

Attendees: Refer to Appendix A		
Apologies: Refer to Appendix A		
Date: Tuesday 11th August 2020, 7pm		
Venue: Zoom		
Subject: Netball South AGM		
1	Description/Action	Action
2	<p><u>Welcome and apologies</u> <i>Note: The AGM was conducted via zoom and attendees were required to register before attendance. The full register including voting position can be found in the Registration on attendees document (Appendix A).</i></p> <p>Matt Clifford welcomed everyone to the Netball South AGM.</p>	
3	<p><u>Minutes 2019</u></p> <p>No comments were received prior to the meeting. A poll was issued to vote to accept the previous minutes, however, due to technical issues a show of hands was conducted instead, and members were invited to voice any feedback.</p> <p>No feedback or concerns were raised and a show of hand to accepts the minutes were a clear majority, therefore, previous minutes were accepted.</p>	2019 AGM minutes to be published on the netball south website
4	<p><u>Annual reports</u></p> <p><i>Note: At the time of the AGM all netball activity had been suspended since March 2019 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.</i></p> <p><i>Full reports are included in the 2019-20 Annual Report Document on the Netball South website.</i></p> <p><u>Chair (MC)-</u> It was noted that it had been a very different year for us due to the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic. Unfortunately, it is difficult to predict what the impact of Covid-19 will be on the strategic planning at this time.</p> <p>The Regional Management Board (RMB) had been working hard to further our understanding of the game within the region, supporting those who wish to volunteer more and look to ways which we can enhance our offering to our members. I'd like to thank the RMB members for their time and support this year.</p> <p>This year has not been without its challenges; the implementation of ENgage to collect memberships was not without its teething problems but the support from our Regional Coordinator Lucy Farrell was invaluable at ensuring the impact was minimised. I would like to thank Lucy for this support and the rest of the support she has provided the region this season.</p>	

This time last year we were celebrating the game as the Vitality Netball World Cup took place in Liverpool. 7 of our technical officials (Julie Arnold, Toni Brunsdon, Jo Coker, Jan Johnson, Kim Simmons, Tracy Stubbs, and Mary Stanley) were appointed to the tournament with 5 of our officials taking part in the bronze medal or final matches. A huge congratulations to them all.

We have recently welcomed Amy Stewart as our new South & Southwest Partnership Manager. We welcome Amy to the region at an important time and extend our thanks to Samantha Kennerson, who remains with England Netball but has moved to support the East and London & Southeast Regions as their Partnership Manager.

Matt Clifford announced that he would be stepping down as chair following the AGM and passed on thanks to the current members and messages of goodwill to the future RMB committee.

Competitions (JJ) - Once again the season started with Entry Tournament. This year we had a record number of 90+ teams applying to enter the U13/14/16/19 Regional leagues. This meant a two-day tournament playing two age groups on each day. This was a 10% increase on last years' entries and a bigger response from around the region showing a huge demand for regional level netball in the South. We created 2 divisions of 8 for each age group. Unsuccessful teams were encouraged to play in County of friendly leagues.

Unfortunately, the season was curtailed a little earlier than we would have liked, and final tables were completed using average points per game as recommended by England Netball. Fortunately, no league positions were majorly affected by this process. Full league results for 2019/20 can be found on www.netballsouth.co.uk but congratulations must go to all our league winners in the respective leagues. We must also commiserate with all teams that were due to go on to represent the region in National finals at premier league playoffs and club level.

