



SURREY COUNTY NETBALL ASSOCIATION

AGM Reports 2019/20 Season

The SCNA has decided to postpone the County AGM and intend to rearrange this whenever Government regulations enable us to do this. We are disappointed not to be able to hold our usual celebratory meeting, but we have made a key decision, to not raise the membership fee for the County in the season 2020/2021.

We have two vacancies – County Volunteer Lead and Publicity/Web Secretary. Please send any nominations to Jackie Rowland (jbr51@hotmail.co.uk) and we look forward to hearing from you.

We are following advice from England Netball, and hope that netball activity will be able to be resume in the not too distant future.

**Chris Kelso
SCNA Chair**

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President's AGM Report 2019/20 Season



Dear Surrey Netballer

You will have heard that unfortunately due to Covid-19 our 87th SCNA Annual General Meeting has had to be postponed and I felt a personal word was needed to update you all on what has been happening in the background of Surrey Netball in Lockdown.

Christine Kelso, your County Chairman, has attended numerous Zoom County Meetings to keep abreast of how the leagues were dealing with the crisis, as well as schools with their various competitions and our Performance & Satellite Academies. You will all have been affected by the Lockdown from a netball perspective and will clearly understand the reasons why suddenly all competitive netball stopped. It is still unclear when our game can restart but it was felt we should have plans in place. England Netball has been working extremely hard to keep in touch with its members during this crisis and no doubt you will be following the Roses sharing ball skills etc. on social media as well as receiving numerous informative emails.

You will see from the various attached reports that a tremendous amount of time has been given freely by your Committee during the past season and on your behalf, I wish to thank them all for their commitment and professionalism. We are indeed very lucky to have their support, particularly during these past few months in Lockdown when difficult decisions were required e.g. the best way to calculate league positions for the 2019/20 shortened season. You can all rest assured that no decisions were taken without a great deal of careful thought. I personally feel very proud of all those volunteers who have kept Surrey netball alive during the Lockdown; they are all still beavering away behind the scenes.

It is disappointing that this year we will not be presenting any Lions Awards to our worthy volunteers. However, we hope that next season more nominations than ever will be sent in to Carol McGrail (Vice-Chair of SCNA), who collects the Lions Award forms. Carol will undoubtedly be chivvyng you all to be on the lookout for deserving netball volunteers. Nomination forms are available on the SCNA website.

You may be aware that London & South East Region hold an Annual Goalden Globe Celebration event where Regional GG Awards are presented to those nominees whose names have been sent forward to the Region for a variety of categories. It is really sad that this event has not been able to take place as yet, due to Covid-19 and until the Lockdown is over, decisions on how and where we hold the celebration are on hold. This affects some of our 2019 Lions Award winners, whose details were sent through to the region.

My very best wishes to you all and I look forward to seeing you back on court for 2020-2021 season. Fingers crossed this will commence in September.

Maureen Clark
President



Chairman's AGM Report 2019/20 Season



Looking back at last year's reports, there was a huge amount of netball activity in Surrey and we were looking forward to a great deal more. The World Cup in Liverpool was such a highlight, and although we did not host a celebratory event as planned, there were plenty of netballers from Surrey shouting on the national team. There are certainly plenty of good news stories at county level during the season – we continue to run our county league at Box Hill School which is proving to be such an excellent facility and clubs are still keen to have opportunities to enter the league; we have fantastic young players developing their talents and being selected into county and franchise academies; our officiating offer continues to provide such excellent service for people wanting to take their first steps into umpiring and develop their skills to the next level. Adult and junior leagues continue with offering the best opportunities they can for clubs. Your committee have also been active, carrying out a health check to ensure we are on track to satisfy England Netball's expectations for high standards of governance. We had invited the EN Governance lead to meet us but snow at Loughborough got in the way of that. We have been busy at Regional level – myself, Laura Pawley, Julia Martin, Maureen Clark, Maggie Finch and Jackie Penney all have roles at region and Alison Bennett is Chair of the Regionals Board, so you can be assured that Surrey's interests are always represented. New ideas were being discussed and we were interested in knowing what plans England Netball were considering to prepare our sport for the next phase, and we were due to attend an EN event at Watford, but the rain and flooding got in the way of that! We were also making progress in supporting an existing venue to enhance their facilities which would provide even more opportunities for the county and for netball generally in Surrey. A particular thank you to Natalie Swift who has been instrumental in progressing this project.

