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Seven points out of Eight for B Team

British League 2nd Weekend

Cippenham Table Tennis Club's second team in the British League took seven points out of a possible eight in the second series of matches in Division 2 South and Midlands played at their home venue over the weekend of 15/16th December.

In a division that has now polarised into a top four and a bottom four Cippenham are sitting in third place, four points behind the leaders Bedford Modern and six points ahead of the fifth placed team. The three wins were all against the three teams that occupy fifth to seventh positions and all on five points while the drawn match was against Oxford Fire-place Centre who currently occupy fourth place, one point behind Cippenham, but who took the first point away from leaders Bedford on Sunday afternoon.

David Hayes, fresh from his good results the previous weekend in the Irish Senior Top Twelve, and Rob Lemon, runner-up in the Cippenham Open a week previously, carried their form over and were the main stars for the Club. David and Robert both won seven of their eight matches to provide a solid platform from which Mark Jackson's five wins and Paul Baker's three ensured a good return from the weekend.

The first match of the weekend on Saturday morning was the drawn affair with Oxford. David, playing in the number one position for Cippenham, recorded wins over Ian Packford and Karl Bushell, dropping only one game in the process, while Robert and Paul both beat Glen Free-



C team squad (l-r): Melanie Farquhar; Chris Hansell; Ollie Shaw; Phil Clarkson; Graham Trimming

man. In the afternoon braces from David, Mark and Rob gave Cippenham a 6-2 win over Midlands team Ajax Wolvey with Mark's 12-10 fifth-game win over Alan Hewitt in the second set being the most critical.

It was plain sailing for Cippenham against Reading rivals OLOP Impact II on Sunday morning. They raced into a 7-0 lead before Paul lost to Wolfgang Stalder in the final set. The weekend climaxed with a truly remarkable match against EBS-Orange Northampton II. Defeats for Mark 11-8 in the fifth and deciding game against Ryan Keates, for David 11-8 in the fifth against Chris Ross and for Paul also 11-8 in the fifth against Marc Purcell, left an undeserved 0-3 deficit for Cippenham and a mountain to climb if any points were to be wrested from the last match of the weekend. Rob started a fight back by beating Toby Wright and then David, over Keates, Mark over Purcell and Rob

over Ross all scored wins in the fourth game to give Cippenham a 4-3 lead. For Cippenham to turn a 0-3 deficit into an unlikely 5-3 win looked even more desperate as Paul trailed Wright by two games in the final set. However, Paul stormed back to take the next three 11-8, 11-9, 11-9 to finish an incredible comeback and the satisfaction of a good weekend's results.

The third team also played their matches in Division 4 South and Midlands at home for the only time this season. With the injured Nick Hansell and, on Saturday, Ollie Shaw who was busy representing Slough in the Carter Cup, missing Cippenham called up Melanie Farquhar for her British League debut and Club Secretary Graham Trimming who had made only one previous appearance twenty years ago.

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Club of the Year 1997

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To all members, visitors and their families



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News in Short

David Stars in Top Twelve

Cippenham's Irish junior international David Hayes missed his home club's open championships at the beginning of December after accepting a late invitation to participate in the Irish Senior Top Twelve. It was a good decision for the Slough resident as he exceeded expectations in achieving seventh position. The results were so close that just one additional win would have catapulted David into third position.

Slough Through in Carter Cup

The Slough selectors decided to gamble with the team for the first stage of the Carter Cup, the national knock-out championship for junior boys' teams that Slough won in 1997, 1998 and 2001. Slough's best player, David Hayes, was allowed to play for Cippenham in the British League so the team selected was Ollie Shaw, his brother Ashley and Chalfont player Ben Wiseman. The gamble paid off handsomely as Slough cruised through to the next stage beating Guildford 5-1, 2003 winners Plymouth 5-2 and Reading also 5-2. Ollie remained unbeaten for Slough on the day.

British League 2nd Weekend (contd.)

