

HOTSHOTS NETBALL CLUB AGM
Wednesday 10th June 2020 7.30pm, via ZOOM

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Present Via ZOOM: Mel Lewis, Elaine Smith, Kay Jukes, Kay Hall, Charlotte Gwilliam, Karen Bowen, Carol Jardine, Becky Evans, Kim Mumford Tracy Yarranton, Emma Hughes, Tess Pinches, Tegan Pinches, Tilly Pinches, Penny Duck.

Club Chair Mel Lewis welcomed everyone to the meeting, informed those gathered that the AGM would be recorded for purpose of the Minutes.

No Apologies

1. Review of the 2019/20 Season

Minutes of the 2019 AGM were approved. **Proposed: Kay Hall**
Seconded: Becky Evans.

Coaches Reports:

U11's by Becky Evans

Becky felt the U 11's had had a positive season with three teams to CVL, there was a massive difference and improvement between the Autumn and Spring Leagues, the 26 players involved had all grown in confidence hugely. Thank you to Kim Mumford and Tegan Pinches for their help at both training and CVL.

U 12's by Karen Bowen, supported by Emma Hughes.

Karen said this group of girls had a great attitude to training and CVL, quite a difference between **Alphashots** and **Betashots**. There is a lot of potential, with some good individuals, but who at times didn't necessarily play as a team. Had introduced everyone attending training 15mins early to talk through what they planned to do, this had been very beneficial. Thank you to some U 11's who had played up when they were short; all the families; and since Christmas the girls doing their Duke of Edinburgh volunteering with Hotshots.

U14's by Mel Lewis and Carol Jardine

With 27 players in this age group it was decided that to take three teams to CVL, this would give more court time to more players. Mel coached **Mightyshots** team, a mix of nine players from Yr 8/9, they topped Div 2 pre-Christmas with a great team-spirit. Very strong defensively throughout the whole team, they were equal top of Div 1 in the Spring term with two fixtures to play before Covid 19 stopped the season. Thank you to a very supportive network of parents and grandparents, to Carol and Charlotte for their help/support with training.

Mightyshots Ludlow league, Natalie Vlok reported that she had really enjoyed the opportunity and challenge of playing against older players, it had been fun way to improve their netball skills and teamwork. The team had a wonderful time, outside the netball, to get to know each other and play is a less pressured setting. Overall Ludlow netball league is a great way to improve their team work, netball playing, confidence and seeing what works for your team.

Carol said **Supershots** had had a fantastic season, started in Division 4 in the Autumn term, were undefeated, start slowly within the game but kept going, goal difference of +100. Being unbeaten they were promoted two divisions, before lock-down they had played six winning four, only losing to the top two, finished third an outstanding achievement. Their success has been based on commitment to training and fixtures, when not injured, a lovely group of girls, they listen to advice given and put it into practice on court. Well done girls.

Carol felt **Starshots** had made great progress, but their results didn't always match their ability, only one natural shooter, so others had to fill in when they didn't necessarily want to. They started Autumn term in Div 5 and had a mixed bag of results. They beat the eventual winners which demonstrates their potential but then lost to another team beneath them. They finished third overall with 81 goals for and 46 against.

In the Spring term Hotshots took three players from the U 14's waiting list into the **Starshots** team, played four, winning two. A delightful group of girls, very supportive of each other and extremely hard working.

Carol said she was looking forward to working with the U 13's staying in the age group, thank you to parents of both teams, who were not only supportive of what you do, but are proactive in taking on any roles or jobs that are required and my gratitude goes to you.

U 16's by Charlotte Gwilliam & Tracy Yarranton

Charlotte said two small squads of players, who play both at CVL and in Hereford/Ludlow Leagues. This has allowed them to develop in all aspects of the game, excellent season with training commitment and competitively. Two teams at CVL.