For reasons we all know about, netball activity went 'on hold' in March 2020, and we haven't had a chance to complete all our tasks and projects. The County Committee have decided to postpone the AGM which is normally held in June, and we aim to reconvene as soon as we are able to. So we are not in a position to hold the Surrey Lions Awards as we would normally do (and the Regional Golden Globes celebration was postponed), nor celebrate the winners of the County League as normal. All of this for another day. In the meantime, we have been holding and attending virtual meetings and these have been so beneficial in keeping people in touch, but also discussing technical matters. We are very lucky that our own EN Surrey Netball Development Officer Lottie Sudell has been able to continue working (compared with the majority of EN staff who have been furloughed). Planning for next season is harder admittedly, but we know leagues and schools will be making arrangements and undertaking their administration in the normal way, ready for recommencement of netball, whenever that is. There are still the more tricky matters of promotions/relegations to and from the County League, which will be considered as soon as we know what the Premier/Regional leagues have decided. I can reassure everyone that England Netball are working extremely hard in discussions with Government departments and with other team sports, to agree circumstances and measures to enable the recommencement of netball. They are also leading the way in innovations to keep our members engaged so that we are all ready for the big day when 14 players, two umpires, coaches and supporters can have a wonderful time on a court playing and watching netball.

May I commend your committee to you, and would particularly like to thank Mel Hinshelwood who after a great many years, has decided to stand down as Web/publicity secretary. Thank you to Mel for all you have done. This is increasingly a very important role and if anyone is interested in taking this position and joining our committee, then please do contact us. A new position is also vacant and available for nominations. We have decided to create a new role to oversee our strategy for supporting and rewarding volunteers, and to represent Surrey on the Regional Volunteer Technical Support Group, chaired by our very own Maureen Clark. Nominations for both positions should be sent to Jackie Rowland. The committee want to ensure the framework for netball in Surrey is fit for purpose and provides opportunities for as many age groups and types of netball as we can, and we want to embrace new ideas and ways of working, perhaps even more important in these new times. So please do consider putting yourself or one of your team

members forward for one of these posts on our committee to add your voice and expertise to help us move forward into the 'new world', whatever that might hold for us.

Thank you to all the committee members, you have made such a tremendous contribution to netball in the county – remember, all volunteers themselves. Keep safe everyone and hope to have a tremendous start to the new season, whenever that might be.

Chris Kelso
Chair

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Affiliations Secretary AGM Report 2019/2020



In view of the radical changes in the way memberships are now processed by EN under the ENGage system, the role of an "Affiliations Secretary" is no longer appropriate. In accordance with roles identified by England Netball this is being replaced by a "Membership Secretary". It will, therefore, be necessary to rename this post on the SCNA Committee.

You will recall that following the need for EN to increase their fees substantially in the 2017/18 Season it decided that it would not increase fees for the next few seasons. For the forthcoming season SCNA is also keeping the same fee so all fees for the 2020/21 Season remain unchanged. This total fee gives Members many benefits including insurance cover and various courses.

It is proposed that the following two resolutions be submitted to the Annual General Meeting -

1) That the Membership Fees for 2020/2021 are as follows -

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|-----------------------|-----------------|--|
| Senior Players | - £42.00 | (EN £36.00 + SCNA £6.00 = £42.00) |
| Junior Players | | |
| Under 18 | - £21.30 | (EN £16.30 + SCNA £5.00 = £21.30) |
| Under 14 | - £13.55 | (EN £ 8.55 + SCNA £5.00 = £13.55) |
| Under 11 | - £10.30 | (EN £ 5.30 + SCNA £5.00 = £10.30) |

2) That the "Affiliation Secretary" post be renamed "Membership Secretary".

