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ANNUAL REPORT

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CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

We have experienced two years like no other, but we survived and thanks to the combined efforts of volunteers and England Netball employees working in tandem netball in the East Region is alive and kicking and as vibrant and exciting as ever. Over the last 12 months there has been a strong focus on rebuilding the game to pre-pandemic levels, which as you can see from this report was a very successful process, so my thanks and congratulations to everyone for their passion, energy and commitment, it's what make the East Netball Family such an exceptional group of people.

Due to the pandemic England Netball rightly chose to cancel the Goalden Globes event but in the East we wanted to recognise and celebrate our volunteers working in a netball setting and our netballers working in the emergency services. We received over 200 nominations across all categories for our Pride of the East Lockdown Legends Awards.

Every nominees was awarded a special `Netball East Lockdown Legend pin badge designed by [Betty Brocklesby Sum](#) and special thanks to Saracens Mavericks who provided all design competition entrants with the opportunity to be a ball girl at their VNSL match v Loughborough Lightning. A full list of all Lockdown Legends is included in the report so, again, a big thank you and congratulations to you all and my thanks to the Pride of the East project team led by [Lucy Hodges](#).

This year England Netball have introduced the One Awards as a successor to the Goalden Globes and in the East we received a record 105 nominations across 10 categories (53 for the 2020 Goalden Globes) so my best wishes to all the nominees and thanks to the panel of East Honorary Life Member who reviewed every nomination and selected winners in each category. The Regional One Awards will be held on 3 July 2022 at the Bar Hill Hotel in Cambridgeshire.

I would like say a big thank you to my colleagues on the Regional Management Board and our team

of County Chairs who have been at the forefront of rebuilding netball in the East over the last 24 months with a special mention to [Cheryl Danson](#), who stood down as Governance lead for the Region at last years AGM, to [Lucy Hodges](#) who stood down as Regional Volunteer lead due to work commitment and [Olivia Petherick](#) who stood down as Chair of Cambridgeshire Netball Association after many years distinguished service.

However, I want to reserve the biggest thank you to [Jan Burke](#) who has stood down from her regional duties after many years of exemplary service as a member of the Regional Management Board, Chair of the Competition Technical Support Group, and ultimately as organiser in chief of the Regional Schools event. Thank you Jan for your brilliant contribution to Netball in the East (and nationally), you will be missed.

I want to finish by looking forward to what I believe will be an exciting future for the sport with England Netball's new 10 year strategy for the sport accompanied by five years funding from Sport England. The RMB is suggesting some changes to the Constitution so that the East can play its part in growing a more expansive and inclusive sport. It is a big challenge but not beyond our collective capabilities. In essence our challenge is to grow Netball in the East and to make it more inclusive to do that we need to:

1. Understand the needs and expectations of our members and wider audiences.
2. Ensure the governance of our organisations is of a high standard.
3. Build a `Team East` a community of volunteers, England Netball employees and
4. Saracens Mavericks personnel working collaboratively to create and deliver a menu of exciting netball opportunities that provide extraordinary experiences for the netball family in the East Region.

This will require a transformation of culture by working as one so over the next 12 months there will be a strong emphasis of 'people and culture' to harness the passion, energy and expertise which will enable us to be more collaborative and less insular in our approach. We will also, use our voice to lobby and influence England Netball nationally develop processes and systems that support this approach. So, we want to invest more time and thought on 'how' we work together rather than focusing solely on 'what' we do together.

Every cloud has a silver lining and the pandemic has clearly demonstrated the power of working together as one so we need to take that learning a build a progressive, positive, inclusive and exciting future for Netball in the region.



Paul Clark
Chair, Netball East

COMPETITION

East region competition report 2021/22 season

EAST REGION SCHOOLS

40 teams entered the regional schools' tournament this year representing 24 Schools across the seven counties:

- **Norfolk:** Norwich School, Norwich High School for Girls, Wymondham College,
- **Suffolk:** Framlingham College, County Upper, Ipswich School, Woodbridge School,
- **Thurrock:** St Cleres, Grays Convent,
- **Beds:** Samuel Whitbread Academy, Bedford Girls School, Redborne Upper, Bedford Modern
- **Cambs:** Stephen Perse, Hills Road, The Perse
- **Essex:** Brentwood, Saffron Walden County High, Fitzwimarc
- **Herts:** Berkhamsted, St Albans High School, Broxbourne, Sandringham, Herts & Essex

Semi-finalists were as follows:

- **U19:** St Albans, Stephen Perse, Berkhamsted and Bedford Girls
- **U16:** Sandringham, Brentwood, Broxbourne and The Perse
- **U14:** Brentwood, Herts & Essex, Saffron Walden County High and Berkhamsted

The finalists who went on to represent the East at National Schools:

- **U19:** 1st Berkhamsted; 2nd St Albans
- **U16:** 1st Brentwood; 2nd Perse
- **U14:** 1st Brentwood; 2nd Berkhamsted

Positive feedback: Strong communication in advance and on the day; schools appreciated the replacement of passport age check with headmasters' letter.

Negative feedback: The new umpiring schedule meant some schools had three teams playing at the same time and only one coach; parents and some schools were unhappy that spectators were not allowed this year due to COVID.

Review for future tournaments: The possibility of introducing live streaming and digitising results in future tournaments has been discussed; Look to reduce costs/expenses; and discuss the umpiring schedule.

We would like to say a special thank you to **Jan Burke** who has step down as Regional Schools Lead, Jan has held this role for many years and has done a fantastic job, and she will be greatly missed by everyone on the Competitions TSG.

EAST REGION YOUTH LEAGUE

This season we had 17 U14 teams and 21 U16 teams, due to COVID we decided not to run an entry tournament and accept all teams in three divisions in each age group. This meant a greater number of team were able to experience Regional netball. During the season some fixtures were affected by COVID but fortunately we were able to rearrange these and complete the season.

We were really pleased ERYL was able to take place and it was lovely to see so many talented athletes being able to compete at a high level. We wish our winners and runners up good luck in the National finals.

U14 TABLES

DIVISION 1												
	Played	Won (5 points)	Drawn (3 points)	Lost (2 points)	Lost (1 point)	Lost (0 points)	GF	GA	AVG.	DIFF	Points	Position
Turnford	5	5	0	0	0	0	190	75	2.53333	115	25	1
Swan	5	4	0	0	1	0	173	115	1.50435	58	21	2
Hatfield	5	3	0	0	2	0	155	130	1.19231	25	17	3
Wodson Park	5	1	0	1	2	1	132	146	0.90411	-14	9	4
Abbey Flyers	5	2	0	0	1	2	97	175	0.55429	-78	6	5
Hertford Hornets	5	0	0	0	2	3	92	198	0.46465	-106	-3	6

DIVISION 2												
	Played	Won (5 points)	Drawn (3 points)	Lost (2 points)	Lost (1 point)	Lost (0 points)	GF	GA	AVG.	DIFF	Points	Position
Marne	5	5	0	0	0	0	225	93	2.41935	132	25	1
Herts Dynamo	5	4	0	0	0	1	146	148	0.98649	-2	20	2
Braintree	5	3	0	1	1	0	164	141	1.16312	23	18	3
Kats	5	2	0	1	1	1	151	137	1.10219	14	13	4
Grangers	5	1	0	0	1	3	84	189	0.44444	-105	6	5
Norfolk Utd	5	0	0	2	0	3	89	151	0.5894	-62	-1	6

Turnford and Swan represented the East at the U14 Nationals held 28-29 May; Turnford finished 2nd and Swan were 10th - congratulations to both team

