

# FLORIDA STATE

2015 MEDIA GUIDE

# sand VOLLEYBALL 2015



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## THE FLORIDA STATE SAND VOLLEYBALL COMPLEX



# FSU SAND VOLLEYBALL FACTS

## AN EMERGING SPORT

- Entering its fourth season of collegiate competition, sand volleyball is the fastest growing “emerging sport” in NCAA history.
- In 2014, sand volleyball has passed the important threshold of 40 sanctioned programs. With 55 schools participating this season, sand volleyball has qualified for an NCAA National Championship in 2016.
- Sand volleyball has six scholarships to divide among a roster of 15 players in 2015.
- Players will not wear the “traditional” sand volleyball uniform of a bikini. The AVCA concept calls for a two-piece uniform- shorts or briefs and a top, or a one-piece.

## THE RULES

- Each team competition is called a “dual” and will consist of five matches of pairs. The winning team will need to win three matches in a best-of-five format. The separate matches will be conducted as best-of-three set competitions, with rally scoring to 21 in the first two sets and to 15 in the third. Teams must win by at least two points in all cases.
- Sand volleyball differs from court volleyball in ways other than the numbers of players. No open hand tipping is allowed. The block touch is allowed as the first of three allowable contacts. Coaches may only speak to players or give any feedback during time-outs or in between sets. Finally, to mitigate the impact of the sun and wind, the players switch sides of the court every seven points in a 21 point set and every five points in a 15 point set. The court is smaller at 8’ m x 8’ m, while indoor is 9’ m x 9’ m.

## AT FLORIDA STATE

- Head Coach Danalee Corso was the first full-time sand volleyball coach in the country.
- FSU’s inaugural sand volleyball team featured 16 players: nine sand-only players and seven players from the FSU indoor squad. The 2015 team has 23 players - 17 sand-only players and six players from the indoor team.
- If a player has an indoor volleyball scholarship, they can play sand volleyball, but a sand volleyball scholarship athlete cannot play on the indoor volleyball team.

## GAMEDAY IN TALLAHASSEE

- All competitions will be played at the sand volleyball courts, located north of the soccer and softball complex and between the track and field complex and the parking garage.
- Parking will be available in the lot across from the courts and in the adjacent parking garage.
- Spectators are encouraged to bring their own lawn chairs to the event, but there will also be eight sets of bleachers.
- No alcohol is permitted. No dogs are allowed. Tents behind the bleachers are permissible.

# 2015 SEASON PREVIEW

Fourth-year Florida State sand volleyball head coach Danalee Corso knows she won’t have to worry about motivating the Seminoles in 2015.

Not after coming within two points of defeating Pepperdine in the National Championship Final last May.

“I think being that close and being that successful has really motivated us all year round,” Corso said. “Right after the national championship, everyone was motivated to play all summer. They couldn’t wait to get back to playing in the fall.”

“We want to come out really strong. Our goal is to be undefeated this season. We have a tough schedule and we play some tough teams in California. We’ve still got some things to work on and some partnerships to figure out, but we are feeling really confident.”

Corso has reason to be confident because the Seminoles return eight of the 10 players who competed at the 2014 National Championships, including four seniors who have had a major impact since arriving on campus as freshmen on the first FSU sand volleyball team in 2011.

Since seniors Jace Pardon, Stephanie Pellitteri, Melanie Pavels and Sarah Wickstrom began their college careers, sand volleyball as a collegiate sport has continued to grow - and Florida State has grown along with it.

The Seminoles advanced to the National Semifinals in 2012 and 2013, before finishing runner-up in 2014 - the third year of the college sport.

Pardon, Pellitteri, Pavels and Wickstrom have been starters, leaders and catalysts every year, propelling the Seminoles to an all-time dual match record of 46-3 in regular season play and the title of best program on the East Coast.

The senior quartet’s final mission is to bring the national championship to Tallahassee.

“We are all super excited,” said Pardon, a two-time All-American. “Last year’s finish left us so hungry. We’ve had a long offseason and we are ready to go out and get after that national championship.”

Last season’s close finish has pushed them for nearly a full year. The seniors will get help from several players including juniors Nina Pellitteri and Julie Brown, fifth-year transfer Taylor Nyquist, who starred at Jacksonville University, and freshman Tory Paranagua, who captured first-place at the USA Volleyball High Performance



U-21 Championships over the summer.

Corso will be relying on her seniors to lead the way.

“This is my first group of players that I’ve had for four years in college,” Corso said. “I’ve really enjoyed what they’ve been able to accomplish off the court to develop this winning culture. A lot of them have been leaders since they first got here. It’ll be easier moving forward now that we have defined that culture.”

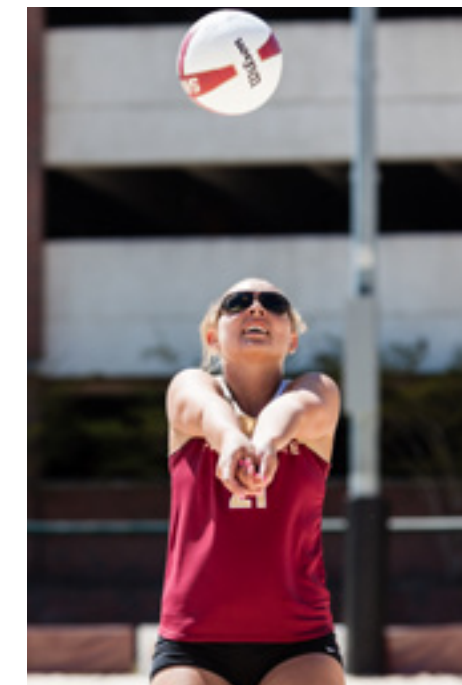
The Seminoles’ spring schedule will open on March 7 in DeLand, Fla. against Stetson and FIU before a week-long trip to the West Coast.

In California, Florida State faces Irvine Valley College and perennial power Long Beach State on March 10 in Huntington Beach.

The next day FSU will look to enact some revenge versus defending national champion Pepperdine in Huntington Beach on March 11. The Seminoles fell 3-2 to the Waves in a back-and-forth National Championship final last May.

Florida State will wrap up its California trip against Southern California and Loyola Marymount in Los Angeles, Calif. on March 13-14.

“We’re playing the top teams in the nation on our California trip,” Corso said. “We’ll face USC,



Long Beach State and be hosted by Pepperdine for the first time. They are the defending national champions. We should be in great position to hold the top spot in the rankings after that trip.”

Following the West Coast trip, the Seminoles will travel to Columbia, South Carolina to face the host Gamecocks, Arizona State, Tulane and UAB from March 20-22 before meeting Gulf Coast State College in Panama City, Fla. on March 28.

Florida State, the 2014 National Championship runner-up, will host a pair of events in April at the FSU Sand Volleyball Complex, welcoming LSU, ULM and Carson Newman on April 7 before hosting Georgia State, UAB and Eckerd College for dual and pair play on April 18 and 19.

“Our home events will be exciting and competitive,” Corso said. “We’ll host some great teams. LSU and ULM are two of the best in our region. That will be a great test and likely on a Tuesday night under the lights which will be a blast and something we haven’t done before. Our other home event is important to prepare us for the National Championships. We will set it up similar to the national tournament. It’s the last weekend for nominations for Gulf Shores so we will be looking to close strong.”

After hosting LSU, ULM and Carson Newman on April 7, FSU will make its annual trip down to Siesta Key for its yearly tournament. There, the Noles will open against Florida Atlantic on April 10 and participate in the nation’s largest tournament on April 11-12.

The Seminoles will wrap up their regular season schedule at home on April 18-19 and then likely prepare for the AVCA National Championships in Gulf Shore from May 1-3.

“This is the strongest team we’ve ever had,” Corso said. “We have eight girls that have played at either the No. 1 or 2 position on the team at some point in their career. We return two All-Americans so we will go into the season very confident. I’m excited about the season and can’t wait for it to start.”



# THE TEAM - BREAKDOWN



## 2015 Roster

No.	Name	Height	Year	Hometown/Last School
1	Melanie Pavels	5-8	SR	North Woodmere, N.Y./Pace University
3	Kristina Pellitteri	5-9	JR	Deerfield Beach, Fla./Pompano Beach High School
4	Stephanie Pellitteri	5-8	SR	Deerfield Beach, Fla./Pompano Beach High School
5	Cecilie Woie	5-5	FR	Alsvag, Norway/OSKIL
11	Kayla Joyce	5-8	JR	Oviedo, Fla./Oviedo High School
12	Vanessa Freire	5-10	FR	Windermere, Fla./Lake Highland Preparatory
13	Julia Thompson	5-10	SO	Fox River Grove, Ill./Barrington High School
14	Meghan Conway	5-7	FR	Stuart, Fla./Jensen Beach High School
15	Blyss Harkness	5-8	R-SO	Tallahassee, Fla./Chiles High School
20	Sarah Wickstrom	5-11	SR	Stuart, Fla./Jensen Beach High School
21	Jace Pardon	5-10	SR	Manhattan Beach, Calif./Mira Costa High School
22	Sierra Sanchez	6-0	SO	Valencia, Calif./Valencia High School
25	Victoria Paranagua	5-11	FR	Austin, Texas/Anderson High School
30	Julie Brown	6-0	JR	Oviedo, Fla./Oviedo High School
31	Milica Kubura	6-4	FR	Belgrade, Serbia/3rd Belgrade High School
32	Katherine Plessy	5-11	SO	Marietta, Ga./Walton High School
33	Annie Montgomery	6-0	JR	Sarasota, Fla./Cardinal Mooney High School
34	Hailey Luke	6-0	SO	Altamonte Springs, Fla./Lake Brantley High School
35	Katie Horton	6-1	SO	Westland, Mich./Wayne Memorial High School
40	Breana Edwards	6-3	FR	Jacksonville, Fla./Bishop Kenny High School
41	Karlie Hauer	5-11	JR	Andover, Minn./Andover High School
42	Taylor Nyquist	6-0	GR	Dallas, Texas/Jacksonville University
43	Christina Ambrose	5-11	R-FR	Winter Park, Fla./Purdue

**Head Coach:** Danalee Corso  
**Assistant Coach:** Brian Corso  
**Assistant Coach:** Tyler Berry

# DANALEE CORSO



**Head Coach**  
 4th Season  
 Career Record: 52-9

Over three years ago, Florida State made a commitment to field a premier collegiate sand volleyball program by hiring Danalee Corso (formerly Danalee Bragado), a former professional beach volleyball player and coach.

Entering collegiate sand volleyball's fourth season, and her fourth at the helm of FSU, Corso and the Seminoles have exceeded all expectations as Florida State has become the nation's top program on the East Coast.

FSU is a bona fide juggernaut as sand volleyball enters its final year of emerging sport status with NCAA sponsorship on the horizon.

Corso has been the architect of an FSU sand volleyball program that has produced seven All-America honorees, advanced to three consecutive AVCA National Championship Final Fours and collected a 46-3 mark in regular season dual match competition.

In 2014, FSU nearly captured the AVCA National Championship, battling Pepperdine to the final point in a back-and-forth match before falling 3-2.

Junior Jace Pardon and senior Aurora Davis both garnered their second All-America honors, while junior Stephanie Pellitteri and her sister, sophomore Nina Pellitteri, won 25 matches and were a win away from also capturing All-America accolades.

As one of the most respected teachers of sport in the world, Corso has built the Seminole program from the ground up. Her detailed instruction, motivation, recruiting and vision jumpstarted the Garnet and Gold to the top of sport from the beginning.

FSU was at the forefront of sand volleyball's first season of collegiate competition in 2012. The Seminoles hired Corso as the nation's first full-time head coach in the summer of 2011 and she went to work building and preparing a championship caliber team. The results were impressive to say the least.

In her first season, the Seminoles didn't lose a regular season dual match, sporting a 15-0 mark and a 72-3 overall record in pairs play in dual contests. Florida State also captured the team titles at Clash of Collegians, FSU Sand Tournament, UNF Invitational and the Fiesta at Siesta Key.

The Garnet & Gold won six pairs championships throughout the season and the top tandems of Jekaterina Stepanova and Pardon and Davis (formerly Aurora Newgard) and Brittany Tiegs advanced to the semifinals and quarterfinals, respectively, of the first-ever AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships in Gulf Shores, Ala., in April.

At the national tournament, Stepanova, Newgard and Tiegs earned three of the 10 individual All-America awards from the AVCA.

Florida State finished the 2013 season with a 17-4 dual match record. Corso led the Seminoles to their second consecutive semifinal at the AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships after falling to No. 1 seed and national champion runner-up Pepperdine, 3-2. Top pair and 2013 All-Americans, Pardon and Sarah Wickstrom, reached the pairs quarterfinals at the AVCA

Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships. The 'Noles had big wins against then No. 3 USC in Los Angeles, Calif. and defended their Fiesta at Siesta Team Cup title in Siesta Key, Fla. for the second year in a row.

In 2014, the Seminoles finished 19-3 overall and advanced to their first AVCA National Championship finals.

Davis and Pardon finished the season with a 41-4 record (.911 winning percentage) and held a winning streak of 26 matches in a row including all 52 sets during that span. Davis and Pardon also reached the semifinals of the single-elimination pairs bracket at the AVCA National Championships.

FSU rolled through the 2014 regular season, falling to only then-No. 1 USC, 3-2, in Los Angeles and dropping just eight total sets before the National Championships.

In addition to the success of Pardon, Davis and the Pellitteri sisters, senior Fatma Yildirim wrapped up her career with 32 victories, while Wickstrom picked up 31 wins to help lead the Noles.

FSU's success should come as no surprise since Corso has enjoyed a standout career as a player and coach. She is well-known throughout the beach volleyball circuit after a highly successful professional career both domestically and internationally

Corso was born and raised in Hawaii and graduated from Punahou School. Corso is a graduate of Loyola Marymount University, in Los Angeles, Calif., where she majored in business and played indoor volleyball from



1989-92. She captained the team and was a First Team All-West Coast Conference pick. After graduating she went straight to the women's pro beach tour for one year prior to 13 seasons excelling in several professional double tours. In 1989, Corso played professional court volleyball in Paris, France for Racing Club de Villibeon.

In 2004, Corso received a Brazilian Pro Beach Coaching Accreditation and helped coach the United States National Beach Volleyball Team from 2004-07 as the coach of national team members, Rachel Wacholder and Tyra Turner. She has also coached 2008 Summer Games Olympian Nicole Branagh as well as top professionals Makare Wilson, Michelle More and Suzanne Stonebarger.

In 1993, Corso started Aloha Ball Club, a beach volleyball academy in Hermosa Beach, Calif. In 2004, her husband Brian Corso, another pro beach player joined her in the business which branched out to a full service academy that offers classes and private lessons for amateurs and professionals as well as sport specific fitness training.

She was also head coach of the USA Junior National Beach Team where she coached 12 pairs of men and women that competed at the Under-19 and Under-21 U.S. National Teams, and at the World University Championship (WUC). Her teams' accomplishments included a silver medal in the Boys Under-19 team World Championships and a bronze medal in the Boys WUC.

Some of Corso's greatest playing achievements include being ranked among the top 10 teams for nine years on the USA Volleyball Pro Tour. In 1996, she was the No. 15 ranked team in the world on the FIVB tour. Her finishes include a second place finish at a FIVB World Series event in Osaka, Japan, a third place finish in Deerfield Beach, Fla. on USA Pro Beach Tour and a first place finish at a FIVB Satellite Tournament in Jona, Switzerland. In 1998, on the Switzerland Pro Beach Tour, her team was ranked the No. 1 team of the tour and she was voted MVP. Corso won the 1995 Motherlode Open in Aspen, Colo. Corso also took first place at two NORCECA Tournaments in both San Juan, Puerto Rico and Mexico City in 2003.

Corso and her family moved to Tallahassee after she spent 20 years in Los Angeles. Her husband Brian Corso has a Master's Degree in Sports Science, and coaches with her as the assistant coach of the FSU sand volleyball team. They have two young children, Camryn and Asher.



# SAND VOLLEYBALL STAFF



Assistant Coach  
**BRIAN CORSO**

A former professional beach and indoor volleyball player, Brian Corso is married to Florida State sand volleyball head coach Danalee Corso. He and his wife form a cohesive coaching tandem that has produced three consecutive Final Four appearances for FSU in the AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships.

Following a national runner-up finish at the 2014 National Championship, Florida State has solidified itself as the top sand volleyball team on the East Coast as the sport enters its final year of emerging status with NCAA sponsorship on the horizon.

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Jace Pardon and Aurora Davis finished with a record of 41-4 and each captured their second All-America honors to lead FSU last spring. The pair advanced to the semifinals of the single-elimination pairs bracket at the AVCA National Championships.

Several other Seminoles found success in 2014 led by junior Stephanie Pellitteri and sophomore Nina Pellitteri. The sisters were a match away from earning All-America accolades and nabbed 25 wins, while senior Fatma Yidirim wrapped up her career with 32 victories and junior Sarah Wickstrom picked up 31 wins.

In 2013, FSU had two All-Americans in Pardon and Wickstrom, while finishing third at the 2013 AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships for the second consecutive year. The Seminoles finished 17-4 in the regular season in dual match play.

The Seminoles kicked off the inaugural sand volleyball season in 2012 by placing third at the AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships and collecting three individual All-America honors. FSU captured a 15-0 dual match record in the regular season.

Corso has already coached seven All-Americans in two seasons. Pardon and Davis each have captured two All-America honors, while Wickstrom was tabbed an All-American in 2013, and Jekaterina Stepanova and Brittany Tiegs collected accolades in 2012.

Corso played collegiate indoor volleyball at San Diego State from 1995-99 and was an assistant coach with the University of San Diego in 2002-03. He played on the AVP Tour and was the head coach of the L.A. College's women volleyball team in 2009 in addition to his career as a beach volleyball fitness and conditioning specialist since 2003.

He also coached the Costa Rican junior national squad from 2006-08 and was a USA junior national beach team coach during that same span.

He and Danalee are the proud parents of two young children, Camryn and Asher.



Assistant Coach  
**TYLER BERRY**

Tyler Berry enters his second year as the volunteer assistant coach with the Florida State sand volleyball team.

Berry's arrival in Tallahassee last year coincided with the Seminoles' best season yet, as FSU finished with a 19-3 record and placed second at the AVCA National Championships.

Berry came to the Florida State sand volleyball program after spending a year as a volunteer assistant coach with the women's indoor volleyball program at UW-Milwaukee.

Berry's responsibilities with the Seminoles include operations, administration duties, player development and directing summer camps.

Berry earned his undergraduate degree and played collegiate volleyball at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wis.

Following college, Berry became the beach director and coach for the North Shore Milwaukee Beach junior club boys' volleyball team, training over 80 boys and girls in the club's first year.

Berry grew up in St. Louis, Mo. and played for St. Louis High Performance. His club team won junior boys nationals in 2007. Berry played high school volleyball and earned all-conference and all-state accolades at Kirkwood High School.

He is currently pursuing a master's degree in sports management.



Director of Volleyball  
**CHRIS POOLE**

As Florida State's Director of Volleyball, Seminoles' indoor volleyball head coach Chris Poole has been in charge of developing FSU's newest sport. Poole has been very successful at the helm of the FSU indoor volleyball program since coming to Florida State in 2008.

He has led the Garnet & Gold indoor volleyball team to unprecedented heights, including the Seminoles' and the ACC's first-ever trip to the NCAA Final Four in 2011 and back-to-back seasons with at least 28 wins in 2011 and 2012.

In 2012, the Seminoles won their third Atlantic Coast Conference title under Poole and the program's fourth overall. Florida State finished with a remarkable 28-4 overall record, earning back-to-back conference crowns for the first time in the ACC since Maryland achieved the feat in 2003 and 2004.

In 2013, the Seminoles advanced to the Sweet 16 in the NCAA Tournament and finished second in the Atlantic Coast Conference. FSU finished with a 26-8 overall record and a 16-3 conference record.

The Seminoles tied a school record with the 2011 squad by defeating five AVCA Top 25 opponents and are one of just three teams (Southern California and Western Kentucky) who have garnered 28 wins or better in the last two seasons (2011 and 2012).

Poole has a 130-34 overall record with the Noles, including a 31-3 campaign in 2009.



# SAND VOLLEYBALL SUPPORT STAFF



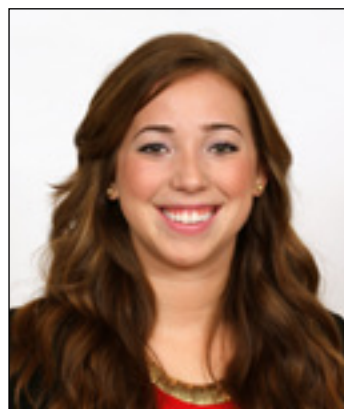
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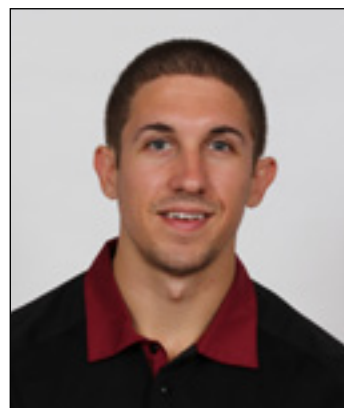
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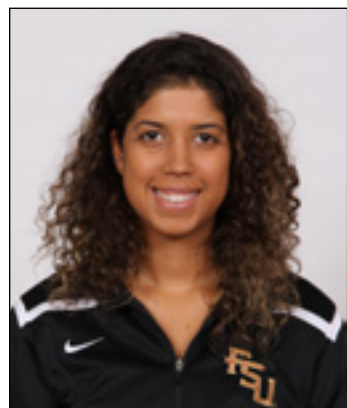
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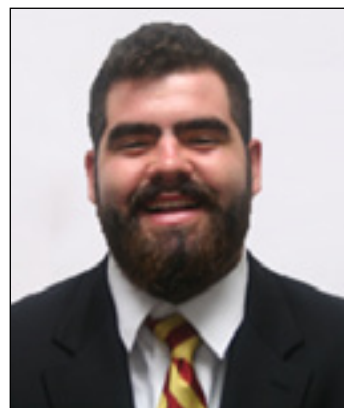
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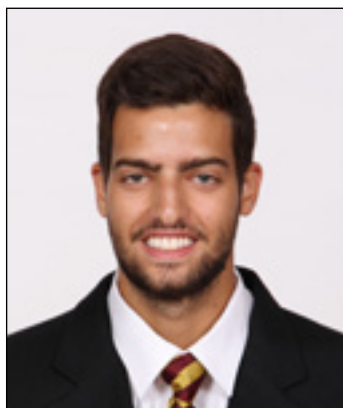
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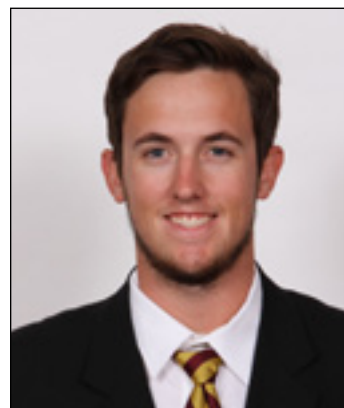
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Manager



**AUSTIN SHEPARD**  
Manager

## FLORIDA STATE RETURNERS



# JACE PARDON

#21

Senior • 5-10

Manhattan Beach, Calif.  
Mira Costa H.S.

### Career Statistics

2012: 45-6 (.882)

2013: 28-12 (.700)

2014: 41-4 (.911)

Total: 114-22 (.838)



### GET TO KNOW JACE

**What are your expectations coming into the season?**

"Before all else, I want to win a national championship. Awards don't mean as much as winning as a team to me."

**What are your strengths as a player?**

"I think that I'm easy to play with. I can play with a lot of different people. I think I'm very calm in pressure situations, and pretty consistent."

**Where is your favorite place in the world to play?**

"Croatia was probably my favorite place. I also liked playing in Portugal, because we won there and the people were really nice."

**Why is community service so important to you?**

"I like helping other people, especially those who don't have a lot. It kind of puts it in perspective, our lives are so good compared to the rest of the world. I think nothing is better than helping others."

**What is your favorite beach?**

"I like California, I was born and raised there... I like Miami. I like Siesta Key. Hawaii are my favorite beaches of all time."

**What are your plans after Florida State?**

"I'm going to try to play beach volleyball professionally."

### Summer (2014)

Grabbed silver medal with Lara Dykstra at the FIVB Beach Volleyball U23 World Championships in Myslowice, Poland, in June, finishing with a 7-2 mark at the tournament...Paired with former FSU All-American Brittany Tiegs to collect the gold medal at the 2014 World University Beach Volleyball Championship in Porto, Portugal in July...Pardon and Tiegs finished 8-2 and defeated Germany's top pair, 21-18, 21-12, to finish first in the 26-team tournament.

### Junior Season (2014)

Named an AVCA All-American for the second consecutive year...Played alongside two-time AVCA All-American teammate Aurora Davis for the entire season...Was Florida State's No. 1 pair and one of the best tandems in the nation...Posted an impressive 41-4 record and a 19-2 dual match record...Won 26 consecutive matches over a two month span and won all 52 sets in those matches...Advanced to the AVCA Pairs National Championship semifinals (May 4)...Opened the first set of the AVCA Pairs National Championship quarterfinals against ULM on a 10-1 run en route to victory, 21-8, 21-15 (May 4)...Made quick work in the first round of the AVCA Pairs National Championships in defeating Stetson, 21-12, 21-9 (May 4)...Helped advance the Seminoles to its first ever AVCA National Championship final...Went 3-2 in dual matches at the AVCA National Championships (May 2-3)...Finished off an undefeated 6-0 record by collecting the Florida State Pairs Challenge Gold Division title (April 18-19)...Captured the Siesta Sand Pairs Challenge title without dropping a set over the three-day event (April 11-13)...Won every set to help lead the Seminoles to victory at the CofC Sand Classic (April 5-6)...Seized the Gold bracket title at the FSU Pairs Tournament after defeating Jacksonville top tandem, 21-15, 21-15 (March 30)...Won first-place at the Panama City Beach event after cruising to a 4-0 record over the weekend (March 22)...Was runner-up at the USC Pairs Tournament...Went 7-2 in dual match play against ranked teams...Had victories over the top pairs from No. 8 ranked Georgia State, No. 6 FIU and UCLA, No. 3 Long Beach State and Hawai'i, and No. 2 ranked USC.

### Sophomore Season (2013)

Named an AVCA All-American along with teammate and frequent partner Sarah Wickstrom...Paired with Wickstrom for a 14-5 overall record in 2013...Paired with Maria Milosavljevic to go 12-5...Teamed with freshman Jeassica McGregor and Julie Brown and went 1-1 with each to finish 2013 28-12 overall...Won the 'Gold' bracket at the Chula Vista OTC with Milosavljevic (March 15)...Took second place with Milosavljevic at the Panama City Beach tournament (March 23)...Lost to Georgia State in the 'Gold' bracket with McGregor in Atlanta, Ga. after Milosavljevic

went down with an injury (April 7)...Reached the quarterfinals with Wickstrom at the Siesta Key Tournament...Made the 'Gold' bracket finals at the FSU Sand Tournament with Wickstrom before falling again to Georgia State (April 21)...Went 3-1 at the AVCA National Championships, beating ULM, North Florida, and Pepperdine, while losing to eventual champion Long Beach State...Seeded third in the 16-team Pairs Tournament and reached the quarterfinals before falling to FIU...Went 7-4 as No. 1, 3-0 as No. 2, and 5-1 as No. 3 in duals during the season.

### Freshman Season (2012)

Teamed with Jekaterina Stepanova to advance to the semifinals of the pairs portion of the AVCA National Championships...Tallied a 45-6 overall record, including a 43-6 mark with Stepanova...Finished 18-0 in dual competitions and 20-0 at the No. 2 position...Led FSU in kills per set (6.35) and hitting percentage (.468)...Ranked third on the Seminoles in digs per set (5.35)...Teamed with Stepanova to win the pairs championship at the Clash of the Collegians tournament (March 8-9)...She and Stepanova placed second at the Fiesta at Siesta Key (April 14) and tied for third at the USC Tournament (March 16-18) and at the FSU Sand Tournament (March 24-25)...Pardon and Stepanova were the No. 1 seed in the pairs portion of the UNF Tournament (April 1), but had to forfeit after Stepanova suffered an injury in the first round of bracket play...Pardon was 6-2 at the No. 1 position.

### Before FSU

Won various AAU, CBVA, and USA tournaments...Teamed with Tiffany Morales to claim the USA Volleyball Youth Beach High Performance under-19 division championship in June 2011...Advanced to the final round of the 2011 USA Beach Volleyball High Performance Championships...Nabbed gold in 18U division for the 2011 California Regional Championships and placed third at the 2010 AAU National Championships for the 18U Division...Named MVP at the Gahr Tournament...Won Manhattan Beach Open in 2011...Captured Hermosa Beach Open title in 2009...Finished in the top eight at the 2009 "Queen of the Beach."

### Personal

Major is international affairs...Favorite movie is Anchorman...Favorite TV show is Arrested Development...Favorite musician is Beyonce...Enjoys going to the beach, traveling and dancing... Has volunteered with Habitat for Humanity and feeding the homeless...Role models are Blake Griffin and professional beach volleyball player Laura Ludwig... Parents are Jeanne Dempsey and Michael Pardon... Born June 9, 1993...Sister, Sivan, played water polo at Hawaii...Brother, CJ, competed in water polo at UC Irvine.





# MELANIE PAVELS #1

Senior • 5-8  
North Woodmere, N.Y.  
Pace University

## Career Statistics

2012: 32-10 (.782)

2013: 23-10 (.697)

2014: 26-11 (.703)

Total: 81-31 (.723)

### Junior Season (2014)

Paired with Julie Brown to go 26-11 during the year...Played in the No. 2, 3, and 4 position...Opened the season with four consecutive wins in dual play at St. Augustine, Fla., including a season-opening sweep against No. 9 FIU (March 8)...Won four matches in California against USC, UCLA, and Loyola Marymount (March 14-15)...Ran off nine consecutive victories from April 5 to April 18...During the streak, defeated teams from South Carolina, Mercer, Georgia State, College of Charleston, Webber, Tulane, and Louisiana Monroe...Playing at the No. 4 spot in the AVCA National Championships (May 2-3), went 4-1, beating Stetson, Florida International, and Hawaii...Beat eventual national champion Pepperdine in the finals, 21-14, 24-22, giving the 'Noles a 1-0 lead in the match...Had three aces against the Waves in the final match.

### Sophomore Season (2013)

Paired with Julie Brown to go 21-8 during the season...Teamed with Katherine Plessy to go 5-4 and finished 2013 26-12 overall...Placed fourth at the Panama City Beach tournament with Lexy Ryan (March 23)...Finished second in the 'Gold' bracket with Brown in Atlanta, Ga. (April 7)...Reached the semifinals in the 'Gold' division with Brown at the Siesta Key Tournament (April 14)...Finished 7th at the FSU Sand Tournament with Brown (April 21)...Compiled a 3-1 record during the AVCA National Championships with Brown (May 3-4)...Lost in the first round as the #7 seed with Brown during the AVCA National Championship Pairs Tournament (May 5).

### Freshman Season (2012)

Teamed with three-time indoor volleyball All-American Visnja Djurdjevic to form arguably the nation's top No. 3 tandem in the country...The pair went 32-10 overall and 13-0 in dual matches...Went 2-0 at the No. 2 spot, 20-2 at the No. 3 position and 2-0 as the No. 4 pair with Djurdjevic...Ranked third on the Seminoles in aces per set (1.11) and fourth in digs per set (5.24)...She and Djurdjevic placed runner-up at the FSU Sand Tournament (March 24-25) pairs championship, falling to teammates Aurora Newgard and Brittany Tiegs in the finals after beating FSU's No. 1 pair earlier in the day in the double elimination bracket...Grabbed All-Tournament accolades at the UNF Invitational (April 1), as she and Djurdjevic tied for third...Missed the final three competitions because of injury.

### Before FSU

An experienced athlete (volleyball player for 10 years, skier for 10 years, and badminton for six), Melanie has a strong sports resume...An all-county volleyball selection from eighth grade through 12th grade at Valley Stream South High School... All-tournament selection all four years of her high school career...An all-state pick her junior year of high school, as well as a St. Anthony's Invitational MVP...As a senior, she became a member of the Silver Medal Long Island Scholastic Team at the Empire State Games...Snagged four first-place finishes on the East End Volleyball Tour in 2011... Has eight first-place finishes on the Women's Open Great American Volleyball Tour.

### Personal

Double-majoring in marketing and human resource management...Interned at Saks Fifth Avenue over the summer...An accomplished badminton player in high school, Melanie received All-Long Island Badminton Team recognition her senior year, as well as all-county and all-conference mentions her junior and senior years... Recipient of multiple academic awards including the PTSA Award, Valley Stream State of Commerce Award, and was a member of multiple clubs including the National Honor Society...Her sister Hilary played indoor volleyball at Adelphi University and her father played indoor volleyball at UCSB and was on the AVP Tour for sand volleyball...Parents are Eric and Rhonda Pavels...Born on May 14, 1993.



## GET TO KNOW MELANIE

### What are your goals for the season?

"Win the national championship."

### What is your favorite moment at FSU?

"Probably making the finals last year at the national championships. It's the furthest we've ever gotten."

### What is your earliest memory of playing volleyball?

"Watching my dad play his tournaments. In between his sets, he would pepper with me when I was five or six."

### Do you have any prematch rituals?

"I see where the wind is going, but that's not really a ritual. It's figuring out what you're going to do. The wind is a big factor."

### If you could have any super power, what would it be?

"To freeze time. On defense I could freeze before the ball hits and run and get it up. It'd make my life a lot easier."

### Do you have any strange talents?

"I can touch my tongue to my elbow"

### If you won one million dollar, what would you do with it?

"I would buy an Audi R8 Spyder"

### What is something interesting you did this summer?

"I went skydiving in Israel. I got to do Birthright because my mom is Jewish."



# STEPHANIE PELLITTERI #4

Senior • 5-8  
Deerfield Beach, Fla.  
Pompano Beach H.S.

## Career Statistics

2012: 25-16 (.610)

2013: 34-5 (.872)

2014: 25-8 (.758)

Total: 84-29 (.743)

### Junior Season (2014)

Went 25-8 playing with sister Nina...Played primarily at the No. 2 position...Opened the season with four consecutive wins over FIU and Louisiana Monroe (March 8) and Jacksonville and North Florida (March 9)...Went 5-2 during the 'Noles trip to California, including victories over USC, UCLA, and three over Loyola Marymount...Lost in the semifinals of the USC Pairs Tournament to teammates Aurora Davis and Jace Pardon...Started the month of April 9-0, with wins over South Carolina, LSU, and FIU, among others...Paired with Aurora Davis for their only match of the year, falling to Webber International 4-1 in Siesta Key, Fla....Went 3-2 at the AVCA National Championships, with both losses coming to eventual national champion Pepperdine...Beat Stetson, FIU, and Hawaii during the championships...As the No. 8 seed in the pairs tournament, fell in the first round to Loyola Marymount...Was one victory away from being an All-American.

### Sophomore Season (2013)

Played every match of 2013 with her sister Kristina (Nina)...The duo finished the year 34-5, playing mainly on Court 5...Finished 2013 1-0 at No. 3, 4-0 at No. 4, and 13-2 at No. 5 in dual play... Finished in third place at the Atlanta, Ga. event after losing to teammates Aurora Davis and Katherine Plessy (April 7)...Won the Siesta Key 'Sunday Fun 1' bracket after putting together four wins (April 14)...Won the FSU Sand Tournament 'Silver' bracket after defeating teammates Davis and Plessy in the finals (April 21)...Went 3-1 at the AVCA National Championships in Gulf Shores, Ala....Beat teams from ULM, North Florida, and Pepperdine while losing to eventual champion Long Beach State in a hard-fought three-set battle.

### Freshman Season (2012)

Captured Seminole Warrior Award for her work ethic and performance in the weight room ... Extremely talented defender...Compiled a 25-16 record playing at the Nos. 3, 4 and 5 courts... Paired with Mallory Kiley for much of the season, sporting a 16-12 mark, including a 7-1 record in dual matches and a 6-3 tally at the No. 4 spot...Also paired with Jace Pardon, Sarah Wickstrom and Visnja Djurdjevic, who she teamed with on Court 4 at the AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships...Went 5-0 on the season at Court 3...Tied for third with Kiley in the 'Silver' pairs bracket at the FSU Sand Tournament (April 27-29)...Averaged 3.98 kills, 1.07 aces and 4.85 digs per set.

### Before Florida State

Was the first athlete ever to commit to a sand volleyball scholarship when she announced in February 2011 she would play for the Seminoles...Won 18U Dig the Beach Championship... Led Pompano Beach's indoor team to the Class 3A regional semifinals in 2010...Was captain of her high school team, while earning all-county honors...While playing for Club Beach Dig, Pellitteri has boasted some enormous victories over the years...Her team finished in first place in Women's AAA Florida Beach volleyball on April 2, and also won the 18U Open Division East Coach Beach Nationals in Fort Lauderdale on Aug. 8, 2010...Other events where she has led her team to victory include the 18U USAV Florida Regional Championship, 18U USAV Southern Open and both the 18U and Women's AAA Miami Beach Championships...Pellitteri also became a Junior 18U Regional and National Dig the Beach champion...She has been invited to several camps at the sand volleyball Olympic Training Center in Chula Vista, Calif., which are invitation only.

### Personal

Golden Torch recipient for academic achievement in 2013...Major is sport management with a business minor... Interned in Global Communications at Nike over the summer and currently interns in the Florida State Sports Information Department...Has been a member of the Dean's List and Women in Leadership Development program at FSU...Student-Athlete Advisory Council Vice-President for Public Relations...Favorite athletes are Misty May-Treanor and Dwayne Wade... April 13th was named "Stephanie Pellitteri Day" in hometown after she became the first athlete awarded a sand volleyball scholarship in the country...Featured in Sports Illustrated's Faces in the Crowd in 2011...Parents are Matt and Donna Pellitteri...Has two sisters, junior teammate Nina and Brittany, a freshman sand volleyball player at Florida Atlantic...Born October 24, 1992.



## GET TO KNOW STEPHANIE

### What are your strengths as a sand volleyball player?

For me, I would have to say defense and communication. I can communicate well with who I'm playing with. And just pretty much playing defense.

### What has been your favorite moment on the sand volleyball team?

My favorite moment would have to be playing in the finals of the team championship and the national championship in Gulf Shores. Playing in front of the cameras and such a big crowd was just a memorable moment that I'll never be able to forget.

### What was the last book that you read?

The last book that I read was The Alchemist. It's one of my favorites, and I've read it a couple of times. But that was the last book I've read.

### What is your favorite sport to watch on TV?

I really enjoy watching college football.

### If you could switch places with anybody, who would it be?

Probably Misty May-Treanor. I'd like to know what it's like to be a three-time gold medalist in beach volleyball for a day.



## FLORIDA STATE RETURNERS



# SARAH WICKSTROM #20

Senior • 5-11

Stuart, Fla.

Jensen Beach H.S.

### Career Statistics

2012: 13-6 (.684)

2013: 28-7 (.800)

2014: 31-5 (.861)

Total: 72-18 (.800)

#### Junior Season (2014)

Paired with senior Fatma Yildirim to go 24-3 on the season, the best winning percentage among regular pairings on the year...Paired with fellow indoor volleyball player Katie Mosher to go 5-2, and went 2-0 paired with Sierra Sanchez...Her 31-5 record (.861) was the third best winning percentage on the team...First played with Yildirim on March 29 at the No. 5 position, going 3-0 in Tallahassee against South Carolina, LSU, and Jacksonville, and winning the pairs tournament with a perfect 3-0 record, including a victory over FSU's Melanie Pavels and Julie Brown in three sets...Won the first 15 matches when paired with Yildirim, even though the duo weren't paired up until well into the season...At the AVCA National Championships, paired with Yildirim at the No. 3 spot to go 5-0 during the event, the only Seminole duo to go undefeated in the tournament...Included two victories over Delaney Knudsen and Caitlin Racich of national champion Pepperdine...Started the season playing with Katie Mosher, going 5-2 with victories over Jacksonville and North Florida, and three wins over Long Beach State, UCLA, and Loyola Marymount during the 'Noles trip to California...Won both matches playing with Sierra Sanchez on March 8 in St. Augustine Beach, defeating Florida International in three sets and Louisiana-Monroe in straight sets.

#### Sophomore Season (2013)

Named an AVCA All-American along with teammate and partner Jace Pardon...Went 14-5 with Pardon on the season...Went 11-2 with Mallory Kiley and 3-1 with Julie Brown to finish 2013 with a 28-7 overall...Went 6-1 as the No. 1 pair with Pardon, 1-0 at No. 2, and 7-1 at No. 4 in 2013 in dual matches...Placed second with Kiley in Atlanta, Ga. in the 'Silver' bracket, losing in the finals to teammates Aurora Davis and Katherine Plessy...Reached the quarterfinals of the Siesta Key Tournament 'Gold' bracket with new partner Pardon...Finished second with Pardon at the FSU Sand Tournament 'Gold' bracket after falling to Georgia State in the finals (April 21)...Finished 3-1 at the AVCA National Championships in Gulf Shores, Ala. with Pardon...Beat the No. 1 teams from ULM, North Florida, and Pepperdine while falling to eventual champion Long Beach State in three sets...Seeded third with Pardon and reached the quarterfinals of the AVCA Pairs Tournament.

#### Freshman Season (2012)

Notched a 13-6 record, including a 7-2 mark in dual matches...Partnered with Jeassica McGregor, Mallory Kiley, Stephanie Pellitteri and Fatma Yildirim at the Nos. 4 and 5 spots...Went 2-0 at No. 4 and 3-0 at No. 5 with McGregor...Paired with Yildirim at the No. 5 spot for two matches at the AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships (April 27-29)...Had lowest average of serving errors on the team at 0.31 per set...Ranked fourth on Seminoles in kills per set (5.38).

#### Indoor Volleyball Career

Starting setter and two-time captain on the FSU indoor volleyball team...Helped the squad advance to the NCAA Final Four in 2011...Led FSU with 854 assists in 2013...Named to the All-ACC Freshman team in 2011...Was a finalist for the Andi Collins Award in high school, which recognizes the best setter in the nation at the prep level, while at Jensen Beach High School...Guided Jensen Beach to two state titles in her freshman and junior seasons and two state regional final appearances as a sophomore and senior...Florida Dairy Farmers 4A Player of the Year in 2009...Earned first-team all-state honors in 2009 and a nomination for the Gatorade Player of the Year.

#### Personal

Born April 5, 1993...Majoring in sport management...Roots for the Miami Dolphins and Miami Heat...Has traveled to Nicaragua, Puerto Rico, Costa Rica, and the Bahamas...Person she'd most like to meet in sports is Misty May...Two of her proudest moments in sports were winning two state championships in high school.



### GET TO KNOW SARAH

#### What are your goals for the season?

To win a national championship.

#### What is your major, and why?

Sport management. It's because sports has always been a part of my life and I want it to continue.

#### What is your best non-athletic talent?

Surfing.

#### What is something interesting you did over the break?

I went fishing a lot. That can be considered interesting, I guess. I went offshore fishing.

#### If you could be on any reality TV show what would it be?

Survivor. I've watched that show, and I actually really want to go on that show. I feel like I could survive.

#### If you won a million dollars, what would you do with it?

Travel. A lot of places. Definitely Europe.

#### Name three things you could not live without.

I guess I'll have to do the typical 'my phone'. Do they have to be tangible? My friends. I couldn't live without my friends. And chocolate.

#### What is your favorite thing about Florida State?

The school spirit, for sure.

## FLORIDA STATE RETURNERS



# JULIE BROWN #30

Junior • 6-0

Oviedo, Fla.

Oviedo H.S.

### Career Statistics

2013: 25-10 (.714)

2014: 26-11 (.703)

Total: 51-21 (.708)

#### Sophomore Season (2014)

Teamed with partner Melanie Pavels all season on courts 2, 3, and 4...Finished the 2014 season with a 26-11 record, which marked the second-most wins by a pair on the Noles...Went 4-1 at the AVCA National Championships on Court 4...Dropped a match to Pepperdine's No. 4 pair on the first day of the National Championships (May 2), but rebounded to beat the same team in two sets, 21-14, 24-22, in the National Championship Finals (May 3)...Also defeated Hawaii's No. 4 team in the National Championship Semifinals in a grueling three set match, 21-17, 11-21, 15-7 (May 3)...Won nine straight matches in the beginning of April, including all 18 sets during that span (April 5-18)...Held a 6-3 record in dual matches against ranked teams...Went 3-0 in Pool B at the Florida State Pairs Challenge to advance to the Gold bracket (April 18)...Won the Fiesta on Siesta Key Team Cup Gold Bracket after overpowering a tandem from Webber International, 25-14 (April 12)...Went undefeated in four matches to help the Seminoles capture the CofC Sand Classic (April 5-6)...Fell to teammates Fatma Yildirim and Sarah Wickstrom in the Silver bracket finals at the FSU Sand Invitational Pairs Tournament, 22-24, 24-22, 16-14 (March 30).

