



CIPPENHAM NEWS

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Joe defeat his sparring partner to festive title

A good entry of nineteen players participated in the Club's annual Festive Grand Prix, our version of a Christmas Party, on the Tuesday before Christmas and some great matches ensued, despite the influence of mulled wine and mince pies!

To accommodate the large entry, the event was split into two sections, one of ten players and the other of nine. Each was played to a conclusion with the winners playing off for the title and all other places following in like fashion.

Top seed Shae Thakker won his section of the event with Bas Mocharraffe second and Zsolt Varga third. Zsolt's progress included a great first stage win over Seb Nimier.

Second seed Joe Underwood also duly won his section with Graham Trimming runner-up and Elroy Hull third. Elroy was two games to the good against Joe in their final group match and, in retrospect, that was the only match in which Joe was unduly troubled all evening.

Joe and Shae have been practising together this season with Shae usually gaining the upper hand. This time it was all different as Joe triumphed in the final 3-0. Third place was taken by Graham who recovered from 10-8 down to defeat Bas 12-10 in the fifth game of a pulsating match while Elroy overcame Zsolt to finish fifth and Seb beat Holly Long for seventh place.

Finishing positions:

1. Joe Underwood
2. Shae Thakker
3. Graham Trimming
4. Bas Mocharraffe
5. Elroy Hull
6. Zsolt Varga
7. Seb Nimier
8. Holly Long



Chocolate prize winners: Shae Thakker; Joe Underwood; Graham Trimming



Joe Underwood in action



Tim Kiteley



Milton Makris



Brian Guilloud

Another SBL blank

Both Cippenham teams again drew a blank in the Senior British League when rounds nine and ten were played on 21 January. However, comfort can be taken from the fact that the performances were generally much better than the previous weekend.

The Cippenham first team, playing at Harlow, were represented by Martin Adams, Chris Bartram, on debut, Robert Hansell and Martin Gray. Their first opponents were Godalming Simply Let, historically a bogey team for Cippenham, and so it proved again. Martin Adams got Cippenham off to the perfect start by beating Andreas Pusch 3-0 and when Rob followed up with a win over Hari Gehlot, Cippenham were 2-1. However, losses by Martin Gray, who had been feeling unwell the day before, and the doubles gave Godalming a 3-2 advantage. There then followed a sequence of four sets that all ebbed and



Ashley Shaw: won 3 out of 4

flowed one way then the other with all requiring a deciding five and final game to settle them. Unfortunately, Cippenham could do no better than take a share of those four sets and so the match was lost 5-4. Robert, who completed his brace by beating Pusch, was named player of the match, an unusual occurrence in a losing team, and Chris won Cippenham's other set against Adam Laws.

The afternoon event matched Cippenham up against a stronger than usual Fusion II team. Martin Gray and Chris both beat Clive Carthy and Rob followed up his morning exploits with a win against Jamal Dennison but that was as good as it got for Cippenham who slumped to a 6-3 defeat. The pivotal moments both came against Joseph Hee who managed to defeat both Chris and Martin Adams in the deciding game.

The Cippenham second team had home advantage but could not quite make it count for league points. Simon Vine got Cippenham off to the perfect start against Haywards Heath when he beat Tomas Pomej but then came a succession of seven losses before Ashley Shaw added to the scoreline in the final encounter against Dean Haskett for a 7-2 defeat.

The afternoon match was very much a case of what could have been. The host team went 3-1 up against Godalming Simply Let II after Simon Vine, Ashley Shaw and Paul Baker had beaten Jamie Nordin, Danielle Kelly and Vijay Bhaskar respectively. Next came the doubles and the Shaw brothers, Oli and Ashley, played well above themselves and held several match points in the third game against Rob Pountney and Nordin. The Godalming pair came back to take the fourth game and ultimately also the fifth 15-13 after a sequence of

National Cadet League

League Tables—Round 1:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1							
Crusaders A	5	5	0	0	45	0	45
Crusaders B	5	2	0	3	24	21	24
Cippenham A	5	4	0	1	22	23	22
Kingfisher A	5	3	0	2	21	24	21
Ashford A	5	1	0	4	16	29	16
St Albans A	5	0	0	5	7	38	7
Division 2							
Oxford A	5	4	0	1	33	12	33
Crusaders C	5	5	0	0	31	14	31
Kingfisher B	5	2	0	3	21	24	21
Oxford B	5	1	0	4	20	25	20
Cippenham B	5	1	0	4	15	30	15
Crusaders D	5	0	0	5	15	30	15
Division 3							
Crusaders E	5	5	0	0	36	9	36
Ashford B	5	4	0	1	32	13	32
Hillingdon A	5	2	0	3	21	24	21
Oxford C	5	2	0	3	19	26	19
Cippenham C	5	1	0	4	15	30	15
Oxford D	5	1	0	4	12	33	12

