

Written reports for the AGM May 2024/25 season

County Chair Summary

Helen Bowden

Herefordshire County netball exists to deliver and develop netball for England netball members alongside our governing body. Our aim is to foster inclusive, exciting netball opportunities for all age groups and abilities. We support affiliated clubs, leagues and players, coach and umpire development and volunteers, plus run the county academies – the first important step on the player pathway for our talented youngsters.

This year we have done our best to deliver on this mandate but have been hampered by work pressures in key roles affecting the ability of volunteers to commit the time and energy and have fallen short in places. This has been recognised by the committee who know it needs to be addressed for the next season with new members in post with a clear role description and stronger working groups to spread the load amongst more people.

Some small wins to celebrate are; 4 new level two coaches (Matt Ashcroft, Sam James, Lexi Rouse and Meg Hadley) benefitting County academies, Westside and Luctonians clubs. Jemma Pattison achieving her B umpiring award (and now going for her A). Bromyard netball club going from strength to strength & the start of a new fledgling netball club in Ledbury. Milly Bunston, under 15 county player, selected for Panthers PDP in Worcester (the next stage on the England player pathway).

We are also close to completion of our long awaited new county website which will help signpost potential players and showcase all the great netballing activity going on in the county.

We continue to have a relationship with West Midlands netball, attending meetings and being part of an active WhatsApp group sharing best practice (and the occasional moan!). And we're building a relationship with Panthers netball club after the sad demise of Severn Stars who we'd had a great relationship with, especially within the player pathway.

Finally I'd like to acknowledge the help of Nicola Percival who has been secretary for two years. Nic is so capable and has a great knowledge of the game but work pressures have stopped her committing the time she'd have liked to the role. Thanks Nic, come back when you have more time– I know you could be brilliant!

Committee structure 2024-25 season

Team / Club / Role	Name
Chairperson	Helen Bowden
Vice Chairperson	Vacant
Secretary	Nicola Percival
Treasurer	Elizabeth Harris
Officiating Officer	Jane Hopkins
Welfare Officer	Helen Booth
Coaching Officer	Vacant
Performance Pathway Player Development Lead	Helen Bowden (supported by Co-opted County Academies Manager – Helen Booth)
Youth Development	Matt Ashcroft (supported by Hannah Larkin as County schools coordinator)
Media/ Communications	Meg Hadley
Competition Officer	Sam James
Membership Officer	Helen Booth

Governance report

Nicola Percival

Three meetings and the AGM have been held throughout the year with minutes and updates recorded in order to progress actions. The new website will hold relevant details for the Association such as summaries of meetings, the constitution and members along with their roles and responsibilities so that all members are able to access these.

A number of processes and document updates have been identified through a review of the Governance Healthcheck Self-Assessment but unfortunately have not been actioned as yet. I will be stepping down from the position as secretary but hopefully a new secretary/governance officer will be able to pick these up moving into next year.

County Player Development

Helen Bowden

This year has seen a lot of disruption and uncertainty in the County Academy set up because of the restructure of the franchises and the loss of Severn Stars who were our partner in the pathway. With the new Franchise structure different clubs were competing for talent in the West Mids patch with both Panthers and Loughborough running PDP'S (which are the next step on the pathway after county academies) and ETP's which are additional training nights offered to under 14 and under 12s (not in the pathway but can be useful additional training for athletes plus a means of income generation for the franchise).

As a result of this increased franchise offer, some county academies lost a lot of players from their academies after selection causing problems with training numbers and income so much of the season has been spent trying to iron out the process going forward. Herefordshire were less affected because our trials were held in September after most other trials had taken place.

In terms of performance of the academies, we've been pleased with the player development during the year with skill levels improving across the board and some showing great progress. We would hope to push these players forward for trials at the PDP level next year. It's also been particularly pleasing to welcome new faces Lexi and Matt to the coaching team - they've brought new ideas and positivity to the sessions - thanks both.

We do still struggle as a county with the strength of depth of our squads which is particularly noticeable in our under 13 squad who struggle to compete with their neighbouring counterparts. To change this, one of our continuing focusses as a committee is to get more players, playing quality netball regularly in schools and clubs at an under 11 and under 13 age group so that these players can feed into a stronger county squad (most counties have at

least two under 13 academies split geographically).

Our other focus for next year is to work with the other counties in the region to put on more regular structured competition for the squads. The South Staffs tournament in November was outside in foul weather and wasn't pleasant or conducive to good netball sadly so we won't be repeating that!

