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# A New Adventure



## CLUB of the WEEK Gareth chats with head coach Paul Jovero at Gloucester Saxons

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### How have you found your first season so far in the YBL?

As with all things new, it has been a steep learning curve. This is the first time our team has ever entered a league. Most of our players are also in Year 7 and as such are having to get used to playing organised basketball. However, they enjoy the challenge and experience of travelling to different venues with their team.

### Is there anything you would like to see the YBL do differently that could improve something you have found a challenge so far?

The greatest challenge was at the beginning of the season due to registering players via the Basketball England portal. Unfortunately, details weren't communicated in time and as such our team had to learn the "hard way".

### What do you think to the level of competition you are facing?

In our division, most teams have a similar level of standard. This is great for competition and development of our players. It also makes for very entertaining games.

### What are your thoughts of having a stand-alone girls team in your league?

It is great that we have a stand-alone girls' team. It's good for our sport overall as well as our individual players as we are having to adjust to solid competition.

### Are you looking to expand to have more teams in the future?

Entering more teams into the YBL would be a move in the right direction. However, the decision to expand is always a matter of resources and involves a careful consideration of what is best for our players. Personally, I believe that the YBL can provide the right opportunities.

<b>YBL U13 South West</b>	League Standing	5 of 7	Played	5 of 10	Won	3	Lost	1	Points For	174	Points Against	210	Point Difference	-36	Points	10
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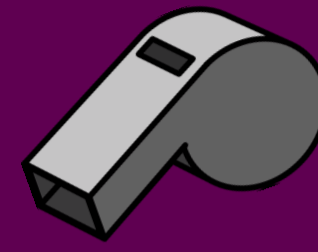
Game Stats			
20-00	A	-20	Stourport Spartans Girls
77-33	A	-44	Stourport Spartans
34-41	A	+7	Leadonites Basketball
42-57	A	+15	Worcester Bears
43-37	H	+10 +15 25	Worcester Bears

Forthcoming Fixtures			
Sat 1 Feb	H	12:00	Leadonites Basketball
Sat 8 Feb	H	12:00	Worcester Wolves
Sat 15 Feb	H	12:00	Stourport Spartans
Sat 29 Feb	H	12:00	Stourport Spartans Girls
Sun 15 March	A	11:15	Worcester Wolves

Team Leaders		
Free Throw %		
O. Ewin Hancox	100%	PLD 4 OF 4 MADE 6 OF 6 U13SW
N. Jovero	42.85%	PLD 4 OF 4 MADE 3 OF 7 U13SW

Top Scorers		
J. Howlett	PLD 4	20 pts 3PTS 1 27 FT 3/12 25% U13SW
O. Ewin Hancox	PLD 4	18 pts 3PTS 0 26 FT 6/6 100% U13SW

Game statistics are taken from traditional scoresheets only. The most recent games may not be included.



## Referee's Corner

with Dave Finch and Richard Stokes (EuroLeague)

# Charge/Block

As the YBL is a youth and development league it has been decided that guidance should be given to level 1 or inexperienced level 2 refs..

### Refs Guide

This all starts with the refs pre game with your fellow official and discussing how to do the mechanics of calling the charge/block foul. As a general rule whoever the charge is coming to should take the call (normally the lead official). On a double whistle the non active official should raise his fist for the foul but should withhold any signals until he or she sees the call from the other official. Then mimic the active officials' actions!

The charge/block being discussed between officials is anything outside the no charge semi circle.

The active official should be doing the following.

1. Refereeing the defence.
2. Ensure that the defender has a legal guarding position.
3. Ensure that any contact is with the torso/chest; if yes, then charge/block; if no, then defensive foul or no call.
4. If the contact was the torso/chest did the offensive player go through the defender or to the defender. If go through then a charge should be called. If the offensive player goes to the player and stops or jump shoots then a no call is the correct decision.

### Guidance

The charge/block is one of the most difficult calls to make. Discussing at the end of the game will always help. Remember on any hard charge/block making a call will be regarded by 50% of the players as correct. Making a no call and 100% of players will believe you are wrong.

### Coaches Guide

Be sympathetic to inexperienced referees who may get this wrong. Make sure that in your training that players know legal guarding position, then if they move laterally or backwards they can be confident in playing good defence. If a defensive player moves then teach them that they have to get their outside foot down before any contact occurs.

### Clubs guide

The charge/block is always a spectator talking event. As a club if you can explain any techniques which helps their understanding then basketball the game will benefit.



Catch my previous Referee's Corner articles on the website on the Officials Development page.

## Courses for Development August

The month of August becomes the YBLs training ground as we host a number of courses to help facilitate the growing demand for officials and coaches.

This gives clubs and individuals the opportunity to gain their next or new qualification in the sport they love. Giving back to their club and the YBL helps all the children and adults that brace their club. The environment is welcoming and friendly and the courses run by qualified and extremely passionate officials.

We are looking to run, a;

- Level 1 Referee Course
- Level 1 Table Official Course
- Level 2 Referee Course
- Level 2 Table Official Course
- Level 3 Table Official Course
- Level 1 Coaching Course
- Level 2 Coaching Course (with Safeguarding and First Aid)

We now need to look at the numbers for those courses. If you are interested then please go to our website (Courses & Events Page) and fill out the Interest Form.

Any further questions please get in touch - admin@ybl.org.uk.

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### on the door tickets

SINGLE CHILD £2.00	SINGLE ADULT £4.00	Family Pass £10.00 two adults & up to 3 children
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### Advanced Semi-Final Tickets and Advanced Final Tickets

SINGLE CHILD £1.00	SINGLE ADULT £2.00	Family Pass £5.00 two adults & up to 3 children
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TICKETS GO ON SALE 2 MARCH 2020

SATURDAY 16 & SUNDAY 17  
SATURDAY 23 & SUNDAY 24 MAY 2020

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