

## Under 18 League Proposed

With the North and South leagues now being finalised by the committee, confirmed YBL clubs are enquiring that we look into a Under 18's division. As clubs seem very interested, we are doing exactly that!

We would offer one league for the first YBL U18 season, offering it to between five and seven teams. You can follow the development of this new league on the web site. Each YBL club will be getting an email regarding this development in due course, or if your club has an expressed interest then please get in touch with the League Secretary.

### Get the most out of the YBL

The YBL is shaping up nicely and as a result our web site is continuing to grow with content supplied by our clubs.

We have several sections that you will find helpful, such as: The Downloads Page, where you can view and download the League Rules (2014 version), the latest and back issues of Youth Basketball News and YBL Forms. Recently added are the YBL Scoresheet, designed for beginners to table officiating, as the boxes are bigger for you to write in. A Game Card, where club team managers or coaches can fill in for when they go to away games. It looks professional and it saves time when you get there! You can also download the Expenses Form for when you go and officiate other clubs games. We missed anything?

The Fixtures and Results section is packed with useful information. You can check upcoming fixtures and previous results for each league game. Plus once that game is complete you can get a detailed match report with various statistics, quarter scores, who refereed and tabled and any match reports that clubs can send in (once the league receives the scoresheet).

In the Teams sections, we have a list of teams listed by leagues, so you can view their details when your team is travelling to their venue. Their venue and travel directions, their club bio and when and at what time

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### YBL Format (2014/2015)

The YBL Committee meet next week to confirm leagues and agree on the YBL format for the upcoming season.

At present it looks like this:

#### Under 12s

North	South
Tornadoes Basketball A	Bromsgrove Bears
Tornadoes Basketball B	Bournville Bears
Birmingham A's	Worcester Wolves
City of Birmingham	
Yardley Basketball Club	
Shropshire Warriors	

#### Under 14s

North	South
Tornadoes Basketball	Bromsgrove Bears
Birmingham A's	Bournville Bears
West Bromwich B.C	Redditch Basketball
City of Birmingham	Worcester Wolves
Yardley Basketball Club	

#### Under 16s

North	South
Tornadoes Basketball	Bromsgrove Bears
Birmingham A's	Bournville Bears A
City of Birmingham	Bournville Bears B
Yardley Basketball Club	Bromsgrove Blaze
Shropshire Warriors	Worcester Wolves
	Redditch Basketball

#### Under 18s (Proposed)

West Midlands
Bromsgrove Blaze
Redditch Basketball
Yardley Basketball Club
Bournville Bears
Northwood Vaillant
Arden Griffins

### YBL Run Courses

#### Level 1 Referee Course (R114/043)

Saturday 19th July 2014 09:30-13:00 £20

The Factory (Young People's Centre)

Devon Way, Longbridge, Birmingham. B31 2TS

Course Organiser - James Davies - 07581 095 033

**DEADLINE**  
Thurs 10th

Limited spaces, therefore bookings will be on a first come first serve basis. The course will be four hours, two hours practical and two theory. Please come ready to run around! Appropriate clothing. Aged 12 and over.

#### Level 1 Table Official Course ( )

Thursday 24th July 2014 19:00-21:30 £10

The Tooth, Coventry and Warwickshire YMCA

Stretton Avenue, Willenhall, Coventry. CV3 3AE

Course Organiser - Paul Adams - 07928 243 235

**DEADLINE**  
Mon 14th

Competent and qualified table officials are an important requirement for all basketball games. Table officials are trained and assessed through courses and examinations during the officiating courses.

#### Level 1

This award is an introduction to basketball and is aimed at the pure beginner. It gives an insight into the basic work of a timekeeper and scorer at a basketball game. A Level 1 table official is qualified to officiate at school matches, central venue and local league (youth leagues) and recreational level basketball.

#### Level 2 Table Official Course ( )

Thursday 31st July 2014 &

Thursday 14th August 2014 19:00-21:30 £10

The Tooth, Coventry and Warwickshire YMCA

Stretton Avenue, Willenhall, Coventry. CV3 3AE

Course Organiser - Paul Adams - 07928 243 235

**DEADLINE**  
Mon 21st

#### Level 2

This award is for table officials who operate in regional and local leagues. Experienced Level 2 table officials are used to officiate at senior national league level.

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## Great Briton Under 20 Women Roster Announced

Source: EB

British Basketball has announced the final team for the Division B FIBA Europe U20 Women's Championship commencing on Thursday, 3 July in Sofia, Bulgaria.

The selection was made after a limited but intense five-day preparation at the University of Essex where Head coach Peter Buckle has been impressed with the team's training camp set-up:

"It's been a good opportunity to see the progress of the GB U20s as the next generation of senior players. We have worked hard on building the GB style of basketball with the future in mind and I look forward to the tournament games as our next stage of development."