#### Freshman Season (2013)

Named FSU's Most Improved Player...Began her collegiate career with three consecutive wins paired with Sarah Wickstrom as FSU's No. 4 team...Finished 2013 with a 25-10 record while playing with three different teammates...Went 21-8 playing with Melanie Pavels, 3-1 with Wickstrom, and 1-1 with Jace Pardon...In dual matches, finished 17-3 overall (1-1 at No. 1, 6-1 at No. 2, 6-0 at No. 3, and 4-1 at No. 4)...Placed third at the Panama City Beach tournament (March 23)...Placed second with Pavels at the Atlanta, Ga. event (April 7)...Reached the semifinals of the Siesta Key Tournament with Pavels (April 14)...Went 0-2 with Pavels at the FSU Sand Tournament (April 21)...Went 3-1 at the AVCA National Championships in Gulf Shores, Ala., beating teams from ULM, eventual national champion Long Beach State, and North Florida before falling to Pepperdine (May 3-4)

#### High School Career

Has experience with both indoor and beach volleyball...Star outside hitter at Oviedo High School while being named to the all-conference team in 2010 and 2011...Third-team All-Central Florida selection as a junior with 141 kills and 102 digs while earning the school's MVP award...Improved her senior season to 278 kills and 213 digs while leading Oviedo to its fourth consecutive regional tournament...Named to the all-tournament team while leading her team to a 4-1 record in the Dig Pink Festival...Has experience playing sand volleyball with teammate and fellow sophomore Kayla Joyce, who teamed up at the USA Beach Volleyball Junior Tour National Championship Tournament to take home second-place honors...The duo started playing sand volleyball together in 2009 and have not finished worse than third in any tournament they've entered...Competed for Club Beach Dig along with Joyce and fellow sophomore Kristina Pellitteri.

#### Personal

Double-majoring in marketing and business management...Has made the Dean's list three semesters...Aspires to play beach volleyball professionally and wants to work in a marketing firm...Parents are Kay and Dave Brown...Has one brother, Thatcher... Born on Dec. 12, 1993.



### GET TO KNOW JULIE

#### Heading into your third year here with this program, what are some of your goals for this season?

Obviously as a team goal this season we want to win a national championship. I would like to go undefeated in the east again and undefeated in our overall season.

#### What do you keep in your practice bag?

Well my practice bag is my backpack, so textbooks, my hat, sand socks, Vitamin Water, and just practice stuff in general.

#### What is your favorite song right now?

Angels on the Moon by Thriving Ivory.

#### If you could be on any reality TV show what would it be?

Big Brother, something challenging.

#### What kind of music do you listen to before a match?

I like Put On for the Game and The Sky is the Limit by Lil Wayne.

#### What is your favorite sport to watch?

Sand volleyball whenever it's on like in the Olympics and college football because I don't really like the NFL that much.

#### Name three things you cannot live without.

Sand volleyball, baked goods, and Netflix.







# KAYLA JOYCE

# #11

Junior • 5-8

Oviedo, Fla.

Oviedo H.S.

## Career Statistics

2013: 3-2 (.600)

2014: 13-7 (.650)

Total: 16-9 (.640)

### Sophomore Season (2014)

Started off the season on Court 4 with partner Fatma Yildirim...Also paired with teammate Hailey Luke and ended the season playing with Lexy Ryan...Finished the year with a 13-7 overall record...Went 8-5 playing at position 4 and 5 when paired with Yildirim...Finished 4-2 with Ryan, and won her only match when teamed up with Luke...defeated No. 3 ranked Long Beach State's fourth pair in straight sets, 21-18, 21-17 (March 12)...upended No. 6 ranked UCLA's No. 5 team in dominating fashion, 21-18, 21-12 (March 14)...went 4-2 at the Florida State Pairs Challenge with Ryan as her partner (April 18-19).

### Freshman Season (2013)

Picked up the Seminole Warrior Award for her work ethic and performance in the weight room...Paired with Lexy Ryan for five matches during her first season with the Seminoles... The duo went 3-2 on the year (2-2 in tournaments, 1-0 in dual matches)...Finished 5th in the Panama City Beach tournament (March 23)...Defeated Webber International on Court 5 with Ryan during the Siesta Key Tournament (April 14)...

### High School Career

Three-year starter as the setter at Oviedo High School, leading Oviedo to its fourth consecutive regional tournament her senior year with 359 assists... Has experience playing sand volleyball with teammate and fellow FSU sophomore Julie Brown, who teamed up at the USA Beach Volleyball Junior Tour National Championship Tournament to take home second-place honors... The duo started playing sand volleyball together in 2009 and have placed either third or better in every single tournament they've competed in...Competed for Club Beach Dig along with Brown and sophomore Kristina Pellitteri.

### Personal

Lifelong friends and teammates with Julie Brown...The duo have been friends since first grade and started playing volleyball together in seventh grade...Majoring in sport management... Loves to hunt...Last hunting season shot an 8-point buck...Two-time regional qualifier in weight lifting in high school...Parents are Kim and Jeff Joyce...Has two brothers, David and Brock...Born on Feb. 9, 1994.



## GET TO KNOW KAYLA

**What are your expectations for this season?**

Come back stronger than last year. Last year we did really well and we have a target on our backs.

**What do you want to improve on this season?**

Not charging. Sometimes you get so caught up in the moment you just want to get the ball down.

**Favorite moment on the team so far?**

Last year's national championship was pretty awesome. Coming in to play during the finals was awesome. All of us girls on the team love each other and have each other's back.

**Did you do anything interesting this summer?**

I played, once I was cleared and ready to go. Me and my family went on a week trip to New Smyrna Beach.

**If you could any sport, what would it be?**

I did competitive weightlifting all throughout high school. I was pretty good at it.

**Who is the funniest player on the team?**

Blyss, hands down. I can always look at her and you'll her facial expressions and start laughing.

**Favorite movie?**

I love Stepbrothers, the classics. Talladega Nights. Country Strong is probably one of my favorites.



# ANNIE MONTGOMERY

# #33

Junior • 6-0

Sarasota, Fla.

Cardinal Mooney H.S.

## Career Statistics

2013: 5-2 (.714)

2014: 14-7 (.667)

Total: 19-9 (.679)



## GET TO KNOW ANNIE

**How has training been going?**

Good. It's been a good year, kind of getting back in the swing of things now, waiting for season to start.

**What are your strengths as a sand volleyball player?**

Hand digging and hand setting.

**What is your major and why?**

Sport management, because I want to coach and possibly get my master's degree in education.

**What is something interesting you did this summer?**

I went to Thailand. I went on a missions conference. I got to ride elephants and play with baby tigers. It was really cool.

**What is the one food you can't live without?**

Chocolate.

**What is your favorite song right now?**

"Carolina" by Eric Church. I really like "Springsteen." You really can't go wrong with any of his songs.

**What was your favorite cartoon growing up?**

Totally Spies

**What is your favorite thing about Florida State?**

It feels like a big family. Everybody is there for everybody. It's just a good atmosphere.





## KRISTINA PELLITTERI #3

Junior • 5-9  
Deerfield Beach, Fla.  
Pompano Beach H.S.

### Career Statistics

2013: 34-5 (.872)

2014: 25-9 (.735)

Total: 59-14 (.808)



### GET TO KNOW KRISTINA

#### What are your goals for this season?

My goals for this season would obviously be to start, for us to be the east coast champions. We've always been undefeated on the east coast, so keep that going. Obviously to win a national championship. This is our year.

#### What is your earliest memory of playing volleyball?

It would be playing indoor volleyball when I was 15 years old, but playing beach volleyball my freshman year of high school.

#### What is your major, and why?

I'm a sport management major, and I'm doing a minor in business. I'm not exactly sure what I want to do. I'd like to do something with Nike as my sister did. I really like that company.

#### What is one food that you can't live without?

Corndogs. I love corndogs.

#### If you could have any superpower, what would it be?

Fly. My legs always are sore. I'd like to fly places.

#### What is your favorite thing about Florida State?

This team. Just meeting all the other recruits, and what the team is now. They literally make everything worthwhile. Being on this team was just so much fun.



## BLYSS HARKNESS #15

R-Sophomore • 5-8  
Tallahassee, Fla.  
Chiles H.S.

### Career Statistics

2013: 4-1 (.800)

2014: DNP (Injury)

Total: 4-1 (.800)



### GET TO KNOW BLYSS

#### An injury forced you to miss last season. How has that motivated you moving forward?

It's going well. Obviously the injury was a huge setback, but I've been doing rehab every day. I'm stronger than I was before, so it's actually a blessing in disguise.

#### How has training been going?

It's going well. I did rehab twice a day over the summer, so that really helped me out a lot. My trainers have been awesome and Coach has been great with everything.

#### What is your best nonathletic talent?

I would say my sarcasm is one of my best talents. I'm pretty funny, if I do say so myself. I'm good at quoting movies.

#### What was the last book that you read?

Nicholas Sparks, as cheesy as that is. I'm reading it right now, it's called "The Longest Ride."

#### What is the one food you can't live without?

Donuts. And tacos, for sure. I love me some glazed and red velvet.

#### What is your favorite song right now?

"Thinking Out Loud" by Ed Sheeran.

#### If you could be on any reality TV show what would it be?

Wipeout.





# KATHERINE PLESSY #32

R-Sophomore • 5-11  
Marietta, Ga.  
Walton H.S.



**Career Statistics**

2013: 21-7 (.750)

2014: DNP (Injury)

Total: 21-7 (.750)

**Sophomore Season (2014)**  
Redshirted in 2014 following an injury.

**Freshman Season (2013)**

The first-year player from Marietta, Ga. went 21-7 on the year overall...Played with four teammates in 2013 (Aurora Davis, 14-3; Melanie Pavels, 5-4; Mallory Kiley and Blyss Harkness, 1-0 each)...Finished 1-0 at No. 1, 3-2 at No. 2, 7-2 at No. 3, and 1-0 at No. 4 in dual matches... Placed third at the Panama City Beach tournament (March 23)...Won the 'Silver' bracket title with Davis at the Atlanta, Ga. event (April 7)...Plessy and Davis defeated teammates Kiley and Sarah Wickstrom in straight sets for the title...Reached the quarterfinals of the Siesta Key Tournament with Davis before falling in straight sets to teammates Pavels and Julie Brown (April 14)...Took second place at the FSU Sand Tournament with Davis in the 'Silver' bracket (April 21)...The duo lost in the finals to teammates Nina and Stephanie Pellitteri in a three-set thriller...Went 3-1 on Court 3 with Davis at the AVCA National Championships in Gulf Shores, Ala...Beat teams from ULM, Long Beach State, and North Florida before falling to Pepperdine in straight sets (May 3-4).

**High School Career**

Star indoor player at Walton High School in Cobb, Ga., where she captured all-state, all-area and all-county honors her sophomore, junior and senior years...She and Lexy Ryan are FSU sand volleyball's first two players from the "Peach State"...Led by Plessy, Walton edged Ryan's Harrison (Kennesaw, Ga.) High School squad in five sets to win its second straight Georgia Class AAAAA state championship in 2011.

**Personal**

Majoring in psychology...Has been on the Dean's List and the President's List...Student-Athlete Advisory Council secretary...Leader for Fellowship of Christian Athletes at FSU...Named to the honor roll and was a member of the National Honors Society in high school...Daughter of Rena and Antoine Plessy...Has two older brothers, David and Chris...Role models are Drew Brees and her uncle, Ray McDonald...Born Nov. 23, 1993.

**GET TO KNOW KATHERINE**

**Goal for this season?**

Obviously a national championship. I redshirted last year so I want to come back as strong as possible and to be the best partner to whoever I play with.

**What has been your favorite moment on the sand volleyball team?**

Making it to the national championship last year.

**What is your major and why?**

Psychology, because I love studying human behavior and mental illness.

**What is your best nonathletic talent?**

Fishing and hunting.

**If you could play any other sport what would it be?**

Lacrosse. I played in middle school and I loved it, but volleyball won.

**What is something interesting you did this summer?**

I was a camp counselor for an FCA camp of high school girls.

**What is the one food you can't live without?**

I invented this, but it's called "naner cookies." It's literally just bananas, oats and milk. I eat it every day.

**If you won a million dollars what would you do with it?**

Save a lot and donate a lot to animal charities.



# HAILEY LUKE #34

Sophomore • 6-0  
Altamonte Springs, Fla.  
Lake Brantley H.S.



**Career Statistics**

2014: 15-5 (.750)

Total: 15-5 (.750)

**Indoor Sophomore Season (2014)**

Finished the season with 667 assists and 177 digs...Tallied a new career-high with 43 assists in the 3-1 win at NC State...Was used on the right side in the 3-0 sweep against NC State where she produced four kills... Has accounted for four double-doubles in 2014 as the second setter in the 6-2 system...Put up 16 aces and added five blocks.

**Freshman Season (2014)**

Gradually improved and gained experience as the season went on...Eventually played her way into the starting lineup and held a 15-5 record...Mainly teamed up with partner Sierra Sanchez and played on Court 5...Won eleven consecutive matches with Sanchez and earned a starting spot to play in the AVCA National Championships...Defeated Stetson's fifth pair in the first round of the National Championships, 21-19, 16-21, 15-10 (May 2)...Helped Florida State sweep No. 6 ranked FIU in the National Championship Quarterfinals by upending its fifth duo in straight sets, 26-24, 21-16 (May 2)...went 6-0 at the Florida State Pairs Challenge to capture the AAA bracket crown (April 18-19)...went 3-0 in the Fiesta on Siesta Key Team Cup Pool Play to reach the Gold bracket...eventually lost in the second round in the Gold bracket to Webber International's No. 1 team (April 12)...partnered with Kayla Joyce for one match against No. 6 ranked UCLA's fifth team and defeated them in straight sets, 21-18, 21-12 (March 14).

**Indoor Freshman Season (2013)**

While playing in a two-setter system, Luke posted a season-high 28 assists in the 3-1 win over Virginia...As a rookie, Luke played in 126 sets in 2013...Finished the season with 605 assists, averaging 4.80 per set.

**Before FSU**

Earned a spot on the Volleyball Magazine Fab 50 List as a senior at Lake Brantley High...Florida Gatorade Player of the Year finalist in 2012...Seminole County Player of the Year and Seminole County All-Conference First Team as a senior...All-Central Florida First Team performer (2012) who captained the varsity team from 2010-12 (three seasons)...Part of the Lake Brantley Student Athlete Leadership Team from 2011-13.

**Personal**

Born Aug. 29, 1995...Major is sport management...Daughter of Jenni and Chad Luke...Her mother is in the Athletic Hall of Fame at the University of Nebraska at Kearney for volleyball.

**GET TO KNOW HAILEY**

**What is your earliest memory of playing volleyball?**

My earliest memory is probably my first season playing when I was nine years old. I was walking out of the gym with my mom and I told her that winning didn't matter. That clearly changed as I got older and realized that I loved it.

**Who introduced you to the sport?**

My mom. My mom, my aunt, my uncles, they all played volleyball.

**What is your favorite class that you've taken at FSU?**

I really enjoyed my sport psych class, that was pretty interesting. I also liked my race and ethnicity class because I really loved the teacher that I had. She made it a lot of fun.

**If you won a million dollars what would you do with it?**

Save some it and give some of it to my mom.

**What is your favorite sport to watch?**

I like watching football. Go Noles!

**What is the one food you can't live without?**

Pizza. Thicker crust, deep dish.

**What's your favorite movie?**

I love all of the Marvel superhero movies and also the Lord of the Rings and Hobbit movies.





# JULIA THOMPSON #13

Sophomore • 5-10  
Fox River Grove, Ill.  
Barrington H.S.

## Career Statistics

2014: 14-7 (.667)

Total: 14-7 (.667)

### Freshman Season (2014)

Paired up with teammate Annie Montgomery all season long to post a 14-7 record...Jumped around the starting lineup, playing on Courts 3, 4, and 5...Went 6-1 in dual match play...Won Silver Division at the Fiesta on Siesta tournament...Won her only dual match on Court 3 in straight sets against Jacksonville, 21-17, 21-17 (March 29)...Won both dual matches on court 4 against South Carolina, 21-9, 21-14 (March 29) and against LSU, 21-13, 21-9 (March 29).

### High School Career

Played indoor volleyball for Barrington (Ill.) High School and club ball with the Sky High Volleyball Club and Team One...Won the U-16 USA Beach Junior Tour National Championship in 2011...Finished third that same year in the AAU Junior Olympic Games...Won the Northern Lights Qualifier in 2012...Attended the USA U-19 High Performance Beach Championships in 2012... In indoor volleyball, named an AAU All-American and helped lead team to AAU National Championship in the 17 Club Division...Three-time all-area and all-conference selection for the Broncos...Led Barrington to Mid-Suburban League Championship in 2011...Led team in kills as a sophomore and senior...First sand volleyball player for the Seminoles from the state of Illinois.

### Personal

Nickname is Jules...Daughter of Laurie and Kirk Thompson...Named to Dean's List her first two semesters at Florida State...Honor roll all four years in high school...Sister Katie is a professional photographer...Plans to major in exercise science...Aspires to become a physical therapist and continue her sand volleyball career after graduation...Biggest inspiration is Misty May-Treanor...Born November 9, 1994.



## GET TO KNOW JULIA

### What is your major and why?

I am an exercise science major and I'm hoping to go to school for physical therapy. I just really like helping people and I like how the human body works.

### What is your best nonathletic talent?

I really like to cook.

### What is something interesting this summer?

I went to California for a month and trained and just stayed on my own. Some old teammates came out with me. It was fun.

### What was the last book that you read?

Allegiant of the Divergent series. The third book.

### What is your favorite song right now?

Love Me Like You Do by Ellie Goulding.

### What is your favorite sport to watch?

Beach volleyball and hockey.

### What's your favorite movie?

Sixteen Candles. Any of the John Hughes movies, probably The Breakfast Club too. Ferris Bueller's Day Off, all of those. They were filmed in my area of Chicago.

### What is your favorite thing about Florida State?

The great athletic programs and all the support that we have.



# SIERRA SANCHEZ #22

Sophomore • 6-0  
Valencia, Calif.  
Valencia H.S.

## Career Statistics

2014: 16-8 (.667)

Total: 16-8 (.667)



## GET TO KNOW SIERRA

### Favorite moment as a member of the team?

Everything, everything is awesome. I guess going to California last year, playing in nationals and making it to the finals. I think making it to the finals was probably the best.

### What is your major and why?

I'm an exercise science major. I'm in pre-med.

### What is your best nonathletic talent?

Probably drawing or painting.

### What is your earliest memory playing volleyball?

My dad is a coach. Everybody in my family played, so I've always been in the gym, since I was three. My first memories are in a gym.

### What is the one food you can't live without?

Bagels.

### What is your favorite song right now?

FourFiveSeconds by Rihanna

### What kind of music do you like to listen to before a match?

I have a playlist. It's kind of a mix of a lot of things, but it starts off slow and builds up.

### What was your favorite cartoon growing up?

Tom and Jerry.





## TAYLOR NYQUIST #42

Graduate • 6-0  
Dallas, Texas  
Jacksonville University



### Career Statistics

Total: 47-17 (.734) at Jacksonville

#### Jacksonville (2010-14)

Had a combined record with the Dolphins of 47-17, playing mostly on Court 1 with partner Sammie Strasbaugh...Won the Gold division at the Fiesta on Siesta Key Pairs Tournament...Also competed in 2013 and 2014 with Strasbaugh at the AVCA National Pairs Championships in Gulf Shores, Alabama...Defeated Florida State's Nos. 1, 2, and 3 teams with the Dolphins...Also played three seasons of indoor volleyball for Jacksonville, leading the Dolphins to the Atlantic Sun regular season and conference championships in 2013...finished 2013 indoor season with 41 aces and 273 kills.

#### High School Career

Two-year letterwinner as an outside hitter and right side hitter at Grapevine High School in Grapevine, Texas...Named Grapevine MVP as a senior and named second team all-district...As a junior, named honorable mention all-district honors...Played with 692 Beach Volleyball Club and TAV 18 VB Rags Black Club that won the Tour of Texas in 2010.

#### Personal

Has a bachelor's degree in exercise science and is pursuing a master's degree in sport management... Aspires to play professional sand volleyball... Would like to become a physical therapist after her volleyball career... Enjoys playing video games and mini golf... Enjoys listening to country, rap, rock, and dubstep for motivation... Participated in soccer, softball, track, and basketball in high school... Has a brother who is training to become a cop... Daughter of John and Liz Nyquist... Born June 2, 1992

### GET TO KNOW TAYLOR

#### What are you goals for this season?

Definitely win a national championship. We wrote down our goals as a team and kind of broke it down into short term and long term. It really helped us to just take the little steps, be good teammate and not cutting corners and holding people accountable. I think that's been a lot of our goals, and ultimately to win a national championship.

#### If you won a million dollars what would you do with it?

Travel, definitely. New Zealand, Greece, and Fiji. I would buy a sweet car.

#### If you could play any other sport what would it be?

It would be soccer. I've played it since I was five, I love to run and I love the competitive aspect of it.

#### What is your favorite sport to watch?

Baseball, surprisingly. I love it. I grew up around it, my brother played it. I'm a huge Texas Rangers fan.

#### What is your favorite thing about Florida State?

The family environment and the school spirit...The amount of tradition the school has has just been awesome.



## MEGHAN CONWAY #14

Freshman • 5-17  
Stuart, Fla.  
Jensen Beach H.S.



#### High School

Helped lead Jensen Beach High School to back-to-back State Finals in her junior and senior seasons, winning the title in 2012... Earned Most Valuable Player honors in 2011 and 2013...Winner of the Falcon Award in 2013...Selected to Team Florida in 2012 and 2013...Was named the best tournament team player at the Orlando Volleyball Academy in 2012...A state semifinals silver winner in 2011 and in 2013...Played for the Shamrocks and Treasure Coast volleyball clubs...Earned Academic Honor Roll in all four years at Jensen Beach High School.

#### Personal

Parents are Steve and Beth Conway...An Exploratory major...Hopes to play sand volleyball in the Olympics one day...Born on January 18, 1996.



## BREANA EDWARDS #40

Freshman • 6-3  
Jacksonville, Fla.  
Bishop Kenny H.S.



#### High School

Four-year letterwinner from Bishop Kenny High School in Jacksonville...Helped lead Bishop Kenny to back-to-back State Final Fours her junior and senior seasons...Was a member of the JJVA Indoor Volleyball Club from 2008-13...Earned a bid to the 2013 National Championships at the Florida Regional Bid Qualifier and the 2012 National Championships at the Big South Qualifier after winning first place in the National Division...Participated with the USAV Beach High Performance A2 Team in 2013 and 2014.

#### Personal

Graduated from Bishop Kenny High Magna Cum Laude...Also a member of National Honors Society...Interests include dancing and music... Hopes to play on the AVP Pro Tour and the Olympics after finishing at Florida State.