It was therefore a weakened Cippenham third team who thus took to the tables on Saturday and it showed with two disappointing results. Phil Clarkson, on his Cippenham British League debut, playing at number one, won only one match while the lower half of the team, Melanie and Graham, failed to contribute. The only player playing to form was Chris Hansell who won three of his four matches. Cippenham nearly gained a point from the 5-3 morning defeat to East London Progress but Graham was unable to convert a 10-9 fifth game lead against Tami Famojuro that would have secured the draw. In the afternoon Cippenham lost 7-1 to second-placed Club Cornwall who the following day became the first team to take a point off leaders Ellenborough II. On Sunday, with Ollie back in the team replacing Graham, and weaker opposition to contend with, it was a different story. Chris and Melanie won all their matches while Phil and Ollie won three each out of four as Cippenham beat Britannia Ipswich 6-2 and Guinness Polska II 8-0.

The first team travelled to Okehampton in Devon for their matches in Division 1 South. Saturday provided two good results as leaders Horsham were held to a 4-4 draw and then Byng Hall (Tunbridge Wells) were beaten 6-2. The first match was a good team effort with a win apiece for Martin Adams, Mark Butler, Robert Hansell and Lee Dredge. The match was close throughout with four sets requiring a deciding game and these were shared between the teams. Martin and Rob both got two wins and Mark and Lee one each in the match against Byng Hall.

The Cippenham first team were unable to fulfil their matches on the Sunday having been involved in serious incidents, including threatening behaviour and criminal damage, that required the involvement of the local police. The Cippenham players were completely innocent of any wrong doing, a fact that has happily been accepted by the ETTA British League Committee who have been persuaded to take the unprecedented step of allowing the missed matches to be re-scheduled for other dates. The match against B.F.I.T. Wiltshire will now take place on Sunday 16th January and the match against OLOP IMPACT I on Saturday 5th February.

British League Facts & Figures

League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division One South							
Horsham I	8	5	2	1			12
London Progress II	8	6	0	2			12
DML Woolwell	8	5	0	3	38	26	10
Cippenham I	6	2	3	1	27	21	7
OLOP IMPACT I	7	3	1	3	24	32	7
B.F.I.T. Wiltshire	7	2	1	4	24	32	5
De Vere NETTS	8	1	1	6			3
Division Two South & Midlands							
Bedford Modern I	8	7	1	0	49	15	15
Guildford I	8	6	1	1	47	17	13
Cippenham II	8	5	1	2	41	23	11
Oxford Fireplace Ctr	8	3	4	1	35	29	10
EBS Northampton II	8	2	1	5	31	33	5
Ajax Wolvey	8	2	1	5	25	39	5
OLOP IMPACT II	8	2	1	5	24	40	5
Ashford II	8	0	0	8	4	60	0
Division Four South & Midlands							
Ellenborough II	8	7	1	0	49	15	15
Club Cornwall	8	6	2	0	52	12	14
Cippenham III	8	5	0	3	40	24	10
E London Progress	8	3	2	3	37	27	8
ELGRE Notting'm IV	8	4	0	4	31	33	8
London Progress V	8	1	2	5	21	43	4
Britannia Ipswich	8	2	0	6	19	45	4
Guinness Polska II	8	0	1	7	9	55	1

Players' Performances:

	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham I				
Robert Hansell	6	12	8	67
Martin Adams	6	12	7	58
Lee Dredge	6	12	7	58
Mark Butler	6	12	5	42
Cippenham II				
David Hayes	8	16	12	75
Rob Lemon	8	16	12	75
Mark Jackson	8	16	10	63
Paul Baker	8	16	7	44
Cippenham III				
Chris Hansell	8	16	13	81
James Milton	4	8	6	75
Nick Hansell	4	8	6	75
Ollie Shaw	6	12	7	58
Phil Clarkson	4	8	4	50
Melanie Farquhar	4	8	4	50
Graham Trimming	2	4	0	0

Results:

Cippenham I	Cippenham III
4-4 Horsham I	3-5 E London Progress
6-2 Byng Hall I	1-7 Club Cornwall
Cippenham II	6-2 Britannia Ipswich
4-4 Oxford Fireplace Ctr	8-0 Guinness Polska II
6-2 Alax Wolvey	
7-1 OLOP IMPACT II	
5-3 EBS Northampton II	

The Division 1 South table has not yet been published by the ETTA and therefore the above has been calculated from known results.

