



# Annual Report 2012-2013



**Chairman – Monica Vaughan**

A big thank you to the Members of the Regional Board, Technical Support groups, Regional Manager, Regional Co-ordinator and the personnel within our Counties for the time and devotion they have given to developing netball in our region. We had a number of new members on the Regional Board this year and they had a baptism by fire - unfortunately due to other commitments two of our elected board members had to resign. We co-opted two members, myself as Chair and Carol Williams who chaired the Officiating TSG. This year Sue Baldwin is stepping down from the Board but will still be involved in the Performance Technical Support Group a big thanks to Sue who has contributed so much over the years.

The Region has a number of Technical Support Groups (TSG's) and these are chaired by members of the Regional Management Board:

Officers – Monica Vaughan

Finance – Phyllis Avery

Competitions – Carol Alexander

Performance – Phyllis Avery

Coaching – vacant

Officiating – Carol Williams

Communication & Events – Kelly Whittaker

We also have a new role that sits outside the board and reports into the Officers Group and this is the Disciplinary Secretary, Janice Treasure.

We are always looking for people to get involved in the Technical Support Groups and it's an ideal way to get involved in a specific area of interest.

At the EGM held earlier in the year we changed our constitution, recognising that it takes at least a year for new board members to learn about the activities that the Regional Management Board get involved in we extended the term of office for up to 3 years. This change ensures that we have some continuity within the Board and will hopefully provide an opportunity for better succession planning.

We have had an intensive season as we entered the 4 year planning cycle much time and effort has been put into pulling the plans together and hopefully the counties will have finalised their plans ready to start 2013-14 with a bang.

England Netball introduced a new affiliation system via MyNet and there have been some teething problems with getting information and identifying our true membership figures for this season. Phyllis our Treasurer is in constant contact with England Netball to try and establish the figures and to understand the breakdown of our membership.

Last year we had our first Golden Globes event, thanks to Natalie Carmichael who worked tirelessly to make sure the event was a great success.

The Officiating Group held a conference in April which was well received and we hope to run a Conference in 2014 focusing on the younger members of the region, those in their early twenties.

Next year we will be focusing on attaining the objectives we have set in the planning document and working together with county committees to develop a stronger liaison with grassroots netball and ensuring we have a competition structure that supports and provides opportunities for all.

## Competition – Carol Alexander

This was my first year on the RMB and was a steep learning curve when my arm was twisted to Chair the Competition TSG. Initially I had to find out what this entailed and what had been done in planning for 2012-13. Unfortunately there had been some unforeseen difficulties in the previous year and it had resulted in some information going out late. As a group we have made some changes this year and will continue to do so over next 4 years as part of Netball South new strategic plan.

Some of these changes were suggested during discussion with Ian Holloway, EN Competition Manager and after attending the EN Conference for all TSG Regional Chairs.

Our first change was reducing the numbers in the Junior League and to hold an entry tournament for the league. This was a long day but the fairest way to do it with all teams playing everyone to ensure the best 8 teams formed the league in each age group. Plans for 2013-14 are for the entry tournament to be a weekend event for U14/16/19 on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> September and to introduce a new age group at U12. Junior fixtures will be trialled next year on a home/away basis as finding indoor central venue for 3 age groups is almost impossible.

We have also conducted a thorough Rules Review, coming in line with EN Regulations and the 2013-14 Regulations will reflect this. These will enable us to be more flexible with promotion and relegation and work towards 3 Open divisions of 8 teams in each over the coming seasons. This process will be gradual but we are able to start the process as 2 teams disappointingly withdrew from the league this year.

The Regional National Schools Competition was a success, with the weather being kind to us. It was good for South Region to lead the way by having FAST Ambulance there as first aid cover.

This year we had 11 teams enter the U19 league which meant it was not possible to organise on a home and away. To give this age group more competition we ran a successful U19 tournament with 13 teams entering including some from out of region.

We have an end of season tournament planned for 22<sup>nd</sup> June whereby we tried to introduce a Masters section. Unfortunately there were not enough entries for this group but other sections will run as planned.

At the time of writing this we have planned the league Play Offs and all will be decided by the time you read this. We had 4 Counties putting teams forward plus an U19 side and team relegated from Division 3. Congratulations must go to Clan on winning division 1 who went on to gain a place in division 3 of the Premier League at the recently held Premier Play Offs. Congratulations to all other regional teams that gained promotion or won their league.

Dates for next year's league have already been issued to teams from this year and put on the website for any new teams hoping to enter by way of the entry tournament.

All of this work would not be possible without the support from members of the CTSG that run these competitions. Whilst they have done a fantastic job we do need more members to spread the load and be able to move forward and offer new ideas to members. Help is always needed to administer a league or organise an event.

## Officiating – Carol Williams

This has been a difficult year for the OTSG with a change of Chairs in April following a period of uncertainty and direction. However, the group has individually pulled out all the stops to ensure that umpires and tournaments/competitions were supported.

The season has been an extremely busy one for umpires at all levels whether officiating in the local leagues or at Regional and National levels and we are very pleased to see the continued success of our umpires in the South.

The OTSG held its first officiating conference in April this year, which was attended by 70 umpires across the region from all levels. The conference workshops allowed umpires to discuss issues such as contact/contest, game management and a coach's perspective with guest speakers and fellow attendees. This was a very successful event which the OTSG will be looking to replicate on an annual basis.

### **National Appointments**

#### **Premier League Play Off**

Many of our A Award umpires attended the playoffs last weekend which saw one of our regional teams Clan progress into the Premier League and we wish them success for the coming season.

#### **National Schools Finals 2012**

Mark Sheen, Lara Venter, Emma Dell, Chantel Moore, Julie Arnold, Carol Williams, Liz Sywyj, Pat Martyn Smith, Lorraine Parslow, Kat Dooley, Nikki Dewick, Bev Goodman.