U16 TABLES

DIVISION 1												
	Played	Won (5 points)	Drawn (3 points)	Lost (2 points)	Lost (1 point)	Lost (0 points)	GF	GA	AVG.	DIFF	Points	Position
Turnford	4	4	0	0	0	0	138	56	2.46429	82	20	1
Hatfield	4	4	0	0	0	0	123	53	2.32075	70	20	2
Crosskeys	6	3	0	0	3	0	146	166	0.87952	-20	18	3
Tegate	4	3	0	0	0	1	85	73	1.16438	12	15	4
Herts Hornets	6	1	0	1	2	2	108	166	0.6506	-58	9	5
Wodson Park	4	1	0	1	1	1	79	103	0.76699	-24	8	6
Abbey Flyers	4	0	0	0	2	2	33	95	0.34737	-62	-2	7

DIVISION 2												
	Played	Won (5 points)	Drawn (3 points)	Lost (2 points)	Lost (1 point)	Lost (0 points)	GF	GA	AVG.	DIFF	Points	Position
Swan	6	4	0	2	0	0	145	131	1.10687	14	24	1
Eastwood	4	4	0	0	0	0	94	60	1.56667	34	20	2
Braintree	6	3	0	2	1	0	142	143	0.99301	-1	20	3
Grangers	6	2	0	1	3	0	102	120	0.85	-18	15	4
Thetford	4	2	0	1	1	0	93	89	1.04494	4	13	5
Thoroughbreds	4	1	0	1	2	0	93	100	0.93	-7	9	6
Norfolk Utd	4	1	0	1	1	1	75	101	0.74257	-26	3	7

DIVISION 3 U16												
	Played	Won (5 points)	Drawn (3 points)	Lost (2 points)	Lost (1 point)	Lost (0 points)	GF	GA	AVG.	DIFF	Points	Position
Kats	5	4	0	0	1	0	107	91	1.17582	16	21	1
Civil Service	4	3	0	1	0	0	110	69	1.5942	41	17	2
Suffolk Rockets	3	2	0	1	0	0	72	54	1.33333	18	12	3
Fusion	5	1	0	3	1	0	108	115	0.93913	-7	12	4
Team Beds	4	2	0	0	2	0	86	96	0.89583	-10	12	5
Malden	5	1	0	1	1	2	81	139	0.58273	-58	6	6

Turnford and Hatfield represented the east at the U16 Nationals held on 30 April/1 May 22; Turnford finished 3rd and Hatfield were 9th - congratulations to both teams.

EAST REGION SENIOR LEAGUE

After 18 months of no regional league netball the season started on 11 and 12 September 21.

There were 11 matches rearranged due to COVID and five conceded matches during the season, but the season was concluded on 3 April.

Hatfield Hawks represented the East Region at the Premier League Playoff, but unfortunately were unsuccessful.

After 10 years in the East Region League we lost Cranfield back to the County League, & Norfolk Utd 3 in the playoffs.

The playoff took place on 7 May at Bedford Academy & Royston & SAS Reds were successful

DIVISION 1									
	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GF	GA	AVG.	DIFF	Points
Hatfield Hawks	16	14	2	0	1023	620	1.65	403	76
Hertford Hornets Blue	16	14	1	1	846	613	1.3801	233	75
Crosskeys	16	9	0	7	840	775	1.0839	65	53
Bears	16	8	1	7	687	788	0.8718	-101	49
Turnford 2	16	8	1	7	730	641	1.1388	89	46
Omega	16	5	0	11	701	826	0.8487	-125	37
Harpenden	16	4	0	12	631	719	0.8776	-88	33
Eastwood	16	4	1	11	615	786	0.7824	-171	31
Rookies	16	3	0	13	677	962	0.7037	-285	26

DIVISION 2									
	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GF	GA	AVG.	DIFF	Points
Hatfield Magpies	16	16	0	0	972	648	1.5	324	80
Norfolk United 2	16	9	2	5	850	774	1.0982	76	57
Billericay	16	9	1	6	757	768	0.9857	-11	56
Grangers	16	8	0	8	880	880	1	0	49
Co-Jags	16	7	1	8	749	761	0.9842	-12	48
Tegate	16	6	2	8	747	835	0.8946	-88	45
Hertford Hornets Orange	16	4	2	10	762	792	0.9621	-30	42
Team Beds	16	4	1	11	718	796	0.902	-78	37
Ipswich Ladies	16	4	1	11	746	927	0.8047	-181	33

DIVISION 3									
	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	GF	GA	AVG.	DIFF	Points
Thoroughbreds	16	14	1	1	809	653	1.2389	156	75
Comberton	16	14	0	2	886	599	1.4791	287	73
MK Netters	16	10	0	6	789	695	1.1353	94	58
Hereward Harriers	16	9	1	6	662	573	1.1553	89	43

Star	16	5	1	10	633	700	0.9043	-67	39
Turnford 3	16	7	0	9	578	592	0.9764	-14	38
Christchurch	16	4	1	11	606	726	0.8347	-120	34
Norfolk United 3	16	4	0	12	554	711	0.7792	-157	34
Cranfield	16	3	0	13	556	744	0.7473	-188	22

The region will be holding a festival on 17 July at Herts & Essex School, all team who took part in the ERSL 2021/22 season and the two new entrants from the playoff will be invited.

I would like to thank all the East Region Competitions Committee for all their help and continuous support throughout this season: [Gwen Foster](#), [Helen Preston](#), [Carolyn Davies](#), [Claire Southam](#), [Cathie Carter](#) and [Tracy Coppolaro](#).

[June Griffith](#)
Senior League

[Claire Southam](#)
Youth League

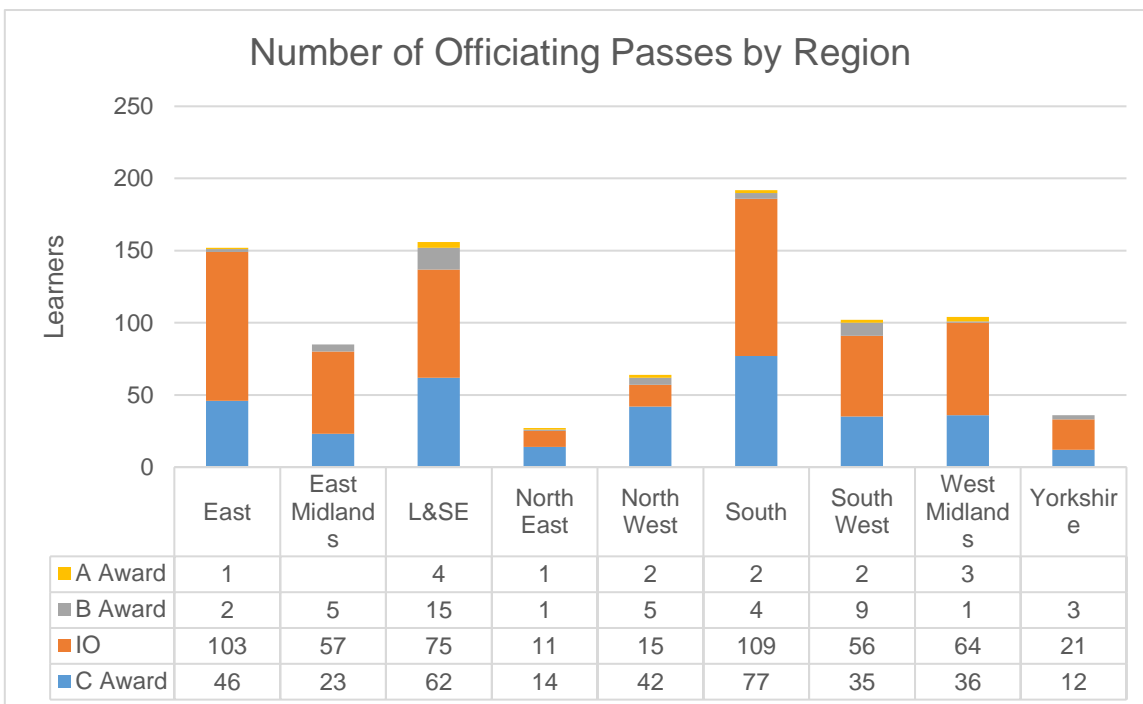
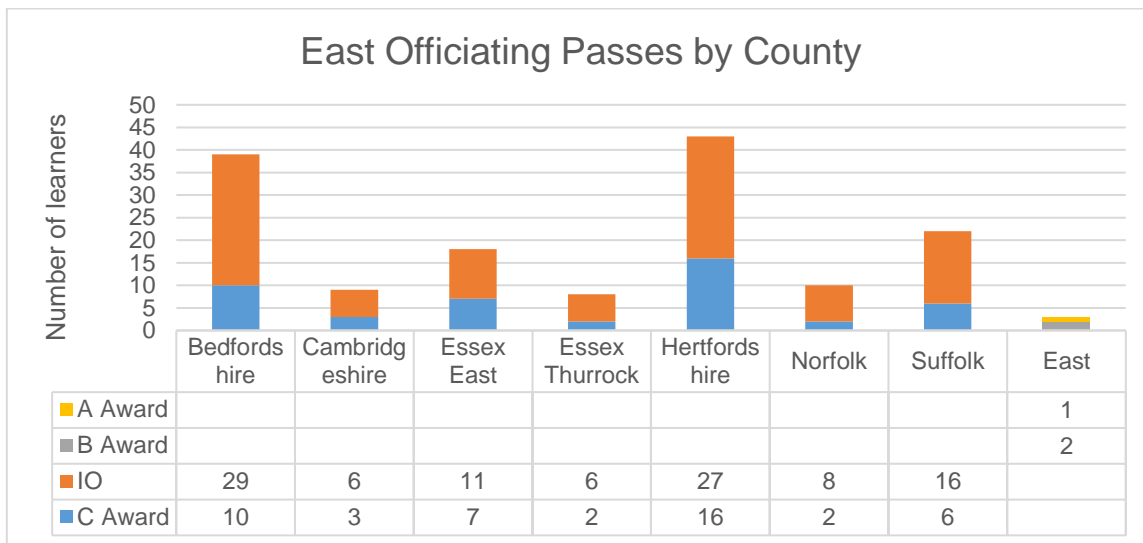
[Tracy Coppolaro](#)
Schools

