Welcome to Centre Pass, the newsletter for netball in Surrey and southwest London. This edition covers: Club and school news, Leagues, Awards and recognition, Coaching & officiating, Funding, Competition and Talent development.

Who's who in netball
Laura Wilson is the Surrey and southwest London Netball Development Officer, based at the Active Surrey Sports Partnership in Guildford. If you want to find out more information on netball clubs, competitions and training within Surrey and southwest London contact Laura on: Tel: 01483 518966 or email: lauraw@englandnetball.co.uk or check out www.activesurrey.com

Club and school news

CAPS (Club Action Planning Scheme)
Congratulations to Pleiades NC who were recently awarded Bronze CAPS accreditation. CAPS is the England Netball Club Action Planning Scheme, with Bronze CAPS accreditation being the equivalent of the Sport England Clubmark accreditation. The aim of CAPS is to help clubs develop and be the best they can, ensuring that young players reach their full potential, and giving parents the confidence that their children are attending a safe, quality club.

CAPS is currently being reviewed and re-branded by England Netball and a new more user friendly version of the scheme will be available in the next few weeks. Clubs will now be able to register for CAPS for FREE via the 'Clubs' pages of the England Netball website: www.englandnetball.co.uk.

Karen Atkinson visits Roundwood NC
Roundwood Netball Club’s Joanie Goss, winner of the clubs January 2009 Jack Petchey award for most improved umpire and Sophie Clarke, winner of the April 09 Jack Petchey award for her leadership qualities, both decided they would like to spend their winner's money on an England Player coming in and coaching Roundwood for a session.
Karen Atkinson, England’s WA/C, coached all 3 of Roundwood's training sessions on Thursday 27th August 2009. The juniors worked on spacing, whilst the adults were coached defensive techniques across the whole court. Everyone benefited from Karen’s expertise and are looking forward to being able to put it into match play soon.

About the Jack Petchey Foundation:
Established in 1999, The Jack Petchey Foundation gives grants to programmes and projects that benefit young people aged 11–25. The Foundation is eager to help young people take advantage of opportunities and play a full part in society. The major focus of their work is the Achievement Award Scheme. The Foundation focuses on London and Essex. Since it has been established the Foundation has awarded grants totalling over £50million. For more information visit: www.jackpetcheyfoundation.org.uk.
New Junior Netball Sessions

Newly formed Woking Junior Netball Club are offering coaching sessions every Tuesday evening at Woking Leisure centre for girls in school years 7 to 10. Sessions run from 5.00pm – 6.00pm and cost just £2.00 per session. So if you would like to improve your netball skills and receive coaching by fully qualified coaches just turn up and join in. For further information please email Jill Dixon on jill.dixon@woking.gov.uk or telephone 01483 743804.

Walton and Hersham netball club will be forming a new junior section from November 2009. The sessions will run on a Wednesday evening from 4th November at Brooklands College in Weybridge from 6.30pm – 7.30pm. If you would like to participate please contact Abi Groves at abi@absolutecad.tv.

High-5 Netball Schools finals

High-5 Netball is the only version of netball recognised by England Netball for children of primary age. This season every county sports partnership will be hosting a schools final to encourage and support high-5 netball competition in all primary schools. The finals will be run and organised by school competition managers in partnership with England Netball.

Surrey Final: Wednesday 5th May 2010
South London Final: Wednesday 24th March 2010
Central London Final: Friday 19th March 2010

Please get in touch if you would be interested in helping at this event. Two High-5 netball workshops are also available for teachers/coaches to support the delivery of high quality High-5 netball in schools, please contact Laura Wilson for more details: Lauraw@englandnetball.co.uk or tel 01483 518966 or visit the Active Surrey website: www.activesurrey.com.

Surrey County U16 League

Last season only four teams participated in the Surrey U16 league and so Junior clubs from Surrey came together in May 2009 to review and rejuvenate the league. Thanks to the support of Surrey's junior clubs, the league will restart in October 2009 with 20 participating teams playing in two divisions. This new league format will help to ensure that Surrey's U16 netballers will now have the opportunity to participate in high quality match play. League results and information can be found on the netball pages of the Active Surrey website: www.activesurrey.com.

Surrey Storm into the Co-operative Superleague

England Netball recently announced that following the restructure of the London and South East Superleague team, the Surrey Sports Park at the University of Surrey (Guildford) will host the squad for the next two seasons.

