



# IN THE ZONE



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## Warwickshire Hawks Under 15s



### TEAM OF THE WEEK

#### Coach Interview

You're on an impressive 9-0 streak how have you managed such a great start to the season?

This year were really playing team basketball. There's no individual play every offence and defence is done as a team. We have a squad of 17 so it's really competitive between the kids to get picked for the games.

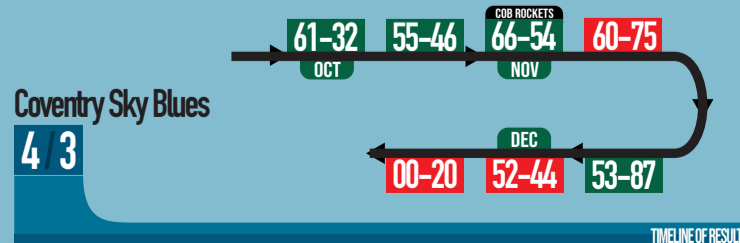
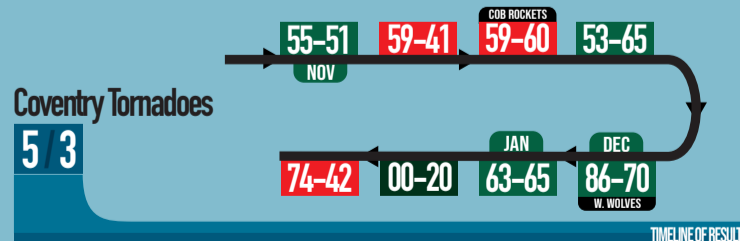
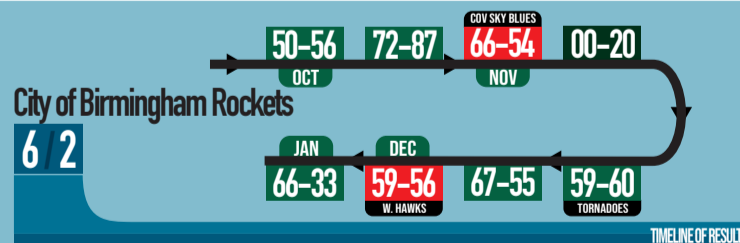
You had a tough three point win against second in the league CoB Rockets. How did you achieve the win?

We were 1 point down with a minute to go. We focus a lot on defence and that is our ethos. We can score points but it's stopping the other team that counts. We played as a team and scored all of our free throws to win the game.

Why would any kids looking to play basketball join your club?

Were a new club and for us the focus isn't on winning we want to make sure every child develops and has fun. There's no pressure to win or keep a streak alive. We're one strong unit. This shows as last year we were 0-10 and the same children have come back this year when they could have easily have given up. They knew they had got a lot stronger and would be better this season.

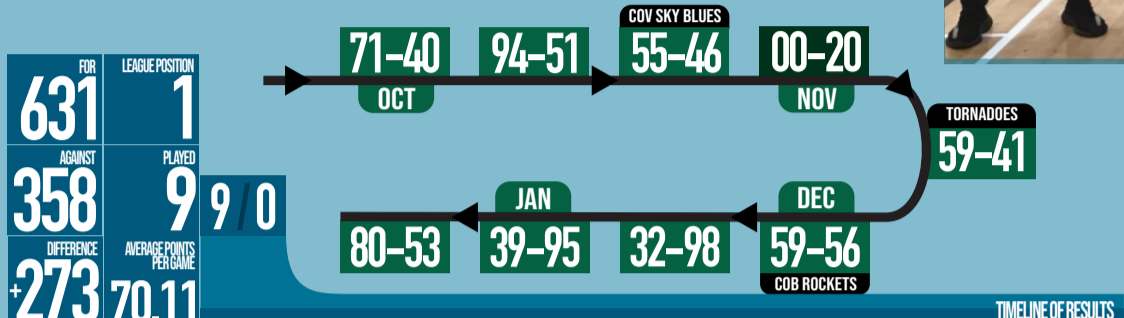
UNDER 15 EAST										
	Pld	D	V	W	L	F	A	Dif.	Pts.	
1	Warwickshire Hawks	9	0	0	9	0	631	358	273	27
2	CoB Rockets	8	0	0	6	2	466	394	72	20
3	Coventry Tornados	8	0	0	5	3	433	430	3	18
4	Coventry Sky Blues	7	1	0	4	2	379	326	9	14
5	Coventry Elite	8	0	0	3	5	377	406	-29	14
6	Yardley Defenders	7	3	0	4	0	243	230	3	12
7	Nuneaton Predators	8	0	0	1	7	479	652	-173	10
8	Redditch Rapids	7	0	0	1	6	325	475	-150	9
9	Worcester Wolves	5	0	0	1	4	370	405	-35	7



team name  
**Warwickshire Hawks**

league  
**Under 15 East**

coach  
**Sunny Thiara**



#### Hawks' Battlefront

WHICH WAY WILL THE WIND BE BLOWING?  
**Coventry Sky Blues vs Warwickshire Hawks** Saturday 1 February  
 WHICH WAY WILL THE WIND BE BLOWING?  
**Coventry Tornados vs Warwickshire Hawks** Saturday 16 February  
 CLOSE ENCOUNTER OF THE 'SECOND' KIND?  
**City of Birmingham Rockets vs Warwickshire Hawks** Saturday 9 March

# ONE SIDED?

Blues, could battle it out for that all important top two spots.

Current second position, Rockets, are holding their own giving all the teams a run for their money. Especially Hawks, as they narrowly lose by three points. Will the return fixture in March, where CoB play at home against Hawks, give them the home court advantage and break their winning streak?

The three Coventry teams all have their fair share of wins and loses, but like CoB, they are still in it to win it. With each team due to play each other in the next few months, the results could go the other way?

There has been some very close calls for all teams in this division; even the inexperienced and newer teams that continue to hold their own when they meet each other.

Nothing is set in stone at this stage, however, each team continues to develop in training and this shows in their games.

#### Hot Game of the Week

JAMES DAVIES  
 GAME RESULT  
**Worcester Wolves 71 45 Worcester Bears**  
 Under 13 West



The Worcester Under 13 West teams are continually impressing their coaches and their spectators. With 63 strong spectators at the game, the Worcester Derby got underway last Sunday.

With a height difference in favour of Wolves, Worcester Bears continually battled for the rebounds on offence and defence; here is what Coach Dougie had to say on Facebook:

"Great performance yesterday from the Under 13s in the local derby against Worcester Wolves.

"Despite being outsized against a strong Wolves teams Bears played really well executing the offence and playing like a team.

"Archie Mackin had an outstanding game taking the ball to the basket and scoring 5 from 6 free throw attempts. Jay Johnson and Jude Russell put in an incredible shift on the defensive boards despite battling against much larger players.

"All the work we are doing in training is starting to pay off as the movement and passing looked sharper and more focused.

"The game was played with great spirit by both sides with Wolves coming out on top 71-45"

Both teams played with determination and hunger. It was played in great sportsmanship and as a result the spectators watched a great game in a superb atmosphere.

#### League Review

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A league of two halves: The Under 15 East division is just at the half way point, as with most leagues, where teams are finally finding their feet. Ready to go into the second half of the season head strong. Except current first position holder, Warwickshire Hawks. Who at present go undefeated 9-0. The next four teams along with Hawks have, at this present time, got the potential to make it to the play-offs. With mixed results, CoB Rockets, Coventry, Tornados, Elite and Sky



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