



The Annual Report of the Association of British Basketball Officials for 2006 - 07

The Association Of British Basketball Table Officials was formed in September 2005 as an independent body. ABBTO represents all table officials in Britain. There is free open entry. Table Officials are encouraged to license with their national governing body. To date there are 558 licensed table officials with England Basketball. The Constitution was formally adopted in September 2006.

ABBTO has been given responsibility for appointing table officials to all prestigious national games run under the auspices of England Basketball and BBL as well as appointing to International games run by the British Performance Basketball.

Our achievements during the 2006 – 07 season

- Worked for uniformity in the standards of table officials nationally
- Reviewed table officials' mechanics
- Produced guidelines for table officials to clubs and educational institutions
- Reviewed, rewrote and reissued all table officials' manuals
- Reviewed all theory exam papers and assessment procedures
- Reviewed the Officials Code of Conduct
- Held 3 Tutor Training Courses
- Created a website to reach our members
- Appointed table officials to all prestigious national and international games
- Developed and appointed table officials' observers to all prestigious games
- Reviewed scorebooks with EB and other distributors
- Created a monitoring system for score sheets via the BBL website utilising all committee members. Agreed payment of table officials at BBL finals.
- Produced ABBTO table officials' merchandise (award pins and uniform)
- Carried out observations of table officials to gain valuable feedback and maintain uniformity in mechanics to the required standard
- Negotiated a kit deal for officials at BBL level with Molten

Appointments

RAF Cranwell	RAF Cosford	Derby Finals	Sure Shot Finals
Christine Chambers	Marian Ryan	Sarah Booth	Emma Webb
Austin Grant	Gill Wheatman	Luke Siena	Beth Wheldon
Luke Siena	Emma Fare	Helen Marshall	Natalie Yates
Carol Henderson	Haseena Aktar	Edwina Henry	Helen Marshall
Tracey Sully	Lizzie Bruce	L'Amour Griffith	
	Pam Stockley	Claire Brown	
	Lauren English		
	Makala Jefferies		
	Gloria Ogunmola		
	Steve Bessent		
	Mark Latchem		
	Rebecca Orleans		
	Paul Bessent		

Cup Finals, Birmingham 7th January 2007	Trophy Finals, Newcastle 4th March 2007	Play-off Finals, Newcastle 29/30th April 2007
Steve Bessant [WM]	Vera Moses [NE]	Sharon Wood [NE]
Rebecca Orleans [WM]	Dave Durance [NE]	Grayson Wood [NE]
Carol Henderson [EM]	Mel Kelly [Y]	Linda Green [NE]
Jason Dawkins *[EM]	Joanne Taylor [Y]	Elaine Anderson [NE]
Sara Nash [E]	Colette Allerston [NW]	Jan Griffiths [Wales]
Andrew Monk [E]	Dave Rogerson ** [NW]	Gavin Lewis [Wales]
		Dave Rogerson [NW]
		Patricia Fairclough [L]
		Joan Himpson [S]

- *Jason failed to reply his acceptance to ABBTO and was replaced.
- ** Dave was asked on arrival at venue to operate the visual stats board, hence his re-appointment in April.

Observers at National Finals:

P Fairclough, J Himpson, C Ormandy, E Anderson, S Nash and L Tomlinson

Trainee Observers: Jan Griffiths, Mig Goodwin, Rebecca Orleans & Mark Patton

International Games

BFB Int'l 2006 / 7	Scorer	Time Keeper	Shot Clock Operator	Assistant Scorer	ABBTO Representative
16/09/06 Sheffield	Laura Tomlinson	Janine Timms	Vicky Myers	Mel Kelly	E Anderson
23/09/06 Nottingham	Claire Ormandy	Pam Stockley	Joan Himpson	Christine Chambers	Laura Tomlinson
Wales 16/09/06	Dean Slade	Jan Griffiths	Christine Fisher	Gavin Lewis	P Fairclough
Scotland	<i>SBA</i>	<i>SBA</i>	<i>SBA</i>	<i>SBA</i>	E Anderson
16 th August Crawley	Nicky Shaw	Sue Reeves	Jeff Shaw	Brian Waghorn	Lyn Marsh P Fairclough
17 th August Crawley	Lyn Marsh	Claire Franklin	Julie Morland	Hazel Gray	Lyn Marsh
21 st August Birmingham	Laura Tomlinson	Marian Ryan	Niki Cross	Rebecca Orleans	Sara Nash
2007/8 season					
1st Sept Manchester	Dave Rogerson	Jan Williams	Andrea Livesey	Kristine Ogden	Laura Tomlinson
1st Sept Edinburgh	Ruth Mitchell	Victoria Macfarlane	Laura Bald	Bill Shepherd	Claire Ormandy
11 th September Sheffield	Janine Timms	Christine Chambers	Claire Ormandy	Claire Wright	P Fairclough Laura (training others)
12 th Sept Manchester	Kristine Ogden	Martin Kelly	Colette Allerston	Andrea Livesey	Laura Tomlinson
22 nd or 26 th September Manchester	Kristine Ogden	Colette Allerston	Dave Rogerson	Martin Kelly	Laura Tomlinson

