



## ***Officiating Report – Haydn Jones***

***Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2019***

### ***Pre-Season***

The 2018/19 officiating season got underway in early September with an officiating clinic that took place on the 8/9<sup>th</sup> September at Cardiff Met University. Once again Basketball Wales was fortunate to have the services of our FIBA SCOD instructor Mr Grzegorz Zeimblicki from Poland attend our event and was the lead instructor over the weekend. During the course of this clinic referees received up to date rules and interpretation information direct from FIBA and a number of officials were observed as they refereed Wales v USA Select, SWBA v NWBA All Star Game and a WBBL warm-up game involving Cardiff Met Archers. Basketball Wales would like to thank FIBA Europe from arranging Mr Zeimblicki to attend this event.

### ***Officiating Courses 2018/19***

Over the course of the season several Referee and Table official's courses were held at various locations across Wales. These include the introductory Level 1 courses which were all well attended and are popular with clubs at the start of the season. Thanks to all our tutors who deliver these courses in a professional manner throughout the year.





### ***Up-scaling Referee Courses***

Basketball Wales were pleased to receive a number of applications for Referee Upscaling this season, including Level 2 and Level 3 awards. Over the course of the season the following officials were observed, assessed and have successfully completed a rules test and have been successful in obtaining a new officiating level.

Megan Wilson	Level 2
Seb Bynuan	Level 2
Tom Guntrip	Level 2
Dan Cox	Level 3

### ***SWBA and NWBA Regular Season Referee Appointments***

During the season referee appointments for the South Wales and North Wales leagues were carried out by officers in the leagues. In excess of over 500 games were played across Wales including junior and senior and my thanks go out to all those involved in making nominations for these leagues.

### ***Terry Price Cup Finals 2019***

Basketball Wales utilised referees from both North and South Wales to officiate matches at the Terry Price Cup. This competition is a great opportunity to bring officials together from the different leagues in Wales to work and learn from each other in a new environment.

Overseeing the weekends officiating was FIBA international referee Gavin Williams and Haydn Jones who observed a number of games and provided feedback and advice to all the referees to assist with their continual development. Basketball Wales would like to thank all





of this years nominated officials for their hard work and professionalism during the competition.

### ***English National Leagues***

Basketball Wales continues its long tradition of producing referees that have been successful in making the step up from Welsh league basketball to the English National Leagues. I'm pleased to report that this tradition continues to grow with a number of our more senior referees who were given appointments within the National League at both junior and senior levels. These referees include Matt Godfrey (Cardiff) Simone Cuomo (Swansea) Dave Thomas (Rhondda) Dan Cox (Cardiff) Karl Siteine (Elsmere Port) Karl Abraham (Llanelli) and Ashley Fisher (Prestatyn).

### ***BBL and WBBL***

A number of senior Basketball Wales referees continue to be represented in the professional men's and women's leagues in the UK and have received a number of games over the course of the 2017/18 season. These referees include Gavin Lewis (Rhondda) Firooz Dehdervand (Formally Swansea now living in London) Gavin Williams (Swansea) and Haydn Jones (Swansea). Gavin was nominated to this years BBL Cup Final in January at the NIA in Birmingham. The game was televised via the BBC and broadcast on the RED Button and on the BBC Sport Website

### ***FIBA International Referees***

Gavin Williams and Haydn Jones continue to represent Wales and GB as international referees within Europe, and both received a number of club and national team games during the course of the season. Gavin Williams was on summer tournament duty as accompanying referee for the GB U16 men in Podgorica, Montenegro.





### ***FIBA Statistician***

Duncan Mackenzie (Cardiff Met Archers) who is currently Wales' only licenced FIBA Statistician has been appointed to the recent GB Men's EuroBasket qualification matches in Manchester. Congratulation Duncan from everyone at BW!

### ***Table Officiating***

During the year Basketball Wales has run a number of table official courses including Level 1 and Level 2. Thanks to all those tutors that have professionally delivered these courses at various locations across the country.

Special thanks to Jan Timms who oversees and provides technical assistance to Basketball Wales on all aspects relating to Table Officiating. Your knowledge and expertise are greatly appreciated, and we look forward to working with you in the early part of next year on our Level 3 course!

