

Jamaica Netball association to train young SA netball umpires

Jamaica Netball has designed and developed an effective Young Netball Umpires Coaching Programme which is attracting world attention. During a recent visit to South Africa, president of Jamaica Netball, Marva Bernard, and trainer / coach, Donovan Vincent, met with South African Netball representatives and other sports organisations to discuss exchange programmes between South Africa and Jamaica.



Presentation by Jamaica Netball Association president, Marva Bernard, to CATHSSETA CEO, Mike Tsosetsi, in the presence of SASCOOC Chairman, Gideon Sam, of a jersey signed by Jamaica's 'Sunshine Girls' who are ranked fourth in the world.

CDII (Community Development Initiatives International) has teamed up with Jamaica Netball to coordinate a Tour to Jamaica during the June school holidays for young South African netball enthusiasts who wish to become qualified as Young Netball Umpires. This unique programme will provide young boys and girls (aged 15 to 20) to become recognised as umpires for netball games at school and junior club level.

CDII is working with South African netball representatives to implement a South African Young Netball Umpires Programme which will be based on the Jamaican Model. This will ensure a depth of skills in umpire officiating and will encourage youngsters who may not be selected to play netball to become umpires from a young age.

For further information on the Young Netball Umpires Coaching Programme and tour to Jamaica, contact Don or Mapula at CDII at email donleffler@lantic.net or call +27 (0)76 5800 271.