



CIPPENHAM NEWS

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Cippenham TTC wishes all members, visitors and their families a Happy and Prosperous New Year

Full Strength First Team Climb Table

After a disappointing first session in September when not at full strength, the Cippenham first team bounced back with an unbeaten display to haul themselves up the British League table. A victory and three draws provided five points to lift the host team up to sixth in the division. It will, however, be necessary for this form to be maintained during the second half of the season as Division 1 South is very competitive with the two teams below Cippenham only one point adrift.

With Lee Dredge recovered from injury and Rob Lemon playing nearer his best, Cippenham were competitive throughout the line-up. Martin Adams, the captain and shouldering the added responsibility of playing in the number one position was still, though, the most successful player, winning six of his eight matches. Mark Butler and Rob won four each and Lee three.

Saturday morning started with a good team effort as all four players contributed one apiece in the 4-4 draw with Fareham-based Generation 2. This, like many of the matches, over the weekend was keenly contested with three of the eight sets being decided at deuce in the deciding game. Martin was involved in two of these: a loss to Ashley Willetts and then a win over Adam Proszko as he commenced the team's recovery from 1-3 down. Mark got the better of Valmiki Sinanan by a similar margin.



Lee Dredge—his return made all the difference

The afternoon match against Byng Hall provided more of the same with six sets decided by 11-8 in the fifth and deciding game or closer. This 4-4 draw seemed more like a point lost than gained as Mark, against Will Power, and Rob, against Rob Worrall, both had match points before succumbing deuce in the fifth. Cippenham had been 4-1 up and looked to have had the beating of their Kentish opponents.

It was a lopsided team effort that got the Sunday morning draw with Brighton. Martin and Mark both secured a brace as Cippenham dominated the

top half of the match but lost the bottom positions. However, for the then winless Cippenham this represented a good effort against a team that had previously not dropped a point.

Confidence was now much improved and Cippenham went into the final match against second-placed DML Woolwell in high spirits. Matches between the locals and the Plymouth side are usually well contested. The season's win-duck was finally broken with a superb 5-3 victory, secured the hard way from 2-3 down. This time it was the bottom of the team that prevailed with Rob finding his best form to beat both Mike Short and Kevin Buddell without dropping a game. Martin and Lee both got the better of Czech player Marketa Myskova while Mark came back from two a two-game deficit to down Short.

Cippenham's other two teams did not have such a good time. The second team, playing at the same level and at the same Cippenham venue as the top team, in Division 1 South and Midlands, are almost bound to suffer and missing top players David Hayes and Danny Baxter did even more to secure their fate. The highlight was a 4-4 draw with Bedford Modern and that was due to a great performance from substitute Chris Hansell who claimed two wins from the number four position. Mark Jackson and Steve Munson

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also won one in this match and Steve and Chris both got one in the 2-6 defeat by Urban Progress II. The other matches, against Westfield and DHS London Progress II both resulted in 8-0 defeats with Steve Buck, last season's most consistent performer, failing to win but being short of match practice following an early season injury.

The third team, playing at Chichester in Division 3 South, fared only slightly better. Their only victory came 6-2 (amended to 8-0 because Ellenborough only fielded two players) against a depleted Ellenborough II team while defeats were tasted 3-5 against both Horsham III and Hastings and 2-6 to York Gardens II. Eddie Mitchell, at thirteen the youngest player in the Club's senior squads, celebrated his British League debut with three wins out of seven, while Paul Elliott won two and Steve Smith one. Paul Baker and Jonathan Evans played one day each and both won two out of four.

Catch us at Queensmere

Saturday shoppers in Queensmere Shopping Centre, Slough will be able to have a go at table tennis on 19 January. The Club is putting on exhibitions and a come and try it session right in the heart of the town. Come and see for yourself—and come and help to man the exhibit. See Martin Adams for more details.

