

ESSEX METROPOLITAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

on

8 July 2015

at

**REDBRIDGE SPORTS CENTRE
FOREST ROAD, BARKINGSIDE , ILFORD, ESSEX
at 8.00 pm.**



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Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 8th July 2015 commencing at 8.00 pm in the Jean Brown Arena
at Redbridge Sports Centre, Forest Road, Barkingside, Ilford, Essex.

AGENDA

1. **Chairman's Remarks**
2. **Apologies for Absence**
3. **Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting**
4. **Matters Arising**
5. **Officers' Report**
6. **Election of Officers**

President	Mrs J Bruce
Chairman	Miss R Shea
Vice-Chairman	Mrs P Meadows
General Secretary	Mrs A Reilly
Treasurer	Miss M Fuller
League Secretary	Mrs Y Hurley
Publicity Secretary	Miss J Taylor
Umpiring Secretary	Miss J Kelloe
Results Secretary	Miss T Howe
Three Swords Secretary	Mrs A Reilly
Junior League Secretary	Mr I Smith
Development Officer	Miss Y Rhoden
Coaching Secretary	Ms M Cox

7. Motions Received

That the affiliation fee be set to:

Over 18	£31.00 (AENA £26.00, LSE Region £0.75, Essex Met £4.25)
Under 18	£19.00 (AENA £16.30, Essex Met £2.70)
Under 14	£10.55 (AENA £8.55, Essex Met £2.00)
Under 11	£5.30 (AENA £5.30)
2 nd Claim	£4.65 (LSE Region £0.75, Essex Met £3.90)

Proposed by the Executive Committee

8. Presentation of Trophies & County Colours

- League & Three Swords Trophies
- Elsie Saunders Memorial Trophy
- Edith Carter Umpiring Trophy
- Academy Awards
- Life Members

9. Appointment of Auditor

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Minutes of the 2013/2014 Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 9th July 2014 at Redbridge Sports Centre, Forest Road, Barkingside, Ilford, Essex

The meeting commenced at 8pm and was chaired by Rita Shea.

1. Chairman's Remarks

Rita welcomed everyone to the meeting on the occasion of her 30th year in office and thanked them for attending.

2. Apologies for Absence

Attendance was as per the Attendance Book. Apologies were received from Shona McCabe, Brenda Cane, Maeve Curtis and the following clubs, Fusion, Yaks, Fairlop, Old Trinitarians and Dolly Mixtures.

3. Minutes of Previous AGM

These had been circulated, were agreed signed as correct.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Officers' Reports

These had been circulated with the AGM papers. No queries were raised.

6. Election of Officers

All Officers were standing for re-election and were re-elected unopposed.

7. Motions received

The proposed increase in affiliation fees was agreed.

8. Presentation of Trophies

Trophies were presented by Rose Morgan-Smith of Mavericks.

Excel Academy girls selected for Regional Squads.

Rebecca Wilks, Jessica Oshodi, Laura Carlisle, Paige McCalla and Madeline Oshodi.

The London and South East Golden Globe awards nominations from Essex Met were:

Regional Division 2 winners – Manor
Rose Award – Jillean Hipsey
Grass Roots Award – Brenda Blanc
Umpiring Award – Kaye Cornwall
Unsung hero Award – Sandra Moynihan
Club of the Year – Manor

Life Membership Gill Dulieu

Elsie Saunders Trophy Brenda Blanc

Edith Carter Trophy Kaye Cornwall

Junior U11 Redbridge Blue Redbridge White

U12 Essex Open Marshalls A

U14 Essex Open A Essex Open B

Three Swords Pettits Ilford

League Div 1 Manor A New Cambell Green

2 Aeonian 1 Marshalls A

3 Romford B Marshalls B

4 Essex Open B Chigwell Ladies 2

5 Island 1 Leyton C

6 Marshalls C Pettits C

7 Phoenix 2 New Cambell Orange

8 Essex Open D Romford D

9 Rileys Manor C

10 Essex Open E Marshalls F

11 Ilford 4 Salisburys Ladies 3

9. Appointment of Auditor

Mike King had indicated his willingness to continue to act as Auditor and was appointed.

The Meeting closed at 8.20pm.

ESSEX METROPOLITAN NETBALL ASSOCIATION

CONSTITUTION

NAME

The name of the Association shall be the Essex Metropolitan Netball Association.

