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Jo's absence a blow in Junior British League title challenge

MIXED FORTUNES AT NORWICH

There were mixed fortunes for Cippenham's teams at the Junior British League during the weekend of October 12/13th. All four teams performed to expectations with the girls' second team being the most successful. The girls' first team were hampered by the non-availability of star player Joanna Parker who was making her European League debut for the senior England team at Vilnius, Lithuania.

In the end the Cippenham "A" team had to settle for third place at the half-way stage in the Girls' Premier Division after suffering defeats at the hands of Grove "A" and Team Peniel "A". The Peniel match was lost 4-2 with Cippenham's wins coming from Gemma Chapman and Karen Shepherd. Gemma Yarnley, deputising for Joanna, lost a set 3-2 to Sarah Brown in what proved to be the difference between no points and one point. Grove were inspired by Chinese import Zhao Shuang and the Market Drayton club's 5-1 win in this match was replicated against each one of their four other opponents.

Better results came from Cippenham's other three matches. The weekend commenced with a 4-2 win over Wirral with Gemma Chapman winning twice and Karen and Gemma Yarnley both once. Then followed a 5-1 win over Scotland with only Gemma Yarnley losing and a 6-0 drubbing of the Seaside of Blackpool.

Led by a superb performance from Emily Tucker, who lost only once to head the division averages, the girls' second team



The whole squad, with coaches, at the JBL weekend

went through the weekend unbeaten even though they could only draw three of their four matches. The weekend started with a 3-3 draw with Darlington "A". Emily won two in this match and Rebecca Tweedy, on British League debut, won the other. This was followed up with a 5-1 thrashing of Team Peniel "B". Emily and Francesca Parnell both bagged a brace for Cippenham with Rebecca winning once. The 3-3 draw against Irish Girls was a real team effort, all three girls winning once in a match where Emily suffered her only defeat to the Irish number one. Emily again won twice in the final match, another 3-3 draw with Grove "B", and again it was Rebecca who supplied the all important third set.

The boys' team, although only in fourth place, on sets aggregate, in Division 1 are only one point adrift from the runners-up position. David Hayes played well throughout and was only beaten once but the other players must have

been disappointed with their form. Robert Lemon, who has an extraordinary record in the senior British League, could only find the winning post twice as could James Milton, who tried hard but was a little off form. Chris Hansell won only one of his six matches. Nevertheless, the weekend started well with a 4-2 win over Darlington "A". Robert's two wins came in this match and they were matched with a brace from David. It all went sour in the second match, however, as, with David rested, Cippenham suffered a 5-1 reverse to Devon Aces with only James getting on the scoresheet. Saturday finished with a 3-3 draw with Team Peniel "A" with Chris adding to two wins from David. Sunday saw mixed fortunes as the morning brought a 5-1 defeat by Scotland, with only David on the scoresheet, then the afternoon produced a 4-2 win over Irish Boys. David won twice, James once and Robert was awarded a walkover.

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Cippenham Banded 2-Star Open

Sunday 8th December 2002

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Junior British League (cont.)

For the first time a third girls' team was entered and this was placed by the organizers in Division 2, one above the basement. The young team played well but without the killer instinct required to win at this level and are currently lying in sixth position. Their one point came in the final match against NALGO Nuneaton and was inspired by two wins from Melanie Farquhar and one from Sylvana Bielec. Eleanor Tweedy and Caroline Linz had their moments in other matches and both broke their duck during the weekend.

results >>>

News in Short

Jo's European League debut

Cippenham's Joanna Parker (15) made her European League debut for England in the First Division group matches played at Vilnius, Lithuania, in October. England won two matches, 3-2 against Israel and by the same score against Spain but succumbed to the hosts in the opening fixture 3-0. Joanna won one of her three matches, an important win over Olga Pritulo in the match against Israel.

Gareth Scores Against Norway

England lost 3-1 to Norway at Portsmouth in the European League in October. Only Gareth Herbert, who had a great win over World no. 72 Geir Erlandsen, managed to win for the home team.

