



# CIPPENHAM NEWS

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## Happy New Year to all Readers

A better weekend for our teams in the British League

# First Team Climbs into Top Half

## British League

## *Robert Unbeatable for 2nds*

All three Cippenham teams enjoyed better results in the second weekend of matches in the British League. The first team took five points from eight to move into fourth place in Division 1 South while the second team took three points to move off the bottom of Division 1 South and Midlands while the third team's first win of the season moved them away from the foot of Division 2 South & West.

The first team squad travelled to Okehampton in Devon for the weekend, a long trek that is traditionally not a fruitful one, and with team availability issues for the Saturday it seemed the trend may continue. However the team spirit was present in droves and Cippenham piled on the points with minimal damage suffered.

The first match saw the Cippenham three of Cedric Brion, Martin Adams and Owen Clutterbuck face BATTs II. The highly rated Ryan Collins was the only thorn in Cippenham's side as he came through in tough matches with Martin and Cedric. However this was matched by a fine double from Owen, who was never in any trouble, to bring an opening 4-4 draw to get the first points of the weekend on the board for Cippenham.



Robert Hansell



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## British League 2nd Weekend (cont'd)

### League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
<b>Division 1 South</b>							
Urban Progress I	8	8	0	0	55	9	16
Pavilion I	8	6	0	2	46	18	12
Greenhouse Progress II	8	4	2	2	36	28	10
Cippenham I	8	3	2	3	30	34	8
BATTS II	8	2	3	3	28	36	7
Woolwell I	8	1	3	4	24	40	5
York Gardens I	8	1	3	4	23	41	5
TTK Greenhouse	8	0	1	7	14	50	1

### Division 1 South & Midlands

OLOP IMPACT	8	7	1	0	45	19	15
Sportingbet Guernsey I	8	5	2	1	41	23	12
Fusion II	8	4	2	2	36	28	10
Kingfisher I	8	3	3	2	37	27	9
Mossford I	8	3	3	2	35	29	9
Brighton City I	8	2	0	6	20	44	4
Cippenham II	8	1	1	6	21	43	3
Ashford I	8	1	0	7	21	43	2

### Division 2 South & West

Club Cornwall	7	7	0	0	47	9	14
Bournemouth Sports	8	5	1	2	40	24	11
Horsham I	8	5	0	3	36	28	10
Woolwell II	8	4	1	3	34	30	9
York Gardens II	8	3	2	3	33	31	8
Cippenham III	8	1	0	7	13	51	2
Fusion III	7	0	0	7	13	43	0

### Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
<b>Cippenham I</b>				
Owen Clutterbuck	8	15	10	67
Martin Gray	4	7	4	57
Cedric Brion	8	16	8	50
Martin Adams	4	8	4	50
Mark Butler	6	12	2	17
<b>Cippenham II</b>				
Robert Hansell	8	16	13	81
Eddie Mitchell	8	16	4	25
Nick Brown	4	8	2	25
Steve Munson	4	8	2	25
Rafique Sarhadi	7	14	0	0
David Hayes	1	2	0	0
<b>Cippenham III</b>				
Steve Buck	2	4	2	50
Tony Stead	6	12	3	25
Ricky Hardcastle	4	8	2	25
Martin Haycock	2	4	1	25
Tim O'Mahoney	2	4	1	25
Paul Baker	6	12	2	17
Chris Hansell	4	8	1	13
Kevin Gray	4	8	1	13
Steve Smith	2	4	0	0

### Results:

<b>Cippenham I</b>	<b>Cippenham II</b>
4-4 BATTS II	3-5 OLOP IMPACT
5-3 TTK Greenhouse	2-6 Sportingbet Guernsey I
6-2 York Gardens	4-4 Fusion II
1-7 Pavilion I	5-3 Ashford I
<b>Cippenham III</b>	
1-7 Bournemouth Sports	
5-3 Fusion III	
1-7 Woolwell II	
2-6 Horsham I	

Cippenham went one better in the encounter with bottom-placed TTK Greenhouse. Again Owen shone with a double to remain unbeaten for the day. Cedric also won the crucial clash with the talented Jerome Jonah and then Martin came through against the very vocal Fatlum Sadiku to seal a 5-3 victory and ensure that the team could enjoy their sleep.

With the squad being restored to full strength for the Sunday matches with the return of Mark Butler, the crucial Sunday morning match with York Gardens saw Martin put in a true captain's performance which started with a win over York Gardens' top player Chris Lewis. This put the momentum firmly with Cippenham as they raced to a 4-0 lead. The second half honours were shared with wins for Martin and Owen, once again remaining unbeaten, to seal a 6-2 victory and virtually ensure any worries of relegation were expelled.

A strong Pavilion Brighton squad thoroughly deserved their 7-1 victory in the afternoon despite some close ties, but not before Cedric gave Cippenham the early lead in disposing of the highly-rated Ashley Stokes in four games with a bout of high quality attacking forehand loops.

