



CIPPENHAM NEWS

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Divisional Runners-up in WBL

The Cippenham team in the Women's British League returned from the final weekend of matches in Wolverhampton with medals gained from their runners-up position in Division 5. In fact, their only defeat came in the very last match against champions Wensum, a match Cippenham would have needed to win in order to wrestle the title from their opponents from Norwich.

Cippenham started in second position in the league, level on points with Wensum, a position that was maintained with a 4-2 win over Stantek in the opening match. Julie Dean, Denise Weller and Sue Hayes put Cippenham 3-0 up before Denise lost to Suzy Robinson. However, Julie completed her brace against Lesley Slack to ensure Cippenham kept up the pressure with both points.

Cippenham's second match was against Sutton at Hone and a point was dropped in a 3-3 draw. Sutton went 2-0 up before Mary Heffernan got Cippenham back into the match with a 3-2 success against Carol Homewood. Julie then lost to Helen Shields but Mary claimed her second five-game victory over Heidi Smith and then Sue claimed the point Cippenham craved with a 3-0 demolition of Homewood.

The first day's play concluded with a 5-1 win over bottom team Halton 4. Sue and Denise won two apiece and the only loss for Cippenham came in the dead rubber right at the end when Mary succumbed to GB para player Fliss Pickard.

The pressure on the leaders was maintained on Sunday morning as Cippenham beat Fastbats 4-2. Sue and Mary both secured braces while the unfortunate Julie was twice undone.

That set up the final match of the season between second-placed Cippenham and top of the table Wensum. Wensum had gone through the weekend without dropping a point and thus were one ahead of Cippenham. Cippenham need to win the match to secure the title whereas a draw was sufficient for Wensum. Sue and Den-



(l-r): Sue Hayes; Julie Dean; Mary Heffernan; Denise Weller

ise both lost their opening matches but Mary, against Isobel McGerty and then Denise, against Ella Barnard, restored parity and gave Cippenham hope. However, Sue and Mary both lost their final matches and Wensum ran out winners 4-2 to claim the divisional title.

**Could you be our new
Tuesday Duty Officer?**

**Or know anyone who
could?**

Please speak to Ken!

Women's British League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 5							
Wensum	10	8	2	0	48	12	18
Cippenham	10	6	3	1	38	22	15
Sutton at Hone	10	4	2	4	32	28	10
Stantek	10	4	2	4	25	35	10
Fastbats	10	2	2	6	25	35	6
Halton 4	10	0	1	9	12	48	1

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Mary Heffernan	8	16	12	75
Denise Weller	6	12	8	67
Julie Dean	7	14	8	57
Sue Hayes	9	18	10	55

Results:

4-2 Stantek	4-2 Fastbats
3-3 Sutton at Hone	2-4 Wensum
5-1 Halton 4	

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Possible treble on the cards in Maidenhead

Maidenhead League

League Tables:

P W D L F A Pts

Division 1

Cippenham Trojans	10	10	0	0	82	18	82
Cippenham Saxons	11	8	1	2	76	34	76
Cookham Social Pumas	10	3	2	5	48	52	48
NWCA Bluejays	8	3	2	3	38	42	38
Old Gords Harriers	11	3	0	8	31	79	31
Bovingdon Gn Hawks	10	0	1	9	25	75	25

Division 2

Cippenham Titans	12	8	2	2	78	42	78
Cippenham Vikings	11	9	0	2	75	35	75
NWCA Raiders	12	8	2	2	72	48	72
OLOP Bears	12	6	0	6	67	53	67
Cippenham Normans	12	4	2	6	55	65	55
Boyne Hill CC	10	2	0	8	32	68	32
Cookham Social Lions	11	0	0	11	21	89	21

Division 3

Cippenham Spartans	10	9	1	0	74	24	74
SportsAble Wizards	11	6	3	2	66	44	66
NWCA Seahawks	11	6	2	3	65	45	65
Stoke Poges Bees	12	5	2	5	60	60	60
Bovingdon Gn Kites	11	4	3	4	52	58	52
NWCASharks	11	3	0	8	44	66	44
SportsAble Warriors	12	0	1	11	27	91	27

