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Over 300 entries yet again as Ken delivers another great event

Another Bumper Festival

Another massive entry turned out for the Cippenham New Year Young Players' Festival in January. The twice yearly festivals, comprising events over four age groups and taking two days to complete, are always well supported by players from all over the south of the country and beyond and this occasion was no exception. There were local successes but half of the ten winners' awards went west of the border into Wales.

Rising stars of the Welsh junior scene Patrick Thomas and Chloe Thomas took home two awards each while Charlotte Carey added to the principality's hoard winning the first event on Saturday morning.

The star performer was undoubtedly Patrick Thomas. The Blaenavon player won both the Sunday events, for under-16s and under-18s, beating Fatlum Sadiku in both finals.

Chloe Thomas made it a Welsh double in the under-16s when she beat Megan Sparrey in the final. However, there was little to chose between the girls when Thomas won 3-1 in four close games, a fact proved when the Middlesex player turned the tables on her opponent to win the under-18 final 3-1 later in the day.

The fifth Welsh victory was actually the first. Charlotte Carey had the honour of winning the first event for girls' under-12. The final was a close match see-sawing one way then another be-



fore Carey eventually got the better of Tressa Armitage 11-5 in the fifth.

Local successes were harder to find with the best example being Edward Mitchell. The 2005 national under-11 champion has won many events in the past two or three years at Cippenham and he duly obliged again, chalking up a notch for the home club in the under-14 event following a tough 3-2 struggle against another Welsh player Daniel O'Connell.

There were however other fine performances from local players. Alex Polding surpassed expectation in reaching the semi-final of the under-18s, his best result yet in a Cippenham tournament. At that stage he lost to the eventual champion Thomas and, in fact, went one round further than Eddie Mitchell who lost in the quarters to Joseph Chacholiades.

Eddie went one better in the under-16s, getting to the semi-final before losing to Thomas while Jonathan Evans reached the quarters and then lost

to the same player. Jonathan also reached the same stage in the under-14s. Matt Ashfield and Alex Parkinson both reach the quarter-finals of the under-12s before losing to Adam Hitchcock and the eventual winner Jared Patel respectively.

Angela Oetiker also played well: she qualified from her preliminary round group in the under-16s and reached the final of the consolation event in the under-18s.

U18 Boys' Singles:
Patrick Thomas (WAL) bt Fatlum Sadiku (Mi) 3,6,-4,7

U18 Girls' Singles:
Megan Sparrey (Mi) bt Chloe Thomas (WAL) -9,5,4,9

U16 Boys' Singles:
Patrick Thomas (WAL) bt Fatlum Sadiku (Mi) 4,-11,8,-8,9

U16 Girls' Singles:
Chloe Thomas (WAL) bt Megan Sparrey (Mi) 10,-11,8,10

U14 Boys' Singles:
Eddie Mitchell (Bu) bt Daniel O'Connell (WAL) -10,10,-10,8,6

U14 Girls' Singles:
Chloe Thomas (WAL) bt Taylor Williams (WAL) 6,3,8

U12 Boys' Singles:
Jared Patel (E) bt Azarel Adebajo (E) 12,-7,6,9

U12 Girls' Singles:
Charlotte Carey (WAL) bt Tressa Armitage (Ha) -5,10,9,-11,5

U18 Boys' Consolation:
Matthew Seager (Sy) bt Aaron McKilbinn (Sy) 14,-6,10,6

U18 Girls' Consolation:
Dipa Tamang (Mi) bt Angela Oetiker (Bu) 7,-2,6,9

U16 Boys' Consolation:
Michael Barthee (E) bt Azarel Adebajo (E) -8,5,8,9

U16 Girls' Consolation:
Sally Hoang (Lo) bt Stephanie Mitchell (Bu) 13,6,8

U14 Boys' Consolation:
Thomas Dantzig (Mi) bt Alexander O'Connell (WAL) 7,6,-6,8

U14 Girls' Consolation:
Gabriella Graziano (E) bt Rosie Barnes (E) -9,12,5,-5,9

U12 Boys' Consolation:
Alex Holland (E) bt Luke Spencer (WAL) -8,8,1,4

U12 Girls' Consolation:
Ifunanya Okafor (E) bt Rose Kelly (Co) 5,-5,13,-11,5



Club of the Year 1996
Club of the Year 1997

Dates for your Diary:

Saturday 17 March—Cippenham Cadet & U13 Open

Sunday 25 March—Cippenham Veterans' Open



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Thirds Back in the Hunt

British
League

The Cippenham third team returned from Southall with a maximum four points from two matches in Division 3 South of the British League on 7 January. Star of the show was undoubtedly Chris Hansell, a player who made his way through the Club's junior ranks a few years ago. Chris won all four of his matches as Cippenham beat Horsham III 5-3 and Southampton West 6-2. These results give Cippenham twelve points from ten matches and elevate them to a position where winning the division title next month is not out of the question.

Chris won his matches whilst dropping only two games and gained the man of the match award on both occasions. He was able supported by his captain Phil Clarkson and Paul Elliott with three wins each while Eric Van Looy had an all important victory in the 5-3 result over Horsham.

Meanwhile two other divisions were taking place at Cippenham although the host teams were not so fortunate with results. The first team suffered a disappointing 5-3 loss to Fusion, a team from south London three places below us in the Division 1 South table. Captain Martin Adams led from the front with good wins over John Dennison and Tom Cutler and with Robert Hansell also beating Dennison it was Mark Butler's 12-10 loss in the deciding fifth game that dealt the major blow towards Cippenham's hopes of a least a point.

Despite not picking up any points from the morning match Cippenham remained in third place and then dealt a body blow to York Gardens in the afternoon. The Battersea based club had crept up alongside Cippenham on twelve points and were looking good to leapfrog ahead of the hosts when they led 3-1 at the half-way stage in the afternoon match. At that point all Cippenham had to show was a victory for Rob Lemon over Steve Holloway. Cippenham's never say die attitude came to the fore just in time. Martin made the score 3-2 by beating Chris Lewis 3-0, then Mark equalised with an impressive 3-0 win over Holloway. RobH then used his guile to clinch a third successive 3-0 win for Cippenham to put the home team 4-3 up. This set up RobL to administer the coup de grace against David

Bangerter. In a tight and exciting match Rob went 1-0 and 2-1 down before finally clinching his team a 5-3 victory 11-9 in the fifth.

Cippenham's second team, playing at the same level as the first team in Division 1 South and Midlands, had a difficult couple of fixtures from which little was expected. They were no match for division leaders TTK Greenhouse in the morning match. Gareth Herbert, the former England international, led his London based side to a 8-0 win with the only glimmer of hope coming in the final game when Krzysztof Zemelka lost narrowly 11-9 in the fifth to Henry Medellin after having led by two games to nil. Krzys was unavailable for the afternoon match against third placed OLOP IMPACT and that fact may have denied Cippenham a point. His place was taken by reserve Graham Trimming but it was Steve Buck who shone for Cippenham winning his matches against Hari Gehlot and Neil Wright. Lee Dredge also beat Gehlot and just lost out 11-7 in the fifth in the most entertaining game of the day against another former England player Dave Barr. Mark Jackson was the unlucky player who missed out as Cippenham lost 5-3.



Consistent performers:
Chris Hansell; Steve Buck

British League Results

League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1 South							
DHS London Progress II	10	8	1	1	55	25	17
Harvey Barnets II	10	7	1	2	49	31	15
Cippenham I	10	7	0	3	49	31	14
York Gardens I	10	5	2	3	46	34	12
Byng Hall I	10	4	2	4	36	44	10
Fusion I	10	2	3	5	38	42	7
Brighton I	10	2	1	7	31	49	5
Horsham I	10	0	0	10	16	64	0
Division 1 South & Midlands							
TTK Greenhouse I	10	8	2	0	61	19	18
DHS London Progress III	10	7	2	1	52	28	16
OLOP IMPACT I	10	6	2	2	54	26	14
Bedford Modern I	10	6	0	4	41	39	12
Oxford Fireplace Ctr II	10	4	1	5	39	41	9
EBS-Orange Westfield I	10	2	3	5	35	45	7
Cippenham II	10	2	0	8	23	57	4
Elgre Nottingham II	10	0	0	10	15	65	0
Division 3 South							
Brighton II	10	6	2	2	45	35	14
TTK Greenhouse II	10	6	1	3	47	33	13
Eastbourne	10	4	4	2	45	35	12
Cippenham III	10	5	2	3	42	38	12
Ellenborough II	10	4	3	3	44	36	11
Hastings	10	2	3	5	37	43	7
Southampton West	10	2	2	6	31	49	6
Horsham III	10	2	1	7	29	51	5

