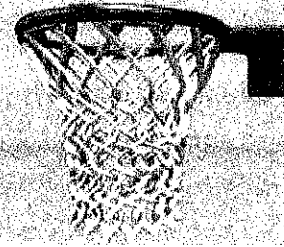


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Minutes of Annual General Meeting held on Microsoft Teams 1st September 2025 at 7.30 pm

CHAIRPERSON'S WELCOME

Fiona welcomed everyone to the meeting and talked through the agenda and format.

2. APOLOGIES

No apologies were received. UBMS1 and UBMS2 were not present during the AGM. They will receive a £25 fine for not attending.

3. ADOPTION OF REPORTS AND MINUTES OF 2024 AGM

The minutes of the 2024 Annual General Meeting together with reports had been circulated to all teams with the agenda. It was proposed by Becky Price and seconded by Sarah Edwards and unanimously agreed that the reports should be adopted and signed by the Chairperson as a true record of that meeting.

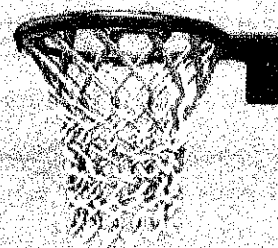
5. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS – Sue Maund

Welcome to this year's AGM. Congratulations to all team winners, runners up and individual players of the season for season 2024 -25. I would like to thank all members of the committee for all their hard work this year, I know it's been very challenging at some committee meetings but believe the league has benefitted from all the time and effort made at committee meetings this season. The Committee would also like to thank Zoe and Becky who are stepping down from Membership and Tournament Secretary for all their hard work they have done over several years. Thank you both. Last year at the AGM we had requests from teams to change playing our annual tournament from a Wednesday evening to a Saturday/Sunday. The Committee took this on board and did a poll for the preferred day. The result was a majority wanting to have a Sunday tournament. Having changed it as requested it was very disappointing that only 5 teams entered our Sunday Tournament and was cancelled due to lack of support. Perhaps it's a case of if it's not broken don't change it!

6. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – Fiona Lawson

Welcome to this year's AGM, I would like to reiterate Sue's remarks and congratulate all team winners, runners up and individual players of the season for season 2024 -25. We had a great summer for once, maybe a bit too hot for netball but no rain makes netball great! I'd also like to thank you, the teams, and our umpires. You embrace competitive, friendly netball, making the WCNL what it is. As players, we can sometimes feel hard done by decisions made by umpires, often this can come down to the rules and a lack of understanding, especially around the local rules.

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Please read the rules and policies which are available on the WCNL website and talk to the committee if there is anything you don't understand – or talk to an umpire at the end the game to ask for clarity. We have run an umpire forum already this year, with another tomorrow evening, we are delighted to have Gary Burgess with us to support and encourage our umpires. Unfortunately, we did have to cancel our summer tournament but not due a lack of hard work trying our best to make it happen. All of this is only possible because of the WCNL committee; WCNL is run by volunteers, and they work tirelessly on your behalf, putting in countless hours to ensure the smooth running of the league – we make decisions based on what we believe is best across the whole league which is challenging when trying to consider 58 teams across 7 divisions. I want to say a massive thank you from me to each and every committee member for their time and effort.

Membership reminder

The 2025/26 affiliation year is now available to register, costs can be seen on the screen outlining cost on screens. Reminder of the WCNL Rule 7 and being affiliated by the 1st game. A reminder that you must use your affiliated name on the score cards for the upcoming season. Membership spot checks are being carried out throughout the year, any team who break the rules of affiliation will have rule 19 applied.

Rules

A reminder that we have our own local rules and policies which allow us to meet our local needs. This year we have stripped down our rules into policies to provide more detail for you and to hopefully make things clearer. Here is where to access the rules and policies on the website.

Winter league

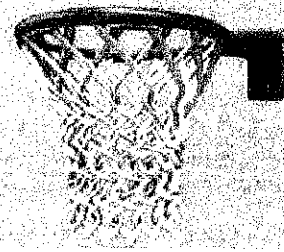
For the upcoming season the player of the match voted by teams, please ensure this is done on the scorecard on the night of the game. All fixtures are now available on the website, a reminder that we will always email any changes to fixtures.

Charity Donation

TOURNAMENT & DONATION - Worcestershire Breast Haven Unit

Stewart Vernalls was huge part of the WCNL community and it's important to keep his memory alive. Unfortunately, this year the tournament didn't run due to lack of attendance. A total of £400.00 was raised for the Worcestershire Breast Haven Unit from the raffle. Any suggestions for next year's charity please email Fiona. Raffle prize draw was done before the AGM by the tournament secretary, winners were shown on screen. Prizes to be handed out to winners.

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7. TREASURER'S REPORT – Jo Hawes

Appendix 1 – Worcester City Netball League Profit and Loss 2024/2025

Appendix 1 was circulated to all attendees prior to the meeting.

Court fees have increased to £26.50 from £21.50

Healthy surplus for winter court fees. Invoices will be sent out once court fees confirmed and payments will then be due half by end of October 2025 and other half by January 2026.

