



Derbyshire Netball Association

January 2021 – Derbyshire Netball Archive

Here is some news from Derbyshire Netball that you may be interested in.....

We are launching an exciting project to establish a formal archive for Derbyshire Netball. We are bringing together our records, photographs, stories and memorabilia to create a documented history of netball in our county.

In 2026 England Netball will be celebrating their centenary – 100 years of England Netball. By creating our archive, we will not only be creating records of our netball history but also contributing to England Netball's archive which will help to enrich the story of our sport.

Our project will include the capturing, organising, documenting & preserving of our records. This activity will culminate in a celebration event and ultimately the secure storage of the materials that will be an important historical record that can be searched and accessed for all to enjoy.

We would love for you to get involved! There are lots of ways!

Do you have a photograph or a story you would like to share? Would you like to join our archive working group? Would you like to create an archive for your Derbyshire based club or league?

We are asking our Derbyshire netballers to get in touch if you have records, photographs, memorabilia that will help to build and enrich the records of netball in Derbyshire.

If your Netball Club or organisation already has an archive we will be happy to link to it or we can create a section in the Derbyshire Netball Archive for you.

We are hoping to also use our website and social media channels to also help us.

The project will take place throughout 2021 and 2022 culminating in a celebratory event where we will aim to showcase some of the artefacts before they are placed in secure storage.

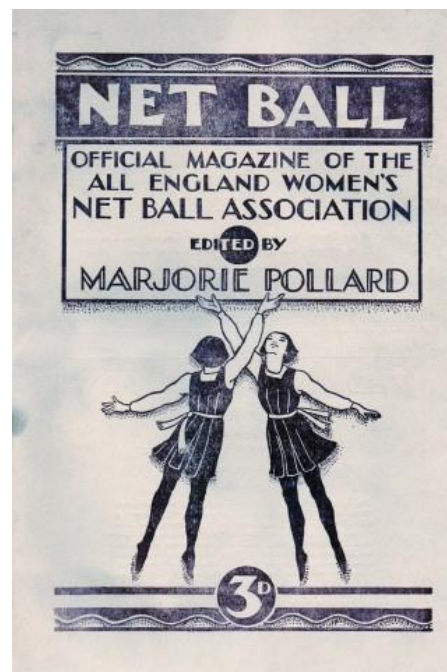
So where do we start? What do we know about netball in Derbyshire?

Let's start here....

The Derbyshire County Association was established in the year 1932-1933!

Here's the front page and an extract from the England Netball Magazine from 1933.

(Credit: www.ournetballhistory.co.uk)



....."Affiliations for the current season again show a marked advance. Three years ago, i.e. in the season of 1929-30 there were 374 affiliated clubs; in 1931-32 the number had more than doubled itself – the registered clubs in that year being 756. This year (1932-33) 1,103 clubs have joined the All England Association either individually or through league organisations representing approximately 43,071 players; an increase on last year of 347 clubs and over 8,000 players"

"Two new County Associations were also formed during the year – Derby and Cheshire"

Please contact me if you have any questions or would like to get involved. You would be very welcome.

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