

# IN THE ZONE

## Weekly

## Referee's Corner

with **Dave Finch**

### Technical Fouls



As this league is a youth and development league it has been decided that guidance should be given to all referees within this league and especially level 1 or inexperienced level 2 refs.

**Refs Guide.**  
 The Technical Foul should be awarded to any player or coach who has caused an infraction which is not a contact foul. There are three main categories:-

**Verbal dissent;** When the player/coach tells you he disagrees with the call. Often shouting at you at the same time.

**Visual dissent;** When the player/coach shows some sort of body action such as raising the arms, shaking the head, wagging a finger at you or some forms of gesturing towards you.

Players and coaches informing the refs of how to ref the game. Examples are "and 1" being called out by players/bench. "Foul" or "That's a foul" being called out.

Technical infractions which may breach the ethos of sportsmanship. An example of this is running outside the court to avoid a screen which gives the player an unfair advantage.

**Guidance:** Move closer to the table, administer the technical foul procedure then inform the captain which player has the technical foul and why you have given it. Then administer the fouls shot(s). You may also inform the coach if you think this is suitable.

For example; "Captain, I have given player 4 a technical foul for verbal dissent." Can you also inform him that a further technical foul or unsportsmanlike foul will result in a disqualification

**Coaches Guide**  
 As with the unsportsmanlike foul it is your responsibility to ensure that good sportsmanship and discipline are upheld within the team. Perhaps the main part of your job in these situations is to having a calming influence, as often you will be the most experienced person on the court.

**Clubs guide**  
 Does the club have a policy on how to prevent technical and unsportsmanlike fouls?

## First set get under way



**Words James Davies**  
**Central Venue Leagues start across the YBL**  
 The Under 9 and Under 11 Central Venue Leagues got off to a great start last weekend where we saw the first ever U9s take place in Stourport and Bloxwich. It was great to see the future ballers take to the mini-courts!

Three of the U11 CVL took place alongside the U9s last week, which saw three brand new teams enter this age group. As well as many returning clubs. That many that we have four U11 groups! The Championships this year are going to be epic!

I was lucky enough to be at the U11 Warwickshire Hawks hosted CVL, where I saw some great, up-and-coming talent. Some great team work and some tremendous skills. Here's to the next round!

**Below** New Tamworth Tigers I & II **Above** U9s at Bloxwich **Right** Walsall 99ers (ShinePix)



## WHEELCHAIR DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

### WHO ARE YOU COMING TO SUPPORT?

with  
**The Bears Development I**  
**The Bears Development II**  
**Bromsgrove Blaze Hotshots**  
**Worcester Wolves**  
**Birmingham Eagles**  
**Jaguars**  
**Bradford Bears**  
**Leicester Cobras**

**WHEELCHAIR DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE**

**Saturday 23 and Sunday 24 November 2019**

Saturday from **10:00**  
 Sunday from **11:00**

**AN EPIC YBL EVENT!**

Warwickshire College, Henley-in-Arden

Could you be a YBL influencer?

We want to hear the voice of the juniors who play within our leagues. At the moment the YBL staff make all the decisions, would you like to be able to help shape those decisions?

We want the YBL to be the best for; young, grassroots and development leagues in the World!

The J.A.I. is in its planning stages; this is your opportunity to voice your opinions and ideas about what is good and what could be better.

Jade Kinch will be YBL Lead on this project. The group will meet twice during the season and then with the Board of Directors at the end of the season.

We would like representation from as wide an audience as possible with at least each age group represented.

We'll try our best to spread the meetings so there is not always a lot of travel for those attending (because, we know it will be the parents bringing them!).

So, if you want to influence the YBL and become a Junior Associate then please email Director Kim on [admin@ybl.org.uk](mailto:admin@ybl.org.uk).

# J.A.I.

## Junior Associates Initiative

### Last Call for the J.A.I

**Paul Adams** @TornadoesTp · Oct 19

Very proud of our under 13's who remain undefeated in their league and really doing club and Coventry proud 🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆🏆

