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Girls' B team return good results from Stoke

Mixed Fortunes in JBL

Cippenham's four teams in the Junior British League returned from the first weekend in Stoke with very different tales to tell. There was a very good performance from the Girls' B team who lead Division 2 by two points at the half-way stage, an encouraging start from a very inexperienced Girls' C team, but poorer results from the top boys' and girls' teams. Star player of the weekend was undoubtedly Melanie Farquhar whose hard work lately, training with Cippenham Head Coach Ken Phillips, brought her a 90 percent return in Division 2.

The Girls' "A" team, weakened by the defection of England senior international Joanna Parker and Cheshire-based Karen Shepherd to Oakbank, scrambled together three points from a win and a draw to lie in fifth place in the Premier Division. The team started with a 6-0 reverse against the aforementioned Oakbank who secured second place behind Grove. The heat did not reduce as Cippenham's next opponents were Grove, a team that included Chinese star Zhao Shuang and another England senior international in Kelly Sibley. Another 6-0 defeat was the result although Gemma Chapman did well to take Sibley to a deciding fifth game and also took a leg off Shuang. Fortunes turned around later on Saturday with the only victory of the weekend, 5-1 over Grove B. Gemma and Welsh recruit Sarah Hall put Cippenham 2-0 up before the only loss, suffered by Emily Tucker. Emily responded well to earn both points for Cippenham with a 3-0 success over Sarah Perks, this after Gemma had defeated Gemma Yarnley. Sarah finished off the Grove



The successful Girls'B team - (l-r) Caroline Linz; Melanie Farquhar; Sylvana Bielec; coach Jan Chapman

team with a win over Rebecca Russell. Wirral were next up and two wins for Gemma were not enough for Cippenham to escape defeat 2-4 and then the weekend finished with a hard-fought 3-3 draw with Team Peniel A. This was a good team effort by the Cippenham girls who contributed one win each.

Star team of the weekend was the Girls' B team who amassed eight points from a possible ten and lead Division 2 by two points from both The Weald and Scotland after the weekend. Draycott & Long Eaton were no match as Cippenham ran out easy 5-1 winners with Caroline Linz suffering the only reverse. Saturday afternoon brought another 5-1 win over Scotland with Melanie Farquhar and Sylvana Bielec again winning both their singles and then Melanie extended her unbeaten run to the whole day's play as

she beat both Sally Duncliffe and Jessica Hall as Cippenham finished the day with a 3-3 draw with Hilton. Caroline also beat Procter to secure a share of the points. Sunday brought another win, 5-1 over The Weald, and a disappointing 3-3 draw with bottom team Grove C. Melanie and Sylvana starred with two wins each in the Sunday morning match and then two from Sylvana added to a first set win for Melanie against Grove. Mel suffered her only defeat of the weekend in her final match against Jeana Cunningham.

10 years old Katie Rule finished with four wins from ten matches, as did Catherine Hayes, as Cippenham "C" secured three points from a win, a draw and three defeats in Division 3. This was a better than expected result from an inexperienced team all making their British League de-

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Club Championships
Sunday 9th November
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Junior British League (contd)

but. It did not start too well as Cippenham succumbed to top team Byng Hall 6-0 in the first match. Katie and Catherine both got off the mark in the second match but that was not enough to stop Club Mid-Cheshire winning 4-2. Saturday evening brought another defeat, this time 5-1 at the hands of St. Andrews. Fortunes changed on the Sunday as the morning match brought the first point in a 3-3 draw with Oakbank Fastbats "B". Catherine stole the show in this match and her brace was added to by one from Katie. The best was saved for last as Jenny Hansell joined in the fun with two wins to ensure victory 4-2 in the final match against Rotherham Scorpions. Katie and Catherine secured the other games for victory.

The boys' team disappointingly finished bottom of Division 1 with just two draws from their five matches. Ironically, these were against the second and third placed teams Southfield Elite and Grove "B". On each occasion it was a true team effort with each member contributing one win. All the other three matches were narrowly lost 2-4. Rob Lemon and Chris Hansell both won half of their matches while the ever-present Marc Armstrong had three wins from ten and James Milton two from six. Slough champion David Hayes, representing Irish Boys now that he has given his international allegiance to the Emerald Isle, topped the division's averages unbeaten in his ten matches. Other Cippenham members, Gavin Evans and his brother Myles, returned eight wins from ten and two from six respectively while representing Grove.

