

2025 Summer Kernersville Parks and Recreation Volleyball Regular Season Post-Season Write-Up

Written by Brandon Bullins

Kernersville, N.C. – Kernersville Parks and Recreation tipped off its first ever Adult Volleyball League this past Summer. The league hosted 12 teams, varying in skill levels, all competing to take home the crown and be called champions. Teams played in a round-robin style format, where each team played each other once. The regular season spanned five weeks, and offered a 2-week double-elimination tournament.

The first week of action is considered the most interesting in the start of any sports season. Teams play together for the first time against another opponent, chemistry is beginning to be built, frustrations and success' rise and fall. That was no different in the case of KPRD's first week of volleyball. Teams like Hits n Giggles, led by Robert Lewallyn, went 1-1 on the first night. After losing a close game to the Lousy Tippers in the first game of the season, they went on to have plenty of success, finishing with an 8-3 record. Cook, captained by Seja Cook, also split wins and losses on the first night, defeating the Block Party Crashers yet falling to Dig Down, Pass Up. Cook winded up being the #1 seed in the Silver Bracket for the tournament.

Dig Down, Pass Up, chaperoned by Deion Oakes, found themselves in the middle-of-the-pack by the end of the season. They had impressive performances though, winning 4 out of their first 5 games and taking teams deep into sets. Their counterpart, Tape Warriors, finished with the same record. Headed by Izaiah Atil, Tape Warriors also won 4 out of their first 5 games. Their most impressive win coming against Dig Down, Pass Up. Taken to 3 sets, Tape Warriors were scrappy enough to best Dig Down, Pass Up, final set being 15 to 8.

Teams like Mark 10:45, Block Party Crashers, and Dig Dynasty struggled finding W's on the year, but competed well and showed plenty of improvement throughout the season. In week 4 of the season, Mark 10:45, anchored by Tara Merrill, and Dig Dynasty had their best nights of the season. Mark 10:45 took the Free Agent Team and Dig Dynasty down to the wire in both games. Dig Dynasty, helmed by Amber Idol, found the win column against Mark 10:45, and also took the Free Agent Team to a close 21 to 17 set in week 4. Free Agent Team winded up winning both games. The Block Party Crashers, steered by Vicky Musumeci, didn't catch fire until the tournament, only winning 2 games on the regular season. Those 2 wins gave them the #3 seed in the Silver Bracket, yet found themselves competing for the championship game in the Silver Bracket shortly after.

On the flipside of the standings, The Menu and Lousy Tippers couldn't keep themselves out of the win column. On June 24th, The Tippers and The Menu found themselves in a dog-fight against each other. Both sides going back and forth, yet no one pulling away. In the final set the score was tied 15-15. The Menu scrapped together the last 2 points to win 17 to 15 in a nail-biter. Lousy Tippers, commanded by Kyle Bohn, didn't take the loss lightly. They would soon see The Menu again in the playoffs. Gisele De La Rosa, captain of The Menu, finished the regular season with a perfect 11-0 record.

Two very strong teams that competed well include The Blockade and the Power of 6. The Blockade stumbled early in the year, finding themselves with a 1-2 record going into game 4. They would not take another loss until the final night of the regular season, finishing with an outstanding 8-3 record. Power of 6 started off the season red-hot. Daniel Pessoa, team leader of Power of 6, started of with a 6-0 record, how fitting. Collecting one more win before the end of the year, they finished with a 7-4 record, being the #5 seed going into the Gold Bracket tournament.



2025 Summer Kernersville Parks and Recreation Volleyball Tournament Post-Season Write-Up

Written by Jaree Abney

Kernersville, N.C. – For the first time ever, the Kernersville Parks and Recreation Department hosted a volleyball tournament to cap off a successful inaugural season. The postseason featured a double-elimination format, split into two brackets: Gold and Silver.

Silver Bracket Cinderella Story

The Silver Bracket saw an underdog rise in dramatic fashion. Team Cook defeated Block Party Crashers in the first game of the regular season. Despite the early season loss, Block Party Crashers pulled off an upset against Team Cook in the semifinals—the #1 seed in the Silver Bracket.

Block Party Crashers, who finished the regular season just 2–9, came alive in the playoffs. They made a stunning run all the way to the championship match, ultimately falling to the Free Agent Team in a hard-fought three-set battle.

Gold Bracket Drama

In the Gold Bracket, things heated up quickly. Hits and Giggles turned heads throughout the playoffs. Short on players but big on heart, they battled through adversity and earned the league's respect. Though they eventually fell to The Menu, their gritty performance against Power of 6 was one for the books.

The semifinals delivered with high stakes and high energy. In a rematch full of fire, The Menu defeated Lousy Tippers in straight sets, punching their ticket to the championship and preserving their perfect season.

Championship Showdown

The Championship featured a third and final postseason clash between The Menu and Lousy Tippers. Emotions ran high as both teams gave it everything they had. In the end, The Menu capped their miraculous season with a thrilling three-set victory, cementing their place as champions of the Gold Bracket.

Looking Ahead

With a memorable first season in the books, Kernersville Parks and Recreation is excited to announce the next volleyball league will begin in **September 2025**. Stay tuned for sign-ups and more thrilling action on the court!