Message from Regional Chair

A very belated “Happy New Year” to all.......... What an exciting prospect 2014 holds for us all within the region. After two years of hard work earlier this month we had our inaugural meeting of the new management board and welcomed new members in all aspects of our management team. To ensure that we offer all members and volunteers new opportunities going forward we have strengthened our governance and formed new technical support groups. The balance of skills and experience incorporated within our team is almost complete....... However, there are still a couple of vacancies left, we are looking to appoint a board member with a Legal background, and since our re-structure our Recognition & Profile Group Lead has resigned due to employment re-location therefore we have gone out to advert for both positions. If you or anyone you know may be interested please visit our website for more information and an application form www.eastmidlandsnetball.co.uk

We must acknowledge and thank our outgoing team members for their commitment and time and the very valuable contribution they made during their time in post and in December we hosted a social get together to introduce new members and say thank you for all their time and hard work. All I can say is thankfully our quiz skills are not taken into account for our board positions!!!!

Have a great year and we look forward to welcoming you all to our AGM & Goalden Globe celebrations at the Radisson Blu Hotel East Midlands Airport – so get those nominations in recognising your volunteers!

Goalden Globe Awards 2014

In the coming weeks, England Netball will be launching the 2014 Goalden Globe Awards. Categories include Coach; Official; Young Volunteer; Teacher and more. The East Midlands also have our Regional Long Service; Jean Staley and Back to Netball Awards. Information will be circulated via email and on our website once released, so keep an eye out, but get thinking now about who you could nominate from your club; county; school or other netball circles.

SAVE THE DATE – our Regional Celebration Event and Goalden Globe Awards will take place on

Sunday 22nd June 2014!
Awards

We have heard lots of stories of netballers and volunteers being recognised for their commitment and dedication to the sport. Below are the latest ones to share:

Left: Nottingham City Netball Club proudly show of their certificates for being Club of the Year finalists!

Below: Vanessa McErlain-Naylor was shortlisted for the Community Coach of the Year Award at the UK Coaching Awards

Below: Hucknall Town won Club of the Year and Jeanette Clark won Volunteer of the Year at the recent Active Ashfield Sports Awards. Ellie Jones and Abi Coward were nominated for Coach of the Year and the club further celebrated when Katie Cresswell was selected as part of the British Colleges squad!

Below: Pauline Shipman and Maureen Turton both received Life-time Contribution to Sport and Physical Activity Awards at the Nottingham City Council Sports Awards. Karen Bowers was runner up in the Volunteer category

Left: Paige Dillon received the Young Leader of the Year Award and Marion Neale was runner up in the Lifetime Contribution to Sport category at the Northamptonshire Sports Awards
Getting festive!

Wellingborough Netball League held a festive net-ball evening for all league members at Weavers Leisure Centre. The ladies were getting into the spirit with festive fancy dress, mulled wine and raised funds with a raffle. A prize was given for the best dressed team which went to Royals NC

Derby City held their first Back to Netball festival with ladies aged 16-60 having fun in a range of Christmas themed outfits!

Lincolnshire Netball held their county competition for U14 and U17 Schools Tournament. All results, photos and information from the day can be found on their website

Left: Olivia Murphy visits Hinckley Ladies NC to open their new courts
Right: Three teams at one school all topped the tables in their competitions. Oundle School were delighted with their successes!

Below: Rutland are wanting to get ladies Back to Netball and have recruited Mel O’Berg to help attract as many as possible to the sport.

To find out what Back to Netball sessions are running in your area, visit our website for details.

Officiating courses
All officiating courses are advertised on our website. You can find details of any courses arranged in the East Midlands here.

High 5 courses
Friday 7th February 2014, 2:15-5:15pm
New Mills Leisure Centre, High Peak, Derbyshire, SK22 4BP

Friday 28th February 2014, 9am-12pm
Horncastle QEGS, West Street, Horncastle, Lincolnshire, LN9 5AD
Book your place now!

UKCC Level 2
5th, 6th, 26th, 27th April & 1st June
Trent College, Derby Road, Long Eaton, Nottingham, NG10 4AD
Book your place now!
Volunteering opportunities

England Netball will be delivering a number of netball festivals and holiday camps in the coming years and they need you! They are looking to pull together a group of exceptional volunteers to help make these events a unique and enjoyable experience for all of those who attend. See their website or further information.

Funding for clubs

England Netball know that many people playing netball enjoy doing this through a club and they want to support clubs to be able to cater for more members and for new clubs to be formed in areas where this is needed. For this reason, there is funding available for clubs for juniors, satellite clubs and those derived from Back to netball sessions.

Selection to England squads

Jaydene Robinson has been selected to represent the U17 England Squad at Netball Europe in March. Iman Thomas and Brittany Coleman have also been selected as reserves.

Jodie Gibson will represent England in the January Tri Series

Congratulations to you all!

Congratulations to Helen Lillie who has been appointed as Statistician amongst the Officials team at the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow

Details of all appointments can be found here
The 2014 season is here!

**Defenders**
Nicola Caunt
Fran Desmond
Lauren Steadman
Moniek Van Rossum

**Midcourt**
Neala Brennan
Eleanor Durcan
Florence Edwards
Hannah Joseph
Holly Sims
Emily Watson

**Shooters**
Elizabeth Hayman
Rebecca James
Olivia Mason
Rochelle Powell
Jess Waitapu

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**HOME GAMES**

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**Coaching staff**
Marg Foster
Shelley Norris
Tara St Clair
Jackie Milsom (Manager)

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