#### **National Under 16 Finals**

This year it is being held in Newcastle and all NTL umpires were asked to attend. Unfortunately none of the South Umpires were able to take up this offer.

#### **International Series**

International umpire Janice Treasure went off to Jamaica in June last year for the test series versus South Africa. In October she umpired the Quad Series in Australia and New Zealand (The teams that took part were - Australia, New Zealand, South Africa & England).

#### **EN Premier League**

As well as many of our A Award umpires, some of our B Award umpires were appointed to some Premier League 3rd Div games.

#### **A Award Conference**

A Award Course was held in September at Nottingham University and was attended by a number of South umpires. Some financial support was provided. The Conference for the coming year is being opened to all umpires of all levels for the first time and further details will follow.

### **Courses**

OTSG has organised two B Award courses this year:

November 2012 attended by 11 umpires: Tutor - Jenny Poore

April 2013 attended by 9 umpires: Tutor - Carol Alexander

1 person sat the A written paperwork in November 2012.

4 people sat the A written test paper in May 2013.

Beginner and/or C Award courses have been held by Hampshire, Berkshire, Isle of Wight, Oxford, Sussex, and South Bucks throughout the year.

### **Tests**

Congratulations to the following:

Two new As: Elaine Holmes and Lorraine Parslow

Four new Bs: Christopher Obin, Estelle Ball, Bronwen Rees, Alice Johnson

### **C Awards**

This year saw the continuation across the region of a high number of assessments for beginner and C Awards umpires. During the coming year the region will be working with the county umpiring secretaries who increase our number of learner umpires and those acquiring their umpire awards.

### **Assessors.**

This year saw the re-accreditation of our assessors with courses run by Margaret Deighan and Bill Alexander in December 2012. Not only were we re-accrediting but also learning the new process for assessing umpires which came into affect in January 2013. This now involves the completion of written papers in advance of all practicals and the bleep test for all levels.

### **Open League 1<sup>st</sup> Division**

60 A and B Award umpires have been eligible to officiate during the season for Division 1 but with commitments to Premier League it is a difficult balance to ensure that we have enough umpires for every match. Many thanks to Jenny Poore who organised the umpire schedule and dealt with continuing changes right up to the last minute. Not an easy task but helped enormously by the work of Gillian Frackleton who held the committed umpires list for all divisions which allowed us to target those who may be available at the last minute. A further 23 umpires were available for umpiring the remainder of the leagues.

Once again umpires were very efficient and travelled together when possible. Many thanks to them for their professionalism and commitment

### **NTL League**

This was another successful year for our NTL umpires.

With the addition of umpires having the opportunity to travel to away fixtures, this has been a positive for the umpires and mentors but increased the cost for this season. This would require the allocated funding to be reviewed for the 13-14 season.

We have had three good away trips, with the last to Sheffield, giving the opportunity to video the umpires to which we received positive feedback in helping the umpires progress. On the final trip, Elaine Holmes was selected to umpire the final.

This year we have had the up and coming NTL team playing in Bath. This gave Alice Johnson the opportunity to have an introduction to NTL being at C grade progressing to her B. Danny Neill was so impressed with her that he emailed England Netball to make them aware of our young talented umpire. Alice has now passed her B and has already umpired the final Team South fixture working with her mentor Carol Alexander.

At the Umpire Conference we have had a number of new umpires asking to become part of the NTL team including:  
Catherine Robertson  
Chris Obin  
Estelle Ball  
Alice Johnson

During the away fixtures, Tracy Stubbs and Nicola Lindsay have received training with regards to the International paperwork and Tracy is keen to attend an official course and progress with regards to table officiating.

### **U14/U16 Regional League**

This season counties had to provide their own umpires who were then mentored at the matches. Mentors have been Gillian Frackleton, Carol Williams, Nicola Lindsay and Jenny Poore.

### **Schools Regional Round U14/16/19** – January 2013 High Wycombe

33 umpires officiated on the day: 1 x IUA, 7 x As, 14 x Bs, 11 x Cs. Two umpires withdrew within 24 hours of the tournament, one on the day of tournament. Thanks to the court layout we were able to easily distribute these extra score/umpire cards at the umpires' meeting.

Umpires appreciated the hot drinks that were always available – and the sandwiches for those who were quick enough to notice they were there! Thank you Chantel Moore and members of SBCNA.

This tournament would not have been possible without the support and full cooperation of all the umpires who officiated, many of whom went home with some positive feedback provided by experienced non-active umpires who combined this with the role of court manager.

The following umpires featured in the final rounds:

Under 14s

Semis: Mark Sheen, Lorraine Parslow, Estelle Ball and Chris Obin  
Final: Olivia Johnson and Chantel Moore

Under 16s

Semis: Pam Nebbett, Elaine Holmes, Liz Biswell and Dickon Adams  
Final: Emma Dell and Vanessa Clothier

Under 19s

Semis: Janice Treasure, Kaz Merchant, Julie Arnold and Nicola Lindsay  
Final: Bev Goodman and Sharon Penny

Umpires provided for Inter Services Championships in March 2013. OTSG would like to formally record its appreciation of the support given to the region from the Armed Forces.

Once again, I would like to thank very much the hard work done by the OTSG. We have had a number of meetings this year to discuss the organisation of umpires for the many tournaments which are now being held as well as confirming tests and courses taking place. We have also built up our working relationships with the Competitions Group and now match up with colleagues as required to ensure that umpires or mentors are provided for competitions.

