

# Club 940 Newsletter Vol. I

## Getting to know our Families within our 940 Family

As we excitedly turn the page to a glorious new year, it's important to take time to reflect on how much we've grown as individuals as well as look back on our eventful journey to the start of our inaugural season and the official first two months of training. There's so much to be proud of, and we couldn't have done it without you – our family! It is our goal here at Club 940 Volleyball to instill a “family” culture throughout our program. Family is at the heart of everything we do, including our Master Coach Philosophy and training programs, and we hope you and your family can feel that culture each time you walk into the gym. This is the first of what will be many newsletters, and we'd like to start by highlighting just a few of our families and what they love so much about Club 940.

The Galaviz family includes Mariela (17U), Marissa (15U 3 Stripe), and Moriah (15U 3 stripe). They go to Keller Fossil Ridge. Marissa and Moriah are one of two sets of twins on our 15U 3 stripe team coached by Mike Simmons.



Moriah plays setter and Marissa is an outside hitter, and both have played two years of club volleyball and five years of recreational league. Something they have noticed about 940 that is so different is, “We really push EVERY player to do their best every play, even at practice.” They added, “The master coaching style makes sure EVERY player gets to work on the technical things that they need to work on that sometimes get overlooked. Big sis, Mariela, who has played five years of club and six years of recreational league, agrees and added something that she has learned in this first month of training is that no matter how great you are at any given skill, there is ALWAYS something you can learn!



Kori and Kaci James are another pair of siblings that are both a part of Club 940 this first season! Kaci is an OH on our 14U Black team. She attends Glen Pike Middle School and this is her 4<sup>th</sup> year of playing volleyball and her first year of club. Kori is an OH/DS on our 18U team. Kori will continue her volleyball career next season at TWU. She has played volleyball for 7 years. One thing the James sisters like most about Club 940 is “the way every coach encourages and pushes

us through our training sessions.” “Club 940 creates a family-like atmosphere that is not present in any of the former clubs I have played with! The practices are intense and there is never a time where I don't leave feeling like I have learned something.”



The Pelligrini twins (17U) are from Boyd. This season, they helped lead their high school team to the state semifinals! Tori (pictured left) who was the quarterback for her high-school team, was named Setter of the Year for the UIL All-State tournament team. Laney (pictured right) also received UIL all-state honors as Offensive Player of the Year. Tori is one of our setters on 17U black and Laney is a dynamic hitter that can fill in any position needed for her team. Both have played club for the past six years. When asked what they like best about Club 940, they agreed that, “We love how it's family-based. It's not just this team and that team. It's Club 940 as one team. We feel welcome every time we walk into the gym. “When we asked what makes Club 940 different than the other clubs, they said, “As we said above, the way the coaches and owners make you feel is the best. You are taught discipline, as well as many other traits needed for the game. It's hardcore but fun, and after every practice, you know 100 percent that you got something out of it – whether it's a new shot you can hit, a new play you can run your offense with, a new serve, or just a new cheer you want to do with your team! Please welcome this beautiful duo!

Alyssa and Cadence Serna are cousins who play for Club 940. Alyssa started off in 940 Pre-Club with Coach Chelsea and fell in love with the sport. She continues this club season by playing on our 12U Black team with Coach Chelsea. Alyssa has played four years of rec volleyball and is excited to start her Club ball adventures at 940! She loves how there are high expectations at practice, but training is set up to where you can push yourself and still have fun while you are learning. "I love all the positive coaches who are very caring and that they are there to help me and that they want us to actually grow and become better players! My coach always says, 'I don't want to hear sorry, I want you to fix it, so you don't have to apologize!'"



Cadence is playing on our 15U 3stripe team coached by Mike Simmons. Cadence loves the "family feel" at Club 940. "We are all treated the same regardless of our age. Club 940 is more structured than some of the clubs I have played at before, which allows me to push myself outside my comfort zone!" Please welcome our amazing Serna cousins to 940!



