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ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Name of organization: Mammoth Club Volleyball (MCV) **Website:** N/A

Mailing address: P.O. Box 1547 **State:** CA **Zip:** 93546

Chair/President/Commissioner: Heidi Thompson-Director, Heidi Presson-Co-Director, Nancy Cauzza-Head Coach

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Treasurer: Cindy Podosin

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Tax ID Number: In Process

If you do not have a Tax ID number, has one been requested? Yes No

Purpose of organization:

- 1. To provide a healthy activity opportunity for as many volleyball players in Mammoth Lakes as are interested. Our goal is to promote a healthy lifestyle and exemplary sportsmanship for all of our participants.
- 1. To provide a year-round opportunity for Mammoth Lakes Youth to play volleyball.
- 2. To develop players' skills to allow for a high level of competitiveness in the sport of volleyball.
- 3. To develop players' skills allowing our Mammoth High School team to elevate its level of play and CIF success.
- 4. To provide opportunities for players equal to those of players in urban areas who have had access to year-round volleyball experience for years. MCV will now provide the experience that could lead to college scholarship opportunities.
- 5. To establish a volleyball club that is equally accessible to all interested participants with fundraising and outside funding sources.

FUNDING INFORMATION

Amount of funding request: \$5,000

Please describe how the funds received in 2014 were spent: N/A -2015 is the first year of MCV's existence.



Please describe how the requested funding for 2015 will be used:

1. Equipment/Uniforms

a. Nets-Currently MCV is borrowing two net systems from Mammoth Middle School. We need to purchase two of our own gym net systems, and a portable grass net system to allow player development outside of gym availability.

b. Balls/carts-MCV, with initial player fees, has purchased 12 volleyballs. With 26 players this season and a higher number anticipated in following years, we need to significantly increase our number of practice volleyballs.

c. Uniforms-In order to participate in Southern California Volleyball Association competitions (under the USA Volleyball umbrella), we will need uniform jerseys that meet specific uniform design requirements for all participants.

2. Coaches' Stipend-As the organization progresses in level and popularity we have set a goal to pursue dedicated, quality coaches. We believe the ability to offer a coaching stipend will allow this goal to be more reasonably met.

3. The MCV Board feels strongly toward supporting underprivileged players. We will make a commitment to accommodate scholarship requests as they are presented.

4. Out of town competition fees-MCV does not have access to facilities and/or local area club organizations to facilitate local volleyball competitions. In order to participate in the SCVA competitions, it is necessary for us to travel to Southern California for the Mandatory events each season.

What other sources have you pursued to obtain funding? (e.g.: fundraising events, grants, increased participant fees?) Please attach any information that will assist in establishing the funding history of the organization.

1. Player Fees

2. Fundraising-including See's Candy sales, reusable shopping bag sales, car washes, and bake sales.

3. We plan to pursue local business sponsorships to support our organization in the future. We are hoping for local business support but are sensitive to the numerous requests local businesses currently address from local community organizations.

Do you have a Facility Use Agreement with the Town of Mammoth Lakes? Yes No X



Are any Town resources (e.g., parks, fields or facilities) used by the organization? Yes No

If yes, indicate the nature of the usage, the estimated number of participant hours, and any expenses incurred by your organization for the prep and maintenance of the facility used by your organization.

We have established our primary practice location to be the Mammoth Middle School gym. Its availability is limited, and facility rental cost prohibitive to our above-stated goals of keeping MCV accessible to ALL interested players. Currently, the Mammoth Unified School District Facility Use Policies dictate facility usage to be free for non-profit organizations only prior to 5pm on weekdays, and completely unavailable beginning June 1, 2015. MCV would like to expand and develop our practice ability in good weather, to Shady Rest Park sand courts and grass areas with above mentioned purchase of a portable grass net system. We believe additional practice locations and times will be imperative to our player development goals, and see extreme value to our program, in the TOML park availability and freedom from rental fees.

We estimate use of Town park (with ability to purchase portable net system) to be approximately 6-7 hours per week with 3x/week practices beginning June 1, 2015.

We do not anticipate significant cost to our organization necessary for the prep and/or maintenance of the park for our use.

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Duration of the program's season (days per year):

The Southern California Volleyball Association (SCVA) competition season begins in January and ends in June. For an estimated total of 180 days.

