

## **West Bridgford Tennis Players all set for Special Olympics**

Six players who train at West Bridgford Tennis Club have been selected to represent the East Midlands Tennis Team to compete in the Special Olympics Great Britain 8<sup>th</sup> National Summer Games in Leicester from 25<sup>th</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> July. This event will be the largest sporting event to take place in Britain for people with a learning disability in 2009. The National Summer Games are the culmination of four years of training for the athletes and gives each athlete the opportunity to demonstrate their achievements.

Over 2,700 athletes and 1,000 coaches from 18 regions throughout Great Britain will be competing in 22 sports. The six West Bridgford based tennis players, Katherine Ashcroft, Michael Clarke, Joseph Eccles, Alex Eustace, Leigh Foster and Steven Uttley will be joined by two players from Leicestershire to make up the team that will compete in singles and doubles events. Lesley Whitehead, West Bridgford Tennis Club's Tennis Manager and National Tennis Coach for players with a Learning Disability is the Tennis Event Director for the Games.