**Carol Williams**

On behalf of the OTSG:

Jenny Poore, Gillian Frackelton, Nicola Lindsay, Bev Goodman, Kim Simmons

**Officers group – Monica Vaughan**

Following the AGM in June, Monica Vaughan was co-opted to the position of Chair in order to support the region with the influx of new board members. In September 2012 the RMB established an Officers Group Technical Support Group. The Officers Group consists of Chair, Treasurer and Regional Manager and the group meet to discuss and agree proposals to be put forward to the RMB on strategy, governance, updating the constitution and planning. This year we have focused on the governance and changes in the constitution. The constitution was agreed at an EGM in March which provides a 3 year term of office, more recognition of the TSGs and ability to vet candidates for RMB against clear criteria. The new governance document was approved by the RMB in February.

We had 5 new board members join our merry band at the AGM last year, unfortunately due to personal commitments 2 of these members had to resign their position. In addition one of our more established board members had to step down due to work commitments. Carol Williams was invited to join the board.

This year has been a year of consolidation and setting the scene for future years. We are currently in the process of finalising our 4 year plan that we will be presenting at the AGM.

The planning process has identified gaps in our resources and next year we need to look at how we can fill some of these positions especially in the Technical Support Groups.

2011/12 saw a record number of complaints in the Region and a number of complaints reached England Netball. I'm pleased to confirm that none of the complaints raised this year have been escalated outside of the region and we have seen a reduction in the number of complaints.

Our key objectives for 2013/14

- Finalise the 4 year plan
- Quarterly reporting against the 4 year plan
- Recruiting volunteers with the right skills for the task
- Embedding the Competition Structure and increasing the age range in the Regional League, testing out home and away venues for all regional league competition
- Developing a sound communication strategy that meets the needs of all of our members
- Training of RMB/TSG members

### County and Satellite Academies

Berkshire, Hampshire, Oxfordshire, South Bucks and Sussex ran both County and Satellite Academies. North Bucks had a combined academy, as did the Isle of Wight.

Netball South has included County and Satellite athletes and Academy Coaches in Play-Days. Selected by their Academy coaches, the athletes were invited to play with some Regional Academy athletes so that both athletes and coaches were able to see where they were in terms of their netball skills and game understanding and a feel for what is required at the next level. Led by Elly Moore (Regional Excel Coach) and assisted by Academy Coaches, the Play-Days were in Reading in December and in Winchester and Reading in April.

At the April events, Elly held a meeting with those Coaches and other representatives present to re-cap on England Netball's new Performance Pathway including how the increased requirements would affect delivery at county academies.

The Academies Festival was held at Oasis Purple, Southampton, on 21 April 2013. The athletes who attended the Festival had been pre-selected by their Academy Coaches. A team of scouts/selectors were present, and successful athletes have been invited to attend the Player Development Programme at Bradfield College on either 1st and 2<sup>nd</sup> June (for the younger girls) or 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> June (for the older girls). The Academy Coaches have all been invited to attend and/or help at both weekends, and all of the Region's scouts have also been invited to observe.

The PDP is a series of coaching sessions during which the athletes are observed by the Coaches and Selectors who are looking for those who have attained the netball skills outlined in the Netball Excel Framework. Selected athletes will be invited to attend the Regional Academy screening event on 16<sup>th</sup> June.

### Regional Academies

These have been held on alternate Monday evenings for 2 hours in Winchester, coached by Elly Moore (20 athletes), and in Oxford, coached by Lisa Manning (12 athletes). Ages range from 13 – 17.

### Regional Excel Academy (to be renamed Regional Performance Academy)

This has been held in Winchester on alternate Monday evenings and comprises England Netball national Excel athletes plus some Team South squad members. In addition, early morning training sessions have been held in Winchester, Aylesbury and Beaconsfield for national athletes. Ages range from 15 – 18.

Following a screening process in the region (which included some physical tests), a number of athletes attended National Screening. Congratulations to those successful athletes who are now in the National Performance Academy (NPA):-

Alana John	Under 17
Tash Pavelin	Under 17
Elsa Wakeman	Under 19

Additionally, Lily-May Catling and Lucy Read have both been invited to attend NPA positional days in May, June and July.

Netball South athletes are also playing for SuperLeague franchises Team Bath, Surrey Storm, Hertfordshire Mavericks and Loughborough Lightning.

### TEAM SOUTH

Team South plays in the Netball Talent League which is the top U19 league in England and Wales. There are 10 teams – 8 of which are associated with the Netball SuperLeague franchises.

The following athletes were selected into the Team South squad for the 2012-2013 season:-

Lily-May Catling	Becky Cook (development squad) withdrew
Harriet Crossen	Natalie Douthwaite
Katie Hayward	Alana John
Charlotte Maxfield	Tash Pavelin (development squad promoted to full squad)
Lucy Read (squad Captain)	Laura Rudland
Freya Szmids (withdrew)	Becca Suzan
Jade Traynor	Brooke Wakeman (development squad)
Elsa Wakeman	Leanne Whalley (Vice-Captain)

Fran Williams (development squad)

Head Coach: Elly Moore Assistant Coach: Tricia Kilcynski  
Team Manager: Sue Baldwin Team Physio: Simon Brown

Weekly training sessions were held at Loddon Valley Leisure Centre from 6.30 – 9.30pm. Training weekly helped the athletes to work together as a unit, and the 3-hour sessions allowed for all aspects of Performance to be covered (physical, mental, technical and tactical).

At the round-robin tournament prior to the start of the league, Team South finished second.

Unfortunately, Lucy Read (squad Captain) was injured at the Opening Weekend and was sidelined for the early part of the season, which was a massive blow.

Only two matches were scheduled as 'home' fixtures – against Celtic Dragons in January, won by Team South, and against Hertfordshire Mavericks in February, won by Mavericks, despite Team South having the lead at half time. The rest of the matches were 'away', involving one or two nights stay away, with the team travelling to Sheffield, Loughborough, Walsall and Sheffield again. Results were mixed, with the team starting well and getting a healthy lead, but unable to sustain the pressure for the full 60 minutes. Overall our position in the league was 8<sup>th</sup>.

On the final day - in the Challenge Competition – Team South finished second in the Challenge Plate.

