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**Annual General  
Meeting**

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**Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017**



# Agenda

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of previous Annual General Meeting
3. Presentation of Board Reports and Accounts
4. Appointment of Auditors
5. Election of Regional Management Board Members



**1. Apologies for Absence**

**2. Minutes of previous AGM**

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# 3. Presentation of Board Reports & Annual Accounts

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# Chairperson Report

*Imogen Greatbatch*



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# Chairperson Report

## *Imogen Greatbatch*



### ➤ **Successes**

- Streamlined, RAG rated annual priorities
- Improved debut Golden Globe NW celebration event
- Improved comms processes for RMB, County Chairs / inc partnership working with EN & Manchester Thunder

### ➤ **Challenges**

- Turnover of volunteers (one vacant, at start of year and 3 resignations in 8 months)
- NGB funding and staffing changes with new Netball four year cycle

### ➤ **Areas of Focus Moving Forward**

- Regional planning for next four years
- Meeting Governance requirements with continued focus on communication and finance
- Supporting Counties and transition of Performance pathway changes



# Communications Report

*Roberta Micci*



## ➤ Successes

- Implemented a mailing system which can be used to promote key messages and events to affiliated members
- Scheduled social media posts which means events and campaigns from England Netball can be planned and implemented
- Better communication with other board members
- Better communication with the website company to ensure messages and promotions are up to date.

## ➤ Challenges

- To recognise volunteers in the communications roles with the TSG and county

## ➤ Areas of Focus Moving Forward

- Next year I hope to increase PR and promote with local newspapers
- Liaison closely with England Netball and collaborate with Lindsey to promote the Netball World Cup
- To create visual aids to help improve the website look and style





# Competitions Report

## *Estelle Graham*



### ➤ Successes

<u>Regional League</u>	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Runners-up</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Winners</u>	<u>Runners-up</u>
NW Prem.	Oldham	Warrington	U14 - A	BACUP& Rawtenstall	Monica
NW Champ - A	Bury Black	Chester Blue	U14 - B	Parrenthorn	The Grange
NW Champ - B	Oldham U19	Tameside Yellow	U16 - C	Christleton	Saddleworth
U16 - A	YWCA Bury	Oldham	U16 - D	Hulme Grammar	Bridgewater
U16 - B	Tameside	Chester	U19 - E	Crompton House	WGGS
U14 - A	Oldham	Bury	U19 - F	Holy Cross	Fallibroome
U14 - B	Chester	Tameside			

To the schools who represented the NW at the National schools finals. Well Done!!

To all the clubs who represented the North West at the National club finals. Well done!!

U14 1<sup>st</sup> place: Oldham , 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Chester  
U16 1<sup>st</sup> place: Tameside, 4<sup>th</sup> place: YWCA Bury

U14 1<sup>st</sup> place: Parrenthorn HS,  
5<sup>th</sup> place: The Grange  
U16 1<sup>st</sup> place: Hulme Grammar,  
9<sup>th</sup> place: Bridgewater  
U19 4<sup>th</sup> place: Holy Cross college,  
7<sup>th</sup> place: Crompton Hse

# Congrats to all







# Competitions Report

## *Estelle Graham*



### ➤ Challenges

- Providing more match play opportunities
- Diversity of club 'issues'
- Officials - Experienced, qualified, fit, available
- Venues and match changes

### ➤ Areas of Focus Moving Forward

- Champs going to div 1 and div 2
- Play offs for seniors
- One single division for junior leagues
- Club meeting
- Closer links / training
- Review of rules

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# Officiating Report

*Mary Slade*



## ➤ Successes

- The three targets were fully achieved
- Five new B award umpires; Bess Jowsey and Stuart Nattrass from Cumbria. Emma Izon from Gtr Man, Kim Lamb from IOM. Amanda Fogarty from Merseyside
- An assessors Course in the region.
- Launch of the Regional Mentoring Scheme

## ➤ Challenges

- Standard of umpiring
- Standard and number of Technical Officials
- Opportunities for B+ umpires outside the region

