



# HDNA 2024 Netball News!



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## A Message from our President

2024 has been a great year of amazing competition and even though we had a lot of rain, we managed to get the majority of games played. We even finished with a beautiful, sunny Grand Final day!

I would like to say a special thanks to **Pete Holman** who took on the Vice President role this year to support me in the President position. Pete has been a mentor and friend and a huge support for myself and all the Executive. It was great having him in the yellow jacket this year. He will be moving back to the Umpires Committee for 2025 so we will still be seeing him around at the courts.

I am very grateful that the other members of the Executive are renominating for 2025. We will be seeing a new Vice President who I am looking forward to working with.

I am extremely lucky to be working with such an amazing Executive. They all go over and above in their positions and work year round to make HDNA such a strong association at all levels. All our roles are volunteer and we thank the **Executive** and all the **HDNA Committees** for their hard work and dedication.

Thank you to all the **Club Presidents and their Executive**. We have all worked together well this year and your support that you have given me this year has been amazing. I want to thank all the Presidents and Executive who are stepping down from their positions this year and I look forward to working with the returning and new Presidents and Executive in 2025.

I wish you all a very happy and safe Christmas and will see you in 2025.

**Lisa Robertson, President**

### **A Message from our Treasurer**

HDNA continues to be in a good financial position with cash on hand of \$656k. This is down from \$928K at this time last year following the renovations of the Courts 1 and 2 with support from Hornsby Council.

The Reps season is almost closed with just some honorarium and uniform costs to come in for the winter season and Summer Series for the closed season comp. A summary operating statement highlights that as the Summer Series starts up, reps look likely to come in at break even.

The Balance sheet remains strong with Net Assets continuing at \$1.2m. Of this, the most significant asset remains \$0.7m of cash and a further \$0.5m relates to Property.

The Indoor court continues to generate positive income for HDNA with a number of external hires and state teams using it. However, there were some minor repairs needed during the season as a result of water egress. In addition, the court surface needs to be redone to ensure that it continues to be one of the best courts in the area. Representatives are self-funding and continue to strive to keep costs lower than other Associations to encourage participation.

2024 has ended in a better position than 2023. The actual surplus after Depreciation is

\$68k. This is an increase from last year by \$58k. The 2024 results exclude a \$35k cost for insurance which was not on charged by Netball NSW. We expect that this will not continue into 2025 and are expecting a catch up. Total income was up by \$40k due to increase in Indoor court income, registrations and interest income from management of the cash balances.

With lower cash heading into 2025 and the expected catch up on insurance the 2025, budget is once again set on the basis of making a small surplus to ensure that HDNA can maintain the courts and support for netball for all abilities.

I would like to thank **Sue Watts** for her assistance in my first few months back and look forward to working together with the **Executive Committee** to continue supporting and improving our Netball Community.

**Doug MacColl, Treasurer**







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### A Message from our Umpires Convenors

Thank you to all of our amazing umpires for your hard work and dedication in 2024. World Netball brought out a new rule book this year which required some adjustments on court for our umpires, players and coaches. Together, we have all adapted well to the rule changes and introduction of rolling substitutions.

This year we saw an increase in the number of people signing up to give umpiring a go! As a result we trialled four beginner umpires to a court on some of our junior divisions to maximise development. We have seen a positive growth in our umpires and their skill progression over the season as a result of the shared games. Thank you to the clubs for supporting your beginner umpires through this. We look forward to more junior umpires joining in 2025 and coming to our Beginner Day which is being held in April.

2024 also saw the introduction of a development session for all our returning umpires and a chance to learn the new rules before putting them into practise on court. We had a great turn out and will be running this again in 2025.

Congratulations to the umpires who were awarded badges this year. We had an enormous number of badges achieved this season which is a testament to the club's support of their umpires and the work of our amazing HDNA umpires committee.

We awarded 62 Umpire Certificates and 40 National C Badges - two of our National C's were first year Umpires. Two National B Badges were also achieved. These were awarded to **Zoe** (WPH) and **Sapna** (Cherrybrook). This is a massive badging increase on previous seasons and we hope this will continue to grow!

This year Umpires Appreciation Round was held for its second year. Everyone in the association rose to the occasion to acknowledge the contribution umpires make to their clubs. We look forward to hosting this again next season.

This year our Senior Award, the “Peter Holman Senior Umpire Award”, was awarded to **Mia La Torraca** (Galston). The Glynnis Scott Junior Umpire award was presented to **Ashley Roach** (Beecroft). These awards acknowledge their commitment and passion for umpiring at HDNA.

Thank you to **Ian, Jess, Lauren, Mikala, Ros, Hannah and Toni** who have worked tirelessly to complete badging, as well as be a mentor and support person to our umpires.

