18th Annual 2023 Global Challenge

Bulletin One: June 20, 2023

Team Information

1. Rosters need to be emailed to Mere17mere@gmail.com by July 1, 2023. Please include the player's jersey number, full name, year of birth, height(in cm), position, and current club/college team. Please use the attached roster form.

2. A rooming list needs to be turned in no later than June 30th, 2023. One week before the start of the tournament I will give you specific details on the rooming list. Please email them to Mere17mere@gmail.com

3. Tournament T-Shirts Pre-Order: We need Tournament T-Shirt orders ASAP. If you have not already please contact Mere17mere@gmail.com to get more info. The order form is attached to this email.

4. Uniforms: You will need one set of light uniforms and one set of dark uniforms.

5. Shirt Exchange: **Please have all your players bring t-shirts for our big tee-shirt exchange party after the tournament ends.**

6. Tournament Information: One week prior to your departure I will provide you with all the necessary information for the tournament. Exact details will not be worked out until that time. At this moment the following teams are coming to the Global Challenge: (We expect more teams)

European Teams U23 (Brijuni Division)

- NKBM Branik, Slovenia
- Durham University, England
- Israel Select, Israel
- Modena, Italy
- Zhongma Volleyball, China

USA teams U23 (Brijuni Division)

- Team BIP SE
- Team BIP
- BIP East Coast
- Team BIP Golden State
- Mountain West Conference All-Star Team
- Team WorldWise, WorldWiseVolley

European Teams U18 (Istria Division)

- Czech Republic Select Team, Czech Republic
- Italy Sud Regional Team, Italy
- OK Pula, Croatia
- NKBM Branik, Slovenia
- Gorla (Varese), Italy
- Casinalbo (Modena), Italy
- Bftm Ancona, Italy
- RVS Latvia, Latvia
- Team BIP Sweden Blue
- Team BIP Sweden Yellow
- Tauras - Lithuania.
- Team Fire Ants, Turkey

USA Teams U18 (Istria Division)

- Team BIP SE
- Team Good Vibes, WorldWisevolley
- Team Buenas Vibras, WorldWisevolley
- Ka Ulukoa, Hawaii

7. The technical meeting will be held at Hotel Pula on July 17th at 6:00 pm.

8. Tournament results will be updated each night along with journal entries on the Bring It USA site at http://bringitusa.com/gc2023/

9. Opening Ceremonies: The ceremonies will be held in the town square of Pula on the evening of July 17, 2023 at 9 pm. It will be hot, the only requirement is that teams have matching shirts. (It is fine to wear shorts.) **We ask that each team bring a flag from their country. If you have a player that is not from your country, please have them bring a flag from their country.**

10. Plan to arrive at Hotel Pula before 3 pm if possible. All teams start with lunch on the 17th and end with breakfast on the 22nd.

11. Again, the exact details for the tournament will come one week before the tournament**.**

12. The entire tournament will be live-streamed on BallerTV again this year. More information to come in Bulletin #2.

13. Social Media sites: www.bringitusa.com/gc2023
    Facebook: www.facebook.com/bringitusaglobalchallenge/
    Instagram: @global_challenge_pula

    If you or the girls are posting on any form of social media we ask that you tag us so we can easily repost your and their content.

14. Global Challenge History/Mission: The Global Challenge is based around the following principles:

● The Global Challenge is first and foremost a development tournament. Everything is designed around the development of athletes.
● The Global Challenge is designed to match up teams from North America with teams from around the world.
● The Global Challenge is a cross between a formal FIVB tournament and a friendly match concept.
● The Global Challenge is designed to give USA players exposure to FIVB rules. (NCAA and College rules are different)