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VENICE BEACH VOLLEYBALL™

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INSTRUCTION BOOKLET

Thank you for purchasing **VENICE BEACH VOLLEYBALL™**, an exciting video game from American Video Entertainment, Inc. Our seal of quality guarantees challenging, reasonably priced software for play on the Nintendo Entertainment System.™



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▷ Radical beach volleyball fun for the entire family.

▷ Choose from four of the hottest teams in America.

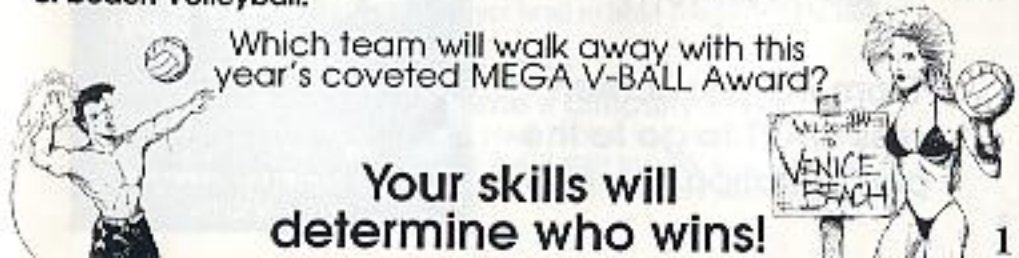
▷ Includes two player simultaneous action or single player against the computer.

KICKING BEACH BUTT

They have come from all across America - the very best of the best. They are here at the most radical summer hang-out in the world, **VENICE BEACH!**

Hundreds of two-men and two-women teams are ready to kick-butts and go all the way to win the most excellent volleyball event of the year. **The Venice Beach Open.**

And now, after five days of grueling play, there are only four teams remaining. Bob and Howard, two Venice Beach locals and real crowd favorites. Lisa and Bambi, two co-ed babes from Florida and one of the quickest teams in the tournament. Steve and Jamile, excellent Spikers from South Texically. And of course Kelly and Morica, who may be a couple of the smartest, tannest, cuties in town, but play one mean game of beach Volleyball.

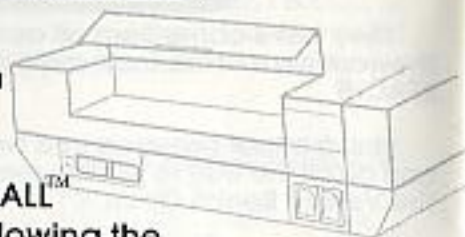


Which team will walk away with this year's coveted **MEGA V-BALL Award?**

Your skills will determine who wins!

GETTING STARTED

Make sure the power switch on your control deck is turned off.



Insert VENICE BEACH VOLLEYBALL™ into your NES console carefully following the power up instructions in your NES user manual.

If the title screen flashes on and off and the game will not play see pages 15-17.

From the title screen press START to go to the configuration screen.



CUSTOMIZING GAME

CONFIGURATION

GAME MODE: 1P VS COM
LEVEL: NORMAL
POINT: 5
SET: 1
RULE: NORMAL

EXIT

CONFIGURATION SCREEN

The CONFIGURATION SCREEN lets you customize the game's options to your liking. To customize any of the five game settings, move the Direction Pad UP & DOWN to highlight your selection. By moving the direction Pad RIGHT or LEFT you can change the settings.

GAME MODE

From here choose the type of game you want to play.

1P vs. COM: For single player action against a computer controlled team.

2P vs. COM: You and a buddy work together to take on a computer controlled team.

1P vs. 2P: Intense two Player head to head competitive action.

LEVEL

Select the game's difficulty level.

Easy: A Great place to start and learn.

Normal: Here's where you'll start to work up a sweat.

Hard: The ultimate challenge! V-Ball thrashers only need apply.

CUSTOMIZING GAME

POINT

This is where you choose how many points (5, 10 or 15) that you must score to win the game.

