



## News Letter January 2011

**Bag Packs** - A very successful day was spent packing customer bags at Sainsbury's in Chester on Saturday 22 January. Because of the combined efforts of both junior and senior players we were able to raise the grand sum of £750. Once again we were complemented on the hard work and exemplary behaviour displayed by our girls. Well done everyone.

Thank you to parents who acted as taxi drivers ferrying the girls between the supermarket and Deeside Leisure Centre for their respective matches.

We have two further Bag Packs arranged and once again we will look for a full club turnout on the both days, the first will be on Sunday 3 April at Morrison's, Chester, followed by another visit to Sainsbury's on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May.

**Junior Tournaments** - The planning for our own tournaments is well underway, as usual all age groups will be represented. Please keep the following dates free;

- Saturday 21st May u9's, u10's, u11's and u16's
- Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June u12's, u13's, u14's and u15's

Parents must remain with the girls during their tournament and must also committ to helping the organisers for a minimum of one hour. Helen Rain (Senior player and U13 Team Manager) is the prime co-ordinator, please contact her on 07912 558252, don't wait to be asked.

**Junior Presentation Evening** - The annual presentation evening will be held on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June at the County Sports Club, more details to follow in future newsletters.

**Calling all Parents, We Need You!!!** – We have girls aged from 7 to 70 in our club and are the largest club in the North West. We compete in national, regional, county and local leagues, this all come at a cost and whilst we strive to keep the annual subscriptions and match fees low, all this netball must be funded somehow. We are committed to fundraising but we now need more help, Your Help!! We would like to have at least 2 parents from each age group. Please come along to a meeting at the Sports Club on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm, to see how you could help out.

**Sponsorship** - We are also keen to secure sponsorship, if you could help out in any way, or have the appropriate contacts that might yield something please speak with Michele Sutton or Jill Canfield. Michele can be contacted on 07976 654331 or by email at [michele.sutton@fsmail.net](mailto:michele.sutton@fsmail.net) and for Jill call 07763 200390 or email at [jillaroo72@yahoo.com](mailto:jillaroo72@yahoo.com).

**Easter Social Event** – Make a date for Thursday 21 April, the Netball Club is planning to hold a club social evening so watch this space for more information but remember to save the date.

**Chester 400 Club** – we are introducing an exclusive new club, it's called the 400 Club. This could be a significant fundraiser but its success will rely upon support from our club members, parents, friends and families. Membership of the Chester 400 Club will cost £10 per entry and for this you will be allocated one number per entry which will be entered into a monthly draw for 10 months. Three prizes will be awarded each month with the first draw taking place on 22 February. Karen McKeivitt (Senior Player, Junior Coach & mum to junior players) will administer the 400 Club, more details will be posted on the notice board or speak directly with Karen or Mona.

**Tracksuits** – We are currently finalising designs for a new up to date Club tracksuit, details will shortly appear on the notice board and orders will be taken very soon. The tracksuits will complete the updating of our Club uniform and is something very exciting to look forward to.

**Young Netballers** – We have netball introductory sessions for 4-8 years olds every Saturday from 12-1pm run by Judith Gilmour (mum to senior player) and Dawn Paterson (senior player). A great way for kids to have fun, get some exercise and learn a bit about netball - £2/session. Pass the word to interested friends/parents. We have plenty of room and all are welcome! Just turn up or contact Judith on 07825 151676.

**Back to Netball** – Sue Begley (U11 coach & mum to junior player) is running sessions on Friday evenings 6:30-8pm at County Offices for women of all playing abilities to come and have fun playing netball in a warm, friendly atmosphere. Sessions are perfect to get back to netball or just keep fit. Come as often or as little as you want - £4/session. Pass the message onto friends – everyone welcome! Just turn up or contact Sue on 07883 510992.

**National Premier League Netball** – The Chester senior team competes in the National Premier League Division 3, making them one of the top 30 teams in the Country, and matches this season have taken the team all over the Country. We have five matches remaining, two away fixtures will see the team travel to Manchester and Poole and our best wishes go to Pam Lucas (Senior Coach) and the Team as they make these journeys. All the remaining fixtures will be fiercely competitive and will take the league standings to the wire! How about coming along to our home fixtures to support our team, they would really appreciate this and welcome the support of our younger players, the girls will be able to witness high quality netball at its best right on our own doorstep, details of the home matches are:

- 13 February @ 13.30 vs Elmdon, Venue – County Offices Sports Club, Chester
- 27 February @ 13.30 vs Sheffield Stormers, Venue - Woodford Lodge, Winsford
- 20 March @12.30 vs Lawn, Venue – County Offices Sports Club, Chester

Come along and support your local National League Team,  
it's your own Club and we are all CHESTER.

**Website** - Further details on who's who and what's on can also be found on our club website:  
<http://www.chesternetballclub.org/>