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# Ken honoured with Lifetime Achievement Award



ippenham TTC Chairman and Head Coach Ken Phillips received a huge honour when presented with the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Get Berkshire Active 2017 awards in February. The event took place at the Hilton Hotel, Reading and was a lavish affair fit for the occasion.

Ken's award is fitting reward for a lifetime of dedication to table tennis in general and coaching in particular. Ken has been a member of Cippenham TTC for about forty years, ever since moving to Maidenhead from his native Wales. For more than thirty years, Ken has been the Club's Head Coach and has brought more than twenty aspiring youngsters up to international standard. Most of this work has been done at Cippenham and in the surrounding schools and it is an understatement to say the Cippenham would not be the club it is today without the dedication, hard work and quality that Ken has brought to the Club. Ken is simply quite unique, without comparison.

When the news was reported on the Club's Facebook page, there were many expressions of congratulations for Ken from around the country and from some of the Club's former members.

One week later and Ken was nominated for another award, this time at the Table Tennis England Pride of Table Tennis awards in London. Ken was awarded the runner-up prize in the Inclusivity Award that recognised his work with players of disability.



This has been a great year for awards for Ken as last summer he was also honoured to be elected as a Vice-President of Table Tennis England.

Club Secretary and Founder Graham Trimming was also honoured with a Pride of Table Tennis South Region award for Contribution to Table Tennis, recognising his work with Cippenham TTC over a period of forty-five years.



Runner-up in Pride of Table Tennis awards

#### **Dates for Club Championships**

Thursday 26 April: Veterans' Singles and Tweenies' Singles (7:45 pm)

Monday 30 April: Junior Singles (7:15 pm)

Thursday 3 May: Open Doubles (7:45 pm)

Thursday 10 May: Open Singles (7:45 pm)

No prior booking required, just turn up and report by the stated times

## **10 for Martin**

artin Gunn, by far the most successful player ever in open tournaments at Cippenham, has gained his tenth title. This came in the Senior Singles at the Cippenham Five by Two Senior & Veterans' 1-Star Open. However, Gunn's winning streak did have a blip when he lost in the quarter-final round of the Veterans' Singles, played earlier in the morning.

Seeded second for the Senior Singles, Gunn's progress through the event was imperious, and the title was won without the dropping of a single game. After four wins in the preliminary round group, Gunn went on to defeat Stuart Laws, Anthony Ellis and Josh Dye to set to a final showdown with Richard Jermyn, perhaps the player of the day. Up to the final, Jermyn's carve through the field was every bit as decisive as Gunn's and his run of 3-0 victories included, in his victims, Cippenham's Paul Baker, top seed and defending champion Chris Bush, and then, in the semi-final, Gary Keers.

It had all been quite different for Martin Gunn in the morning's Veterans' Singles event. The top seed won his group and then beat Gary Keers but then fell to Richard Oppenheim in the quarterfinal. Third seed Richard Jermyn, meanwhile, won his group and then proceeded to eliminate Stuart Laws, Philip Smith before his meeting with Oppenheim in the semi-final, a match then went the seeded player's way.

In the bottom half of the draw, the second seed, Kevin Caldon, and fourth seed, Kevin Nicholls, both progressed well. The semi-final match between the two Kevins resulted in a win for Caldon and he, then, also had little difficulty in winning the title with a 3-straight win over Jermyn in the final.

From a local perspective, Paul Baker won the Veterans' Consolation Singles but was pushed all the way to deuce in the fifth by Bharat Malde in the final.

The tournament was organised by Paul Baker and refereed by Sue Hayes and attracted a near maximum entry.

Cippenham Five by Two Senior & Veterans' 1-Star Open Results							
Event	Winner	Runner-up					
SS	Martin Gunn (Av)	Richard Jermyn (E)					
VS	Kevin Caldon (E)	Richard Jermyn (E)					
SC	Akash Shah (He)	Minesh Pitamber (He)					
VC	Paul Baker (Sy)	Bharat Malde (Mi)					

## **Junior leagues conclude**

oth the National Junior League and National Cadet League have concluded their seasons recently with the Cippenham A teams both finishing third in their respective top divisions and Cippenham B finishing top of Division 3 in the NCL.

