

U15 & U17 NATIONAL CLUB CUP 2021 TEAM INFORMATION PACK

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1. Overview

About

The U15 and U17 National Club Championships are 3, one-off events that offer Clubs the opportunity to be crowned National Champions at the U15 and U17 age groups. Following a year of no competition during much of 2020 and 2021, these events allow athletes who missed out on the U14 and U16 National Clubs competition in 2020/21 an opportunity to compete as a team.

These three events are called Tri-Regional Tournaments and are split based on geography of the 9 regions. We are also looking at providing the winners of each Tri-Regional competition the opportunity to compete on court at an England Netball Major Event against the other winners.

Update: due to water damage to the courts at Redbridge Leisure Centre and not being able to source an alternate venue due to short notice, the South Tri-Regional Competition has been postponed until 12th and 13th February 2022.

Key Details

Dates:

U15 Competitions - Saturday 18th December 2021 **U17 Competitions** - Sunday 19th December 2021

Key Times:

- Registrations Open 8:30am
- First games 9:30am
- Knockout Rounds From 3:45pm
- **Final Games** 6:15pm (Followed by presentation)

Venues:

- North English Institute of Sport, Sheffield
- Midlands David Ross Sports Village, University of Nottingham

Regional Split:

- North For teams based in North West, North East and Yorkshire Regions
- Midlands For teams based in the East Midlands, West Midlands, and East Regions

Key Contact Details

All enquiries should be sent to the Competitions and Events team at England Netball

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North Competition

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Midlands Competition

Event Manager: Amber Johnson – <u>Amber Johnson@englandnetball.co.uk</u>

2. Venue

About

These events will take place at 3 different venues across the country to allow the greatest number of teams to enter.

EIS Sheffield is one of the biggest indoor sporting arenas in the country. Based on the outskirts of Sheffield and home some of Britain's most successful Olympians, it is a great venue for budding Roses of the future to experience the joy and competitiveness of competition.

Sir David Ross Sports Village holds some of the best netball facilities in England. With 4 international standard courts, and a viewing balcony that can seat up to 300 people, England Netball have used this venue for a number of years for some of its most prestigious Performance Competitions.

Venue Details

English Institute of Sport (EIS), Sheffield

Coleridge Road Attercliffe Sheffield S9 5DA

Parking: There will be a £5 per vehicle charge for parking at the event. The Ice Arena next door also has a large car park and a coach car park if any teams travel by bus. These are also included in the car park charge. Teams need to contact liam.wordsworth@englandnetball.co.uk if they are planning on attending by coach.

Changing Rooms: There are only 2x team changing rooms at EIS and they do not have any showers in them, therefore, teams are encouraged to arrive in their kit. These changing rooms will be available throughout the day and will remain unlocked so please do not leave any personal belongings inside.

Spectator Viewing: The netball and basketball courts at EIS both have areas for spectator viewing. The netball courts (Courts 1 and 2) have a balcony along the baseline of all three courts and along the side-line of court 2. The Basketball court (Court 3) has spectator seating for around 300 people. This seating area will also be used for teams to 'break-out' in during the event.

Catering: The EIS has a café based at the opposite end of the building to the Netball Courts. The café will be open from 9:00am-5:00pm each day

David Ross Sports Village

University of Nottingham University Park Nottingham, NG7 2RD

Parking: The University has a large amount of car parking spaces throughout the campus. The sports village has its own car park along with other car parking spaces within a walking distance.

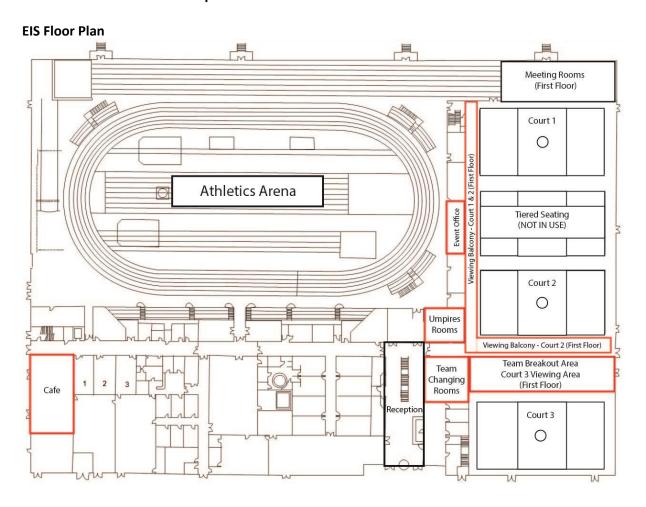
Changing Rooms: There are 4 changing rooms allocated for the event. All 4 changing rooms can comfortably fit a full team in each; however, teams are encouraged to arrive in their kit. These changing rooms will be available throughout the day and will remain unlocked so please do not leave any personal belongings inside.

