2014 MATCH NOTES PENN STATE MEN'S VOLLEYBALL

WEEK 13 – MATCH DETAILS



NO. T12 PSU at HARVARD

Friday, April 4
7 p.m. ET
Malkin Athletic Center
Cambridge, Mass.



NO. T12 PSU at SACRED HEART

Saturday, March 22 7 p.m. ET William H. Pitt Center Fairfield, Conn.



WEEK 12 IN REVIEW

The Nittany Lions closed out their 2014 regular season slate with a pair of straight set victories last weekend to remain atop the conference standings. Penn State powered past Princeton (25-19, 25-13, 25-20) before sprinting by George Mason (25-18, 25-17, 25-18) to wrap up a 2-0 weekend.

NITTANY LIONS IN THE AVCA COACHES POLL - WEEK 13 UPDATE

Following the pair of conference victories PSU has moved up one spot to No. 12 in the latest AVCA DI-II Top 15 Poll, tied with Ball State. Penn State was 13th last week after having spent the last two weeks at No. 14. Three weeks ago, PSU moved back to No. 12 after spending one week at No. 10. Prior to the No. 10 positioning, the Nittany Lions were slated No. 12 for six consecutive weeks.

PENN STATE VS. HARVARD - LAST TIME OUT

The Nittany Lions swept past the Crimson in straight sets last month to move to 7-1 all-time against Harvard. Redshirt junior Nick Goodell recorded his first double-double of the season in the last outing in February with 11 kills and 10 digs. The win was also PSU's second straight since surrendering their first loss to the Crimson in program history in the final regular-season outing in 2013.

PENN STATE VS. SACRED HEART - LAST TIME OUT

The Nittany Lions improved to 7-0 all-time against the Pioneers after stretching their winning streak with a 3-0 win at home last month. Since 2004, Penn State has not surrendered a single set to SHU. In the last meeting between the two teams, junior Aaron Russell powered the offense with a match-high 16 kills on 23 perfect swings. Senior Peter Russell also had double-digit kills with 12.

NITTANY LIONS SWEEP EIVA WEEKLY AWARDS

After helping the team wrap up the regular season home slate, redshirt junior Nick Goodell and junior Aaron Russell each received weekly conference recognition. Russell was selected as the EIVA Offensive Player of the Week, while Goodell was tabbed the Defensive Player of the Week.

Russell earned his fourth EIVA Offensive Player of the Week selection after recording two consecutive double digit kill performances during the week. He opened the weekend with 13 kills on .478 hitting in the win against Princeton before closing out the week with a match-high 16 kills, seven digs and three blocks against George Mason. Russell concluded the week ranked first on the squad with 4.82 kills per set with a .460 hitting clip.

Goodell notched his first EIVA Defensive Player of the Week selection in 2014 after registering six blocks and 10 digs during the 2-0 week at home. Against Princeton, he tallied 13 kills, three blocks and three digs, while also logging eight kills, seven digs and three blocks against George Mason. He closed out the weekend ranked second on the team with 1.67 digs per set, while also finishing second on the squad with 1.00 blocks per set.

2014 SCHEDULE

JANUARY

9-11 Outrigger Invitational (Honolulu, Hawaii)

9	vs. No. 7 UCLA	L, 3-2
10	at No. 14 Hawaii	L, 3-1
11	vs. No. 12 Ohio State	W, 3-0
17	vs. No. 14 IPFW	W, 3-0
18	vs. Ball State	W, 3-1
31	vs. Mount Olive	W, 3-0

FEBRUARY

1	vs. Saint Francis*	W, 3-1
5	vs. No. 14 Ohio State*	W, 3-1
7	vs. Erskine	W, 3-0
8	vs. Pfeiffer	W, 3-0
14	vs. NJIT*	W, 3-0
15	vs. Rutgers Newark*	W, 3-0
21	vs. Sacred Heart*	W, 3-0
22	vs. Harvard*	W, 3-0
28	at Princeton	L, 3-2

MARCH

1	at George Mason*	W, 3-1
7	at No. 14 Ohio State*	L, 3-1
14	at RV Cal State Northridge	W, 3-0
15	at No. 2 Long Beach State	L, 3-0
21	at Loyola Chicago	L, 3-1
22	at Lewis	W, 3-1
28	vs. Princeton*	W, 3-0
29	vs. George Mason*	W, 3-0

APRIL

4	at Harvard*/ p.m.
5	at Sacred Heart*7 p.m.
12	at Saint Francis*
18	at Rutgers Newark*7 p.m.
19	at NJIT* 8 p.m.
24	EIVA Semifinals* 8 p.m.
26	EIVA Finals*
29	Play-in match (Chicago, III.)

MAY

1	NCAA National Semifinal	.Chicago,	III.
3	NCAA National Final	Chicago	ш

Home matches played at Rec Hall in **bold** \bullet All times ET and subject to change \bullet * Indicates EIVA conference match

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PENN STATE AT A GLANCE

THE UNIVERSITY

Location:	University Park, Pa. 16802
Founded:	1855
Enrollment:	44,112
Colors:	Blue & White
Nickname:	Nittany Lions
Conference:	Big Ten
President:	Dr. Rodney Erickson
Director of Athletics:	Dr. Dave Joyner
Facility (capacity):	Rec Hall (5,812)

VOLLEYBALL STAFF

Head Coach:	Mark Pavlik (20th season)
Alma Mater:	Penn State, 1982
Overall Record (Yrs/Pct):	460-134 (20/.774)
School Record:	same
Asst. Coaches:	Colin McMillan (7th season)
	Jay Hosack (5th season)
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SEASON IN REVIEW

2013 Record:	23-8
Home: 14-1Av	way: 8-5
Neutral:	2-2
Conference record (finish): 1	3-1 (1st)
Home: 7-0 Av	way: 6-1
Final AVCA Ranking:	No. 12
Postseason Play:NCAA national semifinal	National
Semifinal:lost 3-0 to N	lo.1 BYU

THE HISTORY

First Year of Volleyball:	1977
All-Time Record (Years):	948-267-10
All-Time EIVA Record:	263-12
EIVA Win Pct.:	956 (.960)
EIVA/ECVL Championships	29
EIVA Championship Titles	25
NCAA Tournament Appearances	28
NCAA National Titles	1994 & 2008

NUMERICAL ROSTER

NO.	NAME	YR.	POS.	HT.	HOMETOWN
1	Taylor Hammond	RS-Jr.	S	6-4	Mission Viejo, Calif.
2	Zack Parik	So.	S	6-4	Woodridge, III.
3	Connor Curry	RS-Jr.	L	6-0	Newport Beach, Calif.
4	Nick Goodell	RS-Jr.	ОН	6-4	Ambridge, Pa.
5	Joey Farrell	Fr.	ОН	6-5	Lombard, III.
7	Andrew Roberts	RS-Fr.	Орр.	6-4	Grantville, Pa.
8	Aaron Russell	Jr.	MH	6-9	Ellicott City, Md.
9	Peter Russell	Sr.	ОН	6-5	Ellicott City, Md.
10	Chris Nugent	Fr.	ОН	6-4	Fair Lawn, N.J.
11	Spencer Sauter	Rs-Fr.	ОН	6-7	Woodridge, III.
12	Kevin Gear	Fr.	MB	6-7	Rochester, N.Y.
14	Jalen Penrose	Fr.	ОН	6-7	Cambridge, Mass.
15	Aiden Albrecht	Fr.	OPP	6-8	Old Bridge, N.J.
16	Kyle Gregan	Jr.	ОН	6-8	Pittsburgh, Pa.
17	Matt Callaway	Rs-Fr.	Орр.	6-7	Wheaton, III.
18	Matt Seifert	RS-So.	MH	6-9	Reading, Pa.

Head Coach:	Mark Pavlik (Penn State, 1982), 20th year
Assistant Coaches:	Jay Hosack (UC Santa Cruz, 1997) 5th yea
	Colin McMillan (Ohio State, 2000), 7th yea
Trainer:	Scott Campbell (Penn State 2008), 1st year

THE STATISTICAL STORY

Compare the tale of the tape for each of the Nittany Lions' upcoming opponents.

