

The Official Newsletter of Cippenham Table Tennis Club - July 1998

WHAT A MONTH!

Warren supreme at Widnes

Warren Brooks and Gemma Chapman provided all the fireworks as Cippenham Table Tennis Club players dominated the English National Under-12 Championships held at Widnes during the weekend of 13/14th June. There were two titles for Warren and one for Gemma.

The Cippenham club was represented in all four U12 national finals, three of which were won. This success demonstrates the strength of the Club at this age group with a group of players who are benefiting enormously from the excellent facilities opened at Cippenham Table Tennis Centre twenty months ago and the supreme coaching structure devised by Ken Phillips.

Pride of place on the Sunday went to Warren Brooks who won both the Boys Singles and Doubles titles, rewarding the hard work that the High Wycombe boy has put in at Cippenham over the past year. In the Singles final he beat Peter Cleminson of Essex and then teamed up with Surrey's David Langer to defeat Daniel Mayhew and Craig Bryant in the final of the Boys Doubles. In the singles Warren's toughest match came in the quarter-final in which he beat Yorkshire's Simon Nouch to set up a semi-final encounter with Cumbria's Grant Woodhouse which Warren won comfortably.

The only title to elude Cippenham was the Girls Singles in which Maidenhead's Gemma Chapman lost 21-17 in the third game to Kate Steward of Somerset. Gemma, however, made amends, in tandem with her singles conqueror, by retainTHIS MONTH ...

WARREN & GEMMA -**ENGLISH UIZ CHAMPIONS** SLOUGH RETAIN CARTER CUP WORLD CHAMPION KAI





U12 Champions: Warren Brooks Gemma Chapman

ing the Girls Doubles title that she won last year. In the final Gemma and Steward beat Lisa Calcutt and Clara Howard.

Other good performances came from 10years old David Hayes and 8-years old Bradley Evans who together went all the way to the quarter-finals of the U12 Boys Doubles - quite a feat for boys so young and great reward for their respective parents, Sue Hayes and Rhys Evans, who are doing so much in the coaching field at Cippenham in the development of the Club's young talent.

In the U10 Boys Singles both main Cippenham contenders suffered from tough draws but probably drew enough

attention to themselves to be included in the new England U12 Squad from July. After winning his group Bradley Evans was drawn against the top seed in the next round while David Haves progressed into the quarter-final where he lost narrowly 25-23 in the third game to Sean Rogerson. In the U11 David went down in the last sixteen to the eventual winner Greg Baker.

Other Cippenham players who impressed included Thomas Mitchell, who beat national squad player Mark Jackson in his U12 group before losing out to the fourth seed Daniel Horner, and Joanna Parker who gave Gemma Chapman a close game in the quarter-final of the U12 Girls Singles.



Congratulations: Warren, Gemma, Kai Carter Cup team - Martin, Nicholas, Daniel



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Results Round-Up

Kent International Junior (28/29 Mar)

U17BS: Gareth Herbert, winner U14BS: Michael Chan, winner U12GS: Gemma Chapman, winner U17BD: Gareth Herbert & Robert

Pountney, winners

U14BD: Michael Chan, winner U17BS: Robert Pountney, r/u

South West GP Open (2-5 Apr) MSBand1: Neil Charles. r/u

Blackpool 3 Star Open (18/19 Apr)

WS: Sue Collier, winner WD: Sue Collier, winner MSBand2: Kimber Choda, r/u

World Veterans (17-27 Jun) O40WTeam: Kai Milvek, winner O60MTeam: Maurice Isaacs, r/u

O40WS: Kai Milvek, bronze O40WD: kai Milvek, bronze

O70WDCons: Georgia Veneer, winner

Cippenham 4; Brook Motors 5

S Joel I.t. D Lindley 8, -16, -19

K Choda I.t. T Dyson -9, -21

N Charles bt W Cratchley 14, 16

S Joel I.t. T Dyson -15, -9

N Charles bt D Lindley 19, -17, 14

K Choda bt W Cratchley 20, -18, 16

N Charles bt T Dyson 17, 14

S Joel I.t. W Cratchley 12, -14, -18

K Choda I.t. D Lindley -15, -18

Mixed Fortunes at Bury St. Edmunds

We miss Gareth in Ormesby semi



(I-r): Steve Joel: Neil Charles: Kimber Choda

Cippenham Table Tennis Club's chances of glory in the Ormesby Cup - the national club championship - were scuppered six days before the final stages of the competition by the selection of star player Gareth Herbert to represent England at the Polish Junior Open on the same day.

Without Gareth, Cippenham were unluckily defeated at the semi-final stage 5-4 by Brook Motors of Huddersfield in the staged event at Bury St. Edmunds on 7th June. A tremendous performance from Neil Charles, who defeated all three of his opponents, and a solitary win by Kimber Choda were not quite sufficient for Cippenham to progress into the final where they would have faced the West London club Progress TTC.

