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SATURDAY 4 MAY 2019  
SUNDAY 5 MAY 2019

# YBL CHAMPIONSHIPS SEMI-FINALS

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Teams in every league have battled hard for their spot this season, as the leagues expending two-fold with numerous teams. With an average of fourteen games a team, it has been a long season. However, teams have endured the long and winding road to the Championships.

There have been some blow-outs, nail biters and some tense clashes, with several dozen one point and over-time games. We've seen teams struggle first half of the season, only to come back in the second half showing others how its done. Let's hope the Semi-Finals bring the same excitement.

We start off with the first campaign on Saturday with the two Under 11 games: four very strong contenders for the Final. Will CoB Rockets have one or two teams in the final? or do Leicester Riders and Worcester Bears have the edge?

Warwickshire Hawks (13/3) take on Yardley Defenders (13/3d), while Worcester Bears (15/1) take on WBA D-Squad (13/3), with four very competitive teams battling for the 'W', the final will definitely be an entertaining one!

The final campaign on Saturday sees the Under 19 Men take the centre stage with WBA D-Squad (10/0) taking on newbies Coventry Elite (3/7), while close rival Bournville Bears (4/6) take on Frankley Falcons (7/3). Can WBA D-Squad make the final three years in a row?

Sunday sees the Under 13s and Under 17 league come head-to-head as eight more teams play for their spot in the YBL Championship Finals on May 18.

The Under 13 league [has been a highlight for me this year] sees West Brom (15/1) take on Bournville Bears (15/1) as these two teams, just like Coventry Elite (16/0) and Warwickshire Hawks (13/3), have had a tremendous well-deserved season. Which ever way these game go, the Final is going to be one entertaining affair.

The final battles come as the Under 17s Shropshire Warriors (11/1) take on Frankley Falcons (9/3). The Warriors only losing to the Falcons this season. Warriors will be coming back to get the win, but I think Frankley will try to stop them! Bournville Bears (11/1) take on Redditch Royals (9/3), both strong teams will play hard for their win.

As with every year the YBL Championships are the end result of a season long development for all those involved - thank you coaches, players, team managers and supporters. Great work by everyone!

I look forward to seeing you all at the Semi-Finals this weekend as the YBL Championships get underway - good luck.

Here's to another year of entertaining and vibrant YBL games.

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### 2019/2020 REGULAR SEASON

#### Our Leagues

**JUNIOR YBL**

- U13 Central**
- U13 South West**
- U13 West Mids**
- U13 East Mids**
- U15 Central**
- U15 South West**
- U15 West Mids**
- U15 East Mids**
- U17 West Mids**
- U17 East Mids**

**SENIOR YBL**

- Junior Women's League**
- Junior Men's League**
- Development Men's League**
- Senior Men's League 1**
- Senior Men's League 2**
- Women's League**

**League Entry Fees**

**U9 CVL** SINGLE TEAM - £90.00  
**U11 CVL** SINGLE TEAM - £90.00  
**U13 CVL** TWO TEAMS - £100.00  
**U15 CVL** TWO TEAMS - £100.00

**Junior YBL: U13, U15, U17 & Junior Men's League**  
LEAGUE ENTRY - £90.00  
with SUMMER (CUP) LEAGUE ENTRY - £100.00

**Junior Women's League CVL**  
LEAGUE ENTRY - £90.00

**Senior Leagues**  
LEAGUE ENTRY - £100.00  
with SUMMER (CUP) LEAGUE ENTRY - £150.00

**LTG Cup/WMFS Trophy/Summer Leagues**  
LTG Cup, WMFS Trophy and both Women's and the Men's Summer League will run after the YBL Finals up to and including the last week of July. Format will be decided after Entry deadline.

**Semi-Final and Finals (League and Cup/Summer)**  
There will be no costs for teams when it comes to Semi-Final (League) and Finals (League and Cup/Trophy/Summer League) as these have been incorporated into your league entry fees.

**Entry Forms can be located in the 'Downloads' section of the website**

**U9 CVL\*** Proposed Two Groups A & B (being 5 years old or below on 1 Sept 2019)  
**U11 CVL\*** Proposed Four Groups: A, B, C & D (being 10 years old or below on 1 Sept 2019)

The YBL Mini League is an open competition for boys and girls under the ages of 9 and 11. These mini-leagues cater for the growing demand for basketball for younger children. It allows younger players and coaches to play in competitive local leagues, developing and strengthening their team before following the YBL pathway into Junior YBL.