	PSU	HARVARD	SACRED HEART
Hitting %	.304	.274	.187
Kills per set	13.50	11.79	11.69
Assists per set	12.62	11.00	10.95
Aces per set	1.42	0.96	1.58
Digs per set	9.79	9.81	9.26
Blocks per set	1.93	2.23	2.19

PENN STATE TO PARTICIPATE IN "EIVA RALLIES" CAMPAIGN

Nine weeks ago, Penn State head coach Mark Pavlik and the Penn State men's volleyball team kicked off the EIVA Rallies campaign to help raise awareness for the Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. Pavlik donned a fedora in the Nittany Lions' matchup against travel partner, Saint Francis, Saturday, Feb. 1 to show his support. He will put on the hat once more, when PSU visits the Red Flash Saturday, April 12. The annual campaign benefits the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. The organization is one of the largest and oldest private cancer centers and has dedicated more than 100 years to patient care and innovative research.

GOODELL EARNS OUTRIGGER ALL-TOURNAMENT HONORS

Redshirt-junior Nick Goodell earned a spot on the 2014 Outrigger Invitational All-Tournament team. The outside hitter recorded three consecutive double-digit kill performances last week, while leading the team in the category twice. Within the three matches, Goodell set a season-high mark with 19 kills on .455 hitting at Hawaii.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Penn State will remain on the road for the remainder of the 2014 regular season. The Nittany Lions travel to Saint Francis Saturday, April 12 for a 2 p.m. matchup. PSU will wrap up its road trip the following weekend with a pair of matches at Rutgers-Newark and NJIT.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE EIVA

2014 EIVA PRESEASON POLL

- 1. PENN STATE
- 2. Princeton
- 3. Harvard
- 4. George Mason
- 5. Saint Francis
- 6. NIIT
- 7. Sacred Heart
- 8. Rutgers-Newark

2014 EIVA STANDINGS

		Con	ıf.	(Over	all
Team	W	L	Pct.	W	L	Pct.
PENN STATE	8	1	.889	17	6	.739
Harvard	8	2	.800	12	6	.667
Princeton	8	3	.727	13	8	.619
Saint Francis	5	5	.500	11	11	.500
George Mason	4	5	.444	9	12	.429
Sacred Heart	3	8	.273	9	16	.360
NJIT	2	6	.250	8	12	.400
Rutgers-Newark	0	8	.000	6	12	.333

2014 HONORS

AARON RUSSELL

Off the Block Preseason All-American EIVA Offensive Player of the Week (1/21, 2/3, 3/24, 3/31) Mike Anderson Player of the Game (1/17, 2/7, 2/21, 3/21)

MATT CALLAWAY

Mike Anderson Player of the Game (2/5, 2/14, 2/22)Off the Block Blog National Freshman of the Week (2/17)Active Ankle All-Tournament (3/15)

PETER RUSSELL

Mike Anderson Player of the Game (1/18, 3/22)

<u>SPENCER SAUTER</u>

Mike Anderson Player of the Game (1/31)

NICK GOODELL

Outrigger Invitational All-Tournament (1/31) Mike Anderson Player of the Game (2/21, 2/8) EIVA Offensive Player of the Week (2/10) EIVA Defensive Player of the Week (3/31)

MATT SEIFERT

EIVA Defensive Player of the Week (3/3) Active Ankle Challenge All-Tournament (3/15)

HERNANDEZ HIGHLIGHTS 2014 EIVA HALL OF FAME CLASS

The Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association (EIVA) has announced its third Hall of Fame Class, which is highlighted by former Nittany Lion Ramon Hernandez. Hernandez and two others will be honored at the 2014 EIVA Championship match April 26th at the site of the highest seeded team.

Hernandez earned AVCA All-America honors in three consecutive seasons at Penn State, while also garnering four straight First Team All-East/All-EIVA honors from 1991-94. While at Penn State, Hernandez also worked his way to the top of the record book, as he currently ranks among the top five in all three blocking categories in PSU history. His 107 solo blocks ranks first all-time, while his 390 block assists ranks fifth and his 497 total blocks ranks third.

PENN STATE EARNS SECOND "EIVA RALLIES!" AWARD

The Nittany Lions have been selected as the recipient of the March "EIVA Rallies! Award," as announced by conference commissioner Ivan Marquez .The award marks the second consecutive month that the Nittany Lions have claimed the honor, which is

presented monthly to the EIVA team with the highest attendance from February to April.

This month, Penn State averaged 666 fans at its home matches, which is up by nearly 100 fans from February's average of 594. George Mason followed the Nittany Lions' top attendance mark with 340 fans during the month of March, followed by Saint Francis' total of 264.

This year's 2014 EIVA Rallies! Award is based on fan attendance. Throughout the duration of the campaign, the conference squad with the highest number of fans at each match will be recognized with the monthly EIVA Rallies! Award. At the conclusion of the

Rank School **Points** Record Loyola-Chicago (12) 258 21-1 BYU (5) 255 18-4 224 15-6 Pepperdine (1) Stanford 212 16-7 5 UC Santa Barbara 208 14-7 Long Beach State 181 16-7 **UC** Irvine 162 16-9 Southern California 15-9 8 156 **UCLA** 123 15-9 10 Hawai'i 13-10 96 Lewis 11 95 17-6 T-12 **Ball State** 62 17-7 **PENN STATE** 17-6 T-12 62 **IPFW** 37 17-6 15 12-6 Harvard 14

AVCA DIV. I-II COACHES' POLL - WEEK FOUR

Others Receiving Votes: Cal State Northridge, 8; Ohio State, 6.

season, the team with the most fans per match for the entire season will be honored with the 2014 EIVA Rallies! Award.

RUSSELL EARNS EIVA WEEKLY HONOR

After guiding the team to a 1-1 weekend on the road against two nationally ranked foes, junior Aaron Russell has earned EIVA Offensive Player of the Week honors. The award marks the third time Russell has received weekly conference recognition in 2014.

Russell opened the weekend with a team-high 18 kills on .452 hitting in a 3-1 loss at top-ranked Loyola Chicago. The next night, he returned to the court to lead the team to a 3-1 victory at No. 10 Lewis, posting a match-high 22 kills to go along with five digs and four aces.

CALLAWAY TABBED OFF THE BLOCK NATIONAL FRESHMAN HM

Redshirt freshman Matt Callaway garnered more recognition as he was selected as one an Off The Block/Springbak honorable mention national freshman of the week. The honor marks the third time this season that he's been featured as either the Off The Block/Springbak freshman of the week or an honorable mention pick.

SEIFERT AND CALLAWAY EARN ACTIVE ANKLE ACCOLADES

Redshirt sophomore Matt Seifert and redshirt freshman Matt Callaway each earned a spot on the Active Ankle All-Tournament team. Seifert closed out the week ranked third on the squad with 14 kills, on a team-high .591 hitting clip. He highlighted the weekend with 10 kills on 14 perfect swings in the match against then-No. 2 Long Beach State.

Callaway finished the 1-1 weekend on the road with a second-best .471 hitting clip after putting up three kills against the Matadors and seven against the 49ers. He also concluded the weekend with a team-high 0.50 blocks per set, highlighted by a multiblock performance in the win against CSUN.

PSU IN THE NATIONAL STANDINGS

TEAM		
Rank	Category	Stat
7	Digs Per Set	9.79
4	Kills Per Set	13.49
5	Assists Per Set	12.62
3	Match W-L Percentage	.739
7	Hitting Percentage	.304
9	Aces Per Set	1.42

INDIVIDUAL

Category	Rank	Name	Stat
Assists Per Set	7	Taylor Hammond	11.1 <i>7</i>
Digs Per Set	16	Connor Curry	2.33
Kills Per Set	9	Aaron Russell	4.01
Hitting %	25	Aaron Russell	.347
Aces Per Set	3	Aaron Russell	0.56
	15	Nick Goodell	0.37
Points Per Set	4	Aaron Russell	4.80
	23	Nick Goodell	4.17

IN THE EIVA STANDINGS ...

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	6	Zack Parik	1.06
Blocks Per Set	9	Matt Callaway	0.84
Digs Per Set	3	Connor Curry	2.33
	9	Aaron Russell	1.97
Kills Per Set	1	Aaron Russell	4.01
	2	Nick Goodell	3.54
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	4	Nick Goodell	0.37
	7	Matt Seifert	0.29
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THIS WEEKEND IN THE EIVA

Fri., April 4

Saint Francis at Sacred Heart - 7 p.m.
No. 12 PENN STATE at No. 15 Harvard - 7 p.m.
Princeton at NJIT - 7 p.m.
George Mason at Rutgers-Newark - 7 p.m.

Sat., April 5

Rutgers-Newark vs. Brooklyn - 1 p.m. George Mason at NJIT - 3 p.m. Rutgers-Newark at Vassar - 3 p.m. Saint Francis at No. 15 Harvard - 4 p.m. No. 12 PENN STATE at Sacred Heart - 7 p.m.