Team	P	W	L	D	+	-	+/-	GA	PTS
<b>Manchester Thunder Youth</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>239</b>	<b>1.96</b>	<b>45</b>
Yorkshire Jets Youth	9	8	1	0	450	388	62	1.16	41
Team Bath Youth	9	6	3	0	384	357	27	1.08	33
Surrey Storm Youth	9	4	3	2	384	323	61	1.19	31
Mavericks Youth	9	3	5	1	411	397	14	1.04	26
Lboro Lightning Youth	9	3	5	1	359	370	-11	0.97	24
Junior Dragons	9	4	5	0	319	419	-100	0.76	23
Team South	9	3	5	1	345	416	-71	0.83	21
West Midlands Warriors	9	2	6	1	304	372	-68	0.82	18
Team Northumbria Youth	9	0	9	0	266	419	-153	0.63	8

We would like to thank all the parents who ferried their daughters around so willingly and patiently, and also helped organise a raffle at the 'home' matches to raise funds to support Team South.

A number of the athletes will no longer be eligible for Team South U19s next season as they are off to University or trialling for teams with a SuperLeague franchise. Trials for Team South for the coming season will take place at Bradfield College on Sunday, 16<sup>th</sup> June.

#### TEAM SOUTH NEXT GENERATION

Netball South has formed an U17 squad from athletes in the Regional Academies, in preparation for when England Netball introduces the Foundation League. The squad, which has been training in the latter part of the season at Loddon Valley Leisure Centre with the Team South NTL athletes, was invited on two occasions to play in Bath, on the competition court, against Team Bath Futures prior to a televised Netball SuperLeague match. A very exciting opportunity, with the squad well-beating Team Bath Futures on the first occasion, but losing by six goals on the second.

The Next Generation squad for the coming season will be selected following the Regional Academy screening event on 16<sup>th</sup> June.

## **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF NETBALL SOUTH**

I have audited the financial statements of Netball South for the year ending 30th April 2013 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account and the Balance Sheet. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely for the members of Netball South so that I might state to those members those matters I am required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than to Netball South and the members of Netball South as a body, for my audit work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

### **Scope of the Audit of financial statements**

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the organisation's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the members; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

### **Opinion on financial statements**

In my opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of Netball South's affairs as at 30th April 2013 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

### **Opinion on other matters required by exception**

I have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where it is appropriate to report to you if, in my opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received; or
- the financial statements to be audited are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- I have not received all the information and explanations we require for my audit.

### **Recommendations from previous Audit**

There were no recommendations in the previous audit.

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4<sup>th</sup> June 2013

## NETBALL SOUTH

### Balance of Accounts as at 30th April 2013

Balance Bwfd 2012	£	87,207.31
Coaches Association Deposit Account Bwfd	£	5,494.96
Coaches Association Current Account Bwfd	£	462.78
Umpires Account Bwfd	£	620.86
Income over Expenditure	£	7,740.26
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Accounts balance to be carried down	£	101,526.17

### Made up as follows

Main Current Account	£	44,741.52
Deposit Account	£	55,834.14
Coaches Association Deposit Account	£	5,499.36
Coaches Association Current Account	£	462.78
Umpiring A/C	£	81.28
Less Unpresented Cheques	£	5,092.91
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	£	101,526.17

Statement as at 30th April 2013



			<b>Coaching support</b>	£ 1,080.00	£ 1,080.00
Default cheques	£ 405.00	£ 10,335.00	<b>Back to Netball</b>	£ 192.50	£ 192.50
			<b>RMB Meetings</b>	£ 2,193.09	£ 2,193.09
<b>Regional round National schools t'ment</b>	£ 2,100.00	£ 2,100.00	<b>Umpiring</b>	£ 7,600.00	£ 7,600.00
			<b>AGM 2012</b>	£ 988.09	£ 988.09
<b>Player Development Prog.</b>	£ 4,615.00	£ 4,615.00			
<b>Come and Play</b>	£ 335.00	£ 335.00	<b>TSG Meetings</b>		
			Communications	£ 42.80	
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	£ 220.00	£ 220.00	Competitions	£ 585.52	
			Performance	£ 243.85	
			Coaching	£ 128.00	£ 1,000.17
			<b>Administration</b>	£ 2,066.02	£ 2,066.02
			<b>Miscellaneous</b>	£ 453.24	£ 453.24
					<u>£ 6,700.61</u>
	<u>£ 60,154.06</u>	<u>£ 147,361.37</u>		<u>£ 51,923.26</u>	<u>£ 51,923.26</u>
Umpiring Account	£ 8,700.14	£ 8,700.14	Umpiring Account	£ 9,239.72	£ 9,239.72
<b>Bank Interest</b>					
Deposit Account	£ 44.64	£ 44.64			
Coaches Association account	£ 4.40	£ 4.40			
	<b>£ 68,903.24</b>	<b>£ 156,110.57</b>		<b>£ 61,162.98</b>	<b>£ 61,162.98</b>

<b>Bfwd 2012/2013</b>	<u>£ 87,207.31</u>	
<b>Coaches Association Deposit Balance Bfwd</b>	£ 5,494.96	
<b>Coaches Association Current Balance Bfwd</b>	£ 462.78	
<b>Umpiring Account Balance Bfwd</b>	£ 620.86	
<b>Revised Balance Bfwd</b>	<u>£ 93,785.91</u>	
<b>Expenditures 2012/2013</b>	£ 61,162.98	
<b>Income 2012/2013</b>	<u>£ 68,903.24</u>	
<b>Balance 2012/2013</b>	£ 7,740.26	
	<u><u>£101,526.17</u></u>	to be carried forward 2013/2014