Hotshots, Tracy reported, in Div 1 pre-Christmas and they were third, just missing out on a Regional place, but would probably been tough with such a small squad, Tess Pinches had managed them when Tracy/Charlotte unable, a big thank you to Tess.

This group had continued playing in the Hereford Summer league, this had helped greatly definitely on the front foot when they started at CVL in the Autumn, finished 5th in their Autumn Hfd league, highest Tracy had ever known. Thank you to the Pinches family, Tegan for umpiring, Tilly for getting the team together and Tess for everything.

Megashots, Charlotte reported in Div 2a in the Autumn, finishing third winning 5 from 7, with GD +103. After Christmas Div 2, had won 3 from 3 when CVL was suspended, they were declared winners with GD +36, this was well deserved for this small squad. Their development and confidence over the season has been clear to see and as a coach she was delighted for them. Well done girls you should all be very proud.

Megashots Ludlow League (from Karen Bowen)

This team have self-run for this league and are a credit to Hotshots. Thank you to the parent coaches who support them each week. They are a committed group of girls who have been competing well and achieving good results. Thank you to Tilly, Tegan and Ella for stepping in when they were short of players. The team have provided a report on their experience.

Hotshots Hfd girls

Hotshots under 16 team entered Herefordshire netball league division two, games were played at Hereford and Leominster. Matches were a hour long which helped us with our fitness and got us ready for our cvl matches. The matches were challenging as the teams where more established.

Tracy and Tessa where there to coach and support us through the matches, we had to score the matches before or after our games, which we did on a rotor. My role as captain was to organise the team and make sure players were there on time. Herefordshire league was a great experience for us, we came fifth in our division.

Treasurer's Report.

The Accounts are currently with the Auditor, Kerry Amos, and will need to be approved at the next meeting. Treasurer Kay had sent a copy to everyone, main items noted were:

- That we are now up to date paying for the Sports Hall hire, had been paid in arrears, so this year we have paid for three terms but used it twice. (£3,139.50 + £1,661.40)
- Masterclass had cost £1862, but a worthwhile investment in whole club inspiration.
- 10 teams at CVL, court fees paid for Autumn term at £22 an hour, £1418.
- Two new sets of team dresses and Coaches clothing with the new Logo, £1958.99.

Closing Balance of £445.32.

Kay Jukes proposed an increase in the Membership from £15 to £20, with an average of 11 players per year group, a total of approx 88 members, would give us an extra income of £440.

Carol Jardine questioned what we need to run per year? Treasurer responded, around £9000, so this additional income and current fees would raise £11099 per season (based on 88 players) and not paying for CVL should build the buffer back up.

**Accounts were Proposed: Carol Jardine
Seconded: Kay Hall**

Chair's Report.

Club Chair Mel Lewis said she felt Ludlow College had been a great venue, special thanks to Richard the caretaker for his patience when we run over.

Kay Hall has spent many hours fine tuning the new online membership system, this combined with the new England Netball affiliation system was a tricky time for parents, thank you to Karen for her endeavour.

September 2019 marked Hotshots 20 years anniversary, we hosted a Masterclass with England Netball GD Eboni Uroso Brown, the girls and coaches really enjoyed the day. Thanks to Elaine for the fabulous lunch for the coaches and Mintridge Foundation on the day.

Coaches and players are looking very smart in the new kit with our very own Logo, the online shop got off to a shaky start but has settled down.

Mel thanked all the Committee and Coaches for the time and passion they dedicate. The coaches who manage teams at all CVL, Ludlow and Hereford fixtures. Thanks to all the volunteers involved, Elaine, Kim, Tess and Tegan with assisting the coaches, it wouldn't be such a successful club without you.

We continue to have new players joining the waiting list.

We have certainly had an unfinished season and are in strange times at the moment, however I know we will be back stronger for the new season.

We hope to organise a farewell for our U16 players when the government guidelines allow, they won't be forgotten. We also hope to organise an awards event for 2019/2020 season when we have

more guidance.

