



# NDO County Updates

## County – Avon

### Date – AGM Report

#### **Overview: England Netball Development Officer sections and priorities of the County Plan**

- 2.1. Playing the Game Schools
- 2.2. Playing the Game Clubs
- 2.3/2.4. Playing the Game HE/FE
- 2.5. Playing the Game Community
- 4. Competition + Events
- 5/6/7. Workforce, Volunteering, Coaching, Officiating

#### **2.1. Playing the Game Schools (Hi5 workshops, school games, primary affiliation.)**

- **High 5 Workshops**  
**(Target: 2 workshops with 24 attendees)**

Meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> August with Wendy O'Donnell (Primary Lead at Wesport) to discuss local need  
Working with UWE to offer High 5 workshop as part of their education/PGCE degrees

- **School Games**

Support & Deliver the High 5 finals in partnership with Wesport

- **Increase primary school affiliation by 3%**
- **Increase secondary school affiliation by 3%**

#### **2.2 Playing the Game Clubs (New Junior Clubs U11 & 11+, CAPS, Satellite Clubs, B2N Clubs,)**

- **New Junior Clubs/Section (U11 & O11)**  
**(Target: 1 new junior club)**

##### Crossbow High 5 Section

Continuing to offer support to Crossbow – their newly launched High 5 section remains very popular (with waiting lists) and the lead coach is hoping to expand their offer (providing they can find another coach to support on Saturday mornings).

The club's older section is struggling and it's future is uncertain which is a concern as the older girls from the High 5 project are now looking for an exit route

- **Satellite Clubs**

Continue to offer support to the England Netball supported satellite clubs in the county. Each of the clubs have been working hard to offer additional opportunities to young girls in their local areas.

- Clevedon Royals
- Bath Cougars

- **Club Action Planning Scheme (CAPS)**  
**(Target: Sustain the current number of CAPS clubs & Accredite 1 new CAPS club)**

Avon has the highest number of accredited clubs in the South West:

**18 Accredited clubs in the county (11 Bronze\*, 5 Silver & 2 Gold)**

*\*Congratulations to Bristol Academy Netball Club who have recently gained CAPS accreditation!!*

I am continuing to work closely with the following clubs who are due (or are overdue) to submit for assessment in the coming months:

- Chipping Sodbury (overdue – Oct 2014) – awaiting for an update from the club
- Premier Romans (overdue – Oct 2014) – they need to get one of their junior coaches qualified (hoping they will be on the upcoming UKCC L2 in Avon in Oct)
- Bristol & West (overdue – Feb 2015) –hoping to meet soon to establish where they are
- Almondsbury (overdue – May 2015) – Working towards an Oct/Nov submission (due to not being able to get their site visit done in time)
- Crossbow (Oct 2015) – Have contacted the club to offer support/meet. Not heard anything back yet.
- Fry (Oct 2015) – Have contacted the club to offer support/meet. Have heard from them about booking onto TTL, so think they are working on it.

➤ **Back to Netball Clubs**

Pleased to hear that Hayesfield Hurricanes are entering into the senior league this season – having successfully applied for Adult Club Starter Fund last season after initially being a B2N group!  
Will continue to support any groups that wish to become more sustainable and club-like.

**2.3/2.4 Playing the Game HE/FE ( Active Colleges / UNO )**

➤ **Active Colleges**

**(Target: Work with 3 Colleges engaging 45 participants. Deliver 1 Challenge Cup)**

Met with all the College Sports Makers on 2<sup>nd</sup> June at Wesport's CSM meeting.

SGS have signed up to the England Netball Active Colleges Offer ahead of the new academic year. They have also been asked to be part of an England Netball "FE Ambassador" pilot whereby a student at the college will help promote the EN offer within the college.

Had a positive meeting with Bath College – am awaiting confirmation of their involvement.

Am in the process of arranging follow up meetings with Weston College & St Brendans' Sixth Form

Avon will be hosting a Challenge Cup (possibly at SGS, date: TBC) to which colleges/sixth forms from Avon, Glos & Wilts will be invited. May be looking for umpire support once date has been confirmed

➤ **University Netball Officer (UNO)**

UWE will continue to have a University Netball Officer, who's aim will be to engage social netballers at the university. I will continue to offer support to this role.

**2.5 Playing the Game Community (B2N, Netball Now, Into Hi 5 )**

➤ **Back to Netball**

**(Target: 3 new programmes. 80 new participants across the new/existing programmes)**

Hengrove Park Leisure Centre

Have recently re-registered this session after finding a new coach (Vicki Harding). Will be working with Vicki and the leisure centre to try and grow the session.

SGS/Bristol Academy

Working with Ali to launch a session at SGS with the aim that in the future (next season?) it will become the adult section of Bristol Academy Netball Club and an exit route for her junior members.

Yate

Am looking at the possibility of launching a daytime session at Yate Leisure Centre (with Frankie Nutt coaching). Have a meeting with a local Mother & Baby group to establish interest/possible barriers.

