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## Florence follows in famous footsteps



**STREETLY** ski star Florence Bell is following in the footsteps of the likes of Sir Chris Hoy, Dame Kelly Holmes and Rebecca Adlington after receiving a top award.

Bell is a recipient of a SportsAid award – which provides financial help – donated by City law firm Eversheds, previously handed out to the Olympic legends.

Bell said: "I would like to say thank you to Sports Aid and Eversheds.

"Skiing is a very expensive sport and I have to spend large amounts of time on snow, in the

mountains of Europe and the Southern Hemisphere in order to train, to race and to remain competitive.

"I am very proud to have been recognised in this way and to receive this support and hope to reward that

recognition through my results in forthcoming races."

The 15-year-old's next major competition will be the Topolino races in Folgaria in Italy next weekend, when she represents Great Britain.

## Scrum Factory set to head into the region

**RUGBY:** Aston Old Eds RFC's Sunnybank Avenue ground will be the venue for one of 12 Scrum Factory workshops being held across the West Midlands. The workshops have been designed by Graham Smith and Matt Ferguson, with the help of former England prop Graham Rowntree, to encourage quality scrummaging at all levels. It takes place on April 4 and each session costs £15.50 per coach. Email sarahblackburn@rfu.com for details.

## United set to serve up an ace open day

**TENNIS:** Sutton United Tennis Club are holding an open day on Sunday, March 20 at their Tamworth Road base.

The event is aimed at juniors and seniors of all ages and abilities. Coaches and members will be on hand to pass on tips and advice between 1pm and 2pm and 2.30pm to 3.30pm.

Discounts are on offer for membership and coaching for players who sign up on the