

# Pioneer Volleyball

## Summer Volleyball Competition 2023-2024

### Information, terms and conditions

#### General

This recreational volleyball competition is a six aside indoor game, run by Pioneer Volleyball Club Incorporated and played on Thursday evenings at Pioneer Leisure Centre. Teams may be mixed or single sex. The emphasis is on fun and enjoyment for all! We cater for anyone from experienced players to those wishing to learn, as the competition is structured according to skill level.

Remember that this is recreational volleyball and that you're not playing for the "Championship of the world as we know it". We expect you to play your volleyball with an appropriate attitude i.e. good, positive and healthy. Cheating will not be tolerated.

#### Structure

There is a grading night on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October (where teams are graded according to their ability, at the sole discretion of the organisers, and then placed into a division of six teams). Round 1 starts on 19<sup>th</sup> October with the last game before Christmas on 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023, then resume after the holiday break on TBC to finish on TBC 2024. Games are 1 hour long from 6:30pm, 7:30pm or 8:30pm. Your team will play at a different time each week. If you have a 6:30 pm game, please help the Pioneer Leisure Centre staff put up the nets, and help take them down if you have the late game. We are again offering a free coaching/skills night to Summer Volleyball players again on 5<sup>th</sup> October. The first match of Round 1 commences Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup>. You will play 3 rounds each of 5 games. The season finishes with a finals night on TBC 2024. All teams play on this night.

#### Team entry

As per last year we are using the all-inclusive model used by CVA. Please contact us if you cannot comply with the requirements of paying all your fees at the time of entry.

**The entry fee for 2023/24 is \$750.00 incl. GST per team if the team is registered and paid in full before 29th September 2023. For registered teams that have not paid in full by this date the fee will be \$850 incl. GST, with the same applying for teams that register after 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023.** Entries are limited to the first 36 fully paid up teams. Failure to meet these terms may result in your team entry being rejected.

Entries are available online at <https://pioneervolleyball.org.nz/>

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#### Need to up skill?

We are again offering a free coaching night on 5<sup>th</sup> October for those entrants wanting to learn about the game. We will hopefully be able to give you an insight into the basic skills required and the structure and objectives of the game. The coaching night is at Pioneer Leisure Centre from 7:00 to 8:30 pm. Please advise the organisers if your team be attending.

## Rules

This competition is played under the recreational volleyball rules of the Canterbury Volleyball Association Inc.

### **Key rule concepts:**

A match is played over five sets, but play continues for the whole hour, even if the result is decided before time.

Sets are scored as first to 25 points with a 2 point advantage, and sets are not capped.

The match is completed by the sounding of a hooter or whistle by the organisers at 30 minutes past the hour or at the organiser's discretion. At this time, a rally in play is completed and the point awarded.

This final set will count toward the match result if 15 points or more have been scored by at least one of the teams with a minimum of a 2 point advantage.

The ball contacting the roof or part thereof is deemed out of play.

Unsportsmanlike behaviour will not be tolerated. The organisers reserve the right to deduct points for this breach.

### **Competition points**

Points will be awarded as follows:

- 2 points for a win
- 1 for a draw
- 1 bonus point for each set won to a maximum of 3 bonus points for a match.

### **Promotion and relegation**

At the end of rounds one and two, teams will be promoted and demoted according to their placing in that round. In general, the top two teams in a division will move up to the next division and the bottom two teams will move to the division below. The conveners may use their discretion and promote or demote less than two teams.

In the event of teams being tied for points at the end of a round, then the winner of the match in that round between the two teams in question will be declared the higher placed team. Should that match be drawn, the winner of the first set in that game will be declared the higher placed team.

### **Score sheets and results**

The score sheet for each match should be filled in correctly and signed as correct by the team captains at the conclusion of a match. These sheets will be collected by the court controller at the end of each night.

Results will be available on the web at [www.pioneervolleyball.org.nz](http://www.pioneervolleyball.org.nz) as soon as practicable thereafter.

Please note that in the event of a dispute, the final result will more than likely depend on how accurately a score sheet has been completed. It is important that the correct scores are recorded in the correct place and that the score sheet is signed by both captains as being correct.

### **Defaults**

Should you need to default a match (away, sick, etc), **you are expected to advise the organisers of your intention.** This is as much about courtesy to your opposition as anything. Contact Richard Gillespie by email [summervolley.pioneer@gmail.com](mailto:summervolley.pioneer@gmail.com) or cell 027 431 7994. Make sure that you get a response! If you get no response then keep trying or try something else. Do not assume that your message has been received unless you get a response.

**Definition:** A team will be deemed to be in default of their match should they be unable to field a minimum of four players registered to their team, within 10 minutes of the official start time. At this time, the win by default must be claimed. The match may continue by agreement, but the match will be

declared a default, with the winning team gaining the maximum five points for the match. Wins by default may not be claimed retrospectively.

### **The tournament draw**

The tournament draw will be emailed to your team contacts. It can also be found on the web at [www.pioneervolleyball.org.nz](http://www.pioneervolleyball.org.nz).

### **What if I don't have a team?**

Individual players wishing to play who are not able to put together their own team should contact us too. We may be able to put you in contact with others so that you can form your own team.

### **Volleyballs**

Teams are expected to provide their own volleyballs. Match balls may be provided courtesy of the organisers. These are not to be used for warm ups and they must be returned at the conclusion of the match. Should a team not return a supplied ball, you may be billed for the cost of a replacement and competition points may be deducted. The organisers reserve the right to remove the provision of match balls at any time.

### **Got a question?**

Further info can be obtained from Richard Gillespie, by  
Email [summervolley.pioneer@gmail.com](mailto:summervolley.pioneer@gmail.com)  
phone 027 431 7994 cell or  
phone 325 9519 business hours.

We welcome any suggestions that you may wish to make about the competition. After all, it's all about making you happy by providing you with something that you're happy with!