OFFICIATING

The officiating team has worked extremely hard this season to recover from the impact of COVID by tutoring, mentoring, and assessing as many learners as possible. There have been challenges but the teams have managed to overcome these, so my thanks go to the county leads for their continued support in ensuring that officiating continues to thrive across the region.

EAST OFFICIATING PASSES

The following charts show the great work that has been achieved across all the East Counties:



A focus for the 2022/23 season will be to establish a more formal programme of support for our C to B and B to A umpires to ensure ongoing success.

I want to extend my thanks to the county officiating team across the region for orchestrating our success across the east.

Special mention to [Carolyn Davies](#) for her continuing support in allocating umpires to the Regional Leagues.

TECHNICAL OFFICIALS

The East's Technical Officials continue with their work support both VNSL Superleague, national and regional competitions. EN is due to launch its online technical officials' course soon so we can encourage more people to join the team.

Finally, I wanted to thank the Officiating TSG for their work during this challenging season and in particular [Dawn Bullimore](#) for her support to me as Regional Chair.

Wishing everyone success in 2022/23 season.



Bernadette Palmer
Officiating lead, east region

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION

PRIDE OF THE EAST AWARDS 2021

Due to COVID-19 England Netball rightly cancelled the Golden Globes in 2021 but the RMB and County Chairs wanted to recognise and celebrate the many volunteers in the region who went `the extra mile` during the pandemic. We introduced the following four categories to reflect the fully spectrum of the East netball families impact:

- Community Lockdown Legend – over 25 years
- Community Lockdown Legend – under 25 years
- Netball Lockdown Legend – over 25 years
- Netball Lockdown Legend – under 25 years



We ran a competition to design a special pin badge commemorate the Award which was won by [Betty Brocklesby Sum](#) and our thanks to Saracens Mavericks who enabled the competition winners to be ball girls for the SuperLeague match v Loughborough Lightning.

The Pride of the East was organised by a small project group – [Lucy Hodges](#), [Dawn Bullimore](#), [Jess Thomas](#), [Jan Hunt](#), [Sheelagh Redpath](#), [Rachelle Anderson](#) and [Nasem Khan](#), so a big thank you to you all for your creativity and hard work.

We received 230 nominations and agreed they were all winners, so the roll of honour is listed below:

COMMUNITY LOCKDOWN LEGENDS (O25)

April Meredith,
Chloe Baker,
Claire Bywater,
Danielle Belton,
Emily Witham,
Emma Jones,
Gary Burgess,
Georgia Lees,

Evelyn Thompson,
Fusion NC,
Hannah Holmes,
Jo Walmsley,
Lauren Cooper,
Lyndsey Barrett,
Lyn Withy,
Mandy Elder,

Nasem Khan,
Sharon Boyd,
Sian Hawditt,
Sophie Pike,
Steph Collard,
Sue Kane,
Toni Ogogo.

COMMUNITY LOCKDOWN LEGENDS (U25)

Abi Parrin-Celino,
Laila Richards,
Lauren Jolly,

Fusion NC,
Elle Kennell,
Hannah Carpenter,

Holly Carpenter,
Emily Hayman.

NETBALL LOCKDOWN LEGEND (O25)

Abby Livingstone,
Adam Laycock,
Amea Bullett,
Amy Longhurst,
Angela Balach,
Anita Hearn,
Anne Harper,
Avril Gray,
Barbara Walshaw,
Bears NC,
Becky Ashridge,
Becky Henry,
Caryn Tripp,
Cathy Williams,
Celia Green,
Ceri Winter,
Chelsea Quaife,
Cheryl Ford,
Chloe Baker,
Chloe Beggie,
Chloe Drew,
Claire Southam,
Claire Churchill,
Connie Gibbs,
Crosskeys NC,
Danielle Rickner,
Davina Harrison,
Dawn Bullimore,
Debbie Ryan,

Debbie Sutton,
Di Gerard,
Donna Cooper,
Donna Parker,
Elizabeth Young,
Emily Phillips,
Emily Wingate,
Emma Redman,
Emma Springham,
Fay Warwick,
Finborough Ladies NC,
Florrie Jones,
Fusion NC,
Gemma Spraggs,
Gemma White,
Gillian Nix,
Gloria Keech,
Hannah Holmes,
Hannah Kellett,
Haydn Gross,
Hayley Fathers,
Hayley Greenhill,
Heidi Wyncoll,
Helen Hazell,
Hertford Heath Rangers NC,
Herts Dynamos NC,
Ian Burrows,
Jan Hunt,
Jane Bilton,

Janet Ryan,
Jasmine Franklin-Brown,
Jean Lawrence,
Jen Edwards,
Jenni Monger,
Jenny Green,
Jenny Kennell,
Jenny Kirn,
Jessica Thomas,
Joan Rolfe,
Jordon Gross,
Julia Bunting,
Julia Burrows,
Julia Kay,
Julia Sandifer,
Julie Hodsdon,
June Griffith,
Julie Laycock,
Julie Maiden,
Karen Webb,
Karla Snowling,
Kate Clements,
Kate Raymond,
Kathryn Whittall,
Kay Brandon,
Kayla Tegal,
Kim Row,
Kim Watson,
Kirsty Nouche,

Kundai Matiringe,
Laura Thurlow,
Leanne Proctor,
Leopards NC,
Linda Gaine,
Lisa Homer,
Lisa McDonald,
Lorinda Levy,
Louise Davey,
Lucy Drage,
Lucy Hodges,
Madelaine Jeffries,
Mandy Smart,
Marianne Lowne,
Marie Garrett,
Marion Baldwin,
Martin Quaife,
Mel Woor,
Michaela Fletcher,
Michelle Channer,
Michele Quaife,
Myra Cullen,

Natalie Reeves,
Nic Rees,
Nicky Knight,
Nicky Ward,
Nicola Rayner,
Northants Storm NC,
Olivia Petherick,
Pat Geddes,
Pat West,
Patricia Alexander,
Pink Spirit NC,
Pip Jarvis,
Pirry Keohane,
Rachael Southam,
Rebecca Whitwham,
Ruth Bell,
Sachel Grant,
Sally Smith,
Sam Harwood,
Sam Turner,
Sarah Garrard,
Sarah Harris,

Sheelagh Mansbridge,
Sheelagh Redpath,
Shelley Framp,
Shona McCabe,
Sue Collins,
Suffolk Rockets NC,
Tara Corbett,
Team Beds NC,
Tegan Lintonbon- Baker,
Tegate NC,
Thetford NC,
Tracey Butcher,
Tracey Gilloran,
Tracey Everitt,
Tracey Hann,
Tracy Smith,
Trish Travell,
Vicki Franklin-Brown,
Vicki Molnar-Brown,
Watford Netball League
Committee,
Zoe Rusz.