FLORIDA STATE NEWCOMERS



**VANESSA FREIRE #12**

Freshman • 5-10  
 Windermere, Fla.  
 Lake Highland Prep



**High School**  
 Helped Lake Highland Prep reach the Class 4A State Finals in 2013...Was rated the No.1 overall recruit for the 2014 class in the state of Florida...Named an AVCA All-American for sand volleyball her senior year...Selected First-Team All-Central Florida for girls high school volleyball her senior year...Won the Best Defensive Player Award and Best All-Around Player Award her senior year...Was the highest point scorer on the U18 Florida Region USAV tour...Took second at the National High Performance U19 Beach Championships at Hermosa Beach in 2012...Named Most Valuable Player her freshman and sophomore year...A member of the Junior National Beach Team for several years...Participated in the USA Volleyball Girls' A1/A2 Youth Holiday High Performance Camp in Chula Vista, Calif. in December of 2012...Played for the Sunshine and Beach Dig volleyball clubs...Also played basketball and was a member of the track and field team...Voted as the Student Government Executive President her senior year...Student Government Class of 2014 Secretary and Treasurer her freshman through junior year at Lake Highland Prep...Was secretary of the French Club in all four years of high school...Founded and was president of the Beach Volleyball Club at school.

**Personal**  
 Parents are Alex and Lilene Freire...Her family is from Brazil and both of her parents went to college there...She is a first generation American...Her brother, sister and brother-in-law all went to Florida University...Born October 19, 1995.

FLORIDA STATE INDOOR PLAYERS



**KARLIE HAUER #41**

Junior • 5-11  
 Andover, Minn.  
 University of Minnesota



**Junior Season**  
 Played in 62 sets over this season...Provided vaunted depth at both the outside hitting and right side positions...Recorded 76 kills and 34 total blocks...Produced a season/career high of nine kills in the 3-0 sweet at No. 21 Texas A&M, hitting for .533 percent.

**Sophomore Year (2013) at Minnesota:**  
 Earned All-Big Ten Academic honors.

**High School**  
 Helped Andover High School to a third-place finish in 2011 state tournament where she earned all-state honors...Named to the Star Tribune All-Metro Team as well as to the Prep Volleyball Senior Aces...Also helped Andover to the state tournament appearance her junior season and was named to the all-tournament team in her junior and senior seasons...Two-time all-conference selection and an honorable mention...Was also a two-time AVCA Player of the Week as well as the KARE 11 Athlete of the Week this season...Also lettered in Gymnastics and Track...Earned Academic all-state honors in 2012 and academic gold in 2010 and 2011.

**Personal**  
 Born on April 2, 1994 ... daughter of Pete and Debbie Hauer

**VICTORIA PARANAGUA #25**



Freshman • 5-11  
 Austin, Texas  
 Anderson H.S.



**High School**  
 Captured first-place at the USA Volleyball High Performance U-21 Championship with partner Julia Mannisto...Named Anderson High School Female Athlete of the Year in 2014...Was a two-sport varsity athlete as she also was a member of the swimming team...Selected to the All-District First-Team her sophomore, junior and senior years...Made the All-Region team her senior year...Was the District Most Valuable Hitter in her senior year...Won the Most Valuable Player Award on the Anderson High School volleyball team in both her junior and senior seasons...Was the team leader in kills her sophomore, junior and senior year...Named Team Offensive Player of the Year her sophomore year...Participated at the USAV Transition Week U21 in Hermosa Beach, Calif...Earned a bid to the International Division at the USA Volleyball Junior National Championships by placing second in the U18 division at the Houston Open in 2013...Played in the USA Volleyball Junior Beach Tour Championships in 2013...Participated in the USA Volleyball Girls' A1/A2 Youth Holiday High Performance Camp in Chula Vista, Calif. in December of 2012...Placed first place at the AAU Jr. Olympic Qualifier Texas Volleyball Tour in 2014 in San Antonio, Texas and at AAU Jr. Olympic Qualifier Texas Volleyball Tour in 2013 in Austin, Texas...She is the school record holder for the 100 Freestyle, and 200 Freestyle Relay in swimming...Selected All-State for the 50 Freestyle as a senior and 200 Freestyle Relay her junior and senior seasons...Played for the Austin Junior and the TVT and Project Serve volleyball clubs...A member of the Anderson High School Leadership Council...Made the Academic All-District Team all four years for volleyball and swimming.

**Personal**  
 Parents are Helio and Marjorie Paranagua...Achieved the Gold Award, Girl Scouts' highest award, by developing a swim safety program to address the high drowning rate among underprivileged children...A member of the PALS mentorship program for elementary and middle school children...She is lifeguard and scuba certified...A dual citizen of the United States and Brazil...She is bilingual and can speak English and Portuguese...Turned down an offer to swim for the Brazilian National Team...Born on October 28, 1995.

**KATIE HORTON #35**



Sophomore • 6-1  
 Westland, Mich.  
 Ohio University



**Sophomore Season (Indoor)**  
 Named to the All-ACC Second Team...Earned AVCA All-East Region honors...Posted her first-career double-double (17 Kills, 11 Digs) in the 3-1 upset over No. 7 Nebraska...Added double-digit kills in 13 matches in 2014, including a stretch of four matches in a row...Accounted for six double-doubles in 2014...Named the ACC Player of the Week once in 2014 (Sept. 22)...Finished second on the team in kills with 314, averaging 2.62 per set, hitting for .238...Earned an AVCA All-America honorable mention in 2014...Selected as the Maximum Effort Award winner at the end of the year banquet.

**High School**  
 Led the Wayne Memorial Zebras to two-consecutive district tournament championship...Ranked No. 95 on PrepVolleyball's Senior Ace list...Played six positions in high school...In three years with Premier Volleyball Club, led her team to back-to-back top-five finishes at the AAU Championships, earning All-America honors

**Personal**  
 Also plays beach volleyball with her sister...Was a soccer player before making the switch to volleyball at age 15...Born March 8, 1995... daughter of David and Laura Horton...has one sister Keri.



**CHRISTINA AMBROSE #43**

R-Freshman • 5-11  
Winter Park, Fla.  
Purdue University



**Prep**  
Ambrose enrolled at Purdue University in the spring on 2014 and took a redshirt for the season. She was a Volleyball Magazine Feb 50 selection and PrepVolleyball.com's No. 20 Senior Ace in 2013, while capturing an Under Armour first team All-America selection.

**Before FSU**  
Ambrose was an outside hitter for the Orlando Volleyball Academy which won the AAU National Championship in 2011...A native of Winter Park, Fla., Ambrose set the Winter Park High School record for kills in a season as a senior while earning a first team all-central Florida accolades as a junior, helping her team to a state runner-up finish...She also set the school record for kills in a match at 42...Ambrose was also the runner-up for the Class 8A Player of the Year award.

**Personal**  
Ambrose will enroll for her redshirt sophomore season in January with plans to major in psychology.



**MILICA KUBURA #31**

Freshman • 6-4  
Belgrade, Serbia  
3rd Belgrade H.S.



**Freshman Season (Indoor)**  
Captured All-ACC Freshmen Team accolades...Named to the All-ACC Academic Team...Earned an honorable mention nod to the AVCA All-East Region Team...Kubura was named ACC Freshman of the week twice in 2014...Tallied 184 kills, averaging 2.02 per set in 2014...Hit for a season high, .632 in the 3-1 win over Virginia behind 13 kills on 19 attempts. ..Registered double-digit kills in seven matches this season... Had her best match on the NCAA Tournament against BYU, accounting for 11 kills while hitting .471.

**High School**  
A three-year member of the Serbian National Junior Team, which was ranked eighth in the world in 2013...Played in international competition since 2010 and she is a five-time medalist...Helped Serbia to back-to-back gold medals at the Youth Girls Balcan Volleyball Championships (2010, 2011)...Grabbed silver at the 2011 European Youth Summer Olympic Festival and added Bronze in the FIVB Girls Youth Volleyball Championships in Turkey...Captured the silver medal in the 2012 Junior Volleyball World Championships

**Personal**  
Born March 20, 1995...daughter of Zeljko and Gordana Kubura...has played the piano...plans to major in actuarial science...was give the nickname "Crvena Zvezda" which means Red Star.

**CECILIE WOIE #5**



Freshman • 5-5  
Alsvag, Norway  
OSKIL



**Club**  
Recently named to the Norwegian national team after being a member of the junior national team for five years...Named the NEVZA (Northern European Volleyball Zonal Association) "Best Libero" for the 2011 and 2012 tournaments...Won the gold medal at the Norwegian Club National Championships with ØKSIL volleyball in 2014 after five runner-up finishes in previous years...A three-time "Best Libero" at the event (2011, 2012, 2014)...Selected to compete at the U19 World Championships in 2013 in beach volleyball...Won the Norwegian National Championship in 2010 partnered with her sister.

**Personal**  
Born Jan. 13, 2995...daughter of Henning and Hanne Woie...was also a soccer player for 10 years...has a twin sister...used to play the guitar... her proudest moment was winning the Norwegian Club National Championships for the first time after losing five-straight finals against the same team.

# ALL-AMERICANS



**28-7 record**  
Reached AVCA National Championship Pairs Quarterfinals

**Sarah WICKSTROM**

2013  
ALL-AMERICAN



**Jekaterina STEPANOVA**

**43-6 record**  
Reached AVCA National Championship Pairs Semifinals

2012  
ALL-AMERICAN



**Jace PARDON**

**28-7 record**  
Reached 2013 AVCA National Championship Pairs Quarterfinals

**41-4 record**  
Reached 2014 AVCA National Championship Pairs Semifinals

2013 & 2014  
ALL-AMERICAN



**Aurora DAVIS**

**50-7-1 record**  
Reached 2012 AVCA National Championship Pairs Quarterfinals

**41-5 record**  
Reached 2014 AVCA National Championship Pairs Semifinals

2012 & 2014  
ALL-AMERICAN



**Brittany TIEGS**

**50-7-1 record**  
Reached AVCA National Championship Pairs Quarterfinals

2012  
ALL-AMERICAN

# 2014 FINAL WIN-LOSS RECORD

DUO RECORDS	OVERALL	TOURNAMENT	DUALS	1	2	3	4	5S.
Davis/Pardon	41-4	22-2	19-2	19-2				
Brown/Pavels	26-11	8-7	18-4		2-2	8-1	8-1	
S. Pellitteri/N. Pellitteri	25-8	8-5	17-3		14-3	3-0		
Yildirim/Wickstrom	24-3	10-3	14-0		1-0	9-0	2-0	2-0
Sanchez/Luke	14-5	7-2	7-3					7-3
Montgomery/Thompson	14-7	8-6	6-1			1-0	3-0	2-1
Joyce/Yildirim	8-5	3-3	5-2				5-1	0-1
Mosher/Wickstrom	5-2	1-1	4-1				1-1	3-0
Ryan/Joyce	4-2	4-2						
Sanchez/Wickstrom	2-0		2-0					2-0
Joyce/Luke	1-0		1-0					1-0
Sanchez/Ryan	0-3	0-3						
Davis/N. Pellitteri	0-1		0-1	0-1				
Team	164-51	71-34	93-26					

INDIV. RECORDS	OVERALL	TOURNAMENT	DUALS	1	2	3	4	5
Pardon	41-4	22-2	19-2	19-2				
Davis	41-5	22-2	19-3	19-3				
Yildirim	32-8	13-6	19-2		1-0	9-0	7-1	2-1
Wickstrom	31-5	11-4	20-1		1-0	9-0	3-1	7-0
Brown	26-11	8-7	18-4		2-2	8-1	8-1	
Pavels	26-11	8-7	18-4		2-2	8-1	8-1	
S. Pellitteri	25-8	8-5	17-3		14-3	3-0		
N. Pellitteri	25-9	8-5	17-4	0-1	14-3	3-0		
Sanchez	16-8	7-5	9-3					9-3
Luke	15-5	7-2	8-3					8-3
Montgomery	14-7	8-6	6-1			1-0	3-0	2-1
Thompson	14-7	8-6	6-1			1-0	3-0	2-1
Joyce	13-7	7-5	6-2				5-1	1-1
Mosher	5-2	1-1	4-1				1-1	3-0
Ryan	4-5	4-5						

Overall = Overall won-loss mark in all matches  
 Tournament = Record at tournaments/invitationals  
 Duals = Record in dual (team vs. team) matches  
 1 through 5 = Record in the position in all duals and selected pool play





2014 FINAL RESULTS

Date	Opponent/Event	Place	Result
	<b>UNF SAND INVITATIONAL</b>		
Mar. 8	vs. #9 Florida International	St. Augustine, Fla.	W, 4-1
	vs. Louisiana Monroe	St. Augustine, Fla.	W, 5-0
Mar. 9	vs. Jacksonville	St. Augustine, Fla.	W, 5-0
	vs. North Florida	St. Augustine, Fla.	W, 5-0
Mar. 12	at #3 Long Beach State	Long Beach, Calif.	W, 3-2
MAR. 14-15	<b>USC EVENT</b>		
Mar. 14	at #2 Southern California		L, 3-2
	vs. Loyola Marymount		W, 5-0
	vs. #6 UCLA		W, 5-0
Mar. 15	Pairs Tournament	2nd - Davis/Pardon	
MAR. 29-30	<b>FSU EVENT</b>		
Mar. 29	vs. South Carolina		W, 5-0
	vs. LSU		W, 5-0
	vs. Jacksonville		W, 4-1
Mar. 30	Gold Bracket	1st - Davis/Pardon	
	Silver Bracket	2nd - Yildirim/Wickstrom	
		3rd - Brown/Pavels	
APRIL 5-6	<b>C OF C SAND CLASSIC</b>		
April 5	vs. South Carolina	MT. PLEASANT	W, 5-0
	vs. Mercer		W, 5-0
April 6	vs. #8 Georgia State		W, 4-1
	vs. College of Charleston		W, 5-0
APRIL 11-13	<b>SIESTA KEY TOURNAMENT</b>		
April 11	vs. Webber International	SIESTA KEY, FLA.	W, 4-1
	vs. Tulane		W, 5-0
April 12	Gold Championship	1st - Brown/Pavels	
	Silver Championship	1st - Montgomery/Thompson	
April 13	Siesta Sand Pairs Challenge	1st - Davis/Pardon	
APRIL 18-19	<b>FLORIDA STATE TOURNAMENT</b>		
April 19	Gold Bracket	1st - Davis/Brown	
		2nd - Yildirim/Wickstrom	
		4th - Brown/Pavels	
	AAA Bracket	1st - Sanchez/Luke	
		2nd - Joyce/Ryan	
		4th - Montgomery/Thompson	
MAY 2-4	<b>AVCA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP</b>		
May 3	vs. Stetson (6 seed)	GULF SHORES, ALA.	W, 5-0
	vs. # 2 Pepperdine	Round 1	L, 4-1
	vs. #6 Florida International	Round 2	W, 5-0
May 3	vs. #3 Hawai'i	Quarterfinals	W, 4-1
	vs. #2 Pepperdine	Semifinals	L, 3-2
May 4	Pairs Tournament	Round 1	#2 Davis/Pardon def. #15 Stetson Anderson/Melville
			#9 LMU Keil/Metter def. #8 S. Pellitteri/N. Pellitteri
	Pairs Tournament	Quarterfinals	#2 Davis/Pardon def. #7 ULM Araya/Markova
		Semifinals	#3 UH Cook/Teigs def. #2 Davis/Pardon

COMPLETE 2014 RESULTS

**UNF Invitational**  
at St Augustine, Fla.. - March 8-9, 2014  
Results

March 8, 2014

Florida State 4, Florida International 1  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Monforte/Gluchowicz (FIU) 21-12, 21-16  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Samoday/Sukhoreva (FIU) 21-12, 21-18  
Court 3: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Rosado/Rosko (FIU) 21-13, 21-15  
Court 4: Mendoza/Gehrke (FIU) def. Yildirim/Joyce (FSU) 21-19, 15-21, 15-8  
Court 5: Wickstrom/Sanchez (FSU) def. Toghiyani/Cupp (FIU) 19-21, 21-14, 15-10

Florida State 5, Louisiana Monroe 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Markova/Araya (ULM) 21-14, 21-12  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Schwartz/McNamee (ULM) 21-17, 21-7  
Court 3: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Ocana/Cullum (ULM) 21-11, 21-15  
Court 4: Yildirim/Joyce (FSU) def. Pawlik/Arnason (ULM) 21-10, 21-15  
Court 5: Wickstrom/Sanchez (FSU) def. Flores/Shearer (ULM) 21-6, 21-11

March 9, 2014  
Results

Florida State 5, Jacksonville 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Strausbaugh/Nyquist (JU) 21-18, 21-16  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Courtney/Roman (JU) 21-14, 21-13  
Court 3: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Laskell/Cullen (JU) 21-11, 21-10  
Court 4: Yildirim/Joyce (FSU) def. Prestes/Robertson (JU) 21-10, 21-19  
Court 5: Wickstrom/Mosher (FSU) def. Homrich/Barnett (JU) 21-7, 21-12

Florida State 5, North Florida 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Medina/Hildreth (UNF) 21-18, 21-19  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Budinska/Whitmire (UNF) 14-21, 22-20, 15-12  
Court 3: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Strack/Claessens (UNF) 21-14, 21-10  
Court 4: Yildirim/Joyce (FSU) def. Garbutt/McGuire (UNF) 21-13, 21-15  
Court 5: Wickstrom/Mosher (FSU) def. Trembley/Davanzo (UNF) 21-16, 21-8

**Florida State vs. Long Beach State**  
at Long Beach, Calif. - March 12, 2014  
Results

Florida State 3, Long Beach State 2  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Aigner-Swesey/Todorovic (LB) 21-17, 21-13  
Court 2: Jackson/Johnson (LB) def. Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) 22-20, 21-8  
Court 3: Mackie/Cabrajac def. Brown/Pavels (FSU) 21-15, 21-18  
Court 4: Yildirim/Joyce (FSU) def. Hudson/Reid (LB) 21-18, 21-17  
Court 5: Wickstrom/Mosher (FSU) def. Wagner/Wagner (LB), 21-13, 21-13  
Exhibition. Court 6: Miley/Taylor (LB) def. Montgomery/Thompson (FSU) 14-21, 26-24, 15-13

**USC Event**  
at Los Angeles, Calif. - March 14-15, 2014  
Results

March 14, 2014

Southern California 3, Florida State 2  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Burnham/Hughes (USC) 18-21, 21-18, 19-17  
Court 2: Strange/Claes (USC) def. Brown/Pavels (FSU) 24-22, 21-19  
Court 3: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Hirshmann/Sijjkovic (USC) 20-22, 21-17, 22-20C  
Court 4: Ettinger/Russ (USC) def. Wickstrom/Mosher (FSU) 18-21, 21-16, 15-11  
Court 5: Wheeler/Martin (USC) def. Yildirim/Joyce (FSU) 21-16, 26-24  
Exhibition: Luke/Sanchez def. Fournier/Duddridge 21-17, 21-14

March 15, 2013

Florida State 5, Loyola Marymount 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Metter/Keil (LMU) 21-11, 21-6  
Court 2: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Luft/Bush (LMU) 21-13, 22-20  
Court 3: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Akana/Suaava (LMU) 21-16, 21-16

Court 4: Yildirim/Joyce (FSU) def. DeWitt/Tedrow (LMU) 21-11, 21-12  
Court 5: Luke/Sanchez (FSU) def. Maxfeldt/Taylor (LMU) 21-6, 21-16  
Exhibition: Montgomery/Thompson (FSU) def. Walton/Scioscia (LMU) 22-20, 21-16

Florida State 5, UCLA 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Ngauamo/Tan (UCLA) 21-16, 20-22, 15-9  
Court 2: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Nightingale/Smith (UCLA) 20-22, 21-15, 15-9  
Court 3: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Inouye/Drolsen (UCLA) 21-16, 21-7  
Court 4: Wickstrom/Mosher (FSU) def. Formico/Lowe (UCLA) 25-23, 21-12  
Court 5: Luke/Joyce (FSU) def. Dykstra/Frager (UCLA) 21-18, 21-12

Pairs Tournament Bracket Play  
Joyce/Yildirim (FSU7) def. Scioscia/Walton (LMU6); 21-13, 21-10  
Montgomery/Thompson (FSU6) def. Martin/Wheeler (USC5); 21-16, 21-16  
Luke/Sanchez (FSU5) def. Kati Duddridge/Stonish (USC7); 21-9, 21-16  
Davis/Pardon (FSU1) def. Montgomery/Thompson (FSU6); 21-7, 21-8  
Keil/Metter (LMU1) def. Luke/Sanchez (FSU5); 21-12, 21-11  
Claes/Strange (USC2) def. Kayla Joyce/Yildirim (FSU7); 21-12, 22-20  
Mosher/Wickstrom (FSU3) def. Akana/Suaava (LMU3); 21-19, 21-18  
Brown/Pavels (FSU2) def. DeWitt/Tedrow (LMU4); 21-13, 21-19  
Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU4) def. Bush/Luft (LMU2); 21-12, 22-20  
Burnham/Hughes (USC1) def. Mosher/Wickstrom (FSU3); 21-9, 21-13  
Davis/Pardon (FSU1) def. Ettinger/Russ (USC4); 21-18, 21-12  
Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU4) def. [3] Keil/Metter (LMU1); 21-11, 21-19  
Brown/Pavels (FSU2) def. [4] Claes/Strange (USC2); 21-23, 21-17, 15-13  
Burnham/Hughes (USC1) def. Brown/Pavels (FSU2); 21-13, 21-12  
Davis/Pardon (FSU1) def. Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU4); 21-14, 21-13  
CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH  
[Burnham/Hughes (USC1) def. Davis/Pardon (FSU1); 21-8, 21-12  
CONSOLATION  
Martin/Wheeler (USC5) def. Joyce/Yildirim (FSU7); 21-12, 21-17  
Montgomery/Thompson (FSU6) def. Maxfeldt/Taylor (LMU5); 21-16, 21-19  
DeWitt/Tedrow (LMU4) def. Luke/Sanchez (FSU5); 21-17, 21-19



# COMPLETE 2014 RESULTS

## FSU Invitational at Tallahassee, Fla. - March 29-30, 2014 Results

March 29, 2014

Florida State 5, South Carolina 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Wheeler/Kent (SC) 21-14, 21-11  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Christiaansen/Blomgren (SC) 21-17, 21-13  
Court 3: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Loney/Vitt (SC) 21-15, 21-13  
Court 4: Thompson/Montgomery (FSU) def. Ratner/Darby 21-9, 21-14  
Court 5: Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Neuenfeldt/Atoa-Williams (SC) 21-9, 21-12

Florida State 5, LSU 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Mannari/Lindelow (LSU) 21-9, 21-11  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Eugene/Hatcher (LSU) 21-6, 21-17  
Court 3: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Boraski/Leak (LSU) 21-15, 21-11  
Court 4: Thompson/Montgomery (FSU) def. Whalen/Pardo (LSU) 21-13, 21-9  
Court 5: Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Holman/Hiller (LSU) 21-13, 21-11

