

Carolina UVC National Team Coaches

- 18's Head Coach: Cory Tidwell-** Cory finished a great career at Ole Miss where she was a middle blocker and right side hitter. She was an SEC player of the week 6 times throughout her college career. She played for the highly recognized Texas Advantage Volleyball Club in which her team finished 5th at Nationals her senior year. Cory has been part of the Carolina Courts coaching staff for the past several months and is currently the middle school and jv assistant coach at Charlotte Christian.
- 17's Head Coach: John Brannon-**John is the current head coach at Butler High School. In 2008 John, lead the Bulldogs to an elite 8 appearance. He has over 7 years of coaching experience with both boys and girls. He spent his first few years coaching boy's high school volleyball in Madera, California and the last five years coaching girls in North Carolina. He spent last season coaching for the Union Volleyball Club
- Karen Bradbury-** Karen will be the assistant coach of the 17 National team. She is the current head coach at Providence High School. She has spent several years coaching at Carolina Juniors Volleyball Club.
- 16's Head Coach: James Zorn:** Coach Zorn was a well established volleyball player at Lake Shore High School in NY. During his high school career Zorn lead his team to the state championships in which he was named MVP and was an all conference selection. Zorn was also named to the Fab 50 list by Volleyball Magazine. He continued his playing career at Mercyhurst (PA) where he was a 4 year starter, captain and all conference selection. He has over 9 years of coaching experience at both the high school and club level. His high school teams have won 5 conference titles and 2 district titles. He has been a club coach at Union Volleyball Club for the past 4 years in which he has lead his team to several tournament wins including the Southern Classic, Peachtree and Jr. High Neighbor Tournaments.
- 15's Head Coach: Carrie Powell:** Coach Powell was a 4 year varsity letter winner at Faith Academy in Manila, Philippines and played college volleyball at Montreat-Anderson College (now Montreat College) in Montreat, NC. She coached the varsity volleyball team at Parkwood High School for 4 years, at Sun Valley High School for 11 years and started the program at Weddington High School in 2000 and is in her 10th year there. Coach Powell also started the Union Volleyball Club 8 years ago in which her objectives to coaching is to improve all the players in their individual skills and get them to work together so they excel as a team.

14's Head Coach: Brook Hammers- Brook has over 10 years of coaching experience where she has spent the last few years as the Head Coach at Marvin Ridge High School. She has coached club for several years with clubs in Florida and then spent last season at Union Volleyball Club.

13's Head Coach: Ashley Yocum: Ashley Yocum had a great career at Jonathon Alder High School before heading off to Malone College outside of Canton, Ohio. At Malone College she was a 4 year starter, team captain, Conference, Regional and National Player of the week. She spent last year as the assistant coach at Wright State University. She has over 3 years of club experience for the Kaepe Buckeye Volleyball Club.

Club Practice Coaches:

Shelton Collier: Coach Collier is currently the head coach at Wingate University. He has lead the Bulldogs to an impressive 143-48 career mark over the past 8 seasons. The Bulldogs have gone undefeated in The South Atlantic Conference for the past 40 matches dating back to 2007 season. He has over 28 years of coaching experience that includes being named ACC Coach of the Year (Georgia Tech- 11 years), Big East Coach of the Year (Pitt), Regional Coach of the Year (Pitt), Assistant to the Women's National Team, and several years as the Head Coach for the Youth National Team in which he lead the 2003 Youth National Team to a fourth place finish at the World Championships. His Youth National Team upset then number 1 ranked Russia. No other Youth National team has achieved such accomplishments. Shelton is still involved with the Youth Junior National Programs.

Barbie Curry: Barbie Curry is the Co-Director of Carolina UVC. She had a very successful high school career and went on to play college volleyball at Wingate University under Shelton Collier. Curry was an all conference performer, MVP and team captain during her stint at Wingate. Curry returned to Wingate as a Graduate Assistant under Collier from 2006-2008. She has over 6 years of club coaching experience and started the Carolina RISE in 2009.