

## **Collingbourne Sapphires**

2022 began with indoor training, this was well attended and included lots of new faces. Training sessions were well structured and useful which everyone enjoyed.

After an online survey, festivals and friendlies were the popular choice and Penny set about booking us into festivals and arranging friendlies. Some unfortunately cancelled for differing reasons but we still managed to play more games than last year in total. Availability was a bit hit and miss over the season but enough managed to make themselves available to attend the majority of games. We welcomed a few new faces throughout the season, all of which slotted right into the group and even participated in festivals. Now back in the swing and fired up ready to take things further next year with new prospects.

Personally, I would like to thank the Sapphires for their support over the season. It's been unlike previous years and a learning curve for us all, especially me (even ended up going back to school!) As always, the ladies have filled the season with fun and determination.

We have enjoyed some social get togethers over the season which have boosted morale and damaged some livers – mainly thanks to the Pixie tears!!

I have no doubt that with renewed support and efforts, 2023 will be another successful year filled with fun, prosecco, personal bests, opportunities, and continued support for the new captain.