## ➤ Areas of Focus Moving Forward

- Thanks
- Plans to be set by new RUS and the TSG
- Development of the Mentoring Scheme



# Coaching Report

## *Melanie Morris*



### ➤ **Successes**

- Positive numbers of coaches responding
- Feedback has given lots of areas to develop coaches
- Improved comms processes for RMB, County Chairs / inc partnership working with EN & Manchester Thunder

### ➤ **Challenges**

- Physically meeting as teams coaches i.e County Coaches
- Information isn't up to date or available
- Engaging volunteers

### ➤ **Areas of Focus Moving forward**

- Create a database
- Plan meeting in advance (maybe play days)
- Create resources that reflect performance selection
- Plan 'coaching event' diary
- Target player's earlier



# Performance Report

*Sam Longley*



## ➤ Successes

- Number of athletes engaged and depth of talent beyond those selected. Opportunities have been given during season to more athletes to join on both full and part time basis.
- Athletes from 5/6 counties represented at Regional level. Credit to the pathway support at school, club and county level.
- High proportion of athletes making England Squads at different age groups

## ➤ Challenges

- Turnover of Performance Team (Karen/Sue)
- Communication and calendar demands on players, coaches, clubs, counties, schools
- Move to Franchise led performance offer, transition for current athletes and coaching staff and impact at County level on ways of working.

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# Performance Report

*Sam Longley*



## ➤ Areas of Focus Moving Forward

- Communication – ensure everyone knows what’s happening and what that means for them for coming season. Includes supporting the transition for existing athletes at regional and county level into new format of programmes.
- · Support Counties to provide programmes that benefit the future of not only their County athletes, but next generation of England/Thunder players
- · Create stronger working Partnership between Board and Manchester Thunder – enhance work already begun. Support process of new staff roles to develop and continue to provide strong programmes.

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# Treasurers Report

## *Vacant*

### ➤ **Successes**

- We have maintained business as usual

### ➤ **Challenges**

- Vacant role for 50% of the year

### ➤ **Areas of Focus Moving Forward**

- Handover with new appointed role
- Refined reporting

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# Accounts Summary

1 May 2016 – 30 April 2017

To follow once new Treasurer has reviewed

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# Manchester Thunder Report

*Debbie Hallas*



## ➤ **Successes**

- Improved communications between the board and franchise, having a presence on the board
- Worked jointly on the NPL U17/19 tournament this August to ensure the NW competing

## ➤ **Challenges**

- Funding for the new performance pathway going forward
- Information available to us to communicate effectively with the region to plan going forward

## ➤ **Areas of Focus Moving Forward**

- Increasing the level of interaction between the franchise/region in a strategic partnership
- Financial planning for the new performance pathway
- Working with region/counties and transition of Performance





# 4. Appointment of Auditors

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# Regional Manager Report



The 2016/2017 season has seen the North West really cement the successes of the 2015/6 season and the team have been challenged this year to show where they can make 1% improvements across their work programmes. This year it has been a challenge with the changing staffing structures and departing NW staff, however the North West continue to show excellence in the delivery of England Netball Programmes and Products.

This has led to an improvement in partnership working across existing networks (County Sports Partnerships, Local Authorities and County Netball Associations) as well as new partnerships (AGE UK, Housing Groups, Girl Guiding, Charities and workplaces).

## Headline Adult targets 2016/2017:

- 📍 2059 B2N Participants (2% increase on 2027 Participants last year)
- 📍 6 new clubs/teams established via B2N Programmes (5% increase on last year)
- 📍 28% of B2N delivery to key 16-25yr old groups
- 📍 757 Netball Now Participants (40% increase on 456 participants last year)
- 📍 215 New to Netball Participants- Netball Now (9% decrease on 235 last year)
- 📍 14 University Netball Programmes, engaging 374 students (50% increase on 187 last year)
- 📍 518 Walking Netballers engaged- new programme launched in 2016; 356 were new to netball

