



Service Catalogue 2021/2022 Season





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Introduction

In 2014 James Davies recognised that there was not a league structure in place for young people playing basketball competitively in the Midlands.



Teams were only able to play at National League level and he knew there were children out there playing who would never have an opportunity to experience playing in a league format that ended in a final.

James' vision was to start the Youth Basketball League (YBL), with a lot of determination, hard work and lack of sleep it began with a handful of clubs.

James' idea started to grow momentum and players and clubs that were enjoying the experience started telling other clubs and they wanted to see what it was all about and have never looked back.

As the YBL grew so did James' vision when the West Midlands Women's League folded, he decided that they should also come into the YBL family, but he didn't stop there he wanted the YBL to be fully inclusive. So along came the Wheelchair Development League, Development Men's League and 'All-Girls' as well as pathways for clubs and their workforces.

To have a more inclusive name he also changed the name to 'Your Basketball League', but the Youth Basketball League is still here as our junior league brand.

As we approach the 2021/2022 season after a pandemic, James and the rest of the YBL Directors and staff are ready to welcome everyone back to enjoy what the YBL have to offer for this season...



History of the YBL



May 2014 - the Youth Basketball League was formed.

2014 - 2015

2014/2015 being our first season with U12, U14, U16 & U19 leagues 10 Clubs - 26 Teams

Our first one-day final in 2015 was at Perry Barr - Birmingham



2015/2016 the YBL changed our league format to U11, U13, U15, U17 & U19

Our second year YBL Championships was born and was held at Nechells Wellbeing Centre over two-days, introducing semifinals

Our first development tournament was held in August 2016



2017/2018 following the collapse West Midlands Women's Basketball League, they joined the YBL Family.



May 2017 the YBL become a Community Interest Company

2018/2019 women's participation doubled in size

Men's Development League provided a transition from junior to senior level.

We moved our YBL Championships to Worcester University which saw record number of spectators

2019/2020 introduced our first Under 9 Central Venue League & wheelchair development league

In 2020 the YBL became Your Basketball League, to show the inclusive diversity of our organisation.

2020/2021 we introduced the first All-Girls leagues







Home of YBL Clothing





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Digital publications readership

Date of issue to 12 March 2021

Full Court



League Statistics

A lot of work goes on behind the scenes, here is the exponential organic growth of the YBL since 2014.

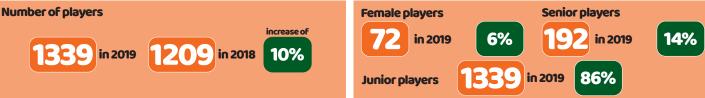
Top stats 2014-2021



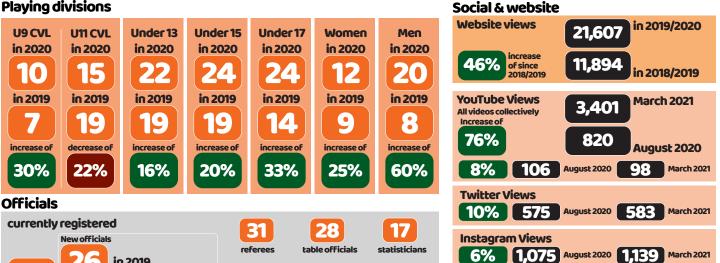
Clubs and Teams



Players



Playing divisions









Looking to the future

The YBLs is pioneering the way for grassroots and developmental basketball in nearly every aspect of the game.

We look to forge lasting relationships and partnerships with organisations and businesses to help the YBL flourish.

We continue to look at the development of everyone involved in basketball to support and mentor them through their YBL journey.

Building basketball connections to help our members

The YBL are pleased to be working with some extraordinary people at Newcastle Eagles

Community Foundation, South Wales Basketball Association, All City Basketball's 'Building the Athlete', Bigfoot Basketball Ltd., and Starting5 Ltd.

These relationships will benefit the YBL and our members.



We have a dedicated Board Member who looks after the safeguarding and wellbeing of all our members, working with with all our partners and governing bodies to make sure that everyone has a safe and welcoming environment to participate in their favourite sport.



Our digital publications

The YBL provides two digital magazines for everyone to keep up to date with all things YBL and basketball.

