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NETBALL NEWS BULLETIN

Black Country See it in colour

INTRODUCTION

This is the new Netball News Bulletin for Staffordshire and The Black Country. The bulletin is designed to keep you up to date with current netball issues and events in the area.

My name is Emma Warren and I'm the newly appointed Netball Development Officer replacing Carly Beach who is now England Netball Regional Manager.

NEWS & EVENTS

Junior leagues

Both Staffordshire and South Staffordshire are busy with administration ready for the 2008/09 junior netball league.

Entry forms for the Staffordshire junior netball league can be downloaded from: http://www.sportacrossstaffordshire.co.uk/Sports/Netball.
For club entry into the South Staffordshire county junior league contact Kerrie Jones-
County Chairperson
Phone: 01902 840270
Email: kerrie.e.jones@carillionplc.com

2008-09 Staffordshire North & South Academies

Under 14 trials North and South were rained off and now rescheduled for the 7th September at Chase Leisure Centre. All players will receive a letter confirming. Under 16 trials did go ahead and were very successful.

Officiating

Stoke-on-Trent Netball League are hosting a netball news forum to review the new rules, The event is open to all umpires, players, coaches and other officials in Staffordshire. It will be held on the 1st September at Fenton Manor, 7.30pm.

Regional Planning day

From April 2009 England Netball will commence its new 4 year plan, incorporating the new 10-1-1 strategy. As a result the West Midlands must also write its new plan and look to where it would like to be in the next 4 years.

Therefore Netball West Midlands would like to invite counties and regional committee members to discuss as a region where we would like to be and what our priorities are for the 2009-2013 period.

For more information visit, http://www.westmidlandsnetball.moonfruit.com/#/planningday/4528109731

Club Action Planning Scheme (CAPS)

The next CAPS deadline is **Friday 22nd August 2008.**

Lets hope that clubs such as **Barr Beacon NC in Sutton Coldfield** and **Chase District Netball club in Cannock** will be two clubs to achieve their Bronze CAPS soon!
For more on CAPS visit:
http://www.englandnetball.co.uk and click on the club link.

Talent in Staffordshire

Congratulations to Josie Pointon for successfully progressing into the talent programme with the chance to compete at national level for her age group.

The Black Country Youth Games 2008

The youth games provided a great atmosphere for girls and boys from Walsall, Wolverhampton, Sandwell and Dudley participating in a High 5 netball tournament. The day was a great success with some great talent being displayed on the court.

Wolverhampton and Walsall were crowned joint winners of the overall trophy with a tie of 27 points, very closely followed by Dudley with 24 points and then Sandwell with 22. The Peter Holmes MBE Fair Play award was won by Walsall.

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School-Club Links

Harriers NC, Stoke on Trent and Holden Lane Specialist sports college are in the process of reforming their school club link providing netball sessions for youngsters in September and hopefully gaining more young players for their successful junior squad.

Newcastle Town NC are in communication with Clayton High School, Newcastle Community High School and Westland's School providing netball sessions for youngsters.

I hope to liase with schools and clubs in Staffordshire and the Black Country to reform and establish more school-club links to increase participation in netball.

Coaching Opportunity

Staffordshire Moorlands School Sports Partnership requires a qualified netball coach for a junior netball club based at Biddulph High School.

The post is for one season initially starting in October and is required for 2 hours per week, Tuesdays 6pm – 8pm. Pay is dependent on qualifications and experience.

They are seeking ideally a level 2 netball coach, but a level 1 with experience of coaching junior netball will also be considered. A CRB check will also be needed and up to date child protection and first aid certification.

Interested? Contact Zoe Harp, assistant PDM tel:01782 514641

Breaking the Barriers– Disability awareness pilot event -21st September 2008

A pilot event for the Midlands will be held at the netball centre, Loughborough University for all players, coaches, umpires and volunteers. It will provide the opportunity to be mentored and gain experience and confidence to work with people with learning disabilities.

If you are interested in this event, please contact Chloe Gibson call : 01509 226753.

Watch this space for information on . . .

- Funding workshops
- Umpire Taster Sessions
- Staffordshire County High Five Festival

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