U14 National Club Finalists

Eagles

Team Matrix

U16 National Club Finalists

Weston Park Blades

Woodley

U14 National Schools Finalists

Hurst

Farnborough Hill

U16 National Schools Finalists

Newlands

Brighton College

U19 National Schools Finalists

Hurst

<p>Worthing College</p> <p>Another very successful year for all in Netball South.</p> <p><u>Officiating (JA) :</u> <u>National Appointments</u> National events were somewhat curtailed unfortunately due to the Coronavirus outbreak, with only the National Schools being staged, where Emma Walker, Lisa Vallely, Rebecca Moher, Rachel Tanner, Dickon Adams, and Nikki Dewick were all invited to officiate, with 3 of the umpires being appointed to semi-finals/finals.</p> <p>The Vitality Super league only completed a minimal number of matches, but the Region had 3 umpires appointed to the squad, Chris Obin, Julie Wilks, and Megan Samuel (making her debut).</p> <p>At the Netball World Cup in Liverpool last July, all 7 Technical Officials from the South were involved in the Semi Final matches with Jo Coker, Kim Simmons, Tracy Stubbs, and Julie Arnold being appointed to the Final.</p> <p>In January 2020, various Technical Officials were also appointed to the 2 Day International Nations Cup held at the Copper Box.</p> <p><u>Courses</u> Before the Virus lockdown the Region did see several Courses being run that ranged from Into Officiating through to B Award. Those courses that had to be cancelled will hopefully be rearranged when we are back up and running.</p> <p>13 Umpires sat the A/B Written Paper in November 2019 of which 10 attained an appropriate pass. 3 Umpires sat the A/B Written Paper in February 2020 of which 2 attained an appropriate pass.</p> <p>The May 2020 paper was postponed, and it is hoped that candidates will be able to sit it in October this year.</p> <p><u>Umpire Achievements</u> Dickon Adams was recredited as an A Award Umpire Rebecca Moher attained her Umpire A Award Sharon Moher, Jill Allington and Shannon Holmes attained their Umpire B Award There were numerous Umpires who attained their C Award.</p> <p>For those umpires who were successful in passing their Pre-B Assessments, the opportunity will be given to them to take their Assessments when the new season commences.</p> <p><u>Open League</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center; font-size: 48px; opacity: 0.2;">CONFIDENTIAL</p>
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<p>The Region has a good number of umpires who officiate the Open League and Junior Leagues. Generally, matches were covered successfully, and it was the weather that forced several postponements rather than non-availability of umpires.</p> <p><u>Regional Schools - U14, U16, U19 - January 2020 - Farnborough</u></p> <p>The tournament was well supported by umpires, with only one forced to withdraw the night before!! I am always extremely grateful to all umpires and court mentors who support this event.</p> <p>The following umpires were appointed to the final rounds:</p> <p>U14 Semi Finals - Nigel Gill, Ruth Claridge, Dickon Adams, Tammy Turner ¾ Play Off - Carole Brown & Katie Palmer Final - Sue Lyons & Emma Walker</p> <p>U16 Semi Finals - Beth Warren, Emma Walker, Lolly Barnes, Rebecca Moher ¾ Play Off - Sharon Moher & Sam Skinner Final - Beth Warren & Clare Kitchen</p> <p>U19 Semi Finals - Shannon Holmes, Clare Kitchen, Helen Turon, Becci Dick ¾ Play Off - Hannah Walker, Sara Beswick Final - Helen Turton & Rebecca Moher</p> <p><u>New Rules Roll Out Programme</u></p> <p>At a meeting I held with the County Umpiring Secretaries in January it was agreed that they would be responsible for the roll out of the new rule changes, due to be effective from 1 September 2020. England Netball are currently working on a video presentation to assist with this but have been delayed with its production due to them concentrating on the Return to Court Plan.</p> <p>We have recently received the sad news that Estelle Ball who was an umpire at national league level and had sat on the regional board and the OTSG, has passed away after a long illness. She will be lovingly remembered for her smiling enthusiasm and encouragement of younger umpires. She will be greatly missed by the whole netball community, and we pass on our condolences to Estelle's friends and family.</p> <p>England netball (AS): This year has seen a landmark year in the history of England Netball. We have seen huge highs with the introduction of the ENgage membership system; the introduction of a form of our beloved game for U11's (Bee Netball) and the hosting and delivery of the most successful Netball World Cup in History! It has also seen</p>	
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unprecedented challenges with the Netball season being cut short by the onset of the Global pandemic that is still very much affecting us today, but which has also brought us a Netball family even closer together.

Some of the 2019/20 highlights are documented below.

Bee Netball:

England Netball was delighted to announce the launch of the new Bee Netball programme designed exclusively for U11s in June 2019. Bee Netball, which enables children to participate in netball, make friends and develop other key skills, such as friendship, inclusion, fair play and playing together, has been designed to combat the current research conducted by the Youth Sport Trust that shows that a whopping 89% of girls do not meet the required level of physical activity

To mark the launch of this prestigious new programme, England Netball on the 27 June 2019 hosted a pop-up court at Liverpool One, so that children from local primary schools could test out Bee Netball for themselves and meet members of the Vitality Roses; England's senior netball team. The programme was later introduced throughout schools, netball clubs and local communities across the country and helped promote self-development, provide stage age-appropriate netball, and inspire children to become part of the netball family.

