



Welcome to



Welcome to Didsbury's fourth newsletter and the first of the New Year.

We hope you all had a fantastic and peaceful Christmas break and helped to see the New Year in with fun and laughter shared with family and friends.

At the start of a New Year, now is the time for a massive 'THANK YOU' to you all for the help and support with Didsbury Netball.

The Club could not function without the support of you all, from the coaching staff giving their time each week, the weekly trials and

tribulations of getting players to turn out by the Team Managers, to parents getting the girls to tournaments/completions, managing the logistics of dress ordering (amongst other things), oh and of course the players themselves and their enjoyment of playing the game - THANK YOU.

Since the start of the season way back in September the Club have been working hard.

We stated that we would be helping and encouraging players (plus any parents) who wanted to develop not only their netball playing skills but also their coaching

and umpiring skills. True to our word you can see in the newsletter just what we have been up to. And who had been doing what.

Didsbury Netball would also like to encourage any parents who would like to volunteer their time and can help out at any of the training sessions. Again more details can be found in the newsletter.

Once again thank you all for your support and looking forward ,a good, enjoyable and successful season.

Silver CAPS Club



Who would believe that from the publication of the first newsletter just over a year ago when we were just starting out on our own after the departure of Kevin and Liz to down under and being a bronze CAPS Club we have now achieved silver CAPS accreditation!

CAPS is the Club Action Planning Scheme, a scheme in which Clubs work towards and work in line with best practices.

It is aligned to the Sport England Clubmark accreditation scheme which is the only national cross sports quality accredita-

tion scheme for clubs with junior sections. It is built around a set of core criteria which ensure that accredited clubs operate to a set of consistent, accepted and adopted minimum operating standards.

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Silver CAPS Club

If you achieve this accreditation, you are recognised nationally as having a well-run club which is active and accessible. This means getting the best out of young people and giving everyone a sporting chance.

CAPS has three levels of accreditation: Bronze, Silver and Gold.

Bronze CAPS is the first level, incorporating the Clubmark criteria covering the areas of safeguarding and protecting children and young people, quality coaching and officiating, competition, talent development, sports equity and good management.

Silver and Gold CAPS are about demonstrating further quality across the areas of coaching, officiating, and developing volunteers. If you achieve Silver or Gold, you are demonstrating that they have met the minimum operating standards required for Clubmark but have also demonstrated a further commitment to ensuring a club environment which provides a higher quality of coaching, officiating, leadership and volunteering opportunities for the young people at your club.

England Netball through NW Regional office help us pull together the evidence we need to gain the accreditation and will help us highlight key areas where we might need further improvement.

A lot of hard work goes into the folder, not only by the Club Development Officer who gathers this information and collates it all, but by the volunteers and players themselves who undertake the relevant courses required by the Club in the process of CAPS, whilst at the same time gaining qualifications themselves which is also beneficial in other areas of their school life and beyond.



Whilst at the NW office and going through the folder before submitting it, a close eye is kept on proceedings by 2 of the Clubs poster girls, Rachel & Ellen.

All the hard work with the folder over the August break paid off and mid September 2014 Didsbury Netball were awarded Silver CAPS.

This is a great achievement by all involved with the Club — WELL DONE.

But we have a greater task ahead as Didsbury are already working to achieve Gold. No easy ride, with only a hand full of NW Clubs attaining this level.

Again this is were all members of the Club can help as we need to strengthen our coaching, umpiring and volunteering sections. As mentioned earlier this can all tie in with other things that the girls undertake such as the Duke of Edinburgh scheme, GCSE's, A levels and the all important University applications, not to mention the lasting life skills they all will learn along the way.

Please speak to Richard if you would like to undertake any courses or volunteer your time, as much or as little as you can give. Any qualifications gained please pass on a copy to Debbie.



Umpires



Shortly after receiving news of our silver CAPS accreditation the Club received more good news in our umpiring department.

Beth White and Tash Garda both passed their C umpiring written paper. Well done girls. They are now practicing and waiting for the practical part of the test and hopefully soon they will joining the Club pool of qualified umpires.

A more recent addition to the umpire pool is Sophie Bashich — congratulations Sophie.

Sophie passed and qualified as a C umpire in December and joins our increasing number of players who are becoming umpires and also those who are already at a C level and are progressing to a B qualification.

A good umpire can make all the difference to a match, and it is important that players and coaches alike give their full support to umpires for the full duration of a game - including pre-match

checks.

Didsbury are committed to umpiring development, and promoting the idea that umpiring should be seen as an integral part of the great game of netball.

Umpiring can also be an element used for GCSE /A level PE. Any player/parent wanting any more info on gaining this qualification please speak to Richard as funding may be available



Coaching



Netball participation is growing, and as a Club we are helping players to take their passion to another level by

helping them develop as coaches. High quality coaching at all ages and ability levels is essential in helping us to grow as a Club and like umpiring, helping the girls to develop qualifications that can be used for GCSE / A level PE.

the role of the coach in helping to develop players and teams cannot be underestimated. That's why as a Club we recognise the need to provide coaches with a portfolio of courses and workshops that are packed with expert knowledge, covering all areas of player and game development.