Best performance by far of the weekend in a Cippenham shirt came at their own Slough venue from Robert Hansell who won all eight of his matches for Cippenham seconds. Robert now lies second in the divisional averages with 13 wins from 16 for the season thus far. Sadly, his team-mates could not match his effort and Rafique Sarhadi, albeit playing in the difficult number one position, has yet to win at all in fourteen matches. Eddie Mitchell

put a spell of indifferent form behind him for a great performance on the Sunday, winning all four of his matches in support of Robert. This culminated in a 4-4 draw with Fusion II on Saturday morning and then, assisted by Steve Munson's win over Jason Tendler, a 5-3 win over local rivals Ashford to leapfrog over the Staines-based team at the bottom of the division. Earlier, on the Saturday, Cippenham II had slipped to two defeats against OLOP IMPACT 5-3, when Steve had a good win against Neil Wright to add to Robert's brace and 6-2 against the Guernsey national side when Steve's 12-10 fifth-game loss to Oliver Langlois was the closest any Cippenham player came to providing Robert with the support he needed.

The Cippenham third team travelled the short distance to Ashford for their matches and their highlight was a 5-3 victory against Fusion III. Team captain Paul Baker was the star for Cippenham with wins against Kinga Oryl and Neil Stewart while Martin Haycock, Chris Hansell and Ricky Hardcastle, playing with more maturity than when making his debut in the first weekend, provided great support with one win each in a closely fought match.

Other results were not so encouraging with Ricky providing the sole success in a 7-1 defeat against Bournemouth Sports, who included current England national team player Hannah Hicks, on Saturday morning. Only Chris Hansell played both days with Steve Buck, Tony Stead and Steve Smith coming into the side for the Sunday matches. Steve Buck and Tony both tasted success in a 6-2 defeat against Horsham while Steve was later the only victor in a 7-1 loss to Woolwell II.

## Have you joined the Facebook site yet?

56 people, by no means all members of the Club, have so far joined the Club's new Facebook site. If you "do" Facebook and you have not yet joined, do so now and keep up to date with news and views about YOUR club.

Twitter has been less popular, with only 8 followers so far joined up. But, out of small acorns .....



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<http://twitter.com/cippenhamttc>

## Title Race heats up in Maidenhead



### League Tables:

P W D L F A Pts

#### Premier Division

Cippenham Saxons	8	4	2	2	53	27	53
Cippenham Spartans	8	4	3	1	52	28	52
Kingfisher	9	6	0	3	51	39	51
Old Gords Vultures	8	4	0	4	34	46	34
NWCA Blue Jays	9	0	1	8	20	70	20

#### Division 1

Castle Hill Pumas	10	8	0	2	72	28	72
Old Gords Kestrels	12	5	1	6	63	57	63
Outcasts	10	7	1	2	62	38	62
Old Gords Ospreys	12	5	1	6	52	68	52
Old Gords Harriers	10	5	0	5	46	54	46
Boyne Hill CC	10	3	1	6	45	55	45
WAMDSAD Wags	10	4	2	4	45	55	45
Cippenham Trojans	12	2	2	8	45	75	45

#### Division 2

Cook'm Soc Typhoons	10	9	0	1	85	15	85
BBC Bears	11	7	1	3	66	44	66
Stoke Poges Tigers	12	5	3	4	57	63	57
Bovingdon Gn Kestrels	11	5	0	6	55	55	55
Cippenham Vikings	11	5	1	5	54	56	54
WAMDSAD Whirlwinds	12	5	2	5	52	68	52
Castle Hill Panthers	10	2	2	6	36	64	36
Cook'm Soc Ladybyrds	9	0	1	8	25	65	25

### Players' Averages:

M P W Av

#### Saxons

Matt Brown	4	11	9	82
Paul Baker	6	15	12	80
Graham Trimming	4	11	7	64
Steve Smith	5	12	6	50
Tanya Waller	5	14	4	29

#### Spartans

Tony Stead	1	2	2	100
Ricky Hardcastle	5	14	13	93
Eddie Mitchell	3	9	8	89
Neil Bird	3	9	6	67
Simon Wilde	8	23	15	65
Armando Borges	1	3	0	0

#### Trojans

Denise Weller	10	29	15	52
Terry Boxall	7	21	9	43
Sue Hayes	8	23	9	39
Peter Hillier	4	11	4	36
Armando Borges	3	9	1	11

#### Vikings

David Williams	11	32	23	72
Fenton Varady	6	17	11	65
Chris Collins	6	18	7	39
Charles Mitchell	2	6	2	33
Steve Harben	6	17	1	6
William Androsik	1	3	0	0

With half of the fixtures completed in the Maidenhead League, the Premier Division title race is really hot. Only two points separate the top three teams (in a division only containing five teams) although third-placed Kingfisher have played one match more than their Cippenham rivals.

Our two teams are first and second in the division with Saxons holding the narrowest one-point advantage over Spartans at the Christmas break. Spartans must be rueing the fact they have fielded only two players on three occasions and, ironically, two of these matches were against Spartans. After gifting six points in this way Spartans are doing well to remain in touch.

