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Ladies top division as Sue and Martin remain unbeaten

ue Hayes and Martin Adams remained unbeaten as the two Cippenham teams recorded good results during the first weekend of the Veterans' British League in Bristol.

Cippenham ladies' team emerged, from the first half, top of Division 2. Sue Hayes played exceptionally well and won all eight of her matches while great back up was provided by Denise Weller and Wendy Porter, who both won six out of eight, and Julie Dean with four wins from her six matches.

The weekend started well for the ladies with a 5-1 win over Halton. Denise got Cippenham off to the perfect start with a 3-0 win over Suzanne Burgess only for Halton to equalise when Janet Hodgetts beat Julie. Sue restored Cippenham's lead with a hard-fought win over Jo Outhwaite and from then on it was plain sailing with the last three singles all going Cippenham's way 3-0.

On Saturday afternoon, Cippenham suffered their only dropped points of the weekend when beaten 4-2 by Fusion B. Wendy and Julie both beat Carol Day but Cippenham found Des Norbury and Lorraine Perryman too strong.

However, winning ways were restored on Saturday evening. Market Rasen II were the opponents and finished the day on the wrong end of a 5-1 result. Sue had a hard fought win over Shirley Pickering and Wendy lost to Sylvia Tyler but otherwise it was all Cippenham. Denise was particularly impressive with two straight forward successes against Tyler and Pickering.

Sunday was a romp with two 6-0 wins. First up, bottom team Carpe Diem managed to take just three games but the afternoon match against RTA was closer. Included in the 6-0 whitewash were two wins 12-10 in the deciding games by Julie over Sally Bax and



Wendy against Jean White. Sue, meanwhile, was enjoying easy wins over Jackie Channel and White.

Elsewhere in the same hall, Martin Adams showed his undoubted pedigree with an unblemished display for the men's team in Division 2B. His team needed him dearly as, despite a maximum from Adams in each of the five matches, all the matches finished 3-3.

In the first match, it was Christos Hannides who added the one win for a team point when he beat Dewsbury's Steve Kosmowsky right at the end of the match. It was Christos again in the afternoon who secured the point against XLNT Sports Draycott 2 although Mike Rhodes twice lost in the fifth game and came so very close to beating Masher Portlock for what would have been a 4-2 win to Cippenham.

Mike made up for it in the evening encounter with Wirepoint Bulldogs. Mar-

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tin's customary brace included a 3-0 win over Kevin Caldon and in doing so inflicted upon his opponent his only defeat of the weekend. Mike then put Cippenham ahead by beating former England international Stuart Gibbs 3-1. Gibbs was England number two in the 1960s when the famous Denis Neale was number one. The luckless Paul Baker came very close to securing a win for Cippenham but succumbed 16-14 in the fifth game to George Reeves.

It was Mike again on Sunday morning who, by beating David Heppenstall, added to Martin's wins against Custom St. Marys. The weekend finished in similar fashion with Mike beating Farhat Rasul in the opening set against Topspin Fusion B as Cippenham finished the weekend in third position in the table with the unlikely record of having played five, drawn five!

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League Tables.	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Men's Division 2B							
Custom St Marys	5	3	2	0	18	12	8
Wirepoint Bulldogs	5	2	2	1	17	13	6
Cippenham	5	0	5	0	15		5
XLNT Sports Draycott 2	5	1	2	2	14		4
Dewsbury	5	1	2	2	13 13		4
Topspin Fusion B Women's Division 2	Э	U	3	2	13	17	3
Cippenham	5	4	0	1	24	6	8
Fusion B	5	4	0	i	21	9	8
Market Rasen II	5	3	1	i	17	13	7
Halton I	5	1		2			4
RTA	5	1	1	3	12		3
Carpe Diem	5	0	0	5	3	27	0
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Georgia Veneer—1922-2015



It was with great sadness that we learned of the passing, in August, of former member Georgia Veneer at the age of 93.

Greek-born Georgia loved her table tennis and had played regularly in the Maidenhead and Slough areas from the 1950s until just a few years ago. She was a member of Cippenham for 26 years, from 1984 until 2010 after which her failing body would not allow her to play any longer. During that time Georgia made 336 appearances for her adopted club, making her the fifteenth in the all-time appearances list.

