

NORTHANTS BASKETBALL CLUB



PRESS RELEASE

Basketball Camp a resounding success

With Covid restrictions lifted on Monday the Northants Basketball Club has celebrated “Return to Play” with a four day camp for their players.

The Camp was run in three sections for boys and girls under the age of 10, boys and girls aged 10 to 13 and the third players aged 13 to 16. In all **145** boys and girls attended the three camps with no less than **25** joining the younger group which was supervised by Emma Hardings supported by Young Leaders Poppy Barnett and Nianh Saysell.



Coaches Emma Hardings and Nianh Saysell with the youngest players on the Camp

The older players were coached by Brad Hughes, Stephen Matthews and Kim Thompson assisted by Young Leaders Tom Greenfield and Benas Maldutis.



Coaches Hughes and Matthews supervising the older boys

The three camps were Covid safe with initial screening conducted by parents, Dawn Greenfield, Emma Moore and Katie Pinney and regular sanitising of players and equipment throughout the activities. The coaches were careful to follow the Return to Play guidelines issued by Basketball England recognising that many of the players had been virtually inactive throughout Lockdowns.

Camp organiser, Karen Goodrich expressed her delight about the uptake of the camps and commented, “It was absolutely wonderful to see our players back playing and interacting with their friends. My heartfelt thanks go to the coaches and helpers who gave up their time to make this venture so successful, and we thank the weather for being so kind to us.”

Community Camps ready for next week

Next week the Club in partnership with Basketball Northants will run a three Community Camps for players who aren't members of the Northants Basketball Club. Like the camps this week the Community Camps will be Covid-safe, supervised by fully qualified coaches and they will be totally **FREE** of charge.

The three camps are for Boys in school years 7 to 11, Girls in school years 7 to 11 and a Mixed Primary Schools Camp. Uptake for the camps has been excellent but there are still a few places available, and anyone interested should email the club at northantsbasketball@hotmail.co.uk to register

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