Thank you also to the wonderful **Club Umpire Convenors** who work so hard to get all the games covered each week. We hope to see you all back in 2025.

Thank you also to **Valour Sport** for the donation of ten umpire jackets which were given to umpires that showed resilience, dedication or enthusiasm in 2024.

Lastly, we want to thank all those umpires who have volunteered and supported our representative teams at rep trials, carnivals, Junior and Senior State Titles, Summer Series and Metro League.

We will both be back next year and look forward to a great season in 2025!

**Madi Morris and Kirsten Gossip, Umpires Convenors**







Peter Holman Senior Umpire Award  
Mia La Torraca



Glennis Scott Memorial Trophy  
Ashley Roach



Thank you Valour Sport!  
Umpires Jacket Donation







## All Competitions

### NetSetGO and Junior Winter Day Competition

What a season 2024 has been! Mother Nature sure kept us all on our toes this year and at times made it tricky for games to be played, BUT throughout it all everyone persevered, and we were very happy to be able to get the number of games in that we did.

This year our **Junior Grading Committee** trialled some new things to ensure that all of our teams had a fun filled season and I greatly appreciate the support of everyone involved as we continue our journey that is the NetSetGO and Junior competitions.

Congratulations to **WPHNC 15** (11/2s) for earning the Lesley Milner award for sportsmanship during the 2024 season!

Our NetSetGo competition ran (as always) very smoothly with the expert guidance of our wonderful coordinator **Di Benham** who year after year dedicates her time to make sure our littlest participants learn to love the game of netball. Thank you Di!

This year, we had a new face added into our junior registrar team with Lis joining Lara and me – it has been wonderful to be able to have a new perspective come into the team and has been great to have the ongoing support of such a wonderful team to run the junior competition each week – thank you **Lara and Lis**, your efforts throughout the year have been greatly appreciated.

I am very excited to see what 2025 will bring, see you all then



**Nicci Skene, Junior Registrar**





## Senior Winter Day Competition

We made it through Season 2024 despite some very wet weather.

Grading went smoothly this year and I would like to thank the **Senior Grading Committee** for giving up your time to do the grading.

Congratulations to **Pennant Hills 4** in Cadet 1 for winning the Shirley Travers Memorial Award for outstanding sportsmanship in 2024.

Thank you to **Kate Roberts**, my Assistant Senior Registrar, and **Lynn Burgess** for all your help this season - it was greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank the **HDNA Executive** for your support.

Sadly, this was my last season as HDNA Senior Registrar - a role I have held for 13 years. I have really enjoyed my time and will still be around on Saturdays. I will be taking on a new role with HDNA that I am really looking forward to.

Merry Christmas to all and looking forward to Season 2025.

**Clare Ashpole, Senior Registrar**



## Night Competition

It has been another huge year for our night competition as our junior, mixed and women's divisions all continue to see tremendous growth. We have been so pleased to see both the number of new and returning teams to the competition, as well as the incredible pool of umpires that continue to come down and support us every week. We couldn't do it without every single person.

As the competition continues to grow, so too has our volunteer support with our **Night Comp Committee, Georgia, Dom and Cassidy**, returning and bringing with them a great attitude and enthusiasm every round, as well as of course the tireless work from **Assistant Convenor, Jess Kajons**.

Looking forward to next year, we are hoping to continue to bring the vibes every week with themed rounds, music and a fun social competition for everyone.

Thank you again to everyone for the support and bring on Summer 2025!

**Sophie Koutchavlis, Night Comp Convenor**







## 2024 Winter Day Competition Results

### Senior Competition :

- A1 - **Cherrybrook 1 Premiers**, Galston 1 Runners Up
- A2 - **HDNA 2 Premiers**, St Agatha's 1 Runners Up
- B1 - **HDNA 3 Premiers**, Cherrybrook 2 Runners Up
- B2 - **WPHNC 1 Premiers**, Galston 3 Runners Up
- B3 - **PHNC 6 Premiers**, HDNA 4 Runners Up
- C1 - **PHNC 7 Premiers**, Beecroft 7 Runners Up
- C2 - **Beecroft 9 Premiers**, WPHNC 4 Runners Up
- Cadet 1 - **Loreto 1 Premiers**, Tangara 1 Runners Up

- Cadet 2 - **St Agatha's 5 Premiers**, Normanhurst 6 Runners Up
- Cadet 3 - **WPHNC 3 Premiers**, Asquith Magpies 4 Runners Up
- Cadet 4 - **HLNC 7 Premiers, PHNC 10** Runners Up
- Cadet 5 - **WPHNC 6 Premiers**, Normanhurst 10 Runners Up

