

# Lone Star Region USA Volleyball

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Newsletter***

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**2019 Robert L. Lindsay Meritorious Service Award**

**Eddie Dahl, Jr.**, Club Director and Tournament Host , South Texas Volleyball Academy

**Nicole A. Krieg**, Club Director and Tournament Host, Texas Fury Volleyball Club

**Mary E. “Lizzi” Piercy**, Club Director, Asics Willowbrook Volleyball Club

**Chelsea L. Whitlock**, Tournament Director, San Antonio Force Volleyball

**Joaquin “Jack” Zaldivar**, National Referee, National Scorer, Referee Scheduler

**2019 USA Volleyball Glen Davies Referee Service Award**

**Mary Blalock**, International Referee

**2019 USA Volleyball George J. Fisher Leader In Volleyball Award**

**Gloria Cox**, National Referee, Referee Scheduler

**2019 Girls National Championship—1st Place Finishes**

**1st Place 15 Open—Houston Skyline 15 Royal**

**1st Place 15 National—Austin Performance 15 Adidas**

**1st Place 16 USA—Houston Stellar 16 Elite**

**AVCA Hall of Fame Inductee**

**Glen Lietzke**, owner of Austin Juniors, LS Region and USAV tournament director

*Be sure to view the photos of our winning teams and awards on the Home Page of the region website. It is possible that there are others region members who were appropriately recognized for their outstanding accomplishments that are not noted. The region does rely on club directors, coaches, club representatives, and referees to alert us to that information.*

## Commissioner's Notes

Will Vick  
Commissioner  
Lone Star Region, USA Volleyball



### REGISTRATION

**Registrations for the 2019–2020 Season will start after September 1, 2019.** Even though the registrations are scheduled to start on September 1st, we are recommending that you wait a couple of days before beginning. This will give USA Volleyball an extra day or two to make sure everything is working the way it should.

There is no need to be in a rush to get registered since our sanctioned indoor seasons are not scheduled to start until later in the year. The only season we will have during September will be the outdoor season. Our adult Indoor Season will begin the first weekend in November and the junior Indoor Season will begin after the last day of the UIL State Volleyball Tournament. The adult and junior tournament schedules are currently being finalized, and should be soon posted to our website. As always for the adults, we will continue with the **Friendship** Season during September and October. Since these will be non-sanctioned events, advanced registration is not required. After the start of the Sanction Season, all players must be registered online, with their fees paid, before they will be allowed to participate in the event.

Registration instructions are on the Registration Page of the Region web site: [www.LSVolleyball.org](http://www.LSVolleyball.org), and were distributed to all club directors through commissioner email. Registrations, via the USAV Webpoint system, is an individual online application system and has been designed for each member to complete their own registration. **Club directors should not process registrations for their members.** All renewing members should have their individual User Name and Password. If they do not remember this information, they should use the FORGOT PASSWORD option at the Login screen. Additionally, USA Volleyball will be sending an email to each of the 2019 members, providing them with their contact information. This action is automatic every September 1st. It is the members' responsibility to keep their record current. This includes keeping the mailing and email addresses up to date at all times. Members should also be aware that email addresses must be able to communicate with the USA Volleyball Webpoint system. Many of the email servers such as schools, and employers, cannot be contacted by USAV Webpoint. Without email communications, members will not be able to retrieve their contact information from USA Volleyball or the Region Office.

Should any member have a problem with the online registration system, they should contact the Region Registrar, Karen Tarmon, at [LSRregistrar@gmail.com](mailto:LSRregistrar@gmail.com). Members should **NOT** attempt to solve the problem by creating new accounts. Club directors should continually point members to the Region's Registration page where the contact info, instructions, and Login prompts are located so that members can receive the appropriate help needed.

**Registration fees have not changed for the 2020 Season (\$45 for LSR Regular Adult and LSR Regular Junior memberships).** Payment procedures will remain the same as they were for the 2019 Season. Junior members should check with their club directors for the club payment procedures. Junior fees can be paid by the club or via credit card, by the individual member. Adult members, not affiliated with a junior club, can pay online or may mail their individual fees directly to the region office. All individual registration fees must be paid before the member will be allowed to participate in a sanctioned event, including practices.