Sun., April 6

Ohio State at George Mason - 4 p.m.

AMONG THE BEST SERVERS IN THE NATION

Junior Aaron Russell continues to impress from the service line, as his 0.56 aces per frame currently ranks third nationally. His team-high mark also leads the conference. In 2013, Russell tallied 40 aces on the year, which ranks 10th all-time on the single-season record list. With 44 aces on the year, he's set a new single-season personal best. On the career all-time list, his 109 aces surpassed Matt Proper (2003-06) for sole possession of fourth all-time.

SEIFERT TABBED EIVA DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

After anchoring the Penn State defense during a 1-1 weekend on the road, redshirt sophomore Matt Seifert earned his first conference weekly award of the season, being selected as the EIVA Defensive Player of the Week.

Seifert closed out the weekend with 11 total blocks, averaging a team-high 1.22 per frame. He opened the weekend with a squad-best five blocks in a close 3-2 loss at Princeton. Seifert returned the next night to guide the Nittany Lions to a 3-1 win at George Mason, matching a season high mark with six total blocks, while also tallying a career-high six service aces.

A CLEAN SWEEP

Penn State has earned 12 of its victories in straight-sets this season, putting together a 12-1 record in three-set matches. Penn State swept six consecutive opponents from February 7 to February 22 to add to the mark. In 2013, the Nittany Lions recorded 15 3-0 wins.

AARON RUSSELL FROM THE MIDDLE

Within the EIVA standings, junior Aaron Russell is the only student-athlete to be ranked within the top 10 in kills, digs and aces. Averaging 4.01 kills per set and 0.56 aces per set, Russell is leading the league in both categories. His 1.97 digs per set ranks ninth overall.

CALLAWAY NAMED OFF THE BLOCK FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK

After helping Penn State to its 10th consecutive victory with wins against NJIT and Rutgers-Newark, redshirt freshman Matt Callaway was selected as the Off The Block/Springbak, Inc. National Freshman of the Week. Callaway closed out last week with a team-high 10 blocks, averaging 1.67 per frame.

Callaway opened the weekend with a team-high eight kills and six blocks against NJIT, putting up three solo stuffs. He returned to the court the next evening to lead the Nittany Lions blocking unit for the second consecutive match. He tallied four blocks, including two solo stops to go along with two kills in the win against Rutaers-Newark.

GOODELL NAMED EIVA OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK

After guiding Penn State to its eighth consecutive victory, redshirt junior Nick Goodell has earned his first EIVA Offensive Player of the Week honor of the season. Goodell closed out last week ranked second on the team with 45 kills, averaging 4.50 per set on a team-high .468 hitting clip. He also led the squad with eight aces, while also ranking second on the team with six blocks.

In a midweek Big Ten matchup against Ohio State, Goodell fueled the offense with a season-high 20 kills on .533 efficiency. He also added a season-high four aces to go along with three digs and three blocks. He opened the weekend with a double-digit performance against Erskine, tallying 10 kills, one ace, four digs and two blocks in the win.

RUSSELL EARNS ANOTHER EIVA WEEKLY HONOR

After helping the Penn State men's volleyball team to an undefeated weekend at home, junior Aaron Russell was named the EIVA Offensive Player of the Week. The honor is his second conference offensive player of the week award of the 2014 season. Against Mount Olive, he registered five kills, two digs, two blocks and two aces. The next night, Russell played a key role in the Nittany Lions' 3-1 victory against Saint Francis. Russell notched his second double-double of the season with 16 kills and 11 digs. He added a team-high four aces in the win.

2014 DOUBLE-DOUBLES

AARON RUSSELL

1/1/	vs. IPFW	12 kills, 10 digs
2/1	vs. Saint Francis	16 kills, 11 digs
2/28	at Princeton	17 kills, 10 digs
3/1	at George Mason	13 kills, 13 digs

NICK GOODELL

2/22	vs. Harvard	11 kills, 10 digs
3/1	at George Mason	16 kills, 11 digs
3/14	vs. CSUN	15 kills, 11 digs
3/22	at Lewis	19 kills, 11 digs

TAYLOR HAMMOND

3/22 at Lewis 50 assists, 11 digs

SERVING THEIR WAY UP THE RECORD BOOK

SINGLE SEASON

Aces		
##	Name	Year
79	Max Holt	2009
55	Max Holt	2007
51	Will Price	2009
49	Will Prince	2010
48	Max Holt	2008
47	Robert Pierce	1989
46	Nick Turko	2012
44	Aaron Russell	Present

ALL-TIME

Aces		
##	Name	Year
207	Max Holt	2006-09
130	Zeljko Kolijesar	2000-03
126	Carlos Guerra	2000-03
109	Aaron Russell	2011-Pres.
108	Matt Proper	2003-06
107	Joe Sunder	2009-12
100	Will Prince	2006-08
99	Jose Quinones	2000-03
88	Jason Kepner	1994-97
	Alex Gutaor	2004-07
87	Nick Turko	2009-13
85	Eric Houston	1998-00
83	Edgardo Goas	2009-12
82	Matt Anderson	2006-08
76	Zach Slenker	2000-03
71	Ramon Hernandez	1991-94
70	Nick Goodell	2010-Pres.

FRESH FACES ON THE COURT IN 2014

Penn State returns a core group of 11 letterwinners and five starters this year, while welcoming five freshmen to the roster. The new additions include 6-8 opposite Aiden Albrecht from Old Bridge, N.J., Joey Farrell, a 6-5 outside from Lombard, Ill., Kevin Gear, a 6-7 middle blocker from Rochester, N.Y., Chris Nugent, a 6-4 outside from Fair Lawn, N.J., and Jalen Penrose, a 6-7 outside from Cambridge, Mass.

PENN STATE VOTED EIVA PRESEASON FAVORITE

The defending EVIA champion Penn State men's volleyball team has been picked as the preseason favorite in the 2014 Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association (EIVA) preseason poll. The Nittany Lions received seven of eight first-place votes from the league's eight head coaches. PSU also earned the No. 1 preseason EIVA ranking heading into the 2013 season. Princeton was picked to finish second in the league, earning one first-place vote, while Harvard and George Mason were slotted as the No. 3 and No. 4 schools, respectively. St. Francis, NJIT, Sacred Heart and Rutgers-Newark rounded out the remaining positions, claiming spots five through eight.

NITTANY LIONS PICKED 9TH IN PRESEASON POLL

Penn State was the only EIVA school to earn a spot on the 2014 AVCA DI-II Men's Volleyball Preseason Poll, coming in a No. 9. Despite not competing last week, the Nittany Lions dropped to No. 11 in the first poll of the 2014 season.

PSU TO HOST 2016 NCAA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

University Park will be the site of the 2016 National Collegiate Men's Volleyball Championship, marking the sixth time in school history that Rec Hall has hosted the event. Penn State will serve as the host of the vaunted event May 5-7, 2016. Penn State men's volleyball was selected as one of two Nittany Lion programs to host an NCAA national championship. The announcement came during the NCAA announcement of its host sites through the 2017-18 season.

RUSSELL TABBED OFF THE BLOCK PRESEASON ALL-AMERICAN

2013 Co-Eastern Intercollegiate Volleyball Association Player of the Year Aaron Russell earned 2014 Off the Block/Springbak Inc. Preseason First Team All-America honors earlier this month. He is one of 21 student-athletes to earn the honor, which is selected by a nationwide voting committee comprised of coaches from around the country. The Off the Block Preseason All-American teams recognizes the NCAA Division I-II men's volleyball players predicted to perform best in the country during the upcoming season. Off the Block is a national award winning website that is among the nation's leaders in college men's volleyball coverage.

HOSACK, RUSSELL AND TEAM U.S.A.

Penn State assistant coach Jay Hosack and junior Aaron Russell both competed on the USA Men's Junior National Team in the FIVB Men's Volleyball U21 World Championship in Izmir and Ankara, Turkey this summer. Hosack served as an assistant coach of the squad, while Russell played outside hitter on the squad. Hosack, Russell and the rest of team U.S.A finished 11th in the 11-day tournament that featured 20 different teams from around the world.

LEADING LIONS

Redshirt junior Connor Curry and redshirt sophomore Matt Seifert have been voted as the two team captains for the 2014 season.