Workplace group (Bath)

For the past few weeks Sue Trezise has been delivering a closed session for a local workplace in Bath. We have had positive feedback from the group, so am hoping this might be something we can replicate elsewhere.

➤ **Netball Now**

**(Target: 3 new programmes. 65 new participants at these sessions)**

These sessions are pay and play (no coaching – just match play) and are designed to give netballers an additional playing opportunity or provide those who don't want to/can't commit to a club an opportunity to play.

Good opportunity for umpires to get match play practice ahead of their assessments!!

Over the summer we have launched 2 sessions:

- King Edwards School, Bath (NDO led)  
This session struggled with numbers (due to a number of factors) and was cancelled after 5 weeks (during this time it had 15 participants)
- Wellsway School, Keynsham – (County led – Zaya)  
This session has proved very popular and has engaged a mix of current and ex-netballers. In June it had already had 30+ participants through the doors. I think session will continue to run into the season as a good proportion of the players are either not currently playing or are keen to use it as an additional playing opportunity.

I am still working/looking into the possibility of running a session at Thornbury Leisure Centre – cost of court hire remains an issue, but am looking into licensing options for the centre to consider.

➤ **Netball Youth Camps**

**(Target: 2 Camps – 1x 11-16yrs & 1x 9-11yrs with 60 attendees in total)**

Bath Netball Youth Camp (11-16yrs)

We had 26 players on the recent 3 day NYC at King Edwards' School in Bath. Rosie Allison attended on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day and delivered a shooting masterclass as well as answering lots of questions and posing for lots of pictures.

Will now be looking at running another camp (either Feb half term or Easter) in the Bristol area. In the coming months will establish interest to determine whether it will be another 11-16yrs or 9-11yrs camp.

#### **4. Competition + Events (B2N Festivals)**

➤ **B2N Festivals**

**(Target: 2 Festivals engaging 140 participants)**

As a South West team we are looking at running more cross-county tournaments to try and ensure attendance is high and the experience is more beneficial to the B2N groups. It is likely Avon will again host a South West led tournament this season.

I have planned a festival on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> August at Merchants Academy (2-5pm) but currently only have 3 teams entered, so unsure if this will go ahead.

#### **5/6/7 Workforce Volunteering, Coaching, Officiating, (courses CPD, YUA, POYP, YNO Golden Globes)**

➤ **CPD Workshops**

**(Target: 2 workshops)**

Looking to deliver a couple of these this year and ensure they complement the ACEP sessions.

➤ **YUA Orientation Workshop**

**(Target: 1 workshop)**

YUA Orientation Workshop postponed last season (11.02.15) as need a few more participants for it to be viable – need to establish what the interest is in this.

England Netball will be amalgamating the YUA/Beginner Award into the "Into Officiating Award" but will continue to accredit YUA attendees until August 2016.

➤ **UKCC Courses**

- UKCC Level 1 Course – Sir Bernard Lovell – 1<sup>st</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup> Nov
- UKCC Level 2 Course – Merchants Academy – 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> Oct, 21<sup>st</sup>/22<sup>nd</sup> Nov & 20<sup>th</sup> Dec

These courses are filling fast!

➤ **Time To Listen**

Avon hosted a course last year which had 13 attendees on it. There have also been courses in Gloucestershire, Somerset & Wiltshire.

Due to the number of CAPS clubs in our County I have expressed an interest in hosting another course in the County to ensure that at a minimum all of our CAPS clubs have had their CSO attend this course (as it is now a CAPS requirement!).

➤ **Goalden Globe Awards 2015**  
**(Target: 5 nominations)**

This year we have had **4 nominations** from Avon for Goalden Globe Awards (see below). These nominees were invited to the Netball South West Awards – winners from this are then invited to England Netball's National Awards Evening on 19<sup>th</sup> September in Warwick.

- Grassroots Official Award – Karen Hill
- Grassroots Coach Award – Leanne Lewis
- Muriel McNally Award – Julie Dyer (Winner!)
- Unsung Hero Award – Becci Calver

**Other news/actions**

**DBS document verifiers** – I am still keen to train up some more document verifiers to help with verification of people's documents across the county. This will hopefully mean people can get their checks done quicker and at a more convenient time. Anyone (18yr+) can be a document verifier and the training is really simple. Please contact me if you are interested.

**Facility Audit** – This was completed during May/June – thank you to all of those who helped with this. Once collated/processed, a County factsheet will be available

**Big Netball Conversation 2** – This was completed during May/June – thank you to all of those who took part. Currently being processed/collated.

**Regional Roadshow** (26<sup>th</sup> November, Taunton Vale) – As part of the new Whole Sport Plan process, England Netball have invited County Chairs (along with RMB members, CSPs, England Netball representatives and Sport England representatives to come together to hear about potential plans for 2017-2021 but most importantly to gain input, thoughts and feedback.

**Leadership Updates** – England Netball have confirmed Jo Adams has been made their permanent CEO. In addition to this, England Netball have confirmed Colin Povey appointed as Chairman-elect (with current Chairman, Cheryl Danson, will step down at the upcoming AGM on 19<sup>th</sup> September.