



Karen Smith, lady captain of Robin Hood Golf Club, presents Victoria Mallett with the Pam Large Trophy and Harborne Cup.

### Young golfer scoops her first major title

#### GOLF

SUTTON golfer Victoria Mallett has won her first major title after clinching the Warwickshire Girls' 18-hole Championship at Robin Hood Golf club.

The 12-year-old, who plays off a ten handicap, follows in the footsteps of her older sister Elizabeth, who won the title back in 2005.

"It was a great feeling to win my first major Warwickshire title," said Mallett.

"It's a launch pad for the rest of the season."

Her 85 score won the competition by ten shots from her nearest rival and was good enough to claim both the gross and nett trophies.

"It was good to fight back after a slow start," she added.

Mallett's handicap has come down by four shots over the last month after a string of confidence boosting performances including her lowest ever 18 hole score of 78.

### Falcons seek striker ahead of new season

#### FOOTBALL

BOLDMERE Falcons under-14s are looking for a centre forward. Anyone interested can call Gary on 07928 046157.

Chasetown Ladies under-15s will be playing home matches in Shenstone next season and are looking for new players in the area. Call Andy Turley on 07925 234374 for more details.

# Boldmere stars in sparkling form at major Midland meet

#### SWIMMING

By Steve Harlow  
Swimming correspondent

SIX Boldmere Swimming Club stars shone at the first weekend of the British Gas ASA Midland 2010 Age Group Championships in Coventry.

Bethany Grant, Steven Wilson, Kate Davies, Matt Price, Joel Cunningham and Ben Stanford swam in 17 events between them, claiming eight top-five finishes and setting five club records along the way.

Ten-year-old Matt Price finished fifth in the 200m fly and freestyle, and excelled even further in the 400m individual medley by taking silver in a new club record time of 6.11.23mins – one of five he set over the two days.

Davies set five new club records with split times, taking fifth spot in the 400m medley plus a bronze medal in the 10-year 100m breaststroke.

In the 10-year 200m freestyle, Cunningham finished fifth, while another fifth spot went to Grant, who reduced her long course personal best by nearly three seconds in the 11-year 100m breaststroke.

Wilson set two good personal bests in the 12-year 400m freestyle and 200m backstroke, reaching the final in the latter event.

Stanford also set two personal bests in the 200m freestyle and 100m backstroke.

There was further Boldmere presence and success at the Championships with 10 members who compete for their home club in league competitions but represent City of Birmingham and Royal Wolverhampton School in regional and national championships.

Twelve-year-old Penny Whittingham won two Midland titles in the 200m medley



Bradley Lynch on his way to medal success in Coventry.



Boldmere's Matt Price and Kate Davies with medals from the ASA Midland Championships. Pictures by Steve Harlow

and 400m freestyle, two silvers in the 100m fly and freestyle and two bronze medals in the

200m backstroke and breaststroke.

Bradley Lynch took home a

medal of each colour from the freestyle events, claiming the 14-year Midland title at 1,500m by a 18-second margin, second place in the 400m and a bronze in the 100m.

Emma Smith won a silver and bronze in the 13-year 100m freestyle and 200m medley respectively, both in new club records, while Jake Dixon claimed silver in the 11-year 100m fly in an impressive new club record.

Dixon and 13-year-old Josh Winnicott both made their respective age group finals in the 200m breaststroke and 200m medley, coincidentally both finishing sixth and fourth respectively in the same events.

### Streetly settle for a draw after collapse

#### CRICKET

**KENILWORTH (249) drew with STREETLY FIRST XI (208-8)**  
Warwickshire League Premier

STREETLY had to settle for a draw against Kenilworth.

Streetly were asked to field first and started well with debutant Chhubra and Tariq bowling with pace and accuracy.

After 14 overs, Kenilworth had slumped to 38-4 but aggressive batting from Lowe (42), Melville (50) and Peebles (55) lifted them to 249 all out.

Chhubra (2-47), Crutchley (2-52) and M Bates (2-4) were the pick of the bowlers.

In reply, Streetly raced to 31 without loss after five overs but a major collapse saw them slip to 65-5.