2014 (Redshirt-junior): Led the team with 17 digs against No. 7 UCLA (1/9) ... Posted 11 digs at No. 14 Hawaii (1/10) ... Registered five digs against No. 12 Ohio State (1/11) ... Logged eight digs against No. 14 IPFW (1/17) ... Totaled a team-high eight digs against Ball State (1/18)... Led the team with seven digs against Mount Olive (1/31) ... Posted a squad-best 10 digs in the EIVA opener against Saint Francis (2/1) ... Had seven digs and four assists against No. 14 Ohio State (2/5) ... Recorded three digs and two assists against Erskine (2/7) ... Led the team with nine digs against Pfeiffer (2/8) ... Recorded a team high 11 digs against NJIT (2/14) ... Registered a team-high seven digs against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Totaled seven digs against Sacred Heart (2/21) ... Led the team with a team high 14 digs against Harvard (2/22) ... Contributed five digs at Princeton (2/28) ... Recorded 10 digs at George Mason (3/1) ... Registered eight digs at No. 14 Ohio State (3/7) ... Posted eight digs against CSUN (3/14) ... Tallied five digs against No. 2 LBSU (3/15) ... Had six digs and three assists at No. 1 Loyola (3/21) ... Registered four digs at No. 10 Lewis (3/22) ... Contributed eight digs and one assist against Princeton (3/28) ... Tallied seven digs against George Mason (3/29).



2014 (Redshirt-junior): Recorded 13 kills, one ace, four digs and two bocks against No. 7 UCLA (1/10) ... Totaled 19 kills on .455 hitting at No. 14 Hawaii (1/10), adding one ace, four digs and one block ... Tallied his third consecutive double-digit kill match with 13 against No. 12 Ohio State (1/11), adding two aces and seven digs ... Registered seven kills and six digs against No. 14 IPFW (1/17) ... Posted five kills, five digs, three aces and two blocks against Ball State (1/18) ... Had two kills, one ace and two blocks against Mount Olive (1/31) ... Recorded 10 kills, seven digs and one block in the EIVA opener against Saint Francis (2/1)... Tallied season high 20 kills on season high .533 hitting with four aces, three digs, and three blocks against No. 14 Ohio State (2/5) ... Registered 10 kills, four digs and two blocks against Erskine (2/7) ... Totaled 15 kills and six digs to go along with a team-high three aces against Pfeiffer (2/8)... Earned EIVA Offensive Player of the Week honors (2/10) ... Recorded seven kills, a service ace, four digs, and two blocks against NJIT (2/14)... Led the team in kills with seven and hitting percentage at .545 while also recording two digs against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Registered two aces, seven kills and a team- high 10 digs against Sacred Heart (2/21) ... Totaled 10 digs and 11 kills against Harvard (2/22) ... Led the team with a career-high 25 kills, four digs at Princeton (2/28) ... Totaled 16 kills, 11 digs, and a season-high five blocks at George Mason (3/1) ... Pounded 15 kills and five digs at No. 14 Ohio State (3/7) ... Had a team-high 15 kills and 11 digs for a double-double vs. CSUN (3/14) ... Totaled 10 kills and eight digs vs. No. 2 LBSU (3/15) ... Tallied 13 kills and two digs at No. 1 Loyola (3/21) ... Registered 19 kills, 11 digs and three aces at No. 10 Lewis (3/22) ... Registered 13 kills, five digs, two blocks and two aces against Princeton (3/28) ... Collected eight kills, two aces and seven digs against George Mason (3/29).

2014 SEASON HIGHS
Kills: 1 vs. CSUN (3/14)
Attacks:
Hitting Percentage:
Assists:
Aces:N/A
Digs: 17 vs. UCLA (1/11)
Blocks:N/A
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CAREER HIGHS
Kills:1 vs. CSUN (3/14/14)
Attacks:
Hitting Percentage:1.000 (1-0-1) vs. CSUN (3/14/14)
Hitting Percentage:
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Assists:
Assists:

2014 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	25 at Princeton (2/28)
Attacks:	48 at George Mason (3/1)
Hitting Percentage:	545 (7-1-11) vs. Rutgers-Newark(2/5)
Assists:	
Aces:	3, 2x last vs. Pfeiffer (2/8)
Digs:	11, 3x last at Lewis (3/22)
Blocks:	5, at George Mason (3/1)
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	25 at Princeton (2/28/14)
Attacks:	48 at George Mason (3/1/14)
Hitting Percentage:	
Aces:	6 at Concordia (4/12/13)
Digs:	11, 3x last at Lewis (3/22/14)
Blocks:	6 vs. Sacred Heart (4/6/12)



2014 (Senior): Registered 12 kills five digs and one block against No. 7 UCLA (1/9) ... Notched 10 kills and two digs at No. 14 Hawaii (1/10) ... Ranked second on the team with 12 kills on .412 hitting against No. 12 Ohio State (1/11), adding three digs and one block ... Ranked second on the team with nine kills against No. 14 IPFW (1/17), adding six digs ... Posted 14 kills against Ball State (1/18)m adding seven digs and a five blocks, including three solo stuffs ... Pounded five kills, three digs and three blocks against Mount Olive (1/31) ... Ranked second on the team with 13 kills against Saint Francis (2/1), adding one ace, five digs and three blocks... Recorded 10 kills, adding one ace, seven digs, and two blocks against No. 14 Ohio State (2/5) ... Totaled seven kills, three digs and one block against Erskine (2/7) Tallied three kills, three digs and one solo block against Pfeiffer (2/8) ... Registered six kills, one service ace, four digs, and one block against NJIT (2/14) ... Contributed five kills and four digs against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Totaled 12 kills, five digs and one block against Sacred Heart (2/21) ... Registered six kills, and six digs vs. Harvard (2/22 ... Recorded eight kills, and six digs at Princeton (2/28) ... Had nine kills, three digs, and two blocks at George Mason (3/1) ... Posted four kills at No. 14 Ohio State (14), tying for first on the team with nine digs ... Tallied 12 kills and seven digs vs. CSUN (3/14) ... Registered four digs and two kills at No. 2 LBSU (3/15) ... Pounded seven kills and six aces at No. 1 Loyola ... Collected 11 kills and three digs with a .450 hitting percentage against No. 10 Lewis (3/22) ... Collected five kills, one dig and one service ace against Princeton (3/28)... Tallied eight kills, one ace and a team-high of 11 digs on his senior night against George Mason (3/29).

2014 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	14 vs. Ball State (1/18)
Attacks:	34 vs. Saint Francis (2/1)
Hitting Percentage:	450 (11-2-20) at Lewis (3/22)
Assists:	4 vs. Harvard (4/27)
Aces:1, 4	Ix last at George Mason $(3/1)$
Digs:	11 vs. George Mason $(3/29)$
Blocks:	5 vs. Ball State (1/18)
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:15	vs. George Mason $(2/22/13)$
Attacks:	34 vs. Saint Francis $(2/1/14)$
Hitting Percentage:875 (14	-0-16) vs. Harvard (4/27/13)
Assists:	4 vs. Harvard (4/27/13)
Aces:	3 vs. Loyola (1/22/13)
Digs:11	vs. George Mason (3/29/14)
Blocks:	5 vs. Ball State (1/18/14)

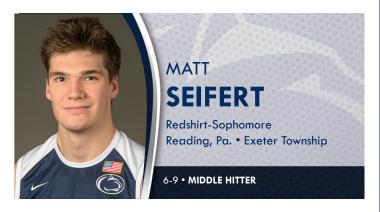


2014 (Junior): 2014 Off the Block Preseason All-American ... EIVA Offensive Player of the Week (1/19) ... Registered a team-high 19 kills against No. 7 UCLA (1/9), tallying two aces, nine digs and one block ... Posted 16 kills, four aces and two digs at No. 14 Hawaii (1/10) ... Recorded his third double-digit kill performance of the season with 10 kills against No. 12 Ohio State (1/11), totaling three digs and one block ... Recorded his first double-double of the season against No. 14 IPFW (1/17), with 12 kills and 10 digs, adding three blocks ... Set a season-high mark with 21 kills on .436 hitting against Ball State (1/18), adding four digs ... Had five kills, one ace, two digs and two blocks against Mount Olive (1/31) ... Led the team with 16 kills in the EIVA opener against Saint Francis (2/1), adding 11 digs for a double-double ... Also tallied four aces on the way to EIVA Offensive Player of the Week honors ... Registered 16 kills, tallying career high five aces, adding seven digs and one block against No. 14 Ohio State (2/5) ... Notched 13 kills on .667 hitting, adding one ace and four digs against Erskine (2/7) ... Posted a team-high 17 kills on .560 hitting against Pfeiffer (2/8), adding seven digs ... Recorded six kills and five digs against NJIT (2/14) ... Led the team with four aces against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Posted a team-high 16 kills on .696 hitting, adding four blocks against Sacred Heart (2/21) ... Registered eight kills, 10 digs and one ace against Harvard (2/22) ... Tallied 17 kills and a team-high 10 digs at Princeton (2/28) ... Led the team with five aces and a doubledouble (13k, 13d) at George Mason (3/1) ... Ranked first on the squad with 20 kills at No. 14 Ohio State (3/7), adding five digs ... Recorded 11 kills and nine digs vs. CSUN (3/14) ... Led the team with 11 kills and five digs at No. 2 LBSU (3/15) ... Led the team with 18 kills on .452 hitting, adding nine digs at No. 1 Loyola (3/21) ... Tallied a team-high of 22 kills, four aces, five digs and one block against No. 10 Lewis (3/22) ... Tallied 13 kills, five digs, two blocks and three aces against Princeton (3/28) ... Collected a team-high of 16 kills, one ace and seven digs against George Mason (3/29).

