

2024

AVCA Thirty Under 30 Beach



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Head Coach Men's and Women's Beach Volleyball

Career Accomplishments to Date:

- AVCA Men's Beach Volleyball National Championships, 3rd Place, 2023
- Over 10 D1 college commitments from CHRVA
- Marine Corps College Coaches Workshop Participant 2024

Coaching Roles:

- Webber International University, Head Coach Men's and Women's Beach Volleyball, July 2024-Present
- Webber International University, Head Coach Men's Beach Volleyball, September 2023-June 2024
- Jacksonville University, Assistant Coach Beach Volleyball, January-May 2024
- USAV Beach, Accelerator Coach, September 2023-Present

- Sandsharks Dewey Beach Volleyball Club, Head Coach, May 2019-Present
- Dynamic Volleyball Academy, Coach and Camp Director, May 2018-August 2019
- Chesapeake Region Volleyball Association, Development Program Coach, May 2016-August 2017

What made you decide to get into coaching volleyball?

Beach volleyball opened many doors in my life, from travel opportunities to playing at the University of Oregon. Each of those opportunities has made me who I am. Through those experiences, I have had a range of extremely positive to negative interactions and relationships with my coaches. I decided to coach volleyball to ensure that student-athletes had more positive careers fostered by a coach who supports them as students, athletes, and people. Sports make people better, and I coach to create an environment that emphasizes that idea.

What are your career goals in the sport?

- AVCA Men's Beach Volleyball National Championship
- Bring an NCAA D1 Beach Volleyball program into the Top 20



Which coaches have influenced you the most?

- Kelly and Joe Bonner- my team head coach and the technical director for South River Volleyball Club. They both fostered my love for volleyball and positively impacted my experience with the sport.
- Dylan Hough- JU Head coach who made me a better coach and redefined my perspective on what a coach can be to their players
- Janice Harrer- UO coach who fostered a love and appreciation for beach volleyball every day, through thick and thin
- David Fischer- Coach Fischer was my first beach volleyball coach. His amazing passion for the game started my lifelong journey with the sport.

What do you enjoy most about your coaching job?

Every day is different. I love the administrative budgeting and travel arrangements. The chance to think up a new drill or introduce a new topic. Getting to work with a student-athlete to face a challenge in school or life. I love learning from coaches from different sports or schools. The opportunity to grow and adapt alongside student-athletes who share a passion for the amazing sport we get to play is an honor. Each day brings challenges, but the joy coaching brings is always more.