Through England Netball the coaching pathway allows coaches to plot their own learner journey through a range of qualifications and workshops, helping them to fulfill their coaching potential.



From left to right Jess Whitworth (Mermaids) & Emily Newbold (Otters) with County coach Caroline Coleman at a County training session

A number of our players have already attained their level 1 in coaching and a few more are already on or are about to start their level 2. Talks are already in progress for some of our coaches to even undertake level 3.

Help and mentoring is given to those who undertake these courses and a few of our players are even helping out with County training sessions as well as helping at Club training sessions.

For more information on coaching courses please speak to Richard or Debbie as again funding may be available

Match Bench Officials



From next season 2015/16 new IFNA paperwork for Table Officials is to be implemented for Regional & Premier League matches.

Bench officials are integral to the smooth running of any match. Without the proper training it will be difficult to achieve all that is needed to properly score and time the match.

At the end of November England Netball held an introduction course to the Bench

Officials Qualification.

The Bench Officials Qualification is a nationally recognised training programme for Bench officials to provide a consistent approach to Bench officiating and utilises the IFNA Bench Manual as the basis.

A total 5 of Team Managers and volunteers attended the course which was followed by a Premier League game in which we could all put into practice what we had just learnt in the class room.

Needless to say the practice recording of

all the information was some what different to the official scores!!

With a lot more practice (and I mean a lot) Didsbury Netball will hopefully have several qualified match bench officials on the books and can help roll out all that is required for future officials.

Is that a Didsbury centre pass??!



Cheshire County



for further evaluation and assessment.

Towards the end of last season Cheshire County held U16 and U14 pre-trials over the weekend of 7th and 8th June 2014

Following a successful weekend of pre-trials, Cheshire Netball made their selection of pre-trialists to attend the county summer training programme

All selected athletes were required to attend 3 training sessions during the summer, plus – if selected – a final trials at the end of Sept.

The following Didsbury players were successful and are in this seasons Cheshire County training programme;

U12's

Ester Lydon
Milly du Upton
Maia Whalley

U14's

Darcy Ross
Charlotte Westbrook
Eryn Burch
Molly Wheelan
Grace Waring
Daisy Wood

U16's

Sajal Karmarkar
Alicia Yates
Lucy Donaghy
Ester Ferris



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If you have any thing you want to get out to the members of the Club get in touch and we can put it in the newsletter or for a quicker publication/response why not go on our new Facebook and/or Twitter account.....sign up today!

Anything you want to send through just use the email address below and leave the rest to us. We will endeavor to include your item in the next newsletter

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The Reddish summer league came to an end at October half term with mixed results.

A number of teams finished in the same position as they had in the winter league with a couple dropping just one place.

The new younger players although finishing down towards the bottom enjoyed the game play and learning the game, although a little frustrating for some (parents) in the process!!

LEAGUE	TEAM	POSITON
Ladies League	MERMAIDS	9
	OTTERS	2
YR9 & 10	SEAHORES	5
	TERRAPINS	2
	DOLPHINS	4
	MARLINS	7
YR7 & 8	SEALS	5
	TADPOLES	2
	BARRACUDAS	12
	WHALES STARFISH	6 8
YR5& 6	EELS	3
	RAYS	8
YR3 & 4	PIRANHANAS	10
	MANATAAS	11

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CJNL is just coming to it half way stage and with it brings promising things to come. Most age groups are in the top half of their divisions so plenty of time to improve their standings

NW REGIONAL LEAGUE

Regional League progress has had a disappointing start as the games up to now have been within the girls reach but have lost by only a narrow margin. Only half way through so again time to improve.

Up Coming Courses



UKCC Level 2

When: 7 & 8 February, 7 & 8 March 15. Assessment 28 March 15

Closing date: 10 January 15
COURSE FULLY BOOKED

Venue: Salford City Academy. Eccles, Manchester M30 7PQ

For more information and a Booking Form - [CLICK HERE](#)



UKCC Level 1

When: 21 March & 25 April 15

Closing Date: 20 February 15

Venue: Kingsway Park Sports Centre. Turf Hill Rd, Rochdale. OL16 4XA

[CLICK HERE for a booking form](#)

Hopefully this edition of the newsletter has been informative and an enjoyable read.

As promised at the start of the season Didsbury Netball is not just about playing netball but all the other things that come with it.

Didsbury relies on volunteers to help us in all areas, and you make a huge contribution to the Club. Volunteering is a rewarding experience, not only benefiting the Club, but also the individual - developing skills for use at school, university or in the workplace. It's a fantastic way to make new friends, and nothing beats the "feel-good factor" of helping out and giving something to your sport.

We value all volunteers and make sure that we show recognition and aid in their development of their skills. Please speak to Richard if you are able to offer your time in any way.