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham I				
Martin Adams	10	20	16	80
Rob Lemon	10	20	15	75
Eddie Smith	4	8	5	63
Robert Hansell	10	20	11	55
Mark Butler	4	8	2	25
Nick Hansell	2	4	0	0
Cippenham II				
Danny Baxter	2	4	3	75
Steve Buck	10	20	10	50
Krzysztof Zemelka	3	6	2	33
Phil Clarkson	2	4	1	25
Lee Dredge	10	20	4	20
Mark Jackson	10	20	3	15
Graham Trimming	3	6	0	0
Cippenham III				
Ashley Shaw	8	16	12	75
Chris Hansell	10	20	14	70
Paul Elliott	9	18	8	44
Phil Clarkson	8	16	7	44
Eris Van Looy	5	10	1	10

Results:

Cippenham I	Cippenham II
3-5 Fusion I	0-8 TTK Greenhouse I
5-3 York Gardens I	3-5 OLOP IMPACT I
Cippenham III	
5-3 Horsham III	
6-2 Southampton West	

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Mission Accomplished

Veterans'
British League

The Cippenham team succeeded in its objective of retaining its Division 2 status when the Veterans' British League concluded at Doncaster the last weekend in January. With Paul Baker out through a long-term injury, Cippenham once again welcomed Roger Hookey and Charlie Childs to partner Cippenham stalwart Mike Rhodes.

Following the first weekend it was obvious that Tameside and Graham Spicer were the teams that were going to occupy the top two places in the division and so it proved. Ellenborough had a torrid final weekend, not gaining on the two points won in November, and so the league became a dog fight between the other three teams to avoid accompanying Ellenborough in the drop into Division 3.

Cippenham despatched Ellenborough 6-0 in the final match but had earlier lost matches against champions Tameside 4-2 and second placed Graham Spicer 6-0. The only joy in a 5-1 loss to third placed St. Marks was a win for Mike Rhodes over Mark Winter but the pivotal match in the bid to avert relegation was against BATTs Bulldogs. As it happened, Cippenham had to win to stay up and victory was achieved, in fine style, 6-0. Mike and Roger both scored victories over former England number 2 Stuart Gibbs.

It was a great team effort by all three Cippenham players who each won exactly half of their ten matches. On rankings Cippenham were not expected to finish anywhere other than bottom. The final standing is a great credit to the players.

League Table:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 2							
Tameside	10	9	0	1	45	15	19
Graham Spicer 1	10	7	1	2	41	19	15
St. Marks	10	4	1	5	27	33	9
Cippenham	10	3	2	5	30	30	8
BATTs Bulldogs	10	2	3	5	21	39	7
Ellenborough	10	0	2	8	16	44	2

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Roger Hookey	10	20	13	65
Mike Rhodes	10	20	11	55
Charlie Childs	7	14	6	43
Graham Trimming	3	6	0	0

Results:

1-5 St. Marks
6-0 BATTs Bulldogs
2-4 Tameside
0-6 Graham Spicer 1
6-0 Ellenborough

Not So for the Women

Women's
British League

Once again, non-availability is the key factor

Relegation looms for both Cippenham's teams in the Women's British League. It looks like the Club's five year stint in the Premier Division may be over after a below strength team battled hard but eventually finished fifth out of six teams when the competition concluded in January. After Cippenham's top player, England number five Abigail Embling, pulled out through illness and the number two, England ninth ranked Lesley Keast, reported a bad back it was an uphill struggle for the beleaguered team. Sarra Wang, ranked two in the nation's juniors, was pulled in to replace Abigail while Sue Hayes was promoted from the second team to cover for Lesley. To her credit Lesley turned up and played in three of the five matches with a view to pushing the other players down the order and therefore giving them more chance of success.

Two 3-3 draws were achieved, against Draycott & Long Eaton and bottom team Woodfield while losses were sustained 5-1 to DML Woolwell and 6-0 to both Irish Ladies and champions DHS London Progress. Sarra won three matches over the weekend while

Lesley and Gemma Chapman managed only one each.