**Made up of:**

Current account:	£ 44,741.52	Statement as at 30th April 2013
Deposit account	£ 55,834.14	Statement as at 30th April 2013
Coaches Association Deposit	£ 5,499.36	Statement as at 30th April 2013
Coaches Association Current	£ 462.78	Statement as at 30th April 2013
Umpiring Account	£ 81.28	Statement as at 30th April 2013
	£106,619.08	
Less Un-presented Cheques	£ 5,092.91	
	<u>£ 101,526.17</u>	Balance

## NETBALL SOUTH UMPIRING ACCOUNT as at 30 April 2013

### INCOME

Brought forward	£ 620.86
Netball South	7,600.00
Course fees	940.00
'B' Assessments	160.00
Miscellaneous	.14

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£9,321.00

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### EXPENDITURE

Resource packs	£ 204.00
Venue hire	283.00
Tutor fees and travel	697.60
'B' Award assessments	314.00
Mentors	56.40
Course subsidy	975.00
OTSG expenses	429.78
Junior League entry tournament	586.80
Open League entry tournament	227.60
Regional Junior League	778.26
Open League, Div. 1	2,114.26
National Schools regional round	635.70
Trials and NTL	1,702.22
Miscellaneous	235.10
Balance carry forward 2013/14	<u>81.28</u>

£9,321.00

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## NETBALL SOUTH - PROJECTED BUDGET 2013/14

<u>Item of activity</u>	<u>Projected income</u>	<u>Projected expenditure</u>	<u>Net figure</u>	<u>Explanation</u>
Affiliations	£22,500	£ -	£22,500	Includes 185 schools @ £3
Administration	£ -	£7,000	-£7,000	RMB and TSGs expenses, hire of meeting rooms, website support, travel, meetings with county chairs, AGM and Golden Globes expenses
Competitions and Events (Regional leagues, National Schools Regional round and festivals)	£10,000	£8,500	£1,500	Income goes towards hire of courts, trophies, umpire expenses
<b>Netball Talent League</b>	£6,000	£20,000	-£14,000	Based on running costs for previous years and allowing for increased training sessions and including NTL umpire expenses
<b>Talent Support</b>	£18,500	£24,000	-£5,500	Includes PDP, Regional academies, Summer Camp, Come & Play, Talent/Scouting, Coaching courses, Bursaries
<b>Umpiring</b>	£1,000	£8,000	-£7,000	B' award courses and assessing, mentoring, Div. 1 Open League umpire expenses. Excludes NTL and Junior League umpire expenses.
<b>Coaching</b>	£1,200	£7,000	-£5,800	
<b>Back to Netball</b>	£ -	£2,500	-£2,500	
<b>Teacher training</b>	£ -	£2,000	-£2,000	
<b>Communication &amp; Events</b>	£ -	£3,000	-£3,000	
<b>Support for Young Volunteers</b>	£ -	£1,000	-£1,000	
<b>Regional Technical Conference</b>	£ -	£4,000	-£4,000	
<b><u>Total</u></b>	<b><u>£59,200</u></b>	<b><u>£87,000</u></b>	<b><u>-£27,800</u></b>	



2012/13 has been a particularly busy and progressive year for netball in the South and across the country. Nationally we received the news in December that Sport England had confirmed an increase in its investment in England Netball to £25.3 million for 2013/17 representing a staggering increase of 35%.

This is an outstanding award and a real recognition of the journey we have all been on over the last four years. We have built a reputation and a track record as a top performing sport and the scale of this investment demonstrates Sport England's confidence that we will continue to grow and flourish as a sport.

This success has been as a result of a new innovative approach we have adopted that puts the netballer at the centre of everything we do. We have started to develop different initiatives and products that fit with what players want, whether they are returning to the sport or looking to be England players of the future. We know that it is important that playing netball fits with players lifestyles so that netball is a sport for life!



This initiative is still having a huge impact on netball across the South with an additional 34 programmes being run this year engaging over 600 new participants back into netball. There is still a focus on ensuring the participants are able to continue to play netball in their local community beyond the initial 8 – 12 week introductory programme with exit routes into clubs and local leagues. Over the summer month's staff will be helping to run Back to Netball Festivals where different Back to Netball groups will be invited to meet and play against other fellow Back to Netballers across the counties in the South.



The Netball Development Officers have also been working with schools and clubs not only to establish School Club Links but also supporting the county level school games which runs in each county. These games see High 5 Netball along with junior netball being played with young volunteers helping to run the days. With the introduction of free primary school affiliation we've seen an increase in primary schools affiliation and using the online High 5 resources which is engaging players at the entry level.



Our club accreditation scheme CAPS continues to work alongside Sport England's Clubmark accreditation and we now have many of the junior clubs within the region accredited. During the last 12 months the following clubs have achieved CAPS accreditation, congratulations to them all.....

## Bronze

New Forest Hoops NC	Hampshire
Meon	Hampshire
Banbury	Oxfordshire
Raggydolls	North Bucks
Galaxy	South Bucks
High Wycombe Junior NC	South Bucks
Mk Fusion	North Bucks

## Bronze Re-accreditation

Fareham Fireflys	Hampshire
Fleming NC	Hampshire
Solent NC	IOW
Wallingford	Oxfordshire

## Silver

Meon	Hampshire
Rudgwick	Sussex
RBWM	Berkshire

## Silver Re-accreditation

Andover Arrows	Hampshire
Netball United	North Bucks
Trinity	Oxfordshire



The regional unit has again organised a number of UKCC courses (5x Level 1, 2x Level 2 and 1x Level 2 upgrade). This has had a positive impact on the numbers of qualified coaches delivering within the region providing over an additional 270 new Level 1 coaches and over 130 new Level 2 coaches. The Region will continue to develop the course planning process so that the numbers of qualified coaches continues to grow as well as work with the Coaching Technical Support.

In addition to the coach qualifications, the NDO's have organised 6 of the series of six coach workshops (On the Ball, On the Move, Sharp Shooting, Activate, Lets get Physical & Winning the Ball) across the region.