Outstanding Contribution Award for Frankie Butterworth



At the Club's annual Anniversary Party, held to celebrate seven years since the opening of the purpose-built Centre, the usual awards were made and more beside. The main award of the evening, the Karen Mitchell Memorial Outstanding Contribution Award, is given for dedicated voluntary service to the Club. It was fitting that this year Charles Mitchell, Karen's widower, presented the award to Karen's great friend Frankie Butterworth for her untiring help with the catering at weekends and other general assistance.

and Player of the Year Awards for Kuldeep Singh and Gemma Chapman

Two new awards were also made this year - the Senior Player of the Year to Kuldeep Singh who won 54 consecutive matches in his debut season in Division 2 of the Slough League - and the Junior Player of the Year to Gemma Chapman who won three gold medals at the British Schools' Championships. Gemma has been the top junior girl player in the area for many years and, now that she is in her final year as a junior, is also making her mark in the seniors being ranked number 18 in the latest England women's list.



David Enjoys Week of Work Experience with ETTA

In the week of the 22nd September I went on work experience with Wesley Bush-Harris, the Southern Region Table Tennis Development Officer. On the Monday morning I travelled down to the English Table Tennis Association office in Hastings to find out about the role of the professional staff and see how things operate at H.Q. I was particularly interested in the work of Judy Rogers, the Equity Officer, who helps to make table tennis accessible to everyone. Tuesday was spent in another office, the Sports Development Office in Brighton. This is the base for the regional development officers for all sports. All have similar sorts of goals for their own sports although they may have different ways of achieving them. These days were good but I found Wednesday in Nottingham most interesting. I was allowed to sit in on the ETTA national development meeting to discuss the plan for table tennis over the next four years. It was a very good and interesting experience where some innovative ideas were proposed. I was even allowed to contribute some of my own. On Thursday I lent John Raemers and Eric Wright a hand coaching in various

Slough schools. With the wide ethnic mix within these schools, it was good to see that the Equity policy of the ETTA was working in practice. On Friday I worked from home on reports and got over a busy week. Over all the week proved to be most enjoyable, a useful insight into the workings of a national sports association. My thanks go to Wesley and the other ETTA staff for making this week possible.

David Hayes

Questionnaire Results

Thank you to the members who contributed to the questionnaire that was sent to everyone in September. The results will help with the drafting of a development plan that the Club has started to produce. Robin Farquhar has produced a very comprehensive report on the results of the questionnaire and this report is available at the Club and from the Club's website:

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Junior British League Results

League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Boys Division 1							
1. Irish Boys	5	5	0	0	24	6	10
2. Southfields Elite	5	2	2	1	15	15	6
3. Grove B	5	1	3	1	15	15	5
4. London Progress B	5	2	0	3	11	19	4
5. Devon Aces	5	1	1	3	13	17	3
6. Cippenham A	5	0	2	3	12	18	2

Girls' Premier Division

1. Grove A	5	5	0	0	28	2	10
2. Oakbank Fastbats A	5	4	0	1	23	7	8
3. Wirral Premier	5	3	0	2	13	17	6
4. Team Peniel A	5	1	1	3	12	18	3
5. Cippenham A	5	1	1	3	10	20	3
6. Grove B	5	0	0	5	4	26	0

Girls Division 2

1. Cippenham B	5	3	2	0	21	9	8
2. The Weald	5	2	2	1	17	13	6
3. Scotland	5	2	2	1	15	15	6
4. Hilton	5	1	3	1	16	14	5
5. Draycott & Lg Eaton B	5	1	1	3	11	19	3
6. Grove C	5	0	2	3	10	20	2

Girls Division 3

1. Byng Hall	5	5	0	0	25	5	10
2. Stafford	5	3	1	1	19	11	7
3. Club Mid-Cheshire	5	3	1	1	17	13	7
4. St. Andrews	5	3	0	2	17	13	6
5. Oakbank Fastbats B	5	1	3	1	14	16	5
6. Cippenham C	5	1	1	3	10	20	3
7. Rotherham Scorpions	5	0	1	4	10	20	1
8. Darlington B	5	0	1	4	8	22	1

