



Grimsby and District Senior Netball League

League Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 13th February 2019, 7.30pm, Lucarlys Wilton Road, Humberston DN36 4AW

GDSNL Committee

Position	Name	In Attendance	Position	Name	In Attendance
Chairperson	Jackie Hewitt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Secretary	Vicky Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vice Chair	Tracy Barford	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Registrations/Affiliations Secretary	Tracey Glover	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Treasurer	Gina Ryder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fixtures Secretary	Louise Burton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Umpiring Secretary	Laura-Ann Wray	<input type="checkbox"/>	Press & Publicity Officer	Jo Bradbury	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Safeguarding Mentor	Kirsten Lowery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fundraising Officer	Tracy Barford	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Coaching Officer	Julie Klug	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Divisional Representative (Div. 1)	Lydia White	<input type="checkbox"/>
Divisional Representative (Div. 2)	Leanne Rowe	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Divisional Representative (Div. 3)	Aimee Smith	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Assistant Website Co-Ordinator	Stephanie Thompson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			

1) Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Laura Wray and Lydia White. Jackie will contact JC Cook regards to the loss of points for non-attendance.

2) New Teams invited to the League Meeting

Jackie asked everyone present if attendees had any objections to new teams attending the League meeting tonight, for them to obtain more information. Everyone was happy and Jackie welcomed them to the meeting.

3) Minutes from the previous meeting held on Wednesday 14th November 2018

The minutes from the previous meeting held on Wednesday 14th November 2018 were accepted as a true and accurate record and formally signed by Jackie Hewitt.

4) Matters arising

Vicky Smith confirmed that the changes to the Bank Mandate have been made as discussed at the November meeting and she has also emailed secretaries with League meeting dates.

At the November meeting Kirsten Lowery suggested to introduce a new Junior player of the Year trophy. The committee has considered this and has welcomed the idea. The new trophy will be introduced at this year's presentation evening and votes will be counted through the Winter seasons nominated player of the match.

5) Chair Update

a) Jo Laird-Reynolds

With the sad and unexpected passing of Jo Laird-Reynolds (Chair 22 years to the Grimsby & District Senior Netball League) in December. GDSNL will hold a "Jo Laird-Reynolds Memorial Tournament" on Sunday 7th July 2019, this will replace the Nigel Racing Tournament. The tournament will stay in the same format as previous summer tournaments; however, the only change is that it will be opened up to any England Netball Affiliated teams.

Oasis Wintringham have also kindly donated a memorial bench which will be unveiled at the memorial tournament and the bench will sit by the netball courts in tribute.

Jackie continued to explain that some of Jo's friends who were unable to attend her funeral in Norfolk met up for a catch up in Cleethorpes. Jackie had decided to dress up as a Pug and collected money around the Pub raising £131 towards Jo's Guide Dog fundraiser. Jackie added that if you would like to Guide Dogs for the Blind then further details are on the website and GDSNL Facebook page.

b) Netball Now

The Committee have organised new "Netball Now" sessions which are held every Friday at Havelock Academy 7pm to 9pm. The numbers are slowly increasing week on week, the sessions are for anyone who wants to play netball – this has been running for the past 3 weeks. The session is £4 per player and it is a great way to keep fit without the commitment. If you want to practice umpiring at the session, then your session will be free. This will be moving to an outdoor venue when the better weather arrives.

c) New Teams

The Committee are focussing on the promotion of the League and we have had interest from four teams looking to join the summer season. Two of the teams attended the meeting tonight. Once registration evening has been undertaken and final numbers have been confirmed Louise Burton will adjust the number of teams in each division accordingly.

d) Presentation Evening

Presentation evening has been confirmed as the 12th July 2019 at Lucarllys, Humberston, Ticket Price is £3 Entry on the Door. Attendees were asked they would like a cocktail bar, as at last years presentation. Everyone was in agreement.

Jackie asked if teams knew of anyone who would be willing to present the trophies for this year's presentation evening. Rachel Jones (Willys) said she would ask for Kevin Clifton, through a friend.

e) England Netball Funding/Developments

The Committee have met with Pauline Hardy (England Netball Development Officer) to discuss funding opportunities – these discussions are on-going, and funding is being looked at to support future developments within the area.

f) Amazon update

Jackie thanked people for using the Amazon link on the Grimsby website. £99 was raised last year which goes back into the league – please continue to use.

g) Court Lines

Just prior to the meeting Steve Broderick from Oasis Wintringham has sent a picture to confirm the lines have been painted in yellow.

