games without losing a single match. Women's Beach Volleyball (Misty May-Treanor and Kerri Walsh) and Men's Beach Volleyball (Phil Dalhausser and Todd Rogers) both came back from Beijing with Olympic Games gold medals. The U.S. Olympic Women's Indoor Volleyball Team captured the silver medal in Beijing, as did the U.S. Women's Sitting Team during the Paralympic Games. No other country has ever participated in the gold-medal match of all four Olympic Games volleyball disciplines during the same year. Team USA added a fifth gold-medal appearance at the Paralympic Games.



USA Volleyball.

Answers to Trivia Questions? (from page 3)

1. Destinee Hooker. At the Big 12 Indoor Championships, she high jumped 6-4
2. Lindsey Berg. Her Web site can be viewed at www.lindseyberg.com. Her blog can be viewed at <http://lindseyberg.blogspot.com>

2008 USA Women's National Team Volleyball Final Stats

Name	Sets	Kills	Kills/ Set	Kill PCT	Attack Errors	Total Attack	Hitting %	Service Aces	Aces/ Set	Stuff Blocks	Blocks/ Sets	Points	Points Set
Ah Mow-Santos	59	1	0.02	10.0	2	10	-.120	0	0.00	7	0.32	32	1.45
Akinradewo	57	132	2.32	54.5	26	242	.438	15	0.26	36	0.63	183	3.21
Barboza	66	117	1.77	38.0	51	308	.214	2	0.03	19	0.29	138	2.09
Berg	82	2	0.02	12.5	3	16	-.063	8	0.10	9	0.11	19	0.23
Bown	85	144	1.69	49.8	24	289	.415	11	0.13	48	0.56	203	2.39
Busse	22	25	1.14	30.1	15	83	.120	0	0.00	7	0.32	32	1.45
Crawford	1	0	0.00	0.0	4	5	-.800	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Crimes	27	65	2.41	52.4	15	124	.403	5	0.19	26	0.96	96	3.56
Davis	129	0	0.00	0.0	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Faucette	20	51	2.55	40.2	24	127	.213	2	0.10	3	0.15	56	2.80
Glass	84	155	1.85	40.8	61	380	.247	19	0.23	30	0.36	204	2.43
Haneef-Park	82	259	3.16	42.8	81	605	.294	15	0.18	29	0.35	303	3.70
Hooker	24	70	2.92	35.9	34	195	.185	3	0.13	18	0.75	91	3.79
Hughes	55	88	1.60	34.4	45	256	.168	8	0.15	7	0.13	103	1.87
Hunter	13	1	0.08	25.0	0	4	.250	3	0.23	0	0.00	4	0.31
Joines	22	40	1.82	48.2	6	83	.410	0	0.00	18	0.82	58	2.64
Klineman	53	92	1.74	36.9	28	249	.257	6	0.11	23	0.43	121	2.28
McGinnis	78	26	0.33	50.0	6	52	.385	6	0.08	11	0.14	43	0.55
Nnamani	42	91	2.17	44.0	26	207	.314	8	0.19	13	0.31	112	2.67
Olsovsky	4	1	0.25	20.0	3	5	-.400	1	0.25	0	0.00	2	0.50
Paolini	8	10	1.25	52.6	0	19	.526	4	0.50	1	0.13	15	1.88
Pressey	15	18	1.20	32.7	11	55	.127	1	0.07	1	0.07	20	1.33
Richards	33	69	2.09	38.1	34	181	.193	5	0.15	8	0.24	82	2.48
Scott-Arruda	88	189	2.15	56.9	26	332	.491	9	0.10	62	0.70	260	2.95
Spicer	4	0	0.00	0.00	0	1	.000	1	0.25	0	0.00	1	0.25
Stalls	61	132	2.16	49.6	28	266	.391	7	0.11	50	0.82	189	3.10
Sykora	70	0	0.00	0.00	0	0	.000	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Tom	80	229	2.86	36.8	100	623	.207	20	0.25	37	0.46	286	3.58
Willoughby	48	94	1.96	40.1	44	234	.214	11	0.23	12	0.25	117	2.44
TEAM	166	2,101	12.66	42.5	702	4,949	.283	178	1.07	473	2.85	2,752	16.58

Dig Totals on China Tour: Nicole Davis 112 (3.29 d/s); Angie McGinnis 35 (1.06); Heather Hughes 32 (1.14); Destinee Hooker 21 (0.88); Alix Klineman 21 (0.72); Tracy Stalls 16 (0.50); Angie Pressey 15 (1.00); Lindsey Hunter 13 (1.63); Juliann Faucette 11 (0.73); Cassie Busse 8 (0.57); Folu Akinradewo 6 (0.18); Nellie Spicer 4 (1.00); Therese Crawford 2 (2.00); Lauren Paolini 2 (0.25). Team: 298 (8.76 d/s). Opponent 226 (6.65 d/s).

