

The Official Newsletter of Cippenham Table Tennis Club - March 1998 - No. 14

# CHAMPIONS!

Sue, Kai, Jacquie and Claire bring in another title for Cippenham in a great weekend up north!

cippenham won all five of their matches in the second weekend of the Women's British League at Widnes on 14/15th February to clinch the championship of Division 2. This marked a second successive title for the team never yet beaten in its two year history, during which it has been elevated from Third to First Division status.

Despite the good results all weekend, the championship was not finally secured until the final match with arch rivals Yashima South Kesteven Sovereigns 2. This was the second year that Cippenham and the Grantham based club had locked horns in the final match, and once again our girls prevailed but not before some heart stopping moments. The actual winning point came from Sue Collier in her deuce in the third win over Jan Dunning, but that was after saving two match points! It was not Dunning's afternoon, for she had led Kai Milvek all the way in the second and third games before Kai pulled back a long lead to fight Jan off 21-18 in the third. This was Kai's third win of the season over the new England number 1 veteran.

Jacquie Lovell then administered the final act of vengeance on Sovereigns by beating Sandra Duncan for the match before her team mates pulled the heavily pregnant Jane Strawson out of her dead set with Kai. The 5-1 scoreline marked South Kesteven's only defeat of the entire competition, as their first team claimed the Premier Division championship.





The winning formula -(I-r) - Claire Plumridge; Jacquie Lovell; Sue Collier; Kai Milvek

Sue Collier and Kai Milvek were the first and second placed players in the division's averages

Cippenham's record in the Women's British League

1996-7: Division 3 champions 1997-8: Division 2 champions

On the Saturday Cippenham had beaten Worksop 4-2 and then overwhelmed a young Grove side 6-0 before a real test was provided by Ulster. Kai suffered her second defeat on English soil in this match, going down to Jenny Thompson, but Sue played immaculately and was supported by a wonderful performance by Claire Plumridge in beating Michelle McGreevey. This was Claire's best performance of the season!

Sunday morning saw Sue rested for the friendly against Cheshire Ladies, who were fullfilling the fixtures of Scottish Ladies, the latter having withdrawn through financial difficulties.

#### Results:

Cippenham 4; Worksop 2 Cippenham 6; Grove II 0

Cippenham 4; Ulster Women 2 Cippenham 5; Cheshire Ladies 1 Cippenham 5; South Kesteven II 1

#### League Table

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	P	W	D F	Α	Pts
Cippenham	9	7	2 41	13	16
S Kesteven II	9	5	3 35	19	13
Worksop	9	3	2 27	27	8
Ulster Women	9	2	4 28	26	8
Scottish Ladies	5	2	1 15	15	5
Grove II	9	0	0 4	50	0

#### **Averages**

	M	Р	W	Αv
Sue Collier	9	18	17	94
Kai Milvek	10	19	17	89
Claire Plumridge	7	14	7	50
Jacquie Lovell	4	8	4	50



Cippenham Junior 3 Star Open

### Saturday 4th April

Entry forms available now at the Centre Return them to Ken as soon as possible



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### Strays win Junior League

With the last session still to come, Cippenham Strays (Robert Hansell, Warren Brooks) are already assured of the championship of the Slough Woolwich Junior League. They have opened up a fourteen point gap over their nearest rivals Cippenham Gremlins.

League Tables			
	P	W	Pts
Division One			
Cippenham Strays	12	11	52
Cippenham Gremlins	12	8	38
Cippenham Urchins	12	7	33
Bourne End Skunks	12	6	33
Bourne End Apes	12	5	27
Castle Hill	12	5	22
Chalfont C	12	4	20
Chalfont D	12	2	12
Division Two			
Cippenham Waifs	12	9	44
Altwood Coaching I	12	9	43
Cippenham Terrors	12	10	39
Bourne End Bears	12	8	37
Cippenham Sprites	12	5	30
Bourne End Hamsters	12	5	22
Bourne End Hornets	12	2	19
Bourne End Rhinos	12	0	3
Division Three	10.00		
Chalfont E	12	9	47
Cippenham Goblins	12	10	47
Cippenham Elves	12	11	46
Cippenham Imps	12	8	39
Cippenham Devils	12	5	23
Altwood Coaching II	12	2	12
Bourne End Porcupines	12	2	9
Bourne End Scorpions	12	1	7

# Third Time Lucky for Mike

fter appearing in both of the previous two finals of the Cippenham Veterans Open tournaments, Mike

Rhodes finally went one better on 28th February, winning the event in style.

In the final he overcame the challenge of Hampshire's Graham Outrim in a repeat of the Maidenhead Closed Veterans Singles final four weeks previously. Seeded two, Mike had won his group comfortably and then eased past all of his opponents to reach the final. Ray Cordery was his first victim, followed by Ian Schwartz and Tony Taylor in the semi-final, all twostraight and without conceding more than 15 points in any game.