NETBALL LOCKDOWN LEGENDS (U25)

Abi Parrin-Celino,
Alice Tee,
Charlotte Holmes,
Connie Gibbs,
Emily Stanton,

Emily White,
Hatfield NC,
Isabelle Tee,
Katie Clay,
Laura Burrows,

Meadow Wyncoll,
Mollie Laycock,
Paige Broughton,
Poppy Baker.

REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT

A year of recovery.....

Netball was able to restart back in March 2021 with some mitigations and modified rules as we were still dealing with COVID-19. COVID has still had a huge impact on our sport but with the support of all our wonderful members, clubs, leagues and Counties we have managed to get so many women and girls back on the netball court. So, firstly a huge 'Thank You' to each and every one of you for supporting the Rise Again Campaign and for your continued passion for our wonderful sport.

ENGLAND NETBALL PRIORITIES FOR 21-22

Rebuild activity levels in England by reactivating national wide opportunities for every community with a focus on those most impacted by the pandemic:

- Reactivate clubs, leagues and competitions
- Reactivate a nationwide programme offer
- Re-energising a focus on equality, diversity and inclusion – those most impacted by the pandemic

Modernise our approach to Learning and Development to support the people in our game

REGIONAL LEAGUES AND CLUBS RETURNED

Our aim was to return 100% of registered leagues and support 90% of our clubs to return to competition and/or training.

Progress update for the region is:

- All leagues are back
- 100% registered leagues have returned
- 92% of clubs have returned

FIGURE 1: TABLE/ GRAPH SHOWING BREAKDOWN OF LEAGUE RETURN BREAKDOWN BY COUNTY

County	Total number of leagues	Number of leagues returned
Bedfordshire	4	4
Cambridgeshire	4	4
East Essex	7	7
Essex Thurrock	2	2
Hertfordshire	16	16
Norfolk	5	5
Suffolk	3	3

FIGURE 2: TABLE/ GRAPH SHOWING BREAKDOWN OF CLUB RETURN BY COUNTY

County	Total Number of clubs	Number of clubs restarted
Bedfordshire	81	80
Cambridgeshire	54	49
East Essex	144	137
Essex Thurrock	40	36
Hertfordshire	104	100
Norfolk	77	54
Suffolk	47	47

MEMBERSHIP DATA – DETAIL INCLUDED IN THE FINANCE REPORT

FIGURE 3: NUMBER OF INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS FOR THE CURRENT SEASON 2021-2022 – EAST REGION

	East Region
Members O18	8,773
Members U18	2,497
Members U14	3,907
Members U11	3,349
Total	18,526

102%, in comparison to 2019-20, (18,115)

The NDO team have continued to support their Counties with funding bids, facility issues, volunteer recruitment, care package information sharing, umpiring recruitment and training to support leagues.

REGIONAL PARTICIPATION

The team of NDOs and NDCCs have had a great year of re-establishing many of the programmes that were offered pre pandemic as well as setting up some new programmes across the Region.

A total of 206 programmes with 3,506 participants taking to the court to play netball saw the team overachieve their annual target (annual target 3,185), The table below shows the total number of programmes and number of participants engaged for the 21/22 financial year.

FIGURE 4: NUMBER OF PROGRAMMES & NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

Programme	Number of Participants
Back to Netball	1,439
Back to Netball Festivals – B2N and WN	341
Netball Now	820
Walking Netball	580
Netball Youth Camps	51
UNO	56
Blended and Disability Netball	219

We have also successfully delivered some Netball Youth Camps in Essex East and Norfolk over the February half term and Easter holidays and will continue to offer these across other Counties in the forthcoming year.

NDOs have also supported a range of schools in setting up Blended Netball sessions, for more information on this please see the England Netball website.

REGIONAL LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The following table shows the qualifications and courses planned for the closing financial year 2021-22 and the total number planned (April 2022 to March 2023).

FIGURE 8: EDUCATION & TRAINING COURSES RUN AND PLANNED

Qualification/Course	Number Run in Region	Total Number Planned for Region by EN
UKCC Level 1	N/A	6
UKCC Level 2	0	2
CPD Workshops (Bee Netball)	1	4
Walking Netball Host Training	0	2
Into Officiating	Delivered through HQ	15
C Award	Delivered through HQ	11
B Award	1	1 planned for Qtr. 3/4

PARTNERSHIPS UPDATE & OTHER NEWS

We have been consulting with the team, wider organisation, and partners to refresh our Partnership Network Team (PNT) structures and roles to realign to the new Adventure Strategy. Following this consultation, we are excited to share some changes that will be implemented from 1st July.

TEAM AND JOB TITLES

- Our new team name is: Partnerships & Delivery Team
- The Head new job title is: Head of Partnerships & Delivery
- The PM new title is: Partnerships & Delivery Manager
- Regional Coordinators new title: Regional Officer
- Regional Officers will report into the Partnership and Delivery Manager

In addition to the above we are also introducing a 5th Partnership Manager (Partnership and Delivery Manager) and updating the geographical territories, each PM will transition to these in quarter 2 exact date TBC. The new structure sees no change for LSE and East and Philippa Hicks will remain as the PM for this area. East Midlands and Yorkshire will now be linked, and we are currently recruiting a new PM for this patch.

There has been no change to the NDO/NDCC structure and each County still has a England Netball member of staff to support the County, Leagues and Members. There has however been an update to the NDO and NDCC job description to reflect the adventure strategy over the next 10 years.

NATIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS FROM THE YEAR

- We have now reached a new record number for members with over 108,250 people returning to a netball court. This exceeds the previous record set during the 2018/19 year, in between the Commonwealth Games and the Netball World Cup in Liverpool, where we had 107,500 members.
- On Wednesday 1st June we launched a brand-new England Netball podcast called Courtside. The podcast, which will be a series of six episodes, will take us on a journey to the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham and will feature some famous voices from the Roses camp
- From 30th May EN will be pitching Bee Netball to clubs to excite, inspire and to motivate them about the evolution of the programme, any club wishing to deliver Bee Netball can join one of the welcome virtual sessions.
- The Vitality Roses will be heading out for a training camp in South Africa next month before the Commonwealth Games team come together in Nottingham and then head into the Games village. After the Games, the Roses will be preparing for the 2023 Netball World Cup in South Africa with fixtures against highly ranked teams at home and abroad.
- Relaunch of the One Awards (formally Golden Globes) with an online application process and new branding.
- EN have been benchmarked as a C grading in the recent Race Representation Index (carried out by sporting equals) ended 6/26 from the organisation that took part.
- EN have supported a number of campaigns as part of Race Equality Week – staff used social media channels to support #ActionNotJustWords and #MyNameIs.
- New partnerships established with Well HQ and EMMNA.
- Extension of partnerships with Nike and Vitality.
- EN published Diversity and Belonging report.
- New EN 10-year adventure strategy officially launched on 25th November 2021.
- New NE branding officially launched on 25th November 2021.
- VNC and national forums have continued to be offered to members, to support them with their return to court. These include league, clubs, coaches, officials, and facilities.

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COUNTY NETBALL ASSOCIATIONS



Bedfordshire

Although we moved towards September 2021 and the start of a new season with enthusiasm and high expectations, there was still a certain amount of nervousness to overcome after the experiences of the previous 18 months.