Outstanding Contribution Award for Alan Farral

Cippenham Table Tennis Club celebrated six years in our purpose-built centre with a party and the annual presentation of the Outstanding Contribution Award. With officers of the Club being ineligible for the award,



which carries with it the Karen Mitchell Memorial Trophy, the opportunity was taken to show appreciation to the many other volunteers who help with catering, coaching, teams organization and all the other tasks so necessary at one of England's top table tennis clubs. Charles Mitchell, widower of Karen, presented the award to Alan Farral for his continuing dedication to coaching the beginners' class and running the bar, both tasks which he has done weekly for the entire six years of the Centre's existence. Another "first" was that this was the second time Alan had received the award as he was also the first recipient back in 1997.

AND THERE'S AN AWARD FOR THE CLUB ALSO



Peter Hillier, Graham Trimming, Jacquie Lovell and Terry Boxall receive the award from ETTA Chairman Alan Ransome OBE

Cippenham Table Tennis Club's continuing place as one of the major clubs in English table tennis was confirmed when the Club was presented with yet another award. This season it was third place nationally in the *Premier Club* of the Year awards at Excellence level. Having won the award in both 1996 and 1997, Cippenham has been at the forefront of the sport since the opening of the £520,000 Cippenham Table Tennis Centre in 1996. Last season Cippenham were given second prize and the competition is stiff – this year's winners, Ellenborough TTC (Enfield) went on to win the coveted CCPR national award, and the £10,000 prize money that went with it, in competition with 80 entrants from all other sports.

The award was presented to Club Secretary and Founder Graham Trimming and other members of the Club by English Table Tennis Association Chairman Alan Ransome OBE. The citation praised the skilled and dedicated management team that runs the Club and which has developed a comprehensive activity programme. The occasion was the ETTA Southern Region conference "Recruit and Prosper" staged at Cippenham TTC and The Westgate School at which speakers from the ETTA and Sport England enthused an audience of thirty delegates on the merit of the Volunteer Investment Programme and associated topics.

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Junior British League Results

League Tables:

Boys Division 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
1. Scotland A	5	4	1	0	23	7	9
2. Darlington A	5	2	2	1	17	13	6
3. Devon Aces	5	2	1	2	16	14	5
4. Cippenham A	5	2	1	2	13	17	5
5. Team Peniel A	5	1	2	2	11	19	4
6. Irish Boys	5	0	1	4	10	20	1

Girls' Premier Division

1. Grove A	5	5	0	0	25	5	10
2. Team Peniel A	5	4	0	1	19	11	8
3. Cippenham A	5	3	0	2	18	12	6
4. Wirral Premier	5	2	0	3	13	17	4
5. Seasiders	5	1	0	4	8	22	2
6. Scotland	5	0	0	5	7	23	0

Girls Division 1

1. Darlington A	4	2	2	0	16	8	6
2. Grove B	4	1	3	0	14	10	5
3. Cippenham B	4	1	3	0	14	10	5
4. Team Peniel B	4	1	1	2	8	16	3
5. Irish Girls	4	0	1	3	8	16	1
6. Woolwell Foxes	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Girls Division 2

1. NETTS Chelmsford	5	4	1	0	20	10	9
2. The Weald	5	3	2	0	20	10	8
3. Draycott & Lg Eaton	5	3	1	1	18	12	7
4. Byng Hall	5	1	1	3	13	17	3
5. NALGO (Nuneaton)	5	0	2	3	11	19	2
6. Cippenham C	5	0	1	4	8	22	1

Averages

	M	P	W	Av
Boys A				
David Hayes	4	8	7	88
Robert Lemon	4	7	2	29
James Milton	4	8	2	25
Chris Hansell	3	6	1	17
Girls A				
Gemma Chapman	5	10	7	70
Karen Shepherd	5	10	7	70
Gemma Yarnley	5	10	4	40
Girls B				
Emily Tucker	4	8	7	88
Rebecca Tweedy	4	8	4	50
Francesca Parnell	4	8	3	38
Girls C				
Melanie Farquhar	4	8	4	50
Sylvana Bielec	4	8	2	25
Eleanor Tweedy	3	6	1	17
Caroline Linz	4	8	1	13

Results:

