

## SPORT

# Xarifa's youngsters earn a podium place



**MEDAL WINNERS** Xarifa Coyotes members Mellissa Greenough, Joe Benham, Nathan Reynolds, Harry Thompson (captain), Zoe Higham, Lauren Saville, Daniel Saville PICTURE PETER SAVILLE

**UNDERWATER HOCKEY** Tameside-based Xarifa didn't sink when they entered the Batley under-14s competition.

The event, won by Rochdale Mantas, saw Xarifa enter two teams – the Cougars and the Coyotes.

A less experienced Cougars team finished seventh out of the eight entrants while the Coyotes claimed bronze medals, behind silver medallists South West.

The tournament held in Batley, West-Yorkshire, was

attended by teams from as far afield as Devon and Glasgow.

Only eight teams entered, allowing them to play a full round-robin, even if it was a non-standard five-a-side competition to align with new national requirements, each

team being allowed three substitutes.

Previously, it was a sport for six-a-side teams using four substitutes.

The home club entered two teams, who finished fourth and fifth, team South West – which

comprises many Devon clubs – were sixth, while Glasgow took the final place.

Xarifa coach Pete Saville said: "It was a great experience for them all in preparation for the Junior National Championships."

## **BOWLS** Tameside Ladies Bowling League Results

First Division: Saddleworth 8 Grapes Hotel 4.5; Stalybridge Rec A 8 Diggle 4.5; Stamford Park A 8 Hyde Park 4.5; Uppermill A 3 Tintwistle 10.5.

Second Division: Cedar Park A 9 Moorside 3; Dobcross 8 Cedar Park B 4.5; Fitzroy 3 Etherow 10.5; King Georges 8 Gamesley 4.5; Norths 8 Dukinfield Park A 4.5.

Third Division: Dukinfield Park B 6 Soroptimists 7.5; Haughton Green 8 Friezland B 4.5; Stamford Park B 9 Uppermill B 3; Victoria Park B 8 Stalybridge Rec B 4.5.

### Standings

First Division: Tintwistle 33; Friezland A 30.5; Stamford Park A 28; Saddleworth 27.5; Stalybridge Rec A 27; Grapes Hotel 25.5; Diggle 19.5; Hyde Park 18.5; Royton Park 18; Uppermill A 16.5.

Second Division: Dobcross 40.5; Moorside 36; Cedar Park A 33; Etherow 29; King Georges 26; Norths 25; Gamesley 24.5; Fitzroy 16.5; Cedar Park B 15; Dukinfield Park A 11.5.

Third Division: Stamford Park B 42.5; Haughton Green 31.5; Stalybridge Rec B 29; Friezland B 29; Riverside Hyde Club 26; Dukinfield Park B 25.5; Manor Park 24.5; Victoria Park A 24; Victoria Park B 22; Soroptimists 17.5; Uppermill B 12.5.

**JUNIOR FOOTBALL** Elite Soccer are running half-term soccer camps at West Hill School, Stalybridge, on May 30-31 (10am-3pm).

One is for children aged between three and six and another for those between seven and 12. It costs £30 for two days with a £10 deposit required; phone John on 07920 524145.