2014 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	
Attacks:	
Hitting Percentage:	
Assists:	
Aces:	
Digs:	. , ,
Blocks	3 at Princeton (2/28)
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	22, 2x, last at Lewis (3/23/14)
Attacks:	43 vs. Princeton (2/23/13)
Hitting Percentage:778 (7-0	0-9), 2x, last vs. Harvard (2/17/12)
Assists:	3 at NJIT (3/23/12)
Aces:5,	2x. last at George Mason (3/1/14)
Digs:13,	
Blocks:	
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2014 (**Junior**): Had one block against Mount Olive (1/31) ... Posted one dig against Saint Francis (2/1) ... Tallied one kill, one dig and two blocks against Erskine (2/7) ... Recorded one block against NJIT (2/14) ... Set a career high mark with two kills and one ace against Rutgers-Newark (2/15), adding two blocks ... Saw time on the court at No. 14 Ohio State (3/7) ... Had one kill against No. 1 Loyola (3/21).



2014 (Redshirt-sophomore): Posted nine kills, one ace and three blocks against No. 7 UCLA (1/9) ... Had four kills, one dig and one block at No. 14 Hawaii (1/10) ... Registered eight kills on .417 hitting against No. 12 Ohio State (1/11), adding one ace and one block ... Totaled five kills and three blocks against No. 14 IPFW (1/17) ... Logged three kills and two aces against Ball State (1/18) ... Tallied four kills, two digs and five blocks against Mount Olive (1/31) ... Totaled five kills, one ace, one dig and two blocks in the EIVA opener against Saint Francis (2/1) \dots Contributed three kills, one ace, .and three blocks against No. 14 Ohio State (2/5) ... Had two kills, one ace and two digs against Erskine (2/7)... Posted six kills on .400 hitting, adding one dig and one block against Pfeiffer (2/8) ... Recorded four kills, one ace, one dig, and four blocks against NJIT (2/14) ... Tallied three kills, one ace, two digs, and three blocks against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Recorded five kills, one ace and two blocks against Sacred Heart (2/21) ... Contributed seven kills on .600 hitting, adding two digs against Harvard (2/22) ... Totaled three kills, and a team-high five blocks at Princeton (2/28) ... Led the team with six aces and six blocks as well as 12 kills on .688 hitting at George Mason (3/1) ... Registered six kills, two digs and two blocks at No. 14 Ohio State (3/7) ... Recorded five kills and two blocks vs. CSUN (3/14) ... Tallied 10 kills on .714 hitting at No. 2 LBSU (3/15) to earn Active Ankle All-Tournament team honors ... Totaled three kills and one dig at No. 1 Loyola (3/21) ... Collected six digs and two blocks against No. 10 Lewis (3/22) ... Registered two kills, one dig and one block against Princeton (3/28) ... Contributed five kills, one assist, two service aces and two digs against George Mason (3/29).

2014 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	2 vs. Rutgers-Newark(2/15)
Attacks:	
Hitting Percentage:	
Assists:	N/A
	1 vs. Rutgers Newark (2/15)
Blocks:	
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	2, 2x, last vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15/14)
Attacks:	4 vs. Rutgers-Newark (4/19/13)
Hitting Percentage:	
Assists:	N/A
Aces:	1 vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15/14
Digs:	
Blocks:	2, 2x, last vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15/14)

2014 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	12 at George Mason (3/1)
Attacks:	20 vs. UCLA (1/9)
Hitting Percentage:	
Aces:	6 at George Mason (3/1)
	3 at LBSU (3/15)
Blocks:	6 at George Mason (3/1)
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	12 at George Mason (3/1/14)
Attacks:	
Hitting Percentage:	833 (8-3-12) vs. Sacred Hear (2/22/14)
Assists:	
	6 at George Mason (3/1/14)
Digs:	
Blocks:	8 vs. Princeton (2/23/13)



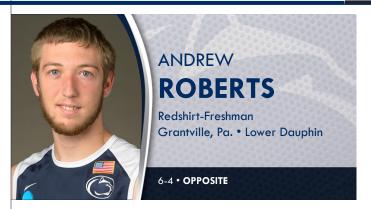
2014 (Redshirt-sophomore): Dished out 54 assists against No. 7 UCLA (1/9), adding one kill, one ace and five blocks ... Paced the Nittany Lions to a .325 hitting clip against No. 14 Hawaii, distributing 52 assists and eight digs ... Posted four digs, one kill and one block against No. 12 Ohio State (1/11), while also adding 44 assists ... Led the team to a .322 hitting clip against No. 14 IPFW (1/17), passing out 35 assists and five digs ... Had 40 assists, seven digs and two kills against Ball State (1/18) ... Passed out 26 helpers against Mount Olive (1/31), adding two digs and one block ... Dished out 32 assists in the EIVA opener against Saint Francis (2/1), adding one kill, four digs and three blocks ... Contributed one kill, four digs, and one block against No. 14 Ohio State (2/5), while also adding 47 assists ... Distributed 11 assists against Erskine (2/7) ... Tallied 40 assists and six digs against Pfeiffer (2/8) ... Posted one kill, a team high 18 assists, one service ace, two digs, and two blocks against NJIT (2/14)... Contributed one kill, 14 assists, and two digs against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Recorded one kill, 42 assists, four digs and one block against Sacred Heart (2/21) ... Registered four digs and 31 assists against Harvard (2/22) ... Dished out 50 assists while adding four digs at Princeton (2/28) ... Distributed 49 assists to go along with five digs at George Mason (3/1) ... Passed out 44 assists at No. 14 Ohio State (3/7), adding nine digs and two kills ... Had four digs and 38 assists vs. CSUN (3/14) ... Totaled 36 assists and four digs at No. 2 LBSU (3/15) ... Dished out 41 assists and seven digs at No. 1 Loyola (3/21) ... Recorded 50 assists and 11 digs at No. 10 Lewis (3/22) for his first double-double of the season ... Collected one kill, five digs and 32 assists against Prince tons (3/28) ... Tallied one four digs, one block, one kill and 34 assists against George Mason (3/29).



2014 (Redshirt-freshman): Recorded six kills on 11 errorless swings against No. 7 UCLA (1/9), adding four digs and one block ... Tallied eight kills, one dig and a team-high three blocks against No. 14 Hawaii (1/10) Notched five kills one dig and three total blocks, including one solo stuff against No. 12 Ohio State (1/11) ... Logged seven kills on .500 hitting against No. 14 IPFW (1/17), adding two blocks ... Registered four kills and a career-high five blocks against Ball State (1/18) ... Posted five kills on .500 hitting against Mount Olive (1/31), adding tw digs and a team-high six blocks, including two solo stuffs ... Totaled three kills, one dig and three blocks in the EIVA opener against Saint Francis (2/1) Contributed seven kills with a .417 hitting percentage and seven blocks against No. 14 Ohio State ... Tallied four kills, one dig and two blocks against Erskine (2/7) ... Recorded four kills on six errorless swings against Pfeiffer (2/8), adding one dig and two solo blocks ... Tied a career high with eight kills, adding six blocks against NJIT (2/14) ... Contributed two kills, two digs, and four blocks against Rutgers-Newark (2/15)... Recorded five kills and four blocks against Sacred Heart (2/21) ... Totaled five kills, two digs and three blocks against Harvard (2/22) ... Tallied six kills, one dig and one block at Princeton (2/28) ... Contributed five kills, two digs, and two blocks at George Mason (3/1) ... Posted four kills and two blocks at No. 14 Ohio State (3/7) ... Recorded three kills and two blocks vs. CSUN (3/14) ... Registered seven kills and two digs at No. 2 LBSU (3/15) ... Posted seven kills, two digs and two blocks at No. 1 Loyola (3/21) ... Tallied four kills, one block and recorded a .571 hitting percentage at No. 10 Lewis (3/22) ... Recorded two kills and two digs against Princeton (3/28) ... Tallied two kills against George Mason (3/29).