OBJECT

The object of the Association shall be to encourage and develop the game of netball in the area designated to it by the All England Netball Association Ltd.

MEMBERSHIP

All individual and school members of the Association shall be affiliated to the parent body, (the All England Netball Association Ltd.), and shall be bound by its Constitution and Regulations. All affiliation fees, which shall be determined only by the A.G.M. shall be payable by all members not later than 11 September each year and shall be valid, for the purposes of this Association, for the twelve months expiring on 31 August following.

GOVERNMENT

The Association shall be governed by an Executive Committee who shall be elected annually at the A.G.M. and shall consist of the following:

President	Coaching Secretary
Two Vice-Presidents	League Secretary
Chairman	Publicity Secretary
Vice-Chairman	Umpiring Secretary
General Secretary	Development Secretary
Treasurer	Junior Netball Representative

The Executive shall have the power to co-opt up to five members.

The names of the Officers standing for election, together with their proposers and seconders, must be received in writing by the General Secretary at least twenty-eight days before the A.G.M. The consent of the nominees must have been obtained prior to nomination. Existing officers may stand for re-election without being nominated. Where there is only one candidate for any post then election is automatic. Any office that receives more than one nomination shall be decided by a ballot. The Executive Committee has the right to fill any posts left vacant at the A.G.M. or becoming vacant during the year.

EXECUTIVE

The Executive Committee shall meet at least three times annually to consider and decide the general policy of the Association and authorise any substantial expenditure.

SUB-COMMITTEES

The Executive Committee may from time to time establish sub-committees, the terms of reference, personnel and organisation to be determined by the Executive Committee. All decisions made by the sub-committees shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee.

ACCOUNTS

The audited accounts of the Association for the year ending 30 April shall be presented to the A.G.M. and audited by an auditor appointed at the previous A.G.M.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The President shall be invited to preside at the A.G.M. which shall be held in June or July of each year. At least twenty-eight days notice shall be given in writing to all members entitled to vote of the date, time and place of the meeting. Motions for inclusion on the Agenda and nominations for Officers must be received by the Secretary at least twenty-eight days before the Meeting. They must be accompanied by the names of the proposer and seconder in each case. Officers' reports, audited accounts, Minutes of the previous A.G.M. and the Agenda with motions received, shall be sent to all members entitled to vote at least seven days before the meeting. The Agenda shall be:

Chairman's Remarks
Apologies
Minutes of the previous A.G.M.
Matters Arising
Officers' reports
Election of Officers
Motions received
Presentation of badges and trophies

Twenty members present and entitled to vote shall form a quorum. Each club, each officer, and the representative (or his/her delegate) of each of the five London boroughs duly appointed to the Junior Netball Sub-committee shall have one vote each. No one person with voting powers shall exercise more than one vote. Two members of the Executive Committee shall conduct the ballot which shall include motions received and be observed by two scrutinisers appointed by the meeting who shall be non-voting members.

SPECIAL MEETING

The General Secretary shall convene a special General Meeting following a request in writing of five members entitled to vote at the A.G.M. This meeting shall be held within one month of the receipt of the request and fourteen days notice of it shall be given to all members entitled to vote at the A.G.M. Twenty members present and entitled to vote shall form a quorum.

CHANGE OF CONSTITUTION

Any motions to change the Constitution shall only be considered at an A.G.M. or a special General Meeting and any decisions to change must be carried by a two-thirds majority of those in attendance and entitled to vote.

COPIES

Copies of the Constitution shall be supplied annually to all members of the Association entitled to vote at the A.G.M.

DISCIPLINARY POWERS, PROCEDURES AND APPEALS

The Executive Committee shall have power to discipline in such a manner as the Executive Committee thinks fit any member who has been guilty of conduct considered by the Executive Committee to be disgraceful or prejudicial to the interests of the county or the game of netball. The power to discipline shall include power to suspend or remove a member from membership of the county. On receipt of notification of facts or circumstances that a member may have been guilty of such conduct, the Executive Committee shall have power to:

- i. appoint and constitute a Disciplinary Committee, and
- ii. make such terms of reference and regulations as it considers necessary for the conduct and proceedings of such a Disciplinary Committee.

A member who has been the subject of disciplinary action by the Executive Committee has the right to appeal to the Executive Committee.