Chris Stephens
Affiliations Secretary



Performance AGM Report 2019/2020 Season



We are now in the second year of being linked with the South Region for Performance purposes up to and including the U15 age group. Franchise trials were held in September 2019 and 7 Surrey athletes were taken into their academies (4 County athletes were taken into the London Pulse program). Surrey Storm ran 5 academies spread geographically across the Region, with our athletes attending the one at Reed's School, Cobham. Unfortunately, the connection between Storm and Surrey County has not been as successful this year as last, mainly due to the Performance Pathway Head Coach being on maternity leave. The December competition that they should have organised never happened for the Counties as in the previous season and the final one was cancelled when the Corona virus lockdown started. No Talent Management Group (TMG) meetings took place.

County Academy trials were held early in May 2019 at Cranleigh School where the selectors saw around 200 athletes over the 2weekend process. As last year, 2 squads were selected one a full County Academy and the other a Development County Academy. The 2 Academies trained at Epsom College (until the Christmas break) and then the remainder of the season was at Harris Academy Sutton. The 2 squads trained on alternative Tuesdays and roughly 1 Sunday a month as a combined session normally for around 4 hours. The coaching team remained the same with Alison Bennett and Mandy Hiscocks as lead coaches at the County Academy and Debbie Pettifer and Patricia Balcombe leading the Development Academy. As always, the selection panel did an excellent job adjusting the trial process to accommodate the various academies within the Performance Pathway. Big thanks to them for their hard work and dedication.

The competition this season has been all self-organised between the Counties.

The County Academy played against Middlesex (January), Sussex (December) & Berkshire (February) & the Development Academy had matches against Sussex (December) & Berkshire (February).

7 Satellite Academy Workshops took place in September offering four weeks coaching to around 190 U13s, with trials taking place early in October. There were 140 athletes at the trials in October which consisted of successful athletes from the workshops and returning athletes from the previous season. We ran 4 Satellite Academies, two at Nonsuch, one at Epsom & Ewell and one at Guildford for all the successful athletes from the trials with roughly 100 athletes involved.

This season we increased the Strength & Conditioning program for the athletes. The County Academies had their first sessions at Advanced Sport's Gym, near Woking, where the athletes were put through their activations and also introduced to weights. They then had testing done at their first Sunday session and all the athletes were able to sign up for the app to keep track of their progress. Unfortunately, the 2 other planned testing sessions never took part due to a venue clash in December and then the final session being cancelled in March due to the Coronavirus. The County athletes also had S&C each month during one of their training sessions.

The U13's Academies this season had Advance Sport come to one of their sessions each month to provide the athletes with S&C compared to the previous season when they only had 2 in total (an increase of 3 sessions each per academy). We also introduced some internal match play days for the 4 U13 Academies, where each academy had 2 teams take part in a mini tournament over 3 Sundays. The Thursday Satellite Academy based at Nonsuch School was the overall winner from the 3 match days and had their medals posted to them in March as they were unable to be presented at the final session due to the early finish of all the Academies.

Unfortunately, the Regional Festival was cancelled due to the Corona virus.

In December England Netball asked Counties to sign a new Academy agreement. As there were aspects of the agreement that required clarification, discussions were initiated with EN that were cancelled as a result of lockdown and the contract has not been signed to date.

I find that I am repeating myself each year when I congratulate the excellent group of dedicated people who deliver the Performance Program in Surrey. But it is true and it is thanks to them that we have such a robust structure. The season was not quite finished when everything was cancelled but we are getting ready to re-commence when it is safe to do so.

Maggie Finch
Performance Lead

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County Academy Coaches AGM Report 2019/2020 Season



We had a good start to the season but unfortunately it was a very strange and rather sad end to the season!

After the trials in May a long squad was selected. The long squad was then divided into the County Academy and the Development Academy.

We began evening training at Epsom College and approximately once a month had joint County and Development Squad training at Cranleigh School. After Christmas Tuesday training moved to Harris Academy in Sutton

As always it has been good to see the County Academy Athletes in action at club and school level this year. A large number of athletes were in the Surrey Schools Tournaments Teams, plus the National Schools teams. Surrey did very well at the National Finals with Guildford High School winning the U16 age group and Putney High runners-up in the U14 age group.