As things started to get back to some normality, I am pleased to say that our return to the courts back in January showed 88% membership return, 98% of Clubs returning and 100% Leagues up and running. Our membership figures are now showing total of 3,569 members. Walking Netball and Back to Netball continue to flourish and our NDO reports 295 new participants on these programmes.

Although all 4 leagues began their competitions in September, Covid still impacted and a higher number of games were affected.

However, netball has continued and as we come to the end of our season, our Leagues finish with their cup finals, and all have plans in place now for the summer and the forthcoming season

The County, as part of our Re-ignite Netball Package to members supported all teams entering their respective Leagues by paying 50% of their league entry fees; arranging a special separate 'live' presentation of our County Awards, although we had to delay this and an afternoon tea and prosecco event was eventually held in November. The last item on our package, the Netball Festival, has been held over and now planned for September 2022 entitled a celebration of netball.

One highlight of the season was the successful Academy Invitation Tournament held on 30 April, in Bedford, 11 counties from Bedfordshire, Berkshire, Cambridgeshire, Cheshire, East Essex, Hertfordshire Manchester, Norfolk, North Bucks, Surrey and Sussex sent squads in the U13 and U15 age groups. All the players who took part are in their respective County Academies.

Thanks must be given to our Performance Academy Group, despite their still being uncertainty encountered our Academies have continued to operate well and delivery of their planned programme completed.

Year 1 of our Coach Education programme ended in May and Year 2 is now being planned. Next Generation coaching workshops are now being advertised.

Going forward and looking ahead to the next season, it is great to see the continued growth of netball and I am sure whatever challenges come our way, our dedicated netball volunteers will see us through.

Now looking back over the past 12 months I am again proud of all those across Bedfordshire who have worked so hard in the background within the County and Leagues to ensure that netball has really returned to the County.

Gloria Keech

Chair, Bedfordshire county



Cambridgeshire

Jen Watton
Vice-chair, Cambridgeshire county



Cambridge Netball roundup

A fantastic season for Cambridgeshire Netball after two difficult years. A huge thank you to all members, and to all the volunteers and officials who work tirelessly and give up endless hours to ensure the smooth running of our successful leagues, clubs, tournaments and academies!

ALL leagues restarted
CPL | CDNL | HPL | Wisbeach | JDG

Swan U14 - National Club Finalists

ROYSTON
Cambs Prem League Winners
Promotion to ER3

Perse U16 - National Schools Finalists

Comberton Regional - Promotion to ER2
Comberton 3 - Promotion to CPL

JDG winners £125
U16 Div 1: Comberton A
U16 Div 2: Comberton B
U14 Div 1: Swans Black
U14 Div 2: Hampton Panthers
U12: Comberton
*reward for Ukraine Appeal at end of season tournament

CPL 14 Teams | 11,128 Goals

CDNL 42 Teams | 22,106 Goals

Wisbech 24 Teams | 4,065 Goals

2022 Summer league
5 Divisions
42 Teams
1 new venue

North Cambs juniors back on court with tournaments in **Oct, Nov, Jan and March.**

NEW junior summer league in North Cambs

Charley Lee-Burton - 1995 - 2022

4 Regional Teams (5 for 22/23)

2,000 members

Jill Harrison
23 Years Netball Service

ACADEMY

3 6 teams taken to 16 events

Current athletes
1 x U15 Competition squad
2 x U15 Development squad
2 x Aspire
2 x trialled and moved to Futures

Past athletes
1 x U21 squad
4 x U19 squad
1 x U17 squad

International
U17 Republic of Ireland U17 comp squad - Caitlin Wade
U15 Republic of Ireland U17 comp squad - Aoife Lenihan

U13 > U15
4 x U13 athletes moved up to U15

1 Sports Psychology session per age group

Level 2 coaching course in Cambs - August

Netball County Schools Tournament Winners - John Clare Primary

East Essex

Well, where did that year go? So very pleased that you were able to return to netball this season.

As always huge thanks to each and every volunteer within EAST ESSEX. Without people like you giving up so much of your time for the benefit of others, we would not achieve the many successes that we do.

My personal thanks are extended to the East Essex Committee, the Essex Performance Group and the Essex Officiating TSG.

I would also like to thank our President, **Chris Laundy** for supporting us at the many County events – Thanks Chris.

Thanks again to all East Essex members and especially the volunteers across the county. We wish you all a lovely summer and hope you continue to enjoy your netball.

See you next season.

Dawn Bullimore
Chair, East Essex

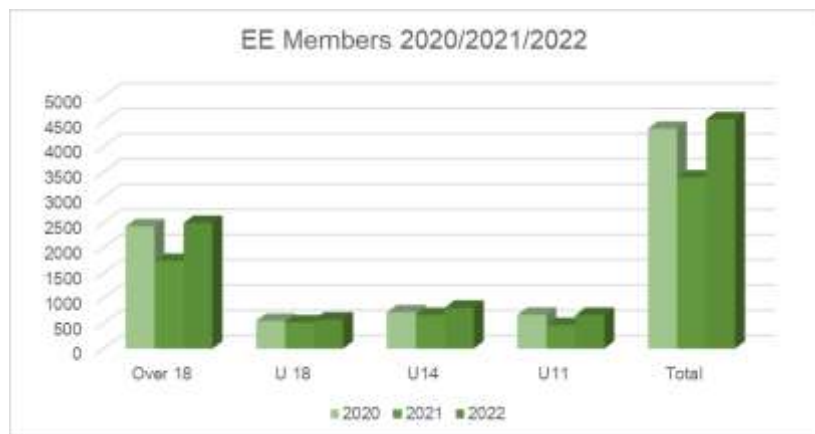
GENERAL REPORT

There are currently five adult leagues and two junior leagues operating within East Essex made up of 148 active clubs with 4,545 registered members which is made up of:

- 2491 over 18
- 575 under 18
- 812 under 14
- 667 under 11

Successes within the county this season include:

- **Talent Performance:** Another successful season. Huge thanks to **Michele** our Performance Manger, and her team of Coaches led by **Linda Gaine**, and includes **Chelsea Quaife**, **Martin Quaife**, **Michaela Fletcher** and **Kim Watson**. **Sam Harwood** and **Rachel Meadows** were welcomed to the team this season and both said they had thoroughly enjoyed being a part of this group. Thanks to you all for the time you give up for our young elite athletes and the distances you have travelled all culminating in some wonderful successes for the county squads and individual athletes. You are very much appreciated.
- **Finance:** Thanks to **Mandy** for managing our finances – even without any income last year our finances have been well looked after. And to **Helen** for ‘giving away’ our money in the form of grants to members – A quick reminder that funding is available to all members on request towards personal development such as umpiring and coaching courses.
- **Danielle:** Thank you so much for all you’ve done keeping me on track with the committee meetings and your excellent delivery of minutes



- **Sue and Bev:** Thanks to both of you for all the hard work you have done supporting our officiating community and getting back to court with mentoring, organising Into Officiating practice sessions and arranging the numerous assessments. Thank you assessors and mentors for giving up your time too.
- **Netball Development Officer (NDO).** Special thanks to **Louise Davey** our Netball Development Officer (NDO) for all her continued successes this season. Louise, once again you have done a fantastic job and it's been a great pleasure working with you - thanks for everything you do.
- To **Georgie** – our newest member and who has set up a Facebook page for the Essex Youth members in an attempt to establish communications with our youth members across the county – please get in touch with Georgie if you'd like to know more about what she's doing.
- To all the League Chairs and your committees. You have done a marvellous job enabling your leagues to return to court this last season – I hope everyone has enjoyed being back together
- Congratulations to all the newly qualified Umpires and coaches – we are very proud of you

FINANCE - TREASURER'S REPORT

In line with east region, East Essex did not collect any membership fees this season. The committee has reviewed the state of the County's finances and has decided to propose that our fees are as per the 2020-21 season, which were as follows:

Adults	£5.00
Under 18	£2.50
Under 14	£1.25
Under 11	NIL
Schools	£3.00

This year at the request of the leagues we organised a couple of Return to Netball after Covid evenings, which were very well attended and paid for by the county. We have also organised IO practical sessions to assist the learners that are wishing to take their IO assessment, as the IO courses are on-line there is no assistance with practical sessions as previously when courses were face-to-face

This season, in continual support to its members, we have provided funding for many courses, including level 1 and 2 coaching, umpiring and first aid. We have continued to present white umpiring hoodies to those learners who successfully qualified as C award umpires. We have also provided EE jackets for our officiating assessors.

