

Rushcliffe Schools Launch Mini-Basketball's 4th Decade in Nottinghamshire

Cotgrave Candleby Lane and Radcliffe-on Trent Junior Schools launched the 4th decade of mini-basketball played as an organized sport in Nottinghamshire Junior and Primary Schools, director of the 31st Notts. Mini-Basketball Clinics, Jimmy "Jumpshot" Smith announced. Candleby Lane "A" defeated Radcliffe, 16-4 followed by a narrow, 10-6 triumph for Candleby Lane "B" over the Radcliffe mini-basketball team at Cotgrave. In the return fixture at Radcliffe-on-Trent, andleby Lane won twice again, both matches by identical, 12-10 scores.

Over the past 31 years over 62,000 children have been introduced to the game of mini-basketball and it is anticipated another 2,000 children will be added to that number this academic year. Over eighty players have gone on to national team representative honors and another couple of dozen have won scholarships to universities in the United States over this period of time.

Nottinghamshire's senior coach, Jimmy "Jumpshot" Smith said, "At London 2012, both Great Britain men and women fielded basketball teams at the Olympic Games for the first time. It's a great time to be playing school sport. We're fortunate in Nottinghamshire to have teachers that inspire young people to play sport at both school level and in the club environment. The opportunities being provided will eventually lead to a Notts. basketball player participating in an Olympics. It's just a matter of time because the talent is here."

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