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Trojans				
Hari Prasad	2	6	6	100
Ricky Hardcastle	9	27	25	93
Maciej Dlugozima	8	24	22	92
Anthony Gardner	4	12	8	67
Chris Clifford	2	6	4	67
Michal Garski	2	6	3	50
Harry Coles	2	6	3	50
Sue Hayes	1	3	1	33

Saxons

Oli Shaw	5	15	11	80
Ashley Shaw	9	26	20	77
Graham Trimming	9	26	16	62
Albert Cheung	9	26	16	62

Titans

Lucie Bouron	6	18	12	67
Lawrence Harvey	10	29	19	66
Tony Jackson	10	29	18	62
Walter Aldridge	5	14	8	57
Clive Chapman	5	15	8	53

Vikings

Harry Coles	9	26	22	85
Siyuan Li	2	6	4	67
Keith Hall	11	32	21	66
Akeel Mir	10	29	17	59
Mohammed Qasim	1	3	0	0

Normans

Josh Blagden	1	3	3	100
Emma Human	9	25	17	68
Dave Tant	9	28	19	68
Armando Borges	4	12	5	42
Elena Tant	7	19	2	11
Denzil Mascarenhas	5	15	0	0

Spartans

Josh Blagden	7	21	20	95
Alexey Zubrenkov	8	22	20	91
Mohammed Qasim	7	19	15	79
Oleg Kuba Kubenko	3	9	5	56

After winning both divisions one and two last year, it looks as if Cippenham could win all three divisions of the Maidenhead League for the first time ever.

The Division 1 title is all but assured as Trojans and Saxons fill the top two places with third-placed Cookham Social Pumas having only a mathematical chance of running the party. It's as good as all over with the Trojans team of Ricky Hardcastle, Maciej Dlugozima with help from other on occasions look set to win with a lot to spare.

Likewise, in Division 3, Spartans look to have the title in hand so long as they can field a full team, something that has eluded them on five occasions so far. Josh Blagden, Alex Zubrenkov and Mohammed Qasim all feature highly in the divisional averages.

It is Division 2 where Cippenham's treble quest could come unstuck, Titans and Vikings fill the top two places at present with second-placed Titans really best placed. However, these two teams have to play each other twice and will therefore take points from each other. NWCA Raiders are lurking in third place waiting for the Cippenham teams to slip up.

More international medals for Lucie and Shae

Cippenham's two GB international para representative added to their already impressive medal hauls at the Para Copa Costa Rica just before Christmas.

Pride of place this time goes to Lucie Bouron who teamed up with a Swedish athlete to win gold in the Women's Class 2-4 team event. She also won a bronze medal in her individual singles event.

Shae Thakker also returned from Costa Rica with two medals, both bronze, gained in the Men's Class 10 Singles and Men's Class 9-10 team event.

Well done to both of our jet setting stars!

NJL title awaits

Cippenham look set to win the National Junior League for the third time and the first since 2004 as they hold a 21 point cumulative advantage over Ashford A going into the final round.

Pranav Gudipati is still the star of the show, having breezed through three sessions and remains unbeaten for the season.

National Junior League

League Tables (Round 2):

P W D L F A Pts

Division 1

Cippenham A	5	5	0	0	28	2	28
Reading A	5	4	0	1	17	13	17
Ashford A	5	3	0	2	14	16	14
Hillingdon A	5	1	1	3	13	17	13
Kingfisher A	5	0	2	3	10	20	10
Warren Spring A	5	0	1	4	8	22	8

Division 2

Chiltern A	5	4	0	1	21	9	21
Guildford	5	3	1	1	20	10	20
Warren Spring B	5	3	0	2	17	13	17
Ashford B	5	2	1	2	15	15	15
Cippenham B	5	1	1	3	9	21	9
Chiltern B	5	0	1	4	8	22	8

