

CIPPENHAM TABLE TENNIS CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT 1994-5

INTRODUCTION

This report summarises the twenty-second season of Cippenham Table Tennis Club, and its eleventh since moving to the present multi-table headquarters at Haymill Centre in October 1984.

What a season! During the past year:

Teams representing the club have:

- ◆ regained the **championship** of the **Southern Region League** making a total of five wins in the eight years existence of the League;
- ◆ retained the **championship** of the **Southern Region Ladies' League** giving the Club four titles in this prestigious league and making it the second time that the Club has won both the mens and ladies leagues in the same season;
- ◆ retained the **championship** of the **Slough League** making eleven wins in the past eighteen years, and winning also Division Three;
- ◆ retained the **championship** of the **Slough Woolwich Junior League** and winning also Division Two;
- ◆ **won** both Slough League team handicap competitions, the **Dilger Cup** and the **Tunes Cup**;
- ◆ regained the **championship** of the **Slough Summer League**;
- ◆ regained the **championship** of the **Cippenham Invitation Tournament**;
- ◆ reached the **zone final** of the national club championship, the **Ormesby Cup**;
- ◆ become **runners-up** in the **Maidenhead League Premier Division**.

Players representing the club have enjoyed further individual successes and honours:

Gareth Herbert has:	represented England at under-17 and under-14 levels; won the English Closed cadet singles and doubles titles; won the English Masters cadet title; won other major cadet open titles; been ranked number one in England cadets throughout the season; been completely unbeaten throughout the Slough League season;
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and of other club members:

- ◆ **Twenty** have appeared in **England ranking lists**, eleven in the **top fifty**;
- ◆ **Eleven** have represented **counties**;
- ◆ **Twenty-two** have represented **Slough** and **Maidenhead**;
- ◆ **won every title** except divisionals at the **Slough Closed Championships**;
- ◆ **won four events** at the **Bucks Closed Championships**;
- ◆ **won** other **veteran** and **junior** national open tournament titles;
- ◆ **won all three** individual **Slough League** **handicap** events;

while in the field of administration and coaching:

- ◆ **Peter Hillier** is to be honoured with **Life Membership** of the **ETTA**;
- ◆ **Ken Phillips** was awarded **Coach of the Year** by **Slough Borough Council**.

With the progress made on the club's plans for a **purpose built facility** and our inclusion in various other initiatives, e.g. **Top Club** we can truly say **what a season!**

MEMBERSHIP

Over the past twelve months a total of sixty-five players have represented the club in match play, and fifty-three have held full membership of the club during the winter season. Both these figures are slightly down on the levels of the previous two seasons. With non-members attending club practice and coaching sessions, there are now over seventy players associated with the club in one way or another. Cippenham Table Tennis Club remains one of the largest and most successful sporting organizations in Slough.

Twenty-two teams were run in various leagues during the past season, one down of the previous season. Eighteen teams operated in the Slough League, ten in the senior divisions and eight in the Woolwich Junior League, while one more played in the Maidenhead League. Two mens and a ladies team were entered into the Southern Region League.

During the season Ken Phillips celebrated his 500th appearance for the club he has served for nearly twenty years, George Appleby and Alec Watson both passed the 300 mark, Jacquie Lovell, Mike Rhodes and Anna Watton all reached 200 while Edward Donovan and Steve Joel both completed their first centuries. The all time leading appearance list now reads: Graham Trimming 1071, Peter Hillier 676, Frank Earis 638, Ken Phillips 503, Jackie Thomas 375, Frank Cowley 342, Neil Bird 341, Rodney Potts 322, George Appleby 312, Alec Watson 300, Gareth Lovell 299, Dave Pountney 276, Steve Crow 269, Mike Rhodes 221, Jacquie Lovell 202, Anna Watton 202 and Steve Dorrell 200. The busiest players over the past year were Graham Trimming and Steve Joel with 51 and 46 appearances respectively.

ADMINISTRATION

The Management Committee, elected at the Annual General Meeting last May, met eight times. Constitution and personal attendances, which were somewhat disappointing, were as follows:

Name	Position	Meetings	Attendance	
Alec Watson	Chairman	6	June 6th	5
Graham Trimming	Secretary	8	July 12th	5
Peter Hillier	Treasurer	7	August 17th	7
Ken Phillips	Deputy Chairman	6	September 28th	5
Mike Rhodes	Venue Liaison Administrator	7	December 14th	5
Neil Bird	Press Secretary	2	February 6th	6
Richard Ford	Coaching Administrator	2	March 27th	8
Steve Crow	Committee member	2	May 10th	4
Frank Earis	Committee member	1		
Steve Joel	Committee member	3		

Steve Joel was co-opted onto the Management Committee on 14th December. Due to his resignation of membership of the club Steve Crow was asked to resign from the Management Committee at the meeting on 28th September, however no resignation was ever received.