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham A				
Pranav Gudipati	5	15	11	73
Douglas Claridge-Hansen	5	15	8	53
Jaiden Caldeira	5	15	3	20
Cippenham B				
Sonny Dalston	2	6	5	83
James Russell	5	15	5	33
Rudii Richards	2	6	2	33
William Saint	3	9	2	22
Gustav Colliander	3	9	1	11
Cippenham C				
Anna Piercey	5	15	8	53
Tom Brown	4	12	5	42
Kwame Sousseing	3	9	2	22
Isam Sousseing	3	9	0	0

several nervy deuce points. Simon took the first game off Pountney but was ultimately beaten by the former Cippenham man of a couple of decades ago, but the real blow was dealt when Oli had match points in the fourth game against Kelly as all the luck went the young Godalming player's way. Ashley completed his singles brace comfortably against Bhaskar but Godalming eventually won 5-4 when Norton held off Paul's challenge 3-1.

Cippenham 5x2 Senior & Veterans' 1-Star Open

Sunday 18 February 2018

Two events: one for veterans only; the other for all ages. Groups of 5 followed by championship and consolation knock-out events

Entries close 4 February

Senior British League

League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
National Division A-2							
Horsham Blades I	10	8	0	2	65	25	16
BATTS II	10	8	0	2	51	39	16
Brighton TTC I	10	7	0	3	54	36	14
Godalming Simply Let I	10	7	0	3	50	40	14
Fusion II	10	5	0	5	43	47	10
London Academy II	10	3	0	7	42	48	6
Cippenham I	10	2	0	8	32	58	4
York Gardens I	10	0	0	10	23	67	0
National Division C-4							
Ellenborough	10	10	0	0	81	9	20
Horsham Spinners I	10	8	0	2	64	26	16
Haywards Heath I	10	7	0	3	48	42	14
Fusion III	10	5	0	5	55	35	10
Ashford II	10	4	0	6	36	54	8
Godalming Simply Let II	10	3	0	7	23	67	6
Newton Abbot	10	2	0	8	33	57	4
Cippenham II	10	1	0	9	20	70	2

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham I				
Owe Karlsson	6	12	6	50
Chris Bartram	2	4	2	50
Martin Gray	8	15	7	47
Robert Hansell	6	12	5	42
Martin Adams	10	20	7	35
Steve Munson	8	15	3	20
Cippenham II				
Simon Vine	2	4	2	50
Shae Thakker	6	12	4	33
Ashley Shaw	10	20	6	30
Oli Shaw	10	20	3	15
Paul Baker	10	20	3	15
Graham Trimming	2	4	0	0

Results:

Cippenham I	Cippenham II
4-5 Godalming Simply Let I	2-7 Haywards Heath I
3-6 Fusion II	4-5 Godalming Simply Let

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Top seeds remain unbeaten in Team Open

Another maximum entry was received for the twelfth running of the Cippenham Team 2-Star Open on 14 January. In fact, the tournament was over-subscribed and some potential entries had to be refused. A maximum of twenty-four teams can be accommodated for this competition which, in addition to being a team rather than individual tournament, also features the progressive knock-out format. This is unique in open tournaments in this country and again proved very popular with teams arriving from far and wide including three from south Wales.

The tournament got underway with teams drawn into eight groups of three. All of the top ranked teams managed to win their groups and then all manoeuvred their way into the top eight finishing positions via two rounds in which winners played winners and then the losers of those matches were made to overcome a team that had finished second in their preliminary round groups.

The standout team, and eventual winners, were London Academy. They won every match 2-0 as neither Ismaila Akindiya nor Adeoye Adewale lost to any of their opponents. Indeed, the first time any player took a single game was when Joshua Nashed threatened briefly in the semi-final against Akindiya. The threat was short lived and Nashed's

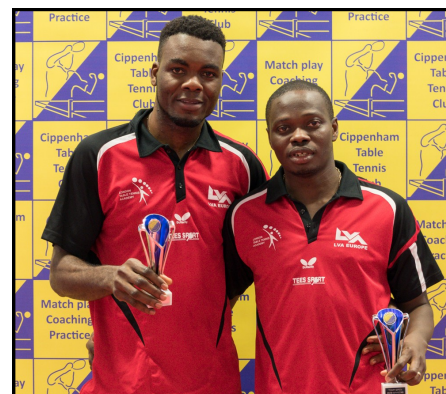
Finsbury team still lost 2-0.

