# CIPPENHAM NEWS

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# Cippenham Table Tennis Centre Project Receives £255,364 From The National Lottery!

he National Lottery Sports Fund has awarded over a quarter of a million pounds towards the Cippenham Table Tennis Centre project. The National Lottery Regional Officer, Mark Garrety, said that he was extremely impressed with the quality of our application and delighted that the club is the first organisation in Slough to receive a grant from the National Lottery. This tremendous news means that the club has now obtained, in principle, all the finance necessary to go ahead and develop the very best playing and social facilities for all our members. 1996 will mark the beginning of a new era for the club and the sport.

The final project funding is as follows:

National Lottery Sports Fund	255,364
Funding Agency For Schools	76,000
Foundation For Sports And The Arts	70,000
Sports Council (Southern Region)	30,000
Westgate School	20,000

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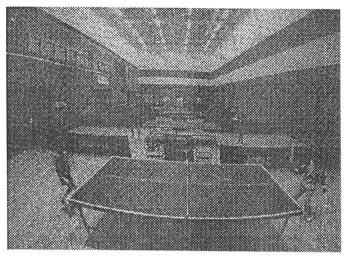
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The project development costs are as follows:

Centre Construction Cost	323,000
VAT on Construction Costs	56,616
Architects Fees	34,778
VAT on Architects Fees	6,086
Amenities Area, including VAT	22,000
Equipment	8,000

I am sure that all the club members would like to thank all the members of the building sub-committee for their outstanding contribution to the development of the club. So next time your playing at the club, why not pass on your congratulations to our dedicated team of Graham Trimming, Alec Watson, Frank Earis, Steve Crow and Stephen Joel.

The team would like to pass on a special thank you to all our partners who have contributed to the project so far. In particular Wendy Armstrong, the headteacher of Westgate School, the staff at the Sports Council (Southern Region) and Paul Baker, the ETTA Facilities Officer.



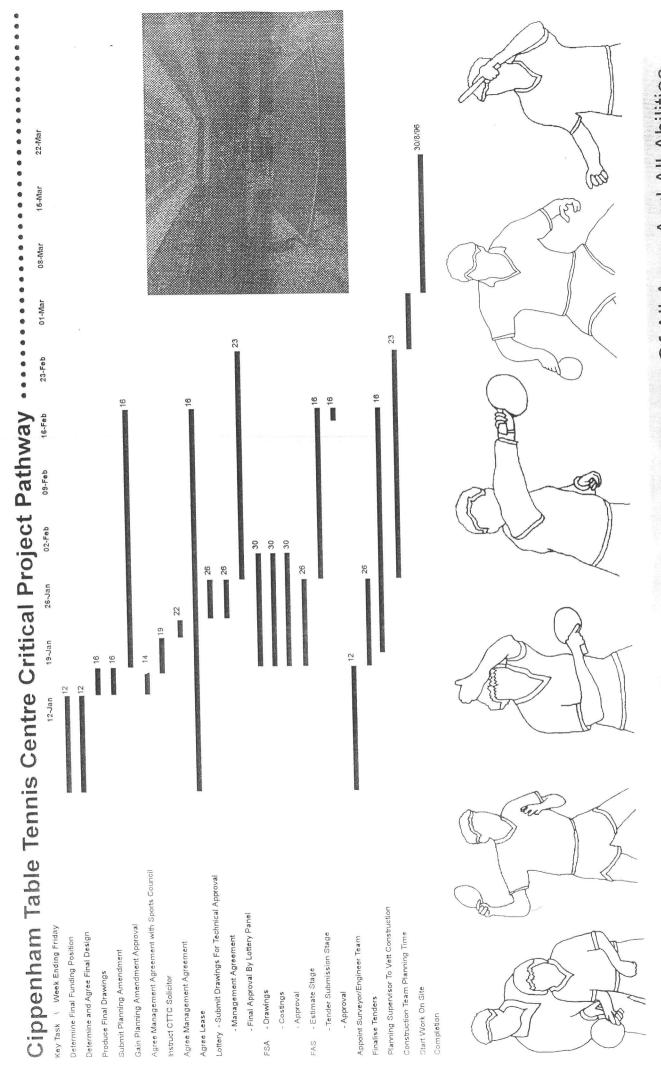
Watch out Milton Keynes, Cippenham Table Tennis Centre will set a new standard in facilities!

#### 1996 Cippenham Coaching Programme

If you would like to improve your performance in 96, why not join the clubs coaching programme. Our new year programme is open to juniors and seniors so why not give our Club Coaching Officer, Stephen Joel a call on 01753 867121 to find out more!

January	28	Beginners 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm
		Intermediates 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm
February	4	Combined Group 11 am - 1.00 pm
	11	Beginners 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm
		Intermediates 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm
	18	Beginners 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm
		Intermediates 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm
	25	Combined Group 11 am - 1.00 pm
March	3	Beginners 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm
		Intermediates 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm
	10	Combined Group 11.00 am - 1.00 pm
	17	Combined Group 11.00 am - 1.00 pm
	24	Slough Closed Championships
	31	Beginners 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm
		Intermediates 3.30 pm - 5.30 pm

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# Woolwich Junior British League

Graham Trimming reports from Milton Keynes on the first weekend

After a gap of eleven years Cippenham TTC are back in British League competition. Our boys team of twelve and thirteen year olds took their place against opposition as much as five years older as founder members of Division Three of the Woolwich Junior British League at Milton Keynes Table Tennis Centre over the weekend of November 25th and 26th.

Each match in the eight team division was played on three tables, so the coaching staff led by team manager Ken Phillips with help from Graham Trimming and, for a short time on Saturday evening, Steve Joel, were stretched to the limits.