Sub Committees took on the following aspects of the club's administration:

Building:	Alec Watson, Graham Trimming, Steve Crow, Frank Earis, Steve Joel (appointed 14th December);
Invitation Tournament:	Neil Bird, Mike Rhodes, Graham Trimming;
SRL Selection:	Mike Rhodes, Gareth Lovell, Wendy Barlow.

The Building Sub-Committee met officially three times and held further meetings with other parties. It was disbanded on 27th March when responsibility for the project was divested to Cippenham Table Tennis Centre Limited.

Among other duties Ken Phillips was appointed 100 Club Coordinator, Neil Bird took on the task of Entries Secretary for all club tournaments, and Steve Joel was responsible for the provision of refreshments.

Thanks are due to all who have contributed to the administration of the club, including all the team captains without whose efforts there would be no club.

As always the Management Committee of the Slough League had a significant Cippenham contingent. Graham Trimming completed his fourteenth year as Chairman and twentieth as Fixtures Secretary, while Mike Rhodes has completed his sixth season on the committee and his fifth as Inter-League Secretary. Jackie Thomas also took on a position on the Management Committee.

Peter Hillier has now completed more than eight years as Treasurer of the English Table Tennis Association, and is to be heartily congratulated for his nomination as a Life Member of the ETTA, the highest honour in English table tennis, which he will receive at the forthcoming ETTA Annual General Meeting. For the Buckinghamshire County Association Ken Phillips has continued his role as Treasurer.

Steve Joel has until recently been employed full time by the ETTA as the Southern Region Development Officer. Steve has worked extremely hard in this arduous position and is to be congratulated on the vast number of successful schemes he has helped to initiate. We wish Steve well as he progresses his career in sports development with the National Coaching Foundation.

Ken Phillips is now almost also full time in table tennis having been reappointed Assistant Staff Coach to the Southern Region, in which position he assists in the development of coach education courses and local schemes such as *Table Toppers* throughout the five counties. This is all in addition to his local activities which include weekly coaching, not only at Cippenham and SMACC, but also in Maidenhead and Bourne End.

Some coverage, especially later in the season, of the club's activities has been enjoyed in the local press, with the Slough Express, Slough Observer, Maidenhead Advertiser and their sister newspapers reporting major events including matches in the Southern Region leagues. Success of club members in local and national competitions has also been reported and several club members have been interviewed by Star FM radio. In an effort to keep members informed of club activities, especially the progress being made on the building project, Steve Joel produced a newsletter to coincide with the Club Championships in May, and a mighty fine effort it was too!

During the year the club has been registered with the ETTA *Join A Table Tennis Club* campaign and Ken Phillips attended an ETTA seminar "*Towards the Future*" in February during which the Chairman of the ETTA publicly praised Cippenham as "an ideal club". Recently the club has been accepted into the ETTA/Sports Council *Top Club* initiative which is aimed at developing clubs' junior and coaching activities. Ken Phillips represented the club at its launch and has prepared an action sheet detailing plans for the forthcoming season. The partners in the scheme fund the costs 25% each up to a maximum per annum of £400.

VENUE AND EQUIPMENT

Until such time as the club is required to equip its new building, it is not proposed to make any significant investment in new equipment. Otherwise, the £5500 investment made over the period between the end of 1984 and early 1986 continues to meet our requirements. The club justifiably boasts having the finest playing conditions, an opinion shared by many visitors including those in the Southern Region leagues. For match and tournament play four Butterfly Nippon Rollaway tables are used, each court individually enclosed and lit by four 500W tungsten halogen lamps permanently attached to the ceiling at a height of eighteen feet. For practice and coaching five or six tables are erected.

The Haymill gymnasium was much improved as a venue for table tennis last summer with the bricking in of the lower windows on the east side. Play during daylight hours has been much easier following this.

