



CIPPENHAM NEWS

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Happy New Year to all Readers

Saxons head the Maidenhead League —for the moment!

Cippenham Saxons hold the lead in Division 1 of the Maidenhead League over the Christmas break. However, that is a slightly false position as Cookham Social Typhoons are only two points adrift with a match in hand. Inspired by Mark Banks, who still has an unblemished record this season, Cookham are likely to re-take the lead they had held all season when they play their match in hand. Saxons are the only team to deny Cookham a winning score this season when a superb performance from Simon Wilde, who won all three and is currently on a long unbeaten run, contributed to a 5-5 draw. Graham Trimming and Albert Cheng could only manage one each against a team missing their star player.

The season, however, started badly for Saxons in the defence of the title they won last year. A slow start saw them lose their first two matches, both 6-4, against Cookham and Old Gords Vultures. After that it was five straight wins before the draw with Cookham but a great 9-1 result against Vultures second time around seems to have made at least runners-up spot fairly secure.

Trojans lie sixth in Division One but should pick up at least one place when postponed matches are re-arranged. Ricky Hardcastle has, no surprise, been their most successful player.

Spartans sit seventh in a congested



Saxons: (l-r) Steve Smith; Albert Cheung; Simon Wilde; Graham Trimming



Vikings: (l-r) Goutham Shikrishna; Nadeem Syed; Khalid Kazim

Division Two but are realistically playing for places four to seven with David Williams having upped his results from last season.

Vikings are a new team with all four players being members of Slough Cricket Club and having been introduced to us by Elroy Hull. They are currently level on points with SportsAble Whirlwinds, fighting for positions two and three in Division Three but a long way behind leaders Stoke Poges Tigers.

League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1							
Cippenham Saxons	9	6	1	2	61	29	61
Cookham Soc Typhoons	8	7	1	0	59	21	59
Old Gords Vultures	8	5	0	3	41	39	41
Old Gords Ospreys	8	2	1	5	40	40	40
Old Gords Harriers	9	1	3	5	33	57	33
Cippenham Trojans	7	2	1	4	32	38	32
NWCA Blue Jays	6	2	1	3	24	36	24
Castle Hill Pumas	7	2	0	5	20	50	20
Division 2							
Boyne Hill CC	11	7	3	1	71	39	71
Outcasts	10	8	0	2	67	33	67
Bovingdon Gn Kestrels	11	6	1	4	63	47	63
Old Sods Kestrels	10	5	2	3	57	43	57
SportsAble Wags	10	5	2	3	55	45	55
Stoke Poges Lions	11	5	2	4	55	55	55
Cippenham Spartans	11	3	2	6	52	58	52
Old Gords Falcons	9	2	2	5	36	54	36
BBC Bears	9	2	0	7	36	54	3
Cookham Social Lions	8	0	0	8	8	72	8
Division 3							
Stoke Poges Tigers	10	9	0	1	83	17	83
SportsAble Whirlwinds	8	5	1	2	52	28	52
Cippenham Vikings	8	6	0	2	52	28	52
Cookham S Ladybyrds	7	6	1	0	47	23	47
Bovingdon Green Kites	10	4	1	5	47	53	47
Castle Hill Panthers	8	2	2	4	32	48	32
SportsAble Wizards	10	1	1	8	30	70	30
NWCA Sharks	9	1	2	6	29	61	29
SportsAble Warriors	8	0	2	6	18	62	18

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Saxons				
Simon Wilde	9	26	20	77
Albert Cheung	6	17	13	76
Steve Smith	3	9	6	67
Graham Trimming	9	26	16	62
Trojans				
Ricky Hardcastle	6	17	14	82
Shane Clark	1	3	2	67
Denise Weller	4	11	7	64
Bassam Mocharrafi	3	9	3	33
Sue Hayes	6	17	1	6
Spartans				
David Williams	8	24	17	71
Armando Borges	7	21	12	57
Peter Hillier	10	30	17	57
Bhanu Muralitharan	6	18	1	6
Vikings				
Goutham Shikrishna	6	17	13	76
Nadeem Syed	8	23	17	74
Khalid Kazim	5	14	9	64
Sharath Jetty	4	12	6	50



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Only three points from the weekend

All three Cippenham teams struggled in the second weekend of matches in the Senior British League. In twelve team matches only three draws were secured, two by the first team and one by the thirds.

The Cippenham first team missed their unavailable captain and number one player Martin Adams. His absence promoted all the other players one place, a move they found difficult to cope with, especially Matt Squires who took over the number one position and did not win a match all weekend, despite coming desperately close on a couple of occasions, losing after long deuces in the deciding set each time. Even their two draws were disappointing rewards that could have both turned into victories had Matt been able to win those close matches.

Cippenham thought they were on to a good thing when Crusaders turned up a player short and with a reserve filling the number three position. However, all they got from the match were two easy wins for Robert Hansell and Dob Tokov over the reserve player plus the two walkovers. Matt lost to Ben Larcombe 16-14 in the fifth after winning the first two games.