The academies numbers and performance;

Under 13s County	
Coaching staff	Lead Coach, Helen Bowden Assistant Lexi Rouse Admin support Helen Booth
Trials	45-50
Athletes in Academy	25
Tournaments/events attended	Nov 24 South Staffs Tournament April 25 Panthers County Pathway Tournament* Feb 25 Gloucester friendly
Under 15s County	*A disappointing last spot for the county.
Coaching staff	Lead Coach Steph Snozell Assistant Matt Ashcroft Admin support Helen Booth
Trials	28-30
Athletes in Academy	19
Tournaments/events attended	Nov 24 South Staffs Tournament April 25 Panthers County Pathway Tournament* Feb 25 Gloucester friendly
*A respectable mid table finish	

Membership Report

Lindsay Davies (NDO), Helen Booth

Supporting clubs and leagues to provide match play opportunities for every member.
Clubs 26 active clubs. This is the same number of active clubs in 23/24 – no increase. NOTE – one league team is a club, but generally a number of HNL teams will register under one club on Engage. Membership Increasing year on year 310 members in 22/23 328 members in 23/24 399 members in 24/25 – current membership year
Engaging participants through England Netball programmes – B2N, WN, NYCs
Programmes 417 participants engaged across England Netball programmes 237 of these were new to netball (not played in the previous 12 months) Back 2 Netball Hereford & Bromyard – 49 Walking Netball Hereford, Ross, Leominster & Ledbury – 13 Netball Now Hereford – 28 College Hereford Sixth Form College – 38 Other Here Girls Can & Workplace Festival – 109

Coaching Report

Helen Bowden (in lieu of coaching officer)

Despite not having anyone in post promoting coaching this year we have had 3 coaches from county academy, Westside and Luctonians taking their level two awards– just the final assessment to go. Congratulations to them and thank you for the commitment (you need to have the level two qualification to run sessions).

Matt Ashcroft (county, Westside)

Sam James (Westside)

Lexi Rouse (county, Luctonians)

Meg Hadley (Luctonians)

Lexi has also agreed to step into the role of Coaching Officer for next season to help the essential recruitment of more coaches. We will also be feeding up to England Netball about the quality of the level two and the experience of students as it has been felt to have fallen short in areas.

Officiating Report

Jane Hopkins

The season commenced with the County (and League) requiring all active umpires affiliated to Herefordshire County to attend the "EN 2024 Rules of Netball Update Webinar" and the "Contact and Game Management Webinar", both hosted by Gary Burgess. This was followed by six Umpire Forums between July 2024 and April 2025. Three of these sessions were on-line and three were in person which provided the opportunity for individuals working towards their Into Officiating or C Awards to gain both theoretical and practical inputs.

Mentors continue to work with trainee umpires at both IO and C Award levels and thanks go to Jemma Pattison, Anna Robertson, Nic Percival, Kirsty Bufton, Juliette Wozencroft Jacky Preece, Steph Snowzell and Di Hickinbotham for supporting our future umpires as they develop. A "Book Club" has recently been introduced for trainee umpires where the only book to be studied is the WN Rules of Netball 2024 Edition. This provides a forum for trainees to discuss individual rules and their practical application.

Currently there are 13 individuals working towards their IO Awards, 4 towards their C Award and one commencing their journey towards their B Award. IO assessments are due to take place in June and July which will also present an opportunity for Jemma Pattison, Anna Robertson, Nic Percival and Kirsty Bufton to gain their IO Assessor qualification.

Jemma Pattison gained her B Award qualification this year, which is a fantastic achievement and a testament to all her hard work during the season. She has regularly officiated in the West Midlands Regional Senior League this season and has also officiated at tournaments and various high level matches across the country involving Prem, NSL and EN pathway players as well as mixed matches with England Men's players. At West Midlands Regional level, I have gained valuable experience mentoring two individuals who gained their B Award qualification this season.

Unfortunately, due to unexpected last minute circumstances, the County was only able to provide two Herefordshire umpires to officiate at the West Midlands Regional Schools. Tournament this year (Jane Hopkins and Jemma Pattison) but support was provided to Herefordshire by the other Counties to fulfil the umpiring commitment required.