The National Make the Game Live – coaching conference held in Birmingham in September saw 27 coaches from the South attend a two day conference where they got the opportunity to attend a variety of participation and performance workshops led by the National England Netball Coaches. This shows the commitment of the coaches in the South to develop their knowledge and skills to support their players, the South Region was pleased to offer bursaries to those coaches who attend.



This year the Region has seen a significant increase in young volunteers taking up the volunteer programmes available with the Region now boasting over 170 Pass on your Passion volunteers registered and recruiting a further 15 Youth Advisors this year. These two initiatives both encourage young volunteers to continue their involvement as a netball volunteer by rewarding them for their time as well as giving those adults involved in netball the chance to get view points from young people. The aim now is to look at how we can engage with these volunteers to help deliver our netball plan



There have been some changes to staff over the last few months so below is a list of the current staff within the team as follows:

Regional Manager	Anna Young (full time)
Regional Co-ordinator	Tracey Southgate (full time) – on maternity leave from June ‘13 Amy Hewick (full time Maternity Cover from June ‘13)
Regional Excel Coach	Elly Moore (28hrs per week)
Berkshire NDO	Lillie Crapper (3 days per week)
Buckinghamshire NDO	Ellen Mclvor (3 days per week)
Hampshire & IOW NDO	Emily Loftus (full time)
Oxfordshire NDO	Lil Roe (3 days per week)
Sussex NDO	Hannah Brooks (full time)

#### Netball Development Community Coaches (NDCC’s)

Buckinghamshire	Geri Moore (full time)
Southampton	Carey McCormick (full time - maternity cover)



I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers that work tirelessly for netball, be it on the Regional Management Board, a Technical Support Group, a County Committee or within a club or other local setting, your contribution really is appreciated and is what enables the thousands and thousands of netballers to enjoy regular netballing activities.

Within the South it is clear to see that it has been a busy 12 months, I look forward to working with you all over the next 12 months to continue to develop Netball in the South and deliver our four year plan.

### County Reports - Berkshire

Berkshire Netball has once again had a very successful season. The success of netball within our County is due to the many players, coaches, umpires, league administrators, team managers, club managers, scorers and other volunteers who give up so much of their time to ensure there are plenty of opportunities for our members to participate in netball in whatever capacity they choose to. Thank you to everyone who has been involved in netball in some way during the 2012/13 season and also to the members of the Board who have worked tirelessly throughout the year.

Berkshire Netball has also been busy this year in a number of ways:-

- Run a very successful indoor junior league which attracts teams from outside of the County as well as within Berkshire
- Provided financial support for Level 1 and 2 Coaches to gain their qualifications
- Provided financial supported to Umpires to achieve their awards
- Organised a Berkshire Netball Awards evening attended by over 500 people to celebrate the successes and achievements of people within Berkshire

- Organised and run Under 16 and Under 14 Academies for almost 60 talented young players, many of whom have been selected to attend the South PDP programme
- Hosted various coaching workshops as part of the Excel programme
- Organised and run the County round of the National Schools competition
- Provided bursaries to help support talented athletes within the Performance Pathway
- Representatives of the Board attended the National Coaching Conference in September 2012
- Launched a new website with all the news from Berkshire and beyond which has had over 8,000 hits from 3,000 users since it went live and is proving to be a great tool to communicate with our members
- Berkshire now also has a representative on the England Netball Youth Advisory Group, Libby Turner of B's Netball Club, who spoke very eloquently at our Awards Evening about her role and the drive by England Netball to engage with young people to find out what they want from netball. Libby is a great ambassador for our sport and will hopefully inspire more youngsters to get involved with volunteering.

We have continued to benefit from the work of Lillie Crapper, England Netball Development Officer who has helped and supported the board in particular with regard to Back to Netball, Excel workshops, CAPS and school-club links. We have also enjoyed working with Netball South and are grateful for the support and advice provide by both Anna Young and Tracey Southgate when dealing with various matters during the course of the year.

We are looking forward to building on these successes next season and continuing to support our members in the best way we can.

### **Guernsey**

After a few quiet years Guernsey Netball has now set up an elite group in "Guernsey Panthers ". We have chosen to roll this out with ALL of our age groups and now have a single identity with Panthers starting at U11 going right through to Seniors & Veterans. We have introduced Coaches, Managers and Umpires at all levels. We hope to build a strong team ethic ensuring we identify and keep the very best Netball players on the Island interested in our sport. This is a long term plan and we hope to see the major benefits develop over the coming years. It is our intention to travel to many more UK competitions, with all of our teams, and also to welcome more teams to the Island to compete here.

Our first season was very successful, with visits from Royal Navy and Kent Club taking place also, away games against Clan all of which were very beneficial. We hope to continue with similar matches in the forthcoming season. We had some great feedback from the teams who visited the island so we know we can put on a good event. Why not come over and see for yourselves?

### **Hampshire – Carol Alexander**

As many of you know by now this is my last year as chair of HNA, something I announced back in September. I have been chair since the amalgamation of East, Mid and North Hampshire to form one County Netball Association. During that time I have led the committee in the hope to unite the various areas of Hampshire with one purpose to improve netball. The small committee we have work hard to promote netball but are stretched to the limit. The lack of help and support from leagues led my decision to stand down.

Over the last 12 months HNA have continued to work for the good of netball. One of our first tasks was to write the new 4 year plan. A fruitful meeting was held with league chairs that was well attended but little has come out of it except the committee writing of the plan which is now complete.

Our major success this year is the formation of the All Hampshire Junior Netball League for U12/13/14/16 age groups, with over 300 players involved from 13 clubs with some entering more than one team in an age group.. Plans for next year are to expand to include U11. All this was only achievable with the dedication and commitment of committee member Sarah Wakeman.

