



CIPPENHAM NEWS

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Melanie and James Supreme at 1-Star Open

There were several fine performances by home players at the Cippenham Under-14/16 1-Star Open Championships on 12th January. The star of the show was 13-years old Melanie Farquhar who lives in Reading but has trained at Cippenham for the past two years. Melanie was dominant throughout the day and finished as girls' champion in both age categories. In the final of the U16 she fought off a spirited challenge from another Cippenham youngster Sylvana Bielec in a match full of fast attacking table tennis. Melanie was often driven back many feet from the table but still counter-attacked with force enough to soak up Sylvana's blistering attack. In the final of the U14 event Melanie beat one of the Welsh visitors, Emmaleigh Newman, who she also later beat in the semi-final of the older age category.

James Milton had his best tournament yet. The Hedgerley boy fought back to survive four match points to beat Cippenham colleague Mark Armstrong at deuce in the fifth of their classic semi-final encounter. Both boys played their fast up-to-the-table topspin attack in an entertaining match that swayed first one way then the other. Meanwhile in the other semi-final Cippenham player Ashley Shaw was giving the highly ranked top seed Vytas Rybakas the fright of his life. The Lithuanian, currently based in Essex, only managed to win this epic at deuce in the fifth. Worse was to follow for Rybakas who, apart from claiming the third game, was outplayed by James in the final.



Trophy winners Melanie Farquhar, James Milton and Sylvana Bielec

Rybakas duly won the U14 event earlier in the day. He needed four games to see off the challenge of William Maybanks in the final while Maybanks had ended the run of Ashley Shaw one round earlier. Showing that he was not to be outdone by the more well known home players, Ashley reached the semi-finals of both events and will be a force to be reckoned with in the future. The other semi-finalist in the U14 Boys' Singles was Joseph Chacoliades.

Another Cippenham player who caught the eye was 10 years-old Katie Rule. In her best tournament to date Katie reached the quarter-finals of both events, beating Cippenham colleague Catherine Hayes in the U16s. Catherine also reached the quarters of the U14 while Jenny Hansell did likewise in the U16s.

A huge entry of 160 kept Referee and Organizer Ken Phillips, together with sixteen tables, busy and the event was superbly managed on the day by Robert Hansell.

U16 Boys' Singles:
James Milton (Slough) bt Vytas Rybakas (E) 13, 7, -6, 8
U16 Girls' Singles:
Melanie Farquhar (Bk) bt Sylvana Bielec (Slough) 7, 6, 6
U14 Boys' Singles:
Vytas Rabakas (E) bt William Maybanks (He) 9, -9, 6, 7
U14 Girls' Singles:
Melanie Farquhar (Bk) bt Em'leigh Newman (WAL) -7, 8, 7, 7
U16 Boys' Consolation:
Matthew Ware (Do) bt David McBeath (Ha) -10, 4, 8, 1
U16 Girls' Consolation:
Abigail Moore (He) bt Chelsea Bennett (Sk) 7, 9, -7, -1, 8
U14 Boys' Consolation:
Alim Hirji (Mi) bt Joshua Roseberry (He) 8, 5, 5
U14 Girls' Consolation:
Abigail Moore (He) bt Lindsey Armstrong (Mi) 7, 8, 9



Club of the Year 1996
Club of the Year 1997

Slough Closed Championships

Sunday 2nd March 2003

at Cippenham Table Tennis Centre

get your entries in to Jeremy Bateman

by 15th February



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Jeremy Bateman

Club Captain

No. 11
Personality
Profile

Jeremy is now in his second season as Club Captain with a remit to aid communication between the Club's management and the various team captains and to look after the interests of all team members.

Born: 9.9.60 - Taplow
Residence: Maidenhead
Status: single, still looking!
Occupation: Civil Servant
Playing standard: Division 2 Slough, Division 1 (not good enough!) Maidenhead, Division 1 Wycombe.
Playing successes: won various trophies in the Maidenhead, Slough and Wycombe leagues.
Playing since:1974-ish. Started playing at Altwood School, also played for the British Legion, Boyne Hill, Utopia Magpies, then gave up playing in Maidenhead for three years. Now plays for Phoenix in Maidenhead and Wesley in Wycombe as well as Cippenham.