The key matches both involved the luckless Steve loel. In the opening set of the match he destroyed Darren Lindley 21-8 in the first game with the Huddersfield man completely unable to read Steve's service. Steve took an early lead in the second also and led at stages in the third before going down 21-19. Steve was again denied as he played for the match with the scoreline 4-3 in Cippenham's favour. After demolishing William Cratchley 21-12 in the first game, he let his opponent back in the second. Steve raced into a 9-1 lead in the third and Cippenham seemed a certainty for their first national final. However, he could not keep up the pace and, although he still led 17-13, his form deserted him at the vital moment and the game was lost 21-18.

Kimber Choda had earlier squared up the match score at 3-3 with a brilliant 22-20, 18-21, 21-16 win over Cratchley. Kimber was down 16-20 in the first game before his determination and some good serves brought him the next six points. Neil Charles was in his usual indomitable form beating both Cratchley and the Huddersfield number one Tim Dyson two-straight and was extended to a third game only by Lindley.

Heroic Slough Retain Carter Cup



(I-r): Daniel Jacobs: Martin Rule: Nicholas Wilson

The absence of star player Gareth Herbert could not stop Slough retaining the Carter Cup, the national U17 boys' team event at Bury St. Edmunds on 6th June. Nor could the indefensible action of Yezen Sheena who failed to arrive at the rendezvous point on the morning of the match. Luckily, Daniel Jacobs stepped into the breached after a 7.40 am telephone call and played a pivotal role with a vital win when Slough were 4-3 down to Medway in the semi-final. Two wins each from Martin Rule and Nicholas Wilson secured a 5-4 win over a Kent side inspired by Scott Friday.

The result of the final was never in doubt as Slough cruised to a 5-1 win over Newark.

The other local teams who had reached the national semis did not have much luck. Maidenhead cadet girls, the only one of eight teams to include a player who is not a member of Cippenham (but including Gemma Chapman and Emma Human), lost out 5-4 to Thames Valley on the Saturday morning after being 3-1 up while Slough ladies were extremely unlucky to lose out 5-3 to Leeds. Samantha Marling had a good win over the Leeds number one Joanna Roberts and Jacquie Lovell and Claire Plumridge also had chances against Roberts in the third game of their sets.

Also on the Saturday High Wycombe junior boys (Warren Brooks; Robert Hansell; Duane Brooks) lost out to 5-3 Newark while the following day Chris Hansell replaced Duane for the Leach Cup defeat by Leicester 5-4 with Warren winning all his three matches.

Other local interest on the Sunday centred around Slough's 5-1 defeat by Newark in the Leach Cup (Daniel Jacobs; Joe Ferguson; Ben Beveridge) and Maidenhead's 5-1 loss to Leeds in the Bromfield Trophy (Gemma Chapman; Jane Dickens; Emma Human).

THREE MIEDALS FOR KAI as cippenham gets first world champion!

Cippenham's Kai Milvek won three medals at the 9th World Veterans Table Tennis Championships held in Manchester over the period 17th to 27th June.

The Estonian, who plays for Cippenham in the Women's British League, won bronze in both the singles and doubles events and, playing for her national Tallinna Veteranide Koondis (*Tallinn Veterans' Club*) won a gold medal in the world team final for over-40 women.

Kai, with her compatriot Katrin Marks, won all their matches in the team event 3-0, including victories over England's top two sides, before beating the Indian Veterans TTA 3-1 in the final, with just the doubles set going astray. This was a tremendous performance against some of the best teams from around the world and provided the Cippenham club with its first ever world champion.

Kai partnered Marks again in the Over-40 Women's Doubles and they reached the semi-final before losing to the number one seeds and eventual winners Elmira Antonyan (Armenia) and Jutta Trapp (Germany), both previous veterans world singles champions. This was an unlucky draw for the Estonian duo as they had beaten both the other semi-finalists during the course of the tournament.

Representing Cippenham in the Over-40 Women's Singles, Kai powered her way through her group beating players from England, Australia and Germany. Seeded three, she was awarded a bye in the second round and progressed further with wins over Val Murdoch (England), Lorraine Baker (Australia) and then Yasuko Masaki (Japan) in the quarter-final. Masaki had previously despatched eighth seed Birgitta Olsson, the former Swedish national team player. In the semi-final Kai put up a storming performance to lead former Danish international Annie Ramberg by a game





and 10-7 before the second seed finally produced a string of winners from her powerful two-winged attack.

Two more Cippenham members tasted success. Maurice Isaacs, representing his North London club Ellenborough, won a silver medal from the final of the Over-60 Men's Team final, while Georgia Veneer, after being eliminated in her group in the



Maurice (centre) celebrates with his Ellenborough team-mates



Kai shows off her three medals and the World Team Championship trophy

Over-70 Women's Doubles, went on to win the consolation event.

Jackie Thomas won her singles group after a three way tie but Mike Rhodes was not so lucky, finishing third in a very strong group which included former English veterans champion Dave Welsman and a German who reached the final of the doubles.

