

# Falcons Gymnastic Academy

## Newsletter January 2011



*Wishing you all a very Happy New Year for 2011.*

*Thank you all at Falcons Gym for all the hard work and effort into making 2010 a very successful year for the Club. With the prospect of the New Gym a step nearer lets hope the Year ahead will be our most memorable.*

*Thanks for your continued support, without it none of this would be possible.*

### Race Night at Barum Gate

A big thank you to all those who attended the recent fund raiser and bought / sponsored horses for the event. A good night was enjoyed by all, with many happy winners. We raised a very impressive £1000. Special thanks to Peter Elder for organising the evening. We will be planning another soon.

### Sponsored Climb of Mt Kilimanjaro.

If you haven't seen the notice board, Sean Wheatley will have climbed this mountain on Christmas Day, if you are able to show your support by sponsoring him, it would be greatly appreciated. The form is at the Gym ALL money raised will go towards the new Gym. Many thanks.

Due to changing roles at work, Ian Owen had to stand down as Chairman. Simon Jago is now acting Chair and Mark Dorman Vice-chair. So an early reminder to all parents and carers, at the next AGM in April, all positions will be up for re-election. We also require as many new committee members as possible. The committee meets once every 6 weeks for a couple of hours to try and improve the Club for all. If you have something to offer and a little spare time, we would love your support. In the year ahead there will be many events taking place to assist in securing additional funds for the planned move. P.S you don't have to wait till April, as planned events will require support before then.

### ANNUAL AWARDS NIGHT AT FUNDERZONE

Well done to all those that received awards on the night. I'm pleased to say that on the night £XXX was raised towards the new gym. Thanks to all those that helped and supported the event. For 2011, the Awards Night will hopefully be held at the New Gym. Staging the event there, will allow all gymnasts a chance to showcase their skills in front of friends and families, who don't get to see them perform.

### MAKING THE GRADE

Well done to the following gymnasts who passed their South West Club grades at Plymouth recently. Grade 14: Caitlin Lace, Michelle Kingdom, Francesca Sayer and Sophie Holland. Grade 13: Polly Holman, Holly Blackmore. Grade 11: Jamie Plummer and Bea Isaac, Grade 9: Katie Harris.



### New Arrival

Congratulations to Derek Potter and Fran on the birth of their beautiful twins, Anja and William Potter on the 1st December 2010. Best wishes from all at Falcons Gym.

### IMPORTANT ISSUES

- Could you please make sure your Gym Fees are paid within 2 weeks from receiving your bill. In line with the letter that was circulated to all members recently, failure to do so will result in additional fees. If you have any concerns please speak to Mike or your Son / Daughters Coach, were the matter will be dealt with in the strictest of confidence. Falcons' is a non profit making business that requires prompt payment to balance the accounts. As with many households this is also an expensive time for Falcons with additional heating bills that have to be paid. Sorry for the tone and abruptness, but some fees are still due from last term. Whilst not directed at everyone, circumstances can change for all. If you do have any future concerns please address them as soon as possible, we are here to help.
- If you have any issues or concerns please feel free to contact the club's welfare officer Helen Feltham on 01769572620 or 07814533254. For issues outside the clubs control, where British Gymnastics procedures will be implemented please contact South West's acting officer Christine O'Hagan on 07739512208 or email at [chrstine.o'hagan@britishgymnastics.org](mailto:chrstine.o'hagan@britishgymnastics.org)