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Didsbury Netball Club

Re-vamp Success

The website is now up and running and providing up-to-date info on training and games - if you haven't looked at the website, please take a look around, the announcement section provides up-to-date training information (amongst other things), all fixture lists are now being kept up-to-date once received and the Google calendar is great! !

It is now a few months since Richard took over the running of the club and in his Christmas newsletter thanked everyone for their patience and support during the transitional period and gave an update of the last few months. Hopefully this gave an insight as to what is going on at the Club, which is not just about training and playing Netball for the girls. Some highlights over the last few months include:

•We received our Bronze Award for CAPS, which shows the club is being managed in the proper manner with the relevant personnel in place… Silver CAPS is the next stage which we should achieve this year. For the bronze award we received £100 in to Club funds from England Netball.

•Weekly training sessions in place for all age groups

•An influx of new players from competitive clubs across the NW. We now have had to instigate a waiting list for any new players wanting to join, so please do not just say, "come along" any more.

•New Level 1 coaches, ages ranging from Year 12 existing players to Team Managers.

•A number of players have done the "C" Award umpiring course and current "C" umpires moving towards their "B" award

•5 of our girls have been accepted on the inaugural Greater Manchester Young Coach Academy - the first session took place in Bolton on 8th December

As Richard said, 'hopefully, you can appreciate that although the playing is important there is far more that goes on inside the Club.'

Please do keep using the website on a regular basis as we hope that it becomes second nature to all parents and players, to be your first port of call to find out what's happening and also to find out what your team mates and our other teams are up to via the newsletters that are published on it. Hopefully in the coming months you will get to learn 'who, when, where & what's' happening in our Didsbury netball community.

Did you manage to check out the recent Mother's Day messages?

Didsbury Netball Club wish you all a Happy Easter and that you have a good break—with or with the spring sunshine

Want to make a difference?

Junior Netball is a designed to meet the needs of children without losing the essence of the game. The game grows with the players and supports their development allowing the players to gain confidence, play with their friends, make new friends and develop the FUNdamental Netball skills. Our challenge as adults is simple – to help young people fall in love with Netball.

Didsbury welcome any offers of help from parents, especially those who would like to get involved with coaching or just helping out at training.

Photo: Newly qualified Level 1 coach and team manager of the Whales Pete Kennedy

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Why not stay in touch

Facebook & like us

or follow and Twitter us…..

why not do both

Meet the Committee

As Richard said in his Christmas newsletter '*a MASSIVE thanks to all the coaches , coaching assistants , Team Managers and the Committee, who spend an awful lot of their time , voluntarily, ensuring the smooth running of the Club, ensuring players are being coached, ensuring the web-site is up-to-date, ensuring teams have players for Reddish, CJNL & Regionals every week etc etc etc. It really is never ending but without their support and commitment we would not have a Netball Club.*'

The newsletter is also an opportunity for you to put names to these faces and as such this issue's focus is on:

Junior Representatives

The role of Jnr Rep is one that can be taken on by any player under the age of 18.
They are a role model to other players within the Club and willing to help them if they are having problems, worries or concerns, whilst at the same time also supporting their views and/or concerns.
This is done by attending committee meetings and giving feedback on junior members' opinions on club issues.
They require good listening and communication skills plus being a supportive person.Other roles are to liaise with players, coaching staff or committee members.

The majority of the role is about presenting a positive image. Someone the club players should emulate, and that sends out the right impression of the club. They in turn get a satisfaction of making a vital difference to their Club while at the same learning new skills and developing their ability to communicate at all levels which can be used as a platform for future volunteering/employment opportunities.

Beth and Natasha who are the Jnr Reps. Both are U15's and have been with the Club for several years. Not only are they keen netballers but are also interested in umpiring and working towards their C level.

Cheshire County

cheshire netball

Apologies to Aneesha Adlington for the omission in the first newsletter of her good news of being one of the U16 players who made it into Cheshire County in one of the U16 PODS—congratulations and well done Aneesha.

In October Cheshire County coaches held for the first time U12 trials and Clubs across Cheshire sent along a number of girls whose coaches thought they had a fighting chance, and there were a few to say the least so places had to be fought for.

Didsbury are pleased to announce and congratulate the following girls for their success in trialling and being selected in to the U12 Cheshire squad:

Eryn Burch, Millie Turner & Charlotte Westbrook.

Well done girls and keep up the good work.

A n opportunity to put into practice what is learnt at training at a recent play evening for players,

Inside Story.....

Fab job!!!!! Really well done, it looks great!!

The new website is a thing of beauty! Many thanks for all your hard work on this. The players will love it.

It looks fantastic! You have done so well. Very exciting!

Wow ! What a fantastic website. A great fresh look and so easy to use. Thank you for your hard work. I love the new calendar feature and the announcement bar, it's brilliant.
Great Job !

lovin the new website! well done!!