(photos by Graham Trimming)

Fourth Time Unlucky for Mike

Vets 2-Star Open

Cippenham's Mike Rhodes made it to his fourth consecutive final in the Cippenham Veterans Open Table Tennis Championships on 13th June but could not quite repeat his performance from the previous tournament and lost narrowly in the final 21-19, 21-18 to the Essex player Derek Wood, now living in Windsor. Both finalists had lost the opening games in their semi-finals before coming through in the third. Wood had to overcome the tenacious play of Hampshire's Graham Outrim while Mike faced the more tactful Terry Parkins of Wiltshire.

It was Outrim's part of the draw that produced the best matches. In the quarter-final Outrim ousted Geoff Grange, from Leeds, 21-19 in the third and Grange himself had been involved in two earlier close matches against Middlesex player Alan Boyle and Devon's Phil Reeves.

The Women's Singles was won once again by Marilyn Bawden to make it a double

for the Essex county. She reversed the seeding be beating Devon's Penny Perry in the final. In the semi-finals Bawden beat her club team-mate Shirley Carroll while Perry overcame Hampshire's Gill Larking. Although both finalists had won their first round groups, neither had remained unscathed. Bawden lost to Cippenham's Jackie Thomas while Perry went down to Mary Stafford.

In the Consolation Men's Singles Cippenham's Graham Trimming reached the semi-final after beating other host club players Alan Farral and Chris Dickens.

Men's Singles:

D Wood (Essex) bt M Rhodes (Slough) 19, 18 Women's Singles:

M Bawden (Essex) bt P Perry (Devon) 19, 15 Consolation Men's Singles:

C Dyke (Reading) bt M Kilden (Kent) -20, 19, 18 Consolation Women's Singles:

M Stafford (Maidenhead) bt S Adamson (Surrey) 10. 13

Weekend Diary July/August

July

Sun 5th 12.00pm Summer Barbecue

Sat 11th 12.00pm England U12 Squad Training Sun 12th 9.30am England U12 Squad Training

Weekday Diary July/August

Mon 5.30 Advanced Coaching

7.30 Excellence Coaching

Tues 5.15 Beginners' Coaching

7.30 Summer League match

7.30 Practice Tables

Thurs 5.15 Beginners' Coaching

7.30 Adults' Coaching 7.30 Practice Tables

Fri 7.00 Elite Coaching

Bar Opening Times

Tuesday & Thursday 9pm - 11pm

Youngsters do Cippenham proud

Whilst half the Club seemed to be away at Bury St. Edmunds on 6/7th June another dedicated group of under-12s took themselves off to Stoke Mandeville in Buckinghamshire to act as ball boys/girls at the British Wheelchair Table Tennis Association's National Championships.

Cippenham TTC was firmly put of the international map as our young players, many dressed in their Club kits, diligently assisted players from countries which included Sweden, Italy, Denmark, Austria, Ireland, Wales and, of course, England.

A special vote of thanks was made by the organisers to Cippenham TTC for providing an outstanding group of youngsters over the two long tiring days.

Our thanks go to: Thomas Mitchell; William Mitchell; Stephanie Mitchell; Skip Dickens; David Hayes; Bradley Evans; Myles Evans; Gavin Evans; Helen Smith and sister and Ross Drabble.

Rhys Evans

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 1998-9

	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
Slough League Registration	£10.00	£5.00
Maidenhead League Registration	£15.00	£7.50
Practice Fees	£2.50*	£1.25*
Match Fees	£3.00	£1.50
Coaching Fees	£3.00	£1.50
* plus £1.00 (50p) for non-members		

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Revised Summer League teams

Cippenham Alpha:

Sue Hayes (capt.); Nick Hansell; Robert Hansell Cippenham Beta:

Andrew Dickens (capt.); David Hayes; Bradley Evans Cippenham Gamma:

Thomas Mitchell (capt.): Paul Zeun: Chris Hansell

25 Not Out

Cippenham Table Tennis Club is 25 years old. The Inaugural General Meeting was held at a private address in Beaconsfield on 4th June 1973 and the Secretary elected at that meeting was Graham Trimming who has remained in the same post throughout the entire history of the Club.

The Club was formed out of the ITW works team that had operated in season 1972-3 in Division 5 of the Slough League. At the time there were no other table tennis clubs in Slough not attached to other organisations. The Club grew dramatically in the first few years and started being successful on the table from the 1977-8 season onwards. However, it was not the large organisation that we see today and aspirations towards our own purpose built centre were mere pipe dreams until very recently.

Of course, we are now one of the most respected clubs in English table tennis playing in undoubtedly the best facility in the country.

Such small beginnings 25 years ago - where can the next 25 years take us?

Touristic Table Tennis!

At the World Vets last month Graham Trimming had, as his doubles partner, a Finn who spoke not a word of English. Luckily Kai is fluent in Finnish. "Ask him whether he is an attacker or a defender" was the order to Kai from GT. Back came the answer - "I am more of a tourist!!"

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