### AGE WAIVER / PLAYER TRANSFER

Just as a reminder, for the 2020 Season, both the Age Waiver and Player Transfer procedures will remain as in past seasons. **Junior Age Definitions** are listed on our region website [www.LSVolleyball.org](http://www.LSVolleyball.org), in the **Club/Team Package** available in the **Reference** section. These are the age definitions, as provided by USA Volleyball and will be followed. Age waivers are not given in the Lone Star Region. The **Player Transfer Policy** is outlined in our Members Handbook and remains the same as in the past. Players will only represent one club during the indoor season. Once the player has registered and participated with a club in a sanctioned tournament, they will not be allowed transfer to another club. All transfers must be approved by the commissioner and current region policies and procedures will be followed.

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## ADULTS PARTICIPATING IN JUNIOR PROGRAM OR EVENTS

Whether club director, coach, chaperone, scorer, or referee, all adults working in a junior program of USAV or working junior events are required to have the following prior to participating: CURRENT adult membership with USAV, acceptance of the Junior Club Personnel Code of Ethics, USAV clearance in background screening, and SafeSport certification. Coaches additionally require IMPACT certification. Make sure the adults in your program are properly credentialed prior to attending a sanctioned event whether practice or tournament.

## CREATE A CLUB

Creating a new adult or junior club can be accomplished by logging on to the region website, [www.LSvolleyball.org](http://www.LSvolleyball.org), and choosing the Registration prompt from the top menu options. Scroll down through the Registration page instructions to the bottom of the page and you will see exactly what you need to send to the region office. You will need to provide the **CLUB NAME; CLUB ADDRESS; NAME OF THE CLUB DIRECTOR; CLUB PHONE NUMBER; CLUB EMAIL; and if the club will be ADULT or JUNIOR.** As per the rules stated in the Creating a New Club information, creating a new club or changing the name of an existing club will require an associated \$100 fee before the action can be taken.

Additionally, clubs not active during this past season have now been changed to inactive and will not appear on the list of clubs in our USAV Webpoint system. In these cases, club directors must apply to the region to have their clubs reinstated and there will be a **\$50 reactivation fee.**

Once the region has received the request for creation or activation of a club, along with the appropriate fee, the action will be completed and the club listed in the online USAV Webpoint system. Club directors will then receive notification from the commissioner and club members will be able to start their registrations. All club names must be approved by the region prior to any registrations. Please tell your members to not start their registrations until the club has been created.

## SafeSport Certification Updates

Due to compliance with Federal regulations, the US Center for SafeSport requirements continue to be updated. Beginning with the 2019-20 season, the SafeSport training requirement is now an **annual training** with Core Center for SafeSport Training first then the refresher to follow. Additionally, the Minor Athlete Abuse Prevention Policy passed this summer now requires all USAV members, 18+ in age to be SafeSport certified. This includes athletes.

Courses are no-cost to members who are current. Courses can be registered for and taken through the member record. Log into your USAV membership and choose from the left menu options, USAV CLINICS, then USAV COACHING CLINICS. The schedule will post in your Welcome screen. Register for your chosen course through the Participant Registration prompt. After completion of registration, the course will upload to the USAV Academy and you will be provided a prompt to access the course modules. Should you need to exit the program prior to completion, you can easily gain access back into the USAV Academy through the prompt on the Welcome screen of your membership record.

**The below courses are now available USAV Clinics for the upcoming season.**

- 2019-2020 Core Center for SafeSport Training
- 2019-2020 Center for SafeSport Refresher 1 Training
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**Who is required to take the 2019-2020 Core Center for SafeSport Training?**

- Any new member or member who has lapsed in current certification
- Any member who took the USOC previous version of the SafeSport training on the Team USA Prep site.
- Any junior member turning 18 during the season. Parents can fill out the consent for their 17 year old to take the Core training prior to the athlete turning 18 if they choose by following this link [Parental Consent](#). If the parent chooses to have their child take the training when they turn 18, the athlete will need to register themselves and complete the training as soon as possible to avoid any disruption in play.

**Who is required to take the 2019-2020 SafeSport Refresher 1 Training?**

- Any member who has taken the Core Center for SafeSport training with an expiration of 10/31/2019. You must have completed the Core Training to be eligible for the refresher 1 training.

Members who have a current SafeSport certification with the expiration date of 10/31/2020 have no requirements for this season.