Chairman's report

The league has once again run its course. I have been so pleased to see so many young players at the centre. Their obvious enthusiasm and enjoyment is so palpable that I find myself smiling often. The sense of fun is also very evident at all times. Teams like to win, of course; however I can still find it difficult at times to identify the winners. I know I have said this before, but it still gives me pleasure.

I am now hoping that the Three Swords League will flourish as before. In our indoor era, the games had great atmosphere and were a pleasure to watch. Now that the league will be indoors again, perhaps we can return to a keen competition!

I should like to congratulate Jillean Hipsey of New Cambell Club. She has just been inducted into the Netball Hall of Fame (some might say, "and about time too!") Well done, Jill!

Finally, I should once again offer our sincere thanks to the Executive. They all work hard and are so efficient. The best in the country? Thanks again.

Rita Shea

Treasurer's Report

Another quiet year in the finance department, with nothing more exciting than the occasional bounced cheque, or unpaid fine.

Our deficit this year is larger than expected or desired. Steps are being taken for our Academies to be more self-sufficient, as they have been in the past. You will note that the Umpiring deficit is greatly reduced this year; thanks to Jane Kelloe's efforts and a small increase in course fees.

Since our main league now usually finishes in the month of May, I have proposed that our financial year runs from 1 June to 31 May instead of 1 May to 30 April. This will enable me to refund deposits in the same financial year as they are received.

We'll be proposing the following fees for the 2015-2016 season and hope that you'll vote to accept them:

Aged over 18yrs:	£31.00 (AENA £26.00, LSE Region 75p, Essex Met £4.25)	
Aged 18 and under:	£19.00 (AENA £16.30, Essex Met £2.70)	born after 01/09/1996
Aged 14 and under:	£10.55 (AENA £8.55, Essex Met £2.00)	born after 01/09/2000
Aged 11 and under	£5.30 (AENA £5.30)	born after 01/09/2003

I hope everyone had an enjoyable season; congratulations to those teams winning their divisions and very many thanks to my colleagues on the Executive Committee for their continued support.

Maggie Fuller
Treasurer
Affiliations Officer

2014/2015 SEASON

Income & Expenditure Account

	Income	Expenditure
Income from Affiliation fees	3,503.65	
Junior netball surplus	210.00	
Umpiring deficit		-180.63
Coaching grants		-202.50
League - Essex Met (Div. 1 courts, first aid, less fines received)		258.55
League - Three Swords (Court hire - some of last season included)		-97.40

Administration/Miscellaneous

Post/telephone/stationery		-791.98
Executive committee travel		0.00
AGM 2013 expenses/meeting hall hire		-108.00
Trophies/engraving/league prizes		-2,011.20
2014-2015 deposits		-540.34
2013-2014 Talent Development Academies		-3,898.64
Miscellaneous [gas 2013-2015]		-87.92
donations/flowers for Les Jones		-105.98
Software annual maintenance		-64.00
NDO funds held in our account	1,037.30	
Regional Event		-100.00
interest at Bank and Building Society & bank charges	30.09	
deficit for year	3,149.00	
	<u>7,930.04</u>	<u>-7,930.04</u>

Balance 1.5.14	22,610.14
less deficit	<u>-3,149.00</u>
Balance 30.4.15	<u>19,461.14</u>

Represented by:

Co-operative Bank current a/c	19,412.14
Cash	49.00
	<u>19,461.14</u>

I have checked a sample of entries in the books and records of Essex Metropolitan Netball Association and confirm that they are an accurate representation of the Association's financial situation.

Mike King

(original signed by)

M D J King

Date: June 2015

Trophy Recipients 2014/2015

	W	RU
Junior	U12 Essex Open B U14 Marshalls Purple	Essex Open A Essex Open A
Three Swords League	Romford	Pettits
League	Div 1 Essex Open A 2 Romford A 3 Essex Open B 4 Island 1 5 Rileys 6 Phoenix Red 7 Essex Open D 8 Marshalls D 9 Essex Open E 10 Essex Open F 11 Cumberland 2	Manor A New Cambell White Fairlop Pettits B New Cambell Silver Oakwood A QM Old Girls Aeonian 2 Woodford Warriors 1 Oakwood B Phoenix Flames 1

UMPIRING SECRETARY'S REPORT 2014/2015

My usual (and heartfelt) thanks to all those who have helped me during the season-my colleagues on the Executive Committee, assessors and clubs for C and B assessments/C/B Award reassessments, tutors and players for umpiring courses and umpires at trials etc.