Florida State 4, Jacksonville 1  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Nyquist/Strausbaugh (JU) 21-16, 21-19  
Court 2: Courtney/Cullen (JU) def. Brown/Pavels (FSU) 22-20, 21-17  
Court 3: Thompson/Montgomery (FSU) def. Roman/Prestes (JU) 21-17, 21-17  
Court 4: Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Laskelle/Miller (JU) 21-12, 21-10  
Court 5: Luke/Sanchez (FSU) def. Homrich/Gesualdo (JU) 21-6, 21-9

March 30, 2014

Gold Bracket  
Pardon/Davis (FSU1) def. Christiaansen/Blomgren (SC2) 25-14  
Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU2) def. Wheeler/Kent (SC1) 25-22  
Pardon/Davis (FSU1) def. Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU2) 25-17  
Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU2) def. Hatcher/Boyle (LSU2) 21-12, 21-17  
Pardon/Davis (FSU1) def. Mannari/Lindelow (LSU1) 21-18, 21-12  
Finals: Pardon/Davis (FSU1) vs. Nyquist/Strausbaugh (JU1) 21-15, 21-15



Silver Bracket  
Thompson/Montgomery (FSU4) def. Laskelle/Robertson (JU5) 25-23  
Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU5) def. Homrich/Miller (JU4) 25-15  
Brown/Pavels (FSU3) def. Ratner/Darby (SC4) 21-4, 21-12  
Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU5) def. Boraski/Leak (LSU3) 21-11, 21-15  
Thompson/Montgomery (FSU4) def. Loney/Vitt (SC3) def. 21-13, 16-21, 15-11  
Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU5) def. Prestes/Roman (JU3) 21-15, 21-11  
Brown/Pavels (FSU3) def. Thompson/Montgomery (FSU4) 21-16, 21-14  
Finals: Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU5) def. Brown/Pavels (FSU3) 22-24, 24-22, 16-14

## CofC Sand Classic at Mount Pleasant, S.C. - April 5-6, 2014 Results

April 5, 2014

Florida State 5, South Carolina 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis def. Wheeler/Kent 21-15, 21-9  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri def. Christiaansen/Blomgren 21-15, 22-20  
Court 3: Pavels/Brown def. Loney/Vitt 21-10, 21-13  
Court 4: Wickstrom/Yildirim def. Ratner/Darby 21-12, 21-7  
Court 5: Montgomery/Thompson def. Neuenfeldt/Atoa-Williams 21-12, 21-17

Florida State 5, Mercer 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis def. Penrod/Peel 21-11, 21-10  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri def. Duffy/Brown 17-21, 21-13, 15-12  
Court 3: Wickstrom/Yildirim def. Becton/Rochefort 21-12, 21-12  
Court 4: Pavels/Brown def. Brett/Sorensen 21-10, 21-10  
Court 5: Sanchez/Luke def. Carlton/Hoven 21-12, 21-12

April 6, 2014

Florida State 4, Georgia State 1  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Bellissimo/Madewell (GSU) 21-14, 21-8  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Button/Olivova (GSU) 21-13, 21-16  
Court 3: Wickstrom/Yildirim (FSU) def. Agnew/Rawls (GSU) 21-18, 33-35, 15-13  
Court 4: Pavels/Brown (FSU) def. Pickering/Wilson (GSU) 21-10, 21-10  
Court 5: Townsend/Rohan (GSU) def. Montgomery/Thompson (FSU) 21-17, 21-12  
Exhibition: Sanchez/Luke (FSU) def. Fourspring/Smestad (GSU) 23-21, 21-18

Florida State 5, College of Charleston 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Morello/Howley (CofC) 21-9, 21-13  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Neideffer/Dorton (CofC) 21-14, 21-7  
Court 3: Wickstrom/Yildirim (FSU) def. Zbojniec-White (CofC) 21-19, 21-10  
Court 4: Pavels/Brown (FSU) def. McKown/Rebarchak (CofC) 21-12, 21-19  
Court 5: Sanchez/Luke (FSU) def. Fidelholtz/Warren (CofC) 19-21, 21-18, 15-13  
Exhibition: Montgomery/Thompson (FSU) def. Hills/Watson (CofC) 21-19, 17-21, 15-7

## Fiesta on Siesta Tournament at Siesta Key, Fla. - April 11-13, 2014 Results

April 11, 2014

Florida State 4, Webber International 1  
Court 1: Rancourt/Sowala def. Davis/Pellitteri 22-20, 22-20  
Court 2: Wickstrom/Yildirim def. Sandbeck/Eddy 21-14, 21-10  
Court 3: Pavels/Brown def. Lindstrom/Eiken 21-18, 21-15  
Court 4: Montgomery/Thompson def. Mueller/Taylor 23-21, 21-15  
Court 5: def. Aliida Schat-Brittany Mock 21-15, 21-17

Florida State 5, Tulane 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis def. Juric/Wegner 21-13, 21-18  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri def. Shurtz/Holmes 21-13, 21-17  
Court 3: Wickstrom/Yildirim def. Holmes/Wruck 21-16, 21-7  
Court 4: Pavels/Brown def. Liddle/Utt 21-14, 21-19  
Court 5: Montgomery/Thompson def. Strasner/Diirell 17-21, 22-20, 15-9

# COMPLETE 2014 RESULTS

April 12, 2014

Gold Bracket  
Sanchez/Luke (FSU) def. Holmes/Wruck (TUL) 25-20  
Sowala/Rancourt (Webber1) def. Sanchez/Luke (FSU) 25-17  
Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Schat/Mock (WIU) 25-18  
Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Jenkins/Dickenson (GCU) 25-15  
Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Agnew/Rawls (GSU) 25-17  
Finals: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Eiken/Lindstrom (WIU) 25-14

Silver Bracket  
Liddle/Utt (TUL) def. Joyce/Ryan (FSU) 25-19  
Montgomery/Thompson (FSU) def. Warren/Fidelholtz (CofC) 25-22  
Montgomery/Thompson (FSU) def. Razo/Dombroski (GCU) 25-14  
Finals: Montgomery/Thompson (FSU) def. Liddle/Utt (TUL) 27-25

April 13, 2014

Bracket Play  
Davis/Pardon (FSU) def. Juric/Wegner (TUL) 21-11, 22-20  
Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Boulanger/Gehrke (FIU) 21-15, 21-16  
Blomgren/Christiaansen (SC) def. Wickstrom/Yildirim (FSU) 21-18, 14-21, 11-15  
Davis/Pardon (FSU) def. Melville/Anderson (SU) 21-7, 21-12  
Mendoza/Samoday (FIU) def. Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) 21-14, 21-13  
Davis/Pardon (FSU) def. Mendoza/Samoday (FIU) 21-16, 21-13  
Finals: Davis/Pardon (FSU) def. Medina/Hildreth (UNF) 21-16, 21-14

## FSU Tournament Bracket Play at Tallahassee, Fla. - April 19, 2014 Results

Gold Bracket  
Davis/Pardon (FSU1) def. Markova/Araya (ULM1) 21-11, 21-17  
Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU2) def. Pavels/Brown (FSU3) 24-22, 21-12  
Davis/Pardon (FSU1) def. Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU2) 21-10, 21-15  
Markova/Araya (ULM1) def. Pavels/Brown (FSU3) 21-17, 17-21, 15-10  
Davis/Pardon (FSU1) def. Pavels/Brown (FSU3) 21-11, 21-10  
Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU2) def. Markova/Araya (ULM1) 21-19, 21-17

AAA Bracket  
Sanchez/Luke (FSU5) def. Rohan/Townsend (GSU5) 21-16, 20-22, 15-13  
Ryan/Joyce (FSU6) def. Montgomery/Thompson (FSU4) 19-21, 21-14, 19-17  
Luke/Sanchez (FSU5) def. Ryan/Joyce (FSU6) 21-12, 21-9  
Rohan/Townsend (GSU5) def. Montgomery/Thompson (FSU4) 21-12, 19-21, 15-13  
Sanchez/Luke (FSU5) def. Montgomery/Thompson (FSU4) 26-24, 21-14  
Ryan/Joyce (FSU6) def. Rohan/Townsend (GSU5) 21-19, 18-21, 15-13

## AVCA National Championships at Gulf Shores, Ala. - May 2-4, 2014 Results

Round 1  
May 2, 2014  
#3 Florida State 5, #6 Stetson 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Anderson/Melville (STET) 21-12, 21-14  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Coston/Byl (STET) 21-15, 21-12  
Court 3: Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Farrell/Bassett (STET) 21-18, 22-20  
Court 4: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Rygh/Dierickx (STET) 21-15, 21-14  
Court 5: Sanchez/Luke (FSU) def. Lind/Creamer (STET) 21-19, 16-21, 15-10

Round 2  
May 2, 2014  
#3 Florida State 5, #5 Florida International 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Gehrke/Boulanger (FIU) 21-14, 21-10  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Toghiyani/Cupp (FIU) 21-11, 21-13  
Court 3: Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Mendoza/Sukhareva (FIU) 21-14, 21-12  
Court 4: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Monforte/Gluchowicz (FIU) 21-19, 21-18  
Court 5: Sanchez/Luke (FSU) def. Rosko/Rosado

Quarterfinals  
May 2, 2014  
#3 Florida State 5, #5 Florida International 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Gehrke/Boulanger (FIU) 21-14, 21-10  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Toghiyani/Cupp (FIU) 21-11, 21-13  
Court 3: Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Mendoza/Sukhareva (FIU) 21-14, 21-12  
Court 4: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Monforte/Gluchowicz (FIU) 21-19, 21-18  
Court 5: Sanchez/Luke (FSU) def. Rosko/Rosado

Semifinals  
May 3, 2014  
#3 Florida State 4, #4 Hawaii 1  
Court 1: Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. Tiegs/Cook (UH) 23-25, 21-18, 15-13  
Court 2: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Spieler/Taylor (UH) 21-13, 21-19  
Court 3: Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Longo/Long (UH) 21-14, 21-15  
Court 4: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Chow/Urban (UH) 21-17, 11-21, 15-7  
Court 5: Riggs/Tucker (UH) def. Sanchez/Luke (FSU) 14-21, 22-20, 16-14

National Championship Final  
May 3, 2014  
#2 Pepperdine 3, #3 Florida State 2  
Court 1: Larsen/Woolver (Pep) def. Pardon/Davis (FSU) 21-19, 11-21, 15-13  
Court 2: Dykstra/Strehlow (Pep) def. Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) 24-22, 21-17  
Court 3: Yildirim/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Knudsen/Racich (Pep) 21-19, 21-15  
Court 4: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Cook/Messing (Pep) 21-14, 24-22  
Court 5: Asperrey/Adelhelm (Pep) def. Sanchez/Luke (FSU) 21-19, 23-21

National Pairs Tournament  
Round 1  
May 4, 2014  
2-seed Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. 15-seed Melville/Anderson (Stet) 21-12, 21-9  
9-seed Metter/Keil (LMU) def. 8-seed Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) 22-20, 22-20

Quarterfinals  
May 4, 2014  
2-seed Pardon/Davis (FSU) def. 7-seed Markova/Araya (ULM) 21-8, 21-15

Semifinals  
May 4, 2014  
3-seed Tiegs/Cook (UH) def. 2-seed Pardon/Davis (FSU) 21-18, 21-16



# 2013 FINAL WIN-LOSS RECORD

DUO RECORDS	OVERALL	TOURNAMENT	DUALS	1	2	3	4	5
S. Pellitteri/N. Pellitteri	34-5	16-3	18-2			1-0	4-0	13-2
Brown/Pavels	21-8	8-7	13-1	1-0	6-1	5-0	1-0	
Plessy/Davis	14-3	8-2	6-1			6-1		
Pardon/Wickstrom	14-5	8-4	6-1	6-1				
Kiley/McGregor	12-1	8-1	4-0					4-0
Pardon/Milosavljevic	12-5	4-2	8-3	1-2	3-0	4-1		
Wickstrom/Kiley	11-2	6-2	5-0		1-0		4-0	
Yildirim/Medic	9-0	8-0	1-0		1-0			
Yildirim/Davis	8-6	0-2	8-4	5-3	3-1			
Kiley/Yildirim	6-3	2-1	4-2				4-2	
Burrington/Mosher	5-1	4-1	1-0				1-0	
Saxton/Montgomery	5-2	5-2						
Pavels/Plessy	5-4	1-1	4-3	1-0	3-2	0-1		
Brown/Wickstrom	3-1		3-1				3-1	
Harkness/Fidelholtz*	3-1	3-1						
Ryan/Joyce	3-2	2-2	1-0					1-0
McGregor/Medic	1-0		1-0					1-0
Plessy/Kiley	1-0		1-0				1-0	
Harkness/Plessy	1-0		1-0			1-0		
Pardon/McGregor	1-1	1-1						
Brown/Pardon	1-1		1-1	0-1		1-0		
Team	170-51	84-32	86-19					

INDIV. RECORDS	OVERALL	TOURNAMENT	DUALS	1	2	3	4	5
S. Pellitteri	34-5	16-3	18-2			1-0	4-0	13-2
N. Pellitteri	34-5	16-3	18-2			1-0	4-0	13-2
Kiley	30-6	16-4	14-2		1-0		9-2	4-0
Wickstrom	28-7	14-6	14-2	6-1	1-0		7-1	
Pardon	28-12	13-7	15-5	7-4	3-0	5-1		
Brown	25-10	8-7	17-3	1-1	6-1	6-0	4-1	
Yildirim	23-9	10-3	13-6	5-3	4-1		4-2	
Pavels	23-10	6-6	17-4	2-0	11-3	3-1	1-0	
Davis	22-9	8-4	14-5	5-3	3-1	6-1		
Plessy	21-7	9-3	12-4	1-0	3-2	7-2	1-0	
McGregor	14-2	9-2	5-0					5-0
Milosavljevic	12-5	4-2	8-3	1-2	3-0	4-1		
Medic	10-0	8-0	2-0		1-0			1-0
Burrington	5-1	4-1	1-0				1-0	
Mosher	5-1	4-1	1-0				1-0	
Saxton	5-2	5-2						
Montgomery	5-2	5-2						
Harkness*	4-1	3-1	1-0		1-0			
Joyce	3-2	2-2	1-0					1-0
Ryan	3-2	2-2	1-0					1-0

\*-Blyss Harkness played four matches (3-1) with College of Charleston's Katie Fidelholtz at the Fiesta on Siesta event.

Overall = Overall won-loss mark in all matches

Tournament = Record at tournaments/invitationals

Duals = Record in dual (team vs. team) matches

1 through 5 = Record in the position in all duals and selected pool play

# 2013 FINAL RESULTS

Date	Opponent/Event	Place	Result
Mar. 10	at #3 USC	Los Angeles, Calif.	W, 3-2
	vs. Loyola-Marymount	Los Angeles, Calif.	W, 5-0
Mar. 11	at #2 Long Beach State	Long Beach, Calif.	L, 4-1
	vs. #6 UCLA	Long Beach, Calif.	W, 5-0
MAR. 14-16	CHULA VISTA TOURNAMENT	CHULA VISTA, CALIF.	
Mar. 14	vs. #1 Pepperdine		L, 3-2
	vs. Nebraska		W, 4-1
Mar. 15	vs. CSU-Bakersfield		W, 5-0
Mar. 16 Pairs	15-team pairs tournament		2nd - Pardon/Milosavljevic
MAR. 29-30	JACKSONVILLE EVENT	JACKSONVILLE, FLA.	
Mar. 29	vs. UAB		W, 5-0
	vs. Jacksonville		W, 4-1
Mar. 30	vs. Jacksonville		W, 4-1
	vs. Stetson		W, 5-0
April. 6	vs. Tulane	Atlanta, Ga.	W, 5-0
	vs. Georgia State	Atlanta, Ga.	W, 4-1
April 7	Silver Bracket	Atlanta, Ga.	1st - Davis/Plessy 3rd - Pellitteri/Pellitteri
	Gold Bracket	Atlanta, Ga.	2nd - Pavels/Brown
APRIL 12-14	SIESTA KEY TOURNAMENT	SIESTA KEY, FLA.	
April 12	vs. Webber International		W, 5-0
	vs. FGCU		W, 5-0
April 14	16-team "Sunday Fun 2"		1st - Kiley/McGregor
	12-team "Sunday Fun 1"		1st - Pellitteri/Pellitteri
	16-team Gold Division		T3rd - Pavels/Brown T5th - Pardon/Wickstrom
APRIL 20-21	FLORIDA STATE TOURNAMENT	TALLAHASSEE, FLA.	
April 20	vs. College of Charleston		W, 5-0
	vs. UAB		W, 5-0
April 21	Gold Bracket		2nd - Pardon/Wickstrom 7th - Brown/ Pavels
	Silver Bracket		1st - Pellitteri/Pellitteri 2nd - Plessy/Davis T3rd - Kiley/Yildirim
MAY 3-5	AVCA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP	GULF SHORES, ALA.	
May 3	vs. # 6 ULM	Round 1	W, 5-0
	vs. # 2 Long Beach State	Round 2	L, 3-2
	vs. #5 North Florida	Quarterfinals	W, 5-0
May 4	vs. #1 Pepperdine	Semifinals	L, 3-2
May 5	Pairs Tournament	Round 1	#3 Pardon/Wickstrom def. #14 UNF Budinska/Medina #10 USC Fuller/Sary def. #7 Pavels/Brown
	Pairs Tournament	Quarterfinals	#6 Mendoza/Samoday def. #3 Pardon/Wickstrom



## COMPLETE 2013 RESULTS

**Florida State at USC  
at Los Angeles, Calif. - March 10, 2013  
Results**

Florida State 3, USC 2  
 Court 1: Burnham/Russ (USC) def. Davis/Yildirim (FSU) 21-16, 21-15  
 Court 2: Fuller/Robinson (USC) def. Pavels/ Plessy (FSU) 21-16, 18-21, 15-12  
 Court 3: Milosavljevic/Pardon (FSU) def. Ettinger/Stonish (USC) 21-17, 21-10  
 Court 4: Brown/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Fournier/Siljkovic (USC) 24-22, 21-10  
 Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Hirschmann/Seau (USC) 21-19, 21-19  
 Order of Finish: 4, 5, 3, 1, 2

**Florida State vs. Loyola Marymount  
at Los Angeles, Calif. - March 10, 2013  
Results**

Florida State 5, Loyola Marymount 0  
 Court 1: Davis/Yildirim (FSU) def. Arriola/Crouse (LMU) 21-12, 15-21, 15-8  
 Court 2: Pavels/Plessy (FSU) def. Suaava/Taylor (LMU) 21-10, 21-9  
 Court 3: Milosavljevic/Pardon (FSU) def. Bush/Keil (LMU) 16-21, 21-16, 15-5  
 Court 4: Brown/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Maxfeldt/Scioscia (LMU) 21-14, 21-14  
 Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Mirabello/Tedrow (LMU) 21-8, 21-9  
 Order of finish: 5, 4, 2, 3, 1

**Florida State vs. LBSU  
at Long Beach, Calif. - March 11, 2013  
Results**

Long Beach State 4, Florida State 1  
 Court 1: Davis/Yildirim (FSU) def. Ledoux/Reid (LBSU) 21-18, 21-19  
 Court 2: Mackie/ Cabrajac (LBSU) def. Pavels/Plessy (FSU) 21-18, 21-16  
 Court 3: Aigner/ Swesey (LBSU) def. Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) 21-10, 17-21, 16-14  
 Court 4: Neely/Minkel (LBSU) def. Brown/Wickstrom (FSU) 21-17, 17-21, 15-11  
 Court 5: Johnson/Jackson (LBSU) def. Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) 21-16, 21-19

**Florida State at UCLA  
at Long Beach, Calif. - March 11, 2013  
Results**

Florida State 5, UCLA 0  
 Court 1: Davis/Yildirim (FSU) def. Norton/Reeves (UCLA) 22-20, 21-15  
 Court 2: Pavels/Plessy (FSU) def. Strehlow/Nightengale (UCLA) 21-15, 16-21, 18-16  
 Court 3: Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) def. Todorovic/Moenoa (UCLA) 21-17, 21-16  
 Court 4: Brown/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Lowe/Drolson (UCLA) 21-12, 21-11  
 Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Klineman/Inoyue (UCLA) 21-7, 21-13

**Chula Vista OTC  
at Chula Vista, California - March 14-15, 2013  
Results**

March 14, 2013

Pepperdine 3, Florida State 2  
 Court 1: Fredrick/Hill (PEP) def. Brown/Pardon (FSU) 21-13, 21-15  
 Court 2: Dykstra/Racich (PEP) def. Davis/Yildirim (FSU) 15-21, 21-14, 16-14  
 Court 3: Larsen/Woollever (PEP) def. Pavels/Plessy (FSU) 21-18, 21-13  
 Court 4: Kiley/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Racich/Cook (PEP) 27-25, 25-23  
 Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Adelheim/Orosco (PEP) 21-14, 18-21, 15-13

Florida State 4, Nebraska 1  
 Court 1: Robinson/Strange (NU) def. Yildirim/Davis (FSU) 19-21, 21-19, 15-7  
 Court 2: Pavels/Plessy (FSU) def. Thramer/Rolfzen (NU) 21-18, 20-22, 15-12  
 Court 3: Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) def. Rolfzen/Broekhuis 21-17, 21-16  
 Court 4: Wickstrom/Kiley (FSU) def. Hall/Fien (NU) 21-13, 21-13  
 Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Ostrander/Zarda (NU) 21-12, 21-15

March 15, 2013

Florida State 5, CSU Bakersfield 0  
 Court 1: Pavels/Plessy (FSU) def. Fu/Araujo (CSU) 21-18, 21-14  
 Court 2: Kiley/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Guitave/Alvidez (CSU) 21-15, 21-12  
 Court 3: Pardon/Brown (FSU) def. O'Hagan/Bartsch (CSU) 21-12, 21-15  
 Court 4: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Bowen/Youngblood (CSU) 21-13, 21-15  
 Court 5: McGregor/Medic (FSU) def. Sawyer/Campbell (CSU) 21-13, 21-14

March 16, 2013

Bracket Play  
 Gold Division  
 Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) def. Davis/Yildirim (FSU) 24-22, 21-12  
 Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) def. Bowden/Dugan (Grand Canyon) 21-13, 21-15

Silver Division  
 Kiley/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Jenkins/Davis (GC) 21-8, 21-13  
 Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Ausmus/Hiller (GC) 21-12, 21-10  
 Plessy/Pavels (FSU) def. Spackman/Posse (GC) 21-9, 21-7

**Gulf Coast State College Event  
at Panama City, Fla. - March 23, 2013  
Results**

1st Place: Davis/Yildirim  
 2nd Place: Pardon/Milosavljevic  
 3rd Place: Plessy/Brown  
 4th Place: Pavels/Ryan  
 5th Place: McGregor/Joyce  
 7th Place: Harkness/Montgomery