#### **Junior Competition :**

- 15/1 - **Cherrybrook 7 Premiers**, Beecroft 11 Runners Up
- 15/2 - **PHNC 11 Premiers**, Normanhurst 12 Runners Up
- 15/3 - **PHNC 12 Premiers**, Beecroft 13 Runners Up
- 14/1 - **Beecroft 14 Premiers**, Dural Warriors 3 Runners Up
- 14/2 - **Loreto 9 Premiers**, Galston 5 Runners Up
- 14/3 - **Normanhurst 17 Premiers**, Loreto 11 Runners Up
- 13/1 - **Cherrybrook 12 Premiers**, PHNC 15 Runners Up
- 13/2 - **Beecroft 16 Premiers**, Cherrybrook 13 Runners Up
- 13/3 - **Carlingford 9 Premiers**, HLNC 9 Runners Up
- 13/4 - **HLNC 10 Premiers**, Carlingford 10 Runners Up
- 12/1 - **WPHNC 12 Premiers**, Beecroft 18 Runners Up
- 12/2 - **St Agatha's 6 Premiers**, Galston 8 Runners Up
- 12/3 - **Galston 9 Premiers**, HLNC 11 Runners Up
- 11/1 - **PHNC 19 Premiers**, Carlingford 13 Runners Up
- 11/2 - **Beecroft 22 Premiers**, Carlingford 14 Runners Up
- 11/3 - **Beecroft 23 Premiers**, Beecroft 24 Runners Up
- 10/1 - **Cherrybrook 20 Premiers**, WPHNC 16 Runners Up
- 10/2 - **PHNC 21 Premiers**, Thornleigh 11 Runners Up
- 10/3 - **Beecroft 26 Premiers**, HLNC 13 Runners Up

#### **2023 Spring (Term 4) Night Competition**

- Junior Girls 1 - **Beecroft Winners**, United Diamonds Runners Up
- Junior Girls 2 - **Loulou Lucks Winners**, Galston Stars Runners Up
- Junior Girls 3 - **Roaring Lions Winners**, Rubies Runners Up
- Junior Girls 4 - **Normo U12 Winners**, Normanhurst 12 Runners Up
- Intermediate 1 - **Footwork Winners**, Tangara Sapphires Runners Up
- Intermediate 2 - **Kookaburras Winners**, Traffic Cones Runners Up



- Womens 1 - **Vicious & Delicious 2.0 Winners**, Aggies B Runners Up
- Womens 2 - **Flames Winners**, Ryde Sapphires Runners Up
- Womens 3 - **The Delusionals - Asquity Winners**, Phoenix Runners Up
- Womens 4 - **Mumms Winners**, kiss my pass Runners Up
- Mixed 1 - **Net Flex and Skill Winners**, Sellas and Co. Runners Up
- Mixed 2 - **SMART goals Winners**, NetBalls to the Wall Runners Up
- Mixed 3 - **St John's Winners**, Melos Runners Up
- Mixed 4 - **Little Princesses Winners**, Frankenteam Runners Up
- Mixed 5 - **Goal Diggers Winners**, Slayatrons Runners Up

### 2024 Summer (Term 1) Night Competition

- Junior 1 - **Gen A Winners**, Cherrybrook Runners Up
- Inters Green - **Slick Chicks Winners**, kiss my pass Runners Up
- Inters Yellow - **Swish Sisters Winners**, The Wiggles Runners Up
- Womens 1 - **Beecroft Blue Winners**, Aggies B Runners Up
- Womens 2 - **Nothing but Net Winners**, Phoenix Runners Up
- Womens 3 - **Sweaty Betty's Winners**, The Delusionals Runners Up
- Womens 4 - **Team Blue Winners**, Vintage Runners Up
- Mixed 1 - **Sellas & Co Winners**, Lobsters Runners Up
- Mixed 2 - **Mixed Grill 2.0 Winners**, Melos Runners Up
- Mixed 3 - **Little Princesses Winners**, Netballs Runners Up
- Mixed 4 - **Untouchaballs Winners**, Awesome Runners Up



### Representatives

#### Junior Representatives

After many months of training, selections for the teams competing at the Junior State Titles were completed in March. The carnival season started soon after with all our teams competing strongly. The weather did play havoc with a number of the carnivals.

Our 15s team competed at the Senior State Titles in June on a glorious weekend at the Campbelltown Association. The girls played well and had a number of narrow losses. **Congratulations to Kate, Claudia and all the players** on a great weekend.

Our 12s, 13s and 14s teams competed at the Junior State Titles in July at Penrith. Our 12s team had injuries and illnesses leading up to the State Titles, leaving them with only nine players for most of the weekend. They performed so well given the obstacles they faced. ***Congratulations to Jenny M, Chloe, Jenny B and all the players*** for such a great performance under some difficult circumstances.

