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You are receiving this email as a registered Adult Affiliated with a Junior Program with the Great Plains Region who accepts Great Plains Newsletters.

Coaches and Club Directors,

Thank you for making the choice to play USA Volleyball. We're glad you have chosen the higher standard. We look forward to your continued participation.

ROSTERS

We cannot stress enough the importance of having an accurate roster to give to the tournament director when you check in at a tournament. We have been receiving MANY rosters that do not meet all requirements. This roster must be printed from the membership database (Webpoint) and MUST have the **ROSTER & USAV Medical/Emergency Release Form Verification** at the bottom of the roster for it to be valid.

The roster can be printed by ANY ADULT listed on the roster. COACHES - this means you do not HAVE to get your roster from your club director! To print your roster, log into your membership account, go to the Member Area on the left menu and click Member Profile. Find the Team Roster tab. Find the red Team Roster button of the roster you want to print. Click Print.

Effective immediately! Tournament directors currently have the right to not let a team participate in their tournament if an accurate valid roster is not available. Tournament directors do not want to resort to that option, but they have responsibilities to fulfill for their sanctioned event. We understand there can be different circumstances that prevent you from presenting an accurate valid roster, so here are some new allowances for tournament directors: An accurate valid printed roster must be presented to the tournament director before the first match in which the team plays. If the match is ready to start before the printed roster is presented, the match may be played, but any set where a valid printed roster has not been turned in may be forfeited. The tournament director will have the right to allow teams to play without the roster, but can enter the match results as a 25-0 forfeit. The team has until the start of the second set before they could forfeit the second set and the match.

Tournament directors will also have the option to print a roster for teams that do not have one (if they have the resources) and may charge for this service. The tournament will be allowed to set the price for this service.

Great Plains Regional Championships

The deadline to enter the Great Plains Regional Championships is fast approaching. You have until Friday, March 20 to complete the online registration and submit your entry form and fees to the Region office. Only teams that have submitted their entry fee have been accepted into the tournament so far. If you want to enter your team(s), make sure you do not miss the deadline.

Great Plains Bid Tournament

The deadline to enter the Great Plains Bid tournament is Friday, April 10. Any and all Gold teams may register to play in the bid tournament, but not all teams will be accepted. Only the top 8 teams within each age division, of the teams that have registered, will be selected on Wednesday, April 15. For more information, see the Pre-Season Information on the Juniors Home page of the Region website - www.gpvb.org

Women's Grand Prix – Final Round - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

USA Volleyball and Omaha Sports Commission will be hosting the Women's Grand Prix Final round in Omaha, July 22-26, 2015. We need volunteers, preferred age 15 and over. Many volunteers are needed for EACH MATCH during the competition. Matches are scheduled for 3, 5 and 8pm each night during the event. This event is the premier FIVB event for the women every year and will bring the best volleyball from around the world to Omaha. This is a very big commitment. We would prefer volunteers that will be available for all nights and are willing to attend practice sessions so everyone knows what they are doing before the event. See the Women's Grand Prix link on the home page of the Great Plains website. A volunteer application form will be posted there.

We hope your season has been going well. If you have any questions, please contact the Region office.

Great Plains Region Office