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The season kicks off with the first weekend of the new Cippenham Series

Series Begins

The brand new season got off to a flying start with the inaugural events in the new Cippenham Series. The Cippenham Series is a grand prix style competition over six weekends culminating in May 2009. Players are awarded points for their performances over the season and monetary prizes will be awarded to the most successful at the end of the season. Each weekend consists of two open tournaments and the last weekend in August saw the first senior and junior events take place.

Winner of the main event on the Sunday, the Men's Singles, was top seed Neil Charles. Charles, who played for Cippenham during the period 1996-1998, was pushed all the way in the final by Owen Clutterbuck. In a match that swung one way and then the other the two left-handers slugged it out for the top prize. Charles eventually prevailed 12-10 in the deciding fifth game of an entertaining match. First game went easily to Charles but Owen, a Welshman who has signed to play for Cippenham's second team in the upcoming British League season, then clawed his way back into the match and led 2-1. Charles responded in fine fashion to square at 2-2 and there was rarely more than a single point between the players as the final game had the spectators enthralled.

Owen had enjoyed the less troubled route to the final. Only Andy Misdine in Round 2 took a game off him whereas Charles had suffered that fate twice; in his quarter-final with Neil Wright and the semi-final against



Men's Singles finalists: Neil Charles and Owen Clutterbuck

Salman Tanveer and Eddie Mitchell and (inset) Rafique Sarhadi

Reece Tan. The talented youngster Tan had beaten the host club's best hope, third seed David Hayes, in Round 2 and then eliminated another Cippenham player Mark Jackson in the quarter-final. However, apart from Owen, Cippenham were further represented in the last four by surprise semi-finalist Rafique Sarhadi. Rafi has been practising at Cippenham during the past few weeks and was persuaded to enter. It was a wise move as he carved a furrow through the field with wins over Steve Kerns and Simon Dilkes amongst others.

The Women's Singles was played as a round robin of nine players so there was a feast of table tennis for all. The title was decided after a two-way tie was split by Jurate Brazaityte's win over her Kent colleague Jasmin Ould along the way. Charleigh Kirby, who had beaten Brazaityte, came third while Cippenham's own Sue Hayes

finished in fourth place after a three-way tie with Tressa Armitage and Taylor Williams.

On Saturday Staffordshire's James Ward won the Boys' Singles to get his Series title hopes off to the best possible start. He saw off the young starlet and aptly named Ping Ho three-straight in the final but had received his sternest test in the semi-final. There he had needed all five games to recover from a two-game deficit to defeat Da Shuai Zhang. The other semi was also a tight affair with Cippenham's Edward Mitchell, who has missed a lot of training through the summer because of a wrist injury, giving second best to top seed Ho only at 12-10 in the fifth after recovering from two games down.

Jasmin Ould, runner-up in the Women's Singles on Sunday, had a similar result in the Girls'

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14 New Umpires

Resulting from the extensive training activities that have taken place at Cippenham over the past year, fourteen new County Umpires became qualified when assessments took place at the Cippenham Series 1 tournament.

Seven of these are Club members. Congratulations to David Akehurst, Paul Baker, David Hayes, Sue Hayes, Alex Lovell, Jacquie Lovell and Steve Smith.

Thanks to Mick Strode and others, especially Terry Boxall and Malcolm Makarian, for their tireless work in assessing the candidates.

Women and Girls' Evening

For the first time Cippenham TTC is dedicating a whole evening to **women and girls**

Come and have fun in your favourite sport with no men around to spoil it!

Friday 26 September 2008
7—9 pm

Ask your friends along and introduce them to table tennis; come along yourself and welcome visitors

For more details give Sue Hayes a call on 01753 573669

Strictly, no men allowed!!

Series 1 (cont.)

Singles on Saturday. After surviving a deuce call in the fifth game of her semi with Charleigh Kirby, Ould gave second best to Feifei Pei in the final. Pei's hardest encounter was back in the quarter-final when she just got the better of Evangeline Collier 15-13 in the fifth.

