

# Your chance to see top class volleyball

**V**OLLEYBALL is one of the up-and-coming sports in the Westcountry. On Sunday, March 15, a top class South-West invitation tournament is being staged at the Exeter University Sports Hall... the first tournament of its kind in the area.

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by Tony Phillips

"This is an excellent opportunity for people in Exeter and district to see top-class volleyball," George Reynolds of the Central Council of Physical Recreation told me.

The teams taking part include:

**Spark**, a London side and British champions last year.

**Southgate Technical College**, British champions in 1967-68.

**A South-West regional side**, drawn mainly from Devon and Somerset.

**A European team**, probably A.V.O., from Belgium who have plenty of ability.

## £100 offer

At one stage there was no money available to bring over a side from Europe, but Plymouth businessman Mr. Frank Vosper has offered the £100 needed for the trip.

Mr. Reynolds has written to A.V.O. inviting them to take part, and he is hoping they will agree. The winning team will be presented with the Vosper Trophy.

The aim of the tournament is to give the top players in the area competition of a high standard and to give the spectators in the Exeter area the opportunity of seeing what good class volleyball is all about since it really came to prominence during the Olympic Games.

"The reaction of many people who watched volleyball on television during the Olympics is that it is a tremendous spectator sport.

'Now these people have a chance to see this type of volleyball," added Mr. Reynolds.

There will be admission by programme, and these are available from the C.C.P.R., in Crewkerne.