## COMPLETE 2013 RESULTS

**Jacksonville Event  
at Jacksonville, Fla. - March 29-30, 2013  
Results**

March 29, 2013

Florida State 5, UAB 0  
 Court 1: Yildirim/Davis (FSU) def. Hirini/Thomas (UAB) 21-10, 21-23, 15-8  
 Court 2: Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) def. Gallagher/Slaughter (UAB) 21-15, 21-17  
 Court 3: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Woods/Serley (UAB) 21-11, 21-13  
 Court 4: Plessy/Kiley (FSU) def. Rishell/Fairbanks (UAB) 21-18, 18-21, 15-12  
 Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Howard/Morrell (UAB) 21-9, 21-15

Florida State 4, Jacksonville 1  
 Court 1: Nyquist/Strausbaugh (JU) def. Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) 19-21, 21-19, 12-15  
 Court 2: Yildirim/Davis (FSU) def. Courtney/Cullen (JU) 21-16, 21-17  
 Court 3: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Roman/Robertson (JU) 21-16, 21-12  
 Court 4: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Teplitz/Laskell (JU) 21-14, 21-7  
 Court 5: Kiley/McGregor (FSU) def. Jacob/Pagan (JU) 21-7, 21-8

March 30, 2013

Florida State 4, Jacksonville 1  
 Court 1: Nyquist/Strausbaugh (JU) def. Yildirim/Davis (FSU) 21-17, 16-21, 15-13  
 Court 2: Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) def. Courtney/Cullen (JU) 21-9, 21-12  
 Court 3: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Roman/Robertson (JU) 21-10, 21-4  
 Court 4: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Pagan/Jacob (JU) 21-4, 21-11  
 Court 5: Kiley/McGregor (FSU) def. Laskelle/Teplitz (JU) 21-10, 21-10

Florida State 5, Stetson 0  
 Court 1: Davis/Yildirim (FSU) def. Melville/Bassett (SU) 17-21, 21-16, 15-13  
 Court 2: Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) def. Byl/Rygh (SU) 21-16, 21-16  
 Court 3: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Coston/Hoffman (SU) 21-16, 21-5  
 Court 4: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. DiGirolamo/Dierickx (SU) 21-8, 21-9  
 Court 5: Kiley/McGregor (FSU) def. Robertson/White (SU) 21-12, 21-9

**Florida State vs. Tulane  
Atlanta, Ga. - April 6, 2013  
Results**

Florida State 5, Tulane 0  
 Court 1: Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) def. Martone/Asprey (TU) 21-18, 21-15  
 Court 2: Davis/Yildirim (FSU) def. Jovic/Jackson (TU) 21-16, 21-12  
 Court 3: Pavels/Brown (FSU) def. Wruck/Weaver (TU) 21-14, 21-14  
 Court 4: Wickstrom/Kiley (FSU) def. Bardward/Wegner (TU) 21-10, 21-16  
 Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Utt/Moore (TU) 21-10, 21-16

**Florida State vs. Georgia State  
Atlanta, Ga. - April 6, 2013  
Results**

Florida State 4, Georgia State 1  
 Court 1: Carico/Madewell (GSU) def. Pardon/Milosavljevic (FSU) 21-17, 21-16  
 Court 2: Davis/Yildirim (FSU) def. Button/Olivova (GSU) 21-18, 17-21, 15-12  
 Court 3: Pavels/Brown (FSU) def. Elmurr/Smestad (GSU) 21-18, 21-15  
 Court 4: Wickstrom/Kiley (FSU) def. Pickering/Rawls (GSU) 21-14, 21-14  
 Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Townsend/Kavanaugh (GSU) 21-5, 21-6

**Bracket Play  
Atlanta, Ga. - April 7, 2013  
Results**

Gold Bracket  
 McNamee/Grabiec (ULM) def. Milosavljevic/Pardon (FSU) 21-3, 21-0 (forfeit)  
 Sukach/Markova (ULM) def. Brown/Pavels (FSU) 21-16, 21-19  
 Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Liddle/Jackson (TUL) 21-9, 21-11  
 Pardon/McGregor (FSU) def. Button/Olivova (GSU) 21-18, 21-11  
 Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Asprey/Martone (TUL) 18-21, 21-13, 15-12  
 Carico/Madewell (GSU) def. Pardon/McGregor (FSU) 21-16, 19-21, 15-11  
 Carico/Madewell (GSU) def. McNamee/Grabiec (FSU) 21-15, 21-17  
 Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Sukach/Markova (ULM) 21-16, 21-15  
 Finals: Carico/Madewell (GSU) def. Brown/Pavels (FSU) 21-12, 21-18

Silver Bracket  
 Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Elmurr/Smestad (GSU) 21-14, 21-14  
 Kiley/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Utt/Moore (TUL) 21-17, 21-15  
 Plessy/Davis (FSU) def. Badawi/Wegner (TUL) 21-11, 21-9  
 Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Aray/Garcia (ULM) 21-15, 21-15  
 Kiley/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Rawls/Pickering (GSU) 25-23, 15-21, 15-9  
 Plessy/Davis (FSU) def. Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) 21-15, 21-17  
 Kiley/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Weaver/Wruck (TUL) 21-12, 21-10  
 Finals: Kiley/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Plessy/Davis (FSU) 21-12, 21-10

**Fiesta on Siesta Key Tournament  
Siesta Key, Fla. - April 12-14, 2013  
Results**

April 12, 2013

Florida State 5, Webber International 0  
 Court 1: Pavels/Brown (FSU) def. Buede/Evov (WI) 21-16, 21-10  
 Court 2: Yildirim/Medic (FSU) def. Dougherty/Lindstrom (WI) 21-17, 16-21, 15-11  
 Court 3: Harkness/Plessy (FSU) def. Schat/Eiken (WI) 27-25, 21-14  
 Court 4: Burrington/Mosher (FSU) def. Eddy/Olivera (WI) 2-11, 21-14  
 Court 5: Ryan/Joyce (FSU) def. Garbutt/Mock (WI) 21-16, 22-20

Florida State 5, Florida Gulf Coast 0  
 Court 1: Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Kohler/Muse (FGCU) 21-10, 21-15  
 Court 2: Pavels/Brown (FSU) def. Holm/Masters (FGCU) 15-21, 21-11, 15-4  
 Court 3: Davis/Plessy (FSU) def. Mesner/Childs (FGCU) 21-8, 21-9  
 Court 4: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Pinder/Strautniece (FGCU) 21-10, 21-7  
 Court 5: Kiley/McGregor (FSU) def. Hopper/Meyer (FGCU) 21-5, 21-13



# COMPLETE 2013 RESULTS

**Florida State vs. College of Charleston and UAB**  
Tallahassee, Fla. - April 20, 2013  
**Results**

Florida State 5, College of Charleston 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Theesfeld/Morello (COC) 21-10, 21-13  
Court 2: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Dorton/Zbonjniec (COC) 19-21, 23-21, 15-12  
Court 3: Davis/Plessy (FSU) def. Neideffer/Kolich (COC) 21-13, 21-14  
Court 4: Kiley/Yildirim (FSU) def. White/Davis (COC) 21-17, 21-17  
Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Shelton/Warren (COC) 21-17, 21-15

Florida State 5, UAB 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Hirini/Thomas (UAB) 26-24, 21-14  
Court 2: Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Slaughter/Gallagher (UAB) 21-17, 21-15  
Court 3: Davis/Plessy (FSU) def. Woods/Serley (UAB) 21-14, 21-14  
Court 4: Kiley/Yildirim (FSU) def. Fairbanks/Rishell (UAB) 18-21, 21-18, 15-11  
Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Howard/Morrell (UAB) 21-9, 21-11

**Bracket Play**  
Tallahassee, Fla. - April 21, 2013  
**Results**

**Gold Bracket**  
Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Button/Olivova (GSU) 21-7, 21-13  
Carico/Madewell (GSU) def. Brown/Pavels (FSU) 18-21, 21-16, 15-6  
Button/Olivova (GSU) def. Brown/Pavels (FSU) 21-16, 22-24, 15-7  
Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Dorton/Zbonjniec (COC) 21-8, 21-14  
Brown/Pavels (FSU) def. Slaughter/Gallagher (UAB) 21-18, 23-21  
Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Hirini/Thomas (UAB) 19-21, 21-14, 15-7  
Finals: Carico/Madewell (GSU) def. Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) 21-19, 21-12

**Silver Bracket**  
Kiley/Yildirim (FSU) def. Shelton/Warren (COC) 21-18, 21-14  
Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. White/Davis (COC) 22-20, 21-10  
Plessy/Davis (FSU) def. Kiley/Yildirim (FSU) 22-24, 21-11, 15-11  
Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Neideffer/Kolich (COC) 21-18, 21-18  
Finals: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Plessy/Davis (FSU) 18-21, 21-17, 17-15



**AVCA National Championships**  
Gulf Shores, Ala. - May 3-5, 2013  
**Results**

**First Round**  
May 3, 2013  
#3 Florida State 5, #6 Louisiana-Monroe 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Sukach/Markova (ULM) 21-13, 13-21, 18-16  
Court 2: Pavels/Brown (FSU) def. McNamee/Grabiec (ULM) 21-16, 21-18  
Court 3: Davis/Plessy (FSU) def. Araya/Garcia (ULM) 21-12, 21-14  
Court 4: Kiley/Yildirim (FSU) def. Parks/Ocana (ULM) 21-18, 21-15  
Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Marinova/Cullum (ULM) 21-7, 21-5

**Round 2**  
May 3, 2013  
#2 Long Beach State 3, #3 Florida State 2  
Court 1: Roenicke/Ledoux (LBSU) def. Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) 19-21, 27-25, 17-15  
Court 2: Pavels/Brown (FSU) def. Aigner-Swesey/Cabrajac (LBSU) 21-18, 19-21, 15-8  
Court 3: Davis/Plessy (FSU) def. Mackie/Fontanilla (LBSU) 21-19, 16-21, 15-12  
Court 4: Neely/Minkel (LBSU) def. Kiley/Yildirim (FSU) 21-14, 21-12  
Court 5: Johnson/Jackson (LBSU) def. Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) 21-16, 15-21, 18-16

**Quarterfinals**  
May 3, 2013  
#3 Florida State 5, #5 North Florida 0  
Court 1: Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Medina/Budinska (UNF) 21-13, 21-19  
Court 2: Pavels/Brown (FSU) def. Jenkins/Whitmire (UNF) 21-17, 21-18  
Court 3: Davis/Plessy (FSU) def. Strack/Wagner (UNF) 21-19, 18-21, 15-9  
Court 4: Kiley/Yildirim (FSU) def. Pridgeon/McGuire (UNF) 21-14, 21-18  
Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Claessens/Trembley (UNF) 21-15, 21-11

**Semifinals**  
May 4, 2013  
#1 Pepperdine 3, #3 Florida State 2  
Court 1: Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. Frederick/Orozco (PEP) - Forfeit (injury)  
Court 2: Dykstra/C. Racich (PEP) def. Pavels/Brown (FSU) 21-16, 21-19  
Court 3: Larson/Woolever (PEP) def. Davis/Plessy (FSU) 21-18, 21-18  
Court 4: Adelhelm/T. Racich (PEP) def. Kiley/Yildirim (FSU) 21-19, 21-15  
Court 5: Pellitteri/Pellitteri (FSU) def. Cook/Messing (PEP) 21-12, 21-17

**Pairs Tournament Round 1**  
May 5, 2013  
#3 Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) def. #14 Budinska/Medina (UNF) 21-12, 19-21, 15-8  
#10 Fuller/Sary (USC) def. #7 Pavels/Brown (FSU) 21-14, 11-21, 16-14

**Pairs Tournament Quarterfinals**  
May 5, 2013  
#6 Mendoza/Samoday (FIU) def. Pardon/Wickstrom (FSU) 21-19, 21-15

# 2012 FINAL WIN-LOSS RECORD

DUO RECORDS	OVERALL	POOL	PAIRS	DUALS	1	2	3	4	5
Newgard/Tiegs	50-7-1	16-0-1	19-4	15-3	22-2-1	6-1			
Stepanova/Pardon	43-6	16-2	11-4	16-0	6-2	20-0			
Pavels/Djurdjevic	32-10	11-4	8-6	13-0		2-0	20-2	1-0	
Pellitteri/Kiley	16-12	4-5	5-6	7-1			1-0	6-3	3-1
McGregor/Haworth	12-2-1	2-1-1	5-1	5-0				4-1-1	3-0
McGregor/Yildirim	10-1	4-0	4-0	2-1					2-1
Haworth/Kiley	11-4	3-1	3-1	5-2			1-2	6-1	1-0
McGregor/Wickstrom	7-2	0-0	2-2	5-0				2-0	3-0
Blackman/Saxton	5-1	4-0	1-1	0-0					
Wickstrom/Pellitteri	4-2	3-1	1-1	0-0					3-1
Djurdjevic/Pellitteri	3-2	0-0	0-0	3-2			2-0	1-2	
Wickstrom/Kiley	2-0	0-0	0-0	2-0					2-0
Pardon/Pellitteri	2-0	0-0	0-0	2-0			2-0		
McGregor/Blackman	2-6	0-5	0-1	2-0					2-2
Blackman/Haworth	1-0	0-0	0-0	1-0					1-0
Milosavljevic/Yildirim	1-0	0-0	0-0	1-0					1-0
Milosavljevic/Davis (C.of C)*	7-1	4-0	3-1	0-0					
Wickstrom/Yildirim	0-2	0-0	0-0	0-2					0-2
<b>Team</b>	<b>208-58-2</b>	<b>67-19-2</b>	<b>62-28</b>	<b>79-11</b>					

IND. RECORDS	OVERALL	POOL	PAIRS	DUALS	1	2	3	4	5
Newgard	50-7-1	16-0-1	19-4	15-3	22-2-1	6-1			
Tiegs	50-7-1	16-0-1	19-4	15-3	22-2-1	6-1			
Pardon	45-6	16-2	11-4	18-0	6-2	20-0	2-0		
Stepanova	43-6	16-2	11-4	16-0	6-2	20-0			
Djurdjevic	35-12	11-4	8-6	16-2		2-0	22-2	2-2	
Pavels	32-10	11-4	8-6	13-0		2-0	20-2	1-0	
McGregor	31-11-1	6-6-1	11-4	14-1				6-1-1	10-3
Kiley	29-16	7-6	8-7	14-3			2-3	10-4	6-1
Pellitteri	25-16	7-6	6-7	12-3			5-0	7-5	7-1
Haworth	24-5-1	5-2-1	8-2	11-2			3-2	7-2-1	4-0
Yildirim	11-3	4-0	4-0	3-3					3-3
Wickstrom	13-6	3-1	3-3	7-2				2-0	8-3
Milosavljevic*	8-1	4-0	3-1	1-0					1-0
Blackman	8-7	4-5	1-2	3-0					3-2
Saxton	5-1	4-0	1-1	0-0					

\*Milosavljevic paired with College of Charleston's Davis to go 7-1 at the Fiesta at Siesta Key on April 14

Overall = Overall won-loss mark in all matches

Pool = Record in pool play at tournaments/invitationals

Pairs = Record in pairs tournament play

Duals = Record in dual (team vs. team) matches

1 through 5 = Record in the position in all duals and selected pool play

# 2012 FINAL RESULTS

Date	Opponent/Event	Place	Result
Mar. 3	at UAB	Birmingham, Ala.	W, 5-0
Mar. 5	at Tulane	New Orleans, La.	W, 5-0
MAR. 8-9	CLASH OF THE COLLEGIANS	WINTER HAVEN, FLA.	
Mar. 8 Duals	vs. Stetson		W, 5-0
	vs. College of Charleston		W, 5-0
Mar. 9 Pairs	15-team pairs tournament		1st - Stepanova/Pardon; 2nd - Tiegs/Newgard; 3rd - Djurdjevic/Pavels
Mar. 13	vs. Tulane (DH)	Tallahassee, Fla.	W, 5-0; W, 5-0
MAR. 16-18	USC TOURNAMENT	LOS ANGELES, CALIF.	
Mar. 16	Pool Play		
Mar. 17	Team Competition UH/Pepp/USC/LBSU		2nd
Mar. 18	20-team pairs tournament		1st - Tiegs/Newgard; T2nd - Stepanova/Pardon
MAR. 24-25	FSU SAND TOURNAMENT	TALLAHASSEE, FLA.	
Mar. 24	vs. FGCU		W, 5-0
	vs. Stetson		W, 5-0
	vs. USC		W, 4-1
Mar. 25	10-team "Gold" pairs tournament		1st - Tiegs/Newgard; 2nd - Pavels/Djurdjevic; T3rd - Stepanova/Pavels
	10-team "Silver" pairs tournament		1st - McGregor/Haworth; T3rd - Pellitteri/Kiley
Mar. 29	vs. Hawaii (DH)	Tallahassee, Fla.	W, 4-1; W, 4-1
MAR. 31-APRIL 1	UNF SAND INVITATIONAL	JACKSONVILLE, FLA.	
Mar. 31	Pool Play/Team Competition		1st
April 1	16-team "Gold" pairs tournament		2nd - Tiegs/Newgard; T3rd - Djurdjevic/Pardon
April 6	at Stetson	Deland, Fla.	W, 5-0
April 6	vs. FAU	Deland, Fla.	W, 5-0
APRIL 14	FIESTAAT SIESTA KEY	SIESTA KEY, FLA.	
April 14	Pool Play/Team Competition		1st
April 14	Fiesta Pairs Tournament		1st - Tiegs/Newgard; 2nd - Djurdjevic/Pardon; 3rd - Kiley/Haworth
April 14	Siesta Pairs Tournament		1st- McGregor/Yildirim; 2nd - Milosavljevic/Davis (C. of C.)
April 21	vs. UAB	Tallahassee, Fla.	W, 5-0
April 21	vs. FAU	Tallahassee, Fla.	W, 5-0
APRIL 27-29	AVCA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS	GULF SHORES, ALA.	
April 21	Pairs Tournament Pool Play		Tiegs/Newgard - 3-0; Stepanova/Pardon - 3-0
April 28	vs. Long Beach State	Round 1	L, 4-1
April 28	vs. College of Charleston	Quarterfinals	W, 4-1
April 28	vs. Long Beach State	Semifinals	L, 3-2
April 29	Pairs Championship	Quarterfinals	LBSU Ledoux/Roenicke def. Tiegs/Newgard
		Semifinals	LBSU Ledoux/Roenicke def. Stepanova/Pardon

# ALL-TIME RECORDS

## Single Season Wins

Rk.	Name	Record	%	Year
1.	Aurora Davis	50-7-1	.871	2012
	Brittany Tiegs	50-7-1	.871	2012
3.	Jace Pardon	45-6	.882	2012
4.	Jekaterina Stepanova	43-6	.878	2012
5.	Jace Pardon	41-4	.911	2014
	Aurora Davis	41-5	.891	2014
7.	Visnja Djurdjevic	35-12	.745	2012
8.	Nina Pellitteri	34-5	.872	2013
	Stephanie Pellitteri	34-5	.872	2013
10.	Fatma Yildirim	32-8	.800	2014
	Melanie Pavels	32-10	.762	2012
12.	Jeassica McGreagor	31-11-1	.733	2012
13.	Mallory Kiley	30-6	.833	2013
14.	Mallory Kiley	29-16	.644	2012
15.	Sarah Wickstrom	28-7	.800	2013
	Jace Pardon	28-12	.700	2013
17.	Julie Brown	26-11	.703	2014
	Melanie Pavels	26-11	.703	2014
19.	Stephanie Pellitteri	25-8	.758	2014
	Kristina Pellitteri	25-9	.735	2014
	Julie Brown	25-10	.714	2013
	Stephanie Pellitteri	25-16	.610	2012

## Single Season Winning Percentage (Min. 20 matches)

Rk.	Name	Record	%	Years
1.	Jace Pardon	41-4	.911	2014
2.	Aurora Davis	41-5	.891	2014
3.	Jace Pardon	45-6	.882	2012
4.	Jekaterina Stepanova	43-6	.878	2012
5.	Nina Pellitteri	34-5	.872	2013
	Stephanie Pellitteri	34-5	.872	2013
7.	Aurora Davis	50-7-1	.871	2012
	Brittany Tiegs	50-7-1	.871	2012
9.	Sarah Wickstrom	31-5	.861	2014
10.	Mallory Kiley	30-6	.833	2013
11.	Caitlin Haworth	24-5	.828	2012
12.	Fatma Yildirim	32-8	.800	2014
	Sarah Wickstrom	28-7	.800	2013
14.	Melanie Pavels	32-10	.762	2012
15.	Stephanie Pellitteri	25-8	.758	2014
16.	Katherine Plessy	21-7	.750	2013
	Hailey Luke	15-5	.750	2014
18.	Visnja Djurdjevic	35-12	.745	2012
19.	Nina Pellitteri	25-9	.735	2014
20.	Jeassica McGreagor	31-11-1	.733	2012

## Career Wins

Rk.	Name	Record	%	Years
1.	Jace Pardon	114-22	.838	2012-14
2.	Aurora Davis	113-21-1	.841	2012-14
3.	Stephanie Pellitteri	84-29	.743	2012-14
4.	Melanie Pavels	81-31	.723	2012-14
5.	Sarah Wickstrom	72-18	.800	2012-14
6.	Fatma Yildirim	66-20	.767	2012-14
7.	Nina Pellitteri	59-14	.808	2013-14
	Mallory Kiley	59-22	.728	2012-13
9.	Julie Brown	51-21	.708	2013-14
10.	Brittany Tiegs	50-7-1	.871	2012
11.	Jeassica McGreagor	45-13-1	.771	2012-13
12.	Jekaterina Stepanova	43-6	.878	2012
13.	Caitline Haworth	24-5	.828	2012
14.	Katherine Plessy	21-7	.750	2013
15.	Annie Montgomery	21-9	.700	2013-14
16.	Marija Milosavljevic	20-7	.741	2012-13

## Career Winning Percentage (Min. Two Seasons, 25 matches)

Rk.	Name	Record	%	Years
1.	Aurora Davis	113-21-1	.841	2012-14
2.	Jace Pardon	114-22	.838	2012-14
3.	Nina Pellitteri	59-14	.808	2013-14
4.	Jeassica McGreagor	45-13-1	.771	2012-13
5.	Sarah Wickstrom	72-18	.800	2012-14
6.	Fatma Yildirim	66-20	.767	2012-14
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9.	Mallory Kiley	59-22	.728	2012-13
10.	Melanie Pavels	81-31	.723	2012-14

## Winningest Pairs

Rk.	Name	Record	%	Years
1.	S. Pellitteri/N. Pellitteri	59-14	.808	2013-14
2.	Davis/Tiegs	50-7-1	.871	2012
3.	Brown/Pavels	47-19	.712	2013-14
4.	Pardon/Stepanova	43-6	.878	2012
5.	Pardon/Davis	41-4	.911	2014
6.	Djurdjevic/Pavels	32-10	.762	2012
7.	Yildirim/Wickstrom	24-5	.828	2013-14
8.	Kiley/S. Pellitteri	16-12	.571	2012
9.	Davis/Plessy	14-3	.823	2013
	Pardon/Wickstrom	14-5	.737	2013
	Sanchez/Luke	14-5	.737	2014
	Montgomery/Thompson	14-7	.666	2014



NO. 4 FSU ROLLS IN THE SEASON OPENER



ST. AUGUSTINE, FLA. - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team kicked off its third season in style on Saturday at the UNF Sand Invitational. The Seminoles went a combined 9-1 in dual match play with victories against ninth-ranked Florida International and against Louisiana-Monroe.