1. Umpiring

a) Courses

Jackie asked for all teams to enquire if any players would like to attend an umpiring course. GDSNL would require a minimum of 12 people on the course, which would cost approximately £30 and need to be paid prior to the course, a whistle and rule

book would be supplied for all those who attended. Jackie asked for anyone interested to please contact Laura Wray or herself.

b) Rule Books

Jackie highlighted that all teams should have a rule book in their possession and said that Laura is currently in the process of ordering some more for the league. Jackie asked for a show of hands who would be interested in purchasing a book at £5. It was agreed that 20 would be ordered. Please contact Laura Wray for purchasing.

Action: Laura Wray

c) Clarification of Headwear/Gloves/Nails

Jackie has found on the England Netball website some further clarification on Head ware/Gloves and Nails which is as follows:

Gloves: No form of glove should normally be worn when playing Netball. However EN recognises its responsibility for duty of care to all players playing Netball, particularly outside and within school and junior competition. **In extreme weather or climatic conditions, or with a medical condition, gloves may be worn.** If for medical reasons gloves are required, then on production of an appropriate medical certificate/letter, a local league, County, Region or EN should allow gloves to be worn. The player should ensure that the gloves do not endanger other players' safety and the player must ensure that they have appropriate personal liability insurance. Gloves should be plain, soft leather or micro fibre (e.g. Neoprene) which are manufactured without seams (or with internally sewn seams) and have no abrasive materials including but not limited to zippers, Velcro, metallic or plastic fasteners. Umpires are reminded that they still need to be satisfied that any gloves worn do not present an obvious hazard to other players. Umpires must also check fingernails conform to Rule 5.1.1 (v) (c) **Fingernails must be short and smooth**

Head Coverings: A player may wear a hat / head covering. They should ensure that the material used for the head covering is soft and without embellishments, which might constitute a danger to any other player on the court, and with potential flowing/flapping edges held securely around the neck or tucked into the shirt collar. It should be as neat and secure as possible. Headbands that meet the requirements as above should be allowed. Peaks, baseball or tennis type caps do not meet the requirements and are not allowed.

2. Finance

a) Court Fees

Gina thanked everyone for paying their court fees and for the reduction in change.

b) Summer Registration Fees

Gina confirmed that the Summer League registration fees are £50 along with a £5 raffle prize.

3. Affiliations/Registering for the Summer League

Tracey confirmed that registration for the Summer League will take place on Monday 1st April from 7pm to 8pm at Oasis Academy. New registration forms are not required for existing teams, however if there are new players please let Tracey Glover know.

For any new teams entering the league, a registration form will need to be completed.

Jackie said that she is aware that some teams are struggling for players for the new season and asked to come and speak to the committee, as we may be able to help with players who want to join the league.

4. Fundraising

a) Charity Update

Tracy Barford mentioned that at the last meeting it was highlighted that there would be a mini competition for all teams to raise as much money for this year's charity.

Only two teams have submitted any donations. Gill Klug asked if the details could be emailed to all secretaries on what and how this can be done. Tracy Barford said that she has some blank name cards which teams can take and raise money.

A charity page is on the website giving the current running totals for the charity YMCA Humber.

b) Charity Licencing

Tracy has been in contact with the council and they do not have any objections on collecting money in the pubs for the Charity. It was clearly expressed that donations cannot be collected between pubs i.e. streets and the Landlords permission must be sought before starting a collection. This could be done in fancy dress/ or on a netball night out.

Collection tins can be provided from Tammy Walker (Tetney Golf Club) or ask one of the Committee.

c) Bingo Night

From the roaring success of the Bingo Night in November sponsored by Forrester Boyd Accountants and Jets Bridge McFarland – another night is being held on 22nd March 2019 at Lucarlys, Humberston. The doors will open at 7pm and "Eyes Down" at 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome friends, family, new teams etc. Tracy asked for donations of raffle prizes, if people could contribute.

d) Bonus Ball

Tracy highlighted that two new additions have been added for the bonus ball tonight which takes the winnings to £190. If you wanted to join, a one-off payment of £10 for a pick of three numbers this will go against the Lottery Bonus ball on a Wednesday and Saturday.

