

Fox's winning run continues

Darts

SUTTON Sports, Sportsman's Rest and Red Lion Flights all picked up 6-3 victories in Division One of the Four Oaks and District Darts League last week.

In the second division, The Fox continued their unbeaten run with a 7-2 win over Deer's Leap Stags.

The Deer's Leap beat the Pint Pot 7-2 to stay in second place.

Drakes Drum maintained their 100 per cent record with a narrow 5-4 win over the Royal Oak in the third division.

Safe Harbour beat the Reddicap Tavern 6-3 to stay in touch.

J Higgins of Old Oscott Arrows and C Williams of White Lion Barrels both recorded maximums.

Division One results March 2, match 15: Cross Keys PPA 3 (M Sheppard 160b, 104f D Jarvis Snr 120b A Whitehouse 2x100, 108b T O'Kereke 3x100 A Pritchett 140, 2x100) Sutton Sports 6 (S Paling 100b M Wild 101b, 4x100 M Norton 120b L Harris 129, 2x100 G Bushell 156 B Linnekor 100 J Kavanagh 2x100).

Sportsman's Rest 6 (A Stainfield 122, 120f, 100 D Keatley 3x100 J Collins 140, 2x100 L Glover 100 J Dunn 2x100 D Watkins 140, 2x100) Old Oscott Arrows 3 (M Maher 3x100, 140 J Higgins 180, 100, 134 A Cole 140, 137, 123 A Lea 100, 108f, 148b E Atkins 125).

White Lion 3 (T Vickers 135, 115 J D Watt 140 P Chamberlain 100 D Vickers 100, 137 I Taylor 118) Red Lion Flights 6 (T Colley 123, 2x140 A Cartwright 100, 140 S Andrews 3x100, 140 M Wilde 101b).

Division Two: Pint Pot 2 (C Harris 130b, 120b, 115b, 134 N Garbett 104, 100 L Almay 100 R Baker 112b, 2x100, 140 B Godfrey 100) Deer's Leap 7 (C Hollender 140, 121 R Nolan 107b M Brogan 2x100 T Ross 121, 140, 100 D Pickering 100 K Lambeth 121, 109b, 140 A Kimberley 2x100, 100f, 160b).

Deer's Leap Stags 2 (M Deathridge Jnr 140 C Kimberley 125 S Mobsby 100 B Wall 2x100 G Kimberley 125, 121) The Fox 7 (R Stanton 100, 121 D Perry 2x100 J Harris 110 K Shepherd 121, 100, 105b, 145 N Harris 2x100, 145 T Frost 100, 120b, 103, 140).

Old Oscott WMC 7 (P Burgess 120, 100 M Wood 100b K Robbins 120f, 100 S Spink 106b, 2x100 J Tolley 2x100 D Fletcher 128, 2x100) Pint Pot Flights 2 (J Vickers 100 C Vickers 118, 100 A Richardson 140, 2x100, 137).

Oscott Social 6 (K Shorthouse 100 S Shorthouse 2x100 R Bricknall 2x120b, 100, 140 D Haskins 2x100, 129 J Leydon 107f, 116 M Westmorland 120b D Shannon 121, 103b) Aston Social 3 (G Lynch 121, 100, 140 R George 120b, 140 J West 100, 135).

Division Three: Brookvale 7 (D Lowe 2x100 J Yates 121, 2x100, 105f R Blaney 2x108b, 140, 101, 100 R Kelly 108b, 2x100 M Driscoll 101b) Bromford Social 2 (W Taylor 100 D Sargent 100b).

Reddicap Tavern 3 (M Evans 114, 100 R Pugh 120 M Cook 3x100, 140) Safe Harbour 6 (P Morris 133 J Wickett 100 K Clarke 123 R Clarke 100 J Verschoyle 100, 135).