SET

Choose how many games you must win to defeat the opposing team.

- 1: Single game winner takes all.
- 3: Three game set, winner is best 2 out of 3.

RULE

Choose the scoring rules (NORMAL or RALLY POINT) that will apply to your game.

NORMAL: You must be serving to win the point.

RALLY POINT: You can win a point when serving or receiving.

EXIT

After you've set up the game to your liking and you're ready to pick your team select EXIT and press START.

CHOOSE TEAMS

The Teams

BOB and HOWARD

RECEIVING: 85 SMASH: 70 SPEED: 80

LISA and BAMBI

RECEIVING: 80 SMASH: 75 SPEED: 85

STEVE and JAMILE

RECEIVING: 80 SMASH: 80 SPEED: 85

KELLY and MORICA

RECEIVING: 85 SMASH: 70 SPEED: 75



Here's where you choose the team you will compete with in the tournament. Each team is rated by three different ability categories:

RECEIVING: How well your team play's an opponent's serve or hit

SMASH: How well your team spikes the ball.

SPEED: How quickly your team gets the ball.

Hit A Button to chose your team. Now its time to get down to the sand and get ready to serve. Its time to kick some beach butt!

CONTROLLING THE ACTION

DIRECTION PAD

Moves your two players anywhere around the play field. On serves you can aim the ball using the Direction Pad.

B BUTTON

Press to jump during serving or receiving. Press twice to spike the ball.

A BUTTON

Press to hit the ball.



SELECT

This button is not used.

START

Press to Pause a game in progress or to begin a new game.

On serves you can move your player anywhere along the baseline before you toss the ball. You can also aim the ball using the Direction Pad during a serve.

SERVING THE BALL

One of the most important things to know in Volleyball is how to serve the ball. There are two types of serves, the jump serve and the flat serve. Practice both a lot, 'cause the only way you'll ever be able to kick the big butt is by knowing how to deliver a devastating serve consistently.

JUMP SERVE: Press A Button to toss the ball, then B Button to jump and B Button again to hit the ball over the net.

FLAT SERVE: Press A Button to toss the ball, then A Button again to hit the ball over the net.



RECEIVING THE BALL

RECEIVING

The landing spot of the ball is always indicated by an X, watch the ball's shadow to see how high its flying. Press A Button to Hit/Set the ball. Players will automatically hit the ball in the direction of their teammates on the first or second hit. They will try to hit the ball over the net on the third hit.

SPIKE

The idea is to stand by the net and have your teammate hit the ball to you, then leap in to the air and smash the ball downward. A well placed spike is almost impossible to return. To SPIKE (press B Button once to jump, twice to spike.)

BLOCKING

The block is a great defensive weapon for stopping the spike. To block the spike you must position your man at the net. When your opponent is ready to SPIKE the ball, jump in the air using B Button and Block by hitting the A Button.

TIPS FROM THE PROS

HIT THEM WHERE THEY'RE NOT - The best way to score points is to use your Direction Pad to aim the ball to open areas on your opponent's side of the court. Since beach volleyball is a two-player team sport, you'll find plenty of open area's.

THROW OFF YOUR OPPONENTS RHYTHM - Hitting/setting the ball twice and then smashing it over the net is the norm in beach volleyball. Do something different occasionally. Jump up and smash the ball right back over the net, or hit it back with only ONE set (instead of two). You'll catch your opponent off guard and maybe score that single point that means the difference between being a winner and being a wiener.

TIMING IS EVERYTHING - It's hard to spike the ball or jump serve if you timing is off. Hit the ball at the peak of your jump for the best results.

MORE TIPS FROM THE PROS

DON'T BURY THE BALL - Sometimes when you hit the ball very hard it will get buried in the sand. Keep your kool because *Sandy Claws* the crab will come out and try to find the ball for you. He usually will not find it but when he walks off the screen, game play resumes.