Rudii Richards was outstanding in wining nine of his ten matches during the final day of the NCL while team-mates William Saint and James Russell won eight and seven respectively. Anna Piercey won seven out of eight for Cippenham C in Division 4.



#### **National Junior League** League Tables—Round 3: P W D L Division 1 Crusaders A 5 4 1 0 19 11 Crusaders B 2 2 1 18 12 18 Cippenham A 3 0 17 13 17 Warren Spring A 5 1 2 2 15 15 15 Chiltern A 5 1 2 2 14 16 14 Crusaders C 5 0 1 4 7 Cippenham A finished 2nd over all three rounds Division 3 Warren Spring B 5 4 0 1 20 10 20 Reading A Cippenham B 5 2 2 1 18 12 18 Crusaders E 1 3 1 15 15 15 Ashford C 5 0 2 3 11 19 11 Cippenham C 5 0 1 4 6 24 6 Players' Averages: Р W Αv Cippenham A 15 Pranav Gudipati 23 66 Douglas Claridge-Hansen 15 33 15 45 William Fricker 15 14 42 Cippenham B Jaiden Caldeira 26 74 Harry Coles 15 35 19 54 Nikolai Hinterreither 29 15 10 Cippenham C Siyuan Li a 13 62 Sam Atkinson 11 24 13 54 Anna Piercey 32 15 47 14 William Saint

National Cadet League									
League Tables—Round		w	D	L	F	Α	Pts		
Division 1									
Crusaders A	5	5	0	0	30	0	30		
Crusaders B	5	4	0	1	17	13	17		
Cippenham A	5	1	2	2	12	18	12		
Kingfisher A	5	2	0	3	12	18	12		
Ashford A	5	0	2	3	10	20	10		
Crusaders C	5	0	2	3	9	21	9		
Division 3									
Cippenham B	5	5	0	0	24	6	24		
Ashford B	5	4	0	1	20	10	20		
Hillingdon A	5	1	2	2	14	16	14		
Chiltern A	5	1	1	3	12	18	12		
Hillingdon B	5	1	1	3	12	18	12		
Oxford C	5	0	2	3	8	22	8		
Division 4									
Chiltern C	5	5	0	0	21	9	21		
Oxford D	5	4	0	1	19	11	19		
Chiltern E	5	3	0	2	16	14	16		
Cippenham C	5	2	0	3	16	14	16		
Chiltern B	5	1	0	4	12	18	12		
Chiltem D	5	0	0	5	6	24	6		
League Tables—Round 2: PWDLFAPts									
Division 1									
Crusaders A	5	5	0	0	22	8	22		
Kingfisher A	5	2	1	2	18	12	18		
Cippenham A	5	2	2	1	17	13	17		
Crusaders B	5	2	2	1	14	16	14		
Ashford A	5	1	1	3	12	18	12		
Oxford A	5	0	0	5	7	23	7		
Division 2							·		
Crusaders C	5	4	1	0	26	4	26		
Crusaders E	5	3	1	1	17	13	17		
Oxford B	5	3	0	2	17	13	17		
St Albans A	5	1	2	2	13	17	13		
Kingfisher B	5	1	1	3	10	20	10		
Cippenham B	5	0	0	5	7	23	7		
Division 3									
Crusaders D	5	4	1	0	22	8	22		
Ashford B	5	4	0	1	22	8	22		
Hillingdon A	5	3	1	1	19	11	19		
Chiltern A	6	2	0	3	15	15	15		
Oxford C	5	1	0	4	6	24	6		
Cippenham C	5	0	0	5	6	24	6		
Players' Averages:									
Cippenham A	М		Р		W	Av			
Pranav Gudipati		0	25	5	17		68		
Douglas Claridge-Hanser	n 1	5	33	3	17		52		
Sonny Dalston		5	10		4 40		40		
Jaiden Caldeira		15		33		9 27			
Cippenham B									
Sonny Dalston		2	(	3	5		83		
Rudii Richards		1	24		12 50		50		
William Saint	1	3	29	9	13		45		
James Russell		5	35		14	40			
Gustav Colliander		4	11	1	2		18		
Cippenham C									
Anna Piercey	1	3	3	1	18		58		
Tom Brown		11		3	9	35			
Kwame Sousseing		1	24		8 33				
Isam Sousseing		0	23		1		4		
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For more photos from both NJL and NCL go to the Cippenham TTC Flickr site.