Skipper Russell Guy (60) and 18-year-old Sam Bates (56no) did a superb rebuilding job.

Some fine hitting by Crutchley (36) won Streetly vital bonus points, but in the end further loss of wickets meant victory was beyond them.

### Park complete a dazzling double

#### BOWLS

SUTTON Park completed the double with victory at the Greville, in the East Birmingham League, by 14 shots.

There was some great bowling by Maurice White (21-9), Alan Tipton (21-8), Bob Taylor (21-10) and Jim Caldwell (21-14).

The Erdington League team beat Richmond by eight shots with the Brittain family in dominant form – there were wins for Richard (21-4), Amy (21-16) and Jack (21-19).

The East Birmingham League side beat Boldmere St Michaels in the Senior Cup, winning by five shots thanks to Alan Middleton (21-7), Graham Ord (21-14), Colin Porter (21-14) and Ron Handsaker (21-15). The same team completed the double over Hollyfield, winning by 20 shots with Middleton (21-11), Tipton (21-10), Caldwell (21-15) and White (21-19) bowling impeccably.



Schoolchildren with Penns Lane community coach Sarah Pipkin.

### Festival fun to mark Penns Lane launch

#### TENNIS

SCHOOLCHILDREN attended a Tennis Festival at Penns Lane to mark the opening of new facilities.

A visit by professional players from the Aegon Classic in Birmingham was cancelled due to rain delays at the event, but the children had a fun day

and were all impressed with the new facilities.

Paul Bayliss, head coach at Penns Lane, said: "We have already benefited from £160,000 of investment that has seen courts resurfaced and floodlit, new mini courts and a new pavilion. We are indebted to the LTA, RPT and Sutton Municipal Charities for their investment."

Penns Lane will host a National Tennis Day this Sunday – call 07769 664988 for details.

## Engine problems put brake on Jordan's race for points

#### MOTORSPORT

SUTTON'S Andrew Jordan was left to rue mechanical mayhem in the latest round of the Dunlop MSA British Touring Car Championship at Oulton Park last weekend.

Recurring technical problems meant he had to sit out the qualifying session and his best finish of the weekend was 16th in race two. He was forced to retire in the other two races in Cheshire.

Jordan had stormed from the back of the grid up to 12th in race one before a loss of oil pressure left him nursing his Vauxhall Vectra back to the pits and into retirement.

Again, starting from the back in the second race, he moved through the field up to

ninth before being forced to pit to reconnect a dislodged pipe costing him track position.

He rejoined a lap down in 20th place but climbed to finish 16th.

Starting the final race in 16th, Jordan again used the raw pace of the Vectra to move up to 11th but a collision with Andy Neate ended his race. Neate was later penalised and excluded from the race.

Jordan said: "While we were out on track we could show the pace of the car. It felt good, especially in race two where we were matching Jason Plato for pace lap for lap."

"I think we had the best car we've had all year this weekend but we had some bad luck with engine issues and it put us on the back foot."



Andrew Jordan's hopes at Oulton Park were dashed by mechanical glitches. Picture by Ian Oakley

"It's frustrating especially after being fastest in the test. I thought we could be in the top four. It's not a great end to the weekend but it makes us even more determined for Croft in two weeks. We are surely due a

change in luck and when that happens we'll be a force to be reckoned with."

Jordan remains 12th on 30 points in the overall standings with six rounds and 18 races to go. Matt Neal leads on 98.

### Christodoulou steers his team to another fine top-five finish

SHENSTONE motorsport star Adam Christodoulou claimed another top-five finish in the latest round of the Grand AM Rolex Series in America. A poor start saw him overtaken by a number of rivals but he climbed back up to fifth before handing over to co-driver John

Edwards, who subsequently passed the wheel to extra driver Tom Long. His stint encountered a safety car, and Long even led the race for a few laps. Edwards' second stint kept the team in a strong position and Christodoulou then improved their standing.

Edwards was in the car for the final hour of the race and moved up to third after a good pits top. However, he was passed by three cars soon afterwards but one of them suffered a puncture, allowing the Speedsource driver to move back up to fifth.