Number of registered youth participants in 2014:

26 participants currently, in our initial, 2015 season

Percentage of Mammoth Lakes area full-time residents (including Crowley and other nearby areas):

100%

Number of adult volunteer hours involved with the program (specific program set up, maintenance, etc. – provide details):

We are an all-volunteer organization at this point with a three member board and the following committees made up of parent volunteers:

~Legal Committee-with the assistance of the Legal Committee we are in the process of learning and implementing the process of becoming a non-profit organization (application is being completed, and EIN number has been obtained).

~Fundraising Committee-This committee is analyzing, organizing and implementing fundraising efforts for MCV.

~Travel Committee-The Travel Committee assists the club with travel arrangements for all of the club's out of town competitions.



~Coaching Committee-This committee's role is to establish the coaching needs and personnel for MCV moving forward.

The estimated volunteer hours from the above listed and described committees is 5 hours per week.

There are three founding members of the MCV Board: Heidi Thompson, Heidi Presson and Nancy Cauzza. The combined volunteer hours for the three founding members' participation equal approximately 20 hours per week from December 2014-present. This estimate includes time devoted to:

- ~Establishment of feasibility of the program in regards to cost, logistics, organization and communication with the umbrella organization (SCVA).
- ~Facility use process, including extensive time, inquiry and negotiation with Mammoth Unified School District and Snowcreek Athletic Club to establish gym practice facilities.
- ~Organization, publication, and execution of initial try-out event (February 5, 2015).
- ~Coordination of adult volunteer participants in the try-out event (MHS Varsity and JV coaches, MMS coaches, MCV Head Coach, two local volleyball players/former coaches).
- ~Selection and organization of two teams (one team to travel to tournaments (Avalanche Team) , one team to develop skills and prepare to travel to future tournaments (Blizzard Team).
- ~Consultation with experienced club coaches, directors and players in and out of our local area.
- ~Registration of all MCV players with SCVA to establish membership in the USA Volleyball organization and liability insurance that covers players in practice and competitive events.
- ~Planning practice activities and drills to implement during regular practices.
- ~Coaching 3X/per week for 1.5-2 hours each session.
- ~Organization of inter-club scrimmages with SCVA Club team in Bishop.
- ~Parent information meetings and phone/email communication.
- ~Travel to, and participation in registering, coaching and assistant refereeing SCVA competitive events throughout the MCV season approximately 2X/month.

What type of measures or procedures do you take to promote good sportsmanship among the players, coaches and parents? Are there policies in place to discourage abusive behavior and language towards participants, coaches and officials?

MCV has written and requires agreement to the attached player contract for all members of the Avalanche Team in order to participate as members of MCV. The contract specifically addresses expectations of player and parent behavior as related to sportsmanship, treatment of adults and players in our organization, and additional behavioral expectations of players and adult participants.



Outside of your program, what type of community programs or projects does your organization participate in?

We have set a club goal of providing a development clinic for 4th and 5th grade girls at Mammoth Elementary School.

We also plan to volunteer at various community events as needed and requested.

Please feel free to provide any additional information you feel pertinent that would aid us in evaluating your request.

In the Fall, 2014 Mammoth Middle School Volleyball season, there were 60 + girls who participated in the program. We take this number as a strong indicator as to the level of interest amongst Mammoth youth in the sport of volleyball. This year, we have gotten off the ground on a shoestring budget, powered entirely by the dedication of a small group of volunteers. We understand the necessity of starting the way we did, to establish the program and make it affordable to all players interested in the sport. We are committed to the continuation of an affordable program for all interested volleyball players and our determined efforts toward fundraising and solicitation of outside funding sources is the only avenue toward meeting that goal.

Bishop also has a club volleyball program under SCVA. They are currently operating with two teams, and their small number of participants (16 players total between the two teams), and lack of outside funding and fundraising necessitates a player fee that is twice as much as we are currently requiring of our players. We feel sure their small number is directly correspondent with the amount in fees they must pay to participate. Two of their players are Mammoth residents. Several others (also Mammoth residents) wish to have had the opportunity, but do not based on the cost. Their structure is extremely similar to ours in that all of the adults involved (director, co-director and coaches) work voluntarily, without stipend or pay of any other sort.

We are determined not to create and/or maintain an exclusive program, but one accessible to all interested players.