## **Men's teams face relegation**

oth Cippenham men's teams ended up in the relegation zone of their respective divisions when the Veterans' British League concluded in Derby. However, there was better news for the Cippenham women's team as they finished in the top half of their division

Martin Gray started the weekend in great form, winning his first five matches as Cippenham A drew 3-3 with Topspin Fusion and then defeated Wirepoint Bulldogs 4-2. Martin was assisted by Martin Adams as between them they were responsible for all seven wins over these two matches. Then followed Cippenham's first defeat of the weekend, 2-4 to Foresters.

On Sunday it was Martin Adams' turn to lead the way with two wins against London Moberley while Mark came to the party this time beating Jojo Senorin to clinch a point from the 3-3 draw. The final match saw Cippenham needing just two sets to clinch a safe position in the table but they lost all the first three in the deciding fifth games. Martin Adams gave Cippenham hope with a 3-0 win over Gerald Campbell but the 1-5 defeat left the team marooned in fifth position in the final league table.

The weekend started well for the men's second team with a good 3-3 draw with eventual divisional champions St Georges. Mike Rhodes, Christos Hannides and Paul Baker all contributed to this scoreline. Saturday afternoon saw Cippenham still in great form with a 4-2 win over third-placed XLNT Draycott 3. Super Saturday finished with another 4-2 victory, this time against Whitworth Academy. Paul starred for Cippenham with wins against Andy Middleton and David Kelly.

After a great Saturday, Sunday's results were disappointing as Cippenham B lost 2-4 to South Essex and then, in the all-important final match, could gain only a 3-3 draw with Foresters D.

The Cippenham women's team, operating in Division 2, finished fourth overall out of eight. A 3-3 draw with Carpe Diem and a 1-5 defeat to RTA concluded the first part of the exercise. The division was then split into two sections with Cippenham placed into the top section. There were mixed fortunes with the highlight being a 3-3 draw with divisional champions IPS Tigers.

#### Veterans' British League

League Tables:		w	D	L	F	٨	Pts	
Men's Division 1A	P	vv	ט	-	Г	^	гιэ	
Foresters A		7	1	2	36	24	15	
Topspin Fusion		2	6	2	30	30	10	
Team Ecosse		2	5	3	29	31	9	
Wirepoint Bulldogs		3	3	4	29	31	9	
Cippenham 1		2	5	3	28	32	9	
London Moberley		0	8	2	28	32	8	
Men's Division 3B								
St Georges	10	7	3	0	39	21	17	
South Essex	10	5	4	1	36	24	14	
XLNT Draycott 3	10	2	5	3	28	32	9	
Foresters D	10	3	2	5	27	33	8	
Cippenham 2	10	2	4	4	26	34	8	
Whitworth Academy	10	1	2	7	24	36	4	
Women's Division 2A								
IPS Tigers	10	7	2	1	42	18	16	
Northern Belles	10	7	0	3	40	20	14	
Billwood	10	6	1	3	36	24	13	
Cippenham	10	3	3	4	29	31	9	
Women's Division 2								
IPS Tigers	7	5	1	1	30	12	11	
Billwood	7	5	1	1	27	15	11	
Northern Belles	7	5	0	2	31	11	10	
Cippenham	7	3	2	2	23	19	8	
Market Rasen II	7	2	2	3	17	25	6	
RTA	7	2	1	4	17	25	5	
Halton 1	7	2	0	5	15	27	4	
Carpe Diem	7	0	1	6	8	34	1	
Players' Averages:								
	M		Р		W		Αv	
Men 1								
Martin Adams	10		20		13 11		65	
Martin Gray		10		20			55	
Mark Banks		10		20			20	
Men 2								
Mike Rhodes		10		20		1	45	
Paul Baker		10		20		)	45	
Christos Hannides		5		10			40	
Simon Vine		5		10			40	
Women								
Denise Weller		8		16	10		63	
Sue Hayes		9		18	8		44	
Wendy Porter		7		14	6		43	
Julie Dean		6		12	5	)	42	
Results:								
Men 1								

For a more detailed report of the VBL weekend, please go to the Cippenham TTC website.