Matches will be played at various central venues across the YBL on either a Saturday or a Sunday across the Midlands, Gloucestershire, Hereford and Worcestershire, Shropshire, Leicestershire and borders beyond.

These leagues will be about playing two halves of five minutes per game, averaging five games per CVL with four or five CVLs being run throughout the season, culminating in the YBL Championships Finals.

**Junior Women's League**  
League devoted to a mixture of ages for girls basketball. Aged 16 years or below on 1 Sept 2019.

**Junior Men's League**  
Replacing the U16 League. Being 23 years old or below on 1 Sept 2019.

**Development Men's League**  
Development of returning, new and older players.

**Senior Men's League 1**  
1 and 2 - Competitive Men's League

**Senior Men's League 2**  
Based on six or seven teams per division, 1 being the stronger league. Senior Men's leagues are designed for more competitive games to complement teams playing in other divisions.

**Women's League**  
Ideal place for upcoming teams and returning women's teams.

**League appointed referees.** Entry forms can be found in the downloads section of the YBL website from 1 February 2019. Leagues will be based on number of teams entering per age group and their geographical location U13, U15 and U17 based on 6 or 7 teams. 3 or 4 (if any) U9 and U11 Leagues will be at a central venue - each team will require a coach present. Late entry fee of £50.00 after the deadline will be incurred. Quarter-Final and Semi-Final for leagues will be dependent on league numbers. For more information about the YBL and its staff can be found on the website.

**ENTRY DEADLINE: FRIDAY 5 JULY 2019**

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 <b>SAT 4 MAY 09:30</b> <b>UNDER 11</b> <b>CoB Rockets Red vs Worcester Bears</b>	 <b>SAT 4 MAY 10:30</b> <b>UNDER 11</b> <b>Leicester Riders vs CoB Rockets White</b>
 <b>SAT 4 MAY 11:30</b> <b>UNDER 15</b> <b>Warwickshire Hawks vs Yardley Defenders</b>	 <b>SAT 4 MAY 13:30</b> <b>UNDER 15</b> <b>Worcester Bears vs WBA D-Squad</b>
 <b>SAT 4 MAY 15:30</b> <b>UNDER 19</b> <b>WBA D-Squad vs Coventry Elite</b>	 <b>SAT 4 MAY 17:30</b> <b>UNDER 19</b> <b>Bournville Bears vs Frankley Falcons</b>
 <b>SUN 5 MAY 10:00</b> <b>UNDER 13</b> <b>West Brom Basketball vs Bournville Bears</b>	 <b>SUN 5 MAY 12:00</b> <b>UNDER 13</b> <b>Coventry Elite vs Warwickshire Hawks</b>
 <b>SUN 5 MAY 14:00</b> <b>UNDER 17</b> <b>Shropshire Warriors vs Frankley Falcons</b>	 <b>SUN 5 MAY 16:00</b> <b>UNDER 17</b> <b>Bournville Bears vs Redditch Royals</b>

### PREMIER LEAGUE WOMEN - YBL CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

 <b>2-LEG SEMI-FINALS</b> <b>57   136</b> <b>PREMIER WOMEN</b> <b>REDDITCH ROYALS vs LASERS</b> <b>SAT 18 MAY 16:00</b> <b>PREMIER WOMEN</b>	 <b>2-LEG SEMI-FINALS</b> <b>76   92</b> <b>PREMIER WOMEN</b> <b>SHROPSHIRE WARRIORS vs UNI OF WOLVERHAMPTON</b> <b>SAT 18 MAY 16:00</b> <b>PREMIER WOMEN</b>
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### DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE MEN - YBL CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS

 <b>2-LEG SEMI-FINALS</b> <b>102   114</b> <b>DEVELOPMENT MEN</b> <b>YARDELY DEFENDERS vs WALSALL 99ERS</b> <b>SAT 18 MAY 20:00</b> <b>DEV MEN</b>	 <b>2-LEG SEMI-FINALS</b> <b>106   57</b> <b>DEVELOPMENT MEN</b> <b>TROJANS vs NEWMAN CARDINALS</b> <b>SAT 18 MAY 20:00</b> <b>DEV MEN</b>
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