

End of Season Information Letter

Summer 2023

Dear All,

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the Annual Awards ceremony and AGM at the golf club. Although the acoustics were questionable, I hope the evening gave you all a good idea of how healthy and exciting the current and future prospects of the club are. Can I congratulate all girls who won an award and thank everyone for making the season enjoyable both on and off the court.

Awards and results

U10 most improved – Anessia F
U10 coaches' award – Bella G and Elsie G
U11 most improved - Izzy
U11 coaches' award - Lucy
U12 Ravens most improved – Lacie H
U12 Ravens coaches' award – Emme
U12 Starling most improved - Belle
U12 Starlings coaches player- Jess
U14 most improved – Emily B
U14 coaches' award – Daisy H
U16 most improved – Harriet K
U16 coaches' award – Lauren M

Toulouse Trophy – Imogen J
Club Trophy – Rosie B

There are a few highlights in the spring league which deserve a particular mention.

Our year 6 U11s were league winners of division two and our year 5s were worthy runners-up in division 3. Alongside this our year 5 Swallow team won the Tiverton Netball Club u10 tournament back in February and then went on to win the shield in the u10 age category of the Mid Devon Cup in May.

The U12s had a credible season with the Ravens coming third in their division at the end of the season. Congratulations go in particular to Ella who has just secured a place in the u13 East Devon Academy performance pathway.

The u14s secured some good wins over the season resulting in a creditable 3rd place in Division 2 and some highly commendable mid-table tournament positions at Paignton and Brea.

As to the u16s, they played so well in their seeding tournament that they ended up in 2nd place resulting in a season of play in a highly competitive Division 1. To their credit they ended the season in 4th place. Can I also commend all of our u16s who have played in the Honiton Ladies Netball League ending the season in 3rd place in Division 3 just behind Kites – our ladies team.

Coaching and umpiring

A huge congratulations to Claire H for completing her Level 2 coaching award. This is a big commitment and a great asset to the club – thank you from everyone. Can I also congratulate Maddy J for passing her Level 1 coaching award and Aoife C for passing her INTO umpiring award.

Training and Match Dates

We will once again be returning to St John's School for all of our training sessions. These will begin the week commencing 19/09/2023 - 19/10/2023. There is no training for one week at half term. We will then train for the following six weeks w/c 31/10/23 - 07/12/2023
From September training will be as follows-

Age Group	Training	Coach
U11 Yr 5 & 6	Thursdays 5:30-6:30pm	Sandra
U12 Yr 7	Tuesdays 5.30-6.30pm	Louise
U14 Yr 8 & 9	Tuesdays 6:30-7:30pm	Claire
U16 Yr 10 & 11	Thursdays 6.30-7.30pm	Sandra

We currently have spaces in our u11 and u12 training sessions if you know of anyone who is interested in joining us in September. The u14 and u16 sessions are full, with waiting lists. Please can we reiterate that players must commit their availability to attend training on a weekly basis and to be available for matches on a Saturday. We can only train a maximum of 20 girls in a session so can every player seriously consider their commitment when deciding if they are returning in September as there is competition for places.

Playing competitive matches improves players understanding and skills in the game in a way training alone cannot - if you are serious about developing as a netballer you really need to get on court.

Fees

Our fees for 23/4 season will remain £100 for the season. This covers training, match fees, dress hire, umpiring and court hire costs. In addition to this you will need to pay the England Netball membership fee directly to EN in September.

We will also continue to offer assisted places for those on low income. Please email in confidence for more information.

Membership forms

As usual it is imperative that all those wishing to sign up and play netball next season do so by filling in our membership form and signing up to Engage. Please follow the link below - ideally before you go off on your summer holidays next week!

<https://forms.gle/FEEDKAwMLwhMEJrd6>

As always if you have any questions please ask. The committee will occasionally be checking in on the email account over the summer and will try to answer anything they can.

Your homework over the summer is to watch and learn from the Netball World Cup. Shooting practice won't go amiss either!

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