

Essex Metropolitan Netball Association

League Secretary's Report 2024-2025

Ladies

Yet another season has flown by, and here we are again looking forward to the next!

It was good to have newly resurfaced courts 6-9, and based on comments received, I think people were also very happy with the painted cts 10-12. Court 4 had to be taken out of play, and we hope that cts 2-5 will be resurfaced in the not too distant future!

The League was competitive, as usual, and keenly contested. Massive congratulations to all the winners and runners-up, and commiserations to the teams being relegated.

This was the first season under the 'new' Europe Netball Rules, and Game Management procedures, and umpires generally seem to have handled these very well. As an umpire myself, I can attest to the massive effort required to remember and implement the various stages of Game Management, but hopefully it will get easier as next season starts!

We continue to experience issues with spectators on some of the courts, and I would remind teams that this is a health and safety issue, and so would encourage you to make sure that your spectators observe the rule. Umpires are responsible for enforcing this, but we can all 'do our bit' to keep the courts safe for participants.

The views of the membership are still being sought, and we are grateful for any ideas put forward, all of which are given consideration. These have been few and far between this season, and I would encourage you to keep this in mind; this is YOUR league, so your views are important!

It just remains for me to say enjoy the summer break and come back refreshed and ready for the challenges in the 2025-2026 season.

Yvette Hurley
League Secretary