

LODERS YOUNG PLAYERS NEWSLETTER March 2012

Jumble sale and coffee morning

Over £490 was raised at the jumble sale and coffee morning earlier this month. **Kim** and **Lisa's** brilliant organisation both before and on the day really paid off. With half an hour to go before the event started, eager bargain hunters had filled the car park ready to spend, spend, spend. Thanks to **Kim** and **Lisa** and their loyal helpers, both children and adults, for all their efforts particularly those who once again supplied us with delicious cakes and buns. Delighted with the results, Kim and Lisa have offered to arrange another jumble sale in March 2013.

Archery

LYPs archers took part in a competition in the New Forest recently after additional coaching with the Bride Valley Archers. In cold and wet conditions the girls competed in a new event and came away with some excellent results:-

U14s barebow event – **1st Olivia Willmore** (a county record!).

U16s barebow event – **3rd Sophie Cole; 4th Jess Hart; 5th Lottie Willmore.**

We were pleased to sponsor the archers with new arrows.

We wish the girls good luck at their next competition in Weymouth on **April 15th**. Archery sessions at Stepps Farm will commence June with **Alan Dennis**. Archers age 8+ should contact **Anna Willmore** tel 421138, spaces are limited.

Real Tennis

Des Gale arranged a short tournament at the Hyde Courts where seven of our regular players took part. This was used as an insight to how singles are played. New words like 'tambour', 'dedans', 'grille', 'chase' and 'galleries' confused parent spectators! The players are learning the old game quickly and demonstrated some fine play. Well done to **Marcus Burt** who was the overall winner - a keen player, **Marcus** can often be found at the court, working hard practising his skills. **Des** hopes to arrange an annual tournament around June/July this year with longer matches and a trophy for the winner. New players, contact Des on 427963.

The next real tennis session is on **SATURDAY 14 April 2-3.30pm** at the Hyde Courts. Good luck to Levi Gale who will be entering the French Junior Open at Fontainebleau 19-22 April.

Tennis

Thanks to Alan Cash for taking the mini-tennis sessions at Loders Village Hall for the 5-8 year olds who have gone from missing the ball to hitting it really well – they can continue their skills at the outdoor sessions at Bridport Tennis Club, Plottingham Fields now the weather is much better. Members interested in playing tennis should contact Alan on tel 425210 for dates and times of sessions and tournaments.

Kwik cricket for ages 5-8 will start after the Easter holidays at Well Plot playing fields, Loders. **Steve Lincoln, Leader** will post the date and times at Loders school or you can contact Steve on tel 485255. Parents or a nominated adult should be present at this event which usually goes on for forty five minutes. Sessions are subject to weather and field conditions.

Children age 8+ wishing to continue their cricketing skills can join **Powerstock Junior Cricket Club** who are based at the Weir Playing Fields in Nettlecombe and run teams for U9, U11, U13 and U15. Contact Steve Hibbs on 485413 regarding coaching and games.

The Dorset Action Van visit to the village hall in January was very well attended by LYPs and Youth Club members with a variety of games and fun for ages 8-11. Well done to games winners **Olivia Willmore** and **Thaisen Chant**.

Coming up..... another **Dorset Action Van** visit outdoors at Well Plot playing fields (joint event with youth club); **Orienteering** with Mr & Mrs Kite in Loders Court grounds (joint event with youth club); Adults friendly **tennis tournament fund raising** afternoon at Bridport TC; LYPs v Powerstock Junior CC **friendly cricket** game and a family **Bingo** evening. Dates to be advised and we hope you can join us.

The AGM will take place on Monday, 21 May at 7.30 at The Barn House, Loders.

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