## Children and Young People targets 2016/2017:

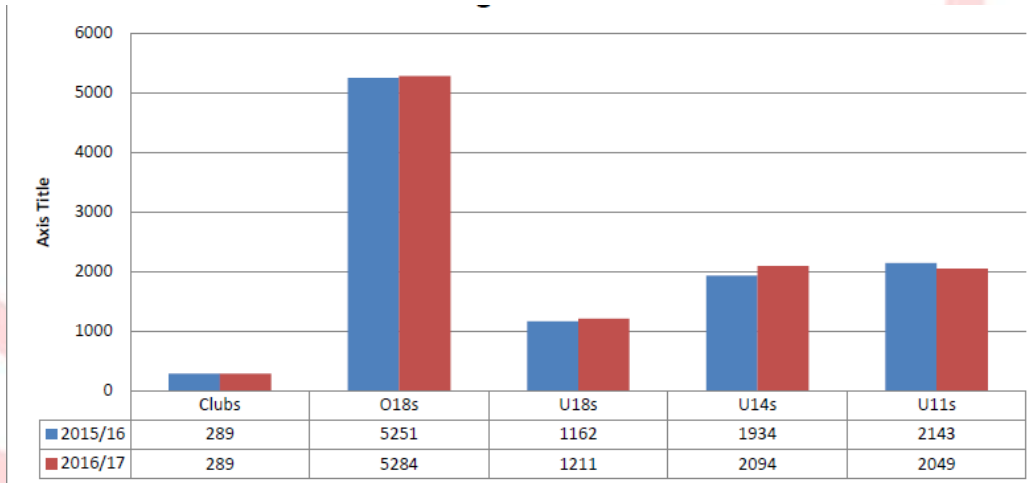
- 📍 28 new Junior Clubs developed (U11 and O11)
- 📍 10 new Junior Sections created (U11 and O11)
- 📍 6 New Satellite Netball Clubs developed
- 📍 177 participants engaged through Further Education Programmes (23% decrease on last year)
- 📍 6 School Games delivered; 70 teams playing across Primary and Secondary schools, with 614 participants
- 📍 1333 children engaged through Premier League 4 Sport Programmes (35% increase on 868 last year)





# Regional Manager Report

## North West Regional Affiliation Data 2016 / 2017



### Affiliation 2016/2017:

This graph represents North West Netball Membership in comparison to the last 2 seasons (2015/2016 & 2016/2017).

The total number of organisations that affiliate to North West Netball has increased from **1190** in 2015/2016 to **1234** in 2016/2017, of which clubs make up just over **23%** with **289 clubs affiliated**. This is a **4% increase** on the number of organisations that affiliated to North West Netball and the total number of participants affiliating has **increased by 2.5% from 10,527 members** in 2015/2016 to **10,677 members** in 2016/2017.

The last 2 seasons have seen **Over 18s** membership increase after many successful England Netball programmes (Back to Netball, Netball Now, Walking Netball and the Big Summer of Netball) with **5,284 members affiliated**. This is a **1% increase on last year (5251 members)**.

Junior membership continues to grow across some of the age groups with significant increases of **8% in U14s** and **5% in U18s membership**. There was a **4.5% decrease in the U11s age group** across the region; however School membership has seen a significant increase of **8% for Primary schools (720 schools)**. There was a 6% decrease in **Secondary Schools affiliation compared to last year**.