Netball World Cup:

From 12 – 21 July 2019 England Netball worked in partnership to host the Netball World Cup in Liverpool. Around 112,196 tickets were purchased for the tournament, which was held for the first time in England since 1995, by fans wanting to see the world's best netballers compete for the sport's most prestigious trophy. As a Netball family we all contributed to making the Netball World Cup a huge success, including the following highlights:

- The tournament has the best-known Net Promoter Score recorded for any major sporting event in the UK
- 6.07 million attended, watched and/ or followed the Vitality Netball World Cup 2019
- Over £8m economic impact
- 44,000 visitors to the fan park in Liverpool
- 4.82 million agreed that the Vitality Netball World Cup 2019 raised the profile of all women's sport in the UK
- 160,000 people inspired to start playing netball or play more netball

	<p>A huge thank you and congratulations to all those involved in making the event such a huge success.</p> <p>Regional delivery: Throughout the 2019/20 season we welcomed 4432 participants in the South region to one of our England netball programmes (including Back to netball, Walking netball, Netball Now or Bee netball). Of which, 2381 were new to netball.</p> <p>Ten clubs within the region achieved CAPS status, three bronze and seven silvers.</p> <p>We also delivered six coaching courses and five other CPD courses within the region, upskilling 220 coaches (pending some Level 2 sign offs).</p> <p>Covid-19 may have affected some of these figures towards the end of the reporting period. However, the real impact of this is likely to be seen in the 2020-21 AGM report.</p>	
5	<p><u>Accounts (SC)</u></p> <p>Over the past season Netball south has ran at a deficit of £5,464.18. This is predominantly due to the number bursaries given by the region to support teams and individuals from our region. It should be recognised that the deficit would likely have been greater, due to match official costs, if the Netball season had run to the normal timetable without the Covid-19 suspension of sports. There were also overpayments to match officials of £855.39 which occurred during the period where the bank accounts were transferred from the previous treasurer. Unfortunately, the overpayments were not identified until after Netball had to be stopped due to Covid-19. It is planned for this money to be recouped, over the 2020 – 2021 season as match officials are once again allowed to travel for the return of Netball.</p> <p>The region continues to remain in a very strong financial position and maintains strong reserves more than 3 years total expenditure.</p> <p>The region is currently undertaking and independent audit of its finances and processes. The results of the audit will be presented to the board at a future meeting and made available to all members though the regions website.</p> <p>Constitutionally, we do not need to formally accept the finance report. However, for good governance we would like to do so. Since the independent audit has not been conducted in its entirety. We are voting as to whether we accept the finance report as presented, with the intention of sharing the independent finding with members once that has been completed.</p>	<p>Independent financial audit to be made available to the membership once completed</p>

	<p>Provided by a “show of hands” the majority vote was to accept the financial report without seeing the results of the current audit.</p>	
6	<p><u>Constitutional amendments</u></p> <p>4.4 “The RMB may not include more than 2 elected members from a single County Netball Association Board”</p> <p>8.1.2 “the annual general meeting will be held either in person or virtually (e.g., via Zoom)”</p> <p>A poll was launched for proposed amendment 4.4 and it was passed with 86% for, 4% against and 10% abstain.</p> <p>A poll was launched for proposed amendment 8.1.2 and it was passed with 98% for 0% against and 2% abstain.</p>	<p>8.1 becomes 8.1.1</p> <p>Add 8.1.2</p> <p>Motion to amend 4.4 was accepted</p> <p>Motion to include 8.1.2 was accepted</p>
7	<p><u>Re-election of committee members</u></p> <p>4.6 All Directors and General members shall serve until the end of the Annual General Meeting immediately following the third, (3rd) anniversary of their appointment. At the end of their term of office any elected member is entitled to stand for re-election.</p> <p>The board members standing for re-election are Julia Arnold, Sarah Feast, Jan Johnson, and Julie Tucker. A poll was conducted to accept all the above names members for re-election. The motion was passed with 96% for, 2% against and 2% abstain.</p> <p>Scott Connors and Matt Clifford were not included in the re-elections as they all had been elected to a new role in 2019.</p>	
8	<p><u>Election of chair</u></p> <p>All applicants had been invited prior to the AGM to record a message to play to members on the meeting. Not all applicants provided this so in order of fairness the videos were not played.</p> <p>The four applicants for chair were invited to introduce themselves on the call. Julie Tucker had internet issues on the call so her previously submitted message, which was played. Unfortunately, there were technical issues which resulted in the audio not being played. However, Julie was able to join over the phone to introduce herself.</p> <p>A poll was opened to vote for the position of Netball South chair. The nominee with the most votes would be elected chair. Members were again reminded of the voting produces and to only vote if they had registered and held a vote of a member county, club, or school: The results on the night were as follows:</p>	