BUSA Finals	GBWBA Norwich Union Regional Championships 5 - 6 Nov 2006	GBWBA Visa World Paralympic Cup 7-10 May '07	GBWBA European Cup Finals 11-13 May '07	GBWBA Championship Finals 19-20 May '07
A Livesey	J Timms	J Timms	J Timms	J Timms
M Brown	C Strange	V Myers	V Myers	R Pinnett
J Tomlinson	L Weeks	L K Tomlinson	L K Tomlinson	D Brookes
L Ormandy	J Weeks	A Monk	J Cichockyj	L Weeks
R Simpson		R Pinnett	S Johnson	J Weeks
J Walton		D Brookes	A Bridge	S Harnett
B Fox		C Allerston	S Griffith	L Lloyd
C Wright		K Ogden	L Rowland	C Strange
C Chambers		D Chiltern	James Kelly	
O Klonowska			Jonny Kelly	
			O Klonowska	
			C Ormandy	

ABBTO Observers were C Ormandy & L Tomlinson (BUSA). J Timms (GBWBA)

Meetings

The Executive Committee held the following meetings during the year:

26 th November 2006	Bicester
6 th January 2007	Birmingham
4 th March 2007	Newcastle
7 th July 2007	London

The full Committee held a meeting at Birmingham on 7th January 2007.

We aim to hold phone conference meetings to save on officers' travelling time and expense.

Courses [CAN = course cancelled]

ABBTO REPRESENTATION	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3	TUTOR TRAINING WORKSHOP
LONDON	8	4	1	ABBTO
EASTERN	4	2	1	
YORKSHIRE	4	7	1 + ABBTO	
SOUTHERN	0	3	1	
SOUTH EAST	3 + 1 CAN	2 + 2 CAN.	1	
SOUTH WEST	1	1	1	
EAST MIDLANDS	2	3	0	ABBTO
WEST MIDLANDS	2	2	0	
NOTH EAST	7	2	ABBTO	
NORTH WEST	4 + 1 CAN	3	1	[CAN]
WALES	0	0	1	ABBTO
SCOTLAND	0	0	0	
FORCES	0	2	0	
ABBTO	0	0	2	3
T O T A L S	37 [2 CAN]	33 [2 CAN]	10	3

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ABBTO Badges

Badges are available from your Regional Representative at a cost of £2.00 each (plus £0.50 if P & P is required)

Red (Level 1), Bronze (Level 2), Silver (Level 3) and Gold (Level 4)

ABBTO clothing can be ordered from the treasurer

ABBTO Red Polo Shirt	ABBTO Red Fleece	ABBTO Fleece & Polo Shirt
Cost: - £17.50 including P & P	Cost: - £30.50 including P & P	Cost: - £44.50 including P & P
Sizes available are:	XS S M L XL XXL	
Chest (to fit)	34 36 38/40 42 44/46 48	

Molten Support:

Molten has agreed uniform deal with ABBTO for 4 years.

The kit consists of red polo shirt & fleece jacket with ABBTO and BBL logos on the front, Molten on the sleeve. The polo shirt also has Molten on the back.

The uniform is provided for use at BBL games. **ALL** BBL table officials **MUST** wear the molten kit. The kit **MUST NOT** be worn for EBL or any other games.

150 sets of kit have been ordered for the forthcoming season and will be distributed to the 13 BBL clubs via the respective regional representative. Each club will be given one set of kit for “emergency” use. Each table official is asked to donate £10 per set to help regenerate income for ABBTO administrative and continual development cost.

Our committee members will receive a set of kit in appreciation for their commitment and voluntary service to ABBTO over the past 2 years. In addition the committee members will also receive a molten bag (not currently available in the UK). This bag is a black document bag with expandable sides. It is large enough to hold a small laptop.

A polo shirt is also provided for prestigious national and international appointments. We hope to give observers at these events a polo shirt but not necessarily red.

Molten has also donated a ‘Golden Ball’ to be awarded annually to the outstanding region, which has done most, to promote, develop and train table officials.

ABBTO appreciate the support given by molten which is a major breakthrough for sponsorship deals with additional publicity.

EB Affiliation

ABBTO aim to become affiliated to EB so that a % of nationally licensed table officials’ fees can be returned to them for the continual training and development of quality table officials. Last year 558 table officials registered with EB.

Southern Region submitted a proposal to this effect at the EB AGM, seconded by Northern Region. The motion was withdrawn as it was noted that the AGM was the wrong forum for this application. EB Chairman stated that the proposal should be resubmitted to the EB Board. He noted that the application would be looked upon favourably. The executive will actively pursue this matter during the next few weeks.

Club Mark

The development of level 2 table officials has been a major help with clubs gaining club mark. ABBTO aims to encourage the regions to organise, promote and deliver more level 2 awards and also deliver one national award for this level at Cosford.

We will also continue to promote and deliver level 3 awards and tutor training courses

Acknowledgement

We acknowledge the continual dedication and commitment from our committee members for the growth of ABBTO in gaining our rewards through aims and objectives. We also acknowledge support from the following:

- BBL support and assistance has been a great asset in reaching our members.
- Colin Hurst for his commitment to developing and maintaining our website.
- Chris Bunnet for assistance with producing our merchandise.
- Bob Hope and Molten for their sponsorship and support.
- Chris Brown (EB) for his dedication to the awards, manuals and standards.
- The Basketball Associations of England, Wales & Scotland for their trust in us.

Elaine Anderson
General Secretary
September 2007