Query from Kate Selwood regarding figures from 2023/24 and 2024/25, meeting to be held with Jo (Treasurer) after AGM.

8. CONSTITUTION AMENDMENTS

Proposed amendments by the Committee had been circulated to all teams prior to the meeting. No questions, objections or amendments had been received by the due date and therefore the proposed amendments to the constitution were approved.

9. RULE AMENDMENTS

Proposed amendments by the Committee had been circulated to all teams prior to the meeting. Significant rule changes are as follows, Rule 4 now refers to the WCNL Kit Policy, Rule 5 Umpires has been stripped down and more information added to the umpiring policy. Rule 7.9, 7.9.1 and 7.9.2 Safeguarding has been stripped down and added to the policy. There are further updates to the Match Times and Stoppages policy, as well as new policies for AGM Protocol and Gender, Eligibility and Participation (in line with England Netball).

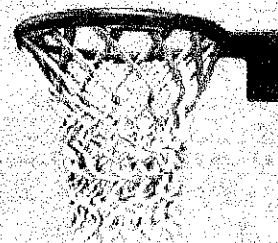
Reminder for all people within league can send in requests for rule changes.

- One response was received in relation to Rule 7.6.1 (existing rule), the committee agreed that Rule 7.6.1 should be changed ahead of the AGM. This lead to the committee voting on the removal of 7.6.1 with 8 votes to remove and 2 votes to remain. Further to this Rule 7.6 was also amended regarding which division regional players could play in. The committee voted 6 votes for division 1 and above and 4 votes for division 2 and above, meaning a majority vote for division 1 and above.
- One response was revised in relation to 7.9 (existing rule), the committee agreed that no action should be taken to change the age banding. Voting to keep the age banding at 14 years of age was 9 votes, to change to 13 years of age was 1 vote. Meaning a majority vote of keeping the age banding at 14.

The proposed amendments to rules 2, 4, 4.1, 5, 5.2, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7, 6, 7, 7.1, 7.6, 7.6.2, 7.8, 7.9, 7.9.1, 7.9.2, 10.1, 10.2, 11, 12, 19.1 stand.

Changes to the Constitution and Rules were proposed by Sian Gray and seconded by Sarah Edwards.

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10. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Notification of vacancies for officers had been circulated to teams with the agenda. All other committee members are happy to remain in post for this year. No nominations were sent for the tournament secretary role. This role remains vacant. The following people are joining as Co-opted members:

- Georgia Evans-Goodrich
- Helena Augousti
- Lin Smith

No objections were raised at the meeting and the election stands. No further nominations were received.

11. PROPOSED EXTRA ITEMS

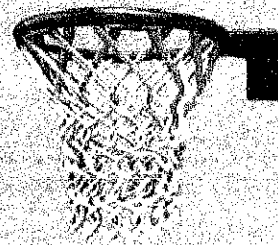
None were received in advance.

13. ANNOUNCEMENT OF WINNERS

CLOSE OF MEETING – 20:09pm

Indoor 24/25	Winners	Runners Up	Player of Division
Division Premier	Saracen Blues	WNC Blue	Jo Mezzzone – Zodiac Supernova - 6 Grace Taylor – Malvern Comets - 6
Division One	WNC Sapphires	Saracen Greens	Sophie Cooke – Bluebirds - 7
Division Two	Mocking Jays	Zodiac Amicae	Lorna Beercroft – Diamonds - 9
Division Three	Zodiac Sparkys	Fireballs	Jemma Waldren – Smart Cut – 6 Syd Blanchnot – WNC Rubies - 6
Division Four	Saracen Royals	Raiders Rockets	Carris Davies – Raiders Rockets - 9
Division Five	Droitwich Ravens	Bomb Squad	Sasha Jones – WNC Pinks - 9
Division Six	Saracen Fawns	Saracen Cubs	Mia Perkins – Zodiac Nebula - 6
Summer 25	Winners	Runners Up	Player of Division
Division Premier	WNC Sapphires	Zodiac Supernova	Rosie Grinnell – Firefox - 6
Division One	Mocking Jays	Zodiac Moons	Hayley Artherall – Zodiac Moons - 6
Division Two	WNC Rubies	Zodiac Blacks	Abi Coward – Zodiac Stars - 8
Division Three	Diamonds	Zodiac Sparkys	Stacey Schooling – Raiders Missiles – 5 Kate McKenzie – Zodiac Sparkys - 5
Division Four	Saracen Royals	Scarlett Spitfire	Brit Cound – WNC Pinks – 6
Division Five	Malvern Jets	Saracen Fawns	Jenna Flintoff – Malvern Jets – 4 Gemma Jones Golding – Scarlett Stars - 4
Division Six	Saracen Cubs	WNC Crystals	Liv Cox – Scarlett Sonic – 3 Leah Hill – Zodiac Planets - 3

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Adoption of reports and minutes of 2025 AGM

Certified true record as agreed at the 2026 AGM

Signed

Name

FIONA LAWSON

Date

28.09.2026

Name of person proposing adoption of minutes as true record

Jill Hoad

Name of person seconding adoption of minutes as true record

Joey McAuliffe