We had matches with the Sussex, Middlesex and Berkshire Academies. The athletes played very well and beat Sussex and Middlesex and narrowly lost to Berkshire. Unfortunately, the Surrey Storm Play Day did not happen this year and then both the Surrey Storm Tournament and the Regional Festival were cancelled due to the COVID 19. This was a great shame for the athletes who had worked hard all season and were looking forward to the tournaments.

At the time of writing this, the future for netball is a little uncertain. The County Academy trials, due to take place in May, had to be cancelled and at the moment we don't have a firm date when they will take place. This is also true of training, matches etc. Hopefully as the lock-down restrictions slowly ease we will see some light at the end of the tunnel. So for the moment we will follow England Netball guidance and have fingers crossed that we can return to netball as soon as it is safe to do so.

As always, we would like to say a very big thank you to the parents who have supported the County Academy throughout the year. A number of parents have to travel a long way and have the weekly battle with the traffic and weather to get their daughter's to training on time. Their support, help and encouragement as always has been first class and we can't thank them enough.

To those who are leaving the County Academy we all wish them every success in the future and hope that they continue with netball wherever they are in the world.

Last but not least and as always, a very big thank you to Patricia Balcombe. This has been a difficult year for everyone, especially Patricia. Thanks also to our fellow Satellite and Development Coaches.

Keep well and stay safe.

Alison Bennett and Mandy Hiscocks
County Academy - Lead Coaches

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Coaching AGM Report 2019/20 Season



This season we have had a number of new coaches qualify in Surrey.

Level 1 coaches: 8

Level 2 coaches: 7

Well done to these coaches.

We have had one Level 1 course and one Level 2 course delivered in Surrey this season. Another Level 1 course was planned however this was cancelled due to Covid-19.

We have delivered another netball leaders course in partnership with Sports Leaders UK and Active Surrey. This saw 15 young people attend the course. We have also had a few of our previous netball young leaders go on to complete the Sports Leaders UK Level 2 in community sports leadership. It has been wonderful to see all of the young people develop their skills and confidence over these courses, well done to them all. We are looking to continue delivering young leadership training in the future. Thank you to everyone who has worked with us to make these happen.

All England netball education and training courses taking place until the end of June have been cancelled due to the Coronavirus outbreak. We are yet to receive further guidance on future courses, but any action taken will be in line with Government issued advice. Thank you for your understanding.

To help us to be able to cater for your needs, please find a short survey attached. This survey can be completed either by coaches or by your club secretary, <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FMBNFJ2>. We are looking to identify what the CPD needs are in our county to be able to support you best.

Details on the CPD provided by England netball can be found here (<https://www.Englandnetball.co.uk/get-involved/coaching/courses/workshops/>).

Lil Roe
Coaching secretary



Officiating AGM Report 2019/20 Season



Courses Held

Into Officiating

December 2019-15 Attendees (14 SCNA)

C Award

October 2019-16 Attendees (15 SCNA)

March 2020- 19 Attendees (9 SCNA)

Written Paper

C Award

September 2019 (11)

December 2019 (15)

February 2020 (2)

March 2020- Cancelled (7 Pending)

Assessments

C Award Assessments

October 2019 -2/2 Pass

November 2019 -7/7 Pass

January 2020 – 6- 5 Pass 1 NYMC

March 2020- 2/2 Pass

Due to C19 -

Waiting List - C Assessment = 3 Learners, Pre assessment= Passed.

C Pre- Assessments = 4 Learners

Other Assessments

Nov 2019 B Award – 1 Pass

March 2020 B Award - 1 Pass

2 Learners have passed Pre-Assessment for A Award-Pending final Assessment.

Other Courses

Technical Officials Course October 2019 - 2 Surrey Learners attended.