We have also learned that membership in Volleyball clubs in Southern California come at a cost of between \$3,000 and \$5,000 depending on the reputation of the club, the number of tournaments played, and the travel expenses incurred during the season (most of which is local travel in Southern California).

Travel is a more significant expense for our club than it is for any of the clubs we compete against. Bishop travels second furthest to SCVA competitions, but we travel from the furthest distance. None of the travel related expenses are included in our budget. We require of our players, in addition to the player fees, 100% of travel and accommodation expenses; thus the importance of keeping fees as low as possible for our players.

Thank you, Town of Mammoth Lakes, for valuing our program and considering support in the way of Youth Sports Funding.



IMPORTANT: Please attach your organizations current fiscal year budget (P&L), detailing all revenues and expenditures to this form.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE TOWN OF MAMMOTH LAKES RECREATION DEPARTMENT, LOCATED AT 437 OLD MAMMOTH ROAD BY FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2015 BY 5:00 P.M.
TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, OR ASSISTANCE, PLEASE CALL (760) 934-8989 EXT. 237 OR EXT. 222.

MAMMOTH CLUB VOLLEYBALL (MCV)
Congratulations! Your hard work at tryouts has earned you a position on the Mammoth Club Volleyball Team.

Time commitment for volleyball

Like all worthwhile extra-curricular activities, club sports require a substantial commitment. Volleyball—an ultimate TEAM sport—demands that diverse individuals work as one, in a fast-paced test of coordination, concentration and—above all—cooperation. Building a team requires a commitment of everyone's TIME.

Our season is short...focus during the brief period is incredibly important.

As a member of the MCV team, you are expected to:

Attend every practice

Skills training, lesson plans and game preparations are all built one step on top of another. Our coach will not have the opportunity to help players “catch up.” If you know you must miss a practice, you must call in advance. Multiple absences at practice may lead to the inability of a player to travel and may ultimately lead to removal from the team.

MCV TEAM PHILOSOPHY

Few athletic endeavors require as much teamwork; rarely does a sport reward hard work so completely. Athletes who study the game and apply the lessons learned relish every opportunity to practice and play. Spectators who watch competitive volleyball for the first time are easily hooked.

We love volleyball as much as you do. We are committed to the players as students, as athletes, and as young women. It is our goal to provide every opportunity for players to become as good as they want to be. More important, they strive to help the players and the teammates become the best team they can be.

The Team comes first

As an MCV player, you agree that the team is paramount. Your individual goals and your team's goals do not necessarily conflict, but when they do, you accept that decisions are made for the good of the team. Successes are sweeter—setbacks sting less—when they are shared.

Rules help our team run smoothly

Each player must decide if she buys into our system and is willing to commit to this team. Every rule is for the benefit of the team, and you have to decide, in advance, whether you want to follow them. If not, you should not be part of the team.

Our team thrives on trust and respect

There may be disagreements on, or off the court over the course of the season, but all disagreements are left at the gym door on the way in...once inside, we are a team. No drama will be tolerated at any time. You must trust your coach and your teammates, and behave in a way that earns their respect. You must do everything reasonably necessary to make yourself and your team better. You must treat your coaches and teammates with respect at all times.

Our athletes learn to be coachable

There is often more than one way to do things correctly. In some cases, however, your coaches will select a specific strategy for the benefit of the entire team, even if it may not seem to benefit a particular individual. You must be willing to make changes according to your coaches' suggestions. If coaches seem to be 'riding' you, it is usually because they think you are capable of a higher level of performance.

Our team works hard

Everyone wants to win--few make the sacrifices to do it. No one will give you anything in life, you must earn it. You cannot cut corners.

Our team has balance

To balance academics, athletics, work and family, you must plan ahead and make difficult choices. The choices you make will affect your future opportunities. Choose wisely.

On our team, practice time and bench time is playing time

As an MCV player, you maintain the same focus and enthusiasm whether you are between the lines or on the bench. You accept that playing time is decided by the coach for the good of the team in the circumstances of the moment. You know that our bench is our secret weapon: every player has her head in the game at every moment, and is ready to come in at any opportunity.

Our team can be successful

Your coaches want you to know that almost any obstacle can be overcome with hard work. Commitment, perseverance, and responsibility will be rewarded.

Our team has fun

Volleyball is one of the most fun sports in the world. You know you've chosen the right sport if you can't wait to get back in the gym, and absolutely love stepping on the court with your friends and teammates every chance you get.