Spectator Viewing: There is a spectator viewing balcony with around 300 seats overlooking all 4 courts at Nottingham. These will be available for spectators throughout the event.

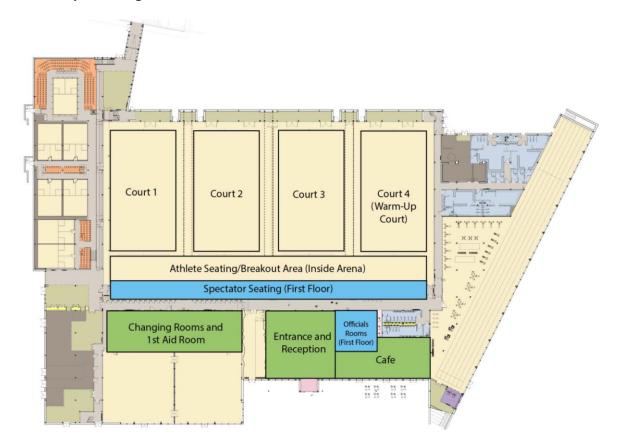
The university are also going to put some seats on the floor in the sports hall, however, these are reserved for teams to use throughout the day. Spectators are not allowed to enter the sports hall.

Catering: There is a café based in the reception of David Ross. The cafe sells a range of hot/cold drinks and snacks. Over the lunch time period, there will be a small selection of more substantial meals available.

Site Plan and Set-Up



David Ross Sports Village Floor Plan



3. Sport Competition

Competition Format

The format of the National Club Cup competitions varies based on the number of teams that have entered each competition.

The schedules for each competition will be shared with all team's week commencing Monday 6th December 2021. However, we can confirm the key timings.

- Registration Opens from 8:30am
- Games will start at 9:30am (Teams need to have signed in at the registration desk at least 40 minutes before their first game).
- The competition will consist of 1 or 2 group stages followed by a knockout round.
- There will also be a plate competition for each competition following the group stages.
- All games and presentations will be completed by 7:00pm or earlier

Game Format

There is a 30-minute slot for each fixture. These will be centrally timed by England Netball. The format for the matches is as follows:

- 2 minutes warm up
- 12 minutes first half
- 2 minutes half time
- 12 minutes second half
- 2- minutes vacate the courts

Other game information:

- Fixtures in the group stages can end in a draw
- Knockout fixtures must be played to a result. If the score is tied when the buzzer sounds, the team to score the next goal in the winner (Golden Goal).
- In the group stages, teams are awarded 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss.
- Should teams be tied on points in the league table, the next determining factors will be Goal Average, Goal Difference, Goals Scored, Head to Head, Coin Flip.

Competition Schedule

The competition schedule will be shared with teams week commencing Monday 6th December 2021.

Competition Results

For teams and spectators, results will be updated on the England Netball website after every round. The website link will be shared with teams week commencing Monday 6th December 2021.

Historically, we have displayed results on TVs around the venue, however to help reduce crowding as part of our COVID-19 risk mitigation, we won't be doing it for these events.

Presentations

Each individual Tri-Regional event will have its own presentation for each age group. The following medals will be handed out:

- National Clubs Cup Regional Winner 17x gold medals
- National Clubs Cup Regional Runner-up 17x Silver Medals
- National Clubs Cup Regional Third place 17 x Silver Medals
- National Clubs Plate Regional Winner 17x Gold Medals

Alongside this, we are looking into the possibility of inviting the winners of each Tri Regional Cup to an England Netball Major event where they will play the other 2 Regional winners in a round robin. The winner will be Crowned National Club Cup Champions 2021/22. We will provide more information on this in due course.

Each Tri Regional event will have an announcer who will present the medals at the end of each day. Due to ongoing COVID-19 risk mitigations, medals will be placed on a table and the coach of each team will be invited to present the medal to their athletes. They will stand for a team photo before the next team is invited up in the following order:

- Plate Winners
- Cup 3rd place
- Cup Runners-up
- Cup Winners

4. Teams

Competing Teams

This event is an open entry competition. Teams submitted an entry form provided to them by England Netball.