Joined Cippenham: 1995 - previously played for Andfoil for three seasons before joining Cippenham.

Proudest moments in TT: being able to say I have beaten Terry Young, even if it was only in the Maidenhead Charity tournament in 1990.

Biggest wish for the future of TT: I hope that more players will play in the local leagues, getting back to the way they were a few years ago.



News in Short

David Wins Munster Open

Cippenham's David Hayes made the trip across to Ireland in the middle of January to play in the Munster Junior Open and showed that he is better than any of the home players at his age group. With all the top Irish players competing David won the Cadet Boys' Singles and reached the semi-final of the Junior Boys' Singles.

Slough Through in Alec Brook

The Slough veteran men's trio of Mike Rhodes, Paul Baker and John Barclay progressed in the second stage of the Alec Brook Trophy at Watford on 25th January. Each player won once to add to two concessions as a two-man North Middlesex were beaten 5-3 and then Mike got his three to spearhead his team to a 5-3 win over Watford. Paul and John won one each in this match. In the final match North Herts were too strong, winning 5-1, with only Mike winning for Slough.

Jo's Vital Win Against Austria

Joanna Parker beat Martina Petzner 11-9 in the fifth to help secure England a 3-2 win over Austria in the European Women's League Division 1 in Linz, Austria. Jo was also in the England team beaten 3-0 by Bulgaria the same weekend.

Gareth Through Group in Croatia

Gareth Herbert beat Li Jiang (FIJ) and Mads Sorensen (DEN) to top his group at the Croatian Open despite losing to Vasile Florea (ROM) deuce in the seventh. However, Gareth went out in the next round to the famous Russian Dmitrij Mazunov.

Ladies Finish Fourth

The Cippenham team had an indifferent final weekend in the Women's British League but still came away from Grantham in their highest ever finishing position of fourth. Placed third after the first weekend in September, Cippenham drew 3-3 with London Progress but lost 2-4 to runners-up Horsham to consolidate that position at the end of the first stage. The top four teams then played each other again to determine the final positions. In this second stage Cippenham lost all three matches, 2-4 again to Horsham, 1-5 to the champions Grove I and crucially 2-4 to Grove II.

The best performance of the weekend came in the opening match in which two wins for Gemma Chapman and one from Rebecca Hurrell gave the team the point they needed to ensure playing in the top half in stage 2.

Gemma played well all weekend, winning six of her ten matches whereas former Welsh international Lesley Keast and Rebecca won only two each.

League Table:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Premier Division Stage 2 Top							
Grove I	6	6	0	0	32	4	12
Horsham Ladies	6	4	0	2	19	17	8
Grove II	6	1	1	4	11	25	3
Cippenham	6	0	1	5	10	26	1
Premier Division Stage 1							
Grove I	7	7	0	0	37	5	14
Horsham Ladies	7	5	1	1	27	15	11
Cippenham	7	2	3	2	20	22	7
Grove II	7	2	3	2	20	22	7
Eagle Printers	7	1	4	2	19	23	6
London Progress	7	0	4	3	17	25	4
Leeds Ladies I	7	1	2	4	16	28	4
Irish Ladies I	7	1	1	5	12	30	3

Players' Performances:

	M	P	W	Av
Gemma Chapman	10	20	12	60
Lesley Keast	10	20	7	35
Rebecca Hurrell	10	20	6	30

Results:

3-3 London Progress	2-4 Horsham Ladies
2-4 Horsham Ladies	1-5 Grove I
	2-4 Grove II

Read About Gareth in the Observer

The Slough Observer is currently running a six-part series about Gareth Herbert, the England number two ranked player. The second part appeared yesterday (31st January). The series commenced with Gareth telling us how he came to get started playing table tennis and about his

early connections with Cippenham TTC. Then how he decided to give up his studies to become a full-time player. You are advised to read the Observer in the coming weeks for what will surely be an interesting insight into Cippenham's most famous son.