There then followed matches against the best two teams in Division 1 South and both were lost 8-0. Dob and Robert both went close to getting Cippenham going against Urban 1 and Dob, again, came closest to winning against the indomitable Greenhouse Progress on Sunday morning. Such is Greenhouse's dominance of the division that they beat all four opponents 8-0 over the weekend and finished their eighth match of the season with a sets aggregate of 62-2!

Cippenham also fancied their chances against bottom team TTC Cornwall in the final match. New signing Milen Dobrev came good in this match with two wins and Martin Gray and Dob also beat the same players to give Cippenham all four against the western county's third and fourth ranked players. Nothing, though, was gained against their two top with Matt's 15-13 fifth game defeat against Adrian Noot being the closest, leaving Cippenham in fifth place in the division but comfortably above the relegation dog-fight.

For the second team only Martin Gunn,

who showed much better form than during the first weekend in September, and Chris Hansell got themselves on the scoresheet. Martin led the way with a brace as Cippenham lost 5-3 on Saturday morning to Woodfield 3. Chris was superb in the afternoon, winning both his matches 3-0 but no other Cippenham player was able to add anything as Bedford Modern won 6-2. Paul Baker, Martin Gunn and Tony Stead all took opponents to a deciding game but were unable to clinch them despite both Paul and Tony winning the first two games of their matches against Stuart Seaholme.

Sunday brought tougher opposition against the top two teams in Division 2 South and East. Martin was the only winner as Cippenham lost 7-1 to division leaders Woolwell but there was a really spirited performance against York Gardens 3 in the final match in the afternoon. Martin won two again and was again backed up by Chris but Paul lost both his matches in the decider. This result left Cippenham 2 rooted to the foot of the table.

Cippenham 3 are also rooted to the foot of their division, 3 South, Midlands and West, but did manage to claim their first point of the campaign when drawing with fifth placed St. Mary's Hull. All four players contributed as Cippenham fought back from 2-0 down to lead 4-2 at one stage. Andrew Sullivan got things moving with his maiden British League victory, 3-0 over Kevin Hodgson. Then Bradley King beat Matthew Dixon and Kevin Gray and Eddie Mitchell were successful over five games against Garry Usher and Hodgson respectively.

That point was enough to take Cippenham above Woodfield 4 into seventh place. However, the euphoria was short-lived as the very next match was against Woodfield and resulted in a 5-3 win for the Wolverhampton-based host team. Despite being in the losing team Bradley was nominated player of the match for his two 3-0 wins but only Kevin could add to this. Both the other matches, against Sycamore 2 and B-BATT Pavilion 2 were lost 8-0 although both Bradley and Eddie had chances against the latter high flying team from Brighton.

Senior British League

League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1 South							
Greenhouse Progress I	8	8	0	0	62	2	16
Urban I	8	7	0	1	51	13	14
OLOP IMPACT	8	5	0	3	37	27	10
BATTS I	8	5	0	3	33	31	10
Cippenham I	8	2	2	4	25	39	6
Sportingbet Guernsey	8	2	0	6	14	50	4
Crusaders I	8	1	1	6	19	45	3
TTC Cornwall	8	0	1	7	15	49	1
Division 2 South & East							
Woolwell I	8	6	2	0	49	15	14
York Gardens III	8	6	1	1	45	19	13
Horsham I	8	6	1	1	43	21	13
Woodfield III	8	3	2	3	32	32	8
Bedford Modern I	8	2	2	4	29	35	6
Ellenborough	8	1	2	5	24	40	4
De Vere NETTS	8	2	0	6	17	47	4
Cippenham II	8	1	0	7	17	47	2
Division 3 South-Midlands-West							
Bristol TT Academy	8	7	1	0	55	9	15
B-BATT Pavilion II	8	7	1	0	53	11	15
NWF	8	4	2	2	37	27	10
Sycamore II	8	4	1	3	38	26	9
St. Marys Hull	8	3	1	4	27	37	7
Keyworth	8	2	1	5	23	41	5
Woodfield IV	8	1	0	7	12	52	2
Cippenham III	8	0	1	7	11	53	1

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham I				
Robert Hansell	6	11	6	55
Dobromir Tokov	8	16	8	50
Martin Adams	4	8	3	38
Milen Dobrev	3	6	2	33
Martin Gray	3	5	1	20
Matt Squires	8	16	3	19
Cippenham II				
Chris Hansell	8	16	7	44
Martin Gunn	8	16	6	38
Steve Smith	2	4	1	25
Tony Stead	8	16	2	19
Paul Baker	6	12	0	0
Cippenham III				
Bradley King	8	16	7	44
Kevin Gray	4	8	2	25
Ed Mitchell	8	16	1	6
Andrew Sullivan	8	16	1	6
Anthony Gardner	4	8	0	0

Results:

Cippenham I	Cippenham II
4-4 Crusaders I	3-5 Woodfield III
0-8 Urban I	2-6 Bedford Modern I
0-8 G'house Progress I	1-7 Woolwell I
4-4 TTC Cornwall	3-5 York Gardens III
Cippenham III	
0-8 Sycamore II	
4-4 St. Marys Hull	
3-5 Woodfield IV	
0-8 B-BATT Pavilion II	

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Shane and Charles team up to survive the mulled wine and mince pies



Winners: Shane Clark and Charles Mitchell

Christmas came a week early at Cippenham with a fun event to get everyone into the festive spirit. Actually, there were no spirits but mulled wine was much in evidence and was accompanied by delicious mince pies. The Tuesday evening practice session was spiced up with a quick-fire team competition. The sixteen players were drawn into teams of two - one from the top eight players and one from the other eight - and played their way through the Grand Prix format. The number one players faced their respective opponents and then the number twos did likewise. If the match score was then 1-1 a doubles was played.

