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Monday evening coaching attendee is runner-up in both major events

# **Two finals for Alex**

lex Gillen, a member of Cippenham TTC's advanced coaching group reach both finals at the Cippenham Five by Two Cadet and Under-13 Open Championships. The 12-year old, however, was beaten in both finals.

In the morning event, the Under-13 Singles, Alex, despite being top seed, was pressed all the way to a deciding game by Jonathan McMullan in his preliminary round group. He then benefited from a bye in the first knock-out round and had an easy

victory over Catherine Maltby in the quarter-final. The semi-final was a much closer affair winning 3-1 in four close games against promising Welsh player Jac Jenkins. In the other half of the draw second seed James Smith was making easier progress. He had little difficulty emerging from his group and then eclipsed James Corner 3-1 in the quarters, none of the games being especially close. His semi-final win over Chris Clifford might have been 3-0 but it was a much closer affair with Smith getting through 11-8, 12-10, 11-8.

The scene was set for the two top seeds to battle it out in the final and it did not disappoint. Smith won the first two games only for Alex to storm back and take the next two to take the match into a deciding fifth game. Then the pendulum swung again and the Kent boy took the title with a 11-5 scoreline.

Many of the same players took part in the Cadet (Under-15) Singles in the



afternoon but with some additional older players joining in. One of those was Ryan Williams from Essex and top seeded for the event. Williams was in supreme form winning all his matches en route to the final with a degree of comfort and only James Smith, in the semi-final, took a game off him. His matches in the preliminary round group were comfortable as was his 11-5, 11-2, 11-7 win against Jac Jenkins in the quarter-final and ultimately his 11-5, 11-5, 11-7 victory over Alex Gillen in the final that secured the title for Williams.

Alex had been made to work much harder for his second appearance in a final in the day. After a easy ride through the preliminary round groups and a first round bye he took five games, having to come back from 2-1 down, to beat Jordon Bone in the quarter-final and needed four games to see off the challenge from Lucas Papantoniou in the semis. Papantoniou

#### Cippenham 5 by 2 Cadet & Under-13 1-Star Open



Left: Cadet Singles finalists Ryan Williams and Alex Gillen. Above: Terry Boxall congratulates U13 winner James Smith. Many thanks to Lindsey Smith for the photographs.

had been engaged in one of the closest matches of the day in his first round match against Matthew Daish before a 3-1 win over Niall Harris in the quarters.

The consolation events were won by Jonathan McMullan and England Seferi.

The tournament was organised by Terry Boxall and refereed by Mick Strode. Thanks to both.

#### Cippenham 5x2 Cadet & Under-13 1-Star Open Results

 Event Winner
 Runner-up

 CS:
 Ryan Williams (E)
 Alex Gillen (Sy)

 CC:
 Jonathan McMullan (Ha)
 Soffi Jenkins (W

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U13S: James Smith (K) Alex Gillen (Sy)
U13C: England Seferi (Mi) Artur Caltabiano (Ha)







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League Tables:	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Division 1 South BATTS I	14	10	0	1	84	28	16
York Gardens I	14	9		3	71	41	20
Urban Progress I	14	8	2	4	59	53	18
Cippenham I	14	3	6	5	54	58	12
OLOP IMPACT	14	4		7	50	62	11
London Progress II	14	4		8	50	62	10
Godalming Coversure Woolwell I	14 14	2	5 2	7 10	42 38	70 74	9
Division 2 South & Eas		2	2	10	30	14	U
Yaxley RBL I	14	12	2	0	92	20	26
Crusaders	14	11	2	1	78	34	24
De Vere NETTS	14	8	1	5	67	45	17
Bedford Modern I	14	5		7	53	59	12
Ellenborough York Gardens III	14 14	5 4	0 1	9	47 43	65 69	10 9
Cippenham II	14	4		10	37	75	8
Ashford Brunswick II	14		-	10	31	81	6
Division 3 South-Midla							
Woodfield III	14	11	1	2	85	27	23
NWF Woolwell III	14 14	9	3	2	69 64	43 48	21 20
Elgre Draycott II	14	o 5	4	2	64	48	14
Keyworth	14	6		6	57	55	14
York Gardens IV	14	3		8	45	67	9
Cippenham III	14	3	1	10	36	76	7
Westbury	14	2	0	12	28	84	4
Players' Averages:							
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Cippenham I							
Dobromir Tokov	10		20		13		65
Steve Munson	9		17		10		59
Martin Adams Robert Hansell	14		27 17		15 8		56 47
Martin Gray	10		20		5		25
David Hayes	4		-8		1		13
Cippenham II							
Robert Hansell	4		8		7		88
Steve Munson	4		3		6		75
Eddie Mitchell Tim O'Mahoney	2		12		5 1		50 33
Tony Stead	10		19		5		26
Paul Baker	10		20		5		25
Chris Hansell	10		19	)	4		21
Anthony Gardner	4		7		0		0
Owen Clutterbuck	2		4		0		0
Ricky Hardcastle Graham Trimming	2		4		0		0
Cippenham III	2		4	٠	U		U
Kevin Gray	4		8	}	7		88
Tony Stead	4		8		6		75
Chris Hansell	4		8		5		63
Tom Mitchell	10		20		10		50
Bradley King	10		20 16		5 3		25
Steve Smith Andrew Sullivan	10		20		0		19 0
Anthony Gardner	6		12		0		0
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Cippenham III							
0-8 Elgre Draycott II							
1-7 Woodfield III 2-6 NWF							
1-7 Keyworth							
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# First team finish in top half