We have again this year paid towards the development officer, we are really lucky to have Louise in post, she really does go above and beyond her duties for the County.

Mandy Hales

PERFORMANCE REPORT

Performance Lead – **Linda Gaine**; Performance Manager – **Michele Quaife** MBE; County Lead Coach – **Chelsea Quaife**; County Assistant Coach – **Michaela Fletcher**; Satellite Lead Coach – **Martin Quaife**; Satellite Assistant Coach – **Rachael Meadows**; Satellite Development Lead Coach – **Linda Gaine**; Satellite Development Assistant Coach – **Sam Harwood**

Sessions:

The Academies had a total of 60 hours of training delivered between October 2021 – April 2022. The County Coach sets the session plan outline for the linked sessions; this then enables any athlete who is invited for a visit to a higher academy to follow the programme.:

During the training sessions, the athletes also completed two bleep tests and two fitness assessments.

Michele Quaife

OFFICIATING REPORT

I have not had to do a report for a while. It's been great to get back to a full season of netball.

It has been a good year for umpiring. All umpiring courses are now completed online and have proved to be a success. As soon as course dates are released, they are full. England Netball are holding these on a regular basis. I predict that I will be very busy next season organising assessments.

With regards to the new IO umpires. East Essex also holds practical sessions for our new candidates. New umpires get the chance to umpire while receiving help, advice, and guidance from mentors.

We have had a number of successful candidates this season. I would like to congratulate them all.

They are as follows:

IO award	C award	B award
<p>Bethany Rose-Horne Toni Walsh Grace Gunn Holly Greeves Charlotte Hatch Amber-Rae Danniels Daisy Mower Jenna Logie Joanne Nicholson Gemma Weaver-Coote Jean Lawrence Megan Hook</p>	<p>Kirsty Clements Carlie Griggs Lydia Hamer Julia Meadows Anna Wallace Sadie Howard Debbie Fitzgerald Charlotte Coldicott Hannah Coakley</p>	<p>Lyndsay Bates</p>

Before I sign off, I would like to give my thanks to the assessors who give up their time in all weathers to come out and assess our umpires. You are always professional and put our umpires at ease. Your input is always constructive.

In addition, I would like to thank the East Essex Committee headed by our Chair [Dawn Bullimore](#). This team of volunteers work so hard behind the scenes.

[Bev Piggott](#)

MENTORING REPORT

After a difficult two years the mentoring team since September have been successfully encouraging candidates from IO to C to B.

On behalf of East Essex can we thank all our mentors for the unlimited time you have given. There are another seven trainee mentors waiting to take their assessment. We look forward to them joining our EE Mentoring Team.

[Sue Wilkinson](#)

SCHOOLS AND CLUBS' COMPETITION REPORT

It has been so lovely to have a full year of Competitions.

The schools' competition began in September with area rounds leading into the East Essex Tournament. Brentwood School were winners in all three age groups with Saffron Walden runners up in U19 and U14 and Fitzwimarc in U16.

At the East Region Schools, Brentwood were winners in U16 and runners up in U14 so qualified to National Schools in March where Brentwood U16 came 6th and U14 missed out on top four position by 0.1 goal average.

The Essex Schools Cup Final, again Brentwood dominated but nevertheless there were some tight games in all 3 of the 6 games played.

Full results can be found on the web page!

[Sue Wilkinson](#)

YOUTH ADVISORY REPORT

The Youth Advisory Group was set up this year with the aim to further include East Essex youth members in all aspects of netball within the county. We have set up a Facebook page as a place to share information with youth members and their parents/guardians (East Essex Netball Youth Members). We have used this page to encourage members to take part in England Netball schemes such as Pass on Your Passion as well as to get in contact if they need help finding opportunities for volunteering, umpiring, coaching etc.

We have also been in contact with youth members who have recently completed their Into Officiating course to gauge whether there is interest for a youth practical session to further develop skills. As well as if there is any other support, we could provide to help them progress along their umpiring journey, for example a youth umpire buddy system and youth umpire group meet ups. As a new group and my first year in the role progress has been slow, but I understand that new initiatives take time to get off the ground and am looking forward to building on the knowledge we have gained this year and putting that into action for the coming year. Big thank you to [Maisie Trigg](#) and [Dru Ulasi](#) for your contributions to the Youth Advisory Group and to Dawn & the rest of the committee for supporting me in this role.

[Georgina Colley](#)

EAST REGION LEAGUE

It was great to see the ERCL resume with some exciting matches played across the region. Finishing positions for our East Essex Clubs:

	East regional clubs league (RCL)	East region youth league (ERYL)	
		U16	U14
Division 1	Crosskeys - 3 rd Eastwood – 8 th	Tegate - 3 rd Crosskeys - 4 th	Swan - 2 nd
Division 2	Billericay - 3 rd Tegate - 6 th	Eastwood - 1 st Swan - 2 nd Braintree - 3 rd	Braintree - 3 rd Kats - 4 th

Congratulations to you all.

Congratulations to BSV Billericay who finished 6th in the NSL Premier League Division

ONE AWARDS 2022

East Essex County has a record 18 nominations for this years' New ONE Awards: Unsung Hero - [Linda Gaine](#); Young Volunteer Award - [Charlotte Coldicott](#); Young Volunteer Award – [Lacey Forrest](#); Mary Bulloch Community Volunteer of the Year – [Michele Quaife](#), MBE; Mary Bulloch Community Volunteer of the Year – [Dawn Bullimore](#); Muriel McNally Community Volunteer of the Year – [Beverly Piggott](#); Muriel McNally Community Volunteer of the Year – [Donna Thomas](#); Muriel McNally Community Volunteer of the Year – [Jessica Thomas](#); Coach Award, Adults – [Helen Preston](#); Coach Award, Children & Young People – [Chelsea Quaife](#); Coach Award, Children & Young People – [Sarah Evans](#); Coach Award, Children & Young People – [Madeline Smith](#); Coach Award, Children & Young People – [Danny Blanchette](#); Teacher Award – [Lindsay Keable](#); Teacher Award – [Lucy Barrett](#); Teacher Award – [Karen Montellier](#); Inclusion Award – [Lyndsey Barrett](#); The Sheelagh Redpath Community Official of the Year – [Susan Wilkinson](#)

Congratulations!

Hertfordshire

Another year has passed by, and I feel we have been busy with our netball. This shows how far we have come in keeping the sport we love going. What a great season we have all had playing 'normal' netball again.

We are all lucky to have retained such a strong committee who work extremely hard ensuring the standards and achievements of Hertfordshire continue to grow.

This year our President **Lyn Jackson** retired but we are fortunate that **June Griffiths** has agreed to take over the role.

Our NDO & NDCC, **Lucy Prestedge** & **Florrie Jones** both had babies this year, so are on maternity leave. However, we are fortunate to have **Sally Whittle** & **Jess Baird** to keep us on our toes.

Herts have contributed this year to Level 1 & 2 coaches' courses & also Walking Netball Host training courses. As there were very few coaching courses this season, we have 1 Level 1 pass & 4 Level 2 passes.

We have also kept our membership fees the same again & are proud to say we have 5597 affiliated members. We have 126 clubs (14 caps clubs) & 187 schools affiliated.

150 learners have taken the IOA course which is a huge amount for us as a County. Concentration on developing mentoring has been a priority & we now have 25 mentors for IOA & C award. C award conversion = 18, B award = 1.