3-3 St Georges

2-4 South Essex

3-3 Foresters D

4-2 XLNT Draycott 3

4-2 Whitworth Academy

3-3 Topspin Fusion

2-4 Foresters A

1-5 Team Ecosse

3-3 Carpe Diem

Women

1-5 RTA

1-5 Billwood

3-3 IPS Tigers

2-4 Northern Belles

4-2 Wirepoint Bulldogs

3-3 London Moberley

## **Champions!**

ippenham Saxons duly completed their quest to win the Maidenhead League title with a 6-4 victory over rivals Old Gords Vultures. And they did it with more than a match to spare as the title was secured when Saxons scored their second point against the Gords.

The Cippenham team of Ashley Shaw, Ricky Hardcastle and Graham Trimming all shared in the spoils with two wins apiece. Ricky and Graham both defeated newly crowned Maidenhead League Men's Singles champion Maciej Dlugozima while Ashley was the only player to beat Mark Dozell. All three also beat Trevor Griffiths.

This was Cippenham's eighth title altogether in the Maidenhead League. The previous one came six years ago before Cookham Social began their run of successes and the other six titles were all gained in the 1980s; Cippenham having concentrated on the now defunct Slough League in the meantime.

For Graham, this represents his fifth Maidenhead League team title along-side another eight in the Slough League. Ashley also featured in two Slough League title teams a decade or so ago but for Ricky, along with the other team member Albert Cheung, this is their first local league team title with Cippenham.

**Postscript:** Saxons beat NWCA Bluejays 10-0 in their final match to finish 20 points ahead of both Old Gords and Bovingdon Green. Final tables will appear next issue.

**Knock-out Handicap:** Cippenham's two Division 2 teams, Spartans and Vikings, will meet each other in the final of the Maidenhead Knock-out Handicap Competition on Tuesday 24 April.

Maidenhead Closed Championships: Ricky Hardcastle was not successful in defending his Men's Single title won last year but he did manage to win the Tweenies' Singles and the Men's Doubles and Mixed Doubles with Cippenham members Maciej Dlugozima and Wendy Porter. He was also runner-up in the Division 1 Singles.

The Men's Singles was won by Cippenham champion Maciej who plays for Old Gords in the Maidenhead League while Wendy, who plays for OLOP, won the Ladies' Singles and Veteran Ladies' Singles.

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#### Weekday Timetable Mon 19:15 Advanced Coaching Group Tues 19:15 Local league matches 19:30 Practice tables 19:40 Grand Prix (when run) Weds 19:30 Elite Coaching Group **Thurs** 17:15 Beginners' coaching 19:15 Local league matches 19:30 Practice tables

#### Fees Season 2017-18 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 £9.00 Maidenhead League Registration £18.00 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 ) £35.00 plus £1.50 (75p) for non-members plus 50p (25p) for non-members



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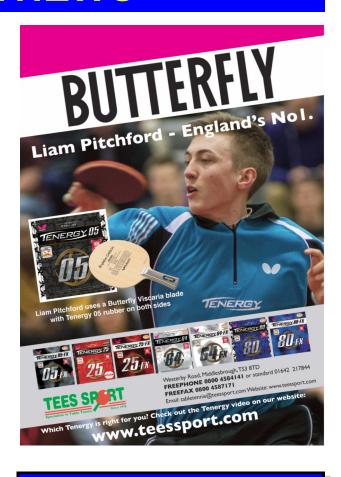
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#### **Weekend Diary**

Apr 14/15 Senior British League (4) Divs C-4 & C-5 Jun 23/24 Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.

**Cippenham Table Tennis Club** 

#### **Annual General Meeting**

Will take place on

Tuesday 5 June, 8:00 pm

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