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LITTLE JESSICA IS DEVON CHAMPION

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The South Devon School of Gymnastics has enjoyed a double success after achieving some impressive results at both the Devon Novice Championships and the Teign View Recreation Competition, held in Exeter.

Jessica Sanders-Wyatt, seven, came away from the county event as the new Devon U9s champion after a stunning performance. Winning on the floor, bars and vault and finishing in fifth on the beam, young Jessica led the Paignton club's charge.

India Marshall, seven, came away as runner-up behind Jessica, gaining a second place on bars, floor and beam and a third on the vault.

Charlotte Pepperell gained second place on the vault and fifth place on the floor. Club-mates Ashleigh Hudson and Josie Cox also competed to a high standard in their first Devon Novice Championship.

Meanwhile, in the recent Teign View Recreation Competition, the club came away with some outstanding results.

Some 25 children took part, gaining 10 gold medals, 11 silvers, eight bronzes and 27 fourth, fifth and sixth places. In all, 56 places were within the top six.

In the 2002 age group, Lucy Rowell gained second place overall, and finished second on the floor and beam, and third on the vault.

Skye Johnson gained fourth place overall, finishing in third on the beam, and fourth on the vault and floor. Kateley Lloyd gained fifth place overall and fifth on the vault, floor and beam.

In the 2001 age group, Alex Richards came away with a fourth place finish overall, gaining second place on the vault, third on the floor and fourth on the beam.

The 2000 age group saw Thalia Kneil came away first overall, winning the vault and beam and finishing fifth on the floor. Amy Philbin came away fourth overall, finishing in fourth on the floor and beam.

Lizzie Thompson was second on the vault, while Bess Ashworth was third on the vault, and Alice Nutall sixth.

The 1999 age group saw Courtenay Pagett also gain gold overall, winning the vault and beam and coming second on the floor. Lucy Dunlop was sixth overall, gaining third on the floor. Pheobe Bird was sixth on the beam and Nicole Bartlett was sixth on the floor.

In the 1998 age group, Tilly Haggerty came away second overall, finishing second on the vault, third on the beam and sixth on the floor, while Zoe Brown was third overall, second on the beam and third on the vault.

The 1997 age group saw Chloe Hartland finishing in first place overall, achieving first on the floor, fourth on the vault and fifth on the beam.

Harriet Hern was fourth overall, second on the beam and fifth on the floor.

Lauren Perkin was fifth overall, finishing in fifth on the vault and sixth on the floor, while Hayley Brown was first on the beam. Charlotte Herbner-Passmore was second on the floor and Caroline Trewern was sixth on the vault.

Meanwhile, in the recent Buddy Competition, the U9s team came away with third place overall. The team consisted of Hannah Millis, Rachel Underhay, Ella Morse, Jade Proctor and Bethany Norman.

In the U13s age group, Jessica Crawford came away with first place overall and Jessica North came away with fourth.

For further information on the club, contact Nicci Tucker (general manager) or a member of her team on 01803 523774.

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