NEVER GIVE UP! - To become a champ takes practice and determination. So don't be a chump. Don't give up!



MEMOS

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I certify that I went to the trouble and upgraded or had my incompatible Nintendo Entertainment System upgraded to be compatible with American Video Entertainment video games. For this trouble American Video Entertainment will credit \$10.00 against my purchase DIRECTLY FROM AMERICAN VIDEO ENTERTAINMENT of any game manufactured by American Video Entertainment.

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- A. Was your Nintendo control deck purchased after October of 1990?
- B. Does the cartridge play on other control decks purchased prior to Oct. 1990?

If the answer to both of these questions is yes then you probably have a control deck which was secretly modified by Nintendo to prevent some cartridges from working. In order to enjoy many fine products from independent American manufacturers, American Video Entertainment, recommends you get a control deck compatible with all legal games. If you do not, you will be prevented from enjoying many great, value priced cartridges. You have several options available to you:

1. We have included in this manual simple instructions which will provide any qualified T.V. repair technician with the necessary information to upgrade your unit. When you do this and sign the enclosed \$10.00 upgrade certificate, American Video Entertainment will give you a \$10.00 discount on any AVE game purchased DIRECTLY FROM AMERICAN VIDEO ENTERTAINMENT.
2. American Video Entertainment will upgrade your incompatible Rev. 11 unit free for a postage and handling charge of \$9.95. NES unit must be in working order. AVE cannot repair non-functional units. THIS CHARGE WILL BE CREDITED TO ANY FUTURE PURCHASE OF AN AMERICAN VIDEO ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCT PURCHASED DIRECTLY FROM AMERICAN VIDEO ENTERTAINMENT. (Call 1-800-HOT-4-AVE and allow 1 week for return.)
3. If none of the above is suitable please call our consumer hotline at 1-800-HOT-4-AVE and one of our counsellors will help you further.



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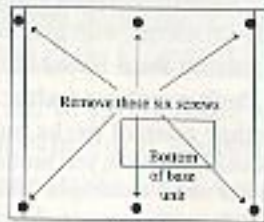


Figure 1

1. Turn the unit upside down and remove six Phillips head screws as indicated in Figure 1.

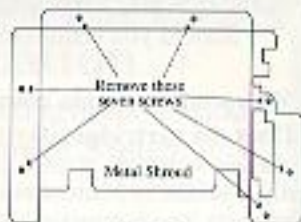


Figure 2

2. Now remove the top cover and remove seven Phillips head screws as indicated in Figure 2.

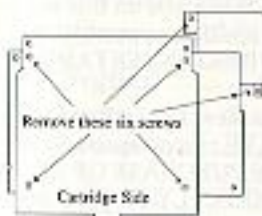


Figure 3

3. Now remove metal shield and remove six Phillips head screws as indicated in Figure 3.

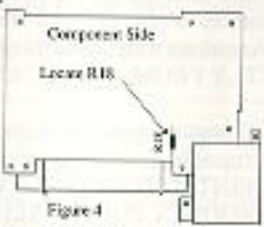


Figure 4

4. Carefully lift circuit board out of bottom unit with all wires still attached from board over. Be sure board is a Rev 1.1. This will be verified by the presence of R18 as indicated in Figure 4. If R18 is not present do not proceed! Call 1-800-HOT-4-AVE for assistance.

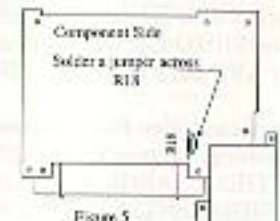


Figure 5

5. Solder a jumper wire across R18 as indicated in Figure 5.

6. Reassemble the unit in reverse order.

PRECAUTIONS

- * Do not store cartridge in very hot or cold places. Never hit or drop.
- * Do not take apart.
- * Do not touch connectors; do not get them wet or dirty. Doing so may damage game.
- * Do not clean with benzene, paint thinner, alcohol or other such solvents.

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