We also continued to support our schools with tournaments for U12/14/16/19 incorporating the county round of the National School competition whereby the top 2 schools in each age group went onto the regional round where

PGS and Peter Symonds earned places in the National Final. Our High 5 competition will again take place at the School Games later this month.

Our Academy programme for U14 and U16 was increased this year in line with recommendations from England Netball. Not only was the number of weeks increased but the addition of matches against other Academies was included.

We again took the time to recognise our volunteers at our Golden Globe event in April. All nominees were invited and winners from each category have been forwarded to the South Region Golden Globes in June. At this even we also recognised the talent of our England players Mia Ritchie and Elsa Wakeman. My thanks must go to Jo Cridland for all the work she did in co-ordinating this event to make it such a success.

I must also congratulate Hampshire club Weston Park Blades on retaining their place in Division 1 of the Premier League for next season.

HNA also had their own playoffs for leagues to qualify for a place at the Regional Play Off. Again we had 4 teams interested and the eventual winners were Shooting Stars 2 who will represent HNA on 19<sup>th</sup> May. Next year HNA propose to run a County Open league and the only route to Regional Play Off will be via this league.

We have again run umpiring courses at a Beginner and C Award Level. Four Beginner Courses will have been held for 64 new umpires and have tested and passed 23 since last year. There are still another 15 that have passed the theory element and are in the system to be tested for their practical. Unfortunately we only ran one C Course with three having to be cancelled due to lack of numbers. However we did have 30 umpires tested for their C Award with 16 successfully gaining the award. Our thanks go to all players that have supported these courses. Congratulations also go to Lorraine Parslow on achieving her 'A Award. HNA also supported all testers to become re-accredited on the new testing process.

We hope you like our revamped website which has been re-organised in the hope it is easier to find items. Any enquiries from our website are answered or directed to a person that can help. However it does help if more information is given when enquiring. "I want to join a netball club" is not very helpful.

Another new initiative this year was for HNA to support the Wessex Heartbeat Charity 2013 where primary schools were invited to join the netball challenge to develop school netball through 5 key skills. A scheme devised by Jo Cridland. HNA have been affected by the introduction of MyNet and the teething trouble it presented.

The number of clubs affiliated has dropped this year by 16 to 213. In total we have 2987 affiliated adults and 940 juniors. The number of primary schools has increased to 50 which is still very low for something that does not cost anything.

I cannot end this report without thanking all of the committee for their work and support not only for this last year but for my time as Chair. HNA do need more members on the committee and the old saying of 'many hands makes light work' is very true. If only more would do a little it would be a great help for all involved.

### **Isle of Wight**

2012/13 has been a steady season for Isle of Wight netball. Unfortunately due to the disbanding of two clubs, we had to make the decision to reduce our Senior League from two divisions to one.

However, to try to encourage old and new players to try this great sport, the Friday night social netball evening was introduced. It has been a great success with a high turnout, and with a mixture of ages and abilities. A great deal of fun has been had by all, thank you to Carol O'Brien for her inspiration and enthusiasm throughout many cold and wet Friday evenings.

We were able to support our two County Academy coaches in attending the National Coaching Conference. They both thoroughly enjoyed the weekend. The plan is for them to pass on the experience and information gained to other coaches on the Island.

We are very proud of Ashlyn Dickinson for her hard work in being selected for the Regional Academy. This is a great achievement as she is only 13.

Over the season we have organised:

- Friday night Social Netball Evenings
- IW Senior League & Junior Leagues
- IW Senior & Junior Tournaments
- Four primary school Hi 5 Cluster Tournaments plus a Finals day.
- The County Round of the National Schools Competition
- Defence and attacking play workshops for adults, run by Peter Carter
- Gwyn Foster Development Academy for players age 11- 14
- County/Satellite Academy

Isle of Wight Netball will conclude the season with a Summer League for senior players.

### **North Buckinghamshire**

It has been another successful year for netball in North Bucks.

There have been a large number of successful Back to Netball sessions held, thanks to Geri Moore NDCC and the support of local coaches. This has helped increase participation in the local leagues with the entry of new teams.

There has also been a focus on improving umpiring standards. This has been supported at County by hosting 2 beginner and C award courses and a C-B workshop which have all been well attended. We have also had 10 Beginners and 4 C awards pass their tests.

For the first time this season we had a Talent Development Officer to oversee the running of the Academies. This has proved to be worthwhile with all but one of the athletes (a total of thirteen) who attended the regional festival being invited to attend the 2013 Player Development Programme at the beginning of June.

As a committee we have been developing our four-year-plan and this has taken a significant amount of time and co-ordination with stakeholders. This will be used to shape the netball in North Bucks over years to come.

### **Oxfordshire**

Oxfordshire Netball has had another good year as we have settled into our new netball courts and adjusted to central venue netball. We are beginning to see the increases in participation we were hoping for. We've had an increase in teams in all three leagues across the county - juniors as well as seniors, in addition to new clubs. Along with Lil, our development officer, Back2Netball schemes are running well across the county and corporate netball and competition is being run, as well as a host of other new initiatives to increase participation.

The officers have been working hard to keep up with the increasing demand for new umpires, as well as raising the umpiring standards across the county, and for coaches to continue to develop their skills through workshops and mentoring opportunities.

The committee has worked hard to produce our 4 year development plan, which has a heavier focus on developing more netball in schools and provision for younger players.

With our Chair, Maggie Fisher, standing down at our upcoming AGM, we wish to take this opportunity to thank her for her hard work and continuing dedication to netball, knowing that she will be working hard in new initiatives and roles within the county as we continue to move forward.

## South Bucks

The adult and junior leagues continue to run well both at Kingsmead Netball Centre and in Chalfont. The weather caused a few problems over the winter, but we managed to get all the rescheduled games in before the summer season started.