Division 3

Ashford C	5	4	0	1	23	7	23
Kingfisher B	5	3	2	0	20	10	20
Warren Spring C	5	2	1	2	16	14	16
Chiltern C	5	2	1	2	15	15	15
Cippenham C	5	1	2	2	11	19	11
Reading B	5	0	0	5	5	25	5

Division 4

Hillingdon B	5	4	1	0	22	8	22
Warren Spring D	5	3	1	1	20	10	20
Chiltern E	5	3	1	1	17	13	17
Cippenham D	5	2	0	3	15	15	15
Chiltern D	5	1	1	3	11	19	11
Warren Spring E	5	0	0	5	5	25	5

Players' Averages:

M P W Av

Cippenham A

Pranav Gudipati	10	25	25	100
Jaiden Caldeira	10	25	18	72
William Saint	10	25	18	72

Cippenham B

Douglas Claridge-Hansen	6	17	13	76
Kush Tanna	10	25	13	52
Edward Meacock	5	11	4	36
James Russell	7	17	1	6
Tom Brown	1	3	0	0

Cippenham C

Nick Carter	9	23	18	78
Edward Meacock	3	9	5	56
Esher Thind	2	5	2	40
Isam Sousseing	5	12	4	33
Kwame Sousseing	3	6	2	33
Nathan Richard	8	20	2	10

Cippenham D

Matueusz Skowera	3	6	4	67
Rishi Nanda	7	17	9	53
Jude Alexander	7	17	9	53
Kwame Sousseing	3	8	4	50
Jeeven Bancel	8	21	8	38
Esher Thind	2	6	1	17

Woodford triumph in best ever Team Open

The Club held its annual Team 2-Star Open in January and Organiser Graham Trimming claimed that it was the best yet in its fourteenth year. Such was the demand for places that the maximum possible number had been reached nine days before the official closing date and many potential entrants were left disappointed.

The standard of play was very good and a pleasing aspect was the absence of any particularly weak teams with the result that all matches in the final rounds were closely contested. In fact, only two of the twelve matches in the final round were won 2-0 and did not require a decider.

The concept of the tournament is thought to be unique in English table tennis with matches being contested between teams of two players. During the preliminary round group stage, the teams are split into eight groups. The following rounds are played using the progressive knock-out format in which each team plays through to the conclusion of the event and establishes its final position amongst the twenty-four competing teams.

Each of the favoured eight teams won their preliminary group with the exception of Yolo who lost out to Ashford New Boys. The eight group winners survived two more rounds and were then firmly established as the quarter-finalists. That stage saw the run of Ashford New Boys come to an end when beaten by top seeds Woodford. Second seeds The Improvisors saw off Swag Lads, a team with a definite New Zealand flavour to it, while third seeds Fusion beat Somerset Sabres and, to make it a full house, fourth seeds Mauthoor Brothers beat Lillington Free Church A.

The Mauthoors went one-nil up in the semi-final against Woodford when Umair Mauthoor beat Bryan Kwan. However, Josh Nashed was too good



The successful Woodford team in action: Bryan Kwan and Joshua Nashed

for Zayd Mauthoor and Kwan finished the match in Woodford's favour against the same brother. The other semi-final also featured a pair of brothers but Robert and Ryszard Pelc, in the guise of Fusion, were just not able to down The Improvisors who won 2-0, even though Daniel Moses only beat Robert Pelc 16-14 in the fifth and deciding game.

If that was a close-run thing for Moses in the semi-final, he took it up a few more notches in the actual final. After winning the first two games against Bryan Kwan, and then losing the next two, the fifth game was not settled until Moses had won 25-23, a scoreline that is very rare in the modern era when games are played up to 11. Woodford restored parity when Josh Nashed, the unbeaten star of the whole tournament, eclipsed Lewis Waddup's challenge 3-1 and Kwan made sure of the winners' trophies for Woodford with a similar scoreline in the deciding rubber against Waddup.

