

We are proud to continue our support of the Berkshire Junior Netball League (BJNL), both in promotion and financial backing. This initiative remains central to our mission of developing grassroots netball and providing a safe, competitive environment for players aged 10–19. Despite rising venue costs, we remain committed to ensuring netball remains accessible to all.

League Highlights:

- The BJNL continues to thrive, offering regular competitive opportunities for junior teams across Berkshire.
- Laurel Park U19s represented Berkshire at the Netball South play-offs, competing for a place in the regional league.
- Congratulations to all medal-winning teams.

U11 Div 1	U11 Div 2	U11 Div 3	U12 Div 1	U12 Div 2	U13 Div 1	U13 Div 2
Poole A	Poole B	Woodley White	Poole	Bs Sky	Bs Sky	Bs Navy
Eagles	Laurel Park	Bs Sky	Eagles	Laurel Park	Magnet	Surrey Heath
Weston Park	Royals Navy	Laurel Park Red	Royals	Woodley	Rushmoor	Finch
U14 Div 1	U14 Div 2	U16 Div 1	U16 Div 2	U16 Div 3	U16 Div 4	U19
Woodley	Passnplay	Finch	Woodley	Finch		Laurel Park
Tadley	Magnet	Magnet	Magnet	Bs White		Royals
Finch Green	Bs Sky	Bs Sky	Laurel Park	Passnplay		Bs Sky

Acknowledgements:

- Sincere thanks to our club coaches for their dedication and countless volunteer hours.
- Special thanks to Debbie Horn for her ongoing technical support (and sounding board)
- Kerry Oliver has taken on the role of Junior League Umpiring Secretary, supporting the development of young umpires with the support of Mary Stanley.

Additional Competitions:

- A successful mid-week summer friendly league was held at St Neots, receiving positive feedback. We aim to repeat this in 2026.

- The National Schools Competition was hosted at Theale Green School in October. Thanks to the Board, Mary Stanley and her officiating team (TEAM WHITE), and Tournament Referee Julie Arnold.

National Schools Results:

- U14: Winner – Wellington | Runner-up – St Mary’s Ascot
- U16: Winner – St Mary’s Ascot | Runner-up – The Marist
- U19: Winner – Wellington | Runner-up – Bradfield
 - *Wellington U16 and U19 teams represented Netball South at the National Finals.*

Upcoming Events:

- The 2025 National Schools County Tournament (U14, U16, U19) is scheduled for Saturday 8th November at Theale Green School. Qualified “C” or above umpires will be contacted by Mary Stanley. Entry forms have been distributed to Berkshire schools.

BPNL Involvement:

- The Board continues to support the Berkshire Performance Netball League (BPNL) for the 2024–25 season.
- I serve on the BPNL committee as BMBM, coordinating venues and fixtures, and working closely with Chair Tracey Doran Carter, whose leadership deserves recognition.
- I will continue as Berkshire’s representative on the BPNL committee for the 2025–26 season.
- Congratulations to Thunderbirds, who reached the NS Regional Division 3 play-offs.

Looking Ahead: We are preparing for another strong season. We remain committed to expanding opportunities for grassroots county teams. Our priorities remain:

- Delivering high-quality junior netball
- Supporting the development of players, coaches, and umpires
- Promoting the positive impact of sport on young lives

Fixtures for the 2025–26 season will be shared in July. With more clubs and teams involved, we look forward to offering even more young players the chance to engage in competitive sport.

Thank you to all for your continued support and commitment.