Mentoring C to B

4 Learners - all allocated mentors

Other:

1 Newly qualified Assessor for C Award. Accredited April 2020.

Mary Stanley, Jackie Penney, Gill Tilly



Junior Leagues AGM Report 2019/20 Season



Summary from the Junior Leagues

1. Epsom Little League
2. Mid Surrey League
3. Nonsuch Junior League
4. Surrey U16 County League
5. Surrey Junior Netball League – NEW

1. Epsom Little League

This was the final season for the Epsom Little League so it is with some sadness that we submit this report. The ELL originated in 1988/9 when Julie Drury and Josie Ridley set up an informal league to provide training and playing opportunities for juniors (U12/13/14) in Surrey. It developed into the ELL around 1994/5 and Edith Skelton, Pauline Davies and Oxshott NC took over responsibility for running it - a job they did brilliantly until Edith retired last season and Wey Valley took over the Chair for a one-year tenure. And what a year it has turned out to be!!!

We faced some challenges with venues and storms, only for the season to be cut short by the much larger COVID crisis. It was decided at the AGM to award medals based on results after two tournaments when all teams had played each other and before the teams were streamed into A and B divisions. Our congratulations go to Richmond Ravers who achieved a clean sweep in all three A divisions. The B divisions were won by Cardinals, Wey Valley B and Downs A/Tiffin (joint winners). It was also decided at the AGM to use the remaining funds (less than £70) to provide medals to the teams that had tied in first or second place and to donate any remaining money to the NHS.

The third tournament was played with the streaming in place and all the clubs were satisfied that this arrangement resulted in better competition for everyone - hopefully this augers well for the new structure of ability-streamed divisions proposed for the SJNL.

The ELL has served our junior netball community so well for many years and we all expressed our thanks to everyone who has been involved over its lifetime and for all the mutual support and friendship we have enjoyed. We hope that this spirit of friendly competition and the development of our junior netballers will continue as the new SJNL is established.

Jayne Booth - Chairperson - Epsom Little League

2. Mid Surrey League

We had a successful year at MSL and were lucky to avoid all the terrible weather and finished the league before lockdown so all matches were played. We moved all the U15 and U16 games to Howard this year and held the U11, U12, U13 and U14 matches at MHS. This meant we could have a slightly shorter day and it was less hectic for everyone. This year the league provided neutral umpires on all courts. Thanks to the brilliant Hazel Mead organising 23 umpires per fixture this ran very smoothly and all the clubs said they liked having a neutral umpire. We had 91 teams playing across 11 divisions, from 11 clubs

The winners were:

U10 – AAS

U11A – Fetcham Hawks

U11B – AAS
U12A - Dorking
U12B – Wey Valley
U13A – Wey Valley
U13B – Wey Valley
U14A - AAS
U14B - AAS
U15/16A – Wey Valley
U16/16B – Epsom Rockets

Beth Townend - Chairperson – Mid Surrey League

3. Nonsuch Junior League

The Nonsuch Junior Netball League has been very successful again this year (until lockdown came into the equation). We had 30 teams competing in our High 5 section and 100 teams within our u12-U15/16 divisions, meaning each team had an average of 9 games throughout the season across 4 dates. We had a waiting list for the majority of age groups showing the reputation of the league with Surrey teams.

The top 3 places in each division were due to be awarded trophies and medals for their positions, however the Covid19 lockdown meant that we were only able to complete and present to the U10 & U11 age groups. We are due to have a committee meeting in the next week where we will decide how the final placings will be decided throughout the age groups U12-U15/16. We were hoping that we may have been able to host a late summer fixture to finish the season off, but unfortunately this is looking more and more unlikely as the time goes on.

The U10/11 fixtures were particularly hit hard with weather complications this year - we had to cancel one due to ice on the courts and another due to Storm Ciara. We managed to rearrange the first one to be played a few weeks later and then we had to combine the last two fixtures into one date. This was due to the number of Sundays we had left in the season and I wanted to take into consideration the feedback we had received last season about avoiding Mother's Day (especially with the younger players).

We cancelled the last fixture for the U12/13 age group ahead of an official lockdown but having spoken to the committee and seeking advice from Chris Kelso, it was agreed that the national climate at the time was heading towards a full lockdown and it was a great risk to our community to host such a mass gathering and I wasn't in a position to be able to know for certain that the people attending were symptom free etc. I was also concerned about facilities at the venue not being able to withstand the amount of hand washing that was being suggested. I believe that looking back, this was definitely the right decision. By the time the U14/15/16 were due to play, we were in full lockdown so that decision was made for us.