## ***Junior Development News***

*Richard "Dick" Kappel*  
*Junior Director*  
*Lone Star Region, USA Volleyball*



### **2019 Girls' Junior National Championships**

**Congratulations to the 91 LSR teams qualified to participate!**

#### **1st Place Winners**

**15 Open - Houston Skyline 15 Royal**  
**15 National - AP 15 Adidas**  
**16 USA - Houston Stellar 16 Elite**

#### **Gold Division Finishes**

5th	13 American	AUSTIN - 13 MOLTEN
5th	14 American	TCVA 14 Green
5th	14 Open	ALAMO - 14 Premier
5th	14 USA	SA Magic 14 ELITE
5th	15 American	AJV 15 Mizuno
1st	15 National	AP 15 adidas
1st	15 Open	H SKYLINE 15 Royal
5th	15 USA	HJV 15 Elite
2nd	16 National	SA Magic 16 ELITE
5th	16 Open	H SKYLINE 16 Royal
1st	16 USA	HOU STELLAR 16 ELITE
3rd	17 American	AVA TX 17 Team Rox
5th	17 Open	H SKYLINE 17 Royal
2nd	18 American	HJV 18 Elite

### **2019 Boys' Junior National Championships**

**Congratulations to the six LSR teams represented at Junior Nationals!**

#### **Gold Division Finishes**

5th	12 Club	HVA 12 YOUNG GUNS RED
5th	17 USA	HVA 17 PERFORMANCE
5th	18 Open	AJV 18 Mizuno Boys

### **2019 High Performance Championships**

**Congratulations to LSR teams represented at USAV HP Championships!**

2nd	Girls National Select	Lone Star Select Girls
2nd	Girls Future Select	Lone Star Future Select
7th	Boys National Select	Lone Star Select Boys
6th	Boys National Youth	Lone Star Youth Boys

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## 2020 Junior Volleyball National Qualifiers

<https://www.teamusa.org/usa-volleyball/events/girls-indoor/2019-girls-junior-national-qualifiers>

- Feb 21-23, AVC Dallas 18's Qualifier (Dallas)
- Feb 28-Mar 1, Lone Star 18's Qualifier (Austin)
- March 7-9 (11's-15's) & March 13-15 (16's-18's), Colorado Crossroads (Denver)
- March 6-8 (all ages), Sunshine (Orlando)
- March 13-15 (11's-14's, 15A, 15U), Mideast (St Louis)
- March 20-22 (15O, 16's-18's), Mideast (Indianapolis)
- March 21-23 & March 27-29, Pacific Northwest (Spokane)
- March 28-30 (11's-14's, 15A, 18's) & April 3-5 (15O, 15U, 16's-17's), Show Me (Kansas City)
- March 28-30 (16's-18's) & April 3-5 (11's-15's) Red Rock (Las Vegas)
- April 4-6 (11's-14's, 15A, 15U) & April 10-12 (15O, 16's-17's), Northeast (Philadelphia)
- April 10-12 (all ages), Windy City (Chicago)
- April 10-12 (all ages), Big South (Atlanta)
- Apr 10-12 (11's-14's, 15A) & Apr 17-19 (15's-17's), Lone Star Classic (Dallas)
- Jan 31-Feb 2 (17's), April 17-19 (11's-14's) & April 24-26 (15's-16's), Northern Lights (Minneapolis)
- April 18-20 (11's-14's, 15A) & April 24-26 (15O, 15U, 16's-17's), Far West (Reno)
- May 1-3, 2020 18's GJNC (Reno)
- June 25-July 4 (11's-17's), 2019 GJNC (Dallas)

## Adult Tournament News

Thang Nguyen

Adult Tournament Director

Lone Region, USA Volleyball



Dear Adult Players, Team and Club Reps,

I'd like to welcome everyone to the 2019-2020 USAV Season. Just so y'all know now, USAV Adult Open Nationals will be in Minneapolis, MN. from May 22-27, 2020.

With the end of summer and beach volleyball wrapping up, I'm excited for indoor volleyball in the region and I hope that y'all are too! Please begin thinking about your participation in the upcoming season. As a team representative, it's time to start touching base with your returning players as well as gathering any new players you've found over the summer. Don't forget that there are some Friendship tournaments where you can take a look at a new player without committing them, or your team, for the entire season. Friendship tournaments also don't require uniforms and are generally much more loosely run than sanctioned season tournaments.

