

Tyne and Wear County Netball Association Committee Meeting

Item	Notes
Date:	Wednesday 7th January 2015
Present:	Margaret Tobin, Liz Wisniewski, Emma Ross, Kelsy Melvin, Helen Emmerson, Leanne Watson, Charlotte Hills, Rachel Cassidy, Linda Hall, Kerry Smith, Lynne Booth, Kim Richardson
1. Apologies:	Tori Brady, Deborah Percy
Start Time:	7:45pm
2. Minutes of the previous meeting, matters arising and outstanding actions:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreed
Finance Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accounts presented and approved. • TWCNA is in a healthy financial position
Competition Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There has been an increase in Spring League entries. Discussion regarding the reason for this and can we cope with this demand? Going to work with the regional office to see if there is any scope to work together with neighbouring counties to meet demand for competition. • A series of junior events are planned to take place from January until April 2015. The youth officers will attend the next event and gather some feedback from the young players which we can use to improve our junior offering. • As there were a few balls left over from the order placed at the start of the season, it was agreed to give a match ball to each of the clubs who qualified for the NE junior league this year. • It was agreed that the clubs of member of the Committee will be excused from duty nights pro rata to numbers on committee and teams entered. • A number of league rule infringements were outlined and the appropriate penalty discussed and agreed. Teams to be informed of the decisions by the Competitions Officer.
Officiating Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The umpiring seminars will be on February 25th and March 4th 2015 at Blue Flames. It was agreed that teams without a practising umpire should send a member of their club. • It was agreed that running the bleep tests for umpires within a couple of clubs had proved successful and this would be used again in September. All umpires will be required to attend one of these sessions. • Fast tracking talented C award umpires into Division 2 was agreed. Candidates would need to be assessed in order to qualify for fast tracking. • A query was raised by a committee member regarding the constant application of rules. A team mate had been allowed to play one week with an earring covered with a plaster and the next week had to remove it - as per the rules. It was agreed to raise this at the umpiring seminars. But it was also highlighted that these issues can only be addressed if they are raised with the officiating officer.
Publicity Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee member to give RC a picture of themselves and a short biography for the website.
Coaching Report:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some of the criteria for funding for coaching courses was confirmed. Up to 50% funding can be offered for coaching courses which is paid on completion of the course. Only one course will be funded per person within a 12 month period. The full criteria and application form is available on the website.
Date of next meeting:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 18th February 2015 • 11th May 2015
Meeting Closed:	8:50pm