

## Welcome back...!

The new season is nearly upon us; we hope that you have had a good summer and the sun will make an appearance before the new school term begins! We are really looking forward to seeing everyone again and hearing your news.

## Training sessions Autumn 2024

**Good News!!** Shropshire Council are repairing the sports hall flooring and repainting the lines... The bad news is that this will impact our sessions in October. Please also note the changed timings for the **U11** and **U12** group for the first two sessions in September.

Date	Coach	Time	Age Group
6 <sup>th</sup> September	Catherine	6 – 7 pm	U11 and U12
	Loti	7 - 8 pm	U14
	Sophie	8 – 9 pm	U16 & U19
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Catherine	6 – 7 pm	U11 and U12
	Loti	7 - 8 pm	U14
	Sophie	8 – 9 pm	U16 & U19
20 <sup>th</sup> September	Gail	5 – 6pm	U11
	Catherine	6 – 7 pm	U12
	Loti	7 - 8 pm	U14
	Sophie	8 – 9 pm	U16 & U19
27 <sup>th</sup> September	Gail	5 – 6pm	U11
	Catherine	6 – 7 pm	U12
	Loti	7 - 8 pm	U14
	Sophie	8 – 9 pm	U16 & U19
4 <sup>th</sup> October	NO NETBALL – SPORTS HALL CLOSED		
11 <sup>th</sup> October	NO NETBALL – SPORTS HALL CLOSED		
18 <sup>th</sup> October	NO NETBALL – SPORTS HALL CLOSED		
25 <sup>th</sup> October	TIMINGS TBC		
1 <sup>st</sup> November	NO NETBALL – HALF TERM		

Your age category is determined by your age on the 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024 (for example if you are 11 on 1<sup>st</sup> September, you are categorized as U11 – i.e. 11 and under):

- **U11:** years 4 – 6
- **U12:** year 7
- **U14:** years 8 – 9
- **U16 + U19:** years 10 – 13

### 2024/25 Season Fees

As in previous years, there are two parts to the club membership scheme. All fees are due from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2024.

#### **Part 1: Membership Enrolment with England Netball via ENgage**

If you are **new to Flames Netball**, you will need to sign up as a new member (<https://www.EnglandNetball.co.uk/membership/become-a-member/>) and pay your affiliation fees. All parents/carers/guardians will need their own ENgage account for payment of fees and all players will also need their own accounts. Players are then “linked” to the parent/carer/guardian account.

If you have **been a member of Flames Netball in the past**, please log into your existing ENgage account and renew your membership (<https://engage.EnglandNetball.co.uk/EnglandNetball/>) – ensure you choose the **2024/2025** package!

This compulsory membership gives the following benefits:



**Exclusive discounts & priority access**

Get priority access and 10% discount on tickets to **major home international events**†, fantastic savings on **Netball Youth Camps**, and **exclusive partner discounts** on [Gilbert Netball](#), [Harrod Sport](#), [Physique](#) and [OTE](#) products!



**Netball opportunities & training**

Walk out with the **best netball athletes** at selected England Netball events\*, and gain exclusive access to **England Netball registered leagues, approved tournaments and fixtures** via your registered netball club.



**Latest netball news & updates**

Immerse yourself in netball-lifestyle content with a digital subscription to England Netball's **5th Qtr magazine** and get the latest netball news, expert tips and inspiring stories with our **monthly e-newsletter**.



**Protecting the netball family**

Gain peace of mind protection during training and for your participation in tournaments with **comprehensive insurance cover\*\*** and ensure we can continue to support local, regional and national netball action.

The cost is automatically allocated to your child's profile according to age, by England Netball.

Payment is due on the 1<sup>st</sup> September but can be made NOW.

Please can everyone make this payment by the first training session on 6<sup>th</sup> September so that every child has the necessary insurance cover and can be included in a team in the local league.

Thank you.

## Part 2: Flames Netball Club Membership

100% of this compulsory payment returns to the club.

Flames Netball is a not-for-profit club, and the committee, coaches and match umpires are all unpaid volunteers. The membership payments go towards rental of the leisure centre facilities, league match fixtures, training and legal checks, equipment, and match kit.

This season, Shropshire Council has raised the cost of hiring the Leisure Centre per hour by 20% and as a club, sadly we cannot afford to cushion you from this increased cost as we have done in previous years. Other increased costs for the forthcoming season will either be absorbed by the club or raised through fundraising and corporate / local donations.

We hope you will agree that at less than £5 per training session, we still offer great value for money and are significantly cheaper than other local clubs who play in the league.

Club fees for this year will therefore be:

- U11 (years 4 – 6) - **£101**
- U12 / U14 / U16 (years 7 - 11) - **£121**
- U19 and those training with us but not playing matches - **£60**

## Sibling Discount

We are also pleased to continue to offer a sibling discount of **£10** on the Flames Netball club fees for the second and third family member when they join the club in the same season. This offer is for new and existing members.

## Pupil Premium

If any player is in receipt of Pupil Premium Payments please get in touch on [hello@flamesnetball.co.uk](mailto:hello@flamesnetball.co.uk) to organise a subsidised payment.

## Flames Netball Bank Account

We have been busy over the summer months and for various reasons have changed our bank account.

**Please DO NOT send any money to our old account as it will be returned back to you!**

Our new account details are as follows:

- Account Name: **Flames (Shropshire)**
- Sort Code: **30-99-50**
- Account Number: **54006763**
- Please add your child's name as a reference on the payment so that we can track who has paid.

## Payment

- In one instalment by **30<sup>th</sup> September 2024**.
- Or two instalments; the first by **30<sup>th</sup> September 2024** and the final instalment by **31<sup>st</sup> January 2025**.

## Club Donation & Fund Raising

We are extremely grateful to [Wenlock Spring Water Ltd](#) for their kind donation of £300. With this, we have been able to buy new match balls for the older age groups and new training / match balls for the U11s.



We are also hugely grateful to [Britpart](#) in Craven Arms, for their kind donation of £300. We haven't yet decided what to spend this on but as soon as we come to a decision on this, we will let you know. If you have any thoughts on how we can spend this cash so that it benefits all our age groups, please let us know.

We are looking to do more fundraising this year and are looking for players and parents to get involved, come up with some ideas and raise some cash to future proof the club. If you can help in any way, please email [hello@flamesnetball.co.uk](mailto:hello@flamesnetball.co.uk).

### Coaching

We are always on the lookout for new coaches. As a club, we will pay for new coaches to undertake their qualifications and the necessary safeguarding training required, in return for a two year commitment to coach at the club. If you are interested, do speak to Sophie.

### AGM

This year's AGM is on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September** @ The Yew Tree in All Stretton – 7.30pm. Please attend if you can. This is your club and we would welcome your input into its running! If you would like to join the committee and help, please also let us know!

If you are planning to come along to the AGM, please email us so that we can let the staff at The Yew Tree know so that they can organise sufficient space.