

## Welcome to the ninth issue of the Oxfordshire Netball Newsletter.

There's a slightly different layout for this issue – we do love feedback so let us know what you think!

**Merry Christmas to all from the ONDB**, it has been a busy start to the season for many, and again Oxfordshire Netball continues to grow and develop. The league now has a 5<sup>th</sup> division, and the juniors have got to the end of their first season using the new structure, and Sue Blackshaw has been busy pressing on with the Court Place Farm development.

The ONDB unfortunately has been unable to secure the position of coaching secretary, so we still need someone to come forward to help us with this role. Maggie Fisher has

been proactive in asking for contact details and development requirements for all our coaches in the county, if you are a coach and have not yet filled in the form so you can find out directly about coaching events and courses, then please contact myself (Kate) or Maggie ([ondbsecretary@googlemail.com](mailto:ondbsecretary@googlemail.com), or [odbchair@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:odbchair@hotmail.co.uk))

Date for you diary: 15<sup>th</sup> May 2009 – the inaugural as yet unnamed end of year/celebration evening! Keep a watch out for further information – tickets and nominations forms will be available in the New Year. Don't forget you can look at up-to-date results and info about the ONDB on our website – [www.oxonnetball.co.uk](http://www.oxonnetball.co.uk).

## Exciting Opportunity for young netball volunteers!

The England Netball Youth Advisory Group.

England Netball are looking to recruit 12 young people aged 16 – 25 years from across the Country to sit on their Youth Advisory Group. The members will become the voice of young people and will drive forward the work England Netball do with and for young people involved in Netball. England Netball would like to encourage people from all netball backgrounds to apply, including; players, officials, coaches, leaders, administrators and volunteers.

See the December Netball Magazine, or email Kate for an application form.

## Oxfordshire Academies News

Congratulations to all the girls who have been given places at the Academy – they will train alternate weeks working on strength and conditioning, agility and improving netball skills, working towards a netball festival in March in East Grinstead, where selectors will be looking at them to trial for the next level (Regional Academy).

Coaches are welcome to go along and watch any of the sessions, but please email Tricia first so she knows who is coming, and has contact details if there are any changes – email Tricia on [amsbuilders@kilczynski.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:amsbuilders@kilczynski.fsnet.co.uk)

### U16's:

Alice Burnham, Alice Galsworthy, Alyce McNaughton, Bella Hemsley, Billie Cross, Bryony O'Neill, Charlotte Hobbs, Chlow Addison, Ella Rogers, Emily Bryson, Emily Davey, Emma Phipkin,

Faye Culpin, Georgia Winterbourne, Harriet Boland, Jemma Gregory, Jess Curtis, Jodie Elms, Kate Bryson, Kate Drew, Katie Phipkin, Laura West, Olivia Beazley, Rebecca Barder, Rebecca Haigh, Shayo Okpaise, Shanice Peart, Tessa Hughes.

### U14's:

Amy McDonald, Becky Harvey, Bethany Curtis, Caitlin Bailey-Williams, Charlotte Hoskin, Charlotte Stringer, Chloe Price, Emily Heritage, Emma Walsh, Genevive Bernard, Hollie Joslyn, Hannah Vine, Hannah Vine, Jill Thompson, Lucy Dalloway, Lucy Jacobs, Maddy McGlynn, Megan Simpkins, Megan Jones, Perdia Tate, Rebecca James, Sarah Bowen, Sarah Forbes-Smith, Tilly Vaughan-Fowler, Victoria Smith.

Congratulations to the winners of the Junior League U14's Trinity Red, and runners-up Abbey A. U16 winners were Abbey A, and runners up were Abingdon Vale A. Good luck to those of you entering the South Region Junior League!