A reminder that a number of people still have not paid and outstanding monies are required to be handed in.

5. Fixtures

a) Handicap Tournament

Unfortunately, Near & Near are unable to sponsor the handicap tournament going forward. New sponsorship is being sought, however this will run from March 11th for three weeks. The teams will be seeded and given a handicap based on the Winter League standings. The top 16 will be put through to the finals. Until final numbers are known, it is unsure of how many will be in the groupings. The cost will be £25 per team. Name cards will be circulated during the tournament. If teams go through to the final a further £10 court fees will need to be paid.

It was stated that if a team has entered and then withdraws the entry fee will be non-refundable, teams will need to continue to provide an umpire for the tournament. All

teams to let Louise Burton know if you are **NOT** entering the tournament by 28th February, otherwise you will be automatically entered.

Jackie asked if there were any teams not currently entering. Vickie Langton from Blackrow and Leanne Rowe from Cloud9Beauty said they would not be entering but they would be willing to help with umpiring if required. Elite Security Solutions and Tetney Golf Club said they may struggle with players – the committee said they would assist with any issues where possible – whether this is putting players in contact or sorting umpiring.

b) Start of the Summer League

The start of the summer league will begin on 8th April 2019 – the week following registration evening.

6. Press & Publicity

Jo Bradbury said there had been a lack of reports submitted for publication. Jackie has written a number of reports but Jo asked teams/umpires to also submit match reports. A reminder will be added to Facebook prior to matches.

Jo also mentioned that Grimsby Independent had been in contact to ask for sports reports to publish. Jo is working on this for the near future.

7. Coaching

a) Junior Update

Julie Klug said that between 20 to 30 juniors are regularly attending junior sessions. Julie is currently looking for an alternative indoor venue and asked if anyone knows of anywhere please let her know. Ideally sessions for the juniors and Netball Now will run on from one another if a venue can be sought. Tammy Walker recommended YMCA and Leanne Rowe recommended John Whitgift Academy, these will be further looked into.

The junior netballers are needing some match play and Julie would like to hear from any junior/school teams who would like to play. Julie is currently in contact with Emma Wilde (Scunthorpe Juniors) and is hoping to organise a competitive match with them.

8. Safeguarding

Kirsten Lowery reminded all teams to submit any Safeguarding forms for any new players to her or Vicky Smith.

A reminder was given to ask permission to film/photograph prior to any games taking place. Permission is required from the Committee (who will check GDPR/Safeguarding forms), all players in both teams who are playing and the umpires. If there are any objections, then filming cannot take place.

9. General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) update

Vicky Smith reported that out of 300 forms given out 161 had been returned, she had thanked the people who had submitted the forms and asked for these to be sent in as soon as possible.

10. AOB

a. Rearranged Games

Jackie asked if everyone was happy to have replayed the rearranged games, the majority of teams were happy. Gill Klug said this had affected the availability of their players and the team wasn't particularly happy with this change.

Jackie thanked Betty McKenzie's and Willy's for agreeing to play two matches on the same night following an abandoned game due to the courts.

b. Poaching Players

Vickie Langton asked if there was any rule in poaching players from other teams. Jackie said it wasn't in good spirit of the game, however there isn't any rules forbidding this. A player may only move teams at the end of the first half of the winter season and at the end of the winter season/summer season - **unless the Affiliations Secretary receives written mutual consent from player and team she is leaving.**

c. Winner on the Name Card

The winner on the name card circulated during the meeting was Tracy Barford.

d. GDPR at Presentation Evening

Gill Klug asked what happens with GDPR at the presentation evening, Vicky Smith will look into this and email team secretaries.

Action: Vicky Smith

e. Pass on the Passion

Jackie asked if there were any 12-25-year olds which volunteer for netball? This could be for coaching, officiating, scoring etc. Jackie has some leaflets for "Pass on the Passion" where time can be recorded for volunteering and discounts and freebies can be obtained. Jackie asked if anyone was interested to take a leaflet.

f. Junior Netball Money

Janine Syborn said she has collected £208 from the junior sessions which is being handed over to Gina Ryder to be banked by GDSNL.

**NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD 5TH JUNE 2019 at 7.30pm AT LUCARLYS, WILTON ROAD ESTATE
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