In order not to be still playing when it would have been time to wake up the

next morning, a quick-fire format of best of three games up to seven points was decided and this ensured that the event moved quickly and was completed in about two hours, even after stops to refuel on the mulled wine and mince pies!

Of course there was a competitive edge and so it is right to report that the event was won by Shane Clark and Charles Mitchell with Paul Elliott and Fenton Varady second, Mo Khan and Elena Cockrell third with Eric Meikle and Sam Fletcher fourth.

The event was organised by Andrew Sullivan and Ed Mitchell who together thought up the original idea.

Boys second after first phase

After the first of three phases of the National Junior League, the Cippenham boys' first team lie second in Division 1. The second team are fifth in Division 2 while the two girls' teams occupy the middle positions in their division.

The most successful player is Alex Nagle who, with an 80% average, is third in the overall individual standings. Shristi Ghosh has a record almost as good with 79% in the girls' division.

The teams will be hoping to further improve their positions when the League re-commences on 26 January.

National Junior League

League Tables Round 1:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Boys' Division 1							
Chiltern A	5	5	0	0	36	9	36
Cippenham A	5	4	0	1	27	18	27
Kidlington A	5	1	0	4	23	22	23
Reading A	5	3	0	2	21	24	21
Spinners A	5	2	0	3	21	24	21
Crusaders	5	0	0	5	7	38	7
Boys' Division 2							
Spinners B	5	4	0	1	33	12	33
Reading B	5	5	0	0	28	17	28
Kidlington B	5	2	0	3	25	20	25
Chiltern B	5	2	0	3	25	20	25
Cippenham B	5	2	0	3	18	27	18
Hillingdon	5	0	0	5	6	39	6
Girls' Division							
Kidlington	5	5	0	0	41	4	41
Ellenborough	5	4	0	1	34	11	34
Cippenham A	5	3	0	2	29	16	29
Cippenham B	5	2	0	3	22	23	22
LND A	5	1	0	4	9	36	9
LND B	5	0	0	5	0	45	0

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Boys' A				
Alex Nagle	5	15	12	80
Joe Underwood	5	15	9	60
Harrison Simmons	5	15	6	40
Boys' B				
Alex Jackson	5	15	10	67
Fenton Varady	2	6	4	67
Tom Hewlett	3	9	3	33
Tarun Chana	2	6	1	17
Oliver Hardman	3	9	0	0
Girls' A				
Shristi Ghosh	5	14	11	79
Rosalind Lane	5	15	9	60
Louise Williams	5	14	7	50
Girls' B				
Evie Foster	1	3	3	100
Jemma Walker	2	6	4	67
Georgina Cooper	4	12	7	58
Charlotte Parrett	5	15	7	47
Megan Ashfield	3	7	1	14

**Cippenham Super 6
Veterans' 2-Star Open**

Saturday 19 January

Entries close 7 January

**Cippenham Five by Two
Senior/Vets' 1-Star Open**

Sunday 17 February

Entries close 3 February

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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
Weds	18:00	High performance sessions
Thurs	17:15	Beginners' coaching
	19:15	Local league matches
	19:30	Practice tables

Fees Season 2012-13

	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)		£30.00

* plus £1.50 (75p) for non-members

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



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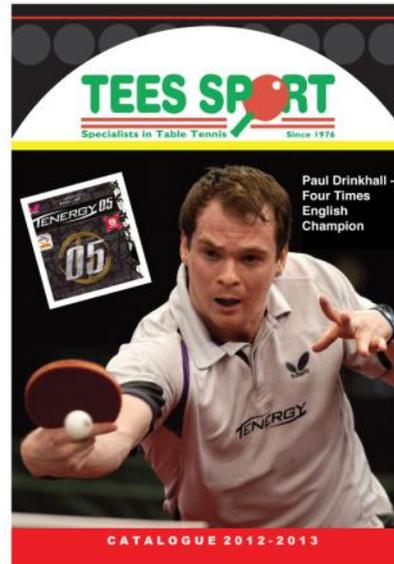


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Weekend Diary

Jan	13	British League (3)
	19	Cippenham Super 6 Veterans' 2-Star
	20	County Championships Vets Div 3D
	26	National Junior League (3)
Feb	3	National Cadet League (3)
	17	Cippenham 5x2 Senior/Vets 1-Star
	23/24	British League (4)
Mar	2	National Junior League (4)
	9	UKCC Level 1 coach education
	16	UKCC Level 1 coach education
	17	National Cadet League (4)
	23/24	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Apr	6	County Championships Vets Div 2B

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