County Finance Report

Liz Harris

The current year has been similar in that, as a county, we are covering our costs and trying to run the account so that there is no huge build up of cash. As at 15th April 2025, this was the position:-

Bank as at 01.05.2024	€	2,950.95	
Income	€	12,561.61	
Expenditure	€	10,964.10	
Balance	€	4,547.67	
Cash - LHI/AP/HB	€	2,009.00	Float
	€	1,000.00	Loan to be repaid
Invoice not paid	€	468.00	Orphans
Net bank balance	€	1,070.67	
	€	4,547.67	
	Diff	€	-

The only other expenses now relate to the coaches that will be paid at the end of this month.

As you will see, we are holding cash of approximately £2,000 – any left will be banked at the end of the season – mid June. The reason for holding the cash is that we need to pay the monthly invoices and we are still having a lot of problems with NatWest and the changeover. We also tried to open a new business bank account with Lloyds and this was unsuccessful – they can give no reason and have asked us to start the process again. We have tried to order a cheque book to be delivered to NatWest bank several times and this has gone to the old treasurer address – they are very apologetic and have assured us that a cheque book will be at the bank in the next couple of weeks. We are therefore currently paying the suppliers through a private account and taking the cash for the same amount. This is not ideal at all but equally don't want the suppliers to wait or for volunteers to be out of pocket paying netball invoices.

We have borrowed kit and equipment from Westside Netball Club again this season and are hoping to invest this summer in some second hand kit as Westside are updating their kit and also some new equipment – bibs and balls etc – ready for September.

Once we have the bank statement up to the end of April 2025 and all our remaining income and expenses have been dealt with, the accounts will be sent to R J Francis & Co for review/audit purposes.

Junior Development Report

Matt Ashcroft

Herefordshire currently has four clubs offering netball to junior players; Westside NC, the county's only performance club playing regular competitive netball, Bromyard NC, a relatively new club, Hereford Juniors NC and Luctonians NC – the latter two having been established for a number of years.

Schools in Herefordshire give varying levels of energy to netball, mostly playing one term of extra-curricular netball, although most enter either the recreational or competitive schools tournament. The schools competition lead has worked hard to engage schools in the tournaments and has made some recommendations for next season.

Inter-club competition has been met with mixed success. Bromyard and Westside have played against more clubs outside of the county than within it. The Competitions Lead has identified areas of requirement to make the inter-county competitions more successful, mainly through additional buy-in from county clubs. When these competitions are run they are met with positivity from players and parents who are able to engage with junior netball in our county.

As a county we have opportunities for juniors to engage with netball from Year 1, with the predominant offering between year 4 and year 10. There are approximately 280 juniors playing across the four county clubs. This is around 20% lower than my minimum target of 330 players across the county – translating to one squad of 12 players per age group, per club as an average (city based clubs are likely to have more players than rurally based clubs). 330 players equates to 3% of the female population in Herefordshire at junior age.

It is great to see that Herefordshire might be getting a new club in Ledbury and the county will be supporting this endeavour. Future plans are to support further clubs establish, especially in South Hereford and Ross on Wye. If this were to come to fruition Herefordshire would have 7 junior clubs and be geographically balanced. Schools would have more signposting opportunities for interested girls.

Westside are looking to introduce another junior squad for year 3 players. As a target for the county, introducing juniors to the sport at an early age is important so that netball is an option for them before other sports such as football, rugby and cricket take precedent, and juniors don't consider netball as a viable sport.

A census of players at clubs will come out in September to give us accurate data to work from. This will be used in conjunction with a club support questionnaire, asking clubs what support they need. From this a 2025/26 action plan will be implemented for the season.

Herefordshire Schools Report

Hannah Larkin

During the 2024–25 netball season, 16 schools competed across the U12, U13, U14, U15, U16 and U18 County Tournaments. For the Regional qualifying tournaments, the U18 tournament was won by Hereford Sixth Form followed by Hereford Cathedral School, the U16 tournament was won by St Mary's followed by Hereford Cathedral School (who ended up giving their place to Wigmore), and the U14 tournament was won by Hereford Cathedral School followed by St Mary's.

The U15, U13 and U12 tournaments were all split across 2 nights. The U15 Performance tournament was won by St Mary's, whilst the U15 recreational tournament was won by (results not given to HL, but chased up). Night 1 of the U13 County Tournament was won by St Mary's, whilst Night 2 was won by (results not given to HL, but chased up). Night 1 of the U12 County Tournament was won by Bishops, whilst Night 2 was won by Hereford Cathedral School.