Last year's Wilkinson Sword winner, Simon Wilde, is an ever present for Spartans, with only Ricky Hardcastle of the remaining squad members having played in more than three matches. There is no doubt that if the strongest three, Ricky, Eddie Mitchell and Tony Stead, were to play every week then the destiny of the title would have already been decided. However, Tony has managed only one appearance and Eddie three. Ricky's thirteen wins from fourteen matches sees him placed at the top of the League's averages.

Saxons, on the other hand, are more consistent with all five members of the squad having played between four and six matches. Matt Brown and captain Paul Baker each have averages in the 80s while Graham Trimming, making his first appearances in the Maidenhead League for several years, has also won important games. Steve Smith and Tanya Waller are the other members of the squad.

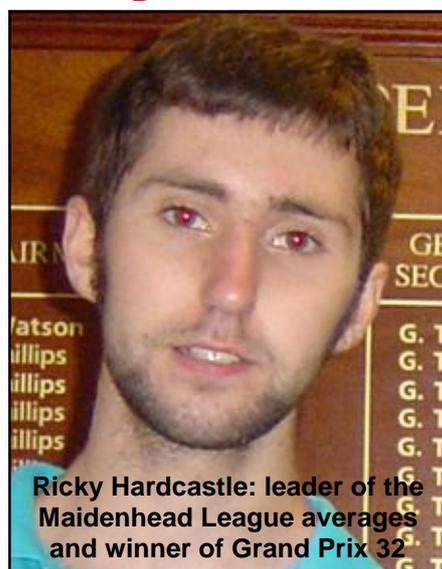
Take a look at the Division 2 table! Just one point separates the bottom four teams but, unfortunately, it is Trojans that lie bottom with an inferior sets aggregate giving played two more matches than their rivals. Only Denise Weller has managed a better than 50% average in a tough and competitive division.

Vikings are in the middle of another competitive division although Cookham Social Typhoons, with a squad of players with former Premier Division experience, are walking away with the title. For Vikings, David Williams has

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enjoyed the most success and has graduated up a division very well. Youngster Fenton Varady has won two-thirds of his matches and Chris Collins is providing some support while the others struggle a little in this division.

## Ricky's Grand Prix



Ricky Hardcastle: leader of the Maidenhead League averages and winner of Grand Prix 32

25 players took part in the 6-week Grand Prix 32 and the eventual winner was Ricky Hardcastle who beat Graham Trimming by 10 points with Tom Wald third. Ricky won two of the weekly events while Graham won one and the others were shared between Steve Buck, Ben Cunningham and Elroy Hull.

### Grand Prix 32

Pos	Name	Pts
1	Ricky Hardcastle	250
2	Graham Trimming	240
3	Tom Wald	130
4	Mike Wald	120
5	Malcolm Makarian	120
6	Paul Myers	110
7=	Steve Buck	100
7=	Elroy Hull	100
7=	Ben Cunningham	100
10	Sam Wilson	90

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## Weekend Diary January/February

### January

Sat 8 UK Deaf TTA training  
Sat 15 Cippenham Five by Two Junior & Senior 1\* Open  
Sun 16 British League Divisions 1 South & 1 South/Mid

### February

Sat 5 Maidenhead Closed Championships  
Sun 6 Maidenhead Closed Championships  
Sat 18 British League Divisions 1 South & 1 South/Mid  
Sun 19 British League Divisions 1 South & 1 South/Mid  
Sun 27 Cippenham Super 6 Senior 2-Star Open

The Club will be closed over the Christmas festive period, re-opening on Tuesday 4 January.

## Weekday Timetable

**Mon** 19:15 Advanced Coaching Group  
**Tues** 19:15 Local league matches  
19:30 Practice tables  
19:40 Grand Prix  
**Thurs** 17:15 Beginners' coaching  
19:15 Local league matches  
19:30 Practice tables  
**Fri** 19:30 Open practice evening  
19:30 Adult coaching

## Fees Season 2010-11

	Full	Conc'n
Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£15.00	£7.50
Family Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£25.00	n/a
Annual Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.50	£0.75
Family Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£2.50	n/a
Maidenhead League Registration	£15.00	£7.50
National Junior League registration	n/a	£12.00
Practice Fees	*£3.50	*£1.75
Local League Match Fees	£3.50	£1.75
Coaching Fees (Thursday) (per session)	**£5.00	**£2.50
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

Mar 5/6 UKCC coach education course  
Mar 12/13 Reading Closed Championships  
Mar 20 Cippenham Super 6 Veterans' 2\* Open  
Mar 26 County Championships  
Apr 2/3 County Championships  
May 14/15 UKCC coach education course  
May 21/22 British League Division 1 Play-offs  
Jun 25/26 Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.

## Snow Suspends Play

The snow that fell over the weekend before Christmas unfortunately took its toll on events at Cippenham. The first casualty was a session of County Championships organised by Surrey for the Saturday and then on Sunday we had to take the decision to cancel the Club's Christmas Party. Unfavourable road conditions and the amount of snow in the car park were the ultimate deciding factors.

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