

**Keweenaw Select Volleyball Club
Parent Informational Meeting
Wednesday, January 21st, 2009
Houghton High School Auditorium**

Welcome and Intro

- Kaari Nevanen, Club Director and Coach
- Veronica Armstrong (V), Marketing Manager and Coach
- Melissa Axtell, Photographer and Coach
- Staff is working hard to get club organized early and communicate plans and schedules.

Overview of Teams

- 1 Elite 18s team, 1 Elite 16s team
- A non-elite 18s, 16s, and 14s team (+ more depending on the number of girls)
- Signing up is a commitment to practices, scrimmages, and tournaments. We are giving out dates far in advance to avoid conflicts.
- IF YOU ARE TRYING OUT FOR AN ELITE TEAM, YOU MUST MUST MUST BE ABLE TO GO TO CHICAGO-NO EXCEPTIONS. This is a very expensive tournament and we cannot afford girls dropping out during the season.
- If you try out for an elite team but do not make it, you can still play for the non-elite team. We will not turn any girls away from Keweenaw Select!

Schedule (also see calendar on website)

- Saturday practices (shouldn't interfere with basketball)
- It's tough to find gym time...
- Practice dates and times will be posted on website
- Tryouts for Elite teams: Saturday, January 31st 3-5pm Houghton High School
- ***All paperwork (forms are on website) MUST be filled out and brought to tryouts. You cannot tryout without paperwork turned in!*****
- First practice for all teams (elite and non-elite): February 14th 6:30-8:30. Anyone who wants to play volleyball can come to this practice.
- ***All paperwork (forms are on website) MUST be filled out and brought to the first practice. You cannot practice without paperwork turned in!*****
- ***Club dues are to be brought to first practice. Two checks will be handed in per girl, each with half the total amount on them. The second one is to be post-dated for April 1st.*****
- NO MONEY OR FORMS, NO PRACTICE!**

Tournaments

- Two Duluth tournaments:
 - Spring Fling
 - <http://www.eastendvolleyball.com/>
 - 14s: Saturday, April 18th
 - 16s and 18s: Sunday, April 19th

Queens of the Court

<http://www.divesportspluswear.com/ARROWEAD2008.html>

14s: Saturday, May 2nd

16s and 18s: Sunday, May 3rd

-Wildcat Challenge-Power League

Sundays in February, March and April, Dates TBA

Mostly in Marquette area

-For Elite teams only:

-Asics Junior National Volleyball Championship

<http://www.straightdownvolleyball.com/asics/>

June 12th-14th

Coaches need to know at the beginning of the season if a player is unable to attend a tournament. Again, signing up for the program is a commitment to practices and tournaments. The earlier a coach knows about a conflict, the easier it is for them to plan around it.

Parents

-Need 1 volunteer parent manager per team-No volleyball knowledge necessary!

-We will make you NCR certified

-Will be a contact person for director and coach

-Will relay info to players and parents (phone tree)

-Can coordinate fundraisers with V

-Elite team parents will help Kaari with transportation and hotels for Chicago

-If interested, please let Kaari know immediately kcnevane@mtu.edu

Cost and Budget

-Did the best we could to keep cost down.

-Cost will be about \$200 for non-elite players, and about \$300 for elite players

-Exact cost will be posted online before tryouts/first practice

-Doing fundraising on a team-by-team basis to earn back club dues, traveling expenses, etc.

-Each team will have a pool of money from fundraising. Once they are done fundraising, the money will be divided to each girl.

-Parent team manager will help with fundraising ideas and organization

Email List

-If you are interested in this club, please join our email list. Email Kaari, kcnevane@mtu.edu to get on the info list.

-If you want to be more involved with KSVBC in any way, please let Kaari know and we will add you to our KSVBC board list. The board will meet every few weeks to discuss club progress, needs, and plans.

-Please visit our website for all important information www.ksvbc.org

Thank you, and we are looking forward to a great season! Remember to tell your friends to come to the Elite team tryouts, Saturday, January 31st 3-5pm at Houghton High School, or come to the first practice, Saturday, February 14th 6:30-8:30pm at Houghton High School! (All players must have her forms filled out). Spread the word about KSVBC!