## **LODERS YOUNG PLAYERS**

## MAY 2012 NEWSLETTER

The weather recently has meant **kwik cricket** has either not taken place or has not been well attended. Thanks to Steve for all his efforts and to those few who have turned out, even when the skies were grey. **Ollie Lee** has kindly agreed to help Steve at the sessions. **Ollie**, who has played cricket since he was 9 and has been a regular LYPs player too, has been selected to play for West Dorset and Dorset County U14s this season. Let's hope the weather is kinder to all cricketers over the coming months.

**Olivia Willmore** and **Jack Parkman** were successful in the **Bridport Tennis Club Wimbledon** ticket draw. They'll be heading off for the championships in July and we hope they'll let us know how they got on and even take a few snap shots of their very exciting day out. The weeks running up to Wimbledon entice lots of tennis players out, so LYPs tennis members must be sure to book their courts for social play in advance at Bridport Sports shop.

**Congratulations to Levi Gale** who travelled to Fontainebleau, France to take part in the **real tennis French junior open** tournament. Arriving at Chateau de Fontainebleau a day before the event, 15 year old **Levi** was able to practice on the largest real tennis court in the world.

On day one of the competition, **Levi** topped the under 16s' group without losing a single game, ensuring his place in the final. The under 18s' category offered tougher competition but again **Levi** topped his group convincingly. On day two the finals took place and in the under 16 final **Levi** beat Alex Foix 6-0, 6-0 to become a deserving winner of the under 16s' silver plate. In the under 18 final **Levi** took on defending champion Baudouin Huynh-Lenhart in front of a packed gallery where he took victory once again with a final score of 6-2, 6-4 making him the first British player to win the under 18 category since the competition's inauguration. What a fantastic achievements and well done. The next **LYPs real tennis tournament** will be held at the Hyde Court on 11/12<sup>th</sup> August. In the meantime Des is organising coaching dates leading up to then.

Ex LYPs swimming and tennis member, Harrison Yarnold is in the news again – he took part in the first ever tetrathlon competition in Solihull recently. The tetrathlon comprises the four disciplines of running, swimming, shooting and fencing. Already well accomplished in the first three of these, this was Harrison's first fencing competition. Harrison returned the fastest swim and run times in the youth C boys' competition as well as third best shot and a very credible tenth position in the fencing. This meant that he was second overall in the youth C boys and won a silver trophy as well as medals for the fastest swim and run – amazing results and well done Harrison!

**Archery -** Paul Kingston (Bride Valley Archers Coach) will be joining us from June (dates to be confirmed by Anna Willmore). Alan Dennis, regular coach, is preparing for European competitions and so is not available currently but we wish him all the success in his events. We had success at a recent tournament in Weymouth when the girls took part with Bride Valley archers:-

## U12s barebow - 1st Olivia Willmore, 2nd Rosie Hart

## U14s barebow - 1st Ophelia Bowring

The next competition will be at Salisbury on May 20<sup>th</sup> and we wish them all the best.

Tina Cornish has arranged the **Dorset Action Van** and invited us to join in as follows:-

**Friday, 8 June** age 11 upwards 7-9pm Mini-golf, trampoline and la crosse for LYPs and Youth Club members.

**Monday, 11 June** LYPs age 5-8 years 6-7pm Trampoline and games followed by LYPs and Youth Club 8-11 years 7-9pm

**Friday, 22 June** Bouncy castle and games age 8 upwards LYPs and Youth Club

Consent forms will be available for the trampoline sessions on our website nearer the date. **Parent volunteers will be required** for these events at Well Plot. Please speak to Tina or Lesley if you are available to help and have CRB clearance.

The AGM arranged for Monday, 21 May has been postponed. with a new date to be advised soon.