Sarah Small has passed her Europe Netball A award, **Jackie Mizon** is now an A Award assessor & **Karen Cartwright** has been selected for the Commonwealth Games as Lead Technical Official.

Our performance academy continues from strength to strength with 50 athletes in U13 & U15 selected. In September 2021 75% of athletes from previous U15 squad gained a place within a franchise. Thanks to **Emily Drackford** & her team of coaches.

2 local sponsors provided the girls with their own named dresses, they are proud to represent the county.

Back to Netball, Walking Netball & Netball Now have been relaunched which enabled us to reach our targets for club & league re-build. Also, Herts County offered to fund 'Give back & Get back on Court' sessions run by Florence Jones, Lucy Prestedge & Sally Whittle. Profits from these went to local charities. 1568 players participated in this Programme.

We also run 2 para-netball sessions in Herts and we support U3A & WI sessions.

Our Young People & Technical Group have been very busy delivering & running competitions this year led by **Jo Randall**.

Results as follows:

County Plate	Yr 8	Sandringham
	Yr 10	Sandringham
	Senior	Queenswood
County Cup	Yr 8	Herts & Essex
	Yr 10	Herts & Essex
	Seniors	Herts & Essex



Janice Cooke Emerging Schools

1st	Simon Balle
2nd	Leventhorpe
3rd	Dame Alice Owens

At the AGM we gave out 7 awards all to very deserving people.

Herts Lifetime Achievement Award went to [Pat Longville](#).

On a personal note, I was very proud to learn that Herts had won 53 Pride of the East Awards. Such a great achievement.

[Cathy Williams](#)

Chair, Hertfordshire county

Norfolk

As everyone is aware, the 21/22 season has been far from normal. We have five areas in Norfolk which have had varying success rates in getting players back onto court. Sadly, some areas really struggled initially but now I am pleased to report that all areas are up and running and enjoying some form of netball.

A special thankyou needs to go to our west rep as she has had a really tough battle to access facilities and to encourage people to play again. Our NDO help Jo to get things going again so thank you to Jenny too.

I hope we never need to use the COVID officer again. Sheelagh Redpath worked alongside other area COVID officers and created risk and mitigation documents.

Thankfully all our teams watched and accepted the introduction of the modified rules. So we were able to play whilst keeping safe at the same time. Since then netball has returned to its original format and we are all lucky enough to resume play as before.

We recognise several people who helped their community not only in a net ball environment but in other ways too. Nominations were received and presentations arranged in secret. We all like surprises! Pride of the East awards were gratefully received by these special people.

Anne Harper
Chair, Norfolk county



- **Number of clubs:** 82
- **Number of affiliated players:** 1,691

East Region and Premier League Results

	East Region	Premier League
Thoroughbreds	Div 3, 1st	Div 2, 10 th
Norfolk United	Div 2, 2nd Div 3, 8th	Div 3, 3rd

Junior Clubs East Region

	U14	U16
Thoroughbreds	-	Div 2, 7th
Norfolk United	Div 2, 6th	Div 2, 5th

NORFOLK COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES

Eliza Barclay, Saracens Mavericks U21 Captain and VNSL Training Partner; BUCS Winning Squad: **Herts Uni**; **Caitlin Rump**, Loughborough Lightning U21; **Esme Papworth**, Saracens Mavericks U21; **Jade Popoola**, London Pulse U21 and England Roses U19; **Jemima Watson**, Saracens Mavericks U17 Captain; **May Seldis**, Saracens Mavericks U17; **Eva Buckley**, Saracens Mavericks U15 Competitions Scored; **Isabelle Last**, Saracens Mavericks U15 Development Squad; **Ava de Cooper Wride**, Saracens Mavericks U15 Competition Squad; **Jessica Wright**, Saracens Mavericks U15 Development Squad; **Amelia Cropley**, National League Prem 2 Thoroughbreds; **Chloe Webb**, National League Prem 3 Norfolk United; **Bethany Thomas**, Mavericks Futures; **Erin Wilcox**, Mavericks Futures; **Rebecca Birchall**, Mavericks Futures; **Abby Carr**, Mavericks Futures; **Tilly Mason-Loan**, Mavericks Futures

JUNIOR CLUBS

Norfolk United; Thoroughbreds; Cliff Park; Attleborough; Aylsham; Cromer; Trowse; Thetford

NETBALL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

- Total number of participants through programmes: 479
- New to Netball: 279
- Back to Netball: 142
- Netball Now: 181
- Walking Netball: 89

NEW PROGRAMMES STARED FEB/MAR

Back to Netball – Thetford, and Thetford Netball Club 19 weekly

REGIONAL WALKING NETBALL & BACK TO NETBALL FESTIVAL

Lynne Grove Walking Netball Group and Old Catton Back to Netball Group represented Norfolk in the regional festival during March in Cambridgeshire.

WALKING NETBALL FESTIVAL @UEA

4 Teams: 2 x Stalham; 1 City College; 1 Lynne Grove

NATIONAL SCHOOLS' COUNTY ROUND

Representing Norfolk in the East Region:

	Winner	Runner-up
U19	Norwich School	Wymondham College
U16	Norwich School	Norwich High
U14	Norwich School	Wymondham College

NORFOLK COUNTY SCHOOLS CUP

Really pleasing as lots of new schools took part:

- **U11:** 9 teams - Winners: [Langley Prep](#); Runners-up: [Town Close](#)
- **U12:** 19 teams - Winners: [Norwich School](#); Runners up: [Greshams](#)
- **U13:** 20 team - Winners: [Norwich School](#); Runners up: [Greshams](#)

MIXED NETBALL TOURNAMENT

A huge success as a first mixed tournament. 9 teams entered in awful weather conditions.

Winners: [Norfolk United Netball Club Roos 1](#); Runners-up: [Phoenix 1](#)

PERFORMANCE PATHWAY

Trials at UEA Talent Identifiers attended. The EN Course on performance identification. Due to COVID numbers were down on previous years:

- **U15:** 22 athletes
- **U13:** 30 athletes
- **U11:** 34 athletes

THEORY SESSIONS FOR B WRITTEN PAPER

5 learners attending.

UPDATE/REFRESHER COURSES FOR UMPIRES

County to put on practical refresher courses to update umpires of all qualifications. This is to maintain a high standard for our umpires.

OFFICIATING

As everyone is aware all courses are on line. We have run 1 practical course for IOA.

ASSESSMENTS

Award	Passes
INTO	8
C	3
Written B	1
Written A	1

LOWESTOFT LEAGUE

17 umpires completed. Four other areas to confirm dates.

MENTORING/ASSESSORS

Mentors are up and running again helping learners to regain their confidence and to move forward to assessment. This has been very successful as several learner umpires have achieved their qualifications.

No news from England Netball who should have had their new mentoring scheme in place by September 2021.

Norfolk have two new mentors already in place

Suffolk

Alot has happened around the county since Normal rules were restored and restrictions relaxed.

All three of the leagues started back up all be it with a reduced number of teams.

We also missed our 75th anniversary so we are looking to hold an open day to celebrate netball this year showcasing Bees to Walking Netball including mixed netball.

For the Pride of the East awards, we had 44 nominations. I had great fun surprising our Lockdown Legends with their certificates and badges. Congratulations to them all.

Scores on doors for our volunteers at officiating and coaching:



OFFICIATING		COACHING	
Course attendees	47	Course attendees	30
Awaiting start of course	20	Level 1	9
qualified	26	Level 2	10
		Walking Netball host	5
		Bee coaches	3

Suffolk has recruited a new treasurer along with a new returning NDO - we wish [Chloe Anderson](#) all the best in her new job and thank her for the last five years working in Suffolk and welcome back [Donna Finch](#), who we are looking forward to working with once again.

Current vacancy of a volunteer co-ordinator.