Once teams have submitted their entry form, The Competitions and Events Co-ordinator will send them a Squad Registration sheet which will collate the rest of the information needed for the event. At this time, they will also be sent payment information for the event (£120 per team).

Teams can list up-to 15 athletes (12 + 3 reserves). Should any athlete need to withdraw due to COVID-19 or any other reason, teams will be able to select one of their reserves to replace them.

North Competition

Under 15

	Team	Main Contact	Email Address
1.	Grangetown	Victoria Eason	victoria.eason@googlemail.com
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5.	Oldham	Pam Hazelton	pamela prag@yahoo.co.uk
6.	DNA Netball Club	Michael Toal	michaeltoal@aol.com
7.	Tameside	Jane Chisnall	cjchiz@blueyonder.co.uk
8.	Chester Netball Club	Zoe Terry	zoe.terry@advocate-group.co.uk
9.	Ribble Valley netball club	Amy Preedy	preedyamy@gmail.com
10.	DNC (Dronfield Netball Club)	Alex Styan	a.m.styan@lboro.ac.uk
11.	White Cross Netball	Rebecca Hutchinson	hcmbchair21@gmail.com
12.	Kingston	Suzanne Brewer	sue@pro-gas.co.uk
13.	Leeds Athletic Netball Club	Kathryn Dyer	kathryndyer@me.com
14.	Huddersfield Giants Junior NC	Freya Bignell	hgjncfreya@gmail.com
15.	East Riding	Emma Thompson	emma.dimmack@grangepartnership.com

Under 17

	Team	Main Contact	Email Address
1.	Grangetown	Victoria Eason	victoria.eason@googlemail.com
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5.	DNA Netball Club	Michael Toal	michaeltoal@aol.com
6.	YWCA Bury	Katie Myers	k.myers@chc.co.uk
7.	DNC (Dronfield Netball Club)	Alex Styan	a.m.styan@lboro.ac.uk
8.	White Cross Netball	Rebecca Hutchinson	hcmbchair21@gmail.com
9.	Kingston	Suzanne Brewer	sue@pro-gas.co.uk

10.	Leeds Athletic Netball Club	Rachel Train	racheltrain74@gmail.com
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Midlands Competition

Under 15

	Team	Main Contact	Email Address
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4.	Hatfield	Emily Drackford	emilydrackford@hotmail.com
5.	Glinton Wasps	Hannah willis	glintonwasps@gmail.com
6.	Norfolk United	William Thompson	wentworth99@aol.com
7.	Bramcote	Jo Del Buono	jo.delbuono@sky.com
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10.	Epworth	Lisa Smith	lisa@thunderbite.com
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14.	Stratford Thunderbirds	Ellen Lavery	ellenlavery01@gmail.com
15.	Parkside	Natasha Gill	parksidenc@gmail.com

Under 17

	Team	Main Contact	Email Address
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9.	Nottingham City Netball Club	Pauline Shipman	pauline_sam@hotmail.co.uk
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11.	Fenland Netball Club	Robyn Rogers	rrogers@chesapeake.co.uk
12.	Northants Storm	Kelly Washington	kelly@washingtonmail.co.uk
13.	Stratford Thunderbirds	Ellen Lavery	ellenlavery01@gmail.com
14.	Parkside	Natasha Gill	parksidenc@gmail.com

5. Officiating

Umpires

Umpires for the event will be provided by England Netball.

Contact Gill Henderson (gill.henderson@englandnetball.co.uk) for any questions.

Technical Officials

Teams are responsible for scoring their own games. Each team should provide 1 scorer each. England Netball will provide teams with scorecards that they complete, sign and return to the Competition Referee after each match.

Competition Referee

England Netball will appoint a Competition Referee for each event. They will be based at the Registration desk throughout the event and deal with any competition related incidents.

6. Health and Safety

Medical Provision

Each event will have a physiotherapist and event paramedic team on site throughout. There will also be COVID-19 guidance issued to all attendees to mitigate against the increased risk of spreading the virus whilst playing sports.

As a main principle, we will be adopting England Netball's 'Managing COVID-19 Within Netball' Guidance. This can be found here.

