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Another fantastic day at Cippenham Table Tennis Centre is capped with home wins by Cippenham players

Bradley demonstrates huge potential (19/10/11 Open)

Bradley Evans underlined his huge potential as a future table tennis star by winning the Under-11 Boys' Singles event at the Cippenham Under-9/10/11 1 Star Open Championships on 16th January. In the final he maintained his recent run of victories over his Cippenham team mate David Hayes. Bradley, who is still only nine years of age, won his group and then accounted for Nick Chatfield and then fourth seed Liam Thomas before despatching Adam Burrows in his semi-final. The final between Bradley and 10 years old David was a wonderful exhibition of young talent between two of the best players of their age in the country. Both players used a wide range of shots with Bradley's more controlled aggression winning the day 21-17, 21-18. The Cippenham domination of the event, which saw the top two seeds from Wales ousted by the quarter-finals, was demonstrated by a third player from the host club, James Milton, making it through to the semi-final.

Perversely, Bradley did not also win the Under-10 Boys' Singles. After making it through to the final, past the luckless James Milton in the semi-final, Bradley succombed to the enormous talent of Harry Shahlaei in the final. Shahlaei had earlier won the Under-9 Boys' Singles and his win over Bradley made it a double for the boy from Cheltenham.

In the girls' events Cippenham players were successful only in the consolation events: 8 years old Catherine Hayes won the U9 Girls' Consolation and Rebecca Tweedy was runner-up in the U10.



Other trophies came Cippenham's way in the boys' consolation events. Andrew Milton won the Under-10's while Matthew Tucker and Myles Evans were runnersup in the Under-9 and Under-11 respectively. This capped a good day for 7years old Myles Evans who qualified for both the younger age group events from his groups. Another player to catch the eye was his five year old brother Gavin who displayed incredible potential for a player so young, often reaching above his head to smash forehand winners past his opponents. Gavin was runner-up in both his Under-9 and Under-10 first round groups to qualify for the main U11 Boys' Singles:

B Evans (Slough) bt D Hayes (Slough) 17, 18 U11 Girls' Singles:

J Stringer (Kent) bt B Rees (Essex) 17, 21 U10 Boys' Singles:

H Shahlaei (Gloucs) bt B Evans (Slough) 21, 17 **U10 Girls' Singles:**

G Yarnley (Kent) bt S Davis (Gloucs) 13, 16

U9 Boys' Singles:

H Shahlaei (Gloucs) bt L Alderson (Wales) 16, 16 **U9 Girls' Singles:**

S Grabham (Wales) bt M Farquhar (Berks) 19, 13
U11 Boys' Consolation:

J de Klerk (Essex) bt M Evans (Slough) 20, 19

U11 Girls' Consolation:M Farquhar (Berks) bt C Linz (Surrey) 17, 10

U10 Boys' Consolation:

A Milton (Slough) bt C Jackson (Essex) 11, 18 **U10 Girls' Consolation:**

N Heard (Essex) bt R Tweedy (Wycombe) 11, 18 **U9 Boys' Consolation:**

E Brown (Essex) bt M Tucker (Slough) -18, 10, 16 **U9 Girls' Consolation:**

C Hayes (Slough) bt L Yarnley (Kent)12, 9

An enormous entry of 144 from 81 players kept twelve tables busy for over ten hours. The tournament was organised and refereed by Ken Phillips and run on the day by 14 years old Robert Hansell.

Three for England U12 Training Squad

When the new and shorter list (27 names only) for the England Under-12 Training Squad was announced at the end of January there were three Cippenham names still in it. Congratulations to Bradley Evans, Joanna Parker and Hannah Stone.





To all those who came along to the Centre on 9th january for our cleaning and repairing day. It was very heartening to see the involvement of parents of our younger players getting involved in the Club.



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Ladies' defeats

Without Sue Collier (injured) and Kai Milvek (work commitments), Cippenham I failed to climb out of the relegation places in Women's British League Division 1 on 30/31 January. The second team were also relegated from Division 2. A full report will appear next month.