We also provided umpires for the first time this season. We ran it as a trial year due to the concerns of umpire neutrality at the end of last season. Debbie Baker did a great job of collating availability (and feedback from teams each fixture) and ensuring that all courts had 2 neutral umpires. This was just for the U14/15/16 age group but I feel it was a success and had Nonsuch be running again, I would've continued to provide umpires for the older age groups.

Any concerns that have been raised were dealt with by the committee immediately.

Overall, it has been a very successful season (albeit short), showcasing the improving standard of Surrey netball that we are able to provide a platform for. As netball in Surrey moves forward, it has been a privilege to be part of the Nonsuch League since its introduction and chairing it for the last 2 years. I believe we have given Surrey (and beyond) girls an opportunity to play fair and level matches and it has been clear to see the improvement of standards - particularly at the older end. The coaches and volunteers are committed and it's a testament to their dedication that the league was able

to grow into such a successful league. I would like to pay particular thanks to my committee - who have been a constant support to me as chair.

Charlotte Nicolaou - Chairperson - Nonsuch Junior League

4. Surrey U16 County League

This season only 14 teams entered the league so no qualifying tournament was held and there were 7 fixture dates with each team having a bye one Sunday.

Unfortunately, we seemed to have faced quite a few issues this season with our venue and dates and were unable to complete the season. One of our dates before Christmas had to be rearranged due to the reserve school date being used, which then caused a problem for one club. Also, the planned fixture on the 9th February was cancelled due to the adverse weather and all the clubs agreed that they did not wish to travel on that day.

The fixture on the 1st March managed to be played across 2 venues as Cranleigh School had cancelled all external bookings to have a deep clean of their school and then the planned fixtures, including some catch-up matches, on the 22nd March & 5th April could not go ahead due to Government & EN advice.

This is an U16 League as mentioned but more and more teams are playing U14 athletes in this league which does ask the question should we change the age group to be in line with the pathway? Some of the talented U16's would be training for the Franchises on a Sunday, hence the reason some clubs are using younger athletes.

Another consideration for this league is whether there is a need for it with the new planned Junior League structure for competition and an already very full calendar for clubs to deal with.

Positions up to when matches were cancelled can be seen below -

Division A

| TEAM | PLAYED | WON | LOST | DRAW | GOALS FOR | GOALS AGAINST | GOAL DIFFERENCE | POINTS | AVERAGE POINTS |
|---------------------|--------|-----|------|------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|--------|----------------|
| ACES | 4 | 4 | - | - | 141 | 81 | +60 | 20 | 30 |
| WET VALLEY A | 4 | 3 | 1 | - | 111 | 75 | +36 | 16 | 24 |
| RICHMOND RAVERS | 4 | 3 | 1 | - | 121 | 90 | +31 | 16 | 24 |
| CARDINALS | 3 | 1 | 2 | - | 104 | 107 | -3 | 8 | 16 |
| ASHTEAD ALL STARS A | 3 | 1 | 2 | - | 75 | 97 | -22 | 6 | 12 |
| WAVERLEY VIPERS A | 3 | - | 3 | - | 82 | 128 | -46 | 2 | 4 |
| DOWNS | 3 | - | 3 | - | 57 | 113 | -56 | 1 | 2 |

Division B

| TEAM | PLAYED | WON | LOST | DRAW | GOALS FOR | GOALS AGAINST | GOAL DIFFERENCE | POINTS | AVERAGE POINTS |
|---------------------|--------|-----|------|------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|--------|----------------|
| FETCHAM HAWKS | 3 | 3 | - | - | 132 | 68 | +64 | 15 | 30 |
| WAVERLEY VIPERS B | 4 | 3 | 1 | - | 146 | 126 | +20 | 15 | 22.5 |
| WEY VALLEY B | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | 93 | 76 | +17 | 11 | 22 |
| TIFFIN A | 3 | 2 | 1 | - | 95 | 83 | +12 | 11 | 22 |
| RUDGWICK | 3 | 1 | 2 | - | 78 | 91 | -13 | 7 | 14 |
| TIFFIN B | 4 | 1 | 3 | - | 83 | 146 | -63 | 7 | 10.5 |
| ASHTEAD ALL STARS B | 4 | - | 4 | - | 90 | 127 | -37 | 4 | 6 |

No medals have been awarded as of yet with the lockdown taking effect for sport from the 16th March but using average points there would not be much difference in the final positions as shown in the above tables in the final column.