# All three teams retain their positions

The final positions of all three Cippenham teams in the British League this season means that they all retain their positions in their respective divisions for next season. This is despite a poor series of results in the final weekend with only the first team enjoying any success.

The first team, with home advantage, drew three of their final four matches and finished in the top half of Division 1 South for the first time in five years. This was a good performance and was brought about partly by star performances from Robert Hansell and Steve Munson who were promoted from the second team after the first weekend of matches.

The three 4-4 draws were gained against London Progress II, secondplaced York Gardens and Godalming Coversure. Team captain Martin Adams and Dob Tokov were the stars against London Progress, each winning both of their matches, albeit three of the four needed a fifth and deciding game. Dob also won both his matches against York Gardens, as did Robert Hansell with Martin unlucky to lose both of his matches in the fifth game. Martin suffered an injury in the Sunday afternoon match against Godalming and this resulted in him having to concede his second match. To cap a weekend when four of the five players made star contributions it was the turn of Steve Munson to get a brace of victories in this match with Dob and Robert each winning one.

The one that got away was the Saturday afternoon match against OLOP IMPACT, local rivals from Reading. Martin came back from two games down to defeat former England international David Barr and Dob followed that up with a win against Hari Gehlot that gave Cippenham hope at 2-4. However, the final result was 6-2 in OLOP's favour and this saw the two teams swap places with Cippenham temporarily down to fifth place before leapfrogging their opponents in the very next match to regain fourth spot which they held until the end.

### **British League**

The Cippenham second and third teams are grateful for the start afforded them in the very first weekend back in September during which they both gained six out of eight points. Following the re-shuffle in December which saw players promoted from the second to the first team and from the third to the second team and an entirely new set of players brought into the third team, results have not gone well. It was no different this weekend with neither team managing to gain a point and both finished in seventh place, one ahead of the relegation zones in Division 2 South and East and Division 3 South-Midlands-West.

The second team of Chris Hansell, Paul Baker, Anthony Gardner and Tony Stead lost 3-5 to a three-man York Gardens III, 0-8 to Crusaders, 2-6 to Ellenborough and 1-7 to De Vere NETTS. Paul managed two wins over the weekend while Chris and Tony recorded one each.

The third team travelled to Wolverhampton and their results were much the same. The team of Bradley King, Steve Smith, Tom Mitchell and Andrew Sullivan lost 0-8 to Elgre Draycott II, 1-7 to Woodfield III, 2-6 to NWF and 1-7 to Keyworth. Tom, whose form after several years out of the sport has been very encouraging, won three of these matches while Bradley won the other.

#### Cippenham Super 6 Veterans' 2-Star Open

Saturday 21 April Entries close 7 April

Cippenham Super 6 Senior 2-Star Open

**Sunday 22 April** 

**Entries close 8 April** 

### 3-3 with the champions but that's all!

The Women's British League team scored only one draw and a walkover from their final weekend of matches in Division 4 at Doncaster. Remarkably, that one draw was against divisional champions AICES who only dropped one other point all season.

The highlight of the weekend came on Saturday afternoon. By the time that Sue Hayes and Denise Weller had been defeated by Charlotte Spencer and Rachel Baker respectively Cippenham were 2-0 down. However, Julie Dean then beat Emily Roys before AICES' two set cushion was restored by Baker against Sue, a win that helped Baker sustain an unblemished record throughout the season. Julie gave Cippenham hope by beating Spencer and the point was secured by Denise

with an 11-5, 16-14, 12-10 win over Roys.

The ladies had earlier suffered a 4-2 defeat to Gloucestershire with Denise and Julie both beating Lesley Slack and Julie, against Liz Robb, was Cippenham's only winner in the 5-1 defeat in the evening against Fusion. On Sunday we benefited from a walkover against the absent Morpeth Greenhouse B and then suffered another 5-1 reverse against East Midland Draycott after Denise had put us ahead in the first set against Joanne Kennedy.