Courses

We organised 6 umpiring courses this year-2 Beginners, 3 C Award and 1 B Award. We also organised 1 Youth Award orientation course for teachers. Whilst attendance at courses is excellent, this is not translating into candidates applying for their Written Paper and then progressing towards the Practical Assessment, particularly at C Award: any thoughts on how to improve this would be most welcome.

With the support of the Executive Committee, we have continued to minimise the costs of courses to candidates. To address the amount of the subsidy to Umpiring (as mentioned in last year's report), we increased costs slightly/reduced discounts slightly for courses: this seems to have worked as attendance at courses remains excellent and the subsidy is smaller this year. As a "one-off", the Executive Committee have agreed to subsidise the cost of the County's assessors attending the new assessors course recently introduced by England Netball.

Assessments

Congratulations to our successful candidates:-

C Award- L Cripps, K Jenvey, C Johnson, J King, R Reynolds-Blanche

Youth Umpiring Award-S Akbari, Z Anthony, N Arrindell-Porter, H Bowyer, A Charles, B Conden, L Conden, R Gallery, P Idoko-Okpe, A Petty

C & B Award Reassessments

The B and C Award reassessment programmes continued this season and will be ongoing. My thanks to Kaye Cornwall for co-ordinating both reassessment programmes.

You may be interested to know that the Essex Met B Award reassessment programme has been used as the basis for the L&SER reassessment programme for B Award umpires in the Regional League, to be introduced next season.

Mentoring programme

The mentoring programme has continued and I am pleased to report that 4 participants gained their umpiring award this season. We look forward to more successes.

Please note that the programme is now available only to candidates who have passed the Written Paper for the C/B Award.

Umpiring News

Information and updates have been posted on the noticeboard at Redbridge, included on the website and in NewsWing and sent to Club Secretaries.

As County Umpiring Secretary, I am available to provide information and assistance to umpires who wish to progress to an umpiring award/a higher award, to answer queries and am always pleased to be able to help our umpires, who are so necessary to the continued strength of netball in Essex Met.

Umpire Tutor

To close, I'm delighted to report that I gained my ADL Level 3 teaching qualification earlier this year-this enables me (as an umpire tutor who is not a qualified teacher) to continue tutoring. It was a lot of work, but very worthwhile. If anyone is interested in taking the tutor's course, please let me know.

Jane Kelloe
Umpiring Secretary

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League Secretary's Report – 2014-2015

It is that time of year again when we congratulate ourselves on the conclusion of another successful season on netball.

Thankfully, disciplinary incidents were few, although I truly believe that one is too many!

It is a sport, and I believe that we all attend with the intention of enjoying, hence disciplinary issues only serve to mar our enjoyment!

I did have to remind teams about the attitude towards umpires. Again, the game cannot be played without them, and if people are kind enough to pick up a whistle and umpire the game, then the least we can do is to be accommodating to them. I know that umpires are not always right...we are only human and can make mistakes, as do players, so please cut umpires some slack!!

The only other event this season was the possibility of an alternative venue for the League. Having circulated the proposal, with a follow-up, only about 2/3rd of clubs responded. The overwhelming decision was to stay at Redbridge Sports and Leisure.

Thank you to those who took the time to discuss with their members and respond, and to those who didn't bother, so be it! You are obviously happy to go with the majority.

I have had requests from several clubs for additional teams, and even a new club wanting to enter the League.

I think we still have a reputation of being a very good league, and long may it continue.

Congratulations to all those teams who have gained promotion and commiserations to those being relegated.

Enjoy the summer and we look forward to another successful season in 2015-2016.

Yvette Hurley

League Secretary

Results Secretary

End of Season Report

Congratulations to the winners and runners up from all the divisions and leagues.

I thoroughly enjoy being Results secretary and love that more team always want to join our league.

A big thank you to the secretaries that respond to my emails so quickly.

Please look out for a handout that will be included in your secretaries pack in September, there will be some important information in there. Also please ensure that you and your emergency contacts email addresses are up to date as this is the way most communication are sent.

Good luck for the coming season.

Regards

Tracy Howe
Results Secretary

Three Swords League 2014/15

Great enjoyment was had once again by the small group of clubs taking part in the Three Swords League which runs on alternate Saturdays to the main league. Here players have the opportunity to join those in their club from different divisions in the Essex Met League or even other clubs (as 2nd claim members). Although always competitive, and run under almost all the same rules, it has a more relaxed and friendly feel to it.

