

#### Digs - Summer 2017

#### **Juniors News**

Indoor Update by Cindy Hillard, Boys Program Administrator

# **Girls' Junior National Championships**

This year our Chesapeake Region sent 28 teams to compete in the GJNC in Minneapolis. This is by far the best showing by our region to date!

In another regional first, the Metro 18 Travel team was a double Open Level qualifier, having won bids in the Open Bracket in not one, but two national qualifiers!

Congratulations to the teams that represented the Chesapeake region! <u>Visit the websites and Facebook pages</u> for these teams as well as <u>USAV's website</u> and <u>Facebook page</u> to see pictures from nationals.

- 12 National Level MVSA Vortex
- 12 American Level Brandywine Backlash
- 13 National Level Brandywine BAM
- 13 National Level MD JRS 13 Elite
- 13 American Level Metro 13 Travel
- 14 Open Level Metro 14 Travel
- 14 USA Level Columbia Condors
- 14 USA Level VA Juniors 14 Elite
- 14 National Level Brandywine Blitz
- 14 American Level MVSA 14 Airbenders
- 14 American Level PVBDE 14 Pink
- 15 Open Level Metro 15 Travel
- 15 National Level Brandywine Bobcats
- 15 American Level MVSA Riot
- 15 American Level Paramount 15's
- 16 Open Level Metro 16 Travel
- 16 USA Level VA Juniors 16's
- 16 National Level MVSA 16 Fierce
- 16 American Level Brandywine Blast
- 16 American Level Arlington Elite 16 Blue
- 17 Open Level Metro 17 Travel
- 17 National Level Paramount 17's
- 17 National Level Brandywine Blackout
- 17 American Level VA Juniors 17's

- 18 Open Level Metro 18 Travel
- 18 National Level MD JRS 18 Elite
- 18 National Level CEVA 18 Black
- 18 American Level Delaware United 18 Navy
- 18 American Level Virginia Top Team 18 Open

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Outdoor Update by Irv Rodrigues, Outdoor Volleyball Coordinator

#### **Beach Program Update**

(For event pictures, visit the websites and Facebook pages of CHRVA's <u>outdoor tournament</u> <u>partners</u> as well as the beach section of <u>USAV's website</u> and USAV's <u>Facebook page</u>.)

National Beach High Performance Programs have shifted to a new model. Tryouts were held on a zonal basis and players were selected for A4, A3, A2, and A1/National team programs. A record number of CHRVA players were selected to national HP programs, and a record number of players have joined the Regional Beach-HP program.

This year's crop of U12 players displayed skills and proficiency well beyond that of previous years. Many of our U14 players were successful in U16 competitions, and many of our U16 players were successful in U18 events. Our U16 and U18 players have proven themselves by winning Women's A, AA, and Women's OPEN or Co-ed Open division events.

The CHRVA region has added several new beach events and programs for juniors. These include joining the American Beach Tour series and adding new club programs in Maryland and Virginia.

The Beach-HP program will be training participants July 17-19. The U16 and U18 players are encouraged to participate in the AVP NEXT at Baltimore Beach following the camp. Younger players are encouraged to attend the JBT Championship in Florida as prep for the ABT-HP Championship in Florida.

CHRVA will be holding Sunday clinics / tryouts in August and September for the 2018 HP program.

#### Players in the Spotlight

Chloe Sachs, Camryn Ehlers, Brook Dow, and Joycelyn Nathan have all been stand outs in U12. In U14, the stand outs have been Skyler Johnson, Raychel Ehlers, Julianna Quintero, Marillise Page, Gabriela Axelrod, and Abby Carian.

The U16 stand outs include Maddie Sachs, Isabelle O'Bryan, Peyton Grey, Peyton Yamagata, and Victoria (Tory) Johnson.

In U18, our stand outs are Savannah Siegrist, Jordan McKinney, Melanie Hanclich, Kristiana Witte, Emma Lucey, and Piper Conners.

Among the boys, Christian Phung, Dalton Bunde, and Quinn Bailey have risen to a men's open division level.

# **Zonal Championships**

## U15

Skylar Johnson - A2 Raychel Ehlers - A2 Julianna M. Quintero - Regional HP Marilise Page - Regional HP

## U17

Maddie Sachs - A2
Peyton Grey - A2
Victoria (Tori) Johnson - A2
Amber Oliver - A3 winner
Peyton Yamagata - A2
Christiana Stephenson - A3 winner

## <u>U18</u>

Savannah Siegrist - Regional HP Jordan McKinney - Regional HP