**Umpiring Report 2019/20**

This report covers the officiating at Essex Metropolitan (Essex Met) Netball League.

New Cambell Netball Club (NCNC) currently has eight(8) senior teams within Essex Met. Been the largest club at Essex Met, we have required the support of umpires both internally and externally, thus ensuring officiating takes place allowing games to go forward.

As we continue to grow, we created and secured a large number of dedicated, talented and experienced umpires, ranging between B and C awarded.

I would like to add my thanks to all that has been involved.

Umpire Qualifications-

We at NCNC are always supporting, promoting and encouraging those interested in umpiring to pick up a whistle, thus providing inbuilt produce.

At present, we are proud to have the following qualified umpires:

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| Qualification | NCNC |
| A Award | N/A |
| B Award | Charlene Ponteen  Nick Prince |
| C Award | Aimee Campbell  Eleana Clark  Michelle Drayne  Aaliyah Forbes  Tamara Gibson  Lindsay Keable  Victoria Lavender  Mary-Ann Murphy  Jessica Oshodi  Ophelia Ponteen  Sally Ann Smith  Patricia Watson |

Umpire Courses-

Essex Met has always offered the opportunity of joining the umpire family or to further on your pathway. Courses are regularly advertised via email by the Essex Met umpiring secretary, via our NCNC Facebook group and our website. However, if you are interested, please do feel free to contact me directly to discuss and explore your options.

Essex Met umpiring

Due to the unforeseen events (dare I say it C-19) the 2019/20 season has been concluded, with the last fixtures played on Saturday 14th March. During this season we had one late arrival, however we have successfully covered 100% of all scheduled games- that’s 88 games, 5,280 minutes, through sun, rain and snow, wins and losses, we thank our umpires for making sure we always “PLAYED the GAME”.

NEWS/UPDATES/REMINDERS-

* New rules: England Netball has modified their original plan for delivery of Rules seminars. All seminars will now be online only. Further details to be provided by Essex Met via email.
* New Rulebook: the England Netball Shop has the 2020 Rules book for sale at £5.50-however; Essex Met has been able to purchase Rules Books at the discounted price of £4.50. If you would like to reserve one, please contact Essex Met umpiring secretary, Jane Kelloe kelloej@gmail.com.
* Reassessments: Essex Met has decided all outstanding reassessments will be carried forward to next season (2020/2021). This means umpires can continue to umpire next season, pending reassessment. Those requiring assessment will be contacted by the Essex Met secretary directly to arrange.
* Results Card: Please remember to sign the Results Card and print (legibly) your name, club, qualification and Essex Met membership number (or England Netball ID number for B & above umpires from other Counties).
* Umpiring: Should anyone be interested in developing further, recently qualified and not listed above, have friends/family wishing to explore umpiring, we at NCNC are happy to support. Please contact me directly to discuss further.

Thank you, keep safe and I’ll see you all court-side.

Ophelia Ponteen

Umpire Secretary, NCNC