BL Stats

after 2nd weekend—8/9 December

League Tables:							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1 South							
Brighton I	8	6	1	1	36	28	13
DHS London Progress II	8	4	3	1	38	26	11
DML Woolwell I	8	5	0	3	35	29	10
Fusion I	8	3	2	3	36	28	8
Generation 2 I	8	1	4	3	29	35	6
Cippenham I	8	1	4	3	28	36	6
York Gardens I	8	2	1	5	27	37	5
Byng Hall I	8	1	3	4	27	37	5
Division 1 South & Midlands							
Westfield I	8	7	1	0	50	14	15
OLOP IMPACT I	8	6	2	0	44	20	14
Urban Progress II	8	6	0	2	44	20	12
DHS London Progress III	8	5	0	3	41	23	10
Carrara Polska I	8	3	1	4	27	37	7
Bedford Modern I	8	1	1	6	18	46	3
Cippenham II	8	1	1	6	17	47	3
Oxford Fireplace Ctr II	8	0	0	8	15	49	0
Division 3 South							
York Gardens II	8	7	1	0	47	17	15
TTK Greenhouse II	8	6	0	2	45	19	12
SEH-Britannia Ipswich I	8	5	1	2	41	23	11
OLOP IMPACT II	8	2	4	2	31	33	8
Horsham III	8	3	0	5	23	41	6
Hastings	8	2	1	5	23	41	5
Ellenborough II	8	2	0	6	19	45	4
Cippenham III	8	1	1	6	27	37	3
Players' Averages:							
	M	P	W	Av			
Cippenham I							
Martin Adams	8	16	13	81			
Mark Butler	8	16	7	44			
Lee Dredge	4	8	3	38			
Rob Lemon	8	16	5	31			
Paul Baker	2	4	0	0			
Gemma Chapman	2	4	0	0			
Cippenham II							
David Hayes	4	8	3	38			
Chris Hansell	4	8	3	38			
Mark Jackson	8	16	5	31			
Steve Munson	8	16	5	31			
Danny Baxter	2	4	1	25			
Steve Buck	4	8	0	0			
Phil Clarkson	2	4	0	0			
Cippenham III							
Eddie Mitchell	4	7	3	43			
Paul Elliott	8	15	6	40			
Paul Baker	4	8	3	38			
Jonathan Evans	4	8	3	38			
Steve Smith	8	14	4	29			
Gemma Chapman	2	4	1	25			
Phil Clarkson	2	4	1	25			
Results:							
Cippenham I		Cippenham III					
4-4 Generation 2 I		3-5 Horsham III					
4-4 Byng Hall I		3-5 HastingsII					
4-4 Brighton I		2-6 York Gardens II					
5-3 DML Woolwell I		6-2 Ellenborough II					
Cippenham III		(amended to 8-0)					
0-8 Westfield I							
2-6 Urban Progress II							
4-4 Bedford Modern I							
0-8 DHS London Progress III							

Tight at Top

Slough League

At the half-way stage in the Slough League season it is very tight at the top. Any one of five teams can still win the league but the favourites must be current leaders Cippenham Outlaws and last year's champions Chalfont Argonauts but Burnham Nomads are waiting for either to slip just a little.

The Outlaws team of Neil Bird, Choi Lee, Steve Smith and Graham Trimming have won all but one of their matches—they lost to a Dave Hyder-inspired Burnham Nomads but beat Argonauts 6-4 when Neil played a starring role with three wins.

Cippenham Buccaneers also helped Outlaws' chances when they held Argonauts to a 5-5 draw just before Christmas. Terry Boxall had a great win over Slough Masters champion Ashley Mason in this match.

Shake-up time is now upon us. After nine rounds of matches the ten teams are split into two sections—a top seven and a bottom three and from then on only play against other teams in their section. The cut-off is going to leave Outlaws and Buccaneers battling it out for honours in the top section but Rascals and Scoundrels languishing in the bottom section. Results of matches played within the "section" in the first half are carried over.

Vagabonds struggled to field a team and have withdrawn from the first phase. We tried to resurrect the team for the second phase but had no success. Their record has thus been expunged from the league table. It is regrettable that this leaves Section 2 very weak with only three teams.