Their last name could not be more fitting! Please meet Jenna and Shelby Ball. They both know how to ball, they are both a ball of fun, and when they are on the court, they are a ball of fire in pursuit to play every ball! Jenna and Shelby are sisters from Aubrey who are playing with us this club season. Jenna has played 1 year at school prior to this club season. She loves the way Club 940 makes you feel like you are part of a family. "During the

trainings and practice sessions, I really learned the importance of being a good teammate and hard work partnered with working together leads to great success!" Jenna is on our 13U Red team led by Coach Blanca. Shelby is on our 15U Alphabounce team led by Coach Howard and Coach Bailey. Shelby was the starting libero on her JV team this school year and has carried over that same experience as she leads her team defensively. Shelby has played club volleyball for five years, and her favorite part about Club 940 is the passion from her teammates and coaches. "Something I have learned during training sessions is to NEVER give up on any ball." Club 940 is already showing that it has a very bright future ahead through the culture it is establishing and expectations it is setting for the players and parents to be great. Please welcome both Shelby and Jenna to the 940 fam.

Jennifer and Kaelyn Homeyer are one of our mother-daughter duos at Club 940. Jennifer who plays two very important roles as owner and parent, is no stranger to the game. "I played for eight consecutive years as an athlete, including one year of college on scholarship. I coached my daughter for four years, and I now cheer her on as her mom. I also have played recreationally as an adult for five years. Volleyball is the greatest sport on earth!" What makes Club 940 different is that the club is run from the heart! Club 940 wants to help families make strong, compassionate, humble, and courageous athletes and young women!" A 940 coach that isn't my daughter's coach noticed that she was struggling with something that greatly affects her play – something her father and I have talked to her about. But this coach hit the nail on the head, and it really made her feel good that he saw the potential in her as a person and athlete! It was a great day!"

Kaelyn is a sophomore at Argyle, where she helped carry the JV team to a district championship. She is versatile and will help the 17U Black team this year. Kaelyn has played volleyball for seven years, and the thing she likes about Club 940 is the amount of passion and care from the coaches!



Kate and Jason Roemer are our father-daughter duo! Jason is currently President of TGCA and the Varsity coach at Lake Dallas. He is also coaching our 12U Red team this season! Jason loves the family atmosphere that Club 940 brings to the table and one thing that he feels sets 940 apart from other clubs is, "Although it is a first-year club, it still presents a staff with years of experience in leadership and coaching. "

Kate was a part of our 940 Pre-Club this inaugural season coached by Tina Hodson. Being a veteran to the volleyball court from years of watching dad, Kate has developed her own passion through playing Pre-Club and through the trainings she has participated in this first month of club. Kate displays the calmness of a natural leader on the court as well as the aggressiveness and determination to get better every rep. Please welcome the Roemer family!

# Jan. & Feb. Tournament Schedule

**1/19-1/20- EarlyBirdTournament**

**1/19-1/20--Tour of Texas Stop1 (18's only)**

**2/1-2/3—Lonestar NQ (18's only)**

**2/9-2/10—Tour of Texas Stop 2 (18's only)**

**2/9-2/10—Texasfest (15's, 16's, and 17's)**

**2/15-2/17—AVC (18's only)**

**2/17—12 Red Da1 #1 Sunday Challenge**

**2/23-2/24—NTR Bid (13's, 14's, 15's, 16's, and 17's) and NTR Power Pool Play for 12 Black**



## Coaches Corner

The first month has been jam-packed with development for our teams! Our groups came in excited and focused on learning, so that is what they did! For me, the most rewarding part of our first month was seeing the translation between skill development and system development for all our teams at our first tournament. 940 has been working diligently to provide a high-level product, and our first weekend results really showed that. One of the keys to the learning process has been our parent group! Overall, our parents are so supportive of fundamental development and hard work, and it has translated into growth over the first month. As we move forward, we will be able to move to faster-paced practices, more touches, and continued focus on fundamental development. As the Master Coach, my

goal is to have everyone playing their BEST volleyball in March, April, and May, and in order to do that we will continue to teach, teach and teach! The coaches and I are so excited about the opportunity that we have to invest in your daughters, and we so much appreciate the trust that you have placed in us. I hope everyone had a great holiday season, and as always, GO 940!

**Jeff Huebner**



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