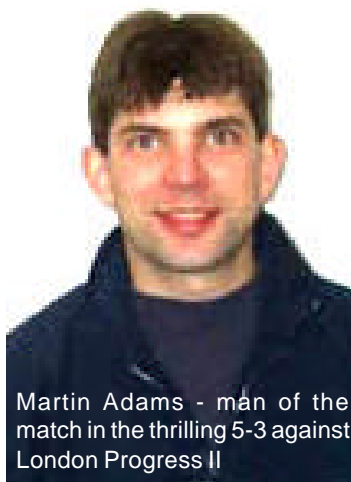
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A Win and a Loss for Both Teams

Both Cippenham teams experienced a victory and a defeat in the British League at their home club on 19th January. The "A" team started with an exciting 5-3 victory over London Progress II but then failed in the afternoon by the same score to Ellenborough. The "B" team did it in reverse fashion, losing 6-2 in the morning to divisional leaders PSP Westinsure 6-2 and then beat Hastings also 6-2 in the afternoon.

Martin Adams was man of the match against Progress in Division 1 South. After Richard Tilford had got Cippenham off to a great start with a four game victory over James Sprackling, Martin put Cippenham further ahead by eclipsing Daniel Fesahatsion in three games. London Progress, the divisional winners last season, were not going to lie down and just take it and they fought back with three wins – by Vidal Graham over Mark Butler, Darek Zurowski over Lee Dredge and Fesahatsion against Richard. The Cippenham players applied all their fighting spirit and won the next three sets to clinch the match. Mark beat Sprackling 15-13 in the fourth, then Martin completed his double against Zurowski and Lee gave Cippenham victory with another four-game win over Graham.

The afternoon match against Ellenborough (Enfield) was a reverse of the score between the two teams in the first half of the season. This time, Cippenham went 0-4 down as each of the home players just failed to take advantage of winning situations. A spirited recovery saw Richard beat Gary Tandler 14-12 in their deciding fifth game and then Martin beat Simon Philipsz to give Cippenham a chance. However, with Mark losing to Jimmy Walsh it mattered not that Lee got the better of Matthew Spero in the final set.



Martin Adams - man of the match in the thrilling 5-3 against London Progress II

Cippenham "B" team's 2-6 defeat against leaders PSP Westinsure was remarkable only for a win by Mark Jackson against the highly-ranked Eddie Roofe. The only other success against the Wiltshire-based team was Robert Lemon's over Dave Richards in the final set.

Better was to follow in the afternoon match when bottom team Hastings were beaten 6-2 in a match that was much closer and more exciting than the final score suggests. Robert Hansell led the way with a first set 12-10 in the fifth win against Richard Tanner. Team-mates Mark Jackson and Robert Lemon then followed suit against Graham Carter and Sally Weston respectively to put Cippenham 3-0 up. However, the south coast side hit back with two wins, by Matthew Gander over Paul Baker and by Tanner over Mark. Robert Hansell then completed the double that earned him the man of the match nomination by overcoming Weston after having lost the first game. With the score at 4-2 Paul faced Carter and Robert Lemon faced Gander on adjoining tables. Hastings needed to win both matches to force a draw while

League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division One South							
Horsham I	10	6	3	1	50	30	15
OLOP IMPACT I	10	6	2	2	46	34	14
Byng Hall FP I	10	6	1	3	49	31	13
Ellenborough	10	5	3	2	46	34	13
Cippenham I	10	5	0	5	43	37	10
London Progress II	10	4	2	4	38	42	10
De Vere NETTS	10	1	1	8	22	58	3
EBS Northampton I	10	0	2	8	26	54	2
Division Two South							
PSPWestinsure	10	9	1	0	63	17	19
EBS Northampton II	10	3	5	2	39	41	11
Cippenham II	10	4	3	3	38	42	11
London Progress III	10	4	1	5	44	36	9
Horsham II	10	4	1	5	39	41	9
Guildford I	10	4	1	5	38	42	9
Oxford Fireplace Ctr	10	3	2	5	34	46	8
Hastings	10	1	2	7	35	55	4

Players' Performances:

	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham I				
Richard Tilford	6	12	8	67
Martin Adams	6	12	8	67
Mark Butler	8	16	8	50
Clive Payne	8	16	8	50
Lee Dredge	8	16	8	50
Martin Gunn	4	8	3	38
Cippenham II				
Robert Lemon	6	12	9	75
Lee Dredge	2	4	3	75
Mark Jackson	8	16	9	56
David Hayes	4	8	4	50
Robert Hansell	10	20	9	45
Paul Baker	4	8	3	38
Gemma Chapman	4	8	1	13
James Milton	2	4	0	0

Results:

Cippenham I	Cippenham II
5-3 London Progress II	2-6 PSPWestinsure
3-5 Ellenborough	6-2 Hastings

Cippenham needed only one to secure both points. Both matches ebbed one way and then the other but finally both were won by the Cippenham players 11-9 in the fifth, Paul having done especially well to recover from two games down.

The Karen Mitchell Memorial Fund

The Karen Mitchell Memorial Fund was set up in September 2000 with a very generous donation from Charles and the children.

Since its inception the Fund has paid out nearly £450 to many different causes:

- contributions towards coaching and membership fees;
- tournament expenses;

- outstanding contribution award trophies;
- bouncy castle at summer BBQs;
- donations to the Maidenhead Charity Handicap Tournament;

Most recently the Club asked us to fund the Christmas party which we were delighted to do. Thank you to everyone who made that event such a success. Karen would have been

very proud to have her name attached to an event where everyone participated and enjoyed themselves - as she would have done.

If you want to know more about the purpose of Karen's fund please see the notices around the Club.

Jacqui Lovell

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Weekend Diary February/March

February

Sat 1	10:00am	Bucks county matches
Sun 2	9:00am	Cippenham Veterans' 2-Star Open
Sat 8	9:00am	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Sun 9	9:00am	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Sat 15	9:00am	Reading Closed Championships
Sun 16	9:00am	Reading Closed Championships
Sun 23	12:30pm	Slough League Youth Division (4)

March

Sun 2	9:00am	Slough Closed Championships
Sat 15	11:00am	British League Divisions 1/2 South
Sun 16	11:00am	British League Divisions 1/2 South
Sat 22	9:00am	Club Championships/Handicap Tourn't
Sun 23	9:30am	Berkshire Inter-Town Competition
Sat 29	9:30am	National Junior League (4)
Sun 30	10:30am	Southern Region Junior Training

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

Bar Opening Times

Tuesday & Thursday
9pm - 11pm

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 2002-03

	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
Annual Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.00	£0.50
Family Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.75	n/a
Slough League Registration	£10.00	£5.00
Practice Fees	*£2.50	*£1.25
Slough League Match Fees	£2.50	£1.25
Slough Youth Division Match Fees	£0.50	£0.50
Coaching Fees (per session)	**£3.00	**£1.50
Coaching Fees (per term - 1 st group)		£25.00
Coaching Fees (per term - 2 nd group)		£15.00

* plus £1.00 (50p) for non-members

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The Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Apr 1	Slough League Tunes Cup S/F-Final (Tu)
Apr 5/6	ETTA National Junior Masters
Apr 12/13	ETTA National Cadet Masters
Apr 15	Slough League Promotion Play-Offs (Tu)
Apr 19	Cippenham Junior 2-Star Open
May 3	Southern Region Junior Training
May 4	Slough League Youth Division (5)
May 31	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.
Jun 1	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.
Jun 14	Southern Region Junior Assessment
Jun 15	Cippenham Veterans' Summer 2* Open
Jul 12	Southern Region Coaches' Get-Together

Other Cippenham TTC Events

Feb 8/9	Veterans' British League (2) (Doncaster)
Feb 15/16	Junior British League (2)
Feb 22	Gainsford Cup Round 1 (Ashford)
Mar 9	National Cadet League (3) (Chesham)
Mar 23	National Cadet League (4) (Chesham)
May 10	British League Annual Conference
May 24/25	National Team Finals

Graham's 50th



Club Secretary Graham Trimming recently celebrated his 50th birthday with a party for 60 guests at the Club. Can you spot any familiar faces?

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