Long before Georgia joined Cippenham, she had been a powerhouse in the Maidenhead League, winning 28 major titles at the annual Closed Champion-

ships between 1954 and 1968. She won the coveted Women's Singles title seven times, including four in a row 1958 to 1961, 13 Women's Doubles titles, including an astonishing eight in succession between 1955 and 1962, and for good measure also eight Mixed Doubles titles. Georgia really was the Queen of Maidenhead table tennis during that time.

Later in life, Georgia also tasted success on the veterans' circuit. For three years in a row, 1997 to 1999, she was the Veterans' English Table Tennis Society's Over-70 Women's Singles champion. But Georgia's success was not confined to domestic events as she embarked on a European crusade. In 1997 Georgia reached the semifinal of the Over-75 Women's Singles at the European Veterans' Championships and further success was to come her way in doubles. In 2001 she reached the semi-final of the Over-75 Women's Doubles and six years later was third in the Over-85 Women's Doubles.

Georgia, a nurse by profession, was liked and admired by everyone who knew her. Her exploits were not, however, limited to table tennis. In her 70's and 80's she entered and completed the London Marathon on half a dozen or more occasions.

A remarkable lady, remembered with great fondness by all who knew her.

Simon is Grand Prix champ

Simon Vine emerged the winner of Cippenham's mini Grand Prix on Thursday. The event was played over four weeks as practice for the forthcoming season and, although Simon played in only two of the events, a maximum haul of points from victories in both saw him crowned the champion.

It became a shoot out at the end with the final match being between Simon and Bas Mocharrafie - winner takes all. Bas had won the previous week's event and also went into that final encounter unbeaten. However, it proved an easy win for Simon.

Graham Trimming blew his chance of the title one round earlier. If he had held on to beat Bas in the semi-final after being two games up, Graham would have amassed a points tally that was unsurpassable. However, just as he had done twice the previous week, Gra-



ham could not convert that good position into victory.

The winner of the other weekly competition was Chandra Guati but he played only the one event.

Final positions: 1. Simon Vine; 2. Graham Trimming; 3. Bas Mocharrafie; 4. Zsolt Varga; 5. Akeel Mir.

New doubles gives Cippenham a fine start

The Cippenham first team made a fine start to the new season of the Senior British League and, after the first weekend, are third in Division One South. The match format has changed this season with two doubles matches introduced so that a team match now comprises ten individual matches rather than eight. This feature benefited Cippenham who took near full advantage, winning seven of their eight doubles matches and this with untried partner-ships.

That the doubles made a difference was never more evident than in the very first match of the season. Wins by both Cippenham partnerships turned what would otherwise have been a 4-4 draw with York Gardens into a 6-4 victory. Owe Karlsson gave Cippenham the perfect start with a fine 3-0 win over Mark Scutts but the London team hit back with wins for Brian Li over Cippenham's new signing Josh Bennett and Daniel Fielding over Robert Hansell. However, Martin Gray held off a fivegame challenge from Matthew Man and the match went into the doubles at 2-2. What followed set the precedent for the remainder of the weekend. Owe and Josh won another five-game duel with Li and Scutts and then team captain Martin Adams was introduced into the side to partner Robert against Man and Fielding. The Cippenham duo recovered from losing the first game and eventually put Cippenham 4-2 going into the reverse singles matches.

Defeats for Owe and Robert, who led Scutts throughout the fifth game until the very end, left the score 4-4 but Cippenham rose to the challenge with two straight-forward 3-0 wins. The first of these was Josh against Man and then Martin Gray repeated the dose against Fielding.

The Saturday afternoon match against Urban was eventually won 8-2, an exceptionally good result against the fourth placed team in the division, especially as the match started none too brightly and Urban took an early 2-1 lead. Owe and Robert both won twice for Cippenham and the match between the two teams' number one players was an epic with little separating Owe and Zoltan Hosszu.

