



Digs – Summer 2015

Adult Program Update

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The 2015 season flew by and seemed to go well. If you are looking for results for the regional championships, [go to the CHRVA website](#) and click on Adults and then the division.

Twenty-seven division and senior teams went to Detroit to compete at the US Open National Championships. I didn't hear from many of the teams, but those that contacted me or posted on Facebook seemed to have done well. Start planning now for 2016. Orlando has been announced as the host city.

There will be changes next season both in the adult program and officiating. For the changes to officiating, see *From the Ladder*. The one that will probably cause the most confusion involves uniforms. Please, I can't urge you enough to bring a copy with you when you order new uniforms. Below is a list of the possible changes under discussion for the playing program:

- Two players splitting the day in one position (like job sharing). This would allow a team borrowing outside players to count two players as one player as long as those two players do not play in the same match.
- In a mixed division tournament, allow the lower level teams to borrow from the higher level. For example, if it is an AA/A tourney, allow the A teams to borrow AA players
- Change the Adult Player Ref certification maintenance to make the process simpler than Provisional. When the new online certification became available, there was no way for regions to customize the training. Bryan Strong, CHRVA Ref Chair, is going to work with the officials' committee and the National Office to "loosen things up."
- Ask the officials' committee to give more time for scorer's to get rated when there are no Fellowships.
- Hold Adult Regionals on the third weekend in April each year (when Easter doesn't toss a wrench into the schedule) and alternate holding them in Maryland and Virginia.
- Create a pilot program of "just for fun" tournaments to be held during the regular season. The formats could include coed, reverse coed, fours, and anything else we can think of. The only requirements would be that all players must be USAV members (and can prove it at check in) and any jersey with a unique number from the other team members. These will be self-officiated.
- We asked Lisa D, CHRVA Commissioner, to get clarification on what balls will be required. We also asked if it would be possible for the women to use the Molten FlicTastic balls for divisional play, and allow the senior teams to play with the Molten Super Touch.

Please note that NONE of these changes have been implemented. They are only under consideration and will be discussed at the next Board meeting this month. All approved changes and pilot programs will be announced and detailed the fall issue of Digs.

Our Registrar, Barb, ran some reports for me on the adult player population in our region earlier this week. I am giving that information to two CHRVA junior boys' members, Grayson Boese and Griff Baily, who are interning at Great-Circle Technologies this summer. They are going to geocode the data to prepare maps and other analysis to see where we all live, as well as other reports. I will post their reports and maps on the website at the end of the summer and provide a summary in the next Digs.

I hope that you all have a wonderful summer full of good times, relaxation, fun, and of course, volleyball! See you next season.