**NORTHANTS BASKETBALL CLUB**



**PRESS RELEASE**

**Northants Basketball Club announces sponsorship deals**

The Northants Basketball Club has secured three sponsorship agreements which will allow the Club to purchase new kits for the Under 12 Boys and Girls teams as well as off-court tee-shirts for all national league players. The logos of the three sponsoring companies will be displayed prominently on the player’s garments

The three businesses who have agreed to support the club are Wellingborough based, ***Flamefast Fire Systems Ltd, Nisa (Goldings),*** and ***Tres Angelos Tapas Bar*** in Kettering Road, Northampton.

Commenting on the three sponsorships Club Administrator, Karen Goodrich expressed her gratitude to the three businesses, “We are extremely grateful to the three local businesses that have agreed to support the club. Their generosity will help a large number of boys and girls have an even better experience with our club.”

**Lightning too strong for Cats**

**Under 16 Girls Non-Conference game**

**Cambridge Cats 35 – 69 Northants Lightning**

With no league games yet played, Northants Lightning under 16 girls got themselves some playing action with a visit to non-league Cambridge Cats.  Northants took the opportunity to give 14 players an outing including three year 8 girls.

From the outset the greater experience of Lightning was apparent.  Captain Dina Kosnikovska and Lucie Wilson Gray controlled proceedings as well as finding the basket with regularity as the team made constant changes in playing personnel.  A comfortable first half saw the visitors with a 38-16 lead.  The team were relishing the chance to learn to play together and there was some excellent passing that brought applause from the home spectators.

Even with the three youngsters, Tiegan Burrows, Isabele Milenciute and Lucie Caulfield, on court together, there was no let-up as Northants ended with a 69-35 win against a team that will only improve as they compete at a higher level.

With the Northants Basketball Centre being used for a boy’s tournament the Under 16 Girls National League (Central Conference) game between Northants Lightning and Bristol Flyers on Sunday will be

played at Parker E-Act Academy in Daventry. The game will tip off at 1pm and spectators are welcome.

**THIS WEEKEND’S ACTION**

**Saturday 2nd November**

 **9.30am until 10.30am** Budding Ballers

 **9-30am until 11.00am** Junior Ballers

 **11.00am until 12.30am** Ballers Academy

 **12.30pm** Under 12 Girls versus Leicester Riders

  **1.00pm until 4-30pm** Under 12 Boys Triangular Tournament versus

 City of Birmingham and Leicester Riders ‘Red’

 **2.30pm** Under 14 Boys versus Rutland Thunders

 **5.00pm** Under 16 Boys versus Derby Trailblazers II

The “Ballers” sessions and the three games will be staged at the Basketball Centre which is situated at Northampton School for Girls in Spinney Hill Road, Northampton NN3 6DG

Spectators are welcome and admission is **FREE**

 Junior Women travel to Wiltshire Demons

**Sunday 3rd November**

 **11.45am until 3.30pm** Under 16 Boys Regional Tournament versus

 Brentwood and Southend

This tournament will be played at Northampton School for Girls

 **1.00pm** Under 16 Girls versus Bristol Flyers

This game will be played at Parker E-Act Academy in Daventry

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