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# **World Netball Announces New Coaching Advisory Panel**

World Netball (WN) has today announced six new members of its Coaching Advisory Panel (CAP), who will be joining Chair, <u>Dr Anita Navin</u>, as well as re-appointed members Sue Hawkins and Burta De Kock on the Panel.

The new members include Anna Stembridge, Leigh Gibbs, Nicola Jones, Sue Gaudian, Tracey Neville and Vicki Wilson.

The Panel is responsible for advising the World Netball CEO and the Board, and working with them to support the development and implementation of agreed priorities in the WN <u>Strategic Plan</u>, particularly, in relation to driving the development of quality coaches and coaching worldwide.

To find out more about the panel, each of the new members, including their biography's, visit our website now.

Speaking on the exciting announcement, CAP Chair Anita Navin said: "The newly appointment members to the Coaching Advisory Panel bring a wealth of expertise to support the various coaching projects at World Netball.

"The expertise of this group is wide ranging from coaching at international level, leading coach development programmes across developing and established nations, performance programme leadership to commercial and commentary in our sport.

"As a group we share the passion and enthusiasm to make a difference by committing to not only developing our game on the international stage but also ensuring the grassroots programmes in netball continue to empower and engage more individuals."

The Panel's work will begin with them supporting the Rules Advisory Panel with the current rules review, and working to deliver an International Coaching Conference in Cape Town during the Netball World Cup 2023 in July.

Congratulating the new members on their appointments and thanking the previous CAP members World Netball President, Liz Nicholl CBE, added: "On behalf of World Netball I would like to take this opportunity to firstly thank those members of the Coaching Advisory Panel who have recently stepped down for their significant contribution to World Netball; WN Service Awards holder Jill McIntosh former CAP chair and members Julia Lawrence, Yvonne Willering, Norma Plummer and Bridget Adams.

"We recently launched a new online <u>Coaching Hub</u> on our website, containing foundation videos and coaching cards, and this was all due to their hard work.

"Congratulations to the new members, we look forward to working with you to drive game development and grow our coaching workforce globally."

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### **World Netball**

World Netball is the sole, internationally recognised, governing body for netball affiliated to GAISF, the International World Games Association and the Association of Recognised International Sports Federations (ARISF), receiving funding from the International Olympic Committee.

World Netball creates a better world through netball, inspiring netballers to embrace opportunities and achieve their potential. Netball is played in more than 100 countries around the world with 79 National Netball Associations affiliated to World Netball. The associations are grouped into five Regions – Africa Netball, Americas Netball, Asia Netball, Europe Netball and Oceania Netball – each with a respective Regional Federation. Regional Federations are an integral part of the global governance structure and assist in the implementation of World Netball policies and the development of the sport in their respective regions.

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