	<p>Helen Keet 6% Shelley Austin 14% Brett Bader 37% Julie Tucker 41% Abstain 2%</p> <p>Julie Tucker was provisionally announced Netball South chair – pending verification of the votes.</p>	
<p>9</p>	<p><u>Election of general member</u></p> <p>Following from the provisional election of Julie Tucker as chair, this released three general member vacancies. Any unsuccessful chair applicants were also included with the other eight general member applications. As the chair applicants had already introduced themselves, however, the remaining candidates had a minute to address the room.</p> <p>Annette Allanson Carol Brown Carolyn Davies Christina Berenger Jane Jewel Santria Jones Tracy Gilloran Vicky McLaughlin Shelley Austin Brett Bader Helen Keet</p> <p>There are three positions vacant, but only one vote is to be cast and the top three candidates will fill the positions. There were some technical issues with the poll, instead the votes were sent directly to the host (Netball South). Matt counted the votes on the night and declared that the three new general members as :</p> <p>Brett Bader – 32% Annette Allanson – 14% Christina Berenger – 14%</p> <p>The meeting was ended at this point with all results of the poll to be confirmed after verifications.</p>	
	<p><u>Election and Poll verifications</u></p> <p>During the verification process two things were uncovered.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Two of the candidates for the chair and general member positions were not eligible (not members of the South region). 	

- 2) Several non-voting members had voted in the polls, affecting the overall results.

As the AGM could not be officially closed, with the elected positions unconfirmed. Matt Clifford continued as chair to rectify the results.

The two ineligible applicants were removed from the candidate list and a revote was proposed as follows:

All voting members that were in attendance on 11th August AGM zoom were invited to cast a revote via email. One vote per voting member would be counted. However, a second-choice vote was also collected and would only be counted in the event of a tie amongst candidates.

Prior to the conclusion both Matt Clifford (chair) and Scott Connors (treasurer) stepped down from the board with immediate effect.

Toni Brunsdon (vice chair) took the role of acting chair until the conclusion of the elected chair could be confirmed.

Lindsay Sartori (England Netball President) audited the re-voting procedure. The results of which were as follows:

Chair:

Julie Tucker 79%
Shelley Austin 21%

Julie Tucker was elected chair.

General member:

With the two most recent vacancies from MC & SC there were five general member vacancies to fill, and the results were as follows

Carolyn Davies 25%
Annette Allanson 16%
Carol Brown 13%
Jane Jewel 13%
Shelley Austin 13%
Christina Berenger 13%

Due to a three way tie the "second" votes were considered with the results as follows:

Christina Berenger 32%
Shelley Austin 27%
Jane Jewel 27%
Carole Brown 14%

The five elected general members were: Carolyn Davies, Annette Allanson, Christina Berenger, Shelley Austin, and Jane Jewel.



	AGM closed Monday 17 th August 2020.	
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Date:

Approved and signed:

(Chair)

Appendix A – Zoom AGM register

First Name	Last Name	Attended	Which member county, club or school do you represent?	Do you hold your County, Club or School Vote? Only one vote per organisation.
Zoe	Allanson	Yes	Fire birds	Yes
Annette	Allanson	Yes	Newlands Girls School	Yes
Julie	Arnold	Yes	Berkshire	Yes
Shelley	Austin	Yes	MK	No
Phyllis	AVERY	Yes	Claire's Court School	No
Brett	Bader	Yes	Hampshire	No
christina	Berenger	Yes	Berks	No
Karen	Bossom	No	V - Woodley	Yes
Ronnie	Bowes	Yes	Wokingham Netball Club	Yes
Sarah	Briggs	Yes	Sussex NRG Netball Club	Yes
Carole	Brown	No	Bkue Zimmers	Yes
Toni	Brunsdon	Yes	Berkshire	No
Kimberley	Churchill	No	Springers	Yes
Jo	Coker	Yes	Jo'kers NC	Yes
Liz	Creighton	Yes	Woodley NC	Yes
Michelle	Cross	Yes	Ravens NC	Yes
Maria	D'amaro	No	Discount vote	No
Carolyn	Davies	Yes	Discount vote	No
Frankie	Di Palma	Yes	V -Trinity	Yes