Our 13s team had some very successful carnivals and had some extremely close games. Their fitness was evident on the last day of State Titles when they remained undefeated for the day. ***Congratulations to Annette, Lisette, Ros and all the players*** on a fantastic weekend.

Our 14s team also had a strong performance at State Titles. There were four new players to the team this year. There were some very close games throughout the weekend. ***Congratulations to Caitlin, Sally and the players*** for a wonderful weekend of netball.

Our 14s and 15s teams and squads played in the HDNA winter senior competition. The 14s team and squad and the 15s squad all played in the grand final with the 14s team and 15s squad being declared premiers in their respective grades. The 14s squad had a devastating injury to one of their players during the grand final but they continued with fighting spirit and were runners up in their grade.

I'd like to thank all our ***coaches and managers*** on a great season of netball. A special thanks to ***Kirsten*** for organising all the umpires for our trials and carnivals.

***Margaret Coe, Junior Representative Convenor***



## **Senior Representatives**

### **2024 Dooley's Metro League**

HDNA had four teams compete in the NSW 2024 Dooley's Metro League - Divisions 1, 3, 4 and 6. There was quite a bit of movement amongst teams, providing a great opportunity



for players to work with new team mates and coaches.

In March, the Metro League players led a training afternoon for the Junior Rep teams, introducing them to skills and drills they will experience beyond Juniors.

The season was a challenging one, including multiple injuries impacting all teams. But the players rallied, banded together and supported each other. Teams 3 and 4 were successful in qualifying for Finals series, with both teams contesting nail-biting games!

Congratulations and thank you to all players, Coaches and Managers, you should be extremely proud of your individual and team achievements in 2024.

**Coaches: Kim Hosking, Gen Seed, Laura Dodds, Sue MacMahon, Dee Slater, Cherie Bird, Janette Barton, Clare Ashpole and Nadine Smith.**

**Managers: Anna Crawford, Kylie Jamer and Kathryn Pessotto.**

### ***2024 Metro League Award Recipients***

Team 1 Div 1

Player's Player Award - Ciara Kennedy

'Shape Shifter' Award - Katie Stern

Team 2 Div 3

Coach's Award - Mia Jamer

MVP - Rachel Leechman

Team 3 Div 4

Coach's Award - Olivia Charlton

Most Improved Player Award - Chiara Pessotto

Team 4 Div 6

Player's Player Award - Hattie Hogg

Coach's Award - Evie Todd

2024 Monica Mayo Spirit Award - Emma Rigor

### **2024 Senior State Titles**

Hosted by Campbelltown Netball Association from Saturday 8th - Monday 10th June, HDNA had three teams competing at the 2024 Senior State Titles in the Championship Division - 15s, 17U and Opens. Contesting 19 games each across the three days, it's a gruelling competition, but all three teams fought hard! The level of skill and sportsmanship displayed by all Hills teams was exceptional - they represented their Association in a manner that made me extremely proud.

Many thanks to our Coaches and Managers who volunteered their time to support our teams - **Clare Ashpole, Almerie Kennedy, Jen Moroney, Kelley Keyes, Kate Roberts and Claudia Gross**. And thank you to the parents, friends and Hills players who travelled out to Campbelltown across the weekend to support our teams.

U17s Team Coach's Award - Zoe Wilmshurst

Opens Team Encouragement Award - Abbey Le Lievre

## 2024 Court Craft Summer Series

The Court Craft Summer Series commenced the week beginning 14 October. Hills have four teams currently competing in Opens Div 1, Div 2, Div 4 and Div 6. Formerly known as 'Night Inter-District', this competition is slightly more 'relaxed' and fun, with the inclusion of 2-point shots and rolling subs.

Thank you to the **Executive Committee, Pete Holman** and **Sue Watts** for your ongoing support this year, planning for 2025 is already underway!

*Jen Baker, Senior Representative Convenor*







## Positions Vacant

Are you interested in helping to support the running of HDNA?

Some roles remain open for 2025 and need to be filled for the Association to keep running. If you want to nominate or find out more, please contact [admin@hdnanetball.com.au](mailto:admin@hdnanetball.com.au) or contact our Secretary, Lisette Smith at [secretary@hdnanetball.com.au](mailto:secretary@hdnanetball.com.au). The vacant roles are:

**Coaching Coordinator**  
**Assistant NetSetGO Coordinator**  
**Senior Grading Committee Member**  
**Carnival Committee Members**  
**Indoor Court Management Committee Members**  
**Fundraising Coordinator**  
**Fundraising Committee Members**