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Boult Retains His Title; Sarah Wins the Ladies' Event

Jack Boult, from Sussex, retained his Men's Singles title at the Cippenham 2-Star Open Championships on 5th December. The second seed dropped only one game all day, to Evan Sharp in his semi-final, after having won his preliminary round group and then beaten off the challenge of David McBeath in the second round and Matt Ware in the quarter-finals. Boult's opponent in the final, on a day when younger players made a big impact, was 18-years old Robert Lemon. Boult eventually won the final 3-0 with scores of 11-6, 11-9, 11-9 but suffered a scare in the second game having to come back from 2-8 down against his younger opponent, a product of the Cippenham coaching scheme.

The main action happened before the final. The top semi-final was classic display of Robert's fierce attack against the veteran top seed Steve Hall from Somerset. This went to the wire with Robert saving match points before eventually winning 8-11, 11-9, 11-9, 9-11, 14-12 in one of the most exciting encounters seen at the Club this season. Robert's previous quarter-final victory against Barrie Gilbert had been nearly as eventful with the home player saving match points in the fourth game before booking his place in the final.

Evan Sharp's quarter-final win against Peter Ives was also a topsy-turvy affair with games being won alternately. The third seed from Surrey won the fifth and deciding game in turn. Also in the quarters, top seed Steve Hall was taken to a fourth game by a German player, Philipp Harneid, who had looked impressive in his win over Rory Scott and Boult ended the even more impressive run of Matt Ware. Ware, the winner of the Cippenham Cadet Open in October, will make massive strides up the national ranking list after banking four maximum points wins on the day. In the groups he beat Dave Kellard and Ken Lewis and then followed up with wins over Matt Squires and David Randall in the main event.

Other results to catch the eye in the groups were Jeff Rigby's win over the quarter-finalist Barrie Gilbert and Oliver Shaw's over seventh seed Evan Sharp. In the main event Maidenhead's Mark Banks beat Norman Swift in the first round while Suffolk veteran Ian Brown had a storming result to knock-out Norfolk's third seed Adam Brewer to wrest East Anglian pride southwards. An-



Champions: Jack Boult and Sarah Hall



Local success: Ollie Shaw & Rob Lemon

other youngster to record a maximum points win was David McBeath for his defeat of Maurice Isaacs.

Oliver Shaw, despite beating Sharp, could not make it into the main event, relegated to third place in a three-way tie at the top of his group. The 17-year old Cippenham resident certainly then made the best of it and had a series of good wins in his run to the final of the consolation event at which stage he defeated Michael Robinson 3-1.

The Women's Singles final was won by second seed Sarah Hall over top seed Gemma Chapman by a convincing 3-0 margin. All the semi-finalists were members of the Cippenham club as Sarah, despite her Somerset residence, represents Cippenham in the Junior British League. The beaten semi-finalists were Sue Hayes and Jan Chapman, the latter having made it into that stage with an excellent win over the higher ranked Sarah Hudson.

Men's Singles:

Jack Boult (Sx) bt Robert Lemon (Sy) 6,9,9

Women's Singles:

Sarah Hall (So) bt Gemma Chapman (Bu) 7,7,6

Men's Consolation:

Oliver Shaw (Bu) bt Michael Robinson (Sx) 7,10,-5,7

Women's Consolation:

Sarah Hudson (Bd) bt Flavia Wade (Mi) 3,-10,6,4

Rogues Back On Top

Cippenham Rogues head the Slough League title race at Christmas with five matches still to play. Eight points back are Cippenham Outlaws but they have played one match more. The challenge for the title will come from Chalfont Argonauts who are only nine points behind Rogues with two matches in hand. Significantly, though, Rogues and Outlaws have played all three of the matches between them but Chalfont have faced the Cippenham teams once only each.