Formerly known as Brunel Hurricanes, the new look London and South East side, now the ‘Surrey Storm’ will represent the London & South East region in the Co-operative Netball Superleague.

Paul Clark, Chief Executive of England Netball said, “The Surrey Sports Park is an ideal partner for the London & South East Superleague Franchise, they are very ambitious and we are thrilled that they have stepped in to take over the Franchise. For further details of Surrey Storm please visit: www.surreystormnetball.co.uk.

This is fantastic news for Surrey netball fans who will once again be able to watch world class players on their doorstep.
Surrey Leagues Get Online

Over the summer three of the largest senior netball leagues in Surrey and also the Surrey County Netball Association have refreshed and relaunched their websites. The new look websites allow you to look at participating club details, league results and fixtures as well as key contacts.

Please visit the league websites via the links below for more information:

- Croydon Netball League: www.croydon-netball.co.uk
- Kingston Netball League: www.kdni.co.uk
- Surrey Netball League: www.surreynetballleague.co.uk
- Surrey County Netball Association: www.surreynetball.co.uk

Awards and Recognition

Surrey Lions Awards

Surrey County Netball Association held their inaugural Lion Awards this summer to say a massive thank you to its huge volunteer workforce. The awards were presented at the SCNA AGM and there were six categories.

Many congratulations to all the winners:

Senior Coach of the Year – Joan Chipperfield, Gems Netball Club
Senior Coach Runner Up – Kathryn Evans, Old Actonians Netball Club
Junior Coach of the Year – Peta Neilson, Whitton Netball Club
Umpire of the Year – Louise Travis, Capital Nuns Netball Club
Umpire Runner Up – Amber Buchan, Old Actonians
Young Netballer of the Year – Katy Holland, The Downs Netball Club
Young Volunteer of the Year – Felicity Dickinson, Hillcrest Netball Club
Long Service Awards – Brenda Power Hampton Netball Club, Doreen Allen, Nicki Constant Hillcrest Netball Club

Nominations are now open for next year's awards, please visit the Surrey County Netball Association website for further details or to download a nomination form: www.surreynetball.co.uk. No nomination was received last season for the 'Teacher of the Year' category so SCNA are particularly keen to receive nominations for this award, please get voting!

World Youth Championships

Surrey Umpire, Louise Travis was recently selected to officiate at the World Youth Netball Championships in the Cook Islands. Louise achieved her A award in 2006 and has previously umpired superleague and netball Europe events. Louise commented; 'Umpiring everyday during a 10 day tournament in a foreign country with high temperatures and humidity demanded a lot both physically and mentally, but I enjoyed and gained a great deal from the entire experience. The atmosphere inside the arena was always electric, in part due to the fantastic support each team received from the local school children'. Many congratulations to Louise for her national selection and fantastic performance.

If you would like to get involved in officiating or tutoring please contact SCNA officiating administrator, Jane Reuben: janereuben@tinyworld.co.uk.
Jan Crabtree Coaching Workshops
In June 2009 30 coaches from all over Surrey came together to attend a coaching masterclass led by Jan Crabtree, Regional Talent Coach for the South Region and previous national and superleague coach. Jan delivered sessions on match analysis and feedback as well as centre pass tactics. The sessions provided a fantastic insight into top level coaching practices and was really well received by all who attended. Future coaching workshops are currently being finalised in Surrey, if you would like to receive details please email lauraw@englandnetball.co.uk.

Talent I.D. And Selection Workshops
Are you a coach or teacher working with talented netballers? This workshop will provide you with:
- Knowledge and understanding of the characteristics of talented athletes
- An overview of the Regional and National Excel pathway for talented players
- Knowledge and understanding to coach talented athletes
- Methods of talent identification
This is a 3 hour theory based workshop, delivered by the London & SE Regional Talent Coach, Emma Blackmore.
Two workshops have been organised in Surrey and SW London:
Tuesday 13th October, 7.00pm – 10.00pm, Guildford
Thursday 12th November, 7.00pm – 10.00pm, Cheam
To book a place on one of these workshops please contact Laura Wilson for a booking form and further details: lauraw@englandnetball.co.uk or tel 01483 518966 or visit www.activesurrey.com.

Officiating
Officiating courses in Surrey are run by Surrey County Netball Association. This year Surrey County Netball Association have already qualified 40 new C award umpires.
If you would like to attend an officiating course please contact the SCNA course administrator, Jane Reuben: janereuben@tinyworld.co.uk for details of upcoming courses. If any up and coming umpires would like to practice and develop their umpiring skills, there is a Mature League at Tolworth on Thursday evenings which would welcome umpires wishing to work towards taking the C award. Please contact Jane for further details.

