

NORTHANTS BASKETBALL CLUB

MEDIA RELEASE

Northants players all ready for Regional Tournaments.

With the new basketball season just around the corner a number of boys and girls are eagerly looking forward to the Inter Regional Tournaments which will be staged throughout September. These tournaments are a vital stage of the England Basketball Performance Pathway with all players with the exception of national team players involved. Following the six tournaments players will be selected for the various full England squads and the Development squads.

Two tournaments, those for under 13 boys and girls have already been staged with Lucy Amena, Jacob Round, Ed Wallhead, Lawrence Williams and Holly Winterburn from the Northants Basketball Club all representing East Midlands. In those tournaments the East Midlands boys finished 5th and the girls 6th.

Selection for three of the other East Midlands teams has already been made with Rhys Hill being selected to play in the Under 15 Boys Tournament which will be staged at East London University on the weekend of 21st and 22nd September.

Before that on the weekend of 7th and 8th September, five boys from the Club will play for East Midlands in the Under 17 Tournament. Those five are George Calvey, Luke Lewis, George Paul, Josh Round and Kiran Videe.

On the girls side Lois Bain, Rio Blessyn, Lauren Brookes and Stephanie Ogden have been selected for the Under 17 team and their tournament will be played in Nottingham on the weekend of 14th and 15th September.

The Under 15 Girls team has yet to be selected but it looks as if there will be a large representation from the Northants club with ten girls currently in the squad of sixteen players.

The Club is also well represented on the coaching side with Karen Goodrich and Rob Eddon coaching the under 15 girls and under 17 boys teams respectively while Stacey Shakespeare was assistant coach to the under 13 girls team.

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