THE FIRST USA NETBALL TEAMS AND SPONSORS ANNOUNCED FOR THE NATIONAL NETBALL LEAGUE®

(May 5, 2024 – Los Angeles, California) The Netball teams participating in the launch of the first USA Women's National Netball League® presented by Netball America® is announced!

The premier Netball organization in the USA, Netball America®, has confirmed the six teams participating in the first USA National Netball League®. This League is part of Netball America's Stripes to Stars Pathway, a transformative platform, creating amazing development opportunities and experience for athletes, coaches, umpires, teachers, students and spectators alike.



The 2024 League locations include: Raleigh/Durham, North Carolina; Atlanta, Georgia; Woodlands, Texas and Austin, Texas. These are where the participating Netball clubs are located, as well as key school, youth and development opportunities lie.

Participating Netball clubs: Carolina Nets, Durham; Austin Retros, Texas; Woodlands Warriors, Texas; MINC, New York; Crusaders ATL Sports club, Atlanta; DC Dragons, Washington. This League will not only help elevate the playing, coaching and umpiring experience within the teams, but also drive new members, sponsors, fans and media opportunities, all with the aim of growing this grass roots sport across the USA.













Key upcoming dates and locations:

May 18 and 19: Raleigh/Durham, North Carolina and Woodlands, Texas September 7 and 8: Austin, Texas, Raleigh/Durham, North Carolina and/or Atlanta, Georgia

Beyond the court, and as a national charity, Netball America® and its members, are committed to using this League as opportunities for the local community to get involved in this American grass roots sport. As the future of Netball in the USA is with the youth, they will be integrated into exciting leadership, work experience and learning opportunities, especially for minority youth.

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About Netball America®

Netball America is now in 33 U.S. States and Canada and is rapidly expanding with over 50 member clubs. This partnership with Gilbert Netball, along with their high-quality Netballs will be a valuable asset to our member clubs, players and coaches, and will empower players of all ages and abilities to experience the joy of Netball.

About Netball

Seven players per team on court, a 10-foot hoop, three seconds to pass, no dribbling, no contact, no backboard, and no running with the ball. Netball is an exciting, inclusive sport that can be played by all genders of all ages. Not many people know Netball was invented in America in 1895 as the original women's basketball, from there it spread throughout the Commonwealth countries. Netball fans celebrated when in 1995 Netball became a recognized Olympic sport and a strong push for 2032 Olympic inclusion.

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