Youth Umpire Award
England Netball have introduced a new leadership award aimed at 13 – 18 year olds to promote the development of Youth Officiating. This award has been designed specifically for young people and will introduce them to the generic skills of umpiring. This is a 6 hour course with a practical assessment.
To be able to deliver this award teachers need to attend a teacher orientation workshop. This is a three hour orientation workshop and
A teacher orientation workshop is to be held in Surrey on Friday 6th November 2009 from 4.00pm – 7.00pm. If you would like to book a place on this workshop please contact Laura Wilson: Lauraw@englandnetball.co.uk or tel 01483 518966 or visit the Active Surrey website: www.activesurrey.com.
England Netball Excel Programme
Congratulations to the 24 girls that were selected into the Surrey U18 & U16 County Partnership Academy for this season. Special congratulation to Holly Wilson, Whitton NC, Georgie Eldridge, The Downs NC and Sophie Nash of Putney High School who were also successful in gaining a place in the London & SE Regional Talent Development programme.
A full list of squad members can be found on the netball pages of the Active Surrey website: www.activesurrey.com.

Surrey Storm Talent Team
Trials for the Surrey Storm Talent Team (U19's) have already taken place and congratulations to the following Surrey girls who have been selected into the Surrey Storm talent squad for this season:

• Neala Brennan
• Katy Holland – The Downs NC
• Imogen Kelso – Cobham NC
• Sophie Nash – Putney High School
• Holly Wilson – Whitton NC

The Netball Talent League creates a competitive environment in which young netballers aged from 14–19 can experience high-pressure games on a Superleague stage. Talent matches are played on Superleague match dates before the main game, please visit the Surrey Storm website for further details: www.surreystormnetball.co.uk.

We wish the Surrey Storm squad a successful season and hope they can regain their title as National Talent League champions.

Funding

Surrey County Netball Association small grants scheme
Surrey County Netball Association supports clubs and individual players / umpires / coaches by offering a Small Grant Scheme. Grants will be available for:

• Equipment
• Education
• Assistance towards participation in national competition, either for individuals or a club

For an application form and guidance please visit the news pages of the Surrey County Netball Association website: www.surreynetball.co.uk
### Other useful contacts

**Surrey County Netball Association:** [www.surreynetball.co.uk](http://www.surreynetball.co.uk)
The Surrey County Netball Association are the voluntary voice of netball within Surrey and south west London.

**England Netball London and SE Region:** [www.londonandsoutheastnetball.co.uk](http://www.londonandsoutheastnetball.co.uk)
There are nine Regional Units in England covering the separate regions across the country. Each unit has a full-time Regional Manager and a Regional Support Staff. Working alongside their elected County and Regional Management Boards (RMBs), the Units develop and facilitate the delivery of all aspects of netball within their region.

**England Netball:** [www.englandnetball.co.uk](http://www.englandnetball.co.uk)
England Netball is the governing body for netball in England and operates over nine regions. Surrey and south west London is part of the London & southeast region.

**Surrey Storm:** [www.surreystormnetball.co.uk](http://www.surreystormnetball.co.uk)
Surrey Storm are our local Netball Superleague team. The Netball Superleague is made up of the top nine teams in England and shown weekly on Sky Television.

**Active Surrey Sports Partnership (ASSP):** [www.activesurrey.com](http://www.activesurrey.com)
The Active Surrey Sports Partnership continues to support Surrey’s volunteers and professionals. ASSP is the strategic sports development lead and aims to make Surrey a more successful and active sporting county.

**Proactive South London:** [www.pro–activesouthlondon.org](http://www.pro–activesouthlondon.org)
Pro–Active South London (P–ASL) is a partnership of organisations with a common interest in developing sport and physical activity in the London boroughs of Bromley, Croydon, Kingston–upon–Thames, Merton, Richmond–upon–Thames, Sutton and also Wandsworth.

**Pro–active Central London:** [www.pro–activecentrallondon.org](http://www.pro–activecentrallondon.org)
PRO–ACTIVE Central London is one of five sub-regional sport and physical activity partnerships operating across Greater London covering the boroughs of Camden, Islington, Kensington & Chelsea, Lambeth, Southwark, Wandsworth and the City of Westminster.

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