The main feedback from schools this year has been surrounding the times of the tournaments, as many have struggled with staffing, transport and permission for students to leave early when the tournaments are scheduled to start before 4pm. With this being said, I propose that all tournaments are scheduled for 3.30–5.30pm or 4–6pm if possible.

There are also lots of umpiring queries still based around the historical issues with Lucton/Bishops/St Mary's. If a tournament is pooled, schools are to umpire their own games in the group rounds and then opposite teachers will umpire the semi-finals and finals. We should also make it clear to teachers that in any spare time, they should try and keep up to date on umpiring rules as possible to ensure consistency/modernisation.

Future objectives:

A call has been scheduled with Nicole Drew, Lucy Finch, Matt Ashcroft, Hannah Larkin and Helen Bowden on Thursday 15th May to discuss Hannah stepping down and a replacement being appointed.

Proposed dates for County Tournaments next year, which are in the process of being booked in:

U18 – Wednesday 8 th October (HSFC) confirmed

U16 – Thursday 16 th October (Bishops) confirmed

U14 – Tuesday 25 th November, Wednesday 26 th November (Bridge St) venue/dates tbc

U15 – Tuesday 27 th January, Wednesday 28 th January (Bridge St) venue/dates tbc
U13 – Tuesday 24 th February, Wednesday 25 th March (THA) venue confirmed, dates tbc

U12 – Tuesday 24 th March, Wednesday 25 th March (THA) venue confirmed, dates tbc

Media/communications Report

Meg Hadley

We have set up a new Facebook page for people to like instead of requesting to be a part of. This can help widen the reach across the county and surrounding areas. Currently have 85 likes and 100 followers. There has been little posted on social media from a County perspective due to content not being provided however we have been including updates of the scores from a league perspective and updating the league tables. This has been well received by players.

To be able to improve the social media presence for the coming year, input from the teams in the league and also county teams need to have an open channel with myself to ensure we can promote all the good netball within Herefordshire.

Competition Report

Sam James

This was the second season that saw inter-club tournaments with the aim to increase the younger years exposure to match play. The most exciting element of this season was seeing the inclusion of years 4-6. It is obvious that clubs have been working really hard to start growing netball and working with these younger years is the future so it was a huge positive and something that should be continued.

However, organising these tournaments this season was unfortunately more difficult with some clubs not fully supporting the concept. Due to this and busy work commitments there were only two, which is less than the first year.

There was again a great turn out from parents, with a lovely atmosphere and feedback from players was positive but it definitely felt more difficult to get clubs to commit. This is incredibly sad to see as Herefordshire needs to become more competitive to stand in good stead to compete outside the county. Players learn so much when they play matches and learn from a win but also a loss.

Going forward I will be talking to each of our clubs to try and establish a commitment to the tournaments so that we can have a full schedule agreed before the start of the season. We would hope that this will include all clubs in the county and will also look to further affiliations such as hotshots.

Alongside this I will be helping with the inter county competition as mentioned in the report above.

Club Reports

Westside Netball Club

Helen Bowden/Helen Booth

This season has been one of setbacks and huge progress and it certainly feels that as we draw to the end we are in a great place to grow and flourish with our first for a long time with an AGM and social happening in June. Much of this has come from new parents stepping up to help drive the committee and our thanks go to Steve and Lou Peruo leading the charge on this.

Season summary

We're building a lively under 11 session on a Friday evening, with 20 active year 4 to 6, under the watchful eye of Sophie Wheadon and Helen Edwards – two fantastic and very lovely coaches.

We have a very busy year 7– u19 section with 60–70 members training on Monday night with myself, Sam James and Matt Ashcroft main coaches supported brilliantly by Helen Booth. After June half term we are running extra year 6 to 9 sessions – (the Westside Junior Open) to give competitive play to westsiders and players not in club to help the year 6s transition to 7 aside netball with older players and to encourage more to come along to club from next season.

Our senior squad has seen a maximum of 12 active players training alongside the 16s/19s. This age group is the biggest challenge in terms of building a strong, sustainable squad and has just failed to stay up in regional division 3 so we need to focus on rebuilding over a period of time.

In terms of competition the girls have had a good amount;

1. Under 19s regional league pre Christmas fielded by a largely under 16 squad
2. New under13 regional developmentleague pre christmas to give exposure to tough competition early on
3. Under 14 regional league post christmas
4. Under 16 regional league post Christmas
5. Friendlies against Challengers and Cathedral school
6. Two Herefordshire inter club tournament mornings
7. WestsideBlues and Royals competing in the Hereford evening league

We're looking forward to next season!