2014 SEASON HIGHS
Kills:3, vs. IPFW (1/17)
Attacks: 5, at Ohio State (3/7)
Hitting Percentage: 1.000 (3-0-3) vs. IPFW (1/11)
Assists:
Aces:
Digs:
Blocks:
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CAREER HIGHS
Kills:3, 2x last vs. IPFW (1/17/14)
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Attacks:6 vs. Lewis (1/18/13)
Attacks:
Hitting Percentage:N/A
Hitting Percentage:N/A Assists:56 at IPFW (3/9/13)
Hitting Percentage:N/A Assists:
Hitting Percentage:
Hitting Percentage:N/A Assists:

2014 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	
Attacks:	
Hitting Percentage:	625 (6-1-8) at Princeton (2/28)
Assists:	2, 2x last vs. Pfeiffer (2/8)
Aces:	N/A
	4 vs. UCLA (1/9)
Blocks:	6, 2x, last vs. NJIT (2/14)
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:	
Attacks:	
Hitting Percentage:	625 (6-1-8) at Princeton (2/28/14)
Aces:	N/A
Digs:	4 vs. UCLA (1/9)
Blocks:	7 vs. Ohio State (2/5)



2014 (Redshirt-freshman): Made his collegiate debut against Mount Olive (1/31) ... Played against Saint Francis (2/1) and No. 14 Ohio State (2/5) ... Saw action on the court against Erskine (2/7) and Pfeiffer (2/8) ... Posted one ace, two digs and one kill against NJIT (2/14) ... Tallied a career-high three kills as well as one dig and one block against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Totaled one kill, one ace and one dig at No. 14 Ohio State (3/7) ... Recorded one ace vs. CSUN (3/14) ... Registered one dig at No. 2 LBSU (3/15) ... Saw action against No. 10 Lewis (3/22) ... Contributed one ace against Princeton (3/28) ... Collected one dig against George Mason (3/29).



2014 (Sophomore): Saw action on the court against No. 7 UCLA (1/9) and at No. 14 Hawaii (1/10) ... Recorded one dig against No. 12 Ohio State (1/11) ... Played against No. 14 IPFW (1/17) and Ball State (1/18)... Had three assists against Mount Olive (1/31) ... Tallied eight assists in the EIVA opener against Saint Francis (2/1). Played against No. 14 Ohio State (2/5) ... Dished out a career-high 22 assists against Erskine (2/7), adding three digs and one block ... Totaled one dig against Pfeiffer (2/8)... Contributed 13 assists along with one block against NJIT (2/14) ... Recorded a team high 17 assists and set a season high with one service ace and two blocks against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Posted one dig against Harvard (2/22) ... Tallied one kill at Princeton (2/28) ... Saw action on the court at George Mason (3/1) and No. 14 Ohio State (3/7) ... Notched one dig vs. CSUN (3/14) ... Played at No. 2 LBSU (3/15) ... Saw action on the court at No. 1 Loyola (3/21) ... Collected one dig at No. 10 Lewis (3/22)... Collected two assists against Princeton (3/28) ... Saw action against George Mason (3/29).

2014 SEASON HIGHS
Kills:3 vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15)
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Attacks:5 vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15)
Hitting Percentage:
Assists:1, 2x last at Ohio State (3/7)
Aces:1, 4x last vs. Princeton (3/28)
Digs: 2 vs. NJIT (2/14)
Blocks:
CAREER HIGHS
Kills:
Attacks: 5 vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15/14)
Hitting Percentage:200 (3-2-5) vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15/14)
Assists:
Aces:
Digs:2 vs. NJIT (2/14/14)
Blocks:

2014 SEASON HIGHS
Kills:
Attacks:1, 3x, last at Princeton (2/28)
Hitting Percentage:N/A
Assists:
Aces:1 vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15)
Digs:
Blocks:2 vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15)
CAREER HIGHS
Kills:
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Attacks:



2014 (Redshirt-freshman): Had one dig against No. 7 UCLA (1/9) Posted one kill and two digs at No. 14 Hawaii (1/10) ... Has seen action on the court in the last three consecutive matches against No. 12 Ohio State (1/11), No. 14 IPFW (1/17) and Ball State (1/18) ... Led the team with a career-high seven kills on .875 hitting against Mount Olive (1/31), adding one dig and three blocks ... Had one dig in the EIVA opener against Saint Francis (2/1) ... Played against No. 14 Ohio State (2/5) /... Had one kill and one block against Erskine (2/7) ... Played against Pfeiffer (2/8) ... Tallied six kills on .556 hitting, one ace and two digs against NJIT (2/14) ... Totaled five kills, two digs and one block against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Saw action on the court at Princeton (2/28) and George Mason (3/1) ... Played at No. 1 Loyola (3/21) and at No. 10 Lewis (3/22) ... Saw action against George Mason (3/29).



2014 (Freshman): Made his collegiate debut against Mount Olive (1/31), posting six kills, two digs and two blocks ... Registered one kill and one block against No. 14 Ohio State (2/5) ... Played against Erskine (2/7) and Pfeiffer (2/8) ... Had two kills against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Saw action against Princeton (2/28) ... Contributed one kill and had a hitting percentage of 1.000 against Princeton (3/28) ... Saw action against George Mason (3/29).

HIGH SCHOOL

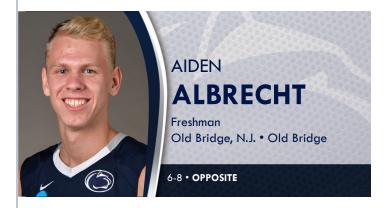
Earned Academic All American all four years ... Named team captain junior and senior year ... Earned team MVP senior year ... Named to the Dupage Valley Conference team ... Voted all conference ... Named to the Chicago Sun-Times 50 top players list ... Holds the school record for kills and is second for aces ... Named to the second team All American team for USA Volleyball Magazine ... Is a USA Volleyball Magazine Top 30 underclassmen to watch.

PERSONAL

Full name is Joseph Michael Farrell ... Born on October 19, 1994 in Lombard, Illinois ... Son of Michelle and James Farrell ... Has a brother named Kevin (20) and two sisters, Ashley (23) and Allison (16).

2014 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:	7 vs. Mount Olive (1/31)
Attacks:	11 vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15)
Hitting Percentage:	
Assists:	1 vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15)
Aces:	1vs. NJIT (2/14)
Blocks:	3 vs. Mount Olive (1/31)
CAREER HIGHS	
CAREER HIGHS	
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2014 SEASON HIGHS	
Kills:6 vs. Mount C	Olive (1/31)
Attacks:9 vs. Mount C	Olive (1/31)
Hitting Percentage:	Olive (1/31)
Assists:	N/A
Aces:	N/A
Digs:2 vs. Mount 0	Olive $(1/31)$
Blocks:2 vs. Mount C	
CAREER HIGHS	
Kills:6 vs. Mount C	Olive (1/31)
Attacks:9 vs. Mount C	
Hitting Percentage:	Olive (1/31)
Assists:	
Aces:	N/A
Digs:2 vs. Mount C	Olive (1/31)
Blocks:	



2014 (Freshman): Has not played in any matches yet this season.

HIGH SCHOOL

A three-year letter winner at Old Bridge High School and team captain during his senior season ... Collected MVP honors both junior and senior year ... Earned Greater Middlesex Conference All-League Honors both junior and senior year ... Member of the 2012 Boys' Youth National Team and 2013 member of the Boys Youth National Training Team ... Earned N.J. First Team All-State honors in 2012 and 2013 ... Named the 2013 N.J. Player of the Year... Played club for Warren SixPak.

PERSONAL

Born Aidan Thomas Albrecht on April 17, 1995 in New Brunswick, N.J. ... Parents are Todd and Kimberly Albrecht... Has two brothers, Colin (20) and Logan (11) ... Bother, Logan, is a student at Rutgers.



2014 (Freshman): Has not played in any matches yet this season.

HIGH SCHOOL

The two-time Gates-Chili High School MVP served as team captain his senior year ... Earned First Team All-League honors his junior and senior year and Second Team All-League accolades his sophomore year... A member of the Sectional All-Tournament Team both junior and senior year... An All-Greater Rochester (AGR) selection his senior year and an honorable mention in his junior year... Guided his team to the Division II Championship ... Earned the Scholar-Athlete his senior year... Played club for Victor Volleyball Club ... Earned two letters on the tennis team, garnering MVP honors his senior year.