The 'Noles sported new black and gold uniforms as they cruised past their first competition of the 2014 campaign. FSU started off slow, losing the first set on Courts 4 and 5, but they were able to rally back to defeat FIU, 4-1, in the morning match before sweeping ULM in the afternoon, 5-0.

Florida State continues to prove that they are the team to beat on the East Coast. With two victories today, the Seminoles remain undefeated all-time against schools on the East Coast.

Head Coach Danalee Corso rolled out a few new pairs than what we saw last year. On Court 1, 2013 All-American Jace Pardon teamed up with 2012 All-American Aurora Davis. Pardon came into the day as the winningest player in school history with 73 wins. Davis is second in that category with 72 career wins. The talented duo went undefeated in both matches today, winning all four sets.

Corso didn't switch up all the pairs however. Sisters Stephanie and Nina Pellitteri were partnered up again this season. After posting a team-best 34-5 record last year mostly on Court 5, the sister moved up to play on Court 2 and kept their winning ways going. The Pellitteri's swept all four sets of the day in convincing fashion.

Florida State only lost three sets all day as they improve to 2-0 to begin the 2014 season.

The Seminole season continues tomorrow when they face Jacksonville and North Florida in a pair of dual matches beginning at 10:30am at the St. John's County Pier in St. Augustine, Fla. before they pack their bags and head west to face defending national champions Long Beach State on Wednesday in Long Beach, Calif.

NO. 4 FLORIDA STATE OFF TO 4-0 START

ST. AUGUSTINE, Fla. - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team wrapped up its opening weekend undefeated at the UNF Sand Invitational, defeating Jacksonville, 5-0, and North Florida, 5-0, on Sunday at the St. John's County Pier.

On Saturday, FSU routed No. 9 Florida International, 4-1, and ULM, 5-0.

"This weekend was a good start for our team," FSU head coach Danalee Corso said. "We played three of the toughest teams in the Southeast Region and we came out on top. We had a lot of players really excel. Jace (Pardon) continues to prove she is one of the best players in the country. She and Aurora (Davis) were dominant all weekend. They were very confident and Jace just keeps improving."

Pardon, a junior, and Davis, a senior, went 4-0 on Court 1 on the weekend, defeating Jacksonville's Sammie Strausbaugh and Taylor Nyquist, 21-18, 21-16 and North Florida's Dagnija Medina and Kim Hildreth, 21-18, 21-19, on Sunday.

Florida State's No. 2 tandem of junior Stephanie Pellitteri and her sister sophomore Kristina Pellitteri cruised past Jacksonville's duo of Kendal Courtney and Gabriela Roman (21-14, 21-13) in the morning before recording a come-from-behind victory in the afternoon.

After falling to UNF's Anna Budinska and Cari Whitmire, 21-14, in Set 1, the sisters rebounded to take Set 2, 22-20, and then squeezed out the win in a back-and-forth Set 3, 15-12.

"It was great to see the Pellitteri's fight back against a very good and athletic UNF team," Corso said. "They were challenged like they haven't really been before and it was fun to see them execute a game plan and come back - it was a character building match."

Sophomore Julie Brown and junior Melanie Pavels made short work of their opponents on Court 3 on Sunday, picking up a 21-11, 21-10 victory over Jacksonville's Emily Laskell and Niatha Cullen and handedly defeating UNF's Emily Strack and Britt Claessens (21-14, 21-10).



FSU KNOCKS OFF REIGNING NATIONAL CHAMPIONS



LONG BEACH, Calif. - The "Beasts of the East" finally knocked off the best of the West on Wednesday at the LBSU Courts.

The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team defeated reigning AVCA National Champions and third-ranked Long Beach State, 3-2, marking the Seminoles' biggest win in school history.

The All-American duo of junior Jace Pardon and senior Aurora Davis lived up to their billing by clinching the match with a two-set victory on Court 1, while Florida State also picked up victories from senior Fatma Yildirim and sophomore Kayla Joyce on Court 4 and the pair of juniors Sarah Wickstrom and Katie Mosher on Court 5.

"This weekend we have another tough matchup against USC and a long day of three matches," Corso said. "We're playing well, but we need to take it one day at a time. We've beaten two of the top 10 teams in the country, and hopefully we can continue to improve and move up the rankings."

Junior Stephanie Pellitteri and sophomore Kristina Pellitteri grabbed a 19-16 first-set lead on Court 2 against LBSU's Janisa Johnson and Tyler Jackson, but couldn't hold on. The 49er pair came back to take the first set, 22-20, and used that momentum to snag a 21-8 win in Set 2.

Pardon was extraordinary at the net, tallying kills and blocks at the perfect time as the Seminoles' No. 1 tandem clinched the match and dual on a kill by Davis which capped a 21-17, 21-13 win over Delainey Aigner-Swese and Bojana Todorovic.

"It felt awesome to redeem ourselves," Pardon said. "We were so close the past two seasons. It feels great to beat the reigning national champs. We came out and did what we were supposed to do. We limited our mistakes. We kept with the game plan and executed it. I'm really excited for Friday. I can't wait to face USC. It will be some great competition."

On Court 3, FSU sophomore Julie Brown and junior Melanie Pavels fell to Long Beach State's Bre Mackie and Chelsea Cabrajac, 21-15, 21-18.

Earlier in the day, sophomore Annie Montgomery and freshman Julia Thompson dropped a tough three-set match to Joy Miley and Makayla Taylor in an exhibition contest on Court 6, 14-21, 26-24, 15-13.

NO. 4 FSU SAND VOLLEYBALL FINISHES 2-1 AT USC

LOS ANGELES - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team went 2-1 on Friday at Southern California's Merle Stadium, sweeping No. 6 UCLA (5-0) and Loyola Marymount (5-0) and losing a close 3-2 dual to the second-ranked Trojans.

The Seminoles were led by the No. 1 pair of senior Aurora Davis and junior Jace Pardon and the No. 3 tandem of junior Stephanie Pellitteri and sophomore Kristina Pellitteri, who both went 3-0 and only dropped one set.

"Our whole team played well in what was a very long day of great competition," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "We tweaked the lineup a little bit from Wednesday and as the day went on. We battled very close with USC. That's how you expect those matches to be between two of the nation's Top 4 teams. It's always going to be a battle. We'll get some rest tonight and then get ready for another marathon day tomorrow."

The Southern California event wraps up Saturday with bracket play beginning at 9 a.m. PT. Pairs will have to win four consecutive matches to capture the title in their grouping.

Pardon and Davis continued to show why they could be the nation's top tandem by knocking off the Trojans' top duo of Kirby Burnham and Sara Hughes in an epic three-set thriller, 18-21, 21-18, 19-17. Burnham teamed with former Trojan Stevi Robinson to claim the ACVA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championship pairs title in 2013, while Hughes was that No. 1 sand volleyball recruit in the country heading into the 2014 campaign.

The Pellitteri's also came out on top in a three-set affair with Sam Hirshmann and Natasa Silijkovic, coming back to grab a 20-22, 21-17, 22-20 win on Court 3.

Alexa Strange and Kelly Claes clinched the match for USC on Court 2, narrowly defeating FSU sophomore Julie Brown and junior Melanie Pavels, 24-22, 21-19.

Florida State wrapped up a long Friday with another 5-0 win against sixth-ranked UCLA, but had to pick up a pair of three-set victories on Courts 1 and 2 to insure the sweep.



## SAND PLACES THREE PAIRS IN SEMIFINALS



**LOS ANGELES** - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team wrapped up its West Coast trip by nabbing three of the four semifinal spots during bracket play on Saturday at Southern California's Merle Stadium.

The All-America duo of senior Aurora Davis and junior Jace Pardon advanced to the finals, while junior Melanie Pavels and sophomore Julie Brown and the sister tandem of junior Stephanie Pellitteri and sophomore Kristina Pellitteri joined Davis and Pardon in the semifinals.

USC's No. 1 duo Kirby Burnham and Sara Hughes was the fourth semifinalist and defeated Davis and Pardon in the championship match, 21-8, 21-12.

Brown and Pavels had the best performance of the day in the quarterfinals, avenging Friday's loss to USC's No. 2 tandem of Kelly Claes and Alexa Strange by edging out a 21-23, 21-17, 15-13 win to vault the Garnet and Gold duo to the semifinals. Pavels tallied an incredible 27 kills in the three-set match - by far the most of any player on the day.

"All in all we had a great weekend," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "It was a successful, long trip. We've already played the top teams on our schedule so we feel very good about where we stand for the National Championships. Everybody played better today, and we got a little tired at the end since we played one more match than the other teams on Friday. Julie and Melanie showed great improvement in coming back to beat USC's No. 2 team. We're looking forward to continuing to compete and show that kind of improvement."

Brown and Pavels fell to Burnham and Hughes in the semifinals, 21-9, 21-13.

The Pellitteri's advanced to the semifinals by cruising past Loyola Marymount's top two pairs in straight sets. In the semifinals, the sisters fell to teammates Davis and Pardon, 21-14, 21-13.

The Seminoles had seven pairs compete in the 20-team tournament and every FSU tandem won at least one match, led by the 3-1 record from Davis and Pardon..

## SEMINOLES DOMINATE BEACH PLAY IN PANAMA

**PANAMA CITY BEACH, Fla.** - The All-American duo of senior Aurora Davis and junior Jace Pardon went undefeated and a young pair solidified its position in the starting lineup as the fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team competed in a tune-up event at the Russell-Fields Pier.

The Seminoles faced off against each other as well as Gulf Coast State College and a group of adult teams over the course of two rounds of pool play.

FSU swept the top six spots at the end of a beautiful day on the beach. The Seminoles were undefeated against Gulf Coast State College and the adult pairs.

"We had a great all-around day," FSU head coach Danalee Corso said. "The weather was beautiful and it was fun to play on some phenomenal beach courts at Pier Plaza in Panama City. Jace and Aurora played well and Stephanie (Pellitteri) was fantastic today. Julia (Thompson) and Annie (Montgomery) really impressed me. They are moving up the ranks and into the starting lineup with their play."

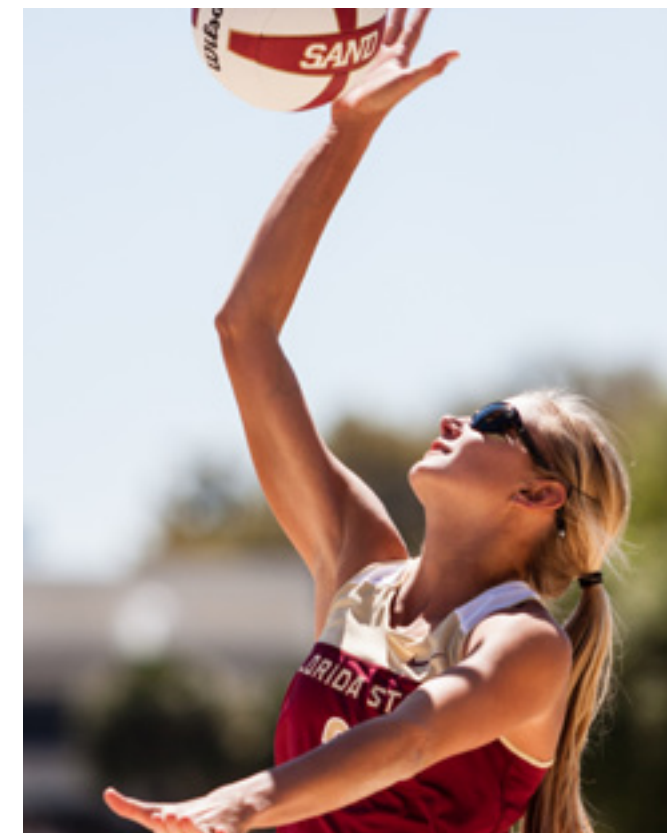
The Pellitteri's potentially staked their claim to FSU's No. 2 position in the lineup by defeating Brown and Pavels in a three-set thriller (20-22, 21-16, 15-4) to finish second on the day. Both pairs have swung between the second and third spots in the lineup for the Garnet and Gold this season.

The real breakthrough came in the other pool during the second wave, where Montgomery, a sophomore, and Thompson, a freshman, came out on top to claim fourth-place.

"Annie has showed huge improvement from her freshmen year to now," Corso said. "I'm super excited for Annie and Julia. They have amazing attitudes and are really working hard."



## FSU COLLECTS THREE DUAL VICTORIES ON DAY 1



**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** - Behind impressive depth and veteran experience, the fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team captured the team championship by going 3-0 during dual play action on Day 1 of the Florida State Sand Volleyball Invitational on Saturday.

The Seminoles defeated South Carolina (5-0), LSU (5-0) and Jacksonville (4-1) on what quickly became a beautiful day at the FSU Sand Volleyball Complex.

The Seminoles didn't drop a set in their first two matches, as they also beat LSU, 5-0.

"We came out well-rested, we actually had a couple of days off this week, so the girls came out, they knew this was their big home match of the year, and they're just firing on all cylinders," Florida State assistant coach Brian Corso said. "We did video work through the week fine-tuning some things, so they had a lot in their minds of what they needed to work on in these few matches in the beginning, and they did that."

Junior Stephanie Pellitteri and her sister, sophomore Stephanie Pellitteri, went 2-0 with resounding victories over South Carolina (21-17, 21-13) and LSU (21-6, 21-17) on Court 2 to open the day before sitting out the final match. The sisters are 12-3 this season.

Sophomore Annie Montgomery and freshman Julia Thompson also picked up a 21-13, 21-9 victory on Court 4 versus LSU and a 21-17, 21-17 win on Court 3 against Jacksonville.

The Seminoles moved to 10-1 on the season and remain undefeated against East Coast teams since sand volleyball's first season in 2012.

## SEMINOLES SWEEP TITLES AT PAIRS TOURNAMENT

**TALLAHASSEE, Fla.** - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team used the momentum generated by Saturday's undefeated dual-match play to post additional sensational performances on Sunday at the FSU Sand Volleyball Complex.

The Seminoles capped the two-day Florida State Sand Volleyball Invitational by capturing the pairs titles in both the Gold (Pairs 1 and 2) and Silver (Pairs 3, 4 and 5) brackets.

Florida State's No. 1 team of senior Aurora Davis and junior Jace Pardon zipped past Jacksonville's top tandem of Taylor Nyquist and Sammie Strausbaugh in straight sets, 21-15, 21-15, in the Gold bracket final.

"It was an awesome win," Pardon said. "They came close to us yesterday in duals. It was just nice today to have a clean win, and win the whole thing with Aurora who is such an awesome athlete."

Davis and Pardon improved their record to 20-1 on the season after three victories in duals Saturday, and four victories in the Pairs Tournament.

"Jace and Aurora played amazing," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "They are two All-Americans who are already good, but today I was seeing some of the best volleyball that they have ever played. I think that there is something very calm about their demeanor and their confidence. They know that they are not a one trick pony. They have a lot in their arsenal and tools that they can use, and they are using them all."

"We are both really experienced players and really good defenders," Davis said. "It has worked really well. Jace is just such an awesome player. She is great at everything. It is awesome playing with her."

Davis and Pardon weren't the only two Seminoles to hoist trophies. In the Silver bracket, Florida State's No. 5 duo of senior Fatma Yildirim and junior Sarah Wickstrom took down the Seminoles' third pair of sophomore Julie Brown and junior Melanie Pavels in an epic three-set thriller, 22-24, 24-22, 16-14.





## FSU IMPROVES TO 12-1 AT COFC SAND CLASSIC



**CHARLESTON, S.C.** - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team improved its record to 12-1 after sweeping South Carolina (5-0) and Mercer (5-0) at the CofC Sand Classic in Charleston, S.C.

The Seminoles only dropped one set the entire day en route to their victories over the Gamecocks and Bears.

FSU's top pair of senior Aurora Davis and junior Jace Pardon reached 20 wins on the season by defeating Victoria Penrod and Emma Peel of Mercer 21-11, 21-10. Florida State's No. 1 tandem has a 20-1 record. Davis and Pardon defeated Paige Wheeler and Megan Kent of South Carolina earlier Saturday 21-15, 21-9.

Corso changed the lineup in the second match of the day against Mercer. Yildirim and Wickstrom switched spots with third pair junior Melanie Pavels and sophomore Julie Brown, while freshmen Sierra Sanchez and Hailey Luke played on court 5.

Sanchez and Luke made the most of their opportunity getting the start against the Bears. The duo won both sets easily against Caroline Carlton and Avery Hoven 21-12, 21-12.

Pavels and Brown improved to 15-7 on the season with wins over Jordan Loney and Jade Vitt of South Carolina 21-10, 21-13 and Erin Brett and Hannah Sorensen of Mercer 21-10, 21-10.

Junior Stephanie Pellitteri and sophomore Kristina Pellitteri won both matches today as well. The sisters ran into some adversity in their second match against Jamie Duffy and Natalie Brown of Mercer after dropping the first set 21-17. The Pellitteri's fought back and won the next two sets to finish off the sweep.

"Georgia State is the other top team in the East, so this will be a big matchup," Corso said. "This is a win we need to solidify our spot in the National Championships."

## BEASTS OF THE EAST



**SIESTA KEY, Fla.** - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team finished its dual-match regular season with victories over Webber International, 4-1, and Tulane, 5-0, on Day 1 of the Fiesta on Siesta Key event.

The Seminoles improved their dual-match record to 16-1 on the season and remain undefeated all-time (since 2012) against schools on the East Coast.

"It was one of our goals to be the best team on the East Coast," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "To end another season undefeated against schools in our region, it is exciting for our players and staff to be able to do that."

Florida State was able to rest some key players in its first match against Webber International and was still able to come out victorious.

"We had a partner change in the Webber International match to rest players because this weekend is such a marathon," Corso said.

All-American junior Jace Pardon and junior Stephanie Pellitteri sat out against the Warriors which switched up the Seminoles' lineup slightly.

Davis teamed back up with her normal partner Jace Pardon and cruised to victory over Tea Juric and Jackie Wegner 21-13, 21-18 on court 1. The All-American duo is now 23-1 on the season.

The battle for the fifth spot is increasingly becoming tighter as the AVCA National Championships approach. The tandem of sophomore Annie Montgomery and freshman Julia Thompson finished 2-0 on the day after dropping the first set in their match against Tulane's Sarah Strasner and Miah Diirell, 17-21. Montgomery and Thompson were able to keep their composure and win the next two sets and clinch the sweep of the Green Wave.

The freshmen pair of Hailey Luke and Sierra Sanchez have now won four dual-matches in a row after defeating Webber International's Alida Schat and Brittany Mock, 21-15, 21-17.

"It is great to pull through in tight matches," Corso said. "Three of the four competing are freshmen, and the best way to learn is through losses and fighting back. These are the future stars of our program and we have to keep grooming them."

## FSU WINS TWO MORE DUALS AT COFC SAND CLASSIC

**MT. PLEASANT, S.C.** - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team picked up its eighth and ninth consecutive dual match victories of the season on Sunday morning at the CofC Sand Classic hosted by the College of Charleston at the sand courts at Creekside.

The Seminoles captured their fourth win over a ranked team in the day's first match, defeating No. 8 Georgia State, 4-1, before taking down host College of Charleston, 5-0.

In the process, Florida State improved its record to 14-1 on the season as the Noles continue to prove they are the most dominant team in the East Region less than a month away from the AVCA National Championships.

"The East is picking up its level of play and we were definitely challenged this weekend," FSU head coach Danalee Corso said. "This is good. We like to be challenged. We still have a lot we can improve on and we are going to continue to press on and keep working hard."

Arguably the top performance of the day came on Court 3, however, where the duo of junior All-American Sarah Wickstrom and senior Fatma Yildirim grabbed two victories including an epic three-set win over Georgia State's Sarah Agnew and Katelyn Rawls, 21-18, 33-35, 15-13. The veteran pair rebounded from the taxing second set loss to secure the back-and-forth third set.

"That was an unreal match and it was awesome to see Sarah and Fatma battle back with that kind of pressure on them," Corso said. "We can't recreate that kind of pressure in practice so it was a great win. Sarah is getting back to her All-America level from last year and today's match really helped bring out the best in both of them."



## 'NOLES WIN GOLD AND SILVER CHAMPIONSHIPS AT FIESTA

**SIESTA KEY, Fla.** - The No. 4-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team captured the Gold and Silver bracket division and went undefeated among its top three teams during Day 2 of competition at the Fiesta at Siesta Key sand volleyball event.

The duo of junior Melanie Pavels and Julie Brown won seven consecutive matches en route to the Gold championship, while sophomore Annie Montgomery and freshman Julia Thompson won the Silver championship.

"Overall, we had a great day," FSU head coach Danalee Corso said. "We went undefeated in the Sand Pairs Challenge pool play and we won the Gold and Silver brackets. I'm looking forward to having another great day tomorrow. Hopefully we can win the Sand Pairs Challenge too. Melanie and Julie played so well all day. They were really dominant. They've really been challenged recently within our team and they've retooled some things and came out and played great today. I'm really proud of them."

The match of the day came when Montgomery and Thompson trailed 16-8 in the Silver Finals, but fought back to win 27-25. It was just one comeback among several for the duo this season, who can never be counted out of a match.

"Julia and Annie are who we are calling the comeback kids now," Corso said. "Several times this season they have been down and fought back to win. I'm really impressed in their ability to fight back and win. They didn't play as well last week, but they were impressive today and I'm really excited for them. They're a young team and they just keep getting better. Today was a good confidence builder."



## DOMINANT DUO: PARDON AND DAVIS WIN AGAIN



SIESTA KEY, Fla. - All-Americans Aurora Davis and Jace Pardon continue to prove they will be top contenders for the national pairs championship following an undefeated weekend while leading the fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team at the Fiesta on Siesta Key event.

Davis, a senior, and Pardon, a junior, captured the coveted Siesta Sand Pairs Challenge on Sunday wrapping up the three-day event without ever dropping a set.

The pair now has a nearly flawless record of 30-1 this season just a few weeks from the AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships in Gulf Shores, Ala. (May 2-4).

Davis and Pardon won four consecutive two-set matches on Sunday to claim their second straight pairs tournament title after also winning the gold division at the FSU Sand Volleyball Invitational two weeks ago.