Hereford Junior Netball

Becky Colcombe/Chandelle Hyde

No report received to date

Luctonians Netball

Lexi Rouse

Overview: This year has been relatively quiet for our junior teams, but it has been filled with enjoyable moments and significant developments for the club. Due to some major changes within the club, there has been less match play than we would have liked.

However, our members have shown strong dedication and commitment throughout this period. We are planning to improve this aspect next season by organizing more match play opportunities to ensure our juniors get ample chances to compete and develop their skills.

Junior Teams: Our juniors had a quieter year, participating in two tournaments. Both events were thoroughly enjoyed by all participants, showcasing their enthusiasm and team spirit. We will endeavour to offer far more opportunity for match play next season, with other teams both in and out of the county.

Attendance: We experienced strong attendance figures throughout the year, which is a testament to the dedication and commitment of our members. We have 87 juniors within the club.

Coaching Staff: We welcomed two new coaches, Lexi and Meg, who have been settling in well and making positive contributions to the club.

Club Management: Starting steadily from now, through to August / September, Lexi will be taking over the management of the club. We would like to extend a big thank you to Emma for her dedication and hard work as she hands over the reins. Her contributions have been invaluable, and we wish her all the best in her future endeavours.

Future Plans: As we look forward to the next season, we are actively seeking additional helpers, volunteers, and more coaches. This is especially important as Lexi will be taking a few weeks off in mid-September for maternity leave. We encourage anyone interested in supporting the club to come forward and join our team. We can support future coaches through their qualifications and offer them lots of opportunities to get stuck in with coaching our players.

Bromyard Netball

Megan Evans

Juniors update:

We are running Saturday term time sessions with 18-22 attendees for primary (9am-10am) and 16-18 attendees for secondary (10am-11am). Our juniors database is made up of 110 children. We have enjoyed arranging friendlies with Newent Panthers, Twinkling Stars and Malvern Juniors, and plan to meet up with Gloucester Titans. Coaches are currently Megan

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(L2) and Bella (L1) with parent volunteers stepping in to help with the younger members. Jess is working towards her Into Officiating and Level 1 coaching – we are looking forward to involving her more. We welcome new members most weeks but would like another Level 2 in the mix for growth / flexibility. Bella and Megan ran Easter Holiday netball workshops at Sport Martley which also attracted new sign ups.

Adults update:

Megan runs Monday evening Back to Netball sessions with 14–22 attendees each week. Our adult netball database is at 125. We welcome new members most weeks but it's tricky to protect beginners from the speed / competitive nature of more experienced players – 25 players who started as Back to Netballers are now in teams in the league, but still want to access Monday sessions! I'm working on finding a back to back booking with halo to offer beginner/back to netball followed by a more challenging session. Pip has shown an interest in taking on some coaching, but halo are not currently able to offer me a 2 hour slot. Bromyard Netball's adult teams are Rubies (div 1) Jets (div 2) Jewels (div 3) and Jades (div 3 – new this summer).

Challenges:

- Time! Finding time to arrange extra events (socials, fixtures, tournaments outside of training)
- Keeping on top of payments
- Organising frequent enough fixtures for juniors
- Balancing Back to Netball needs with players wanting more challenge
- Finding time and availability to advertise and run Walking Netball sessions. Megan is now a Walking Netball host following a course in late March. We had an enjoyable trial session at the beginning of the Easter holidays with lovely feedback.
- We have 3 male members who would love more match opportunities in Herefordshire. 2 of them now play for Kraken mixed in Worcester.

New Ledbury Club

Lindsay, NDO, is currently working with Amie Holford helping set up a new junior club in Ledbury. They are in the very early stages of providing netball activity in an area where there is currently no provision for children. We're exploring funding opportunities to support them in terms of equipment, facility hire and coaching qualifications to ensure long term sustainability. Apparently they're keen to play a key role within the community and across the county as a whole so hopefully this is a very positive development for the east of the county.

Back to Netball

Anna Robertson

This season has marked a significant step forward for Back to Netball (B2N) Hereford, with strong attendance and positive developments across all aspects of the programme. Following a period of fluctuating attendance, we have seen a steady increase in participation, with weekly numbers consistently reaching the mid-20s, peaking at 28 participants. This is the highest attendance we have seen since before the Covid-19 pandemic, reflecting growing interest in the sessions and the community's commitment to staying active. While attendance did dip slightly after the Easter holidays due to work and family commitments, we have still maintained strong numbers, averaging between 14 and 18 participants.