The consolation events were won by Earl Sweeney, Eddie Freeman and Tressa Armitage. The best Cippenham performances came from Salman Tanveer in reaching the final of the boys' consolation and Tony Stead in reaching the semi of the men's event. Paul Baker and Anthony Gardner were quarter-finalists in this and the latter enjoyed a great win over Cippenham British League player Steve Smith en route.

13th is Lucky for Terry



Terry Osborne (left) with Eddie Mitchell

Cippenham's weekly Grand Prix event continues to throw up new champions. The latest series, the fifteenth, produced the thirteenth different winner in Terry Osborne. In fact, Terry is not even a member of Cippenham proving that this go-ahead club is truly a community-based environment in which anyone can go and play on a Tuesday or Thursday evening.

Terry won the first of the weekly events he entered at the beginning of July and followed this up with another win later in the month. In between he had a second place and another outside of the top eight and this gave him enough points to win the series. He did not even need his other second place gained in the final week.

In second place overall was Cippenham's brightest junior star Eddie Mitchell. Eddie won two of the three weeks that he entered but could only finish fourth in the final week. Tony Stead, who just pipped Elroy Hull for third place overall, and Jonathan Evans were the winners of the other two events.

| Grand Prix 15 | Pts |
|---------------------|-----|
| 1. Terry Osborne | 345 |
| 2. Eddie Mitchell | 240 |
| 3. Tony Stead | 220 |
| 4. Elroy Hull | 220 |
| 5. Steve Crow | 185 |
| 6. Gavin Williams | 110 |
| 7. Jonathan Evans | 100 |
| 8. Ricky Hardcastle | 80 |
| 9. Eric Van Looy | 70 |
| 10. Peter Gajdus | 60 |

Results

| | |
|--|------------------------|
| Winner: | Runner-up: |
| Men's Singles: Neil Charles (Mi) | Owen Clutterbuck (WAL) |
| Women's Singles: Jurate Brazaityte (K) | Jasmin Ould (K) |
| Boys' Singles: James Ward (St) | Ping Ho (Mi) |
| Girls' Singles: Feifei Pei (Sy) | Jasmin Ould (K) |
| Men's Consolation: Earl Sweeney (Wa) | Philip Walker (E) |
| Boys' Consolation: Eddie Freeman (St) | Salman Tanveer (Bu) |
| Girls' Consolation: Tressa Armitage (Ha) | Taylor Williams (WAL) |

Leading Positions After Cippenham Series 1

Senior Men:

1. Neil Charles (77)
2. Owen Clutterbuck (53)
3. Rafique Sarhadi (38)
4. Earl Sweeney (33)

Senior Women:

1. Jurate Brazaityte (33)
2. Jasmine Ould (33)
3. Charleigh Kirby (21)

Junior Boys:

1. James Ward (53)
2. Ping Ho (38)
3. Edward Mitchell (29)
3. Da Shuai Zhang (29)

Junior Girls:

1. Feifei Pei (24)
2. Jasmine Ould (24)
3. Charleigh Kirby (20)

Steph is new Duty Officer

From Tuesday 9 September the new Duty Office on Tuesday and Thursday evenings will be Stephanie Mitchell. Steph takes over from Catherine Hayes who is congratulated on the outstanding job she has done over the past year or two.

Team Selections Season 2008-9

The teams to represent Cippenham in various leagues this coming season have virtually been finalized. These are listed below but are still subject to minor changes.

Senior British League

Cippenham's British League teams, captained by Martin Adams, appear well prepared for the challenge of the season ahead.

The first squad, finding themselves in a challenging Division 1 South line-up, has a familiar ring to it with Martin Adams as captain, supported this year by David Hayes as and when studies (or lack of them) permit. Mark "The Butler" Butler will look to deliver a reliable silver service as he retains his first team place as will Rob "Iceman" Lemon and the ever reliable Lee Dredge, who all showed good form towards the end of last season to safely retain their status in Division 1. They will no doubt prove to be tough opponents for any team in the season ahead.