Steve Joel

Public Relations Officer

No. 7 Personality Profile

The last of the seven Management Committee members to be profiled is Steve Joel. Steve runs the British League teams and the Club's Senior Open tournaments and was a leading player for the last two years in the project to build Cippenham Table Tennis Centre.

Born: 11.4.70, Eton Residence: Windsor

Status: Single, living with Nikki

Occupation: Policy & Communications Project Manager for World Class Programme at English Sports Council

Playing standard: British League Division 3

Playing successes: British League Div 3 team champion; Southern Region League team champion; Slough Closed MS champion; best ranking 275

Playing since: 1985 Joined Cippenham: 1988

Cippenham offices: Public Relations Officer since 1996 (on Management Committee since 1989)

ETTA offices: Chairman of Membership Committee since 1997; currently Secretary to Information Technology Working Party Qualifications: Level 2 coach, planning to complete Level 3 Proudest moments in TT: the moment that we knew that the funding for the Centre was secure and that the project would go

ahead; when David Purdie who I had coached won the England U12 BS title; when ETTA membership proposals were accepted by National Council and the rule changes implemented at the 1998 Annual General Meeting

Biggest wish for the future of TT: that England becomes a respected table tennis nation by consistently being in the top 3 in the World; for Cippenham to get a team into every division of the British League and win the Premier Division

Steve says: I hope to have more time at the end of '99 to put more back into the Club after a frantic year of work and house moving



Michael Aucterlonie, a player with Reading's OLOP club in the Premier Division of the British League, continued his fantastic run of success with his third straight win at the Cippenham 2 Star Open Table Tennis Championships on 3rd January. Auchterlonie has won the Men's Singles at every senior open tournament organised by the Cippenham club. There was reward also for one of the host club's players when Sue Collier justified her top seeding to win the Women's Singles.

In the final of the Men's Singles Aucterlonie faced Surrey's Abdul Wuraola and it turned out to be one of the best exhibitions of table tennis ever seen at Cippenham. Both players are capable of hitting the ball extremely hard and while Wuraola stays close to the table, Aucterionie has a tendency to defend with hard attacking shots from deep in the court. Some of the rallies were played at blistering pace and Aucterlonie's smash return from above his head from a ball smashed equally hard by Wuraola at 19all in the second game needed to be seen to be believed. Wuraola won the first game 21-16 and seemed to be heading

for a two-straight victory but the neversay-die spirit of Aucterlonie brought the match level in a second game decided at deuce. The third game was slogged out at high speed and it was Aucterlonie's greater range of shots that eventually brought him victory 21-16.

In the semi-finals Wuraola had another tempestuous battle with his Surrey team mate Chris Beckley which he won 21-18 in the third from 12-6 down. Aucherlonie, meanwhile, was able to conserve his energy with a comfortable two-straight win over Frank Hams.

In the absence of all of Cippenham's top names, none of the locals shone in the Men's Singles although Chris Lusher, John Barclay, Graham Trimming and Warren Brooks all progressed from their initial round groups.

In the Women's Singles, Cippenham's Sue Collier did not drop a game all day, easily qualifying from her group and then beating Sarah Horsnell of Middlesex in the semi-final and Kent's Amanda Alabaster in the final.



The consolation events were both won by members of the Cippenham club, Brian Savage being rewarded for some fine play in the men's event and Gemma Chapman, who had surprisingly finished last in her group, winning the women's.

Men's Singles

M Aucterlonie (Bk) bt A Wuraola (Sy) -16, 20, 16 Women's Singles:

S Collier (M'head) bt A Alabaster (Kent) 16, 15 Men's Consolation Singles:

B Savage (Wycombe) bt M Spero (E) -20, 10, 20 Women's Consolation Singles:

G Chapman (M'hd) bt Sharon Mitchell (Bk) 13, 16

Mike beats Tetsuo ... again!