Due to the demands placed upon storage capacity at Haymill over the past few years, some equipment has deteriorated faster than expected. The court surrounds are now stored on two brackets and this system protects the main frame of the screen, but generally the surrounds are in poor condition. Six wooden screens dating from the seventies have been pressed into temporary service to supplement the Butterfly screens until the whole lot are replaced at the time of our move into new premises. One of the Nippon tables required extensive repair during the season. All four wheels had become badly worn but replacements proved difficult to source. By the time these had eventually been delivered from Germany the table had suffered major structural damage and Richard Ford is to be congratulated on having effected a first class repair. A repair was also effected to the Dunlop table by Ken Phillips.

The manner in which the club has paid for its use of Haymill changed last June. In the past the club has always paid hiring charges for time actually booked and used. During negotiations last summer aimed at reducing the extraordinarily high rent increases being proposed by the Haymill authorities it was agreed to pay a monthly rent of £245 which covered every Thursday evening and Sunday afternoon throughout the year. Necessarily, the club then attempted to manage its use of the facility in the most financially viable way and took the decision to encourage other uses of Sunday afternoons. Thus this period was utilised for two club tournaments, five Southern Region League matches, seven Slough Woolwich Junior League sessions, the Bucks Cadet Inter-League session and an ETTA organised coaching rally. The unfortunate side effect of this was to reduce the continuity of the club's Sunday afternoon coaching activities, but the Treasurer's accounts prove the wisdom of this decision in financial terms.

The gymnasium was also used each Thursday throughout the year, and Tuesdays during the winter season. Eight Slough League teams have utilised Tuesday, with the remaining two Slough League teams and the Maidenhead League side playing on Thursdays. On all occasions space has been allocated for at least one practice table on Thursday evenings throughout the winter.

Haymill remains very much over priced for the facilities offered and the move to new facilities becomes ever more urgent.

BUILDING PROJECT

In January 1992 the club established a Building Sub-Committee whose remit was to assess the feasibility of the club building and operating its own premises. This was in response to the creation of the Foundation for Sport and the Arts with an annual budget of forty million pounds to grant to sport.

The Sub-Committee comprises Alec Watson (Chairman), Graham Trimming (Secretary), Steve Crow, Frank Earis and Steve Joel, and has now met a total of thirty-three times, not including the many other meetings that have been held with third parties, e.g. Slough Borough Council, building contractors and architects, schools personnel, ETTA, Sports Council, suppliers etc. A great deal of work over thousands of hours has been undertaken and the club owes a great debt to the members of this Sub-Committee.

The past year has seen a number of factors influencing the final design of the building. Last summer it became obvious that the grandiose scheme of 847 sq.m. playing area and two storey amenities block was beyond our means. The summer of 1994 was a period of some inactivity and indecision, due to some extent by the ETTA not communicating properly with the club, and also due to the fact that the criteria for National Lottery funding was undecided. When the latter was decided, it became known that Lottery funding could not be given alongside Sports Council funding so the decision became whether to relinquish over £100,000 of Sports Council money in the hope of more from the National Lottery (who require 35% matched funding) or to spend the amount of money already pledged. The latter option was chosen.

The Foundation for Sports and the Arts (FSA) then threw a spanner in the timetable earlier this year when they granted the club £50,000 in response to a private application made by the club in August 1993. However the ETTA had already pledged £70,000 of their grant which has an FSA source and it took some time for the ETTA officials, who had acted on the club's behalf in approaching the FSA for permission to retain both grants, to revert with a negative response.

Graham Trimming did much work over the Christmas period on the floor plan of the proposed building, and once we had instructed Archadia Chartered Architects in January they set about a detailed cost estimate of the proposals. An estimated cost of £327,000 was still out of budget so other variations were produced which should yield a cost of about £250,000. Late in May 1995 the architect has now produced plans for planning application which will be heard on 1st August. Contractors are to be asked to tender with a view to finalising costs and funding for a build programme lasting from late August to mid December.

The proposed building will feature a playing hall measuring 22m by 22m, 464 sq.m., a bar area for twenty people, a reception area, storage, disabled facilities and male and female toilets. It will be adjoined to the existing changing areas at Westgate School. The new building will be at a slightly higher level than existing buildings thus requiring steps down to the changing areas and a ramp access for the disabled to the main entrance. The ramp will double as an access path to the main school building where we will be able to utilise the existing hall and gymnasium (three tables each) and the school's dining room and kitchen whenever we hold a larger tournament. The main playing hall will allow for eight match courts in better than ETTA Grade 3 conditions.