The final was a much closer affair. The Nigerian pair had their work cut out against the Welsh team Class Act. Akindiya was made to work all the way against Dean Cundy, who has a World ranking inside the top thousand, before finishing the set off at 11-7 in the fifth and deciding game. Neil Wright also took a game off Adewale but the final result was, like all that had gone before, 2-0 to London Academy.

Finsbury duly won third place, beating the Slumlords team of Anthony Ellis and David Ramsey 2-0. Both sets were won 3-1 with Nashed beating Ellis and Fabien Mauroy beating Ramsey.

Ed Slot and Sam Ricks, posing as The Tactical Tictacs, improved on their finishing position of a year earlier and eventually came fifth, by virtue of a 2-0 win over a Godalming team that comprised Rory Scott and Cippenham' Simon Vine.

One of the highlights of the tournament occurred at an early stage in the preliminary round. A team of Steve Buck and Steve Smith were allowed a scratch entry as a result of another team not appearing. They lost 2-0 to the higher ranked Corby Smash but then beat one of the Welsh teams, LJ Faz with Buck beating both Mark



London Academy: Adeoye Adewale & Asmaila Akindiya

Farrow and Lynden Jones. The defeated team then lost also 2-1 to Corby. Corby ultimately found their way to finish joint seventh while the other two teams kept on winning to make and eventually played one another again in their final match. This time LJ Faz were victorious and secured ninth spot overall with Buck and Smith finishing tenth.

The tournament was organised and refereed by Graham Trimming.

Cippenham Team 2-Star Open Results
Winners: London Academy (Ismaila Akindiya & Adeoye Adewale)
Runners-up: Class Act (Dean Cundy & Neil Wright)

In the previous issue of the Newsletter we carried the news of Ike's illness and our delight that he is making a remarkable recovery. Ike has since sent the following and asked that it be included in this issue, and we are delighted to be able to do so.



Ike (centre) with Brian Guilloud and Sunjay Thakker

My early Xmas Gift—by Ike

On Thursday 2 November 2017 I was playing in a table tennis match at Cippenham TTC and after finishing one of my sets I sat down to rest, however, without much warning I seem to have passed out while resting on a chair. Luckily my eagle eyed team mates noticed that something wasn't quite right and sprang into action.

A heart attack had led me to have a cardiac arrest and Brian, Sunjay and Sue worked as an amazing team to save my life! Not only did they save my life by their quick action and use of the defibrillator on site but the urgent attention has meant that my heart muscle hasn't suffered any long-term damage. I was hospitalised for about one week after having stents fitted and I am now getting professional help and guidance from the Cardiac Rehabilitation Unit at

Wycombe Hospital and slowly but surely getting stronger and recovering to the point that I should be able to resume some of my past sporting activities in the New Year.

I would like very much to thank everybody at our lovely club for the friendship and kindness shown to me and applaud my team and other members for your quick thinking and actions that saved my life and have given my family and I the best Xmas Gift.

Footnote: we were all shocked to learn that Brian Guilloud, one of the heroes above, was taken seriously ill a couple of weeks ago. Our thoughts are now with Brian and his family and we hope for the best possible outcome.

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Weekday Timetable

Mon	19:15	Advanced Coaching Group
Tues	19:15	Local league matches
	19:30	Practice tables
	19:40	Grand Prix (when run)
Weds	19:30	Elite Coaching Group
Thurs	17:15	Beginners' coaching
	19:15	Local league matches
	19:30	Practice tables

Fees Season 2017-18

	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		
** plus 50p (25p) for non-members		



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Liam Pitchford - England's No. 1.

Liam Pitchford uses a Butterfly Viscaria blade with Tenergy 05 rubber on both sides

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Weekend Diary

Jan 27	National Junior League (3)
Feb 3/4	County Championships Senior Division
Feb 10	Cippenham Super 6 Veterans' 2* Open
Feb 11	Reading (Senior) Closed Championships
Feb 17	Reading (Junior) Closed Championships
Feb 18	Cippenham 5x2 Senior/Veterans' 1* Open
Feb 24	National Junior League (4)
Mar 3/4	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Mar 10	Chalfont Closed Championships
Mar 11	National Cadet League (3)
Mar 25	National Cadet League (4)
Apr 14/15	Senior British League (4) Divs C-4 & C-5
Jun 23/24	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.

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