The second team just about managed to maintain their position in Division 1 South and Midlands. This season the squad welcomes the arrival of the raw talent of Martin Gray and Owen Clutterbuck, both players of exceptional natural ability who strengthen the side, ably backed up by Cippenham regulars Danny Baxter, Steve Munson and captain Mark Jackson.

The third team will be looking to challenge for promotion from Division 3 South. Chris Hansell will look to replicate last year's outstanding overall performance whilst Paul Baker, showing some great form after recovering from a long term injury, should be comfortable in the no. 2 position. Cippenham are looking to Eddie Mitchell to shine when available. We wish Paul Elliott well in recovering from a shoulder injury whilst congratulating both Phil Prady and Tony Stead upon their selection to the British League. Steve Smith is the captain of the side.

Players (ranking points):

Team I (Div 1 South):

1. Martin Adams (3930)
2. David Hayes (3592)
3. Mark Butler (3615)
4. Rob Lemon (3593)
5. Lee Dredge (3488)

Team II (Div 1 South & Midlands):

1. Martin Gray (3606)
2. Owen Clutterbuck (3568)
3. Danny Baxter (3509)
4. Steve Munson (3337)
5. Mark Jackson (3306)

Team III (Division 3 South):

1. Chris Hansell (2650)
2. Paul Baker (2631)
3. Eddie Mitchell (1235)
4. Paul Elliott (1779)
5. Phil Prady (1610)
6. Tony Stead
7. Steve Smith (1266)

Dates:

1. 20/21 September
2. 29/30 November
3. 11 January
4. 21/22 February

Venues:

Team I: at Cippenham except November weekend at Okehampton, Devon

Team II: always at Cippenham

Team III: always at DHS Greenhouse Progress Tournament Centre, Southall

Junior British League

This season there will again be one boys' team and one girls' team after our second boys' team failed to make it through the qualification event.

While the boys' team is exactly the same as last year, the girls' team is entirely different.

Sue Hayes has taken on the role of Secretary for both teams. The captains are Ken Phillips (boys) and Jan Chapman (girls).

Players (ranking points):

Boys:

1. Edward Mitchell (1406)
2. Ruihao Zhang (1719)
3. Andrew Linz (1225)

Girls:

1. Angela Oetiker (724)
2. Emma Elliston (636)
3. Stephanie Mitchell (617)

Dates:

1. 18/19 October
2. 7/8 February

Venue:

Aldersley Leisure Village, Wolverhampton

Veterans' British League

The team is the same as last year and

fortunes should improve following demotion to Division 2. Graham Trimming is acting as Secretary and Mike Rhodes as Captain.

Players (ranking points):

1. Mike Rhodes (3220)
2. Roger Hookey (3190)
3. Charlie Childs (3134)
4. Paul Baker (3052)

Dates:

1. 25/26 October
2. 31 January/1 February

Venues:

1. Hereford
2. The Dome, Doncaster

National Junior League

Teams for this competition will be announced shortly.

Slough League

Graham Trimming is acting as Secretary for these teams and John Lloyd the League Captain.

Matches are played through the season on a home and away basis.

Outlaws (Div 1):

Neil Bird; Paul Baker; Steve Smith; Steve Smith (snr); Tony Stead; Graham Trimming

Buccaneers (Div 1):

Tony Andrews; Terry Boxall; Anthony Gardner; Ricky Hardcastle; Sue Hayes; Salman Tanveer; Gavin Williams

Rascals (Div 2):

Armando Borges; Paul Chandler; Duncan Calvert; John Lloyd; Ollie Valdez

Scoundrels (Div 2):

Ray Burbidge; Rob Evans; Tariq Kashmiri; Rajesh Taneja; Georgia Veneer

Maidenhead League

After an absence of a few seasons, Cippenham are pleased once again to run a team in the Maidenhead League.