The High Wycombe Junior Netball Club is as popular as ever with a waiting list, we will look at ways over the next few years to alleviate this problem. Thanks to all the volunteers that help run the junior clubs and leagues, without them they could not run. The schools and clubs that represented South Bucks in the various tournaments and leagues over the last year did us proud, and it was great to see Beaconsfield High School u16's win the National School Finals in March. Well Done.

Our Academies ran well for both the Under 16's and 14's, we will be extending the number of sessions for each age group for the 2013/2014 academies.

As always the committee members work very hard to keep the netball centre and the leagues running smoothly, it isn't always easy!

We now have 2 new C Award umpire tutors, Kaz Merchant and Carolyn Davies and the plan is to run a number of courses and mentor these umpires over the next 12 months.

Back to Netball has become very popular in South Bucks with a lot sessions being run during the week and a Back to Netball league too.

If anyone would like to hire Kingsmead Netball Centre for tournaments please contact:

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## Sussex

### Hannah Brooks

I have been the Sussex Netball Development Officer for three years. Over this time it's been great to form relationships with those who are passionate about netball in the county. It's been a busy year with more good news stories! See below some of the highlights.

Back to Netball My Game	<p>Sussex Netball received an additional £3090 funding directly from England Netball. Aim of this project was to build on the successes of Back to Netball in Sussex and help to fund programmes in targeted areas. This funded a total of six programmes encouraging 171 ladies back in to netball.</p> <p>Sessions will continue to run in new venues and offer a fun, energetic and social way to return to the sport. As a result of this programme two new teams have gone on to enter Sussex leagues.</p>
University Netball Officer	<p>England Netball pilot in 2012 to recruit voluntary netball officers based within Universities. The main aim was to increase the amount of netball played on the University campus by those not in the University teams.</p> <p>Chichester University was selected to host an UNO for the pilot year. Results have been great and the project is set to continue in 2013/14.</p>
Junior Netball	<p><b>Sussex Junior Netball Club Forum</b> Continuing to grow from 2012, club based forum. Representation on this forum from nine different junior clubs in 2012.</p> <p><b>Sussex County Junior Netball Tournaments</b> – Supported by myself and SCNA. The 2012 competition saw an increase from last year with 8 junior clubs represented, with 43 different teams entering.</p> <p><b>New Junior Clubs-</b> New junior clubs across Sussex, welcome to Midhurst Netball Club, Bognor Netball Club, Horsham Stars Netball Club, Seaford U11's</p>

	<p>and Peacehaven U11's.</p> <p><b>Sussex School Games</b> Netball represented in Sussex School County Finals. As development officer I put myself forward to sit on the Local Organising Committee to represent all National Governing Bodies who were taking part in the first Sussex School Games.</p> <p>3<sup>rd</sup> July 2012 – Yr 7 and High five netball finals winners Our Lady of Sion and West Park School respectively (Southern area) 6<sup>th</sup> March 2013 – Yr 7 Netball Finals Winners Our Lady Of Sion</p>
Club Action Planning Scheme (CAPS)	<p>CAPS – England Netball specific version of Clubmark. Congratulations to Rudgwick Netball Club in Horsham for achieving their Silver level CAPS in 2012.</p>
Coaching Courses and CPD Workshops	<p><b>Coaching Courses</b> UKCC Level One- 13 attended Sussex based course with 16 new coaches qualified in 2012 UKCC Level Two – 6 attended Sussex based course with 7 new coaches qualified in 2012</p> <p><b>Coach Workshops</b> May 2012 Talent Identification- 13 attendees November 2012 Essential Attacking Skills for Netball – 15 attendees March 2013 Sharp Shooting – 15 attendees</p>
Funding	<p>Active Sussex via <b>Coach Sussex</b> have contributed £1500 towards the qualification of 5 UKCC Level one netball coaches and 5 UKCC Level two netball coaches, who have then gone out to deliver netball to those aged 14 – 25 in the community.</p> <p>Sussex County Netball Association bursary has also been updated and information about this fund can be found on <a href="http://www.sussexnetball.com/funding.php">www.sussexnetball.com/funding.php</a></p>
Umpiring	<p>Since April 2012 Sussex has organised six beginner umpire courses, (103 participants) and two towards C courses (40 participants).</p> <p>November 2012- Held the first cross league Umpire Secretary meeting with six league representatives attending from across Sussex.</p>
County Academies	<p>This year saw 152 (118 previous year) girls take part in the Sussex academy trials. After trials, filling sixty places, twenty in each of the following:</p> <p>U16 County Academy U14 County Satellite Academy Development Academy</p> <p>The 2012 – 2013 season saw an increase in the amount of coaching hours received by those in the U16 County Academy. Thanks goes to the SCNA and academy coaches for all their hard work both at the sessions and behind the scenes. Julie House, Pete Carter, Lisa Packer, Tamsin Back, Rebecca Jutson, Jo Barnes and Ellen Franks.</p> <p>Success at the Regional Festival, with 27 girls being selected for Player Development Pathway with the hope of being selected for the Regional Academy 2013. Increase on the 16 taken forward last year.</p>
Safeguarding	<p>Thirty volunteers within Junior Netball Clubs in Sussex have been CRB checked this year.</p>

Menu Of Opportunity (MOO)	An extensive audit of netball activity in Sussex has been completed, detailing netball activity across Sussex broken down to Local Authority level. Data will be used to target new programmes in 2013-2017.
Whole Sport Planning 2013 - 2017	Sport England have continued to fund England Netball over the next four years. A whole Sport Plan has been devised and projects are being rolled out across the country, it's going to be an exciting four years for netball in England. Sussex County Netball Association are working on finalising County plans for Sussex.

Thank you to the Sussex County Netball Association, who work hard as volunteers to develop and support netball in Sussex.

For news, courses and regular updates please visit [www.sussexnetball.com](http://www.sussexnetball.com) or join us on twitter @sussexnetball or Facebook Sussex Netball