Nikki	Dunning	Yes	Sarisbury Sparks Allstars	Yes
Anita	Farmer	No	Discount votes	No
Lucy	Farrell	Yes	England netball	No
Sarah	Feast	Yes	Berkshire	No
Susan	Garrett	Yes	Cougars Berkshire	Yes
Jackie	Gibbings	Yes	Central Park	Yes
Amie Louise	Gibbs	No	Pinks	Yes
Tracy	Gilloran	Yes	MK Dons	Yes
Beverley	Goodman	Yes	B52's	Yes
CHRIS	GRANGER	Yes	DREAMS	Yes
Sally	Gray	Yes	Magnets	Yes
Roz	Hannan	No	Eastbourne Junior NC	Yes
Lee	Holden	Yes	Cams Hill School	Yes
Sonia	Holford	Yes	Unity - Bucks	Yes
Vanya	Hunter	Yes	Sapphires South North, Bush & Thunder	Yes
Emma	l'Bell	Yes	Discount vote	No
Yvonne	Jamison	No	Princes Risborough	Yes
Jan	Johnson	Yes	CD Phoenix	Yes
Santria	Jones	No	North Bucks	No
Janette	Keen	No	Discount vote	No
Helen	Keet	Yes	Hants	No
Lesley	Killpack	Yes	Oxfordshire	Yes
Ashleigh	Kinch	Yes	Rushmoor no vote	No
Sarah	Langley	Yes	Southwater NC	Yes
Jennine	Loader	Yes	South Bucks	Yes
jennifer	Luyten-hawkins	Yes	Bs	Yes
Victoria	Madden	No	Discount votes	No
Mandy	Madge	Yes	V -Rushmoor Netball Club	Yes
Dan	Martin	Yes	Bucks Phoenix	Yes
Sheila	Martin	Yes	Sussex	Yes
Hannah	Mckay	No	Club Fusion	Yes
Vicky	McLaughlin	Yes	RDNL - no vote	No
Hayley	McMahon	Yes	Brackley Netball Club	Yes
Rachael	McMaster	Yes	Magnets	No
Sarah	Medhurst	Yes	V Clan Netball Club	Yes
Sarah	Meehan	No	Storm high wycombe	Yes
Dionne	Metcalfe	Yes	Ravens	Yes
Chantel	Moore	Yes	Dominoes	Yes
Philly	Murrell	No	5 Dimension Trust Netball Academy	Yes



Jen	Pavey	No	Volume NC	Yes
Sonja	Payne	Yes	V -Swan	Yes
Karina	Pockett	Yes	Blaze netball squad	Yes
Tina	Price	Yes	Worthing college	Yes
Grace	Ransom	Yes	Didasko Ladies	Yes
Scott	Sconnors	Yes	N/A	No
Ann	Selby	Yes	Isle of Wight	Yes
MELANIE	SIMPSON	No	Marlow kites netball club	Yes
Tina	Small	Yes	V -Shooting Stars	Yes
Chelsea	Smee	Yes	All About Netball	Yes
Liz	Sowdon	No	Mid Sussex Netball Club	Yes
Amy	Stewart	Yes	N/A	No
Slmon	Stow	Yes	Weston Park Blades	Yes
Tracy	Stubbs	Yes	SJ Thundercats	Yes
Judith Diane	Talbot	Yes	Ants Netball Club	Yes
Hayley	Townsend	Yes	Scorpios Netball Club	Yes
Julie	Tucker	Yes	North Bucks	Yes
Izi	Tunncliffe	Yes	Magic NC	Yes
Julie	Wilks	Yes	Discount vote	No
Carol	Williams	Yes	Hampshire	Yes
Claire	Yeoman	Yes	Royals	Yes
V Carly -Eagles		Yes	V -Eagles	Yes
Louise - MK Netters		Yes	MK Netters	Yes