PERSONAL

Born Kevin Robert Gear on December 6, 1994 in Rochester, NY. ... Parents are Steven and Christine Gear ... Has one brother, Kyle (14), and one sister, Shelby (21)... Majoring in engineering.



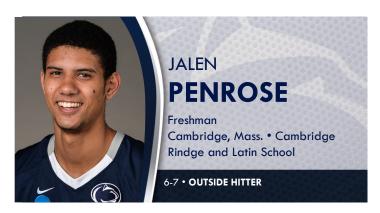
2014 (Freshman): Made his collegiate debut on the court against No. 7 UCLA (1/9) ... Tallied two kills against Mount Olive (1/31) ... Had one kill against NJIT (2/14) ... Recorded four kills against Rutgers-Newark (2/15) ... Posted one kill and two digs at No. 14 Ohio State (3/7) ... Pounded three kills and two digs at No. 2 LBSU (3/15).

HIGH SCHOOL

A two-year team captain and 2013 MVP at Fair Lawn High School in Fair Lawn, N.J. ... Earned First team All-League and All-State selections during his senior year... y... 2012 New Jersey state player of the year... Competed on the 2013 Boys Youth National Team ... Played club for Warren SixPak... Also earned two letters in soccer

PERSONAL

Born Christopher William Nugent on May 17, 1995 in Morristown, N.J. ... Parents are William and Catherine Nugent.



2014 (Freshman): Has not played in any matches yet this season.

HIGH SCHOOL

A two-year team captain and MVP at Cambridge Rindge & Latin School in Cambridge, Mas ... Competed in the Dual County League as a three-time All-Star... Recipient of 2012 and 2013 Boston Globe & Boston Herald All Scholastics honors... Helped guide his team to the 2012 State Championship title ... Became a member of his school's 1,000 point club, finishing his interscholastic career with 1,422 total kills ... Played club for Beantown Volleyball... Helped the team to a 2013 NERVA Regional Championship.

PERSONAL

Born Jalen Penrose on December 9, 1994 in Boston, Mass. ... Parents are Corey Penrose and Kelley Leary.

2014 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

(17-6, 8-1 EIVA)

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	SET SCORES	SITE	ATT.	RECORD	TIME
1/9	UCLA@	L	3-2	15-25, 25-22, 25-23, 21-25, 14-16	Honolulu, Hawaii		0-1	2:08
1/10	Hawaii@	L	3-1	25-20, 22-25, 24-26, 21-25	Honolulu, Hawaii	2,750	0-2	2:13
1/11	Ohio State@	W	3-0	28-26, 25-20, 25-19	Honolulu, Hawaii		1-2	1:17
1/17	IPFW	W	3-0	25-21, 25-16, 25-23	University Park, Pa.	578	2-2	1:26
1/18	Ball State	W	3-1	16-25, 25-22, 25-26, 25-22	University Park, Pa.	398	3-2	1:51
1/31	Mount Olive	W.	3-0	25-14, 25-13, 25-19	University Park, Pa.	1,308	4-2	1:08
2/1	Saint Francis	W	3-1	25-21, 25-21, 23-25, 25-18	University Park, Pa.	1,825	5-2	2:10
2/5	Ohio State	W	3-1	29-27, 22-25, 31-29, 25-15	University Park, Pa.	457	6-2	2:01
2/7	Erskine	W	3-0	25-14, 25-23, 25-23	University Park, Pa.	246	7-2	1:16
2/8	Pfeiffer	W	3-0	25-18, 25-23, 25-23	University Park, Pa.	377	8-2	1:21
2/14	NJIT	W	3-0	25-15, 25-12, 25-13	University Park, Pa.	544	9-2	1:11
2/15	Rutgers-Newark	W	3-0	25-16, 25-17, 25-13	University Park, Pa.	402	10-2	1:02
2/21	Sacred Heart	W	3-0	25-21, 25-13, 25-15	University Park, Pa.	314	11-2	1:11
2/22	Harvard	W	3-0	25-19, 25-15, 25-22	University Park, Pa.	585	12-2	1:19
2/28	Princeton	L	3-2	25-18, 22-25, 19-25, 25-15, 11-15	Princeton, N.J.	1,165	12-3	2:02
3/1	George Mason	W	3-1	25-19, 25-22, 24-26, 26-24	Fairfax, Va.	875	13-3	1:58
3/7	Ohio State	L	3-1	25-17, 22-25, 23-25, 22-25	Columbus, Ohio	877	13-4	1:54
3/14	Cal St. Northridge!	W	3-0	25-17, 25-23, 25-20	Long Beach, Calif.		14-4	
3/15	Long Beach State!	L	3-0	21-25, 23-25, 17-25	Long Beach, Calif.	1,219	14-5	1:22
3/21	Loyola-Chicago	L	3-1	25-23, 20-25, 19-25, 22-25	Chicago, III.	1,084	14-6	1:42
3/22	Lewis	W	3-1	21-25, 25-19, 26-24, 25-20	Romeoville, III.	1,243	15-6	2:04
3/28	Princeton	W	3-0	25-19, 25-13, 25-20	University Park, Pa.	821	16-6	1:16
3/29	George Mason	W	3-0	25-18, 25-17, 25-18	University Park, Pa.	510	17-6	1:22

^{@ -} indicates match played at the Outrigger Invitational in Honolulu, Hawaii ! - indicates match played at the Active Ankle Classic in Long Beach, Calif.

2014 MATCH-BY-MATCH COMPARISON

OPPONENT	SCORE	SP	KILLS	ERRORS	TA	HITTING %	ASSISTS	SA	SE
UCLA	2-3	5	60/64	31/13	136/128	.213/.398	59/58	5-5	11-21
Hawai'i	1-3	4	58/62	19/19	120/123	.325/.350	55/56	5-3	10-10
Ohio State	3-1	3	49/32	19/15	96/75	.312/.227	47/31	3-3	11-9
IPFW	3-1	3	43/38	14/17	90/96	.322/.219	39/36	3-1	6-10
BALL STATE	3-1	4	49/47	21/19	114/109	.246/.257	47/44	5-5	10-15
MOUNT OLIVE	3-1	3	36/24	10-27	64/80	.406/038	30/24	2-1	11-8
SAINT FRANCIS	3-1	4	48/48	22/23	125/126	.208/.198	43/40	6-5	8-20
OHIO STATE	3-1	4	58/53	22/19	117/104	.308/.327	52/50	11-6	3-19
ERSKINE	3-1	3	38/37	7/21	77/89	.403/.180	35/34	3-7	8-12
PFEIFFER	3-1	3	46/31	13/13	91/82	.363/.220	44/29	4-1	13-11
NJIT	3-1	3	40/26	10-21	71/82	.423/.061	37/23	6-1	4-5
RUTGERS-NEWARK	3-1	3	35/25	11-23	61/73	.393/.027	34/25	7-1	7-9
SACRED HEART	3-1	3	46/25	12-18	89/81	.382/.086	44/25	5-1	10-6
HARVARD	3-1	3	38/29	15/22	104/107	.221/.065	34/27	3-1	12-11
Princeton	2-3	5	61/55	19/22	110/115	.382/.287	59/49	2-11	11-16
George Mason	3-1	4	56/56	20/22	129/125	.279/.272	51/53	12-6	10-10
Ohio State	1-3	4	53/49	26/18	133/120	.203/.258	47/47	4-5	11-15
Cal State Northridge	3-0	3	47/34	17/10	101/92	.297/.261	43/31	3-0	8-14
Long Beach State	0-3	3	43/36	22/7	100/81	.210/.358	34/39	2-4	12-9
Loyola Chicago	3-1	4	49/62	20/14	109/11 <i>7</i>	.266/.410	49/56	6-4	16-9
Lewis	3-1	4	63/54	18/11	112/108	.402/.398	62/51	1-4	14-15
PRINCETON	3-0	3	37/28	19/12	70/80	.357/.112	35/27	2-4	12-10
GEORGE MASON	3-0	3	40/34	18/11	87/95	.333/.168	37/32	1-4	9-6
TOTALS	58-23	81	1093/949	391/411	2306/2288	.304/.235	1022/882	115/73	225/282

Note: Match totals are displayed in the format PENN STATE/OPPONENT for each category

All matches

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	17-6	13-0	2-5	2-1
CONFERENCE	8-1	7-0	1-1	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	9-5	6-0	1-4	2-1