Outrim did especially well to reach the final from an unseeded position. As a placed player, he was expected to win his group, and then progressed with wins over Charles Prendergast, Maurice Isaacs, Michael Wilkins and third seed Tom Adams.

Top seed Dave Crowley went out in the last 16 to Mike Wilkins (Beds), third seed Adams only came through his group after being beaten by Prendergast and fourth seed Derek Wood, last year's champion, was ousted in the semi by Outrim. Bucks player and sixth seed Ken Philipson was also beaten, in the last sixteen by Schwartz.

Cippenham Veterans 2 Star Open

Of the other local players, Graham Trimming had the best results, qualifying from his group (which included

Mike Rhodes!) in third place and then beating Terry Parkins in the next round.

The women's event was won for the second time by Marilyn Bawden, the top seed, but once again it was after having failed to win her group.

Bawden lost out to fellow Essex player Jenny Harrison in her group which set up a quarter-final meeting between the two seeds. In this match Marilyn beat Pauline Steel. The top half of the draw was therefore devoid of seeds enabling Audrey Robinson to reach the final at the expense of Harrison.

Jackie Thomas won her group and then beat Shirley Carroll before losing out to the eventual champion.

#### Results:

#### Men's Singles:

M Rhodes (Slough) bt G Outrim (Guildford) 14, 18

Women's Singles:

M Bawden (Burnham-on-Sea) bt A Robinson (Milton Keynes) 7, 10

#### Men's Consolation:

F Dove (Walton) bt J Barclay (Chalfonts) 13, 20

Women's Consolation:

J West (Surrey) bt Di Jermyn (North Herts) -15,

### Woolwich National Junior League Third Session

#### Results:

Cippenham I 6; OLOP I 1

Cippenham I 6; Chesham HS II 1

Cippenham 1 3; Chalfont 4

Cippenham I 6; Milton Keynes 1

Cippenham II 0; Chesham HS I 7

Cippenham II 2; Chesham HS II 5

Cippenham II 1; Chalfont 6

Cippenham II 3; OLOP I 4

#### League Table:

	Р	Pts
Cippenham I	13	89
Chesham High School I	15	86
Chalfont	14	82
Chesham High School II	15	43
Milton Keynes Kings	14	39
Cippenham II	14	26
OLOPI	9	21

## More Coaching



Cippenham Table Tennis Club is extending its hugely successful coaching activities still further. Commencing 13th March, there will be a session for invited youngsters each Friday evening.

The advanced and excellence groups on Mondays evenings have proved so popular that there are now 54 juniors signed up for these with some players even travelling from forty miles away to attend. So successful has it been, that Mondays are no longer the small elite groups that they were planned to be.

The new sessions on Friday are targeted at individuals who have the ability to succeed at a high level, and more importantly the correct attitude to work hard at their game. Not all of the time will be spent on the table, but physical fitness and psychological work will be high on the agenda.

## **Cippenham Heading For Championship**

Rebruary brought Cippenham two more victories in the British League Division 3 South and ever closer to the championship and promotion.

On 15th February Paul Baker answered an SOS call to make his debut and played extremely well to win both of his singles in the 7-1 victory over KCD Stiga 2. Neil Charles and Kimber Choda also each picked up a brace while Steve Joel lost out deuce in the third to Lee Dredge.

A week later it was Mike Rhodes who came off a night shift to answer another SOS call. After losing his first game, Mike picked himself up to earn Cippenham maximum points with a last game victory over Fawzi Yousif. Neil again won two and was supported by one each from Steve Joel and Martin Rule in a 5-3 victory over Horsham 3.

#### Cippenham 7; KCD Stiga II 1

N Charles bt G Lynch 14, 3 S Joel I.t. L Dredge -18, 14, -20 K Choda bt R McMullan 13, -16, 16 P Baker bt K Donaldson 19, 13 N Charles bt L Dredge 16, 12 K Choda bt G Lynch 13, -18, 17 S Joel bt K Donaldson 10, 6 P Baker bt R McMullan 17, 17

#### Cippenham 5; Horsham III 3

N Charles bt S Weston 22, 19 S Joel bt A Cumbers 18, 13 M Rule bt F Yousif 18, 20 M Rhodes I.t. G Carter -15, -22 N Charles bt A Cumbers 16, 18 M Rule I.t. S Weston -18, 7, -10 S Joel I.t. G Carter -15, 18, -15 M Rhodes bt F Yousif 18, 9



# British League Division 3 South

## Cippenham

## v. Muna Estates Progress II

Sunday 5th April 1998 2.00 pm

Come and cheer your team against its nearest rivals in the match that will decide the championship of the league

#### Slough Progress

Slough's U14 boys team progressed to the third stage of the national Leach Cup on 22nd February. Without national U12 champion Robert Wilson, the team comprised Ben Beveridge, Daniel Jacobs and Jonathan Branfield. Wins over Medway 5-1 and Reigate/Redhill 5-0 were enough to secure continued interest in the competition, despite a 1-5 defeat by Leicester.