Averages

	M	P	W	Av
Boys A				
Robert Lemon	4	8	4	50
Chris Hansell	3	6	3	50
James Milton	3	6	2	33
Marc Armstrong	5	10	3	30
Girls A				
Gemma Chapman	5	10	5	50
Sarah Hall	5	10	3	30
Emily Tucker	5	10	2	20
Girls B				
Melanie Farquhar	5	10	9	90
Sylvana Bielec	5	9	7	78
Caroline Linz	5	9	3	33
Girls C				
Catherine Hayes	5	10	4	40
Katie Rule	5	10	4	40
Jenny Hansell	5	10	2	20

Results:

Boys A	Girls A
2-4 London Progress B	0-6 Oakbank Fastbats A
3-3 Grove B	0-6 Grove A
3-3 Southfields Elite	5-1 Grove B
2-4 Irish Boys	2-4 Wirral Premier
2-4 Devon Aces	3-3 Team Peniel A
Girls B	Girls C
5-1 Draycott & Lg Eaton B	0-6 Byng Hall
5-1 Scotland	2-4 Club Mid-Cheshire
3-3 Hilton	1-5 St. Andrews
5-1 The Weald	3-3 Oakbank Fastbats B
3-3 Grove C	4-2 Rotherham Scorpions

National Junior League

The Club has entered nine teams in this season's National Junior League - eight boys' teams and one girls'. The competition runs on four Saturdays at Cippenham and Chesham.

So Close for Robert

Cippenham's Robert Hansell came so close to winning the annual Cippenham 2-Star Open on 25 October. The 19-year old from High Wycombe came back from two games down in the final against Jack Boulton to square the match at 2-2. Changing ends at 3-5 down in the fifth Robert never quite restored the deficit and Boulton won the deciding game 11-8.

The two finalists had provided the shocks of the tournament in the quarter-finals. Robert, seeded fifth, made everyone take notice as he despatched top seed and hot favourite Jerome Jonah 11-4, 11-7, 12-10 on his third match point. Robert's unusual style of fast swerving side and top spin attack on the forehand wing coupled with razor-like defence on the backhand assisted by long pimped rubber, gave Jonah a problem he could not solve. At the same time Boulton, seeded seven, was also catching the eye with an 11-8 fifth game win against second seed Chris Beckley (Surrey).

If Boulton was made to struggle in the quarters and Robert made lighter work, the situation was reversed in the semi-finals. Boulton blocked well to made quick work of defeating wild card entry Umair Mauthoor (Essex) who had previously eliminated fourth seed Steve Davis (Surrey) and in his group had displaced eighth seed Neil Cartwright (Dorset). Robert, on the other hand, after winning the first against third seed Hari Gehlot had to come back from 2-1 down against the Reading player. The fourth game turned the match on its head as Robert raced to a 9-0 lead and eventually won 11-1. The fifth was nearly as straight-forward for Robert who won 11-6.

Tournament organizer Dave Bull also had a good day, beating Fred Dove (Suffolk) in his group to qualify in second place but fell in the first round proper to Cartwright.

The entry of 54 players, while not so good as had been hoped for, fitted well into the nine-table arena providing groups of six players in the preliminary round. Referee Graham Trimming brought the event to a conclusion exactly on schedule at 6 pm.

Men's Singles:

Jack Boulton (Sx) bt Robert Hansell (Bu) 6, 6, -3, -6, 8

Women's Singles:

1. Valerie Murdoch (He); 2. Joy Whitehorn (Do)

Men's Consolation:

John Barclay (Bu) bt Rory Scott (Sx) 9-8, 4, 6

Huge Entry for Cadet Open

A massive entry of 111 players contested the 7th Cippenham Cadet 2-Star Open on 5th October but to the credit of Organizer Robin Farquhar and Referee Mick Strode the competition finished early.

Fourth seed William Maybanks (Herts) showed his improvement during the summer as he eclipsed the field finishing with three-straight wins over eighth seed Stephen Cooper in the quarters, top seed Bill Deville (Essex) in the semis and sixth seed Peter Winzeler in the final. Winzeler had ended the aspirations of the host club's last two remaining players, William Mitchell in the quarters and Ashley Shaw in the semi-final, that after Ashley had stormed to the first game with a great display of attaching table tennis. Other Cippenham players who made it through the groups into the competition proper included Prabdeep Panesar and Matthew Tucker.

