

Volleyball for Life™ Newsletter

Dear Member:

This newsletter is an informational publication that is sent out approximately ten times per year. It is sent to all registered members (18 years and older) with a valid e-mail address. More detailed information can be found at

www.ncrusav.org.

IMPORTANT NEWS

1. Presidents' Day Festival schedules are posted. Good luck to the 604 teams participating at the 22nd Annual Presidents' Day Festival.
2. The Deadline for the Recruiting Guide for Presidents' Day Festival is Monday, February 13th at 4:00 PM.
3. **Regional National Bid Tournament** entry deadline is March 19th.
4. **NCR Area Championships tournament** entry deadline is April 9th.
5. Nominations for the Founder's Award and Meritorious Service Awards are due May 1st.
6. New rules for 2011-12 season go [here](#).
7. Junior Official Clinics-All attendees must PRE-REGISTER. You may be turned away IF YOU DO NOT pre-register. Have one person call/email for your club. Please bring your email confirmation to the clinic. If you have not registered for a junior clinic, please contact Cara (ext.5).
8. Tournament Directors: If you are interested in having paid officials for your event, please contact Cara (ext.5).
9. **Looking for officials for the 22nd Annual Presidents' Day Festival. Officials are needed Sunday, February 19th. Contact Cara (ext. 5) if interested.**
10. Rulebooks will be printed every two years. 2011-12 Season will have NEW rulebooks.
11. Uniform information: Uniforms numbered 1-99 centered on front (4") on back (6") on back. Highly recommended (6") on front and (8") on back.
12. Background Screenings: Any adult involved with a junior team must have a background screen and be a member (of North Country Region.) The screen is good for two seasons. If your name is NOT on [the list](#) you will need to be screened for the 2011-12 season.

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North Country Region represents Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and the upper peninsula of Michigan.

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CHANGE: "To the optimist, every new season is an invitation for success."
Anonymous

Office Hours
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**SPORTS
AUTHORITY.**

ADULTS-We offer all age divisions and skill levels!

Contact: Jennifer@ncrusav.org or ext. 4.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, Feb 24-Coed 3's-M1 Volleyball Center
 Saturday, Feb 25-HI LO 6's-Apple Valley Comm Ctr
 Friday, Mar 2-R4's-Ralia Sports Center
 Friday, Mar 9-Coed 3's-M1 Volleyball Center
 Friday, Mar 16-MINI Coed 3's-Fargo South Arena

- NCR is excited to offer our NEW **Points Award Scoring System (PASS)**. Earn points for participating and additional points for a top finish in an event! Your points will accumulate throughout the 2011-12 Adult Tournament Season (last open tournament date is Friday, April 27th). Point totals will be posted on our website and updated each week. At the conclusion of the Tournament Season, prizes will be awarded to the top 5 point scorers.
- **For more information go to www.ncrusav.org/adults**
- Reminder: NCR can sanction your Adult Tournament so it appears on the NCR Adult Tournament schedule. Once the event is sanctioned, the event will have general liability insurance.
- The **2011-12 Tournament Schedule** has been posted! Many great events and simple and inexpensive to participate.
- 2012 USA Volleyball Adult Nationals will be held in Salt Lake City, Utah

JUNIOR BOYS-Ages 18 and under

Contact: Jennifer@ncrusav.org or ext. 4.

Divisions:

- Elementary: 5th grade and under
- Middle School: 6th—8th grade
- Senior High: 9th—12th grade
- 2011-12 **Indoor Tournament Schedule** has been posted. Most boy's events ever offered!
- Looking for a club to join? Check out a list of **Club Teams**. Check back as more will be added!
- Contact Jennifer if you are interested in becoming involved with the boys program as a coach or player.
- **Boys Grant information**
- 2012 USA Volleyball Boys Junior Nationals will be in Dallas, TX.

**Become a fan of
 North Country
 Region Volleyball**



Award Deadline—May 1st Founder's Award Meritorious Service Award

**Next Annual Board meeting will be
 June 10th at 9:00 AM**

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 North Country Region is proud to
 be a Founding Member of the
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**Hidden Beach Indoor Beach VB
 presents, North Beach Junior Beach
 volleyball. Tryouts
 April 21st and 22nd.**

JUNIOR GIRLS -Ages 18 and under

CONTACT: Ken@ncrusav.org or ext.2/Sue@ncrusav.org or ext. 3.

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- If your team/club would like to host a Junior Officials Clinic, please complete the Host a [clinic form](#).
- How to find a [team/club](#).
- [Event sanction](#) information is posted.
- [Junior coaches](#) wanted
- [Teams](#) looking for players
- Uniform information-Uniforms numbered 1-99, centered on front (4") on back (6") highly recommended (6") on front and (8") on back.
- 2012 USA Volleyball Girls' Junior National Championships will be in Columbus, OH (June 28-July 7, 2012)

IMPACT COACHES CLINIC

Contact: Jennifer@ncrusav.org or ext. 4.

- **All coaches need to be IMPACT certified in order to coach.**
- Current IMPACT Coaches Clinic [schedule](#)
- You only need to attend **one** IMPACT Coaches clinic during the duration of your Junior coaching career. However, you may attend additional clinics at no cost.
- Check out your [IMPACT certification status](#).
- If you have attended an IMPACT Coaches Clinic but do not find your name on the certified list, contact Jennifer.
- Coaches must be IMPACT certified prior to coaching in a Qualifier or USA Volleyball Nationals.

OFFICIALS

Contact: Cara@ncrusav.org or ext. 5.

- NCR Rating Sessions are posted on the [website](#). Contact Cara to be evaluated if you would like to renew your current certification or advance it.
- Here is a great website volleyballreftraining.com for officiating information.
- Advanced Officials Clinic (Yearly training for all officials) [Schedule](#) is posted. Sign up for a clinic near you!
- **NCR is hiring Officials for the 22nd Annual Presidents' Day Festival. If you are interested in working on Sunday, February 19, 2012. Please contact Cara to sign up.**
- Tournament Directors: Officials are available for hire to assist your tournament. Look for NCR certified Officials near you on our website at the Officials/Current Officials links or contact Cara for assistance!
- **Interested in getting involved with Officials contact Cara for a list of available opportunities.**