Sunday morning brought opponents in the form of London Academy II and Cippenham, like all their other oppo-



Owe Karlsson & Josh Bennett

nents over the weekend, failed to find the key despite again winning both doubles. The key could have been in the very first set when Owe had two match points in the third game against Omar Khassal. However, he failed to convert either, lost that game 14-12 and the next two also. That was the start of a bad run which saw Cippenham lose all four of the opening singles matches. The doubles pegged back London's advantage to 4-2 but Cippenham then went 6-2 down before Martin Adams, over Anthony Corbin, and Tom, over Hiba Feredi, made the final result 6-4.

Cippenham finished Sunday as they had Saturday with another 8-2 success. Owe, Josh and Tom all bagged braces while Martin Adams won one of his singles and shared in a doubles success with Tom. However, the doubles bubble burst when Owe and Josh were beaten 13-11 in the fifth game by Dom Sussex and Mike Griffiths.

Meanwhile the patched-up Cippenham second team were have a less fortunate time in Division 3 South. They left Fareham pointless after four defeats, three by 8-2 and one by 6-4. Unavailability of some players and a first day injury to Steve Smith meant that Christos Hannides and Becca George, who with three wins was Cippenham's most successful player, were drafted in to make up the team.

Cippenham's junior champion Shae Thakker made an encouraging albeit winless debut but in general it was hard work against a strong set of opponents. Paul Baker and Simon Vine, who won two of his four matches, were the other Cippenham players.

	Senior British League						
League Tables.	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Division 1 South			•		•	_	
Greenhouse I	4	4	0	0	31	9 14	8
London Academy II Cippenham I	4	3	0	0	26 26	14	8
Urban I	4	1	1	2	18	22	
Joola Plymouth	4	-	0	3	17		2
Fusion II	4	1	0	3	16	24	2
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York Gardens I					14	26	1
Division 3 South Horsham Blades I	4	4	^	0	30	10	8
Brighton I	4	3	0	1	29	11	6
Foresters I	4	3	0	1	28	12	6
Fusion III	4		0		23	17	6
London Academy III	4	2	0	2	22	18	4
Generation 2	4		0		14		2
Cippenham II	4	•	0	-			0
York Gardens IV	4	0	0	4	4	36	0
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Cippenham Junior 4-Star Open Saturday /Sunday 7/8 November Saturday: Cadet Boys' & Girls' Singles Sunday: Junior Boys & Girls Siogles

Cippenham Young Players' Summer Festival

Event Winner Runner-up	
U18BS: Daniel Simonsen (DEN) Ben Naylor-Smith (Bu)	
U18GS: Rhoda Boadu (Mi) Nina Kadir (Av)	
U16BS: Eren Gozcu (Mi) Daniel Simonsen (DEN)	
U16GS: Lilla Schreiner (HUN) Patricia Ianau (Mi)	
U14BS: Daniel Simonsen (DEN) Theodore Achampong (I	Mi)
U14GS: Beth Richards (WAL) Patricia lanau (Mi)	
U12BS: Louis Price (Av) Shae Thakker (Bu)	
U12GS: Patricia lanau (Mi) Lara Whitton (WAL)	
U18BC: Mathew Pearce (WAL) Callan Parkins (Av)	
U18GC: Beth Richards (WAL) Natalia lanau (Mi)	
U16BC: Matthew Stringer (E) Mathew Nariel (E)	
U16GC: Beth Richards (WAL) Jamie L-Harley (WAL)	
U14BC: Ben Pearce (WAL) Nathan Enstone (Mi)	
U14GC: Nina Kadir (Av) Lara Whitton (WAL)	
U12BC: David Avery (WAL) Leon Kashdan-Brown (A	(v)

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Weekend Diary

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24/25	SportsAble Southern Disabled Grand Prix
31	Senior British League (2)
1	Senior British League (2)
7/8	Cippenham Junior 4-Star Open
14	County Championships (veterans)
15	National Cadet League (1)
21	National Junior League (2)
28	County Championships Junior Division 2D
29	County Championships
5/6	County Championships Senior Premier
12	County Championships Cadet Division 1B
13	National Cadet League (2)
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