Current funding is as follows:

Sports Council Southern Region	£130,000
English Table Tennis Association	£70,000
The Westgate School	£20,000
Slough Borough Council	£8,200

	£228,200

The club has chosen to run the facility through a company limited by guarantee, and Cippenham Table Tennis Centre Limited was incorporated, number 3018162, on 3rd February 1995 at Cardiff. The subscribers to the Memorandum and Articles of Association were Neil Bird, Steve Crow, Frank Earis, Peter Hillier, Ken Phillips, Mike Rhodes, Graham Trimming and Alec Watson. These eight persons became the first directors and Alec Watson has been appointed Chairman and Graham Trimming Secretary. On the 10th May, Steve Joel was additionally appointed to the Board. The Company will own the building and the lease to the land, and be responsible for financing and managing the facility, and renting it out to parties including Cippenham Table Tennis Club. When the building is operational, all club members will be given the opportunity to become members of the company.

FINANCE

The Treasurer has issued a financial report for the year that gives much credit to the financial management of the club after the many hefty hire charge increases that Haymill has passed to us over the past few years. Although there is a large cash deficit on the receipts and payments accounts, the adjusted income and expenditure account shows a loss of only £27 which compares very favourably with the larger (and first) loss of the previous year. A larger loss was expected this season, the club's management having taken the decision to keep fee increases at a modest level and utilise part of the accumulated surpluses from previous years to subsidise the season.

Members this season paid an annual fee of £25 plus match fees of £3. Practice fees were £3 for non-members and £2.50 for members. All fees are halved for juniors and OAPs. Coaching fees were £1.50. The annual and practice fees were increased from the previous year due to rent increases at Haymill, although the old Haymill individual membership fee levied in previous seasons is now incorporated in the club's annual fee.

A *100 Club* was attempted again this season but not enough subscribers were received to make it viable. Members' deposits have been retained for a fresh attempt in the near future.

TEAM COMPETITIONS

Ormesby Cup

As champions of the Slough League in 1994, the club was invited to compete in the national club championship for the Ormesby Cup. After a first round bye, Gunnersbury Triangle were dispatched 5-0 but, without the unavailable Frank Earis, the club's team lost narrowly 3-5 to Lowlands in the zone final.

Southern Region Leagues

Both the mens and ladies teams won their respective leagues, proving yet again that Cippenham is the strongest club in the Southern Region outside of the British League. In the eight years of the leagues' existence this was the fifth mens championship, the fourth ladies, and the second time that the double had been done in the same season. Congratulations are due to the mens team of Mike Rhodes, Steve Joel and Frank Earis, and the ladies Anna Watton, Wendy Barlow and Jacquie Lovell. The mens "B" team had their most successful season to date winning half of their eight matches but still finished only fourth in Division One.

Frank Earis finished top of the Premier Division averages, with Mike Rhodes third and Steve Joel fourth. Counting players who have appeared in half of the matches, Anna Watton was second in the Ladies' League averages, followed by Wendy Barlow in fifth place.

Slough League

The Slough League trophy now has a new name on it - Cippenham Pirates. Although this was the club's eleventh success, exactly half of the club's entire history, this was the first time it had been won by a team bearing that title. Congratulations are due to Gareth Herbert, who remained unbeaten throughout, Steve Joel, Frank Buisson and Praveen Reddy.

Previous champions Outlaws slipped to third place, while Vagabonds finished a creditable seventh while Rogues were never expected to fight off the threat of relegation. Their place in Division One next season will be taken by Buccaneers who finished runners-up in Division Two, three places ahead of Villains. Another championship won by the club was in Division Three where Chris and Philip Davies, plus Ping Lee and Armando Borges as Rascals were successful.

Less successful were Bandits who occupied bottom place in Division Three and Rebels and Vandals who finished sixth and ninth respectively in Division Four.

Gareth Herbert was in a class all of his own in the First Division averages where other club players, Frank Earis (3rd), Steve Joel (5th), Mike Rhodes (8th) and Graham Trimming (10th) also featured. In Division Two, Edward Donovan, Jacquie Lovell and Dave Richards occupied places five to seven while Chris Davies and Ping Lee were top and sixth respectively in Division Three. Jonathan Phillips' form in Division Four improved enough to earn him second place.

In the Woolwich Junior League we had it all to ourselves, or certainly in Division One we did providing every team for that division. Terrors won the division with Desperados runners-up, while Brigands were champions of Division Two. Martin Rule and Nick Wilson of the champion team were head and shoulders above all the others in the averages, while Barnabas Tandy, Robert Wilson and Jane Dickens were first, second and fourth in Division Two.

