



Welcome to the first edition of our Club Newsletter, which we will be sending out to players and parents at the end of each half term. We would like to celebrate your girls' achievements and accomplishments, both on the netball court and off, so would love to hear your news—please email us at magnet.netball@virginmedia.com

Half Term Newsletter

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About the Club

Magnet Netball Club was founded in 2002 by the club's President, Gina Macgregor MBE and together with the current Chairwoman, Sally Gray, it has grown to over 120 members today.

We currently offer weekly netball sessions for players from Yr 2 (U7's) to Yr 9 (U14's). We also offer Yr 10's and over the opportunity to play in the Adult Netball League at Kidwells Park, and have a number of 'Back to Netball' sessions for adults. We are one of the few local clubs to offer both recreational, competitive and pay & play sessions across the age groups.

Magnets currently have an U11 squad playing in

the Berkshire & Charters Leagues and an U12 & U13 squad competing this season in the Berkshire Junior League on Sunday mornings.

We will endeavour to remain a small club operating with a small number of competition teams as well as providing opportunities for keen recreational players. We pride ourselves on emphasising coaching, playing and improving personal skill levels in a friendly environment.

All our coaches are dedicated people, many of whom are volunteers, who want to allow girls the opportunity to play, learn



U12 Competition Squad

and enjoy netball, whilst identifying any potential future stars for the England Netball Development Programme.

Our aim is to instil a passion and enjoyment of the game for life in our girls, and to support their development in order to achieve each member's full individual potential.

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New Players

We are always keen to find new players who would like to join the club! Some of the year groups do currently have waiting lists, but in other groups, both recreationally & competitively, we do have spaces, and would love to meet your friends! We would particularly like to find some new players to join our very talented **Year 7 Competition Squad**—if you know someone who is a great player, and would like to join our club, please do get in contact with your coach or Sally!

Upcoming Brean Sands Tournament

We are hoping to take a number of teams to the 2015 Pontins Brean Sands weekend netball tournament from 26th-28th June 2015.

This residential weekend is a brilliant chance for the girls to enjoy lots of

netball at many different levels, whilst having fun away from home! The park is well set up for sport, and also has a theme park & swimming pool to keep everyone happy!

Watch this space and contact from your Team Manager to sign up!!



Remember ... www.magnetnetballclub.co.uk

Please do use our brilliant web site for updates on matches, results, uniform enquiries, fees, forms .. In fact, for pretty much any query, try the web site as your first port of call before calling your coach, team manager or Sally!

Match Results Jan & Feb 2015

	U11 Squad			U12 Squad			U13 Squad		
		Score	Girl of Game		Score	Girl of Game		Score	Girl of Game
11/1/15	V B's	18-5 B's	Zoe	V B's	18-13 B's		V B's	18-13 Magnets	
25/1/15	V Finch	14-8 Magnets	Kate M	V Rushmoor	20-12 Magnets				
1/2/15	V Butterflies U12	19-11 Butterflies	Zoe						
4/2/15	Claire's Court	15-5 Magnets	Daisy						
8/2/15				V Surrey Heath	37-8 Magnets	Christa	V Finch	36-13 Finch	
9/2/15	V Shots U12	20-13 Shots	Zoe						

Match Reports :

U11's : a tough game to start the Berks League v B's was followed by a fantastic match where we confidently beat Finch. Our U12 games at Charters are tough, as the girls are playing a year up—but we showed a vast improvement in the scores from the first time we played these two teams, demonstrating a big improvement. We had a confident win in our friendly v Claire's Court, and are looking forward to the second half of the term!

U12's : In a tough first game v B's were fighting for the top spot in the division, when our GA was injured, from which we struggled to recover and were disappointed to lose the match. However, we followed with two confident wins, growing in strength & positional play despite having only 8 girls in the squad and borrowing U11 players! Bring on the second half term!



U11 Magnets v Claire's Court School

Upcoming Events & Fixtures for Your Diaries

- 1/3/15 U11 v Wokingham @ Loddon, 9am
 U12 v Wokingham @ Loddon, 10am
 U13 v Wokingham @ Loddon, 11.15am
- 2/3/15 U11 v Sheer @ Charters, 6pm
- 8/3/15 U13 v Surrey @ Bracknell, 11.15am
- 15/3/15 U11 v Woodley @ Loddon, 9am
 U12 v Woodley @ Loddon, 10am
- 16/3/15 U11 v Rubies @ Charters, 6pm
- 22/3/15 U13 v Windsor @ WGS, 12 noon
- 26/4/15—all teams : Berkshire League
 Tournament, venue TBC, all day.

Remember to let your Team Manager know asap if you can't make any of these matches!

Live Netball!

U10 Players Emily Roberts & Claudia Kerry-Roger went to watch Mavericks beat Team Northumbria 61-35 at Hertfordshire Sports Village! We hope to arrange a club outing to a similar game soon—watch this space!



Parent Supporters... We love you!!!

A final note, just to say how much we appreciate the time, effort and commitment that parents give to our club! From attending matches, washing kit, taxi-ing, supporting training, paying fees—we could not run the club without you! If you do have any suggestions for us, please feed them back, and we will try to take them on board! Any parents who want to get MORE involved - we often need helpers, scorers, kit gatherers, umpires, organisers, team 'parents' - so please do let us know!

We are currently looking for a **Volunteer Club Affiliation Officer**—this is the person who submits the player's All England & League affiliations in late summer and deals with updates during the year. Without this registration, the girls cannot play in the formal leagues and are not registered with All England Netball. If you think you could help us in this role, please do contact your coach or Sally Gray directly.