PARENT EXPECTATIONS

Parents will be central to the success of the MCV program.

Communicating with coaches

We understand the parenting joys and frustrations that can accompany youth athletics. We are glad to speak with you about your daughter, but ask that you:

- Insist that your daughter work out volleyball-related issues directly with her coach before enlisting your assistance. Learning to deal with authority figures is one of the supreme benefits of participation in organized sports.
- Avoid jumping to conclusions. Remember that some teenagers tend to exaggerate both when praised and criticized, and that decisions about complicated issues like playing time are usually the product of many factors.

Time to think

If you are concerned about a volleyball-related issue that requires you to speak directly with a coach, we ask that you take time after the triggering event. Cooler heads are inevitably more productive. We always enjoy chatting with parents at the conclusion of matches, but cannot address non-emergency issues at that time. We also cannot interrupt practice sessions.

Sportsmanship

All parents and players are expected to demonstrate the highest level of sportsmanship while representing MCV. Please cheer for our team's efforts and successes. Parents and other fans should never celebrate our opponents' mistakes.

- While in the stands, keep all comments positive—remember, you are sitting among parents, grandparents, and friends of all the players—ours and the opposing team. Please do not compare the skill or attitude of your daughter out loud with other members of the team.
- Volleyball officials are off-limits to parents. Refrain from yelling at them before, during and after the game—no matter what the perceived error or injustice. The coaches believe players must learn to perform under adversity, and to not waste emotion or effort on things not within their control.
- Take the time to learn more about volleyball rules and strategy. What sometimes seems like a bad call or a poor coaching decision often looks much different if you have a more detailed appreciation for the nuances of this sometimes complicated sport.

Playing Time

For coaches, delegating playing time is a zero-sum exercise; the decision to give one player more time on the court means another player will get

less. As such, all good coaches know that with each decision, however well-considered, comes the likelihood that someone will be disappointed.

- Strong teams have strong benches. Players who keep focused on the match while not on the court greatly increase their chances of success once they enter the game. Spirited bench players almost always infect their teammates with optimism and extra energy.
- Lineup decisions are primarily the result of careful consideration about our own team's chemistry, and our opponent's strength and weaknesses. Playing time is earned by proven performance, hard work, and an occasional hunch. Coaches take a season-long view about each player's time on the court.

Parents should resist measuring their daughter's volleyball experience solely by the amount of her playing time. We strive to inject each player with a love for the sport, teaching her to value the opportunity to be strong and confident--whether in practice or a game.

I have read, and I accept the conditions of Mammoth Club Volleyball.

Student-Athlete Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

	Quantity	Cost	Total
Uniforms Avalanche/U14	12	\$ 40.00	\$ 480.00
Uniforms Blizzard/U13	14	\$ 40.00	\$ 560.00
Uniforms - U16s	12	\$ 40.00	\$ 480.00
Balls	36	\$ 25.00	\$ 900.00
carts	3	\$110	\$ 330.00
nets	3	\$ 800.00	\$ 2,400.00
score cards	3	\$ 45.00	\$ 135.00
training equip	1	\$ 400.00	\$ 400.00
Tourneys/3 teams@9ea	27	\$ 250.00	\$ 6,750.00
Soireee/end of season	3	\$ 800.00	\$ 2,400.00
Coach stipend	3	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 6,000.00
storage unit/year	12	\$ 150.00	\$ 1,800.00
facility fee/hr/season	47	\$ 70.00	\$ 3,290.00
board meetings	4	\$150	\$ 600.00
legal fees	1	\$1,000	\$ 1,000.00
professional dev/training	3	\$500	\$ 1,500.00
marketing	1	\$500	\$ 500.00
			\$ 29,525.00

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Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Program Income			
Membership Dues			4,050.00
Total Program Income			4,050.00
Total Income			4,050.00
Expense			
Business Expenses			
Business Registration Fees			47.50
Registration fees - SCVA			290.00
Total Business Expenses			337.50
Facilities and Equipment			
Equipment			490.01
Uniforms			922.97
Total Facilities and Equipment			1,412.98
Operations			
Postage, Mailing Service			33.71
Total Operations			33.71
Travel and Meetings			
Board Meetings			116.12
Competition Registration			770.00
Total Travel and Meetings			886.12
Total Expense			2,670.31
Net Ordinary Income			1,379.69
Net Income			1,379.69