The second team's plight stems from their inability to have got more out of the first weekend in September when, without the unwell Caroline Linz, only two points were gathered. This second weekend saw seven points gained out of a possible ten with the whole team playing well. In fact, over the season Cippenham won and lost an equal number of sets and were only three points off second place. However, in a highly competitive division, nine points was not enough to climb out of the bottom two. Fourth placed Ashford and sixth place Midland Elgre were both beaten 5-1 while second place Staffordshire County were defeated 4-2, thanks in no small way to a fine double for Lindsey Armstrong. A fine team performance with a win each for all three women produced a 3-3 draw against St. Andrews and only division winners Uxbridge (Burton) managed to defeat Cippenham and only then after our girls had been 2-0 up. Lindsey had an exceptional weekend, winning seven times, while Rachel Farquhar and Caroline Linz both won six of their ten matches.

League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Premier Division							
DHS London Progress	10	7	3	0	45	15	17
DML Woolwell A	10	7	3	0	43	17	17
Irish Ladies I	10	6	2	2	39	21	14
Draycott & Long Eaton	10	2	2	6	23	37	6
Cippenham A	10	0	4	6	18	42	4
Woodfield I	10	0	2	8	12	48	2
Division 3							
Uxbridge	10	7	2	1	40	20	16
St. Andrews	10	5	2	3	36	24	12
Staffordshire County	10	4	2	4	31	29	12
Ashford	10	4	2	4	29	31	10
Cippenham B	10	4	1	5	30	30	9
Midland Elgre	10	1	1	8	14	46	3

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham A				
Abigail Embling	5	10	6	60
Lesley Keast	8	14	5	36
Sarra Wang	5	9	3	33
Gemma Chapman	10	20	2	10
Sue Hayes	2	3	0	0
Cippenham B				
Caroline Linz	5	10	6	60
Rachel Farquhar	5	10	6	60
Lindsey Armstrong	10	19	11	58
Sue Hayes	5	10	4	40
Jan Chapman	5	9	1	11

Results:

Team A	Team B
3-3 Draycott & L. Eaton	5-1 Midland Elgre
3-3 Woodfield I	3-3 St. Andrews
0-6 London Progress	4-2 Staffordshire County
0-6 Irish Ladies I	5-1 Ashford
1-5 DML Woolwell A	2-4 Uxbridge

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Weekend Diary February/March

February

Sun 4	Cippenham Team 2-Star Open
Sun 11	Southern Region Junior Training
Sat 17	Reading Closed Championships
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Sat 24	British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M
Sun 25	British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M

March

Sat 3	National Junior League Southern Region (4)
Sat 17	Cippenham Cadet and U13 2-Star Open
Sun 18	Southern Region Junior Training
Sun 25	Cippenham Veterans' 2-Star Open



Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Apr 1	Cippenham Double Group 2* Open
May 5/6	ETTA National Cadet Masters
May 12/13	ETTA National Junior Masters
May 19/20	Southern Region Junior Training
Jun 9/10	Cippenham YP Summer Festival
Jun 16/17	Southern Region Junior Training
Jul 1	Cippenham Veterans' Summer 2* Open

Events away from Cippenham

Feb 10/11	Junior British League (2)
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Weekday Diary

Mon	7:00	Advanced 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
	7:40	Grand Prix

Slough League Tables

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1							
Chalfont Argonauts	13	12	1	0	111	19	75
Burnham Nomads	12	7	2	3	67	53	44
Cippenham Outlaws	14	6	3	5	68	72	41
Cippenham Buccaneers	13	6	0	7	65	64	40
George Green Goblins	13	5	1	7	58	72	32
Burnham Leopards	13	5	1	7	52	78	27
Chalfont Bohemians	11	3	2	6	44	65	24
Burnham Pumas	9	0	0	9	24	66	10
Division 2							
Burnham Lions	9	8	1	0	74	16	49
Cippenham Vagabonds	10	6	0	4	55	45	37
Cippenham Rascals	8	6	0	2	54	26	35
George Green Gremlins	9	2	2	5	34	56	17
Cippenham Scoundrels	9	1	0	8	27	63	11
WAMDSAD A	7	1	1	5	16	54	7

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 2006-07

	Full	Conc'n
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
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		
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