A new county league was run as a trial on a Sunday and we had a small uptake; those teams that entered enjoyed the competition. We are hoping to expand this league by asking our county neighbours if teams would like to join. Also, we are running U11, U13 and U15 tournaments; further dates have been set from September 2022.

We as a county are preparing for the new Working as One plan so exciting time ahead.

[Jan Hunt](#)

Chair, Suffolk

FINANCE AND BUSINESS

The accounts for the year 12 months ending 31 August 2021 are attached as Appendix 1.

COVID 2019 struck in March 2020, mid-way through the previous financial year, and the impact continued throughout this financial year.

Our affiliation numbers were approximately 75% of 2019-20 figures. The reduction in affiliated members, coupled with the 30% discount offered to members who affiliated before 30 September 2020 as part of the #riseagain movement, was countered with a further reduction in expenditure due to COVID restrictions.

During such challenging times, the RMB looked at other areas in which we could support our members; we purchased 250 licences at a cost of £1,500 for Mental Health Awareness Training for Sport & Physical Activity. The uptake was good.

In September 2020, the region and its counties offered a support fund for affiliations for members experiencing financial difficulty. This member support fund is still in place, and we continue to explore avenues in order to assist those members in need.

In the year to 31 August 2022, the region reduced its membership fees to £nil to further 'give back' and help alleviate the financial pressures many of our members have faced.

The region continues to provide grant assistance for coaches and tutors who wish to attend the UKCC and assessor courses.

The position shown in the accounts remains healthy and the association has, in my opinion, sufficient resources to continue to meet the challenges which lie ahead.



Jo Stentiford
Treasurer

EAST REGION NETBALL ASSOCIATION

Appendix 1

Income and Expenditure Account for the Year 1st September 2020 – 31st August 2021

	<u>2020/21</u>	<u>2019/20</u>
<i>Income</i>		
Affiliations		
Member clubs and schools	9,828	13,569
Bank Interest	9	69
Sundry Income		
Total Income	<u>9,837</u>	<u>13,638</u>
<i>Expenses</i>		
Postage/ Stationary	250	137
Officers Travel	-	478
Regional Management Board	144	790
Technical Support Groups	-	1,369
Affiliations	36	36
Pride of the East, AGM & Goalden Globes	207	1,279
Website, software & depreciation costs	544	885
Miscellaneous	1,670	70
Total General Expenses	<u>2,851</u>	<u>5,044</u>
Net Surplus before Special Items	6,986	8,594
<i>Special Items</i>		
Umpiring (Note 4)	-	108
Umpire mentoring	-	(225)
Schools (Note 1)	-	(181)
Contribution to Mavericks	(1,650)	(1,650)
Coaching expenditure		
Competitions (Note 3)	(31)	117
Amount set aside for UKCC award grants		(1,500)
Amount set aside for Member Support	(1,000)	
	<u>(2,681)</u>	<u>(3,331)</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	4,305	5,263
Transfer to Technology Reserve	<u>(2,000)</u>	
Transfer to/(from) General Reserve	2,305	<u>5,263</u>

<u>EAST REGION NETBALL ASSOCIATION</u>			
<i>Balance Sheet as at 31st August 2021</i>			
	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>	
General Reserve			
Opening Balance	37,012	31,749	
Surplus / Deficit for the year	2,305	5,263	
Closing General Reserve	39,317	37,012	
Grant Scheme Reserve			
Opening Balance	5,910	5,213	
Transfer from Income and Expenditure		1,500	
Less Grants paid out	(635)	(803)	
Closing Balance	5,275	5,910	
Member Support Reserve			
Opening Balance	1,330	1,330	
Payments made	(40)	-	
Increase to Reserve	1,000	-	
Closing Balance	2,290	1,330	
Performance & Development Reserve			
Opening Balance	5,946	5,946	
Closing Balance	5,946	5,946	
Technology Reserve			
Opening Balance	3,000	3,000	
Transfer from Income & Expenditure	2,000		
Closing Balance	5,000	3,000	
TOTAL RESERVES	£57,828	£53,198	
Represented by			
Fixed Assets			
Computer Equipment	-	-	
Debtors and prepayments	-	-	
Less Creditors (Note 2)	(13,594)	(7,535)	
	(13,594)	(7,535)	
Cash at Bank Current Accounts	28,800	18,120	
Deposit Accounts	42,622	42,613	
	71,422	60,733	
TOTAL ASSETS	£57,828	£53,198	

Notes to the Accounts

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
1 <u>Regional Round of National Schools 2020/21</u>		
Entries	-	2,600
Courts inc St John's Ambulance	-	1,029
Umpires & Expenses	-	1,752
Miscellaneous Exp	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>2,781</u>
Net Income/(Expenditure)	<u>-</u>	<u>(181)</u>

2 Creditors

Includes

Cash received for league entries and umpire costs for 2021/22 amounting to £11,180

3 Competition account

	<u>2021</u>	<u>2020</u>
ERSL		
Entries	-	540
Other income	-	-
Expenses	-	(24)
	<u>-</u>	<u>516</u>
U14 /U16 League		
Entries	-	-
Expenses	-	(399)
	<u>-</u>	<u>(399)</u>
ERSL Entry Tournament		
Entries	-	-
Expenses	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
ERYL Entry Tournament		
Entries	-	-
Expenses	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Festival		
Entries	180	-
Expenses	(211)	-
	<u>(31)</u>	<u>-</u>
Grand Total	<u>(31)</u>	<u>117</u>

4 Umpiring

Assessment Fees		
B Award	-	260
Assessor Fees	-	(356)
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	-	(96)
Other Courses	-	(548)
B Award Courses	-	752
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	-	108
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5 Grant scheme

During the year the Region made 8 awards of grants totalling £675 (2020 £803) to support coaches on the UKCC Level 1 and 2 courses.

6 Future Liabilities

As at 31st August 2021, the Region had sanctioned a further 9 grants applications totalling £600. These grants will be paid over the course of the next 12 months.

The funds represented by any grants that lapse during the course of the year will be reallocated to other new applicants.

7 Other Funds

Chris Harpham Memorial Fund

The Region received a bequest from the estate of Chris Harpham of £5,000 to be used as the Region thought fit. The Management Board considered the options and decided that the funds would be held and used to provide a trophy and an annual bursary for a Young Volunteer (under 25) to assist that person with their volunteering role. As at the year end the funds held were £3,389 (2020 £3,389) .

These funds are not shown in the accounts

MEET YOUR RMB TEAM



Paul Clark | Regional chair | paulclark296@gmail.com

"I am passionate about leading the RMB to enable the East netball family to have the best netball experiences possible."



Jo Stentiford | Treasurer | eastregiontreasurer@gmail.com

"I enjoy working with each of the TSG leads looking at where we can invest and grow the sport, pulling the budgets together and keeping the accounts in order. Its rewarding to be able to give something back to a game ive been involved with for the past 30+ years."



Yvonne Ahead | Chair, Regional Programming Group | adsheady@gmail.com

"Excited to lead the programming of netball across the region to ensure as many people as possible can be involved in and enjoy our sport either as players, volunteers, coaches or officials."



Bernadette Palmer | Officiating TSG lead | bernpalmer@googlemail.com

"I am passionate about officiating and want to make sure the East Region leads the way regarding the development of both grassroots and performance officials."



Tiffany Koyas | Engagement and well-being | tiffanykoyas@outlook.com

"I've been playing netball for most of my life and, I am really passionate about helping other people to feel engaged and supported which is why I choose a career in HR. I joined the RMB to help make a difference for the members of East England Netball and I look forward to working with the RMB team on how we can really move our game to the next level."



Rachelle Anderson | Communications/campaigns lead | rachelles.emails@gmail.com

"I love netball and sports development. I want to help current players, coaches and volunteers to feel connected to the netball family, and to share our game with those yet to discover our sport."



Sheelagh Redpath | Netball East president | sheelagh_redpath@yahoo.co.uk

"I am honoured to have been elected as the first president and hope that my role will enable me to meet and work, when needed, with all the members throughout the region who I know share the same netball passion that I do."