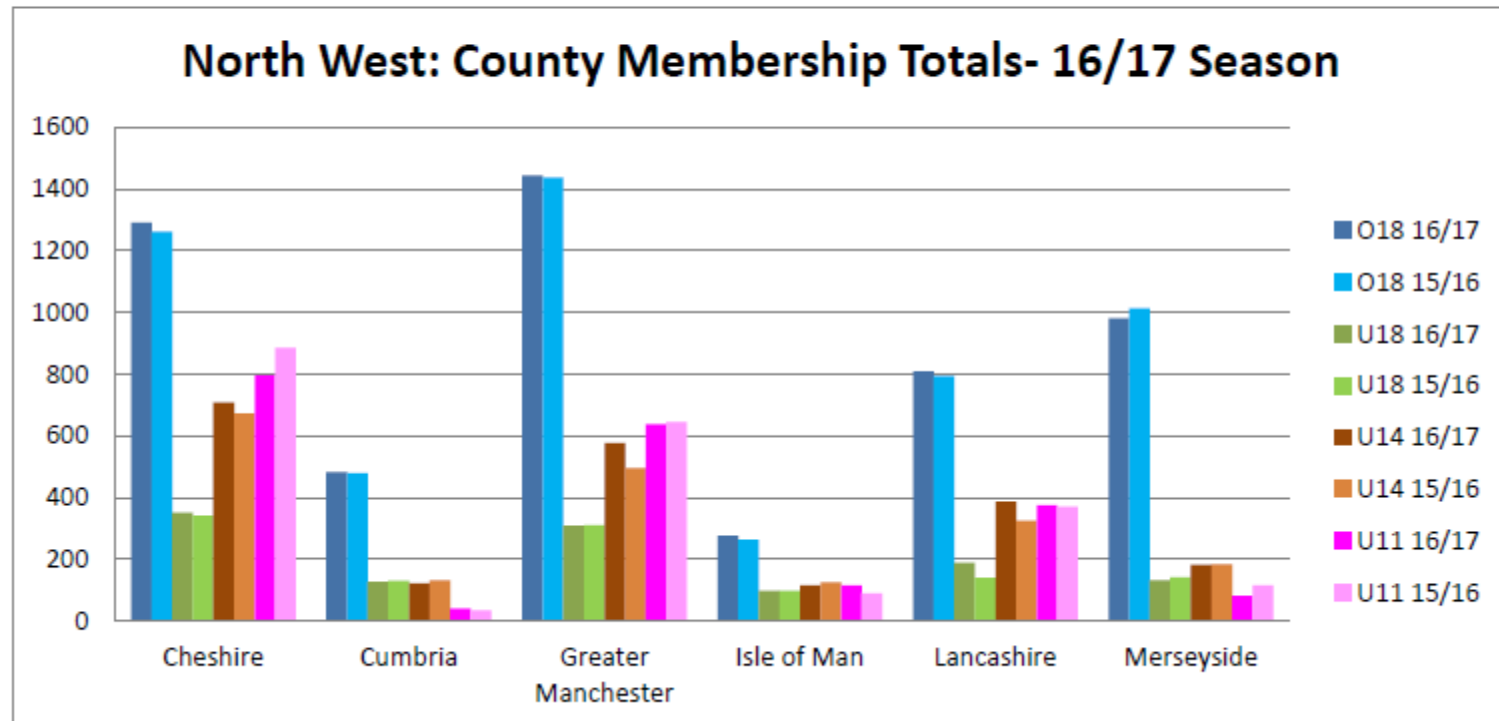


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## County Affiliation Data 2016 / 2017



The graph below shows the data for each county based on the England Membership breakdown of age groups. The figures from the 2015/2016 season are also depicted to show growth in the age groups. Notable changes in the County data are as follows:



# Regional Manager Report

## County Affiliation Data 2016 / 2017



- **Cheshire:** Cheshire saw an increase in organisation affiliation for clubs (+2), Young Persons Groups (+2), Primary Schools (+3) and Secondary Schools (+2). Cheshire also saw an increase in every age group bar U11s. The largest increase coming for the U14s age group with a 6% increase on last year.
- **Cumbria:** Cumbria saw a decrease in the number of clubs affiliating to the County, as well as slight decreases in the number of O18, U18 and U14 members. The U11s age group however saw an increase of 15% in 2016/17 with an additional increase of 3 Primary Schools and 1 new Young People's Group.
- **Greater Manchester:** The U14s saw the greatest increase at 15% based on last year's members (578 U14s in 2016/17 season). The county also saw significant growth in Primary School affiliations (+13 new Schools). O18s also increased by 1% to 1444 members. All other areas of affiliation saw no more than a 2% decrease.
- **Isle of Man:** The Isle of Man had an increase of 1 new club and all age groups increased bar the U14s, which saw a 7% decrease from 125 to 116 participants. The largest area of growth came from the U11s, with a 23% increase on the 15/16 season.
- **Lancashire:** Lancashire saw a significant and the largest increase in Primary Schools affiliations with 32 new Schools joining the county. The County also saw 4 new clubs developed, in a year that saw every age group increase; O18s increased by 2% (to 809 members), U18s increased by 27% (to 190 members), U14s increased by 17% (to 387 members) and U11s increased by 2% (to 375 members).
- **Merseyside:** In the 16/17 season, the County saw a decrease in all age groups with the largest decrease coming in the U11s age group (30% decrease to 82 members). Merseyside did see an increase in the number of Primary Schools affiliating (+5 new schools) and sustained the number of clubs, secondary schools and universities affiliating.



# Regional Manager Report



## Key Partnership Working

The 2016/17 season saw the introduction of a number of different and innovative partnerships. Walking Netball sessions joined up with AGE UK, The Women's Institute, University of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Age and other local charities. These partnerships saw netball being taken to different audiences and as a result over 500 walking netballers were engaged last season. Back to Netball sessions were also venturing out to different environments with different workplaces and faith groups engaged as well as working with other sports to deliver joint projects.

Girl Guiding NW were a new and exciting partnership that developed in the 2016/2017 season with a number of different taster sessions already delivered and more to be delivered in the 2017/2018 season. Once England Netball finish their review of our Children and Young People offers, the North West team will be perfectly placed to engage a large audience through Girl Guiding, aiming to increase affiliated teams and members through bespoke Girl Guiding leagues and tournaments across the region.

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# North West Staff



Helen Dulson  
NW RCO.



Steph Hastwell  
Team Leader / Lancs NDO (3 days)  
Bury "I will if you will" (2 days)



Shelley Meaden  
Regional Manager

England Netball continues to employ a team of staff in the North West region. We have worked hard to promote good team working, sharing of good practise & have enjoyed working together on a number of different projects, including the University Netball Programme, The NW Coaching Conference and Netball Youth Camps to name a few. We have had a few departures during the 16/17 season with Elisha Maguire, Sonia Dryden and Jennifer Leach all moving on to pastures new. We want to thank them for their efforts in helping Team NW in all of their achievements in the 16/17 season.



Rachel Andrew  
Isle of Man NDO



Louise Moss  
Merseyside NDO



Anneka O'Connor  
Cheshire NDO



Rebecca Smith  
Gtr. Man. NDCC



Jess Gordon-Smith  
Gtr. Man. NDCC

Sonia Dryden – left  
Cumbria NDO

Steph Hastwell (2 days) from Sept.

Jenny Leach – left  
Gtr. Manchester NDO  
Vacant

Hannah Kenny on  
Maternity leave  
Liverpool NDCC  
Vacant





# Regional Report Achievements



## UKCC courses Apr 16 – Mar 17

- 3 x Level 1
- 2 x Level 2



## Courses Apr 16 – Mar 17

- 2 x Into
- 6 x C Award
- 2 x B Award
- 5 x High 5 workshops
- 3 x Walking Netball host



## CAPs Apr 16 – Mar 17

- 6 x Bronze
- 6 x Silver
- 2 x Gold



The last CAPs folder  
assessment took  
place in March.  
CAPs is now online





# Regional Report

Coming soon



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# 5. Election of Regional Board Members

## Applicants

- Chair: Imogen Greatbatch
- Vice Chair: Phil Owen
- Coaching: Melanie Morris
- Communications: Roberta Micci
- Competitions: Estelle Graham
- Officiating: Ruth Ward
- Performance: Sam Longley
- Treasurer: Sarah Sutton



And Finally

**A BIG THANK YOU!!....**



- To all our amazing volunteers for their outstanding achievements;
- To the past and present Regional Management Team members for their dedication and hard work
- The North West Team **#NWISBEST**
- These are your successes!

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