In addition to this, the following protocols will also be in place for the duration of the event:

Masks

- Masks must be worn at all times whilst indoors, except for the 7 players from each team that are on court
- o Umpires also do not need to wear a mask whilst they are on court
- England Netball staff will remind attendees should masks not be worn. Excessive failure to wear a mask may result in the individual being asked to leave the event. This is based on provided as safe as an environment as possible for all attendees.

Testing

- All players, team staff, event staff and officials will be required to take a Lateral Flow Test 24 hours prior to the event.
- Attendees should use the free NHS Lateral Flow tests. A link to order them can be found here.
- All tests must be logged with England Netball by the team manager prior to arrival at the event. A link to the form to report tests can be found here.
- Anybody who returns a positive Lateral Flow test must not attend the event and book an NHS PCR test ASAP.
- Anybody who does not take a test, or does not submit their result to England Netball via the form will be unable to attend the event. If any of these individuals arrive at the venue, they will not be able to compete, regardless of distance travelled.

- Hygiene

- o Balls and Post protectors will be cleaned prior to each match and at half time.
- All attendees are encouraged to use the hand sanitiser that England Netball will be place around the venue.

Code of Conducts

Code of Conduct for Athletes

Our Codes of Conduct require the highest standards of conduct from everyone involved in netball to ensure that their behaviour and actions meet the values and standards expected at all times. Everyone must conduct themselves in an honest, fair, impartial and transparent manner.

Our Codes of Conduct are applicable to all aspects of the Sport and are driven by England Netball's Values (Respect, Teamwork, Achievement and Fun) and the Guiding Principles (set out above).

I will Respect:

- The rules, regulations, and requirements of the Sport, including, but not limited to, any competitions in which I participate either directly or indirectly.
- The rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in netball, regardless of gender, marital status, race, colour, disability, sexuality, age, occupation, religion, or political opinion.
- The rights, dignity and worth of Children, Young People and Adults at Risk and ensure that I am aware of the Safeguarding best practice guidelines and procedures when interacting with them.
- Confidentiality and the sensitivities of information I hold on other individuals.
- Netball and the individual's reputation and not take any action or make inappropriate
 comments about a fellow participant, coach, official, volunteer or member of England
 Netball's staff that will bring the Sport or those associated with delivering the Sport into
 disrepute, including making comments on social media technology. I will respect EN's
 guidance and policies on social media technology.
- The position I hold within Netball and always conduct and dress myself in an appropriate manner.
- The result of the game and will not attempt to offer, offer or accept either directly or indirectly any consideration whatsoever in return for influencing or attempting to influence the result or seek to achieve personal gain on a result which I can influence by betting on any match or event where I am participating, either by playing, coaching or officiating, or through direct or indirect involvement.

Netball is based on Teamwork, therefore I will:

- Not abuse or misuse any relationship of trust or position of power or influence held by me in my team, be that my playing team, Club, County, Regional or England Netball.
- Be on time, dressed appropriately and ready to give my full attention to the role I am carrying out within Netball.
- Recognise that individuals bring different qualities and attributes but "together we will excel".
- Welcome new members, volunteers, and connected participation and cooperate with Members, Connected Participants, colleagues, coaches, officials, and administrators already in the Sport.

I recognise individuals participate in Netball to achieve and have fun, therefore I will:

- Recognise the achievements of others and applaud their successes
- Endeavor to ensure that all involved in the Sport optimise their potential by promoting the positive aspects of the sport and never condoning the use of inappropriate or abusive language, inappropriate relationships, bullying, harassment, discrimination, or physical violence.
- Not impinge on others enjoyment of the Sport or my performance by consuming alcoholic drinks or smoke immediately prior to or while participating in the sport, or while safeguarding children, young people, or vulnerable adults.
- Ensure that everyone has the opportunity to participant in a fair, honest environment by rejecting cheating, abiding by the Anti-Doping policies, and not taking illegal substances immediately prior to or while participating in the Sport.
- Display modesty in victory and graciousness in defeat; be sporting whether I win or lose; always acknowledge the other team and the umpires at the end of the game with a handshake or three cheers.
- Never argue with an official or participant during a game and listen to and cooperate with officials' decisions.
- Control my temper; I understand that verbal, emotional and physical abuse of officials, coaches, spectators, or participants, or deliberately distracting or provoking a participant, coach or official is not acceptable or permitted behaviour in netball
- Enjoy the game and ensure other can also enjoy it.

I will endeavour to abide by this code of conduct and promote it to others. I understand that if I fail to follow the code, the England Netball, the Regional Association or the County Association may take action against me under the Disciplinary Regulations which may result in Sanctions including fines and suspension.