"Jace and Aurora were super impressive today," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "They made me believe that they have the ability to win a national championship today. If they can play like they did today, the sky is the limit."

"They aren't the tallest team in the nation, but they make up for that by being complete players. Their defense is incredibly good. They both dig so well. They make great choices on the court. They have so many different tools - ball control, serving and setting. They can do it all and they are so much fun to coach."

The Pellitteri sisters fell to FIU's No. 1 team of Jessica Mendoza and Maryna Samoday in the quarterfinals, while Wickstrom and Yildirim fell to South Carolina's Sarah Blomgren and Mikaela Christiaansen in three sets in the first round.

"I'm very happy with the way we played this weekend," Corso said. "We won four different divisions. Sierra and Hailey made a huge leap today. They get better every match they play and this win will definitely build their confidence. I'm really looking forward to more great competition next weekend at our home pairs tournament."

## SEMINOLES BRUSH OFF RAIN TO DOMINATE DAY 1

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - The rain never let up and neither did the Seminoles on Friday during Day 1 of competition at the Florida State Pairs Challenge.

Despite a steady downpour and gusting winds all day, the fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team was able to host 36 matches of pairs pool play with No. 10 Georgia State, ULM and South Carolina to kick-off the two-day event.

Led by senior All-American Aurora Davis and junior All-American Jace Pardon, the Seminoles had four pairs go undefeated at 3-0 in their respective pools and will have three teams in the Team Cup's Gold Division, the top pool, on Saturday.

"This is a great mental practice for the team because conditions like this is a great equalizer. The top seeds aren't as strong because you are dealing with another element. They have to play a different kind of game. The ball is heavier, it is more of a (shot-heavy) game. It definitely is going to toughen us up mentally."

Joining Davis and Pardon, who swept all three of their matches in their pool to improve their record to 33-1 this season, were junior Melanie Pavels and sophomore Julie Brown and senior Fatma Yildirim and junior Sarah Wickstrom.

Pavels and Brown didn't drop a set en route to winning their pool. Two duos of young performers also went undefeated for FSU and will headline the AAA Division during Saturday's play.

Sophomore Annie Montgomery and freshman Julia Thompson and freshmen Sierra Sanchez and Hailey Luke both finished 3-0 without dropping a set.

Also competing on Friday was the pair of sophomores Kayla Joyce and Lexy Ryan, who finished 2-1 with their only loss coming in three sets to Georgia State's Delaney Rohan and Alexis Townsend.

"I think everyone did really well," Pardon said. "No one complained. It is great practice playing in these types of conditions so we can be ready for anything at Nationals. It was good experience."



## FSU CAPTURES TEAM CUP AT PAIRS CHALLENGE



TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team cruised to the Team Cup Championship on Saturday at the FSU Sand Volleyball Complex on the second day of the Florida State Pairs Challenge.

The All-American duo of senior Aurora Davis and junior Jace Pardon finished off an undefeated 6-0 weekend by collecting the Gold Division title, while the pair of freshmen Sierra Sanchez and Hailey Luke also went 6-0 and captured the AAA crown.

"We got what we were hoping for which was to win the team cup and to win both divisions," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "We invited some of the best teams in the East in order to help prepare for the National Championships. I am very pleased. They battled hard."

Davis and Pardon will head to the National Championships with a nearly-perfect 36-1 record after a weekend where they were never really tested and did not drop a set.

"Coming into this weekend we had a domination mentality," Pardon said. "We weren't going to allow any teams to beat us."

"Aurora and Fatma are going to be missed next year," Corso said. "Leadership and experience are intangibles that are hard to recruit and those two have both. They are also very well-liked by their teammates. It is always tough to lose two great players like that. We still have the National Championships to send them off on a high note."

Junior Melanie Pavels and sophomore Julie Brown placed fourth in the Gold division, while sophomores Kayla Joyce and Lexy Ryan placed just behind Sanchez and Luke in second in the AAA division. Sophomore Annie Montgomery and freshman Julia Thompson placed fourth in the AAA pool, falling in a pair of three-set thrillers.

## FSU EARN THIRD STRAIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP BID

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - The fourth-ranked Florida State sand volleyball team will make its third consecutive appearance at the AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships, earning the third seed late Monday night in an announcement by the AVCA National Championship Selection Committee.

The Seminoles will be joined in Gulf Shores, Ala., from May 2-4 by No. 1 seed Southern California, No. 2 seed Pepperdine, No. 4 seed Hawai'i, No. 5 seed Florida International and No. 6 seed Stetson.

FSU and Pepperdine are the only teams to have been selected to all three National Championships, dating back the inaugural collegiate sand season in 2012.

The Seminoles (16-1) advanced to the National Semifinals in both 2012 and 2013.

"We are consistently showing that we can be a force to be reckoned with each year," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "It's exciting that we are maintaining this level. We started strong and we've established ourselves as one of the top sand programs in the country without a doubt."

"We've been ranked fourth all year, but we felt we should've been No. 3. It's significantly a better draw in position No. 3. We are thrilled. It's an easier path to the National Championship. We can't wait to go to Gulf Shores and compete among the best."

Since suffering its only loss to No. 1 seed Southern California in a thrilling 3-2 match in Los Angeles on March 14, Florida State has won 11 consecutive duals. The Seminoles also defeated No. 5 seed FIU, 4-1, to open the season in addition to then-No. 3 and reigning national champion Long Beach State, 3-2, in March.



## SAND VOLLEYBALL ADVANCES TO THIRD FINAL FOUR



**GULF SHORES, Ala.** - The Florida State sand volleyball team advanced to its third consecutive Final Four, going 2-1 on Friday during Day 1 of competition at the 2014 AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships.

Florida State opened the event by cruising past No. 6 seed Stetson, 5-0, before falling to No. 2 seed Pepperdine, 4-1.

The Seminoles rebounded to sweep No. 5 seed Florida International, 5-0, in the afternoon to return to the National Semifinals where FSU will face No. 4 seed Hawaii at 11 a.m. CT on Saturday.

"We're back in the Final Four and that was one of our goals so that's awesome," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "We played really well in our last match against FIU and we are looking forward to playing tomorrow. Pepperdine is a tough team. They are the only team in the nation that we have played that we haven't beat yet. Hopefully, we can see them in the Finals. I think we match up well with Hawaii, so we are excited about that."

FSU's No. 1 team of senior Aurora Davis and junior Jace Pardon swept FIU's top duo of Jessica Gehrke and Marina Boulanger 21-11, 21-13, while junior Stephanie Pellitteri and sophomore Kristina Pellitteri stormed past the Panthers on Court 2, 21-11, 21-13.

The Pellitteri sisters fought hard on Court 2 versus Pepperdine, winning an epic, back-and-forth first set 28-26 against the No. 2 tandem of Lara Dykstra and Becca Strehlow, before dropping the next two sets, 21-19, 15-9.

"It was tough to lose that first game," Kristina Pellitteri said. "It's double-elimination so we had to come back and win that final game. We played amazing against FIU. It's really exciting to be going back to the Final Four and be able to keep that streak going. It was win or go home and we stepped up."

The Seminoles fell to the Waves for the second straight season in Gulf Shores. Every match was a battle, however.

The 5-0 victory over Stetson gives the Seminoles a 4-0 record all-time against the Hatters with every win coming via sweep.

## NOLES SWEEP HATTERS

**GULF SHORES, Ala.** - The third-seeded Florida State sand volleyball team opened the 2014 AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball Championships with a 5-0 sweep over No. 6 seed Stetson and will face No. 2 seed Pepperdine at 1 p.m. CT for a berth in Saturday's National Semifinals.

The Seminoles cruised to victories on Courts 1 and 2 as All-Americans Jace Pardon and Aurora Davis routed Stetson's top tandem of Kaylee Anderson and Kaley Melville, 21-12, 21-14, while Stephanie Pellitteri and Kristina Pellitteri captured a 21-15, 21-12 victory over Catherine Coston and Savannah Byl.

Julie Brown's four blocks led she and Melanie Pavels to a 21-15, 21-14 win on Court 4. The duo was the first FSU team to finish versus the Hatters.

Arguably the top performance for FSU came on Court 3 where Sarah Wickstrom and Fatma Yildirim used a second-set comeback to complete the 21-18, 22-20 victory. The pair trailed 15-11 in the second frame but rattled off an 8-1 run to take control of the set.

"Winning in two sets was exactly what we needed to do," Wickstrom said. "If we would've went to a third set it could've been either team's game. They would've had the momentum. We had to fight back and win that second game. We focused on getting the side out on every ball and trying to get that mini-run. We got that run and got the momentum."

Yildirim finished with a match-best 31 kills versus Stetson.

Freshmen Sierra Sanchez and Hailey Luke showed toughness in their first-ever AVCA National Championship match, grabbing a three-set victory on Court 5, 21-19, 16-21, 15-10 to complete the 5-0 sweep.

The Seminoles improved to 4-0 all-time against Stetson with each match being a sweep.



## SEMINOLES ADVANCE TO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH



**GULF SHORES, Ala.** - The Florida State sand volleyball team is headed to the National Championship Finals for the first time in school history after defeated No. 4 seed Hawaii, 4-1, in the first National Semifinal on Saturday.

"This is what we came to do," FSU head coach Danalee Corso said. "We know we will win championships at some point. We have everything it takes here at Florida State. This is one step closer. We have nothing to lose later this afternoon. We are going to stay loose and have fun."

"We fought so hard today. It shows the heart we have. The team is ready."

FSU fell to Pepperdine, 4-1, in a close match on Friday, but rebounded to cruise past FIU, 5-0, later that afternoon to advance to the Noles' third straight Final Four.

Against Hawaii, senior Fatma Yildirim and junior Sarah Wickstrom zipped to a two-set victory to give FSU a 1-0 lead.

Junior Stephanie Pellitteri and sophomore Kristina Pellitteri also won in two sets, coming back from down 18-16 in the second set to capture a 21-19 victory that put Florida State ahead 2-0.

Shortly after the Pellitteri sisters gave the Seminoles the 2-0 advantage, junior Melanie Pavels and sophomore Julie Brown built a commanding lead in the third set on Court 4.

Pavels drilled an ace for the game and match clinching point, 15-7 in the third set, that put FSU in front 3-0 and sent Florida State to the National Championship Final.

"This is what we have been working for, for three years - all those morning practices...all of the lifting," Pavels said. "Everything has led up to this moment. We are playing for a National Championship. It doesn't get better."

"After dropping the second set, Julie and I put it all out on the court and we were able to get that 'W'."

## FSU CLAIMS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RUNNER-UP

**GULF SHORES, Ala.** - The Florida State sand volleyball team finished runner-up at the 2014 AVCA Collegiate Sand Volleyball National Championships on Saturday afternoon.

The third-seeded Seminoles dropped a hard-fought battle to No. 2 Pepperdine, 3-2, in their first-ever National Championship Finals appearance in front of nearly 1,000 fans on the beaches of Gulf Shores.

The Waves' duo picked up the first set 24-22 with an ace in a back-and-forth frame that featured 10 ties. Pepperdine pulled away in the second set to win 21-17 and claim the 2014 national title.

"For the sport to grow, we wanted to create drama and we did," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "It was 2-2 down to the wire. Every shot mattered. I'm really proud of our team and the way we handled the pressure. Pepperdine had been to the championship match each year and this was our first time in that position. We'll be more prepared now. We're bummed we didn't win, but I'm proud we took second out of all the teams in the country. It's our best finish yet."

The Seminoles finish the 2014 season 19-3 after going 3-2 at the National Championships, falling only to the Waves.

"We couldn't have asked for a more dramatic ending," junior Sarah Wickstrom said. "It was a tough loss, but we did our thing all weekend. We came up just short. We showed that an East Coast team can win this. We were so close. It gives us more motivation. We are really going to work hard next year and hopefully come out on top."

Davis and Pardon came very close to clinching the Seminoles' first sand volleyball title against Pepperdine's top duo of Kelley Larsen and Kellie Woolever, pushing the Waves pair to a third set.

After dropping the first set 21-19, Davis and Pardon dominated the second set 21-11. The two tandems traded points in the third set until Pepperdine pulled away with the game tied 11-11 and won 15-13 to tie the match 2-2.



DAVIS, PARDON EARN ALL-AMERICA HONORS



**GULF SHORES, Ala.** - A day after leading the Florida State sand volleyball team to the Team National Championship Finals, senior Aurora Davis and junior Jace Pardon collected a couple more accomplishments on Sunday.

Florida State's No. 1 pair advanced to the Pairs National Championship Semifinals and both earned their second All-America honors in the process.

Davis and Pardon defeated Stetson's Kaley Melville and Kaylee Anderson, 21-12, 21-9 in the first round of the 16-team single-elimination bracket on the beaches of Gulf Shores and followed with a quick 21-8, 21-15 win over ULM's Zuzana Markova and Marcela Araya in the quarterfinals.

The Seminoles duo fell to Hawaii's Brittany Tiegs and Emily Cook, 21-18, 21-16, in the semifinals.

"They laid it on the line for the team today," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said of her top pair. "This just wasn't their day today. I'm still so proud of them. Jace will get another crack at it next year. We will send Aurora off with a third-place finish which is great. They played awesome the whole year. I'm proud of everything this team has accomplished this season."

Davis and Pardon actually defeated Tiegs and Cook in three sets on Saturday in the team semifinals to help send the Seminoles to their first-ever National Championship Finals.

Still, the Seminoles fought hard in set two behind several great cut shots from Pardon and timely kills from Davis. The Garnet and Gold pair took a 14-13 lead in the second set after a big Pardon kill followed a Davis ace. Hawaii used another big run to take control, however, and moved in front 19-15 before closing out the match 21-16.

Davis and Pardon made short work of their opponents in the earlier rounds, opening up the first set in front 10-1 against ULM's Markova and Araya in the quarterfinals and dominating the Hatters top pair in the opening round.

On the season, Pardon and Davis finished with a spectacular 41-4 record en route to All-America accolades.

"It means a lot to be an All-American," Davis said. "There are a ton of good athletes out here. The competition is so good. It's anyone's game at any time. It's tough because we beat (Hawaii) yesterday."

"We had two Final Four appearances this weekend. We barely lost the National Championship. It says a lot about our team and how far we have come."

Pardon also earned All-America honors in 2013, while Davis captured the honor in 2012.

Davis will go down in history as a true leader and three-time captain of the inaugural sand volleyball team, pointing Florida State in the path to greatness right from the start of the sport at the collegiate level.

Florida State's No. 2 team of junior Stephanie Pellitteri and sophomore Kristina Pellitteri also competed in the Pairs Championship, but fell to LMU's No. 1 team of Betsi Metter and Litara Keil in two hard fought 22-20, 22-20 sets.

Trailing 20-17 in set two, the Pellitteri sisters showed the same heart they've had all season long and tied the match at 20-20 on a Nina Pellitteri ace.

The pair played at the No. 5 position last season at the National Championship but put in enough hard work to improve to the No. 2 spot this year and finished with a solid 25-8 record.

"We had a great season," Stephanie Pellitteri said. "We worked really hard - our whole team. We were two points from taking it all in the team championship. Coming from playing the five spot last year to playing the two spot this year, Nina and I have grown so much. It was a great learning experience for us. We know what it feels like being one of the top teams."

NATION'S FIRST-EVER SAND VOLLEYBALL WIN - MARCH 3, 2012



History was made by the Florida State sand volleyball team on Saturday, March 3, 2012, as the Seminoles won the nation's first ever collegiate sand volleyball match at UAB in Birmingham, Ala.

Florida State swept the Blazers, 5-0, only losing one set in the No. 4 matchup.

"We made history today," Florida State head coach Danalee Corso said. "We won the first ever collegiate sand volleyball match. It was awesome. It was great to share it with our team. Everyone felt it. It's something we can look back on and be proud of."

Five dual matches and three exhibitions were played at UAB's newly completed sand volleyball facility located next to West Campus Field in Birmingham.

FSU's No. 1 team of Brittany Tiegs and Aurora Newgard defeated Heather Thomas and Kisten Gallagher, 21-10, 21-12. Tiegs had 13 kills and

Newgard recorded a double-double with 10 kills and 14 digs.

The No. 2 tandem of Kate Stepanova (13 kills) and Jace Pardon (14 kills) downed Sarah Secley and Alison Woods, 21-16, 21-18.

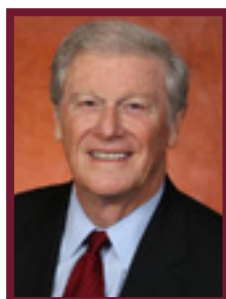
FSU's No. 3 pair of Visnja Djurdjevic and Melanie Pavels handled Kate Morrell and Ally Slaughter, 21-15, 21-11. Pavels had 10 kills and 14 digs.

The Garnet & Gold's No. 5 squad of Jeassica McGregor and Sarah Wickstrom dispatched Michele Simmons and Becca Howard, 21-15, 21-14, behind McGregor's 12 digs.

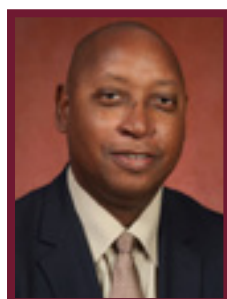
The only match that was close for the Noles was the No. 4 matchup between Mallory Kiley and Stephanie Pellitteri of FSU and Rachel Fairbanks and Kiriavia Hirini of UAB. Kiley and Pellitteri edged the Blazer pair in three sets, 21-14, 9-21, 17-15. Kiley had 17 kills.



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**HOME EVENTS**

All of the 2015 sand volleyball matches are located at the Seminole Sand Volleyball Complex, which is located north of the soccer and softball complex and between the track and field complex and the parking garage on Spirit Way. All media and photographers should notify Aaron Brecheisen prior to attending a home sand volleyball match.

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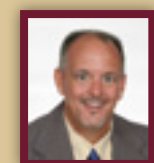
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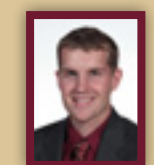
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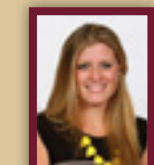
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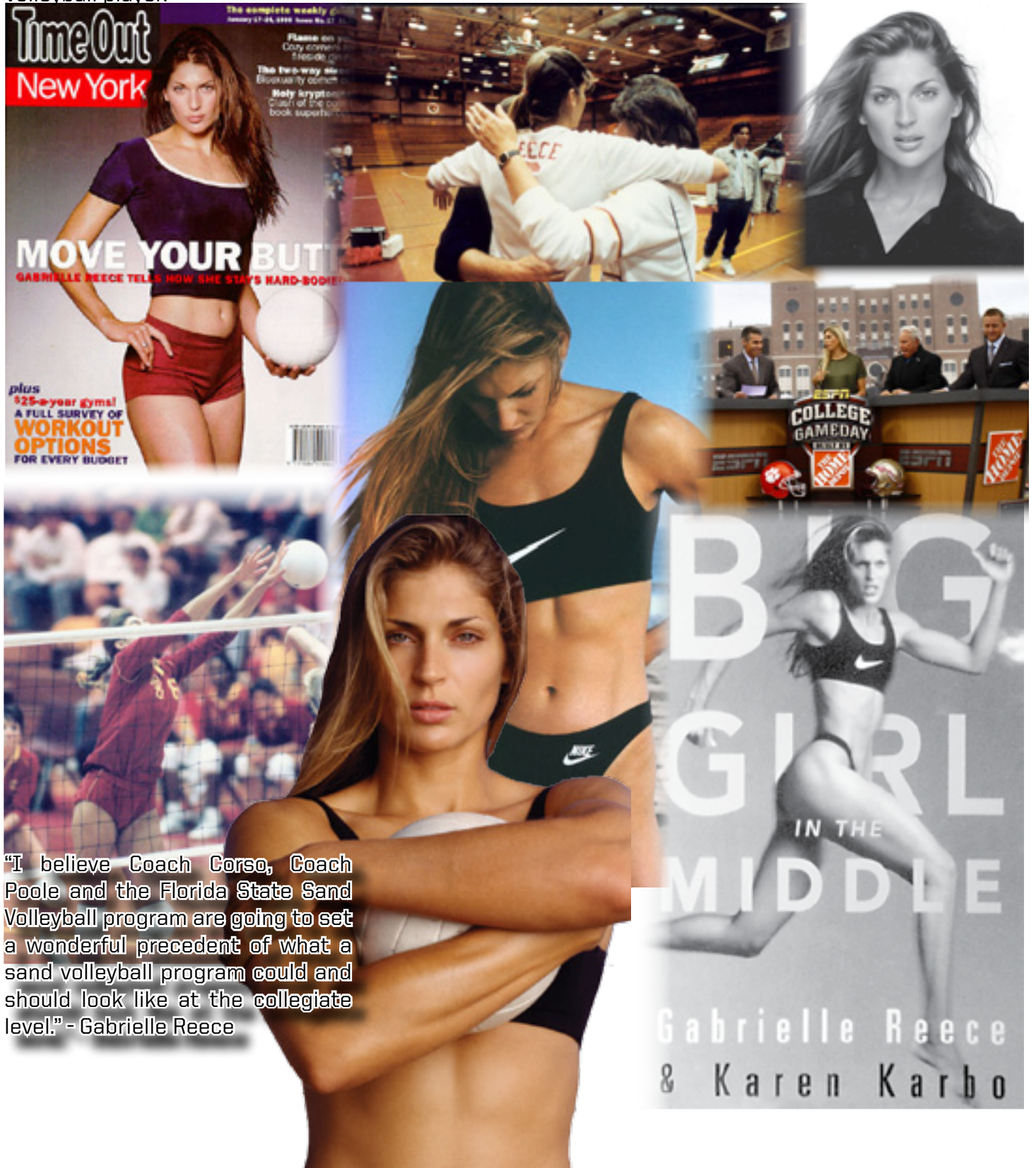
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# GABRIELLE REECE

Gabrielle Reece was a star on the Florida State indoor volleyball team from 1987-1990 before becoming one of the country's most famous celebrities in the 1990s as a model, actress and professional beach volleyball player.



"I believe Coach Corso, Coach Poole and the Florida State Sand Volleyball program are going to set a wonderful precedent of what a sand volleyball program could and should look like at the collegiate level." - Gabrielle Reece



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March 10	Irvine Valley/ Long Beach State	All Day
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March 13-14	USC/ Loyola Marymont	All Day
March 20-22	South Carolina/ ASU/ Tulane/ UAB	All Day
March 28	Gulf Coast State College	All Day
April 7	LSU/ ULM	3:30/6/7 pm
April 10	FAU	TBA
April 11-12	Siesta Key Tournament	All Day
April 18-19	GSU/ UAB/ Eckerd College	8/ 11 am
April 25	Garnet and Gold Match	TBA
May 1-3	AVCA Championships	TBA

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