Safeguarding Officer Charlotte Gwilliam, told the meeting there had been no contact by anyone regarding safeguarding matters. We will need to look closely at any England Netball guidance regarding coming out of lock-down.

Website, Kay Hall told the meeting that she hoped to simplify the annual membership form that families fill in, planning on removing the option to pay by Direct Debit, but if a payment plan does need to be set up it can be looked into.

Report of Club Action Planning Scheme (CAPS) Bronze Award

Karen Bowen told the meeting that after a lot of work and communication with EN West Midlands, Hotshots have again been awarded the **Bronze CAPS Accreditation**. Thank you to all who have assisted in this process. We must now keep this information up to date to make sure it is ready for submission for the next review. An annual self-assessment of club should be continued during the closed season between April and August so Hotshots policy and processes are kept up to date and compliant with EN requirements. Because of a slight gap in the final submission/requirements, this isn't a re-accreditation, as such, so it is now valid for four years.

EN Engage:

Karen Bowen said members are registered; some had difficulties with the process. There were a large number of queries and EN were not very quick in responding, but all new systems have teething problems and hopefully will not be so arduous for the forthcoming season. Parents who did not set up an individual parent account will need to for 2020-21 season and Karen suggested this is done as soon as possible. Karen is am happy to continue with overseeing the affiliation process, hopefully next season will be easier and will only have new members to add.

Mel Lewis thanked Karen Bowen for all her efforts.

That concluded all the Reports for the 2019/20 season.

2. Review of constitution: To agree and approve the following amendments/additions to the constitution

Item number	Constitutional amendments/additions
1.	The Club shall be called South Shropshire Hotshots Netball Club 16113
2.	The Club will be affiliated to Shropshire County Netball of the England Netball Association Ltd. removal of the word 'All'
7.1	The club will be managed through the Executive Committee consisting of: Chair, Secretary Addition "Vice Chair and Treasurer"; only these posts will have the right to vote at meetings of the Club Committee.
8.4	The financial year of the club will end on 15th May
8.5	An audited statement of annual accounts will be independently reviewed and presented by the Treasurer at the Annual General Meeting • Insert "Name of independent reviewer Mrs Kerry Amos FCCA"
12.3	The appeal shall normally be considered within 14 clear working days of it being received by the Secretary.

The above was Proposed by Karen Bowen
Seconded by Charlotte Gwilliam

3. Election of Committee Officers for 2020/21 Season:

The people holding the current positions of **Club Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, Membership and Safeguarding** are all willing to stand again. **Proposed: Carol Jardine**
Seconded: Tracy Yarranton

Hotshots have failed as of yet to find a **Vice-Chair**, Karen suggested that CAPS has a guide for this position, and that we use this to hopefully find someone.

CAPS Secretary Hannah Smith **Proposed: Kay Hall**
Seconded: Becky Evans

Junior Club Representative Sophie Eldridge **Proposed: Karen Bowen**
Seconded Mel Lewis

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Ideally we need all dresses back.

Becky will work on a Summer Challenge to keep the players fit, engaged and interested.

Regular Zoom meetings for Coaches.

Mel is hopeful that the Fitness programme will run in August, depending on the Government guidelines regarding Covid 19.

Becky wondered if there was any possibility of a second child discount. This will be put on Agenda for next Committee Meeting.

Tracy suggested we write to Howden's (Ludlow branch) again to see if they had any Sponsorship money available for the forthcoming year.

We may need to access another training venue, in light of the current Covid 19 situation, Ludlow College may not be hiring out the Sports Hall for outside organisations use. Carol suggested there maybe the possibility of outside training at Ludlow School.

As EN announce any updates, we should have Committee Meetings via Zoom to try and access what Hotshots will do in the new season. We will need to wait until we are told what we can/can't do.

Becky asked what should be done regarding any new members, point of contact is Mel by email:
chair.hotshots@outlook.com

Meeting closed at 8.40