Dig Totals at Pan American Cup: Stacy Sykora 55 (2.29 d/s); Cynthia Barboza 39 (1.34); Heather Hughes 29 (1.07); Kristin Richards 20 (0.77); Angie McGinnis 18 (0.64); Alix Klineman 14 (0.58); Tracy Stalls 7 (0.24); Alexis Crimes 5 (0.19); Lindsey Hunter 2 (0.40); Lauren Paolini 1 (0.33); Juliann Faucette 0 (0.00); Olsovsky 0 (0.00). Team: 190 (5.59 d/s). Opponent: NA.

Dig Totals for Brazil Exhibition Series: Stacy Sykora 27 (2.08 dig/set); Logan Tom 11 (1.57); Robyn Ah Mow-Santos 15 (1.50); Kim Willoughby 10 (1.43); Nicole Davis 19 (1.36); Angie McGinnis 9 (1.29); Kim Glass 7 (1.17); Lindsey Berg 5 (0.83); Cynthia Barboza 11 (0.79); Danielle Scott-Arruda 8 (0.67); Ogonna Nnamani 6 (0.60); Jennifer Joines 3 (0.43); Cassie Busse 7 (0.50); Heather Bown 1 (0.10).

Digs Totals at World Grand Prix: Nicole Davis 84 (1.71 digs/set), Kim Willoughby 27 (1.44), Logan Tom 56 (1.38), Kim Glass 59 (1.21), Lindsey Berg 33 (0.63), Nnamani 12 (0.55), Robyn Ah Mow-Santos 11 (0.53), Tayyiba Haneef-Park 27 (0.50), Heather Bown 15 (0.36), Danielle Scott-Arruda 15 (0.33), Cynthia Barboza 6 (0.26), Jennifer Joines 2 (0.22).

Digs Totals at Olympic Games: Nicole Davis 95 (2.88 digs/set); Logan Tom 69 (2.09); Kim Glass 52 (1.73); Robyn Ah Mow-Santos 41 (1.37); Kim Willoughby 20 (0.87); Tayyiba Haneef-Park 24 (0.80); Danielle Scott-Arruda 22 (0.73); Heather Bown 20 (0.61); Stacy Sykora 6 (0.55); Ogonna Nnamani 6 (0.50); Lindsey Berg 11 (0.44).

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 (198)
3. Cuba (190)
4. Italy (185)
5. China (154)
6. Japan (128)
7. Serbia (123)
8. Russia (106)
9. Poland (61)
10. Korea (37)
11. Turkey (35.5)
12. Germany (34.5)
13. Dominican Republic (34)
14. Kazakhstan (33.5)
15. Netherlands (31.5)
16. Kenya (29.5)
17. Peru (29)
18. Algeria (22)
- 19T. Puerto Rico (21)
- 19T. Thailand (21)
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 (223)
2. USA (198)
3. Russia (185)
4. Bulgaria (132.5)
5. Serbia (117)
6. Italy (111)
7. Poland (105.5)
8. China (69.5)
9. Japan (53)
- 10T. Puerto Rico (51)
- 10T. Spain (51)
12. Argentina (44.5)
13. Germany (42)
- 14T. Australia (38.5)
- 14T. Venezuela (38.5)
16. Egypt (33.5)
17. France (32.5)
- 18T. Cuba (29)
- 18T. Korea (29)
20. Tunisia (28.5)
21. Canada (26.5)
22. Finland (20)
23. Cameroon (18)
24. Iran (17)
25. South Africa (15)
26. Czech Republic (13.5)
27. Paraguay (12)
- 28T. Greece (11.5)
- 28T. Netherlands (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, sixth)
1971: Mexico (USA, third)
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)

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

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)