Boys A

4-2 Darlington A
1-5 Devon Aces
3-3 Team Peniel A
1-5 Scotland A
4-2 Irish Boys

Girls B

3-3 Darlington A
5-1 Team Peniel B
3-3 Irish Girls
3-3 Grove B

Girls A

4-2 Wirral Premier
5-1 Scotland A
2-4 Team Peniel A
6-0 Seasiders
1-5 Grove A

Girls C

2-4 The Weald
1-5 Draycott & Lg Eaton
1-5 Byng Hall
1-5 NETTS Chelmsford
3-3 NALGO (Nuneaton)

Men's Singles:

Ritchie Venner (Sx) bt Steve Hall (WAL) 4, 4, 8

Women's Singles:

Michele Cohen (Wi) bt Rose Rainton (Sx) 7, 5, 7

Men's Consolation:

Marc Armstrong (Mi) bt Gavin West (E) -8, -9, 6, 7, 10

Women's Consolation:

Sharon Mitchell (Bk) bt Marianne Willsher (Gs) 8, 7, 12

Top Seeds Successful at Senior Open

Top seeds Ritchie Venner and Michele Cohen fully justified their rankings by winning the main titles at the Cippenham 2-Star Open Championships on 20th October. The entry of 100 players was the largest yet for a senior tournament at Cippenham and drew players from all over the south of England, the Midlands and Wales.

Venner was in a class of his own in the Men's Singles, dropping only one game in his defence of the title he also won in 2001. That was in Round 1 when Daniel Cannon took the third game. After that small blemish Venner dispatched David Crowley, Neil Cartwright and Sam Cannon all three-straight before showing how to deal with the unusual long-pimpled style of Steve Hall in the final. The Sussex man beat the Welshman 11-4, 11-4, 11-8.

Second seed Hall had reached the final by winning his group and then dealing with the competition provided by Ian Packford, Geoff Grange, Ghana international Eric Hammond and fellow Welshman Neil Wright.

Sam Cannon, from Essex, a scratch entry on the day, was the surprise package of the tournament. He reached the semi-final, taking advantage of the vacant fourth seed position even though he came only second in his group. There he lost an 11-8 fifth game epic with Geoff Grange. Cannon then came through a preliminary round match before beating Mark Jackson, the Cippenham player who had ousted fourth seed Hari Gehlot in the groups. Cannon then collected the scalps of Roland McLellan and Graham Outrim before succumbing to Venner in the semis. Outrim, himself, had a good day, beating Ian Packford in the group and then fifth seed Stephen Munson in the last sixteen.

The last remaining Cippenham member in the competition was Kimber Choda, who was runner-up in his group but then had a great win over seventh seed Ramesh Balla before losing to Wright in the quarters. Other Cippenham members who won their groups were Mark Banks, Mark Jackson, James Milton and tournament organizer Paul Baker.

Michele Cohen (Wiltshire) came from 2-1 down in her group match to beat Gail <<< results

Davey 11-7 in the fifth, but otherwise was hardly troubled, dropping only the first game to junior Sarah Hall on her way to the title. In the final she beat defending champion Rose Rainton 11-7, 11-5, 11-7. The semi-finalists were Sarah Horsnell, who ended the run of Cippenham's 13-years old Melanie Farquhar 11-9 in the fifth in the quarters, and Gail Davey, who added to her previous good form by defeating Anusha Seneviratne in the quarters.

Some of the closest matches took place in the consolation events, and three involved Cippenham's Marc Armstrong who won the Men's Consolation. His run of close matches started with an 11-9 fifth game success over Earl Sweeney. Then followed a relatively easy four-game victory over Dannel Pang before 11-8 in the fifth in the semi against Ramesh Gehlot and an epic 12-10 fifth game clincher in the final against Gavin West.

Organizer Paul Baker and referee Graham Trimming ensured that, even with the big entry, the tournament finished exactly on schedule.

Junior Leagues

The first session of the **National Junior League** has been completed. The most successful team was the Boys' "B" team which currently lies second in its division.

