

Sandford and Shorland Panthers shine

Exeter & District Volleyball League

THE Christmas break did Sandford and Shorland Panthers good as they cruised to a shock 3-0 win over league leaders Teignmouth B in Division Two. The Panthers had Steve Raine back in action for the first time since receiving a nasty ankle injury nearly a year ago. Captain Steve McMahon gave a fine defensive performance but it was a very good all round performance by the whole team, with the Panthers winning the first set 15-8.

Sue Bell's Teignmouth side really could not get it together on the day, and the Panthers capitalised on that, piling on the points during the second set which ended with a 15-0 whitewash. The third was not so easy, with a much closer set ending 15-10 in favour of the Panthers.

Player of the match went to Carolyn Williams, whose consistent serving is always one of the Panthers' steadying influences.

In Division Three, Squits Park Rangers beat Wonford Scorpions 2-1 at Broadclyst Sports Centre. New signing Andy Boston showed his previous experience and organised the home side well, while the Scorpions seemed to lose their sting. Rangers took a close first set 15-12, and continued with a good team display in the second to win 15-6, while poor digging and inconsistent serving let the Scorpions down. The Scorpions recovered well to win 15-8 in the final set, despite captain Jim Gardner being given the yellow card. Player of the match went to Scorpions centre Steve Spicer.

Division One	P	W	L	Pts
Clifton Hill Torexe	6	5	1	18
Channings Wood	6	4	2	15
Teignmouth A	5	4	1	14
Exeter College	6	2	4	10
Showrisan Beta Blockers	5	1	4	7
Clifton Hill Lance Cer.	6	1	5	4

Division Two	P	W	L	Pts
Teignmouth B	6	6	0	22
Culm Valley 2	5	4	1	17
Sandford & Shorland P.	5	3	2	11
Cullompton School 1	6	1	5	6
Torexe Pinder Fashions	6	1	5	5

Division Three	P	W	L	Pts
Honiton VB Club	5	5	0	19
HM Prison Exeter	5	4	1	16
Wonford Scorpions	4	2	2	9
Squits Park Rangers	5	1	4	4
Bampton Young Farmers	5	0	5	0

Womens	P	W	L	Pts
Volleydolleys	3	2	1	9
Torexe	2	2	0	7
Culm Valley	1	1	0	4
Teignmouth	2	1	1	4
Minehead	2	0	2	0
Exeter University	2	0	2	0