Mike Rhodes came off a night shift to sensationally defeat Tetsuo Kasahara at deuce in the third to win the Men's Singles title at the Club Championships on 17th January. Mike is the only local player to manage to beat the former Japanese national team player during his spell at the Club this season and this was a repeat of the result when the two players met in the Slough League shortly before Christmas. Until the final the Men's Singles had progressed along the lines of the seedings with top seed Tetsuo beating fourth seed Paul Baker in his semi-final while Mike (2) accounted for Derek Wood (3) in a repeat of his victory earlier in the day over the same player in the final of the Veterans' Singles.

Mike thus became one of a select band to win two events on the day and no-one won more. After a keenly contested day's play lasting ten hours the eighteen events produced sixteen different winners and an incredible thirty of the 54 participants went home with either a winners' or a runnersup trophy.

Gemma Chapman had another successful day, winning both the Women's and Girls' Singles events while Robert Hansell captured the Boys' Singles and then the Junior Doubles with his brother Chris. Hamid Bahader also won two events, the Tweenie Singles for players of between junior and veteran ages, and the Championship Doubles with his team-mate Tetsuo. Rhys Evans, noted nowadays more for his coaching than playing, proved

Men's Singles M Rhodes bt T Kasahara -8, 13, 20 Women's Singles: G Chapman bt S Haves 16, -12, 18 Veterans' Singles: M Rhodes bt D Wood -17, 20, 14 Tweenie Singles: H Bahader bt R Evans -20, 15, 14 Boys' Singles: R Hansell bt T Mitchell 14, 8 Girls' Singles: G Chapman bt E Human 9, 17 Cadet Singles: J Ferguson bt G Chapman 13, 19 **Under-12 Singles:** T Mitchell bt D Hayes 18, 13 **Restricted Singles:** J Bateman bt A Farral 23, -18, 16 Championship Doubles: Kasahara & H Bahader bt D Wood & M Isaacs 16, 15 Junior Doubles: R Hanseli & C Hanseli bt H Stone & J Parker 11, 10 Senior Handicap Singles: R Evans bt N Hansell 19, 12 **Junior Handicap Singles:** M Tucker bt C Hayes -16, 15, 15 Senior Handicap Doubles: R Evans & T Mitchell bt H Bahader & J Bateman -13, 17, Junior Handicap Doubles: M Evans & E Tucker bt W Mitchell & G Evans 19, 17 Top 'n' Tail Handicap Doubles: C Hansell & D Hayes bt R Hansell & J Hansell 15, 16

a winner in both of the senior handicap events, singles and doubles with Thomas Mitchell.

J Hayes & C Tucker bt H Stone & J Chapman 13, 16

Parents' Handicap Singles: C Tucker bt C Dickens 20, -12, 11

Parents' Handicap Doubles:

The Cadet Singles provided Joe Ferguson with a winner's trophy while the younger Under-12 age group was won by the England number five Thomas Mitchell. Jeremy Bateman won the Restricted Singles for players outside of the top local divisions



while the junior handicap events were spread out with Matthew Tucker winning the singles and his sister Emily partnered Myles Evans to success in the doubles.

Former Slough League player Chris Tucker won both of the parents' handicap events and was assisted in the doubles by Jim Hayes.

Altogether, 54 players contested the events in the biggest Club Championships ever. Ten tables were kept busy for ten hours.

GARETH'S ABSENCE THE TELLING FACTOR IN ORMESBY DEFEAT

Deprived of the services of star player Gareth Herbert, who was ordered to stay in Nottingham for extra training prior to the European League match England faced in the Czech Republic the following Tuesday, Cippenham tumbled out of the Ormesby Cup, the national club championship, on 23rd January at Cippenham and so failed to reach the semi-final for the second time.

Cippenham were beaten 5-3 by many times champions Ifield from the Crawley & Horsham League. Ifield were led by England number 13 Ritchie Venner who won all three of his matches for the Sussex team which, in the absence of Gareth, was the telling factor. Tetsuo Kasahara, a former Japanese player now living in Windsor, won twice for Cippenham and Clive Payne managed one further win.