Cippenham has always prided itself on being a club for all standards of players, and the oft quoted phrase "we have the top team and the bottom team in the league, and many inbetween" was never more true or exact. And four championships and two runners-up positions in the seven divisions shows that we have more than our fair share of top teams.

Both team handicap competitions were won, Villains defeating Stoke Poges "B" in the Dilger Cup final, and Brigands beating Waifs in the counterpart Tunes Cup for teams competing in the Woolwich Junior League. This was the club's seventh success in both competitions, the Tunes Cup record being remarkable in that the competition has only been run ten times, and only one other club has ever won it.

Maidenhead League

Spartans, the club's only presence in the Maidenhead League, finished a very creditable second in the Premier Division, and might have pushed Den for the championship but for the unfortunate injury to Alec Watson sustained in a match at Haymill. Counting players appearing in half of matches, Steve Joel and Frank Earis finished fourth and fifth in the averages.

Summer League

Only two teams were entered in the Slough Summer League in 1994, Alpha winning Division One with a match to spare, and in doing so gave the club its eleventh championship but the first for four years. Martin King and Graham Trimming finished first and third in the averages.

TOURNAMENTS

Club Championship and Handicap Tournament

A disappointing entry of only nineteen members contested the annual club championships held in mid May. This was a combined tournament of championship and handicap events as a previous attempt to hold the Handicap Tournament in the autumn had led to its cancellation through lack of entries. Neil Bird acted as Entries Secretary and Graham Trimming programmed the event onto the computer.

Not surprisingly, Gareth Herbert was the most successful player, winning the Mens Singles, Boys Singles and Championship Doubles with Steve Joel. Wendy Barlow won the Ladies Singles from only three entries and Mike Rhodes and Gareth Lovell, who had a day to remember, were successful in the Veterans and Tweenies (between junior and veteran) events. In the other junior events, Martin Bell came through to win the Cadet Singles and Junior Doubles with Jesper Hougaard, while Philip Rodgers triumphed in the Under-12 Singles.

The handicapped events provided further successes for Wendy Barlow, Martin Bell, Jesper Hougaard and Steve Joel, while Flemming Hougaard, Filippo Rotunno, Katie Dickens and Gavin Bell also picked up winners medals.

Invitation Tournament

The eighth Cippenham Invitation Tournament was played in September with eight teams playing in two groups of four, then crossover semi-finals and finals, ensuring each of the competing teams had five matches. This tournament continues to be extremely popular with players many of whom ask for an invitation back for the following year.

All matches were played with the experimental scoring of thirteen-up and at the end of the day it was the host club's "A" team of Steve Joel, Frank Earis and Mike Rhodes who wrested the championship in a clash with Chalfont.

COACHING

Now into its eleventh year, the Cippenham coaching scheme has continued under the expert guidance of ETTA Level 4 Coach (Senior) Ken Phillips, who has been assisted by several of the club's senior players, especially Stan Mathurin who has begun the steps to become a qualified coach. The scheme operates on Sunday afternoons with two sessions, one for beginners and another for more advanced, and has retained its status as a Club Advanced Centre. Unfortunately, due to the other uses the club has found for its premises on Sunday afternoons, there has been a lack of continuity which will be overcome when the move is made into the new venue.

Last September Ken also founded the Slough and Maidenhead Advanced Coaching Centre (SMACC) which has operated at Haymill on Monday evenings. Entry to this is by Ken's personal invitation only and is limited to twelve players. Although many of the club's youngsters are involved, and the centre operates at the club's venue, SMACC retains an identity separate from the club and its finances are separate also. Many of the players now appear at open tournaments throughout the country resplendent in their new shirts with "SMACC at Cippenham" emblazoned on their backs.

The Leo Thompson Trophy, awarded by the Slough League to the most improved junior, went this season to Martin Rule.

The club nominated Ken Phillips for the "Coach of the Year" award to be presented at the Mayor of Slough's Sports Awards at Slough Town Football Club in March. It was with great delight and not a little pride that Ken was presented with this award in competition with other highly successful coaches of international stars from other higher profile sports.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

For the third year the club partook in the Slough Borough Fun Day outdoors in Upton Court Park although on this occasion the weather was not kind and the activities had to be curtailed at lunch time.

The club also supported the "Mega Break" initiative of the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead. During the school holidays several sessions were organised at Haymill during August.

TOURNAMENT SUCCESSES FOR INDIVIDUALS

This has been a memorable year for individual successes for the club's players, far too many to list here but a full (?) list can be found in the appendix.

