

Good Morning Directors...

Mon Dec 4th, 2023

Happy December!

BOYS DIRECTORS:

This Saturday's Boys 14U event is "live" on TM2

Note that we may see one team replacement there, with possible re-seeding

The format (9 on 3) and site (The Farm) remains the same

Please remember that noon **today** is your deadline to register for Boys HS Power 4, playing Sat Dec 16

This event will play at three sites TBD as registration closes, but generally "in Denver"...

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GIRLS DIRECTORS:

The girls season is almost upon us!

"HOT TOPICS"

ROSTER VALIDATION DUE

Monday Dec 11 5pm is for deadline to have your teams registered and validated, at TM2 "Season Master Roster"

We'll be reaching out this week to clubs that seem to be having trouble getting their teams posted to and validated at, TM2

—> If you are have difficulty rostering and validating in general, please send an email to office@rmrvolleyball.org

—> If you are having difficulty validating a specific individual, please write to membership@rmrvolleyball.org (Please cc: office@rmrvolleyball.org)

You should include in this inquiry the **full name, DOB, and any/all known email addresses** for the individual in question!

Q: Do all teams HAVE to be registered before Dec 11?

A: NO... this is the SEEDING deadline. (*Teams may be created at any time during the year*)

Discussion: If a team is not rostered and validated before Dec 11, then they will be placed into a large "unseeded" group (low) in the age rankings.

Tip: If MOST of your team is known, please register and validate that team (at TM2 SEASON MASTER ROSTER) before Dec 11

This will allow the seeding committee to plan your team fairly accurately

You can add your last few players (or coaches) later

If one of your COACHES won't validate in time for Dec 11 seeding, please list the CLUB DIRECTOR as the coach, there

It's getting late in the year: please contact membership@rmrvolleyball.org regarding any members that don't seem to validate

Include in that inquiry the **member's full name, DOB, and any/all any email addresses** they are known to use

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MOUNTAIN SERIES

If your club intends to participate in the Mountain Series, please REGISTER for that event series (in addition to registering your team at Season Master Roster)

Our Hosts need to have an idea of how big the series will be this year,... so PLEASE PRE REGISTER (even if you can't pay just yet)

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OFFICIATING CLINICS

Q: What are we doing for "officiating clinics" this year?

A: We are offering a mix of online training, and in-person training sessions

Discussion: In short, we're asking all coaches and players:

If PREVIOUSLY CERTIFIED for 2 or more seasons (within last 4 seasons) you are considered "RETURNING"

* Re-certify online-only at Academy

* Academy is found in an individual's SportsEngine profile ([navigation instructions](#))

* Modules and quizzes are live in each person's enrollments folder

—> PASSING THE PRE-QUIZZES WHEN AVAILABLE ALLOWS YOU TO "SKIP" SOME COURSES!

—> **RETURNING OFFICIALS MAY IGNORE THE MODULE TITLED "IN PERSON CLINIC REGISTRATION"**

Yes, we tried to have that item removed from your Academy folder, but that proves to be technically difficult

If THIS IS YOUR FIRST OR 2ND SEASON CERTIFYING AS A TEAM OFFICIAL, then you are "NEW"

* NEW students **study** online at Academy (**prior** to in-person sessions)

* Then they should attend an in-person clinic (could be at their club or at an RMR/public training site)

* In-person clinics may be offered as on-court 'scrimmage with ref/score training"

* Or can be in-class-only if club prefers... or a combination!

* Fee is \$10/student: to cover ref, score or both

* Make-up clinic probably offered at RMR Friendship (possibly at Powers)

COACHES ARE ALSO RATED AS "RETURNING" (3RD YEAR OR HIGHER) OR AS "NEW"

* Same rules apply as above

* Team-refereeing training happens alongside player scorekeeper training

Currently scheduled clinics

RMR Hosted Clinics

Mondays at Aurora FieldHouse (sites in Ft Collins or COS could be offered as necessary)
Please pre-register [HERE](#)

CLUB Hosted Clinics (as listed below)

Day	Scoring Clinic	Time	CLUB@site
Mon	11/6/23	7pm	
Sun	11/12/23	11am	
Fri	12/1/23	5-9pm	Infinity@TheCourts
Sat	12/2/23	2-4 (1st hour CLASS)	TheEdge
Sat	12/2/23	4:00 PM	8058
Sun	12/3/23	2-4 pm	DIVE
Mon	12/4/23	4-6pm (OPEN Registration)	Auroroa Fieldhouse
Thurs	12/7/23	5:30	Steamboat
Fri	12/8/23	6-8pm	CoPlex
Sat	12/9/23	2:00 PM	Momentum
Sat	12/9/23	9am	Vail
Sat	12/9/23	10-1 (Other Clubs may register)	NORCO
Sun	12/10/23		Premier@Highland
Sun	12/10/23	9:00am	Eaton
Tues	12/12/23	6:30p	Juggernaut
Mon	12/11/23	4-6pm (OPEN Registration)	Auroroa Fieldhouse
Tues	12/12/23	4-6pm (OPEN Registration)	Auroroa Fieldhouse
Wed	12/13/23	6-8pm	Skyline@NoCo
Wed	12/13/23	2pm	Summit
Wed	12/13/23	4-6pm	Velocity@TheMine
Wed	12/13/23	530-7	FRVBC (boys)
Fri	12/15/23	6-730	FRVBC (girls)
Mon	12/18/23	4-6pm (OPEN Registration)	Auroroa Fieldhouse
Tues	12/19/23	4-6pm (OPEN Registration)	Auroroa Fieldhouse
Tues	12/19/23	6 pm	Rebel@TheCourts
Sat	1/6/24	10 am	Clash @DSST
Sat	1/6/24	930-11	303

HOTELS

We are very pleased to launch our new "RMR hotel partner program!"

We've combined efforts with a hotel professional, Susan Pendleton, who happens to be a lifetime local volleyball enthusiast, and a current RMR volley-mom!

Susan has been working these last few months to build relationships with a large group of hotels spread all along the Front-Range. She's built a roster of partner properties representing a diverse group of brands as well as independent properties, each of which posts a guaranteed rate for each of our events.

We hope to offer the convenience of "one point shopping" across various brands, along with the benefit of price control...

For the Showdown and the RMR Classic

Also for the Power Series!

And all without the frustrations associated with "stay to play!"

—> YOUR choice of hotel or brand or location

—> NO stay-to-play requirements!

This program is designed to be a member benefit for our RMR families.

The RMR will benefit in that they receive "referee room support" from the partner hotels (Showdown)

PLEASE SHARE THIS DOCUMENT WITH YOUR FAMILIES; THEY ARE ALLOWED TO USE THE ROOM BLOCKS AS WELL!

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COMING SOON!

The RMR will be hosting "town hall" style Zoom meetings for both Directors/Coaches, and for PARENTS in the coming weeks

If you have "topics" that you'd like to see addressed, please send those by email directly to me at executivedirector@rmrvolleyball.org

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REMINDERS:

* All of our "Kickoff letters" (1-10) are posted at the [RMR Club Director page](#)
Review these to "get up to speed" on various pre-season topics!

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Paying for event registrations: (in general)

* PLEASE USE ACH (fee free!)

* Pay by credit card if that is more convenient (3% fee applies)

* Pay-by-check requires our office to manually "accept" each of your team entries, one by one, at TM2.

Full Refunds are available as long as you cancel before deadline (noon Monday two weeks prior to event)

* Your early registrations help us determine how many gyms to book for each event

* We can transfer your registration fees to other events, or refund them to you, if your plans change!