FALL 2025

The Empty Netter

All Things Solivita Water Volleyball Club!

Poolside with Lisa



Greetings Volleyballers!

We have had a whirlwind first half of 2025 with over 40 new members, a new system and more sessions of play! Your new Board and our Committees are working hard to make our Club one that you all enjoy, both in and out of the pool. Our Membership is now at 153!

We continue to look for ways to increase player skill level such as clinics and trainers joining lower level games. Be on the lookout for clinic surveys and opportunities this Fall

We also continue to look for more ways to involve the membership in fun activities outside the pool. The Social Committee is actively seeking new members with creative and fun ideas for the membership.

Thanks again to all members and Happy Splashing!

Lisa



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STEPS

Lisa Coady - Board Rep

The STEPS Committee has undergone a few changes in membership as follows:

- John Biwer
- Jill Gatlin
- Bob Miller
- Scott Wallace
- Sheila Wiles
- Lisa Coady - BOD Rep (non voting)

As a reminder, STEPS covers:

- Skills
- Training
- Evaluation
- Placement
- Scheduling

The ten skills that all players are evaluated on are detailed in the Skills Chart located on the HOA page (Get Connected>Clubs>U-V-W>Water Volleyball Club>Committees>STEPS). The skills are:

- Serving
- Scoring
- Power Hitting
- Passing
- Setting
- Defense
- Aggressiveness
- Range/Mobility
- Jumping
- Quickness/Hand-Eye Coordination



Evaluation Process

The evaluation process works as follows:

- Committee Members will bring forward the names of those players that they have seen as playing either above or below their current level; players that "stand out"
- Those names are compiled and the committee will spend the following weeks either playing with or observing those players
- Once enough observations are complete the members will be evaluated based the criteria in the skills chart.
- Scores for each skill must be agreed to by 3 of the 5 members of the committee. The Board Rep will only vote in the case of a tie due to a absent member
- Once all scores are tabulated the committee determines whether the players score has increased or decreased enough to place that player in another level
- The player will be notified of any change in level
- The system will be updated to allow the player to receive the correct invites

Players requesting evaluations may or may not receive one. If the committee determines that the player is not standing out within their level, an evaluation will not be completed.

Levels are based on the premise that we are looking to place 10 people of similar skill set in the pool at the same time. Because of this, while individual scores may increase, the players level may remain the same due to the overall skillset of all players in the level

FINANCE - ANGELA DAMICO, TREASURER



We are currently in a sound financial position with strong bank balance due to dues collections. We have spent approximately $400 on new lines and noodles and another $200 on basic operating expenses.

Fall Annual Membership Meeting

Be sure to mark your calendar for our upcoming annual meeting on September 28th from 5pm to 8pm in the Palms Amenity Room. Snack will be served

More details and an RSVP will be sent in mid-September.



UPCOMING EVENTS

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The Committee and Board is sad to say our Chairperson Jan Gross has decided to retire after many years on this team. Please be sure to thank Jan for all her hard work!

We are currently recruiting more members for this Committee. If interested please contact the Board or the Fun Team at SWVBFunTeam2@gmail.com

Current Members are Pam Wallace, Howie Collender and Shelia Minore

FUNDRAISERS

The Club will be participating in the Fall Yard Sale so save up your unused stuff to donate! The Yard Sale is on October 4th from 9am to 12pm.

More details on where to drop your items will come towards the end of September

SCHEDULING

Thanks again are in order thanks to Sean Moran who has upgraded our scheduling system! Our newest players were seamlessly added to the site and all are getting used to the new processes. A few reminders:

- Check the system everyday by 9:15am, with or without the email email notice. The Announcements page is being used to remind players of same day open spots, weather notices and other important reminders
- Update your vacation and time away Exceptions so that the system will not invite you to games while you are on vacation
- Update your Availability so the system will not invite you to games on days you will not play. Note that availability will limit the times you are invited to along with the days. We rotate level games and their times so by limiting yourself to "only 5:30" for example you may miss an opportunity for a game that day

Level Totals:

- 1/2 - 29
- 3 - 24
- 4 - 31
- 5 - 24
- 6 - 26
- 7 - 19

NOTE - We use the Availability data to determine how many games to offer each week for each level, by day. The goal is to ensure each player is invited to a minimum of 2 games at their level per week.

Due to the number of new players, and the effect of snowbirds we continue to adjust the daily schedule to meet player needs. Tuesday and Thursday will usually have one game per level and Wednesday will usually have one game for levels 3, 4, 5 and 6. The other days are on a rotation as we monitor interest and enrollment.

***Monday -** Only the North Side of the pool is available
****Sunday -** Open Play for the community and non-league members is from 2-3:30 every Sunday. League players may also play at that time however no formal games will be scheduled

Day	1st Session	2nd Session	3rd Session
Monday*	5:30 - 7:00 pm	7:00 - 8:30 pm	N/A
Tuesday	4:00 - 5:30 pm	5:30 - 7:00 pm	7:00 - 8:30 pm
Wednesday	5:30 - 7:00 pm	7:00 - 8:30 pm	N/A
Thursday	4:00 - 5:30 pm	5:30 - 7:00 pm	7:00 - 8:30 pm
Saturday	2:00 - 3:30 pm	3:30 - 5:00 pm	5:00 - 6:30 pm
Sunday**	3:30 - 5:00 pm	5:00 - 6:30 pm	N/A