Gareth Herbert, of course, continues to be the club's star performer on the tournament circuit. He has been head and shoulders above all others in his age group this season, carrying all before him in cadet events. These included winning all the national titles, the Junior Closed cadet singles and doubles events plus the National Cadet Masters, as well as the titles from many of the most prestigious cadet tournaments, some of which included entries from foreign national teams.

Georgia Veneer has continued her winning ways in Over-60 and -70 events, while Jackie Thomas has produced a few successes in the younger (!) veteran status. Martin Rule, Nick Wilson and Jesper Hougaard have started to become successful in minor cadet events and we hope it is only time before they follow Gareth to more major triumphs.

Wendy Barlow was the club's only representative at the Southern Region Closed but she managed to win one event and come second in two more. An unfortunate clash of events kept Wendy out of the Bucks Closed in which she might have been expected to dominate the girls events, but nevertheless the club had a very successful campaign which produced winners in four events. Jackie Thomas won the Ladies Singles and paired up with Frank Earis for the Mixed Doubles. Frank lost two other finals, the Veterans Mens Singles to Mike Rhodes, and astonishingly, the Mens Singles, where he had astounded the authorities in the semi-final by beaten the England ranked 53, thirty years his junior. The other winner was Martin Rule in the Cadet Boys Singles.

The Slough Closed was possibly the most successful ever by the players of one club, as Cippenham representatives won every event except the Division Two and Four singles. An amazing feat! Gareth Herbert led the way with the Mens Singles, Mens Doubles and Boys Singles championships, while Martin Rule went one better with four wins, cleaning up the other boys events. Jackie Thomas had two wins in the Ladies Singles (for the first time ever) and Ladies Doubles when partnered by Jacquie Lovell who performed similarly by taking the Mixed Doubles with Steve Joel. Frank Earis won the Veterans Singles for the seventh time, and Wendy Barlow created a record with her sixth successive Girls Singles success, equalling Jean Williams' record of six straight wins in an event at the Slough Closed.

Gareth Herbert retained an unbeaten record throughout the Slough League season, having a 100% record in the League and winning the Mens Singles, when he won the Slough Masters tournament and a cheque for £120 in April.

Frank Earis was the only successful Cippenham player at the Maidenhead Closed Championships, when he won both the Mens Doubles and Veterans Singles, and Frank also won the Slough Hard Bat Singles, to which he is becoming accustomed, at the tournament where Armando Borges retained his Doubles crown.

Cippenham players won all three Slough League individual handicap events when on a Tuesday evening at John Crane in April, Frank Earis overcame the odds and a large handicap disadvantage to win the Lynford Bowl, Jane Dickens beat her sister Katie in the Jack Wharton Vase, and Armando Borges and Ping Lee triumphed in the John Crane Handicap Doubles.

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS AND RANKINGS

Twenty players associated with the club have appeared in England ranking lists this season, and eleven of those have been in the top fifty in their respective categories. Gareth Herbert has been the undisputed number one cadet all season and has risen to 5 in the juniors and 117 in the mens list. Martin Rule is fast catching having started the season unranked and now risen to 13 in the Under-12 list with the expectation that when the next list is published he will be in the top ten. Jackie Thomas has appeared as high as 16 in the Veteran Womens list while Mike Rhodes started his first veteran season as number 47 in counterpart mens list.

Gareth played for the England cadet boys team at the European Youth Championships last summer and has been selected again to do so in 1995. He has also appeared in various other junior and cadet international teams for England.

While Gareth has been a part of Berkshire's successful junior side, ten others have represented Buckinghamshire with Jacquie Lovell, Anna Watton, Mike Rhodes, Graham Trimming and Wendy Barlow being regular members of various teams.

Twenty-one players have represented Slough, including all three members of the team that won the Bucks Cadet Inter-League, namely Jesper Hougaard, Martin Rule and Philip Rodgers. The Slough team that reached the semi-final of the Bromfield Trophy comprised Wendy Barlow, Katie Dickens and Jane Dickens, while the veterans team that reached the quarter-final of the Brook Trophy was Frank Earis, Mike Rhodes and Graham Trimming. Frank and Graham also featured in the mens Wilmott Cup side, while Martin Rule, Nick Wilson and Philip Rodgers were the Slough combination in the Leach Cup for cadet boys. Steve Joel was in the Maidenhead side for the Wilmott Cup.

Congratulations to all the teams and players who have made 1994-5 such a very successful season in the history of Cippenham Table Tennis Club.

Graham Trimming
May 1995