DORSET JUNIOR SQUASH REPORT 2018-19

1. We have been able to fund the Dorset Squash account with the following throughout 2018/19;
    a. Secured a grant of £3000 from England Squash via the Regional Funding; £2,500 to deliver the ES programme and £500 to aid the development players within the talent pathway.
    b. A profit of £238.57 was made from the Junior County Closed.
    c. £315 – Talbot House - 12 week course
    d. £900 – Branksome Heath Junior School – 3 x 6 week courses
    e. £300 - St Mary's School, West Moors – 60 children, year 3
    f. £400 - St Ives Primary School, West Moors, 60 children, years 1 and 2
    g. £150 raised from a raffle held at the end of season tournament
2. The Dorset Junior County Closed was held at West Hants in September. 66 juniors participated. Thanks to our sponsors Slades and MDH Groundworks and Maintenance and I CAN BE printing. County champions are;
    a. U9 boys – Riley Davies
    b. U9 girls – Sienna Hancock
    c. U11 girls – Lisa Stewart
    d. U11 boys – Oliver Galloway
    e. U13 girls – Charlotte Jones
    f. U13 boys – Logan Macey
    g. U15 girls – Amy Campbell-Wynter
    h. U15 boys – James Campbell-Wynter
    i. U17 girls – Ellie Corben
    j. U17 boys – Oliver Moffat
    k. U19 girls – Amy Campbell-Wynter
    l. U19 boys – Charlie Hill
3. Dorset Squash have formed links and are working regularly with the following schools;
    a. Talbot House - 70 children, years 3-6
    b. Talbot Heath - 174 girls years 4-7
    c. Park School – 58 children, year 1
    d. Branksome Heath Junior School - 70 children, year 4
    e. Ferndown Middle School – 15 children, years 5-8
    f. Ferndown Upper School – 16 children, year 9
    g. St Ives First School – 60 children years 1-2
    h. St Marys First School – 60 children year 3
    i. Arnewood Secondary School – 25 children year 9
4. County Training Programme – Monthly training sessions are now running; Girls U11 Charlie C-W @ 2RM, Girls U13 Sam Stewart and David Beater @ BSC, Boys U11/U13 James Ryan @ Canford.
5. #Squashgirlscan has been a very successful project which Sam Stewart has headed up and worked tirelessly to increase the number of women and girls on court. There are now regular weekly 'club night' sessions being held at Ferndown and monthly sessions at Bournemouth Sports Club plus monthly Squash Girls Can sessions at Ferndown on a Saturday afternoon which has proved to be a great networking opportunity as well as very social. To date we have had approx. 15 new ladies and girls introduced to the game and reintroduced another 10 back on court.
6. Sam Stewart has also introduced squash to 16 Ferndown Squadron Air Cadets this month.
7. Junior Inter County Competition – We entered teams in the boys U17, U13 and U11. All 3 teams qualified to the trophy finals in Nottingham. The following juniors represented Dorset; Luca, Noah Amy and James Campbell-Wynter, Craig Goldsmith, Ben Stewart, Ethan Franklin, Orlando Organ, Oliver Galloway, Oscar Whitfield, Jack Harris, Isaac Watts, Daniel Hill.
   Final positions;
   Boys U11 – Finished 7th Player of the weekend: Daniel Hill
   Boys U13 – Finished 8th
   Boys U17 – Finished 3rd. Player of the weekend: Noah Campbell-Wynter
8. The End of Season Tournament and Presentation was held in June at The West Hants Club. 55 players took part from 5-16 years. We had, for the first time, a group of 5-7 year olds and they were brilliant and they loved it! The following players were awarded 'Dorset Junior Squash Player of the Year';

a. U11 boys – Jack Harris
b. U11 girls – Lisa Stewart
c. U13 boys – Oliver Galloway
d. U17 boys – Noah Campbell-Wynter
e. Club Player Trophy – Luca Campbell-Wynter
f. Biles Trophy – Isabella Rowan
g. Lanz Trophy – Lucy Hill