A list of the team and club reps will be made available to organizations wanting to host a preseason Friendship event. If your contact information has changed since last year be sure to send me your new info. Remember – once the regular season starts, if you register a player with your team AND they play on your team during a sanctioned tournament, that player is committed to your team and you are committed to that player for the remainder of the season. Each adult team is required to have a registered and certified referee and scorer listed on a team roster.

The 2019-2020 Indoor Season begins Saturday, November 2. Once the schedule has been finalized, I will be sending it out to the current list of team and club representatives. Be sure to check the website throughout the season for updates and possible cancellations. You can start registering as a USAV member as of September 1, 2019. Contact the Region Commissioner, Will Vick, to create a new club or to start the process to reactivate a previous years' club. Online credit card payments are now accepted.

Start early to avoid the last minute rush. Also, please be assured that you can always contact me with questions or concerns. If I don't know the answer to your question, I'll find it and get back to you as quickly as possible. I'm looking forward to seeing and hearing from you. Good luck and have fun!



## *From the Referee's Stand*

*Thomas Hoy  
Referee Chair  
Lone Star Region, USA Volleyball*



Congratulations on a great 2018-2019 Lone Star Region (LSR) season, and best of luck with the 2019-2020 volleyball season.

Start planning for scorer and referee clinics now and get the dates on the Lone Star Region website. Criteria for clinics is listed at the bottom of the "Officials Clinics & Info" webpage at <http://www.LSvolleyball.org/>. Remember, your teams will need to have a referee and scorer listed on your USAV WebPoint roster to enter a tournament. Please contact the following individuals to plan your clinics:

Gordon Morrison ([gordondmorrison@gmail.com](mailto:gordondmorrison@gmail.com)) in the greater Houston or eastern parts of the region.

David Plaisance ([drp2nd@hotmail.com](mailto:drp2nd@hotmail.com)) in the greater Austin or northern parts of the region.

Thomas Hoy ([thoy@satx.rr.com](mailto:thoy@satx.rr.com)) in the greater San Antonio, or southern and western parts of the region.

There are many new rule changes for the 2019-2020 season and it involves many aspects of the game. Also, please review the rules and criteria for uniforms carefully and completely before ordering jerseys. We are already getting photos, ads and pictures of jerseys that are not legal. Please continue to send me your pictures or use the national rules interpreter website. Why order something that will be challenged by tournament directors, head referees and officials? The rules are clear about jerseys under DCR 4.3. The rules for the Libero jerseys are under DCR 19.2. Remember the number must be clearly contrasting and seen on the chest and upper back. For all national events the tournament director will decide on uniform legality and compliance, but for the Lone Star Region events, the Board of Directors have decided the court referee(s), in coordination with the head referee, make decisions on uniforms.

Also join me in congratulating all the referees that completed referee certification in the Lone Star Region during the 2018-2019 season. The referee certification is good for two seasons, but we recommend that all recently certified officials attend a referee clinic, at no charge, this upcoming season to be up-to-date. Congratulations to Pablo Grieco, our new Lone Star Region Junior National Referee. He was certified at the USAV GJNC Championships this past summer in Indianapolis.

## *From the Scorer's Chair*

*C.L. 'Steve' Crane  
Scorer Chair  
Lone Star Region, USA Volleyball*



Welcome to a new season in the Lone Star Region!

The Rule Book is something you definitely want to review before you play in your first tournament. The 2019-21 release should be available for download in the next couple of weeks on the USA Volleyball Training site through this link: [USAV 2019-21 Indoor DCR](#).

The score sheets remain the same as last season.

**Tournament Directors: You should be completely out of the old score sheets by now, so I expect to see only the new ones used this coming season.**

There are already a number of clinics scheduled. As always, look on the Lone Star web site for the most current clinic and playing schedules: [LSvolleyball.org](http://LSvolleyball.org), choose "Official's Clinics & Info" from the top menu options.

**Remember**, you may check your status at any time by logging in to your USAV membership record at [USAV Login](#). It will show any certifications and allow you to print a membership card listing them all.

Have a great season, look forward to seeing you on the court!



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