

The Midlands Under 14 girl's report Inter Regionals  
December 2016

Training sessions started in March 2016 and continued monthly throughout the year and the squad have also been attending the original RTCs and subsequently the satellite Centres on Friday nights throughout the year. Since September this squad have formed part of the new Regional Academy Squad. During the training sessions, the squad worked hard on techniques and some basic tactical awareness working on keeping possession and good defending.

The aims of the team in this tournament were:

1. To learn from every game;
2. To enjoy the experience.
3. Develop their game awareness

The first game was against London and we thought would be a hard game due to them being last year's winners as the game got underway we went straight into the lead. Winning the game comfortably 20-7.

The second game against Scotland raised the team's awareness and reaction were good, winning the game 11-2.

The Third game was against the South East and we needed to win this to finish top in group A we did romping home to a 17-6 victory

*Group A*

Team	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Midlands	3	3	0	0	33	6
Scotland	3	1	1	1	-4	3
London	3	1	1	1	-9	3
South East	3	0	0	3	-20	0

We finished top of the group and into the semifinals this meant our first game of the day on the Sunday morning was against the East Region looking at day 1's results it was clear the teams from Group B were much tighter than Group A we had to get into the game from the beginning we did this from the outset ensuring we were first to warm up and take control of the warm up pool. The game was tight but we always remained in control winning 7-5 a real nail biter finish leaving spectators players and team staff very emotional.

The team were into the final where we would play the South West who topped their group the day before.

A tough game finishing with a silver medal 13-9 tight all the way to the end but losing to a better side on the day.

Aaliyah Lloyd was awarded with the team's Most valuable player and Mia Lovell won top goal scorer of the competition.

A thoroughly enjoyable weekend far exceeding our aims and objectives and putting the Midlands back in the picture nationally somewhere they have not been for at least 10 years.

This has been a rewarding year for the team and we will go back to our hard-daily

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training and monthly regional academy sessions and work towards our next goal

The successful silver medalist Team consisted of

1. Kaymi Angle Nottingham Leander
2. Priya Kennedy Warley Wasps
3. Hannah Ashley Hinckley
4. Lily Boneham Nottingham Leander
5. Holly King Hucknall
6. Aaliyah Lloyd Boldmere
7. Mia Lovell Nottingham Leander/Hucknall
8. Charlotte Martin Worcester
9. Beau Cann-Livingstone Grantham
10. Naomi Solomon Grantham

Coach Tim Dunsbee

Assistant Coach Cara Saunders

Team Manager Sarah Dunsbee