



The Bear Facts

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FESTIVAL SUCCESS – THANKS TO YOU ALL!

The first ever Warwickshire Festival of Basketball, which took place last Sunday at Warwick University has been hailed a success by all who took part, and the venue was given the thumbs up by players and spectators alike.

The Festival, began at 11am with exhibition games at Under 12 and Under 14. Everyone gave 100% which is all that can be asked, and these games were followed by Tile Hill Trojans Ladies, then the Crusaders Wheelchair Basketball team who had just played a National League game at Westwood, before the All Star Game brought down the curtain.

Coventry took on Warwickshire, and although several changes had to be made at the last minute, with players stuck at various airports around the world, a full-on game ensued with coaches Roger Payne and Marcus Garvey urging their sides on throughout. Coventry won 97-83 but it was tight until the final three minutes when the Warwickshire scoring dried up, and it was left to MVP Dami Fakunle to bring down the house with a few dunks before the presentation. Point scorers were:

Coventry- Dami Fakunle 38, Chris Dakin 12, Simon Payne 10, Matt Smith 9, Tony Bates 8, Scott Owen 6, Ross Emery 5, Luis Romero 5, Nigel Fischer 0.

Warwickshire – Marcin Twiederski 24, Alex Birch 22, John Olinger 15, Alun Sweeney 8, Erik Zimmerman 4, Ricky Fennel 2, Dan Opoku 1, Jon Nicholls 0, Dean Woodward 0, Paul Adams 0.

The Three point shoot out which took place immediately before the All Star game was won by Nigel Fischer of Tamworth Tigers with Daniella Gal-on from Trojans Ladies in second place. Nigel had originally turned out for the shoot out but offered to play in the game itself after the no show of the stranded players abroad.

The thanks of everyone involved in Warwickshire Basketball go to the players of all ages, the match officials, mums dads and partners who took part in a variety of events during the day, and of course the spectators who cheered their teams on.

Special thanks go to John Olinger and Matt Smith of Coventry Crusaders who not only played as guests in the All Star game but refereed during the early stages of the Festival.

Thanks also go to the organising Committee who provided the leg-work, Roger Payne for turning out with his Ballers-Heaven shop and assistance throughout the afternoon, and Warwick University for their excellent venue.

Let's do it again next year!!!!

EAGLES TAKE TROPHY IN PLATE COMPETITION

Congratulations to Ernesford Eagles who won the Inter-Divisional Shield Plate competition by defeating GAC 112-98. They started at 60-12 but GAC were weakened by several key absentees. However Eagles, who matched their Division One opponents in the first and third quarters were delighted with their victory which gives them something to cheer after a few seasons of disappointment.

DIARY NOTE – AGM DATE

THE AGM AND PRESENTATION WILL TAKE PLACE ON TUESDAY 22ND JUNE AT 7PM AT THE XCEL CENTRE IN MITCHELL AVENUE CANLEY COVENTRY.

RESULTS ...RESULTS.....RESULTS.....RESULTS..... RESULTS..... RESULTS.....

Inter-Divisional Shield – Plate Final

P7 Ernesford Eagles 112-98 GAC (70-20)

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HANDICAP CUP FINAL

HC9 Thursday 29th @ 8.15 Tile Hill (15) v (20) Aylesford Hereward

Referee: Greg Halder

Umpire: Richard Jones

LADIES TOURNAMENT CONFIRMED

The next round of competition for Ladies has been arranged and will take place on Sunday 16th May at Hereward College (10-2pm) Teams from all over the Midlands are to be invited to the Warwickshire Basketball run tournament including the two universities based in Coventry.

Details can be obtained from: info@warwickshirebasketball.co.uk

MOLTEN BASKETBALLS - IDEAL FOR SUMMER TRAINING.



Have you thought about buying yourself a new basketball just like the ones used in all Warwickshire Basketball League games?

Molten Basketballs' GG7 ball is available at a special price of £27 to Warwickshire teams who all received one earlier in the season

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We have stock of BGR5, 6 and 7 rubber balls at £8.50 along with some BGE7 Simulated leather balls.

They are priced at £12.50

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JJB OFFER FOR ALL BASKETBALL PLAYERS

JJB Sports has teamed up with England Basketball offering its members, clubs and general supporters a 10% discount off their range of basketball gear and clothing.

The offer ends on 30 April though so time is limited!

Go onto the England Basketball website and click the image to find out more using the exclusive code *ENG10BB* when making purchases.

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