Julie was our most successful player over the season winning half of her 18 matches, while Denise won 7 and Sue

### Womens' British League

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ı	Division 4	•	•••	-	-	•	^	1 13
ı	AICES	10	8	2	0	50	10	18
ı	Fusion	10		1	-			
ı	Gloucestershire		5			27		
ı	East Midland Draycott		-	Ö		28		
ı	Cippenham	10		2		24		
ı	Morpeth Greenhouse B		_	1	9	-6	54	1
ı	'							
ı	Players' Averages:							
ı		M		P		W		Αv
ı	Julie Dean	9		18		9		50
ı	Denise Weller	9		18		7		39
ı	Sue Hayes	9		18		2		11
ı	Results:							
ı	2-4 Gloucestershire							
ı	3-3 AICES							
ı	1-5 Fusion							
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ı	6-0 Morpeth Greenhouse B (walkover)							

### **Boys climb off the bottom of the table**

oseph Underwood

The young, inexperienced, Cippenham boys' team gave a much improved performance in the

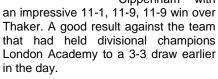
second half matches when the Junior British League resumed and concluded in Wolverhampton this weekend. A win and a draw from their five matches quadrupled their points tally for the season and was enough to see them climb off the bottom of Division 4B to finished fourth.

Alex Nagle got Cippenham off to the perfect start in the

Saturday morning match against Brunswick Ashford by getting the better, over five games, of Charlie Rahbani. However, that proved to be Cippenham's only joy as they lost that match 5-1 and followed up with a 6-0 defeat against second-placed St. Mary's Hull although Harrison Simmons was unlucky to lose both his matches in the fifth end.

Cippenham coach Ken Phillips chose his three front line players for the clash with Westfield, a match that ultimately decided the destination of the wooden spoon. Westfield's Alex Ramsden beat both Joseph Underwood and Alex

> Nagle but Alex responded with a comfortable 3-0 win over Karan Thaker and Harrison beat Thomas Wildman With score standing at 2-2 Joseph came back from two games to one down to beat Wildman 11-9 in the fifth and then Harrison secured both points for Cippenham with



Joseph Underwood's 3-1 win in the last set of the match against London Academy 2 was all Cippenham could muster in a 5-1 defeat on Sunday morning and that meant that Cippenham went into the final match of the season still in bottom place. They again left the winless Tarun Chana out of the line-up hoping for the point that

### Junior British League

1-5 East Midland Draycott

League Table:							
	Ρ	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Boys' Division 4B							
London Academy 2	10	8		1	41	. •	17
St. Marys Hull	10	6	3			18	
Brunswick Ashford	10		2	3	37		
De Vere NETTS	10	-			29		
Cippenham	10	-			13		
Westfield	10	1	1	8	18	42	3
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Harrison Simmons	6		12		5		42
Joseph Underwood	9		18		5		28
Alex Nagle	10		20		3		15
Tarun Chana	5		10		0		0
Results:							
1-5 Brunswick Ashford							
0-6 St. Marys Hull							
4-2 Westfield							
	1-5 London Academy 2						
3-3 De Vere NETTS							

would lift them up into fifth position. This proved decisive as each of the Cippenham players scored a win that secured a 3-3 draw against fourth-placed De Vere NETTS. Alex beat Robert Shrimpton 3-1, Harrison beat Patrick Gilbert also 3-0 and when Joseph beat the same player 3-1 that much needed point was secured.

#### **Weekend Diary March/April**

#### March Sat 3 National Junior League (4) County Championships Junior Division 2D Sat 17 Sat 24 Cippenham Super 6 Junior 2\* Open Sun 25 National Cadet League (4) Sat 31 **County Championships Seniors April** Sun 1 County Championships Seniors Sat 14 Under-11-14 Champs Regional Qualification Under-11-14 Champs Regional Qualification Sun 15 Cippenham Super 6 Veterans' 2-Star Open Sat 21 Sun 22 Cippenham Super 6 Senior 2-Star Open Sat 28 UKCC Level 2 coach education course

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Weekday Timetable						
Mon	19:15	Advanced Coaching Group				
Tues	19:15 19:30 19:40	Local league matches Practice tables Grand Prix				
Thurs	17:15 19:15 19:30	Beginners' coaching Local league matches Practice tables				

Fees Season 2011-12							
	Full	Conc'n					
Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£18.00	£9.00					
Family Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£30.00	n/a					
Annual Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.80	£0.90					
Family Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£3.00	n/a					
Maidenhead League Registration	£18.00	£9.00					
National Junior League registration	n/a	£12.00					
National Cadet League registration	n/a	£12.00					
Practice Fees	*£4.00	*£2.00					
Local League Match Fees	£4.00	£2.00					
Coaching Fees (Thursday) (per session)	**£6.00	**£3.00					
Coaching Fees (Monday) (per term )		£30.00					
* plus £1.50 (75p) for non-members							
** plus 50p (25p) for non-members							



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#### Season's Calendar

#### **Future Events at Cippenham**

May 12/13 National Cadet Masters
Jun 16/17 Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.

Cippenham Super 6
Junior 2-Star Open
Sunday 24 March
Entries close 10 March

Pick up a form at the Club TODAY

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