A shorter format of the League took place this year beginning at the indoor facility at Sporthouse Arena in Dagenham, and then transferring later on to Redbridge due to work taking place at the Sporthouse venue. Congratulations to the winning team Romford and runners up Pettits.

Next season this league will move to the new indoor courts at Barking Abbey Academy. This will be an opportunity for all clubs to test out the new dedicated indoor facilities. I would like to encourage as many clubs as possible to take up this opportunity and to let me know of the format that would suit you best. Times and number of games will be dependent on the response received but suggested dates have been included in the proposed calendar. I look forward to hearing from you.

Thanks go to all those involved this year for the wonderful spirit in which these games are played. I hope we will see you all return for next season.

Ann Reilly
Three Swords Secretary
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Essex Met Junior League Report 2014/15

The Junior League was well supported this year with 12 teams representing 5 clubs in the two age groups. I'd like to thank all the coaches, umpires, team managers, spectators and last but not least the players for turning out in all weathers and being so keen to play competitive netball.

The standard of play improved throughout the season and it was great to see young athletes developing their skills and having fun. Both leagues were highly contested with final positions only being decided in the last few rounds of fixtures.

Congratulations to all the teams that took part and well done to the winners and runners up of each league below.

Under 12

Winners: Essex Open B

Runners Up: Essex Open A

Under 14

Winners: Marshalls Purple

Runners Up: Essex Open A

We will be contacting all clubs soon to get their views on how we can improve the league by encouraging more clubs to take part across more age groups. Following the results of this application forms will be sent out for clubs to book their places for next year's league.

Ian Smith – Junior League Secretary

Essex Met County Excel Academies

Another successful year for all the members of our Excel Academies, all girls enjoyed the coaching they were given and worked hard under the guidance of their coaches, we had several girls who were successful in making it to the Regional squad these were Laura Carlisle, Paige McCalla, Ellana Woodley and Madeline Oshodi. Well done girls. We entered a team into the Redbridge Monday Night League allowing the older girls to gain some match play experience, this proved invaluable for the girls seeing the team finish runners up in their division.

The Regional Festival was held on Sunday 22nd March at Redbridge and Essex Met entered 4 teams in the U14 section and 2 teams in the O14 section, all girls performed well showing the coaches how they had progressed. Our U14 1st team got through to the semi-finals, only losing by 2 goals to the eventual winners of the festival, a superb effort from this squad.

Another excellent year's work from all our coaches led by Head Coach Katy White, being assisted by Michelle Cox, Joan Bovell, Lisa Brown, Carly Goodchild, Symone Lawson, Yvonne Rhoden, Betty Bellamy, Dani Muggeridge, Sonia Arnold, Brenda Blanc and Liz Bundy. Thank you for all the hard work you put in with the girls.

Thanks must go to Pat Meadows for her input into running the Academies, her knowledge and wisdom is invaluable, we must not forget to mention Les Jones who we sadly lost in September, her help and wisdom over the years will be sorely missed by everybody in the Excel Academy programme. Finally I must not forget the unsung hero, who helps me with all the backroom work, my job would have been a lot harder without her help a massive thanks go to Sarah Maynard.

Sheila Maynard

Excel County Team Manager

Essex Met Coaching Report

My name is Michelle Cox and I am the Essex Met Coaching Secretary. My role is to help, develop and support Essex Met members gain coaching qualifications and experience. I help people gain funding for coaching courses for level 1, 2 and 3.

Essex Met may fund up to 50% of the coaching cost to help you complete the course. A part of the funding agreement is for you to volunteer your skills and experience to a Netball club, school or County as a way of developing our county Netball players.

If you would like to discuss about coaching and coaching development please feel free to contact me. If you would like an application form please go to our Essex met website under the coaching tab, fill out form and send to my email coaching@essexmet.co.uk or michelledeborahcox@hotmail.com

Our county has a wealth of volunteers who have taken up the opportunity in becoming a Netball coach, for their school and local Netball club. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for time, efforts, motivation, commitment and planning in keeping netball interesting, fun and exciting. Essex Met County is here to help you develop and I am happy to receive questions/comments regarding Netball coaching. There are currently several Netball clubs who are seeking coaches, so please keep a look out on website and Facebook for vacancies.

I would like to thank the Essex Met Committee members for their support and a big thank you to Shona McCabe for all her hard work getting coaching and Netball development going within the area.