



# CIPPENHAM NEWS

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## Busy Time for Bradley - Gavin Wins Again in Europe

**I**t has been a busy summer for the Evans family, especially Bradley, as they hit the international circuit with three events in the space of a few weeks. First up it was Bradley only at the European Youth Championships in Novi Sad, Serbia (formerly Yugoslavia) during the period 11-20 July. Chosen to represent England cadet boys' squad, Bradley was unfortunately not given a chance to show his potential in the team event as Paul Drinkhall and Darius Knight played almost throughout with England finishing in fifteenth place. Bradley then had a difficult draw in the Cadet Boys' Singles and succumbed 4-1 to a seeded Hungarian. In the consolation event, however, Bradley performed well, winning three matches against Belgian, Finnish and Azerbaijani opposition before bowing out to a Russian.

Next port of call for Bradley was Paris, 26 July to 2 August for the Olympic Youth Festival, an event covering ten sports. Bradley was one of four table tennis players amongst the 80-strong British team that set off on Eurostar in their specially provided Adidas kits. After progressing through his singles group, Bradley lost to the eventual runner-up Giles Michley (LUX) and, with Tim Yarnley, held a 2-1 and 10-6 match point lead in their doubles against a pair from Belarus. Had they secured one of those match points an easy next round against Portuguese opponents would have secured at least a bronze medal. Alas, it was not to be!



Gavin and Bradley Evans pictured early last season

The final event of the tour saw four of the Evans family doing battle at the Ostend Open 8-12 August. Gavin maintained his fantastic record in international competition by beating a German player in the final of the Cadet Boys' Singles. Bradley reached the final of the Junior Boys' Singles where he lost to the Swiss number

one and Gavin and Myles won the Flanders Youth Cadet Team Tournament. Only old man Rhys came away without a medal but even he was in a team that finished sixth out of twelve in their group. What a tournament – 800 players, 1800 entries, 40 tables for five days!



Club of the Year 1996  
Club of the Year 1997

Good Luck  
To all Cippenham Teams and Members  
for the forthcoming season  
2003-4



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## News in Short

### Jeremy resigns

Jeremy Bateman has resigned as Club Captain and so the communication link between Slough League team captains and the Management Committee is, at present, severed. It is hoped to be able to announce a replacement shortly, but if anyone wants to volunteer ... please see any Committee member.

### Questionnaire

As part of the Club's commitment to development all members should have received a questionnaire seeking their views on different aspects of the Club. Please try to complete these and hand them in to Jacquie by 1<sup>st</sup> October as we shall be monitoring the responses closely and acting upon them. This is your chance to have your say in what goes into the Club's Development Plan.

### Tim Appointed as Auditor

It is with great pleasure that we announce that Tim Kiteley has accepted the position of Auditor to the Club and has begun the task of looking over last year's accounts.

### Peter Appointed VC

Congratulations to Club member Peter Bradley who has been appointed VC Competitions in the new look ETTA Management Committee under new Chairman Alex Murdoch.

### Duty Officer Required

Current Tuesday and Thursday Duty Officer Robert Hansell will be going back to university in October. Please apply to Jacquie if you would like to take over this position.

## Slough League down to 19 teams

With the loss of four teams (two from Burnham and one each from Cippenham and WAMDSAD) the Slough League is now down to nineteen teams - the lowest total since 1937 and fifty less than the record 69 that competed in 1959-60.

Even so, the fact that the League is operating at all is a bonus. Rescued two years ago by a (nearly) new Committee after the retirement of several key figures, this summer has seen further trouble with the temporary collapse of the Burnham club. Following their AGM at which they failed to elect a Secretary or a Treasurer Burnham suspended operations and only re-entered the League in August, long after the due date.

As a result the League was unable to constitute its divisions at the July Management Committee meeting and had to wait until August 11<sup>th</sup> before doing so. In order to give new Handbook Secretary Clive

Perry more time to complete his work, the start of the League was then delayed a week and will now commence on 22<sup>nd</sup> September.

The final constitution of the League is seven teams in Division One and six each in Divisions Two and Three. The top division will play the familiar 21-week chart, each playing each other three times. The lower two divisions, however, will also play each other three times but in a 15-week chart finishing in February. Thereafter the twelve teams will be organised into two pools for a handicap league played over five weeks. The format of this competition has not finally been decided but will probably be three-a-side playing seven sets on a match basis rather than aggregate points basis. The two pool winners will then feature in a play-off alongside the Slough Masters at Burnham in the last occasion of the season.

## Slough League Teams Season 2003-4

The following teams have been selected to represent the Club in the Slough League:

**Rogues** (Div 1): Paul Baker (capt.); David Hayes; Mark Banks\*; Mark Jackson

**Outlaws** (Div 1): Roland Clapton (capt.); Dave Bull; Mike Harris; Graham Trimming

**Buccaneers** (Div 2): Jeremy Bateman (capt.); Sue Hayes; Ron Hedley; Peter Hillier; John Lloyd; Clive Perry

**Villains** (Div 2): Terry Boxall (capt.); Tim Kiteley; Simon Mellish; Andy Spiers; Paul Cheong (res)

**Vagabonds** (Div 3): Walter Aldridge (capt.); Kathy Dudley; Laurence Orton; Ivor Powell

**Scoundrels** (Div 3): Martin Dorey (capt.); Chris Purvis; Dave Smith\*; Ray Burbridge (res)

**Rascals** (Div 3): Catherine Hayes (capt.); Georgia Veneer; others to be named

\* indicates cannot play until membership form and fees received



The new "Cippenham" court surround - 80 of these have been purchased to replace the old Donic green screen and to make the venue more personalised

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## Georgia's Marathon Medals

Nearly everyone at Cippenham knows Georgia Veneer. Those that do know her as a formidable table tennis player for her age and for her vivacious personality that leaves you with an indelible memory of this great 81-year old lady.

