

Digs – Summer 2015

Commissioner's Corner

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It's Summer Time! Exciting times for the Chesapeake Region!

Each year our region recommends names of individuals to USA Volleyball for the Robert L. Lindsay Meritorious Award. This award recognizes members whose countless hours of work in the region has made our volleyball experience so wonderful. Our 2015 award winners for the Robert L. Lindsay Meritorious Award are: Lynette Muller, Joan Ryan, Natasha Claxton, Brent Bursey, and Brian Pitkin. Please join me in congratulating them for their endless commitment to their work in the region.

Our outdoor junior opportunities have grown tremendously this summer especially for beach! As many of you know our region once again hosted the USAV High Performance Junior Beach Tryouts and our CHRVA Regional Junior Beach tryouts in May. There were more than 90 courts of junior beach players as far as the eye could see at Rehoboth Beach! Info for this and all our outdoor volleyball can be found on our website.

For the second time we hosted the USAV Junior Beach Tour on the beach in Ocean City, MD.

Continuing our outdoor junior tournaments again this year CHRVA has partnered with <u>Fairfax</u> <u>Volleyball Club</u>, <u>Mid Atlantic Volleyball</u>, and <u>No Panic Volleyball</u> (just to name a few) to offer tournaments and clinics to run alongside some successful adult tournaments. Mom and dad can play at the same tournament site as the kids; when was the last time that happened?! Outdoor volleyball is a great way to stay in shape, it's relaxing, fun, and it improves your indoor play. So, c'mon out and support our tournaments. <u>For more information, go to our award winning</u> <u>website.</u>

When you are not playing outdoors, remember to support our teams playing at the USAV National Championships. Our adult teams just came back from a successful championship in Detroit with 27 teams participating. Our two semi-pro teams, Chesapeake Rising Tide, competed at the Premier Volleyball League Championship in Detroit. And what a successful time it was for our women's and men's teams. More about this later in this DIGS.

Now it's time for our Junior Girls, Junior Boy's, and Girl's High Performance Indoor Teams and HP Junior Beach teams to travel for their championships. As you can see we have volleyball year round, always something to do in CHRVA!

Can you believe this time next year will be the 2016 Summer Olympics in Rio! Stay up on all the news of our USA National teams at <u>www.usavolleyball.org</u>.

Have a great volleyball summer!