Really like the website

These are just a few of the comments made when the new website went live.

The purpose of the website is not only to keep you up to date but to keep you informed of what's happening in our community. Let us know what you would like to see more of—photo's, team info, articles etc.

Meet The Team

Did you know that Didsbury have 17 teams with all playing at Reddish?

Didsbury also have 8 teams formed from these 17 teams playing in the Cheshire League.

Unless you have a couple of players in the different age groups do the Whales swim with the Dolphins?

Do the Tadpoles get under the Terrapins feet?

Are the Piranhas, Sharks and Barracudas as fierce as they sound?

I can't believe the Seahorses and Mermaids are as serein as they look.

Although the Otters look a cheeky bunch I can see them causing havoc with the Starfish.

The above descriptions are all based on the cartoon characters against their team names but do you know any of the other Teams?

In future newsletters this section will be used to show case a Didsbury team so you can get to know who your fellow team mates are and see if the Seals hang out with the Platy-pus or the Rays with the Eels. Or in deed if the Marlins chill out with the Turtles!!

Netball After Didsbury

Netball is for everyone (not just the elite per-formers) and Uni is a great place to continue with a sport you already enjoy. We hope to show you what netball is like once you leave Disdbury. This section for past players to let us all know what they are up to and how they are still enjoy-ing their netball.

Jamie as C with the Aston 1st team

Name:	JAMIE WHITWORTH
Didsbury Years:	2004 - 2010
Didsbury Team:	SHARKS
Uni:	ASTON, BIRMINGHAM
Studying:	APPLIED MEDICAL SCIENCE
Few lines about your Netball after going to Uni:	I have represented both the first and second teams at Aston. I have found that netball is more competitive at university level but this has pushed me mentally and physically and made me a better netball player. Most of all uni netball is so much fun and I've made so many good friends!!
Anything else you want to add:	What a fantastic Club Didsbury is and a great spring board enabling me to continue playing a sport I love.

Congratulations

England netball **UKCC Level 1**

Didsbury NC are pleased to congratulate the following par-ent and players in passing their Level 1 coaching course:-

Peter Kennedy, Emily Newbold, Katy Thomas & Ellie Wilson.

Having gained this certificate it enables them to assist at training sessions and their help is invaluable to the Club.

The Greater Manchester Young Coach Academy is a fantastic opportunity for coaches aged 15-18 to develop onto the next step of their coaching pathway.

It is a 12 month programme and the cri-teria to be accept-ed is motivation to become an excellent coach, already ac-tively leading and coaching in a school/club environ-ment, have good communication , organi-sational skills & have an ability to inspire children and young people.

Didsbury have 5 such girls and the fol-lowing have been accepted onto the pro-gramme:-

Emily Newbold, Betty Callaghan, Nadia Her-hoffer, Natasha Gada & Beth

Didsbury Netball are more than happy to support any player or parent who would like to under-take netball qualifications.

DIDSBURY NETBALL CLUB

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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Netball is an exciting, skilful sport played by girls and women of all ages. Every Saturday & Sunday morning and most weekdays after school throughout the winter months in Great Britain netball courts are full of netballers playing the best sport in the world.

There are only seven positions in netball, but they are all important.

If you sometimes feel like the picture above have a look at the leaflets we will be including in the newsletters to help you better understand the position you play.

GOAL KEEPER
Defends direct opponent GS with one-on-one defence within the goal third. Take throw-in on goal-line and halfway up side-lines in goal third. Skills of anticipation, interception, rebounding and one-on-one defence.
Click here for Positional Leaflet - Goal Keeper

The Season So Far.....

Despite rumors of Didsbury not doing well as a Club I think the proof is in the pudding or should I say results.....on the netballing front the summer season at Reddish finished at the start of the October half term and saw several of our teams placed.

STOCKPORT JUNIOR NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Sportforall Indoor Sports Centres

LEAGUE	TEAM	POSITON
Ladies Premier League	SHARKS	WINNERS
YR9/10/11	TERRAPINS OTTERS SEAHORSES	WINNERS WINNERS RUNNERS UP
YR5& 6	WHALES STARFISH	WINNERS RUNNERS UP

Cheshire Junior Netball League

At the time of going to press and before the restart of the CJNL after the Easter break the positions are as follows;

AGE GROUP	POSITON
U10A	2nd
U11B	2nd
U12E	2nd
U13G	2nd
U14J	3rd
U15L	1st
U16M	4th
U19O	1st

Even with several more games to go we can see Didsbury in the medals for several of the teams—keep up the good work girls!

NW REGIONAL LEAGUE

Both the U14 & U16 teams lie in 4th position in this League at the moment with 1 and 2 games left respectively. Although not in the top two a good effort from all the girls and a really good experience for them at this level of netball.

Some good defending from the U12's in their game against Wilmslow in October, as they win the rebound.