League Table:							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cippenham Outlaws	9	8	0	1	70	20	70
Burnham Nomads	9	7	1	1	67	23	67
Burnham Leopards	9	5	2	2	56	34	56
Cippenham Buccaneers	9	4	2	3	55	35	55
Chalfont Argonauts	7	5	1	1	51	19	51
Chalfont Bohemians	9	4	0	5	45	45	45
Burnham Pumas	8	3	0	5	33	47	33
Burnham Lions	9	3	0	6	31	59	31
Cippenham Rascals	9	1	0	8	21	69	21
Cippenham Scoundrels	8	0	0	8	1	79	1

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Grand Prix Title for David

Junior players dominated the latest Grand Prix. Second place for David Akehurst in the final event secured him the overall title, relegating previous leader Anthony Gardner into second place. New member Dave Bradbury came in third—he catapulted over Seb Nimier in the final week—and was one of six different weekly winners over the period. The others were Alex Polding, Seb Nimier, Tim Kiteley, Steve Smith and Tom Wald.

Grand Prix 11	Pts
1. David Akehurst	255
2. Anthony Gardner	225
3. Dave Bradbury	190
4. Seb Nimier	180
5. Jack McCandless	165
6. Ian Baker	130
7. Alex Polding	100
7. Tim Kiteley	100
7. Steve Smith	100
7. Tom Wald	100

The next Grand Prix commences on Tuesday 8 January and runs for the customary six weeks.

National Junior League Tables:							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Girls' Division							
Peniel B	10	9	1	0	55	5	55
Chesham A	10	9	0	1	51	9	51
Peniel A	10	8	1	1	49	11	49
Peniel C	10	6	0	4	34	26	34
Peniel D	10	5	0	5	29	31	29
Cippenham B	10	4	2	4	28	32	28
Ellenborough	10	4	0	6	27	33	27
Howard	10	3	1	6	24	36	24
TTK Central FS	10	2	1	7	17	43	17
Chesham B	10	1	2	7	13	47	13
Peniel E	10	0	0	10	3	57	3
Boys' Division 1							
Poole	5	5	0	0	39	6	39
Chiltern-CHS A	5	4	0	1	28	17	28
Chiltern-CHS B	5	2	0	3	20	25	20
Ashford	5	3	0	2	19	26	19
Reading	5	1	0	4	15	20	15
Cippenham B	5	0	0	5	14	31	13
Boys' Division 2							
BATTS	5	4	0	1	29	16	29
Child Okeford	5	4	0	1	28	17	28
Chiltern-CHS C	5	4	0	1	27	18	27
Kidlington	5	1	0	4	21	24	21
Chalfont A	5	2	0	3	19	26	19
Cippenham C	5	0	0	5	11	34	11
Boys' Division 3							
Chiltern-CHS D	5	4	0	1	31	14	31
Chiltern-CHS F	5	3	0	2	29	16	29
Cippenham D	5	4	0	1	22	23	22
Chiltern-CHS G	5	2	0	3	19	26	19
Chalfont B	5	1	0	4	18	27	18
Chiltern-CHS E	5	1	0	4	16	29	16

Eddie—The Titles Keep Coming

The last several weeks have been good for Cippenham Table Tennis Club star Edward Mitchell. During that time Eddie has turned thirteen years of age, made his British League debut for Cippenham and starred in three tournaments all played at his home club.

The Cippenham Junior 2-Star Open Championships attracted a good entry from all over the south of the country yet it was two of Cippenham's teammates in the Junior British League that contested the final of the Boys' Singles. In it Eddie overcame Ruihao Zhang, a player from Southampton that Cippenham signed to bolster their squad at the start of the season. It was tight match: won by Eddie 11-7 in the fifth game after coming back from a 2-1 game deficit.

Cippenham's Angela Oetiker and Stephanie Mitchell made it through to the quarter-finals of the Girls' Singles, an event won by Charleigh Kirby of Middlesex.

The previous day the same players had been taking part on the Buckinghamshire Junior Closed Championships. Eddie, undoubtedly the star of the tournament, won three events: the Under-18 Boys' Singles, Under-15 Boys' Singles and the Under-18 Boys' Doubles with another rising Cippenham star Alex Polding. Angela Oetiker captured the Under-18 Girls' Singles with victory over Stephanie Mitchell to give Cippenham a clean sweep of all of the under-18 titles.

