

# NETBALL NEWS BULLETIN

Black Country See it in colour



## Introduction



Welcome!! My name is Sally Kendrick and I'm the newly appointed Netball Development Officer replacing Emma Warren.

Due to the fantastic job Emma did whilst in this post, I have decided to follow in her footsteps and continue producing the newsletter.

The bulletin is designed to keep you up to date with local netball information, news and events.

If you have anything you would like to appear in the next issue, December 2009 please contact me via email before 25th November 2009, at [sally.kendrick@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:sally.kendrick@englandnetball.co.uk)



## CAPS update

Well done to the following clubs in achieving the **Bronze** CAPS accreditation at their club:

Chase District– Staffs  
TFKA Coseley– South Staffs

WOULD YOUR CLUB LIKE TO EXPLORE THE BENEFITS OF CAPS?  
OR, IS YOUR CLUBS CAPS FOLDER READY FOR SUBMITTING?

Please get in contact to arrange a meeting.  
Sally Kendrick- Netball Development  
E– [sally.kendrick@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:sally.kendrick@englandnetball.co.uk)



## News & Events

### Academy Trials

Staffordshire & South Staffordshire Academy trials have now taken place.

A big well done to all the girls who attended the trial dates and congratulations to those who were successful.

Thank you to all those involved in the trials.

### Sandwell Back to Netball

Congratulations to the Sandwell Back to Netball project which successfully ran for 10 weeks over the summer period. In total, approximately 50 females attended the project.

Another B2N is planned for in the New Year in Sandwell, keep up the good work.

Any clubs who are recruiting new players please contact myself or Mandy Williams [mandy\\_williams@sandwell.gov.uk](mailto:mandy_williams@sandwell.gov.uk) to create exit routes for participants who wish to continue playing regularly

**ALISON BURNLEY - died 27<sup>th</sup> August 2009****OBITUARY**

Alison Burnley was a netball fanatic. Her energy and enthusiasm were endless.

I'm here to pay tribute to Alison's netball career, her work, her dedication and her achievements on behalf of all those who worked with her; or just enjoyed the extra opportunities that came their way because of what she did.

I worked with Alison for many years, often on the same committees. We didn't always see eye to eye; we had our differences of opinion and the occasional arguments – but the outcome was always good.

They provoked more thought, producing more ideas, leading to actions being taken – SUCCESS!

Even after being out of committee work for over 16 years I still remember the relentless pressure this puts you under, so I appreciate the time and energy given by Alison who always seemed to come away from a meeting with some extra task to deal with; I marvel how she managed it all.

There are still those who don't rate committee members or their work very highly – but how wrong can they be. What happens in committee meetings is vital to the growth and continued success of the game we all embrace and Alison certainly played her part. In fact she thrived on it – her service record is as follows, she was a committee member of:

North Staffs Ladies NC

Youth league of Stoke on Trent

Staffordshire County as secretary / match secretary / umpiring secretary at various times

West midlands secretary and umpiring secretary

All England Netball umpiring secretary

When in these positions she was involved in organising tournaments, umpiring rotas, acted as tournament referee, timekeeper and scorer, and helped with the training and testing of umpires. On the home front – as well as all her committee work; she found time to help with the selection of club, city and county teams; and took an active role in providing opportunities in the form of umpiring courses and training at local level to enable clubs to obtain their own qualified umpires.

She coached and managed the junior county team for some time and even found time to drive one of our players all the way to crystal palace for England squad training – were her days longer than 24 hours – I ask myself?

At the time of her death she was president of Staffordshire netball and a few days before rang me to ask what I thought of her plans for improving communication of county activities to its life members.

And finally the recognition of her contribution, of her expertise which she used so well, and of all her endeavours; came when she was awarded life membership of England Netball - an award of which she was justly proud, an award which was richly deserved.

I once read that the greatest compliment that can be made about anyone's life is that it made a difference. Alison's netball life certainly did that!

She will be missed; and her energy and capacity for work in the world of netball will not be equalled easily.