Teams selected are as follows:

Boys B: Sebastian Bielec; Ashley Shaw; Oliver Shaw

Boys C: Matthew Tucker; Andrew Dickens; Andrew Linz

Boys D: Prabdeep Panesar; William Mitchell; Frazer Harper

Boys E: Michael Steadman; Chris Witchell; Alex Polding; Mark Anstey

Boys F: Nick Mellish; Alex Lovell; Matthew Griffiths; Uzman Tanveer

Boys G: Stephen Hawkes; Salman Tanveer; Shaan Bangar; James Sandford

Girls D: Katy Rule; Stephanie Mitchell; Rachel Farquhar; Angel Oetiker

The **National Cadet League** has also started with the one Cippenham team in third place.

Girls: Jenny Hansell; Catherine Hayes; Katy Rule; Rachel Farquhar

The **Slough League Youth Division** has commenced with eight Cippenham teams forming the only division. Only 17 of the 30 named players turned up for the first session on October 13th.

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Weekend Diary November/December

November

Sat 2nd	3:00pm	County Champs Junior Premier Division
Sun 3rd	9:30am	County Champs Junior Premier Division
Sun 17th	12:30pm	Slough League Youth Division (2)
Sat 23rd	9:30am	Bucks Junior Closed Championships
Sun 24th	9:30am	Southern Region Final Trials
Sat 30th	9:00am	Bucks Cadet Inter-League

December

Sat 7th	10:00am	Bucks county matches
Sun 8th	9:00am	Cippenham Banded 2-Star Open
Sat 14th	9:00am	National Junior League (2)
Sun 15th	12:30pm	Slough League Youth Division (3)
Sun 22nd	10:30am	Southern Region Training
	5:00pm	Christmas Party
Sat 28th	10:30am	Southern Region Coaches' Get-Together



The Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Jan 4	Southern Region Junior Training
Jan 11	National Junior League (3)
Jan 12	Cippenham U14/16 1-Star Open
Feb 2	Cippenham Veterans' 2-Star Open
Feb 8/9	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Feb 15/16	Reading Closed Championships
Feb 23	Slough League Youth Division (4)
Mar 2	Slough Closed Championships
Mar 15/16	British League D1S/2S weekend (4)
Mar 23	Berkshire Inter-Town Competition
Mar 29	National Junior League (4)
Mar 30	Southern Region Training
Apr 5/6	ETTA National Junior Masters
Apr 12/13	ETTA National Cadet Masters
Apr 15	Slough League Promotion Play-Offs (Tu)
Apr 19	Cippenham Junior 2-Star Open
May 3	Southern Region Junior Training
May 4	Slough League Youth Division (5)
May 31	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.
Jun 1	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.
Jun 14	Southern Region Junior Assessment
Jun 15	Cippenham Veterans' Summer 2* Open
Jul 12	Southern Region Coaches' Get-Together

Other Cippenham TTC Events

Nov 10	National Cadet League (2) (Chesham)
Nov 16/17	Veterans' British League (1) (Stoke)
Dec 14/15	British League (2) (Progress)
Jan 19	British League (3) (Progress)
Jan 25/26	Women's British League (2) (Grantham)
Feb 8/9	Veterans' British League (2) (Doncaster)
Feb 15/16	Junior British League (2)
Mar 9	National Cadet League (3) (Chesham)
Mar 23	National Cadet League (4) (Chesham)
May 10	British League Annual Conference
May 24/25	National Team Finals

Weekday Diary

Mon 5:30 Advanced Coaching
7:30 Excellence Coaching

Tues 7:15 Slough League matches
7:30 Practice Tables

Wed 7:30 Squad Training

Thurs 5:15 Beginners' Coaching
7:15 Slough League matches
7:30 Practice Tables

Bar Opening Times

Tuesday & Thursday
9pm - 11pm

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 2002-03

	Full	Conc'n
Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£10.00	£5.00
Family Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£17.50	n/a
Annual Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.00	£0.50
Family Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.75	n/a
Slough League Registration	£10.00	£5.00
Practice Fees	*£2.50	*£1.25
Slough League Match Fees	£2.50	£1.25
Slough Youth Division Match Fees	£0.50	£0.50
Coaching Fees (per session)	**£3.00	**£1.50
Coaching Fees (per term - 1 st group)		£25.00
Coaching Fees (per term - 2 nd group)		£15.00
* plus £1.00 (50p) for non-members		
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