Cippenham's Sylvana Bielec, the second seed, came back from two games down in the final to level at 2-2 against Rachel Jamieson. However, the top seed from Essex held her nerve and played some glorious table tennis in the final game to finish off the local girl. Cippenham gained further success however in the girls' consolation event which was won in a canter by Katie Rule, the latest player from the Cippenham coaching scheme to show international class promise.

Boys' Singles:

William Maybanks (He) bt Peter Winzeler (Sy) 7, 9, 9

Girls' Singles:

Rachel Jamieson (E) bt Sylvana Bielec (Bu) 8, 2, -9, -8, 6

Boys' Consolation:

Ryan Collins (Sk) bt Nick Rate (Ca) 7, 9, 7

Girls' Consolation:

Katie Rule (Bu) bt Caroline McNeil (E) 4, 4, 4

Three Up in Slough League

Cippenham teams lead all three divisions of the Slough League after the first six weeks of matches. Rogues have dropped just one set for maximum points in Division 1 and that includes a 9-1 drubbing of closest challengers Chalfont Argonauts. Vagabonds have a similar record in Division 3, having lost only two sets while Buccaneers lead Division 2 by 3 points from Burnham Pumas.

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Weekend Diary November/December

November

Sat 1st	3:00pm	County Championships Junior Premier
Sun 2nd	9:30am	County Championships Junior Premier
Sat 8th	9:30am	National Junior League (1)
Sun 9th	9:30am	Club Championships
Sun 16th	10:30am	Southern Region squad training
Sat 22nd	9:30am	Southern Region Final Trials
Sun 23rd	9:30am	Southern Region Final Trials
Sat 29th	9:00am	Bucks Junior Closed Championships

December

Sun 7th	9:00am	Cippenham Banded 2-Star Open
Sat 13th	9:30am	National Junior League (3)
Sat 21st	10:30am	Southern Region squad training
	5:00pm	Club Christmas Party



Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Jan 4	Southern Region squad training
Jan 10	Cippenham U14/16 1-Star Open
Jan 11	British League Divisions 1/2 South (3)
Jan 17	Bucks county matches
Jan 18	Cippenham Veterans' 2-Star Open
Jan 31/Feb 1	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Feb 7	National Junior League (3)
Feb 14/15	Reading Closed Championships
Feb 22	Southern Region squad training
Feb 29	Slough Closed Championships
Mar 6/7	British League Divisions 1/2 South (4)
Mar 20	Bucks county matches
Mar 21	Southern Region squad training
Mar 28	Cippenham TTC Handicap Tournament
Apr 3	National Junior League (4)
Apr 4	Cippenham Junior 2-Star Open
May 1/2	ETTA National Junior Masters
May 15/16	ETTA National Cadet Masters
May 30	Southern Region squad training
Jun 13	Southern Region Assessment Day
Jun 19/20	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.
Jul 4	Cippenham Veterans' Summer 2* Open
Jul 11	Southern Region Coaches' Get-Together

Other Cippenham TTC Events

Nov 22/23	Veterans' British League (1) (Stoke)
Dec 13/14	British League D1S (2) (Oakhampton)
Dec 13/14	British League D2S (2) (Ashford)
Jan 24/25	Women's British League (2) (Cheltenham)
Feb 7/8	Veterans' British League (2) (Doncaster)
Feb 14/15	Junior British League (2) (Aldersley)
May 22/23	National Team Finals (Knowsley)

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 2003-04

	Full	Conc'n
Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£12.00	£6.00
Family Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£21.00	n/a
Annual Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.20	£0.60
Family Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£2.10	n/a
Slough League Registration	£10.00	£5.00
Practice Fees	*£2.50	*£1.25
Slough League Match Fees	£2.50	£1.25
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 £1.50 (75p) for non-members		
** plus 50p (25p) for non-members		

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Club Kit Available

The new Club kit of grey shorts, black shorts and grey tracksuits is now available - please see Ken if you are interested in purchasing. Prices (printed) are:

	XS/XXS	Others
Shirt	£17	£20
Shorts	£12	£14
Tracksuit	£40	£48
Full kit	£65	£80

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