**She truly was a life member of England Netball**

**Read by Jean Robinson at the funeral service – 24<sup>th</sup> September**

**Thank you to Staffordshire & South Staffordshire County Netball Associations  
for their kind donations to the R.N.L.I.**



## More News...

TEAN Valley Netball Club coaches are lending their services to a new generation of superstars on a five-week skills course.

80 children are enrolled on the course in a bid to increase popularity of the sport as well as teach children new skills and increase their sporting abilities. All local primary schools were invited to take part on the course which is taking place at Painsley Catholic College.

Ursula Smith, who has organised the course for the past 20 years, said: "We wanted to give the youngsters a chance to meet with children from other schools, as well as give young leaders and non-specialist teaching staff a chance to earn some experience in a supportive environment. It's great to see so many people benefitting from the course – young and old."

The children taking part are enjoying the benefits, too:

Bethan Shufflebotham, from Faber, said: "I've learnt how to play netball! Also, I've learnt some new skills that I never thought I would."

Sam Fieldhouse, from St. Giles, said: "I've enjoyed mixing with new people and making new friends. I love playing the game, too."

**To get involved with Tean Valley as a player or a helper, call 01538 722464.**

**Written by Helen Smith (Tean Valley Young Assistant Coach)**



Picture of the youngsters enjoying the five week skills course



## England Netball AGM

### JANET WRIGHTON MBE IS APPOINTED PRESIDENT OF ENGLAND NETBALL

Staffordshire & South Staffordshire County Netball Associations would like to congratulate Regional Management Board Chair, Janet Wrighton MBE after being appointed of as the new President of England Netball.

Janet has taken over from Barbara Bishop who steps down after completing her one year in office.

Janet Wrighton MBE is a past chairman of England Netball, the European representative on the International Federation of Netball Associations Board, a Trustee of England Netball Youth Trust and currently holds the post of regional chair of the West Midlands.

Members at the AGM of England Netball held on 19th September congratulated Janet on her appointment and praised Barbara for her tireless contribution during the past year.

### AND THE WINNER IS....



#### Goalden Globe Awards 2009 Nextgen Award- Newcastle Town



#### Congratulations!

Newcastle Town has an extremely effective recruitment process for both new and young volunteers, commencing at year 6 and upwards. Testament to this fact is the number of volunteers who have become qualified in this season alone, including 10 new volunteers, 4 new qualified level 1 coaches, 3 awaiting a course and 2 currently attending the level 2 course, who will be assessed tomorrow (both subsequently passed). The support provided for these new volunteers stems from an experienced infrastructure within the club, who are always on hand to assist, giving practical and moral support. Training commences within the club for young volunteers, encouraging players to lead on warm ups, followed by leading sessions under the guidance of qualified level 2 and 3 coaches. Youngsters are then supported to progress to coaching and umpiring within the junior county leagues. Volunteers are recognised through newsletters and the club ensure that all costs for courses are met by funding applications so no cost is born by the club member. SASSOT has been vital in providing funding for the coaches, and the club are extremely grateful. The club has raised awareness of volunteers on a local, county regional and national level, providing volunteers at local tournaments, as well as coaches and umpires for county and regional talent days.

All of these attributes are why Newcastle Town Netball Club are so deserving of this award.



## CAPS courses

Courses for CAPS coming up in Staffordshire & South Staffordshire...

<b>Safeguarding and Protecting Children</b>	Wednesday 21 October 2009	6.30pm-9.30pm	South Staffs Council Offices - Codsall	£20.00
<b>Safeguarding and Protecting Children</b>	Tuesday 3 November 2009	6.30pm-9.30pm	Dudson Centre, Hanley, Stoke	£20.00
<b>Equity in Your Coaching</b>	Tuesday 6 October 2009	6.15pm - 9.15pm	Newcastle Civic Offices	£20.00
<b>A Club For All</b>	Tuesday 17 November 2009	6.15pm-9.15pm	Newcastle Civic Offices	£20.00
<b>Appointed Persons First Aid St John Ambulance (6 hour)</b>	Tuesday 6th October	9.00am - 4.00pm (Note:Lunch is NOT included)	Stafford Bor- ough Council - Civic Offices - 1st Floor Craddock Room	£42.50

For more information go to <http://www.sportacrossstaffordshire.co.uk/Workshops>

To book onto a course please contact  
KAM WEBSTER . Education and Training Officer at

T: 01785 619695

E: [kwebster@staffordbc.gov.uk](mailto:kwebster@staffordbc.gov.uk)



## Funding



**Is your club based in Staffordshire and is currently working towards CAPS accreditation??**

SASSOT have introduced 'Sports Club Accreditation Funding scheme'. Up to £500 of funding is available to sports clubs who require financial assistance to achieve and pass their accreditation criteria.