Matches are played through the season on a home and away basis.

Cippenham (Premier Div):

Steve Smith (capt.); Neil Bird; Tim Goodship; Sue Hayes; Eddie Mitchell; Simon Wilde

Senior British League report written by Martin Adams

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Weekend Diary September/October

September

Sep 13 Bucks Trials—Senior, Veterans, Junior
 Sep 20 British League Div 1S & Div 1S&M (1)
 Sep 21 British League Div 1S & Div 1S&M (1)
 Sep 28 National Junior League (1)

October

Sat 11 Southern Region junior training squad
 Sat 18 Cippenham Series 2—Senior 2 2-Star Open
 Sun 19 Cippenham Series 2—Veterans' 1 2-Star Open
 Sat 25 County Championships Junior Premier Division
 Sun 26 County Championships Junior Premier Division



Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Nov 8 National Junior League (2)
 Nov 9 Cippenham Team 2-Star Open
 Nov 15/16 County Championships Senior Premier Div
 Nov 22 County Championships Junior Division 2C
 Nov 29/30 British League Divisions 1S&M & 2S (2)
 Dec 6 National Junior League (3)
 Dec 7 Southern Region junior training
 Dec 13 County Championships Senior Division 2D
 Jan 10 County Championships Senior Division 2D
 Jan 11 British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M (3)
 Jan 24 Buckinghamshire Junior Closed
 Jan 25 Southern Region junior training
 Ja31/Feb1 Cippenham Young Players' New Year Fest
 Feb 7 Cippenham Series 3—Senior 3 Open
 Feb 8 Cippenham Series 3—Veterans' 2 Open
 Feb 14/15 Maidenhead Closed Championships
 Feb 21/22 British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M (4)
 Fe28/Mar1 Reading Closed Championships
 Mar 7 National Junior League (4)
 Mar 28 Cippenham Series 4—Senior 4 Open
 Mar 29 Cippenham Series 4—Junior 2 Open
 May 2 Cippenham Series 5—Cadet & U13 Open
 May 3 Cippenham Series 5—Junior 3 Open
 May 23 Cippenham Series 6—Veterans' 3 Open
 May 24 Cippenham Series 6—Senior 5 Open
 Jun 13/14 Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.

Weekday Diary

Mon 7:15 Advanced Coaching
Tues 7:30 Practice Tables
 7:40 Grand Prix
Wed 7:30 Squad Training
Thurs 5:15 Beginners' Coaching
 7:15 Slough League matches
 7:30 Practice Tables

Your Membership Form for 2008-9 is now due

The membership year runs from 1 September to 31 August

Thanks to the many who have already submitted theirs

If you have not yet done so, then please send your form to Graham, with the correct fees, as soon as possible.

Thanks.

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 2008-09

| | Full | Conc'n |
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| Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8) | £15.00 | £7.50 |
| Family Membership (1/9 to 31/8) | £25.00 | n/a |
| Annual Membership (after 30/11 per month) | £1.50 | £0.75 |
| Family Membership (after 30/11 per month) | £2.50 | n/a |
| Slough League Registration | £15.00 | £7.50 |
| M Maidenhead League Registration | £15.00 | £7.50 |
| National Junior League registration | n/a | £12.00 |
| Practice Fees | *£3.50 | *£1.75 |
| Slough League Match Fees | £3.50 | £1.75 |
| Coaching Fees (per session) | **£5.00 | **£2.50 |
| Coaching Fees (per term - 1st group) | | £30.00 |
| Coaching Fees (per term - 2nd group) | | £20.00 |
| * plus £1.50 (75p) for non-members | | |
| ** plus 50p (25p) for non-members | | |

Events away from Cippenham

Oct 18/19 Junior British League (1) (Wolverhampton)
 Oct 25/26 Veterans' British League (1) (Hereford)
 Jan31/Fe1 Veterans' British League (2) (Doncaster)
 Feb 7/8 Junior British League (2) (Wolverhampton)

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