Charity Tournament

In December 2024, we held a charity tournament in support of the Little Princess Trust. The event was a great success, with participants coming together to support this fantastic cause. Thanks to the generosity of everyone involved, we raised £320, which will go towards providing real-hair wigs for children experiencing hair loss due to illness.

Umpire Development

One of the standout achievements this year has been the development of new umpires from the B2N sessions. We are proud to announce that four new umpires have completed their Into Officiating course and have been practising their umpiring skills during the B2N sessions. They have also received mentorship from a number of different umpires. These umpires are now actively officiating, and will continue to be mentored throughout the Summer League. They will soon be put forward for assessment, further contributing to the netball community.

New Players and Team Developments

This season, we have welcomed six new players from B2N who have affiliated with England Netball. These players have successfully joined the following league teams: Beaumonts, Green Jays, Sirens, Unicorns, and Ravens. While no new teams were formed from B2N this season, the continued integration of B2N players into established teams has been a positive development. We are excited to see how these players progress within the league. We have also seen players return to the sport after a break – whether due to injury, pregnancy, or time away – and attend B2N to regain their confidence before rejoining their league teams.

Additionally, we have maintained a strong partnership with Bromyard Back to Netball, which has facilitated friendly matches between our two groups, with over 30 participants involved. This collaboration has provided a valuable opportunity for players from both areas to experience competitive play in a relaxed setting, and we look forward to continuing this relationship in the future.

Looking Ahead

As we approach the summer months, B2N participants will be encouraged to attend Netball Now sessions to keep their skills sharp during our short break. The final B2N session of the season will take place on Monday, June 16th, with plans to resume in early September.

Netball Development Officer Report

Lindsay Davies

(For those unfamiliar with the role the NDO's Remit is to plan, activate and deliver England Netball programmes locally whilst supporting the County Netball Association, clubs, schools, leagues, members, volunteers and external stakeholders to deliver against their plans in line with recognised and authorised netball activity.)

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Full website available to public and learning offer available to members, including 4 different courses – female health, menopause, pre & post-natal and puberty **CAPS**

No update on club action planning scheme (CAPS) – advise clubs to operate as normal and withhold usual practices

DBS

Updated guidance as of September 24 due to a change in provider. All the new details can be accessed via the below link

[ENGLAND-NETBALL-DBS-GUIDANCE-Sept-2024.pdf](#)

Learning & Development

Courses are being arranged based on demand – anyone interested in attending a course (coaching or officiating) should complete an EOI form, they will then be contacted before courses go live.

Hereford League Report

Emily Horne

Over the past year, we have made significant progress in strengthening the structure and governance of the league. We have introduced a new framework which now includes Vice Chairs, a Sub-Committee for Complaints, and a designated Safeguarding Officer. These additions reflect our ongoing commitment to transparency, fairness, and player welfare across the league.

The new rules introduced at the last AGM have proven to be a success. However, we recognise the need for continual development and are working to refine these rules, alongside the constitution, to ensure they best serve the evolving needs of our league and its members.

I am pleased to report that the league's finances are in a positive position. With this in mind, we are planning to invest a portion of our surplus over the next two years into the development of umpires. This initiative will aim to raise the standard of officiating in Hereford and ensure that umpiring matches the standard of play within the league.

We are in the process of appointing a new Treasurer, and I would like to take this opportunity to extend our sincere thanks to Nicky and Paul for their dedication and hard work to date. As

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part of our ongoing improvements, we will be transitioning our accounts to XERO. This will make it easier for teams to access their balances and for the committee to generate accurate financial reports.

In support of our umpire development strategy, we will also be transitioning the umpiring schedule to a committee-led approach. This will help ensure consistent coverage and provide mentoring opportunities for new and developing umpires.

Finally, our annual Awards Evening is scheduled to be held in September. We hope to see strong attendance from across the league and are currently exploring ways to encourage maximum participation from all teams.

Winter 2024 Results:

Winners:

Division 1 – Nemesis

Division 2 – Knights

Division 3 – Westside Blues

Summer 2024 Results:

Winners:

Division 1 – Nemesis

Division 2 – Green Jays

Division 3 – Hereford Honeys

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