For more information please contact:

Chris Turner

Club Development Manager

Tel: 01785 619681

Email: [cturner@staffordbc.gov.uk](mailto:cturner@staffordbc.gov.uk)

**THE BLACK COUNTRY**  
see it in colour

### *The Black Country BeActive Partnership Coaching Bursary*

The funding is only available to support coaches wishing to gain Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3 qualifications. Coaches in receipt of funding will be required to complete voluntary coaching hours to impact within the Black Country BeActive partnership.

Priority will be given to clubs that have achieved CAPS or clubs that will be able to achieve CAPS, by receiving this funding.

Submission Deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> Dec 2009

Assessment Date: 17<sup>th</sup> Dec 2009

**For more information please contact:**

The Black Country BeActive Office

T: 01384 471140



## Key Dates

**Oct 9th**– World Netball Series Weekend  
**Oct 13th**– South Staffordshire AGM  
**Oct 14th**– Regional AGM  
**Nov 7th**– Staffordshire Schools  
 Tournament U14/U16  
**Nov 18th**– Staffordshire Schools  
 Tournament U19  
**Nov 21st**– South Staffordshire Schools  
 Tournament  
  

**2010**

**January 30th**– West Midlands Schools  
 Tournament



## Key Links

Wolverhampton City Netball League–  
[www.wolverhamptoncitynetballleague.co.uk](http://www.wolverhamptoncitynetballleague.co.uk)

Dudley Netball League–  
[www.dudleynetball.co.uk](http://www.dudleynetball.co.uk)

Stoke-on-Trent Netball League–  
[www.stokenetball.co.uk](http://www.stokenetball.co.uk)



## Courses

### UKCC Level 1 Assistant Coach

8th & 15th November & 6th December  
 2009  
 City of Wolverhampton College

### UKCC Level 2 Coach Qualification

3, 4, 24 & 25 October & 22 November  
 2009  
 Netball Centre– Loughborough University

For more information or to book your  
 place, log on to  
[www.englandnetball.co.uk/Coaching/](http://www.englandnetball.co.uk/Coaching/)



**Staffordshire & South Staffordshire County Netball Associations still  
 have websites -**

Check them out ... [www.staffordshirennetball.co.uk](http://www.staffordshirennetball.co.uk)  
[www.southstaffsnetball.co.uk](http://www.southstaffsnetball.co.uk)

These are currently under development so keep your eyes peeled and let us know if  
 there is anything you wish to put on the website.

Email: [sally.kendrick@englandnetball.co.uk](mailto:sally.kendrick@englandnetball.co.uk)

# Netball West Midlands



## Sue Hawkins is coming to the West Midlands.....



England National Coach Sue Hawkins is coming to the West Midlands to deliver a workshop for coaches, details of what is going to be delivered haven't been released yet, but after the success of her workshop last year I am sure this is a workshop not to be missed! Sue has been with England Netball for over a year now and has been instrumental with her squad so far and is keen to help up skill the coaches across the country.....so don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity!

The details of the workshop are as follows :-

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2009

7-9:30pm

Chamberlain Health and Fitness Centre

Chamberlain Health and Fitness Centre

1 Belgrave Middleway

Highgate

Birmingham

B12 9FF

Cost :- £5 per person (returnable on the evening NB. The fee will not be returned should the coach not attend on the evening)

If you wish to attend the workshop please send cheque payable to **West Midlands Netball Association (WMNA)** and registration form to :-

Lesley Blair  
Regional Excel Coach  
Netball West Midlands  
Walsall Sports Centre  
University of Walsall  
Gorway Road  
WS1 3BD

Please Note your confirmation on the workshop cannot be made without the payment along with a registration form.

Closing date for applications is Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Oct 2009.