In-season 'In the Zone' provides everyone with league updates, championships progress, match reports, as well as news and offers.

Our 'Full Court' magazine gives the wider basketball community articles and interviews to celebrate the game we love.

All free on our website.

To get notified of these releases you can sign-up, or follow us on Instagram, YouTube, Facebook and Twitter.





Member Services

Statistician pathway*

Coaches pathway*

The YBL is unique. We provide friendly competitive basketball as well as mentoring and development.

League games structure

Junior associate programme

Play-off structure Mentoring for officials and club personal

Championships structure

Digital publications

Additional competition structures

YBL social media platforms
Development All-Girls league
All-Girls player retention programme

Dedicated staff

Development Wheelchair Leagues Safeguarding & Compliance

Development

Website and Publications
Player pathway Inclusion
Skills and development

Referee pathway * Opportunities for players, coaches and officials

Table Official pathway *

Dedicated Club Admin page

Secure pages for clubs administrators

Official kit and clothing partner with Club pathway* ("See Development Pathway) special offers for YBL members

Appointment of referees Dedicated website with fixtures &

results, news, courses and events
Learning and mentoring programme for
2PO & 3PO (2/3-person-officiating)

Volunteer support

YBL members can access subsidised

YBL telephone and email support during our office hours

Honours List and YBL Awards Member clubs out of hours services

Development For all (Development Pathway)

If we had a middle name, it would be 'development'.

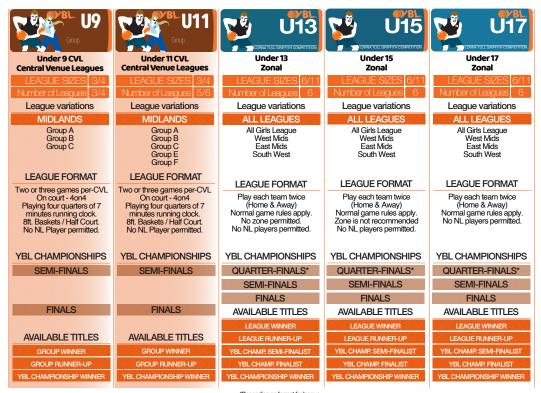
Our Development Pathway booklet outlines those journeys in basketball to player to club administrator.

This living document is updated on a regular basis when new courses and opportunities arise.





Mini & Junior YBL **REGULAR SEASON - ZONAL LEAGUES**



QUARTER-FINALS YBL CHAMPIONSHIPS

TEAM A VS TEAM B TEAM C VS TEAM D TEAM E VS TEAM F

TEAM G VS TEAM H ter-Finals depending on league for

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TEAM A VS TEAM B TEAM C VS TEAM D

FINALS YBL CHAMPIONSHIPS

TEAM A VS TEAM B

Mini & Junior YBL **YBL Championships**









Jamie Clark Barrie Mann Trophy

PARTICIPANTS TAKEN FROM THE YBL CHAMPIONSHIPS AT U13, U15, U17 Zonal & a YBL Selected U19 Team



The YBL's Evolution Tournament

Invitational tournament for the development of grassroots players on a bigger



Primis & Senior YBL **REGULAR SEASON**



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SEMI-FINALS

FINALS

AVAILABLE TITLES LEAGUE WINNER

LEAGUE RUNNER-UP

YBL CHAMP. FINALIST

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Other competitions



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Working with our friends at the **Newcastle Eagles Community** Foundation, the YBL and NECF have created a new competition: The JCBM Trophy (Jamie Clark Barrie Mann Trophy).

For the first year U13, U15, U17 Zonal and YBL selected U19 teams participating for the 'champion of champions' title.



The YBL's Evolution Tournament brings together the winners of the JCBM Trophy, invited YBL teams and teams from abroad to compete for the ultimate title on the bigger stage. All the while keeping that development feel.

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VARIOUS YBL LEAGUES **Development Tournament** The 'Development Tournament', which is held each year as part of the Development Pathway and the month of 'Development August', sees clubs invited to participate in a tournament for teams, officials and coaches to grow their knowledge from on-site mentors.



NEW LEAGUE PAGE LAYOUT

Look at how this new looks works for you