## Club Notices

Coach wanted - Wallingford Junior Netball Club are looking for a Level 2 or experienced Level 1 coach to lead approx ten weeks of sessions starting in January 2009. We are a friendly club with approx 30 junior members (mixed ability) within the U12 and U14 age groups. We are looking for someone to plan and lead the coaching sessions with club coaches being available to assist at sessions. Training is from 6pm to 7.15pm on Monday evenings in Wallingford. Payment level to be agreed depending on experience. We are also always looking for someone to coach senior sessions on an adhoc basis, these sessions follow on directly from the junior session and thus provide an ideal opportunity for additional coaching. If you are interested and would like more information please contact Sarah Stuart at [sarahrstuart@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sarahrstuart@yahoo.co.uk) or give me a call on 07974 928409.

## Facilities project update

Sue Blackshaw

Planning approval for our six dedicated netball courts at Court Place Farm, Marston is now well on its way, and we now need to turn our attention once more towards fund raising. Whilst major grant applications are being pursued, Oxfordshire Netball also has to raise some contribution. The netball centre will become our facility, run by us, and we need to be fully committed to its set-up and management.

The committee will be launching further fund-raising schemes in the new year for which we need all clubs support.

Meanwhile I would like to bring

to your attention the funding scheme known as Sportsmatch which matches pound for pound anything that is raised or given by business – minimum of £1000 donations. Sportsmatch receives its funding from Sport England via the Department of Culture, Media and Sport. It's funding is from the exchequer rather than from the lottery. As a marketing tool we can offer business access to our 1000 plus membership – please do see if you can raise funds through any contacts that your club members have. Please contact me if you need assistance –I would be happy to meet up with any potential sponsors.

Sue Blackshaw – Facilities Co-ordinator:

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01865 377220.

## South NTL (National Talent League (U19s)

### HOME matches

at The Garrison, Aldershot:

10 January versus Leeds Carnegie (2.30pm)

1 February versus West Midlands (2.30pm)

21 February versus Brunel (2.30pm)

28 February versus Celtic Dragons (3pm)

These matches sit within the Co-operative Superleague structures.

Further information at

<http://www.netballsouth.co.uk/Competition/NTL/Fixtures.php>

## Notices

### *Wheatley Physiotherapy & Sports Injury Clinic*

Wheatley Physio is a private practice dedicated to providing an experienced and professional service throughout Oxfordshire and nearby counties. We offer a physiotherapy service for those suffering from musculo-skeletal injury or pain and will create a treatment and rehab program specific to you. We specialise in sports injuries and are registered with most healthcare insurance providers - for more information please visit [www.wheatleyphysio.co.uk](http://www.wheatleyphysio.co.uk) or call Steve or Liz Bell on 07548-875512.

(Liz is the Oxfordshire League Treasurer and plays for OSP)

### **'Netball Skills Award' for school year 7 players- at Blackbird Leys Community Centre**

Gilly Bettis

The Oxfordshire County Sports Partnership has secured an amount of funding to support an England Netball Skills Award project aimed at netballers in year 7 who played High 5 at primary school but have not been selected to play for the school team at secondary school.

These players have been given the opportunity to be coached by a qualified England Netball Coach and achieve England Netball Skills Award badges and certificates depending upon ability.

A total of 6 sessions have been delivered at Cheney School and St Gregory the Great's school -

these sessions are now being transferred to Blackbird Leys Leisure Centre starting on the 13th January to the 10th February from 4 - 5pm. These sessions are also open to mums to join in, have fun and play with their daughters. Cost £1 per session or £5 for sessions payable in advance. For an application form please contact Gilly Bettis Netball Development Officer, email [gbettis@buckssport.org](mailto:gbettis@buckssport.org) or telephone 01296 585215

I would also like to advertise for a qualified England netball coach Level 1 Or level 2 to deliver these sessions at Blackbird Leys Leisure centre from 4-5pm starting on 13th January 2009. Applicants to contact:

[gbettis@buckssport.org](mailto:gbettis@buckssport.org)