Anybody that comes into contact with Georgia with any regularity will also appreciate the great spirit that has seen her complete six (**yes, six!**) London Marathons in the last eight years. During that time she has raised over £16,000 for cancer research, a most worthwhile cause made even more so because of the loss of her husband Gordon through liver cancer a few years ago.

Georgia is pictured here with her Marathon medals in the Spring 2003 issue of Target - Cancer Research UK. Georgia - keep on running and the rest of us will keep on sponsoring you. You are a great credit to Cippenham Table Tennis Club.



## Teams' Selections for the British Leagues

The Club will once again be running eight teams in the British leagues in the forthcoming season.

### British League

Once again, two teams are being operated in the main British League.

The first team have signed Terry Haley from Horsham to play alongside Martin Adams, Clive Payne and Mark Butler. Lee Dredge will act as reserve for this team.

The second team will rely mainly on the players that performed well enough in the same division last season.

#### Squad:

1. Martin Adams
2. Clive Payne
3. Mark Butler
4. Terry Haley
5. Lee Dredge
6. Mark Jackson
7. Robert Hansell
8. David Hayes
9. Robert Lemon
10. Paul Baker
11. Gemma Chapman

#### Dates:

Sep 13/14 at Cippenham  
Dec 13/14 at Okehampton (D1S)/  
Ashford (D2S)  
Jan 11 at Cippenham  
Mar 6/7 at Cippenham

### Women's British League

The women's team has been strengthened this season by the addition of Marina Zarzycka, a Russian player living locally. This team will once again take up a place in the Premier Division. The Club has also applied for a second team but, at the time of writing, this is placed on a reserve list.

#### Squad:

1. Marina Zarzycka
2. Gemma Chapman
3. Lesley Keast
4. Rebecca Fisher

#### Dates:

Sep 6/7 at Cheltenham  
Jan 24/25 at Grantham

### Junior British League

Four teams will again be run in this competition: three girls' teams and one boys'. David Hayes is missing from the Cippenham squad this season as he has elected to represent Irish Boys now that he has pledged his international allegiance to the Emerald Isle. David's replacement is Marc Armstrong, a player who has been training at Cippenham for a few years.

With the Tweedy family seemingly having left the Club, there are openings for Catherine Hayes and young protege Katie Rule to feature in this top competition while the Welsh player Sarah Hall has been signed in order to sustain a team in the Premier Division.

#### Squads:

##### Boys:

1. Robert Lemon
2. Marc Armstrong
3. James Milton
4. Chris Hansell

##### Girls "A":

1. Gemma Chapman
2. Sarah Hall
3. Emily Tucker

##### Girls "B":

1. Melanie Farquhar
2. Caroline Linz
3. Sylvana Bielec

##### Girls "C":

1. Jenny Hansell
2. Katie Rule
3. Catherine Hayes

#### Dates:

Oct 18/19 at Stoke  
Feb 14/15 at Aldersley

### Veterans' British League

Following a second successive promotion Cippenham now find themselves in the dizzy heights of Division One. Terry Haley has also been added to this squad but the big question is .. can Clive Payne retain his career 100% record over four seasons in the higher strata.

#### Squad:

1. Clive Payne
2. Terry Haley
3. Mike Rhodes
4. Paul Baker

#### Dates:

Nov 22/23 at Stoke  
Feb 7/8 at Doncaster



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## Weekend Diary September/October

### September

Sat 6	9:30am	Bucks Junior Trials
Sun 7	10:30am	Southern Region squad training
Sat 13	11:30am	British League Divisions 1/2 South (1)
Sun 14	10:00am	British League Divisions 1/2 South (1)
Sun 21	9:30am	Southern Region Preliminary Trials

### October

Sun 5th	9:00am	Cippenham Cadet 2-Star Open
Sun 12th	10:30am	Southern Region squad training
Sat 25th	9:00am	Cippenham 2-Star Open (senior)
Sun 26th	10:00am	Maidenhead Charity Handicap Tourn't



## Next Season's Calendar

### Future Events at Cippenham

Nov 1/2	County Champs Junior Premier Div. (1)
Nov 8	National Junior League (1)
Nov 9	Cippenham TTC Closed Championships
Nov 16	Southern Region squad training
Nov 22/23	Southern Region Trials
Nov 29	Bucks Junior Closed
Dec 7	Cippenham Banded 2-Star Open
Dec 13	National Junior League (2)
Dec 21	Southern Region squad training
	Cippenham TTC Christmas Party
Jan 4	Southern Region squad training
Jan 10	Cippenham U14/16 1-Star Open
Jan 11	British League Divisions 1/2 South (3)
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 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

Sep 6/7	Women's British League (1) (Cheltenham)
Oct 18/19	Junior British League (1) (Stoke)
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) (Grantham)
Feb 7/8	Veterans' British League (2) (Doncaster)
Feb 14/15	Junior British League (2) (Aldersley)

## 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
Slough Youth Division Match Fees	£0.50	£0.50
Coaching Fees (per session)	**£3.00	**£1.50
Coaching Fees (per term - 1 <sup>st</sup> group)		£25.00
Coaching Fees (per term - 2 <sup>nd</sup> group)		£15.00
* plus £1.50 (75p) for non-members		
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