Code of Conduct for Coaches, Umpires, Table Officials, Team Managers, Teachers, Assessors, Testers, Trainers, Verifiers, Mentors and Volunteers

The Code of Conduct state the values and standards expected at all times. In addition to these, when in my capacity as a coach, umpire, table official, team manager, teacher, tutor, assessor, tester, trainer, verifier, mentor, or volunteer, I will also:

- Be a positive role model for netball by acting in a way that projects a positive image of my role within netball and being fair, considerate, and honest with participants and officials.
- Display high standards in my language, manner, punctuality, preparation, and presentation to ensure that all time spent with me by participants or colleagues is a positive experience
- Exercise reasonable care and skill when carrying out my duties, including but not limited to keeping up to date with the latest practices and developments by taking up further education and other personal and professional development opportunities.
- Be consistent, independent and demonstrate complete impartiality through exercising reasonable care and skill to enforce the rules of the game by applying them fairly and to effect control of the game.
- As a coach, seek to inspire and motivate in accordance with an individual's abilities to enable them to play to the best of their ability and realise their potential.
- As a coach, provide athletes with planned and structured training programmes appropriate to their abilities and goals by ensuring that equal attention and

- opportunities are available to all, including those requiring a modified plan due to sickness or injury.
- As a tutor, assessor, tester, trainer, verifier, or mentor, provide candidates with the appropriate information, planned and structured programmes appropriate to their needs and goals, ensuring that equal attention is applied, and to provide appropriate feedback following observation of a session.
- Be mentally and physically fit to carry out my role within netball.
- Ensure that the training and/or competition environment is safe and appropriate for the age, physical and emotional maturity, experience, and ability of the athletes.
- Ensure that I follow instructions and comply with all health and safety regulations that apply to the role I am undertaking.

I will endeavour to abide by this code of conduct and promote it to others. I understand that if I fail to follow the code, the England Netball, the Regional Association, or the County Association may take action against me under the Disciplinary Regulations which may result in Sanctions including fines and suspension.

Code of Conduct for Parents/Carers

The enjoyment and safety of your child when involved in a netball activity is of paramount importance to England Netball. Every child will be encouraged and asked to ensure that their behaviour and actions meet the values and standards expected of them at all times. As parents, you are asked to support our Codes of Conduct and embrace the spirit of our game.

As a parent/carer, I will:

- Encourage my child to play within the rules and respect officials' and coaches' decisions.
- Support my child's efforts and performance, give positive comments that motivate and encourage continued effort and learning.
- Understand that competition is about winning and losing, so results are always accepted without undue disappointment.
- Be a positive role model to my child by helping them work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
- Remember that children learn best by example; I will applaud good play by both my child's team and their opponents.
- Thank the coaches, officials and other volunteers who give their time for my child and not interfere with their decisions.
- Help when asked by a coach or official.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all people involved in the game, regardless of gender, marital status, race, colour, disability, sexuality, age, occupation, religion or political opinion.
- Read the rules of the sport to understand better what I am watching and discussing with my child.
- Promote this code of conduct to other parents, carers and supporters.
- Be aware of my child's club safeguarding policy and ensure that any concerns are reported to the club's safeguarding officer or England Netball's Lead Safeguarding Officer.

As a parent/carer, I will not:

- Pressure my child in any way; I know that this is their sport not mine.

- Use inappropriate language, harass athletes, coaches, officials, or other spectators.
- Criticise or ridicule my child for making a mistake or losing after the game.
- Force my child if they are unwilling to participate in the sport.
- Arrive at a netball activity under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Use Social Media technology to bring the game into disrepute or make an inappropriate comment about an athlete, coach, official, volunteer or member of England Netball staff.
- Consume illegal substances either immediately prior to or while being at a netball activity where my child is participating in the sport.
- Consume alcoholic drinks or smoke either immediately prior to or while being at a netball activity where my child is participating.

7. Other

General Supervision

All teams will be held responsible for the behaviour, demeanour and actions of their players, officials, and spectators. It is also the responsibility of the Team Manager to ensure that all COVID-19 protocols are followed.

Valuables and Lost Property

Please do not leave valuables unattended; England Netball and the venue accept no responsibility for the loss or damage to personal property during the event.

All lost property should be handed into the registration desk.

Balls

England Netball will provide each team with a match ball on arrival. These balls should be used as match balls during the event.