Cippenham Junior Open Bucks Junior Closed Southern Region Trials



Cippenham Junior Open boys' finalists: Eddie Mitchell and Ruihao Zhang

Boys' Singles:

Eddie Mitchell (Bu) by Ruihao Zhang (Ha) 9,-3,-7,6,7

Girls' Singles:

Charleigh Kirby (Mi) bt Lucy Burks (Sy) 9,4,-8,-5,10

Boys' Consolation:

Harpal Juttla (Mi) bt Ashley Facey-Thompson (Mi) 1,-10,4,3

Girls' Consolation:

Harriet Taylor (Mi) bt Majeda Yasmin (Mi) 3,1,13

To cap a fine series of events Eddie then reigned supreme at the Southern Region Trials. In this, he won the top event, the Under-15 age group, while another Cippenham player Jonathan Evans finished second.

Four Teams in NJL

The Club is running only four teams in the National Junior League this season—three boys' and one girls'. The boys are playing all their matches at Chesham High School while the girls have the advantage of their home venue.

Early results have not been spectacular as the league tables (left) indicates. However Alex Polding won seven of his nine matches for the top boys' team and Anthony Gardner, William Tint and George Weller all won at least half of theirs. For the girls, Angela Oetiker, Steph Mitchell and Anna Summerbell have all scored well.

Focus on Training

Right now the focus of attention in the Club's Action Plan is training. Training of officials and coaches. We have already qualified seven of our members at Tournament Organizers a few months ago and now turn our attention to coaching, umpiring, refereeing and disability awareness. Courses are booked for all of these (see *calendar overleaf*) as well as child protection and first aid.

If you would like training of any sort then please speak to Jacquie or any other member of the Committee. We can only say "no" and will do everything we reasonably can to say "yes".

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Weekend Diary January/February

January

Sun 6	British League Divisions 1S and 1S&M
Sat 12	Cippenham Young Players' New Year Festival
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Sat 19	County Championships Junior Division 2D
Sun 20	Workshops: Safeguarding and Protecting Children; Emergency Life Support
Sat 26	National Junior League Southern Region
Sun 27	Southern Region junior training

February

Sat 2	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Sun 3	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Sun 10	Cippenham Group to Group 2-Star Open
Sat 16	British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M
Sun 17	British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M
Sat 23	County Championships Cadet Premier Div.
Sun 24	Certificate in Coaching Course Level 1



Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Mar 2	Cippenham Veterans' 2-Star Open
Mar 15/16	County Championships
Mar 29	National Junior League Southern Region
Apr 6	Ability training course
Apr 13	Cippenham Cadet & U13 2-Star Open
Apr 20	ETTA Umpires' Course Levels 1 and 2
May 10/11	Southern Region junior training
May 17/18	British League Div 1 Promotion Play-offs
May 24/25	English National Junior Masters
Jun 7/8	Southern Region junior training
Jun 14/15	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.
Jun 29	ETTA Referees' Course
Jul 6	Cippenham Veterans' Summer 2* Open

Events away from Cippenham

Jan 6	British League Div 3 South (Southall)
Jan 26/26	Veterans' British League (2) (Doncaster)
Feb 9/10	Junior British League (2)
Feb 16/17	British League Div 3 South (Southall)
Mar 1/2	Women's British League (1) (Bristol)
Jun 21/22	Women's British League (2) (Doncaster)

Weekday Diary

Mon	7:15	Advanced Coaching
Tues	7:30	Practice Tables
	7:40	Grand Prix
Wed	7:30	Squad Training
Thurs	5:15	Beginners' Coaching
	7:15	Slough League matches
	7:30	Practice Tables

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 2007-08

	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
Slough League Registration	£15.00	£7.50
National Junior League registration	n/a	£12.00
Practice Fees	*£3.50	*£1.75
Slough League Match Fees	£3.50	£1.75
Coaching Fees (per session)	**£5.00	**£2.50
Coaching Fees (per term - 1st group)		£30.00
Coaching Fees (per term - 2nd group)		£20.00
* plus £1.50 (75p) for non-members		
** plus 50p (25p) for non-members		

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