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CASE STUDY - Julie Patterson

Julie Patterson is a **Netball coach**, coaching at **Astley Netball Club** in Cramlington. She has been **coaching for around 20 years now**. She also works for Northumberland County Council as a library supervisor.

Julie first started coaching when England Netball promoted 'Playdays' for junior netball. She was very nervous when she first started but now coaches the junior section at the netball club where she plays competitively.

Julie enjoys passing on her knowledge and love of netball to all the juniors that she coaches and would **encourage other people to get into coaching as it is very rewarding**.

Victoria Atkinson (Northumberland Netball Development Officer) says 'Julie and Mandy have been a double act at Astley Netball Club for a long time. Julie and Mandy are still coaching the juniors on the weekly basis and have juniors from 8 through the 16. They also take the girls to league matches and have shown great dedication to the club over the years.'

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