Cippenham's first choice team of Martin Rule, Nick Wilson and Jesper Hougaard were chosen to do battle, and what battles there turned out to be, especially on Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon.



#### Saturday

#### v. Clayton Heights (1.5)

A tough start for the young Cippenham team against the favourites for the division. A good win for Martin over Michael Moir, ranked eleven places higher was a great first match tonic but our chances of a shock result disappeared when Jesper failed to press home first game wins over both of his opponents.

#### v. Uxbridge Burton (6-0)

Only the Uxbridge number one Robin Pearce troubled our lads, his mainly defensive style with backhand attack from pimples being more often found in veteran rather than junior tournaments. His match with Nick was a cliff-hanger with Nick showing determination and no small amount of guts in transforming a 15-20 third game deficit into victory.

#### v. Peniel "B" (3-3)

What a match, which on paper was one we should have lost! Again it all turned on Nick's matches after Martin picked up more of those vital computer points with two great wins. Nick led Tim Cleminson 20-17 in the first, only to lost the advantage, come back in the second and then lose out narrowly in the third. In his second match he again let slip a 20-18 lead in the first, stormed the second 21-7, then in a see-saw decider slipped from 18-16 to 18-20. Perhaps unaware that the whole world

was watching his titanic struggle for a team point he, amongst wild enthusiasm from the Cippenham contingent, reeled off four points to give us a share of the points and a 3-3 draw.

#### v. Dudley (5-1)

Nick was once again in devastating form to finish the day on a high note with a 21-19 deciding game victory over the Dudley number one. Martin again won his two matches to finish with seven wins from eight starts, a "good day at the office".

#### Sunday

#### v. Our Lady of Peace (5.1)

A bit of a stroll this one with only the OLOP number two, Adam Neil, suggesting any resistance to a Cippenham team surging to victory. He beat Jesper and extended Martin to 21-18 in the third.

#### v. Lillington Free Church (3-3)

Lillington were top of the league going into this match, and looked likely to stay there as all the Cippenham boys lost close in the third after being a game down to go 0-3 down. Could they come back from there? Great performances from Martin and Nick, with Jesper showing his best form of the weekend to beat David Matthews, one of only three players to beat Martin all weekend, ensured that come back they did with a memorable 3-3 draw.

#### v. Greenleys (3-3)

Nobody was going to touch Andrew Baggaley, the highest ranked player in the division. Could we get three of the remaining four? Well, yes we could, with two off the number three and a great performance from Martin to defeat Justin Dodd.

Nine points and only a first match defeat was the stunning result from the weekend but yet this placed us only fifth in the table. The division leaders are Clayton Heights, by virtue of their wins over Cippenham and Peniel "B", two points clear of the chasing pack in which

#### Stars of the future





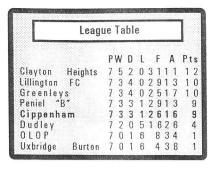
Top: Martin; Bottom: Jesper, in action at Milton Keynes in the Woolwich Junior British League

one point separates four teams. Astonishingly, all the other matches between the top five teams ended in 3-3 draws. All the players performed beyond expectations and Martin finished the first weekend fourth in the averages. Resplendent in their SMACC at Cippenham shirts, our team were rewarded for their all round effort when Nick was awarded the prize of Player of the Weekend.

It's now up to Sedgefield in County Durham in March for the second half of the competition, with our boys placed well to improve upon their position and challenge for a high placing.

Photographs by Graham Trimming

# Nicholas Wilson Player of the Weekend



			Р	W	%
Martin	Rule	1	4	1 1	78.6
Nick 1	Wilson	1	4	9	64.3
Jesper	Hougaard	1	4	6	42.9

## Peter's greatest match



Congratulations to Club Treasurer, Peter Hillier, who married Mila Kostrova at Boulters Lock Hotel, Maidenhead on 10th December. The best wishes of all club members go to the happy couple.

### Further successes for Cippenham juniors

Congratulations to other young members who have experienced success in open tournaments recently, especially Jane Dickens who has recently won a cadet tournament and the regional trials.

#### Early exit for Cippenham in Ormesby Cup

There was an early exit for the Cippenham team in this year's Ormesby Cup, the national club championship which Cippenham qualified for by winning the Slough League last season.

Without Paul Baker, and of course, the temporarily retired Frank Earis, Cippenham fielded a side comprising Steve Joel, Mike Rhodes and Graham Trimming.

Although Mike played exceptionally well to take games off Adrian Dixon (ranked 60 in England) and Ben Johnson (44), the gifted Kingfisher team were too good in this second round clash. Kingfisher's other player was Dave Barr.

#### Second place in Invitation

Eight teams competed in the ninth playing of the annual Cippenham Invitation Tournament, played at Haymill in September. The Cippenham "A" team of Steve Joel, Mike Rhodes and Paul Baker finished second after losing a play-off doubles set to DEN.

# National Junior Title for Gareth



Gareth Herbert added to his collection of national titles when he won the Eng-

land Junior Boys Singles title at the national championships at Canterbury last month. Playing two years out of his age group this was a wonderful achievement for Gareth, who only recently turned fifteen, and further enhances his reputation as the country's best prospect for the future.

This latest success completed a hattrick of victories for Gareth who won the Cadet (U-14) title last season, and the Under-12 champion-ship three years ago.

For good measure Gareth added the Junior Mixed Doubles title with Kay Leslie.

#### Regional League Progress

Cippenham teams are making good progress towards retaining their Mens and Ladies titles in the Southern Region leagues. One defeat so far for the men, while the ladies remain unbeaten.