## Courses and Events

UKCC Level 1 – Swindon (Isambard Community School). In Feb, March & April 09

See more info at [www.netballsouth.co.uk](http://www.netballsouth.co.uk), or [www.Englandnetball.co.uk](http://www.Englandnetball.co.uk)

### Upcoming tournaments at East Grinstead:

7th June 2009 – East Grinstead Sports Club Junior Netball Tournament (U12, U13, U14 & U15)

14th June 2009 – East Grinstead Sports Club Senior Netball Tournament (U16, U17, U19 & Senior)

27th September 2009 – East Grinstead Sports Club Charity Netball Tournament (U12, U13, U14 & U15)

All of these tournaments will be held at the G4S Netball Centre, East Grinstead Sports Club, Saint Hill Road, East Grinstead, West Sussex RH19 4JU.

## Funding Opportunity

Another pot of funding has recently been advertised which may be able to help fund projects and programmes being run by clubs, county associations or other community groups.

The grass root grant scheme is running from 2008 – 2011. You access this via our county 'Community Foundation' (links are on the website):

[www.cdf.org.uk](http://www.cdf.org.uk)

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**Do you have any exciting club news or notices? If so, please email them to me to add to the next newsletter**

[ondbsecretary@googlemail.com](mailto:ondbsecretary@googlemail.com)

## Junior Tournament

The third annual Leighton Buzzard Netball Club Junior and Youth Netball Tournament, is being held on Saturday 7th February at Linslade Middle School, Leighton Buzzard. There will be 3 different age categories, U11's (playing High 5's) in the morning and U13's and U16's in the afternoon. The tournament has been a great success in previous years, with over 50 different club and school teams taking part, and is suitable for teams of all standards. We look forward to welcoming back and introducing new teams to the 2009 event, so that it can become even bigger and better!

(I've got the application forms – email [ondbsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:ondbsecretary@gmail.com))

## Other notices

### New Women's sport magazine

Sportsister is the first UK focused online magazine dedicated to women's sport. It features daily news, interviews with top sportswomen, articles to get you started in a new sport, training and nutrition advice, great club sport stories and the best new women specific kit. There is also a dedicated women's sport forum, and regular competitions to win kit.

Sportsister was launched specifically to appeal to women, and our mission is not only to report on the achievements of leading athletes, but to use their successes to inspire others to get involved.

Current content of interest to netball fans includes interviews with Superleague players Eboni Beckford Chambers and Vicklyn Joseph, England coach Sue Hawkins, a chance to win £500 worth of kit for your club and tickets for almost every Superleague

match between now and the end of the season.

Visit [www.sportsister.com](http://www.sportsister.com).

### Job Advert:

*Further Education Sports Coordinator (FESCO). Part Time – 3 Days per Week (22 hours) £15,364 to £17,811 (pro rata) per annum . 30 Days holiday (pro rata). In conjunction with the Mandeville School Sports Partnership, we have secured funding to engage a Further Education Sports Coordinator (FESCO), to develop and promote extra-curricular and intra-school sports events and competitions in conjunction with other FESCOs in Buckinghamshire. Working to increase opportunities for learners (aged 16-19) to participate, perform, lead and volunteer in sport, you will also work with the College's commercial team to oversee the smooth running of its sport facilities. Primarily located at the College's main*

site in Aylesbury you will have experience in sports and coaching development with 16–19 year olds together with a sports qualification to Level 3 and an instructor's qualification.

We offer an excellent range of benefits, including the opportunity to progress to further discretionary pay points, a final salary pension scheme, generous holidays, extensive ongoing professional development opportunities, state-of-the-art facilities, on-site nursery and free car parking. All posts are subject to an enhance CRB check.

Closing Date: Friday, 19th December 2008

Interview Date: Friday 9th January 2009

To download our application form and the job information pack please visit our website at [www.aylesbury.ac.uk](http://www.aylesbury.ac.uk). Committed to Equality of Opportunity