Drakes Drum 5 (C Turnbull 115, 2x100 M Bowles 105b, 2x100, 156 D Haynes 125 M Pearce 100, 120) Royal Oak 4 (K Dean 112b, 100, 140 S Davey 2x100 M Phillips 2x100 M Kenny 105, 116f, 2x100).

Sutton Town FC 3 (S Alexander 100, 140 R Barrett 105, 2x100 C Lloyd 3x100, 122 P Southern 140) White Lion Barrels 6 (S Robotham 2x100, 140 G Cookson 100 C Williams 4x100, 121, 180 A Hurt 100, 121 J Hepburn 100).

Club makes a splash to claim championship medal haul

BOLDMERE Swimming Club finished the first of three Saturdays at the 2010 Warwickshire Championships in Coventry with 26 medals.

They claimed eight gold, nine silver and seven bronze medals, while 10 club records were broken, and 130 personal best times achieved.

Jenny Fowler won two county titles in a club record 400m individual medley and 100m butterfly, while Bradley Lynch took the title of Open Age County Champion in a record time of 17.06.82mins.

Charlie Payne won bronze (11 to 13 years) and Lucy Gale silver (12 to 14 years), while Lynch won a 100m butterfly bronze (12 to 14 years) to add to his collection. Payne also claimed silver in the 50m freestyle (11 to 12 years).

In the Open Age 50m freestyle final, Boldmere's Joey Stanger and Phil Hewitt touched simultaneously in 25.83secs to share the county title. Ben Stanford won the nine to 10 years race in a per-



Left to right: Boldmere medallists Katie Richardson, Jenny Fowler, Alice Dearing and Penny Whittingham. PICTURE BY STEVE HARLOW

sonal best of 33.08secs. Penny Whittingham won the 400m individual medley and 200m breaststroke with club record times, plus the 200m freestyle.

In the 400m medley and 200m breaststroke events, Boldmere monopolised the po-

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dium spots with Katie Richardson and Alice Dearing taking silver and bronze, followed by Givenchy Sneekes and Gina Luckett in the latter.

Richardson won bronze in the 200m freestyle, and Dearing gold in the 100m butterfly.

Emma Smith won gold in the 50m backstroke (13 years) with a new club record time that also qualified her for the Championship Open Age Fi-

nal, in which she came fifth. Smith also won gold in the 200m freestyle in another record time of 2.14.92mins.

Josh Winnicott was third in the 13 to 14 years 100m breaststroke, earning the County Breaststroke Trophy as the fastest junior. He also secured bronze in the 50m freestyle.

Alix Swinhoe won silver in the 14 years plus 200m breaststroke and finished fourth in the Open 100m butterfly.

Jake Dixon won the boys' 11 to 12 years 100m breaststroke and butterfly with Charlie Hackett claiming third and second places.

Kate Davies was second in the 100m butterfly, while Kristie Hackett won silver in the 14 years plus 400m medley.

Joel Cunningham (nine to 10 years 200m back) and Emily Gordon (13 years 200m breaststroke) also won silver while 15-year-old Kelly Dawson claimed bronze in the Open 50m backstroke. Boldmere also claimed six relay medals.

Royal Sutton end season with titles

Athletics

by Michael Beardmore
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TWO Royal Sutton Coldfield AC teams have topped their West Midlands Young Athletes Cross-Country League age group tables.

The under-15 girls were first to capture their title at the final league meeting of the season at Perry Park.

Rebecca Robinson won the race, Megan McBrien was third, Gaby Kinney finished sixth, Rachel Smith was 17th and Nicole Parsons came 19th.

The team finished first, with Robinson taking the individual title, McBrien claiming bronze and Kinney coming fifth for the season.

There was good support from Niamh Gent, Lydia Sergiew, Gemma Gilbert, Hannah Davis, Miranda Stoddart, Ellie Goodall and Evie McGrail.

Meanwhile, the under-11 boys also claimed first place for the season.

They had 17 runners in their race, with five claiming scoring positions.