9. At the British Junior Championships in Nottingham in October Amy Campbell-Wynter finished 9th in the U15's.
10. At the Junior British Open in Birmingham in January Amy Campbell-Wynter finished 39th out of 64 in the U15's. and Luca C-W finished 59th out of 128 in the U17's. Both players have another year in their age categories. Impressive results, well done!
11. At the English Junior Championships in Hull in March Luca C-W finished 18th in the U17's.
12. 6 Dorset players were invited to the Aspire training sessions; Luca, Amy and Noah C-W, Jack Harris, Isaac Watts and Oliver Galloway. The aspire programme is focused on enhancing players with potential above county level to create a sustainable succession of players in to the England Potential Development Programme and offer a quality environment where the best players in a region can come together to train. These sessions are held at Millfield and are run by Ian Thomas, the South West Aspire Head Coach.
13. Local Junior Tournaments continue to prove to be very popular and the numbers of entrants are growing due to an increased number of children participating in squash thanks to our 'Squash in Schools' programme being a huge success. Tournaments were held at;
    a. B'mth Sports – 24 players
    b. West Hants Xmas t'ment- 32 players
    c. 2RM - 32 players,
    d. Ferndown - 38 players
    e. Canford – 16 players
    f. West Hants end of season t'ment – 55 players
14. More and more juniors are entering England Squash sanctioned events and are consequently gaining ranking points.
15. National School Sports Week;
    a. Charlie and Sophie attended Somerford Primary School.
    b. Sam Stewart, Katy Martin-Davies and Justine Leadbetter attended St Mary's First School, West Moors.
    c. Bev Vatcher and Sam Stewart attended Sylvan Road Infants School.

    Coaches will set up squash courts, run some racket skills and ensure that the children go away with a positive experience of the game of squash. Flyers and information on where they can play squash will be given out.
16. School Sports Conference @ QE School – BV and SS attended. Great networking opportunity for Dorset Squash enabling us to link in to more schools. SS delivered a 1 minute sales pitch to PE teachers.
17. The U11 Squash Festival was held in Horsham on 12th May. CCW took 8 players, 4 boys and 4 girls, finishing 5th out of 7.Thanks to Charlie for organising. Players; Jack Harris, Charlie Bond, Sam Shawyer, Riley Davies, Lisa Stewart, Sienna Hancock, Tara Low and Kate Lockyer. Well done to all.
18. A 'South West Squash Schools and Clubs Junior Championships' was held in Exeter also on Sunday 12th May. SS took 2 teams, 6 players; Abigail Russell, Isaac Watts, Toby Anderson, Vincent Gillard, Charlotte Jones and Daniel Hill. Another great opportunity for our players to experience match play outside of Dorset. Thanks to Sam for organising.
19. A coaching workshop with Paul Carter was held in December. 12 coaches attended. A positive and productive session.

It really has been a fabulously successful year for Dorset junior squash and for Squash Girls Can. We have more work than we can manage and are keen to recruit more squash coaches. We have a very dynamic team and a huge thank you goes to Charlie and Sophie Campbell-Wynter for all the success they are having at 2RM. They are providing some potent players in all age categories and to Samara Stewart who throws her heart and soul in to everything squash! The number of women and girls playing is constantly growing thanks to Sam. No-one can escape Sam! We have our county training sessions which are being run by Andy Corben, James Ryan,

Charlie, Sam, and David Beater who are continually encouraging our juniors and offering them more opportunities of time on court. Then there are all the other sessions around the county where our coaches are doing wonderful work; thank you to Janet Biles, Neil chambers, Keith Chambers, Rich Davies, Charlie and Lucy Hill, Debbie Hale, Justine Leadbetter and Katy Martin-Davies. I've no doubt missed some people out but this heartfelt thank you goes out to all of you. Our coaches are truly inspiring and Dorset wouldn't be growing and improving as much as it is without them. A massive thank you to you all.

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