

On Sunday the Scorpions travelled in their new minibus made possible from the support from Railscape. The tournament was held in Chelmsford and teams travelled from across the Region to compete in the 4th annual pre-season tournament, the day consisted of five clubs battling out at the start of the school holidays to prepare for the new season.

The under 14 and 16 teams both had Ipswich in their first games. Going in to half time both games were close, with the under 16 side trailed by 3 points, 16-19 and the under 14's took a small lead 21-15. In the second half the under 16's struggled to finish against Ipswich strong defense, the game finished 40-32. In the under 14's game it was the Scorpions taking control and securing a 43-47 victory. The second set of games were against the hosts, Chelmsford Lions. Scorpions under 16's fought well but outmatched by the current Eastern champions to face a second defeat 59-32. In the under 14's game it was the opposite with the Scorpions outmatching the lions on both ends of the floor and taking a comfortable lead 30-6. The under 16's faced Thurrock in their final game, both teams looked fatigued but it was the hornets who managed to hold a lead. Great outside shooting by the scorpions in the final quarter gave some hope to bring the game to a couple of points, but wasn't enough, with the game ending 33-36. Lastly the under 14's had their last game of the day against Kent Crusaders and both teams were undefeated. An excellent display of basketball from all the players and neither team slipping away made it a very tense last quarter. The scorpions managed to extend to a 10 point lead and take the win, giving them high hopes for the season ahead.

As well as victory on the court the scorpions have been successful to gain support from a local company to help repair their minibus for the upcoming season.

We would like to say a big thank you to Railscape for there kind offer to help repair the minibus. A special mention to Michael Hayes for his time and support in making this happen, now with the newly repaired minibus this will support the players to travel around the country to compete at National league.