Cippenham Team 2-Star Open Results

Winners:	Runners-up:
Woodford	The Improvisors
Bryan Kwan	Danie Moses
Joshua Nashed	Lewis Waddup

National Cadet League

League Tables (Round 2):

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1							
Kingfisher B	5	2	3	0	18	12	18
Kingfisher A	5	2	2	1	16	14	16
Cippenham A	5	1	3	1	15	15	15
Ashford A	5	1	3	1	15	15	15
Bourne End A	5	0	4	1	14	16	14
Chiltern A	5	0	3	2	12	18	12
Division 2							
Chiltern B	5	3	2	0	22	8	22
Cippenham B	5	4	1	0	22	8	22
Hillingdon A	5	2	2	1	18	12	18
Kingfisher C	5	1	2	2	12	18	12
Dacorum	5	0	2	3	10	20	10
Cippenham C	5	0	1	4	6	24	6
Division 4							
Kingfisher D	5	4	1	0	21	9	21
Chiltern E	5	2	1	2	16	14	16
Chiltern F	5	2	2	1	16	14	16
Ashford B	5	2	2	1	16	14	16
Cippenham D	5	2	0	3	15	15	15
Hillingdon C	5	0	0	5	6	24	6

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham A				
William Saint	10	25	19	76
Rudii Richards	7	16	10	63
Edward Meacock	10	25	9	36
Tom Brown	3	9	2	22
Cippenham B				
Nick Carter	10	25	21	84
Mia Lakhani	10	24	18	75
George Driscoll	7	15	9	60
Isam Sousseing	3	9	3	33
Cippenham C				
George Driscoll	3	9	6	67
Arnab Tyagi	5	14	6	43
Ankush Srivinas	5	14	5	36
Kwame Sousseing	9	21	3	14
Finlay Carter	4	7	1	14
Isam Sousseing	4	8	1	13
Cippenham D				
Thomas Zoltanicki	8	19	11	58
Louis Alexander	8	19	9	47
Finlay Carter	6	17	8	47
Mateusz Skowera	8	20	8	40

Can you help—the Club needs a new Duty Officer!

The Club has an immediate requirement for a Duty Officer to manage the Tuesday evening practice session. This follows the resignation of Emma Human who has performed this role on both Tuesday and Thursday evenings for a couple of years. Emma has now taken on full-time employment and, understandably, now wants to spend her evenings at home with her family. That is, of course, when not playing for Cippenham Normans in the Maidenhead League! We thank Emma for her hard work during her tenure as Duty Officer, a role she has performed with great distinction.

Shae Thakker will take over the Thursday shift but if you know of anyone who could do this (paid) role on Tuesdays, please speak to Ken Phillips.

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Weekday Timetable

Mon	19:15	Advanced Coaching Group
Tues	19:15	Local league matches
	19:30	Practice tables
Weds	19:30	Elite Coaching Group
Thurs	17:15	Beginners' coaching
	19:15	Local league matches
	19:30	Practice tables

Fees Season 2019-20

	Full	Conc'n
Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£18.00	£9.00
Family Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£30.00	n/a
Annual Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.80	£0.90
Family Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£3.00	n/a
Maidenhead League Registration	£18.00	£9.00
National Junior League registration	n/a	£12.00
National Cadet League registration	n/a	£12.00
Practice Fees	*£4.00	*£2.00
Local League Match Fees	£4.00	£2.00
Coaching Fees (Thursday) (per session)	**£6.00	**£3.00
Coaching Fees (Monday) (per term)		£35.00
* plus £1.50 (75p) for non-members		
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Weekend Diary

Feb 8/9	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Feb 15	Senior British League National Div B4 (3)
Feb 29	County Championships Veterans' Division 2B
Mar 1	Reading Junior Closed Championships
Mar 7	National Junior League (4)
Mar 8	Reading Senior Closed Championships
Mar 15	National Cadet League (4)
Mar 28/9	National Cadet Cup
Apr 4/5	Senior British League National Div B4 (4)
Jun 27/28	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Festival

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