Kieran Mullins (eighth) Jamie Morrow-Jones (16th), William Preece (21st), Jack Whitehouse (22nd) and Joel Kirsten (24th) all scored for the team.

Alex Nevin (27th), Daniel Richards (33rd), Ayokunmi Soyawo (35th), Liam Nevin (37th), Jack Carty (38th), Benji Adams (45th), Ben Ashton (53rd), Harry Craven-Jones (82nd), Ben Horton (86th), Kristian Fletcher (90th), Sam Clewes (92nd) and Dylan Evans (93rd) provided support.

Elsewhere, Elizabeth Ghent (18th), Jessica Tarr (21st), Georgia Batchelor (22nd), Holly Felton (29th) and Georgina Case (57th) helped the under-11s girls to silver for the season.

Georgia Delaney, Zara Whiston, Molly Darrock, Eleanor Williams, Annabelle Massey, Hannah Smith and Catherine Eksteen gave good support.

The under-17s women took fourth spot overall as Jemma Westgate (ninth), Amy Johnson (11th), Megan Stratford (15th),



Sutton's under-11s boys also claimed top spot in the league in their age group. (SI)

Lucy Jennings (17th), Emily Cosgrove (25th), Amy Goodall (31st), and Lizzie Farrow (33rd) all ran well.

Lizzie Ward finished second for the under-13s girls, which gave her fifth position for her age group over the five races.

Next home was Molly Rees (13th), Sophia Karski (19th), Amelia Andrews (33rd) and Sophia Shipley (59th).

Phoebe McClenaghan, Amy Sherwood and Jessica Westgate also ran well to ensure a third place season finish.

The under-13s boys team finished fourth in the race and the same position for the season.

There were good runs from Shaun Evans (15th), Tom Wheeler (18th), Alfie McBrien (34th), Ben Robinson (47th), Jerome Austin (48th), George Rees (53rd) and Harry McGrail (76th).

Good runs from Ben Topley (19th), Theo Larcombe (24th), Sam Watkins (32nd) and Peter Young (49th) gave the under-15s boys a position of seventh.

Keiran Smith finished 29th in the under-17s men's race.

Royal Sutton finished in second place,



The successful Royal Sutton Coldfield AC under-15s girls team with their West Midlands League shield. (SI)

with Rugby and Northampton in top spot.

Some of the youngsters will be in action again on Saturday for their counties in the National Inter Counties at Cofton Park, Birmingham.

Success puts girls ahead



Highclare cross country stars (back) Georgia Batchelor, Eleanor Williams, Catherine Eksteen, Phoebe Abbott and (front), Charlotte Webb, Georgia Quirke and Caitlin Gurney. (SI)

GIRLS at Highclare School, The Abbey, have had a tremendous run of sporting success over the last few weeks.

This started last month at the Independent Schools Association Regional Cross Country meeting at Bedstone School.

From an entry of 15 schools Highclare's teams at under-12 and under-14 level came fifth, the under-18s were third and the under-16s won gold.

Nine girls were in the top 10 to represent the Midlands in the national finals at Princethorpe School, in Rugby.

There Niamh O'Dowd and Lydia Sergiew came sixth, supported by Georgia Batchelor (seventh) Bethany Roberts and Emily Smith (both 19th), Sophia Shipley (24th), Lauren Henderson and Eleanor Williams (both 43rd) and Charlotte Webb (54th), helping the Midlands to team silver.

Alongside this, Highclare School came home with the runners-up trophy at the Sutton Schools Junior Swimming Gala recently, helped by race wins for Aman Hayre, Alice Johnson and Ella Feaunati, plus third places from Georgia Batchelor and Phoebe Abbott.

The success continued at the Independent Schools Association Regional Netball Tournament, at Shifnal, with the under-16s finishing second and the under-14s winning their event.

The under-13 hockey team remains unbeaten with only two more matches to play.