Six players of last year's team, including senior team player, Harriet Ottewill-Soulsby have returned to form the core of the squad. Harriet will be re-joined by Shequila Joseph, Melita Emanuel-Carr, Cheridene Green, Whitney Allen and Megan Lewis as a group who will be looking to improve on last year's eighth placed finish.

With an eye on the future, the team features nine players who will be eligible again for the U20s in 2015. National Team Director Warwick Cann commented: "This has been a very testing preparation but the staff and players have come together very well and are up for the challenge of a full round robin of nine games.

"Having one of our leading senior players, Azania Stewart, into camp to talk with the U20 team has also been a great initiative to build our hardworking culture and aid player understanding.

"I am extremely grateful of the staff that have worked together at late notice and volunteered their time to help GB basketball be successful."

2014 Great Britain U20 Women

No.	Player	Position	Nation
4	Whitney Allen	Forward	England
5	Megan Lewis	Point Guard	England
6	Lauren Milligan	Forward	England
7	Hannah Peacock	Centre	Scotland
8	Sarah Thomson	Guard	Scotland
9	Janica Monakana	Forward	England
10	Melita Emanuel-Carr	Point Guard	England
11	Shequila Joseph	Forward	England
12	Cheridene Green	Centre	England
13	Harriet Ottewill-Soulsby	Forward	England
14	Jay-Ann Bravo-Harriott	Guard	England
15	Claire Paxton	Forward	Scotland

## U18 Women end Portugal Trip with another loss

Source: EB

Georgia Gayle's 17 points were not enough to prevent the U18 Women ending their three game trip to Portugal with an 80-51 loss to their hosts.

England started slowly and were down by 16 points midway through the second period, but Lee Ryan's side rallied to cut the deficit to 40-28 going into the locker room at half-time.

A 14-3 run from the home side to open the second half effectively ended the chances of a comeback, but England's defence stepped and they scored nine unanswered points in the final minutes of the third period and cut the lead to 58-38 at the last break.

At 67-51 down late on the game was as good as gone and then Portugal scored the last 13 points of the game to give the scoreline a more lopsided look.

Victoria Grey added 12 points for England, while Melanie George finished with a double-double as she hit ten points and pulled down as many boards.

Coach Lee Ryan commented: "We came to Portugal to play these games to expose this group to a high level and that's exactly what we got."

"We step on the floor with high energy every game, but we need to maintain our concentration for 40 minutes. Teams at this level will punish you for lapses, so it is up to the players to be disciplined in our approach.

"This series gave us the chance to experiment and find out what we can do, at times we played some really strong team basketball, we now have a home camp followed by two games in Finland to become consistent.

"This team is a collective and remains together. I think this Portugal trip will be a moment we look back on as a turning point later this summer."

# Get the most out of the YBL

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each of their teams tip. You also have each teams contact details.

We also have a courses page, where any course offered by the YBL is advertised, with how to book on to the course.

A calendar section with important YBL and basketball dates, a referee and table official page where we have a list of qualified officials you can use for your games, you can even add your own or members from your club.

The YBL is building our web site to provide clubs and its members with as much information as possible.

If you think we have missed something or would like to suggest something you think would benefit your club and players, then please get in touch.



Extracts from the YBL web site

## CLASSIFIEDS

**ADVERTISE YOUR CLUB EVENTS HERE!**  
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**Out Sunday 3rd August 2014**

## YBL CALENDAR

Friday 27th June	Deadline for Team Entries for 2014/2015 Season
Friday 18th July	Publication of Under 16 League Fixtures
Saturday 19th July	Level 1 Referee Course (0930-1330)
Thursday 24th July	Level 1 Table Official Course (1900-2130)
Friday 25th July	Publication of Under 12 and Under 14 Fixtures
Thursday 31st July	Level 2 Table Official Course (1900-2130) Part 1/2
Thursday 14th August	Level 2 Table Official Course (1900-2130) Part 2/2
Friday 23rd August	Deadline for Fixture Changes (All Leagues)
Saturday 13th September	Official Date of First YBL Game
Saturday 20th December	No Games Scheduled - Christmas Break
Sunday 21st December	No Games Scheduled - Christmas Break
Thursday 25th December	Christmas Day
Friday 26th December	Boxing Day
Thursday 1st January 2015	New Years Day (Bank Holiday)
Saturday 3rd January	Normal Games Resume
Friday 3rd April	Good Friday (Bank Holiday)
Sunday 5th April	Easter Sunday
Monday 6th April	Easter Monday (Bank Holiday)
Monday 4th May	May Day (Bank Holiday)
Monday 25th April	Spring Bank Holiday (Bank Holiday)
Thursday 30th April	End of the First YBL Season