Patricia Balcombe - U16 League Coordinator

5. Surrey Junior Netball League – the story so far

A new Surrey Junior Netball League (SJNL) has been created to start in September 2020 (fingers crossed).

The aim being to:

- Streamline the dates so that all clubs are playing in the same league on the same dates,
- To provide the junior netballers with more match opportunity (in line with other counties),
- Provide netball of a better standard for the stronger teams and an equal standard for the weaker teams
- Play longer matches to prepare girls for the transition to adult netball
- To prevent losing girls to hockey and football who play matches every weekend.

At present, we have 21 out of 25 Surrey Clubs signed up for the 2020/21 season. We will be playing across two venues Manor House/Howard and Epsom College. The U10s/11/15s and 16s will be at MHS/Howard with the U16A playing indoors and the U12s/13s/14s across 9 courts at Epsom College.

We are currently forming a committee which for the first year is being chaired by Maggie Finch.

The format will be that we play 9 league dates across the season and on each league date, the girls will play one match that will fit into an hour time slot. There will also be a pre-season and post season tournament that will top and tail the season. The dates have been set working around SCNA dates and Surrey Schools dates (although these are subject to change).

Hopefully we will be able to kick the new league off in September but if not we will be ready to maximize the amount of netball the girls will get as soon as permission is granted to play.

Beth Townend – Committee member.

Lydia Turner

Junior Leagues Representative



Surrey County League AGM Report 2019/20 Season



Teams: Cobham Hillcrest
 Alpha Capital Nuns
 Fairlands Swans
 Downs Queens
 Claygate

This season we welcomed two teams in from the Regional League, Claygate, Queens as well as one team from the county play-offs, Downs. A total of 9 teams started in the league, providing quite a challenge in terms of organisation.

As in the previous season we were fortunate enough to be able to use the indoor facilities at Box Hill School. Once again, all the games played were highly competitive and exciting both for players and spectators.

On the 14th March our games were played at Ashcombe School due to Box Hill being unavailable and we thank Natalie Swift for helping me to achieve the change of venue.

Unfortunately, this was to be our last game before the Covid-19 lockdown-leaving 4 games still to play.

Many thanks to all who have contributed to the smooth running of the league throughout the season. This was greatly appreciated by myself and the players.

The County Committee have decided to call the results and any playoffs will depend on England Netball guidelines and the results are –

- 1st Capital Nuns
- 2nd Claygate
- 3rd Swans
- 4th Queens
- 5th Downs
- 6th Alpha
- 7th Hillcrest
- 8th Cobham
- 9th Fairlands

Hope to see everyone on court in the not too distant future!

Barbara Taylor
County League Chairman
www.surreynetball.co.uk



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Following the Covid-19 outbreak, the SNL committee made the decision to complete the league on the 12 matches that had been played. Never an easy decision to make but one we felt was right at the time.

The winners this year was Hampton A netball and SNL would like to congratulate them but whether they are able to reach the county playoffs will be something only time will tell.

Other finishing positions:

Prem B – Claygate A, Prem C – Rushmoor, Prem D – Bank of England, Div 1 – Guildford B, Div 2 – Tiffin B, Div 3 Hampton B, Div 4 – Dorking B, Div 5 – Old Reigations A, Div 6 – Ashtead Allstars B, Div 7 – Dorking C, Div 8 – Thames Ditton B, Div 9 – Old Reigations B

During the season, we had a few umpiring issues to deal with and a couple of teams with problems with their court conditions, but all in all it went fairly smoothly. SNL have cancelled their AGM for this season and all rules etc. will continue the same into the next season.

All teams have re-entered for next season and we do have teams on the waiting list, but until such times as we know when we can resume netball, I will not look into chasing those teams and whether I need to try and set up another division, though last season that proved to be a challenge and wasn't forthcoming. We also have the prospect of having to run our Prem A with 9 teams, but we will deal with this once we have more information on the "back to netball" diary.

I would like to take this opportunity to convey my thanks to the committee members for the hard work they all do and their continued support and commitment they give to the league.

Regards

Amanda Brooker
Chairman
www.surreynetballleague.co.uk

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Metropolitan League AGM Report 2019/2020 Season



The 2019-2020 season started and continued well without any problems until 28th January 2020 when matches throughout all divisions had to be cancelled due to icy courts. Many of these fixtures were rearranged before the 7th March when the season came to an abrupt end due to the arrival of the coronavirus. It would have been irresponsible, and then illegal, for the remaining fixtures to have been played.

The decision was taken that the division results on 7th March will be the final placings for the Metropolitan League 2019-2020 season. The winners of the divisions are:

1. Fairlands A
2. Wandsworth A
3. Redhill A
4. United A
5. Omega B
6. Roundwood A
7. Selsdon
8. Whyteleafe C
9. United B

This decision was not taken lightly; there was uncertainty over when netball would be able to resume and the information being issued by the Government and England Netball was that the lockdown and ban on team sports would continue for many months.

We have deferred the date of the AGM and hope to hold this before the beginning of the 2020-2021 season, when presentations will be made to the winners. In the meantime, we have sent the 2020- 2021 application form to clubs and have received many back together with applications for additional teams. We anticipate being in a position to advise the structure of the 2020-2021 divisions at the end of June/beginning of July.

With the recent joyful news from England Netball that players/teams can start to train together, albeit only six at one time, maintaining social distancing, etc., maybe next season will be able to start and be played in full. We can hope.

Sandie Richardson
Chair of Metropolitan League
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Kingston and District Netball League AGM Report 2019/2020 Season



A very different season this year, the same as many leagues we have not been able to complete the season or close the season as we have clubs that have played 11 to 13 games. We were unfortunate with the weather over a couple of weekends, so there are games that need to be rescheduled.

The committee have worked to look at different options of finalising the season, including finishing at 7 games or 11 games, however we would like to finish on 13 games, which means that we have 7 games to be played where the results could change team positions within their divisions.

We also were not able to play our KO Cup finals, but hope they can be played before the start of next season.

So, we cannot announce any winners at this time.

We are looking forward to next season and are ready to adapt both the game and the league if we have to.

For the part of the season that was played it was a good season, KDNL continues to grow and it is our clubs that make it a great league.

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Croydon Netball League AGM Report 2019/20 Season



The season started well in September with our beginning of season rally, which turned out to be the only one out of our usual four to be held!

The Winter League with 62 teams took part in seven divisions and we were lucky to not incur any cancelled dates due to bad weather but then along came Covid-19 with us having four more dates to be played. We hoped, along with other leagues, that we would be able to play these games at some stage but it was looking more and more unlikely. Therefore, we calculated all divisions with the suggested EN Equation system and it didn't affect our tops and bottoms on any of the divisions, so we decided that we would finalise the season on this basis and this has been well received by all clubs.

All other activity that had been planned was either cancelled or postponed and we look forward to putting together our overall schedule of events for the future as soon as possible.

The possible scenarios for next season have been drafted but we are awaiting the final decision as to whether there will be County League playoffs for our Prem A winner to take part in and hopefully to be successful. In addition, the final for our Chairman's Cup Knockout Competition is outstanding, and this will be done as soon as we are able and it is right to do so.

Our umpire mentoring system continues and because we are a central venue League, this works really well.

The AGM has been cancelled for July and we hope to do a virtual one with the clubs in August/September, depending on how we are able to start the new season and what arrangements we make with Shirley High School.

I take this opportunity to pass on my personal thanks to the dedicated CNL Committee members, who work tirelessly to ensure all our plans for the future of our game and the League are actioned to the highest possible standards.

Best wishes

Jackie Rowland
Chair of CNL
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