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##	Player	sp	k	k/s	е	ta	pct	а	a/s	sa	se	sa/s	re	dig	dig/s	bs	ba	total	blk/s	be	bhe	points
10	Chris Nugent	6	11	1.83	0	13	.846	0	0.00	0	2	0.00	1	4	0.67	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	11.0
11	Spencer Sauter	44	20	0.45	3	38	.447	1	0.02	1	6	0.02	2	10	0.23	0	5	5	0.11	0	0	23.5
17	Matt Callaway	81	113	1.40	30	216	.384	6	0.07	0	13	0.00	2	29	0.36	18	50	68	0.84	9	0	156.0
8	Aaron Russell	79	317	4.01	104	613	.347	12	0.15	44	61	0.56	19	156	1.97	4	28	32	0.41	0	0	379.0
18	Matt Seifert	79	120	1.52	46	217	.341	4	0.05	23	45	0.29	0	26	0.33	11	45	56	0.71	2	1	176.5
2	Zack Parik	64	1	0.02	0	3	.333	68	1.06	1	10	0.02	1	9	0.14	0	3	3	0.05	0	1	3.5
1	Taylor Hammond	77	21	0.27	7	49	.286	860	11.17	5	15	0.06	1	113	1.47	4	16	20	0.26	6	6	38.0
4	Nick Goodell	79	280	3.54	105	672	.260	11	0.14	29	51	0.37	1	135	1.71	5	31	36	0.46	4	1	329.5
16	Kyle Gregan	8	4	0.50	2	8	.250	0	0.00	1	2	0.12	0	1	0.12	0	6	6	0.75	0	0	8.0
9	Peter Russell	77	190	2.47	83	445	.240	16	0.21	7	15	0.09	15	113	1.47	8	24	32	0.42	2	1	217.0
5	Joey Farrell	26	10	0.38	6	19	.211	0	0.00	0	1	0.00	0	2	0.08	0	3	3	0.12	1	1	11.5
7	Andrew Roberts	26	5	0.19	4	11	.091	0	0.00	4	4	0.15	0	6	0.23	0	2	2	0.08	0	0	10.0
3	Connor Curry	81	1	0.01	1	2	.000	44	0.54	0	0	0.00	25	189	2.33	0	0	0	0.00	0	1	1.0
	TEAM	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	PENN STATE	81	1093	13.49	391	2306	.304	1022	12.62	115	225	1.42	73	793	9.79	50	213	156.5	1.93	24	12	1364.5
	Opponents	81	949	11.72	411	2288	.235	882	10.89	73	282	0.90	115	665	8.21	41	296	189.0	2.33	37	16	1211.0

Team Statistics	PSU	OPP
ATTACK		
Kills	1093	949
Errors	391	411
Total Attacks	2306	2288
Attack Pct	.304	.235
Kills/Set	13.5	11.7
SET		
Assists	1022	882
Attempts	2194	2232
Assist Pct	.466	.395
Assists/Set	12.6	10.9
SERVE		
Aces	115	73
Errors	225	282
Attempts	1919	1671
Serve Pct	.883	.831
Aces/Set	1.4	0.9
SERVE RECEPTIONS		
Errors	73	115
Errors/Set	0.9	1.4
DEFENSE		
Digs	793	665
Digs/Set	9.8	8.2
BLOCKING		
Block Solo	50	41
Block Assist	213	296
Total Blocks	156.5	189.0
Blocks/Set	1.9	2.3
Block Errors	24	37
Ball handling errors	12	16
ATTENDANCE		
Total	8365	9213
Dates/Avg Per Date	13/643	7/1316
Neutral site #/Avg	3/0	
Current win streak	3	-
Home win streak	13	-

Date	Opponent		Score	Score by set
Jan 09	vs #7 UCLA	L	2-3	15-25,25-22,25-23,21-25,14-16
Jan 10	at #14 Hawai'i	L	1-3	25-20,22-25,24-26,21-25
Jan 11	vs #12 Ohio State	W	3-0	28-26,25-20,25-19
Jan 17	#14 IPFW	W	3-0	25-21,25-16,25-23
Jan 18	BALL STATE	W	3-1	16-25,25-22,25-16,25-22
Jan 31	MOUNT OLIVE	W	3-0	25-14,25-13,25-19
*Feb 01	SAINT FRANCIS	W	3-1	25-21,25-21,23-25,25-18
Feb 05	#14 OHIO STATE	W	3-1	29-27,22-25,31-29,25-15
Feb 07	ERSKINE	W	3-0	25-14,25-23,25-23
Feb 08	PFEIFFER	W	3-0	25-18,25-20,25-19
*Feb 14	NJIT	W	3-0	25-15,25-12,25-13
*Feb 15	RUTGERS-NEWARK	W	3-0	25-16,25-17,25-13
*Feb 21	SACRED HEART	W	3-0	25-21,25-13,25-15
*Feb 22	HARVARD	W	3-0	25-19,25-15,25-22
*Feb 28	at Princeton	L	2-3	25-18,22-25,19-25,25-15,11-15
*Mar 01	at George Mason	W	3-1	25-19,25-22,24-26,26-24
Mar 07	at #14 Ohio State	L	1-3	25-17,22-25,23-25,22-25
Mar 14	vs Cal State Northridge	W	3-0	25-17,25-23,25-20
Mar 15	at #2 Long Beach State	L	0-3	21-25,23-25,17-25
Mar 21	at #1 Loyola Chicago	L	1-3	25-23,20-25,19-25,22-25
Mar 22	at #10 Lewis	W	3-1	21-25,25-19,26-24,25-20
*Mar 28	PRINCETON	W	3-0	25-19,25-13,25-20
*Mar 29	GEORGE MASON	W	3-0	25-18,25-17,25-18

Record in 3-set matches: 12-1 Record in 4-set matches: 5-3 Record in 5-set matches: 0-2

2014 PENN STATE SUPERLATIVES

THREE SETS	INDIVIDUAL	<u>TEAM</u>
Kills:	17 - Aaron Russell vs. Pfeiffer (2/8)	49 - vs. Ohio State (1/11)
Attacks:	36 - Nick Goodell vs. CSUN (3/14)	104 - vs. Harvard (2/22)
	714 (10-4-14) at LBSU (3/15)	
Assists:	44 - Taylor Hammond vs. Ohio State (1/11)	47 - vs. Ohio State (1/11)
	4 - Aaron Russell vs. Rutgers-Newark (2/15)	
	14 - Connor Curry vs. Harvard (2/22)	
Solo Blocks:	3- Matt Callaway vs. NJIT (2/14)	
Block Assists:	5, 2x last - Matt Callaway vs. George Mason (3/29)	
Total Blocks:	6, 2x last - Matt Callaway vs. NJIT (2/14)	
	<u>INDIVIDUAL</u>	
	22 - Aaron Russell at Lewis (3/22)	
	48 - Nick Goodell at George Mason (3/1)	
	688 (12-1-16) - Matt Seifert at George Mason (3/1)	
	52 - Taylor Hammond at Hawaii (1/10)	
	6 - Matt Seifert at George Mason (3/1)	
	13 - Aaron Russell at George Mason (3/1)	
Solo Blocks:	3 - 2x last Matt Callaway vs. Ohio State (2/5)	6 - vs. Ohio State (2/5)
	5, 3x last - Nick Goodell and Matt Seifert at George Mason (3/1)	
lotal Blocks:	7 - Matt Callaway vs. Ohio State (2/5)	16 - at George Mason (3/1)
FIVE SETS	INDIVIDUAL	TF 4.14
FIVE SEIS	OF Nick Condell at Discourse (2/20)	
	25 - Nick Goodell at Princeton (2/28)	
	44 - Nick Goodell at Princeton (2/28)	
	625 (6-1-8) - Matt Callaway at Princeton (2/28)	
	54 - Taylor Hammond - vs. UCLA (1/9)	
	2 - Aaron Russell vs. UCLA (1/9)	
Digs:	17 - Connor Curry vs. UCLA (1/9)	46 - vs. UCLA (1/9)
	4- Matt Seifert at Princeton (2/28)	
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2014 OPPONENT SU	JPERLATIVES	
THREE SETS	<u>INDIVIDUAL</u>	
THREE SETS	<u>INDIVIDUAL</u> 18 - Michael Michelau, Erskine (2/7)	53 - IPFW (1/17)
THREE SETS Kills: Attacks:		53 - IPFW (1/17) 107 - Harvard (2/22)
THREE SETS Kills:	<u>INDIVIDUAL</u> 18 - Michael Michelau, Erskine (2/7)	
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 $^{^{*}}$ a minimum of six kills required for individual attack percentage ** rally-scoring-era school record