Slough's veteran men were not so fortunate, going out of the Alec Brook Trophy at the first stage. A 5-0 romp over Maidenhead was cancelled out by a 3-5 defeat by Aldershot and 1-5 by Guildford. Mike Rhodes was outstanding throughout but Graham Trimming and Ken Phillips were not able to provide adequate support.

#### Sue Third in Euro Trials

Sue Collier answered a late call to attend the England team trials for the European Championships over the period 20th/21st February. Playing in inspired mood, Sue picked up three good wins including European League international player Gemma Schwartz and top junior Lindsey Thornton. This elevated Sue to third place overall, only one place out of the qualifying position for the England squad.

# FIVE WINNERS AT MAIDENHEAD

Five Club members won events at the annual Maidenhead Closed Championships over the weekend of January 31st/February 1st. Three of these won two events each with pride of place going to Sue Collier who won the Womens Singles and the Premier Division Singles. In the WS it was Sue's sixteenth title and one needs to look back to 1984 for the last time anyone else won the title. Such is Sue's complete dominance of the event! Perhaps even more remarkable was her eighth title in the Premier Division Singles for in this event she has to compete also against the top male players.

Isabel Walker won both senior doubles events, while Emma Human was also successful twice - in the Junior Girls Singles and U13 Singles. Steven Davies won the Junior Doubles while Mike Rhodes won the Veterans Singles for the second time.

Mike's achievement in the Mens Singles was probably even better, for in this event he reached the final before being beaten by a highly inspired Mark Banks. Gary Crick did very well to reach the final of the Mens Doubles, as did Sue Hayes in the Mixed.



Emma Human JGS and U13S champion

#### Maidenhead Closed Results:

WS: Sue Collier, winner
WD: Isabel Walker, winner
XD: Isabel Walker, winner
VS: Mike Rhodes, winner
JGS: Emma Human, winner
JD: Steven Davies, winner
U13S: Emma Human, winner
PDS: Sue Collier, winner
MS: Mike Rhodes, r/u
WS: Isabel Walker, r/u
MD: Gary Crick, r/u

XD: Sue Hayes, r/u JGS: Claire Maher, r/u U15S: Emma Human, r/u DHS: Claire Maher, r/u

**Thank You, Alan** - we asked Alan Farral if he could use his talents to make a lockable box in which to store the Club's nets. We never expected the wonderful creation that you can now see in the storage area. It really is a work of art, befitting of the best table tennis centre in the country. **Many thanks, Alan - you are a star!** 

## Weekend Diary March/April

#### March

Sun 1st 12.00pm Bucks Veterans Inter-League Play-Offs
Sat 14th 10.30am Veterans British League Divisions 4/5
Sun 15th 9.30am Veterans British League Divisions 4/5
Sat 21st 9.00am Slough Closed Championships
Sun 22nd 9.00am Slough Closed Championships
Sat 28th 9.30am Woolwich National Junior League
Sun 29th 9.00am Southern Region Junior Training

April

Sat 4th 9.00am Cippenham Junior 3 Star Open

Sun 5th 2.00pm British League v. Muna Estates Progress II

Sat 18th 9.00am Cippenham Club Championships

Sun 19th 12.30pm Slough Woolwich Junior League

Sat 25th 9.00am Cippenham 2 Star Open (Grand Prix)

Sun 26th 9.00am Bucks Junior/Veterans Closed Champs



Mon 5.30 Advanced Coaching

7.30 Excellence Coaching

Tues 5.00 Beginners' Coaching

7.15 League Matches7.30 Practice Tables

Thurs 5.15 Beginners' Coaching

7.15 League Matches

7.30 Practice Tables

Fri 7.00 Invitation Coaching

#### **Bar Opening Times**

Tuesday & Thursday 9pm - 11pm

#### Further Dates For Your Diary

May 9 Cippenham U10/12 2 Star Open Jun 13 Cippenham Veterans 2 Star Summer Open May 10 SR Junior Training Day Jul 5 Summer Bar-b-que May 16/17 National Junior/Cadet Masters

#### Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 1997-8

	Full	Conc'n
Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£10.00	£5.00
Slough League Registration	£10.00	£5.00
Maidenhead League Registration	£15.00	£7.50
Practice Fees	£3.00	£1.50
Match Fees	£3.00	£1.50
Coaching Fees	£3.00	£1.50

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