



ENGLAND NETBALL SUPPORTERS CLUB

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At home and abroad

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Dear Joan,

England Netball Supporters Club

Thank you Joan for inviting Molly and I to attend the England Netball supporters club celebration at the XX Commonwealth Games Glasgow 2014. It was great to have the opportunity to meet so many of the England fans and to see coaches, team, families and support staff ‘united in red’.

I know Molly was very happy to have participated in the Q&A and to have supported the event. Thanks for giving the INF an opportunity to attend and increase its profile.

England played brilliantly throughout the tournament – nearly beating both Australia and New Zealand. Although they did not win a medal, they can hold their heads up high. I am certain that following a period of rest, the team will build on this performance in their preparations for the Netball World Cup in Sydney.

With all best wishes to the EN supporters club from the INF.

Yours sincerely, Clare Briegal, CEO

Already the Commonwealth Games seem ages ago and the anticipation, the excitement, the disappointment and the success of the Glasgow Games by its organisers is a distant memory. Unfortunately England did not achieve their expected place amongst the medals but came within one goal against both Australia and New Zealand.

Paul Clark (England Netball CEO) commented as follows :

While we were all very disappointed by the final outcome I am extremely proud of the team. They went to Glasgow with a real belief that they could do what no other England team has ever done in a major global championship, they did not achieve that objective but they got within one goal of both Australia and New Zealand with opportunities to win both games.

The progress made by the squad under the impressive leadership of Head Coach, Anna Mayes should not be masked by our failure to win a medal. We have rightly raised expectations so the disappointment becomes that much greater when we fall short of those expectations so at times like this the strength of your support is very important to Anna and her team. A full review of the Commonwealth Games is reaching completion and will be considered by the Board later this month.

Australia has refused to play England since January 2013 and we have had only one international v NZ during the same period; they do that for a reason but it makes our preparation for major tournaments very challenging, to beat the best you have to play the best regularly.

We have an intensive preparation programme for NWC 2015 starting with a tour of Australia & New Zealand and I hope you will join me in wishing the team every success. We go with high expectations but a recognition that we have never won against either team on their home soil. The matches v Australia will be broadcast on Sky.

Paul

SUPPORTERS CLUB COMMONWEALTH GAMES PARTY

We had an amazing 125 people attending the Supporters Party in Glasgow in the Rotunda. The atmosphere was fantastic with old friends meeting up and the attendance by several of the England Squad and Management Team was the icing in the cake! Pat Haden welcomed everyone to the event and held a short Q & A Forum with Molly Rhone (INF President) and our own Karen Atkinson and this was well received by those attending.

Netball World Cup 2019

In 2013, the International Netball Federation (INF) wrote to all full Members to invite them to submit expressions of interest to host the Netball World Cup in 2019. Three countries expressed an interest and, following a period of planning and review, one comprehensive bid was received by the deadline of 30th June 2014.

This bid was submitted by **England Netball** in partnership with the **City of Liverpool** and UK Sport and is currently being evaluated by a committee appointed by the INF Board.

The committee shall consider the bid in accordance with the criteria and requirements established in the bid application form, the Netball World Cup Host Organiser Agreement and the INF Event and Commercial Operations Manual and will make recommendations to the INF Board. In coming to a final decision, the INF board will also take into account the views of the Membership, who have been sent a summary document of the England Netball bid application.

The INF will be announcing the outcome of the bid evaluation early in 2015.

Fingers crossed that England will be successful in its bid, and we can all 'unitinred' in Liverpool in 2019!



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14th DECEMBER @ 17:15 Echo Arena, Liverpool	17th DECEMBER @ 19:45 The Copperbox Arena, London	20th DECEMBER @ 15:15 University of Worcester Arena
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Tickets are now on Sale. Go to the England website at www.Englandnetball.co.uk and follow the link.

Malawi played exceptionally well in the Glasgow Commonwealth Games giving New Zealand a real scare in the pool rounds when they only lost by 3 goals 47-50 and beat South Africa in the play-offs 53-45. The test matches are in Liverpool, London and Worcester.
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2015 NETBALL WORLD CUP – SYDNEY



England's Geva Mentor was crowned the Sherelle McMahon medallist as Melbourne Vixens most valuable player in the ANZ League. Vixens premiership win was due in no small part to Geva as Goal Keeper!

LATEST INF WORLD RANKING AUSTRALIA STRENGTHEN HOLD AT THE TOP

The latest INF World Ranking, which takes into account the Commonwealth Games, shows leaders Australia cementing their top position as they pull further ahead of New Zealand in the ratings thanks to their gold medal win.

Also in the top six, Jamaica's bronze medal win over England reduces the gap between England in third and Jamaica in fourth place, and fifth place Malawi widens its gap over South Africa in sixth place. To see the full list go to

<http://www.netball.org/thrilling-world-class-events/current-world-rankings>



There has been considerable confusion coming out from Australia regarding the ticket packages available for the World Netball Cup. Please see this message from the 2015 CEO :

Dear Joan - I just wanted to clarify with you that the 'Follow Your Team' Package (without the upgrade) includes semis and finals – you don't need to upgrade for this, its included.

The Super Pass provides you with access to competition days when England isn't playing – they will play 8 games across 10 days. The Super Pass allows you to access the venue on all 10 days regardless of whether England is playing.

If this is what you're after, then that's fine, but I just wanted to ensure you (and all other England fans) knew that you don't have to upgrade to get finals tickets in the 'Follow your Team' package.

Marne Fechner, Chief Executive, Netball World Cup Sydney 2015



Message from our Travel Agents

CSE are pleased to announce that flights are now available and on sale to Sydney for the World Cup next August.

We have special arrangements and fares with a number of carriers including British Airways, Emirates, Cathay Pacific and Singapore Airlines. These airlines will all allow for a stopover on either the outbound or inbound sector. We are also able to offer special rates for internal flights within Australia.

Please contact us as soon as possible to secure the best rates and guaranteed availability.

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CSE have some additional apartments available – go to their website to see what's available and download the booking form. www.cseplc.com