Cippenham 3; Ifield (Crawley/Horsham) 5 Cippenham 5; City of London Sports Club (London Banks & Civil Service) 3 Cippenham w.o. ECC Staff (Chelmsford)

Cippenham's second match was against the champions of the London Banks and Civil Service League, City of London Sports Club, and this time Cippenham triumphed 5-3 with only Joe Kennedy, a former top 20 player, winning any for the visitors. Tetsuo and Clive won two each and Steve Joel weighed in with one. The match between Tetsuo, who is a defender in the classical Japanese style, and the attacking Kennedy was the highlight of the day with Kennedy winning 21-18, 27-25

Senior Title for Gareth

Cippenham's 18 year old table tennis star Gareth Herbert became a national senior champion for the first time in January. In partnership with Devon's Alex Perry, Ga-



reth won the Men's Doubles crown at the English Senior National Championships at Bath. In the final they beat former Cippenham member Terry Young and Darren Blake from Surrey. This will surely be the first of many senior championships for Gareth who has already been the national singles champion at U12, U14, U15, U17 and U21 levels in an illustrious career.

In the Men's Singles event at Bath, Gareth reached his allotted seeded position in the quarter-final but then succombed to the eventual winner Alex Perry. Another trophy came his way in the Under-21 Men's Singles when he lost in the final to Terry Young.

Weekend Diary February/March

February		
Sat 6th	9.00am	Woolwich National Junior League
Sun 7th	9.30am	Southern Region Coaches' Get Together
Sat 13th	2.30pm	Bucks Veterans I v. Surrey II
Sun 14th	9.00am	Slough Closed Championships (senior)
Sat 20th	10.30am	ETTA Conference
	2.30pm	Bucks Junior I v. Surrey II
		Bucks Veterans II v. Kent V
Sun 21st	3.00pm	Team 1 v. DML White Hart Launceston II.
		Team II v. Westbury Club II
Sun 28th	12.30pm	Slough Woolwich Junior League
March		
Sat 6th	9.00am	Cippenham Veterans 2 Star Open
Sun 7th	3.00pm	Team I v. Aylesbury League
Sun 14th	9.00am	Berkshire Junior & Cadet Inter-Town
Sun 21st	12.30pm	Slough Woolwich Junior League
Sat 27th	9.00am	Woolwich National Junior League
Sun 28th	9.00am	Cippenham Cadet 3 Star Open



5.30	Advanced Coaching
7.30	Excellence Coaching
5.15	Beginners' Coaching
7.15	Local league matches
7.30	Practice Tables
	7.30 5.15 7.15

Thurs 5.15 Beginners' Coaching 7.15 Local league matches 7.30 Practice Tables

Fri 7.00 Elite Coaching

Bar Opening Times

Tuesday & Thursday 9pm - 11pm

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 1998-9

	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	
Slough League Registration	£10.00	£5.00	
Maidenhead League Registration	£15.00	£7.50	
Practice Fees	*£2.50	*£1.25	
Match Fees	£3.00	£1.50	
Slough Woolwich Junior League Match I	Fees £0.50	£0.50	
Coaching Fees	**£3.00	**£1.50	
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* plus £1.00 (50p) for non-members ** plus 50p (25p) for non-members

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The Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Apr 10 Cippenham 2 Star Open
Apr 18 Slough Junior Closed
Apr 24/25 Barclays Bank Championships
May 8 Cippenham U12 2 Star Open
May 22/23 English Junior/Cadet Masters

Other Cippenham TTC Events

Feb 6/7 Maidenhead Closed
Feb 6/7 Woolwich Junior British Lge (Hopton)
Feb 20/21 Veterans British League (Hopton)
Mar 28 Bucks Senior/Veterans Closed (MK)

British League Results:

10th January:

Cippenham I 3; Horsham II 5 Cippenham II 4; CW Progress II 4 24th January:

Fellows Cranleigh 2; Cippenham I 6 Guildford 7; Cippenham II 1

Results Round-Up

English National Championships (16/17 Jan)

MD: Gareth Herbert, winner U21MS: Gareth Herbert, r/u

Cotswold 3* Junior Open (30/31 Jan)

U14GS: Joanna Parker, winner U12GS: Joanna Parker, winner



Alan Farral's Tuesday coaching group with Frazer Harper in centre with his Top Man Xmas '98 award.

Photo: Alan Farral

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