With David Hayes and the ever improving Shaw brothers, Ollie and Ashley, spearheading the Rogues challenge, much will depend upon their two remaining matches with Argonauts. When the teams met at the beginning of the season Danny Baxter played his, as yet, only match for Argonauts to earn his side a 5-5 draw.

Buccaneers continue to struggle at the foot of Division 1, still pointless after twelve matches. Last year's Division Two champions are finding out exactly how big the difference is between divisions.

Vagabonds and Villains are both struggling in Division Two and it will take a colossal effort in the remaining matches if these two teams are going to avoid the ignominy of the bottom two placings at the end of the season.

League Tables

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1							
Cippenham Rogues	10	8	2	0	80	20	52
Cippenham Outlaws	11	7	0	4	69	41	44
Chalfont Argonauts	8	7	1	0	63	17	43
Chalfont Bohemians	10	5	0	5	45	55	27
Burnham Nomads	11	2	1	8	40	70	20
Cippenham Buccaneers	12	0	0	12	13	107	0
Division 2							
Burnham Pumas	10	8	0	2	76	24	50
Burnham Leopards	10	8	0	2	64	36	42
George Green	12	4	2	6	51	69	29
Chalfont Corinthians	7	4	1	2	45	25	28
Cippenham Vagabonds	9	1	1	7	23	67	11
Cippenham Villains	8	1	0	7	59	97	8
Division 3							
Burnham Lions	9	8	1	0	70	19	47
Cippenham Scoundrels	10	3	2	5	48	51	27
Burnham Zebras	8	4	1	3	39	41	24
WAMDSAD	9	1	0	8	22	68	9

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Weekend Diary January/February

January

Sun 2nd	10:30am	Southern Region Junior Training
	11:00am	Ormesby Cup Stage 1 matches
Sun 9th	9:00am	Cippenham Under-14/16 1 Star Open
Sat 15th	10:00am	County Championships Junior Div 1B
Sun 16th	11:30am	British League Div 1S, Div 2S&M
Sat 22nd	9:30am	National Junior League (3)
Sat 29th	9:00am	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Sun 30th	9:00am	Maidenhead Closed Championships

February

Sat 5th	11:30am	British League Div 1S, Div 2S&M
Sun 6th	10:00am	British League Div 1S, Div 2S&M
Sat 12th	9:00am	Reading Closed Championships
Sun 13th	9:00am	Reading Closed Championships
Sat 19th		County Championships matches
Sun 20th	10:30am	Southern Region Junior Training
Sun 27th	9:00am	Cippenham Veterans' 2-Star Open



The Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Mar 5	National Junior League (4)
Mar 6	Slough Closed Championships
Mar 26	Cippenham Junior 2* Open
Apr 9	Southern Region Junior Training
May 7/8	ETTA National Cadet Masters
May 14/15	ETTA National Junior Masters
May 29	Southern Region Junior Training
Jun 5	Cippenham Banded 2* Open
Jun 12	Southern Region Junior Training
Jun 18/19	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.
Jul 3	Cippenham Veterans' Summer 2* Open
Jul 9/10	Southern Region Junior Training

Other Cippenham Events

Jan 2	Gainsford Cup Stage 1 (Ashford)
Jan 22/23	Women's British League (2) (Cheltenham)
Feb 12/13	Junior British League (2) (Aldersley)
Feb 12/13	Veterans' British League (2) (Doncaster)
May 21/22	Hammersley Cup Final Stage

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

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 2004-05

	Full	Conc'n
Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£12.00	£6.00
Family Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£21.00	n/a
Annual Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.20	£0.60
Family Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£2.10	n/a
Slough League Registration	£10.00	£5.00
National Junior League registration	n/a	£12.00
Practice Fees	*£3.00	*£1.50
Slough League Match Fees	£3.00	£1.50
Coaching Fees (per session)	**£4.00	**£2.00
Coaching Fees (per term - 1 st group)		£30.00
Coaching Fees (per term - 2 nd group)		£20.00
* plus £1.50 (75p) for non-members		
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Members gather round Stephanie Mitchell's "name the celebrity" board at the Club's Christmas party; Ken tends to his robot in the background

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