



CIPPENHAM NEWS

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Queensmere shoppers treated to a spectacle and the chance to "have a go"

Cippenham Goes Shop-ping-pong



Steve Smith keeps score as two young shoppers try their hand at table tennis; Steve Munson and Ollie Valdez take on shoppers



Shoppers in Queensmere Shopping Centre, Slough, were treated to something extra on Saturday 19 January. Courtesy of Cippenham Table Tennis Club, visitors could enjoy demonstrations by some of the country's finest table tennis players and try out the sport for themselves.

Interest was huge with large crowds gathering to catch a glimpse of the action. Much of the public were sacrificing shopping time for queuing time, just to challenge one of the Cippenham players to a game.

"There is certainly some undiscovered talent out there" said Martin Adams,

by Martin Adams

current Berkshire Men's Singles Champion. "It's one of those sports that many people play fairly well as a hobby, but few take it to the next level. This event lets people know that there is a local club for those who want to take the sport further, or just have some fun participating in the fastest ball sport in the World. The Cippenham TTC Chairman, Graham Trimming, was on hand to describe the great work that the club and its volunteers do for the community. "Our coaching volunteers regularly visit schools and the club has helped to turn ordinary boys and girls into national champions".

Clubmark Accreditation

Cippenham Table Tennis Club has joined the elite. For many years the Club has been one of the biggest and best in England—now we've got the certificate to prove it!

Months of hard work finally paid dividends recently when Cippenham was accepted as an accredited **Excellence PremierClub** by the ETTA having achieved Sport England Clubmark status. This is the highest status attainable and puts Cippenham right up there with the best clubs in any sport. It also opens doors for funding and partnership arrangements.

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Eddie Mitchell
and Alex Polding

U18 Boys' Singles:
Patrick Thomas (WAL) bt Ryan Viegas (Mi) 4,11,-5,8

U18 Girls' Singles:
Chloe Thomas (WAL) bt Charlotte Carey (WAL) 3,5,7

U16 Boys' Singles:
Guy Ben-Aroya (He) bt Eddie Mitchell (Bu) -7,3,-5,10,5

U16 Girls' Singles:
Rachael Anslow (E) bt Chloe Thomas (WAL) -6,9,-7,7,7

U14 Boys' Singles:
Jared Patel (E) bt Lewis Gray (K) 9,-7,4,7

U14 Girls' Singles:
Chloe Thomas (WAL) bt Bethany March (E) -9,2,-10,6,8

U12 Boys' Singles:
Jared Patel (E) bt Lewis Williams (WAL) 9,7,11

U12 Girls' Singles:
Annabelle Gibson (E) bt Estelle Purkis (E) -8,2,-7,9,7

U18 Boys' Consolation:
Michael Barthee (E) bt Alex Polding (Bu) -8,10,8,8

U18 Girls' Consolation:
Daniella Gray (K) bt Shazmina Yasmin (Lo) -2,10,-7,3,4

U16 Boys' Consolation:
Alex Polding (Bu) bt Danny Spaul (Mi) 10,8,-8,9

U16 Girls' Consolation:
Tressa Armitage (Ha) bt Stephanie Mitchell (Bu) 7,5,8

U14 Boys' Consolation:
Lewis Bray (Sy) bt Cameron Ford (Bu) 7,8,-8,-7,8

U14 Girls' Consolation:
Francesca Barnes (E) bt Connie Hodges (E) 7,2,3

U12 Boys' Consolation:
Miles Allen (Bu) bt Joel Mussell (E) 2,6,-8,10

U12 Girls' Consolation:
May-Li MacKinnon (E) bt Louise Ola (E) -9,5,5,9

What a way to start the year

by Geoff Ware

What a great start to the year with about 150 juniors participating in the Cippenham New Year Young Players' Festival played over the weekend of 12/13 January. Day one at the PremierClub's 17-table extravaganza featured the sports up and coming under 12s and under 14s, future stars.

11-years old Jared Patel, another product of the Peniel Academy conveyor belt, stole the show with a magnificent brace of wins in both of the boys' open events. The audacious fact about his workmanlike title win in the U14 competition, was that Patel came from an unseeded position, to knock out local Cippenham favourite, Eddie Mitchell in the quarter final, and then play a titanic match to outstay Azarel Adebajo at the penultimate stage. His final opponent and top seed, Lewis Gray, was not going down without a determined fight, and this match proved to be the best of the day, with some awesome topspin rallies, which eventually went right to the wire, with Patel victorious in the final leg.

Forty-one Peniel Academy players took part over the two-day festival, and yet another of their starlets, Annabelle Gibson, took centre stage in the girls' U12 event. She played many inspirational matches en-route to taking home the winner's trophy, and in a pulsating final against her club mate Estelle Purkiss, ran out the winner in the final set.

Very rarely does a title not wing its way west down the M4 to the Blaenafon club in Wales, and so was the case in the U14 girls' tournament. Thirteen year old "Miss Dynamite" Chloe Thomas was in no mood for compromise when taking on her final opponent, England ranked number 4, Bethany March. These very talented young ladies were literally like two featherweight boxers slugging it out until the bitter end. In a magnificent final, full of drama and suspense, with the hardest hitting and counter smashing you could wish to see. Somehow, Thomas found the extra stamina to win 11-8 in the fifth end, and take home another trophy to the valleys.

It was the turn of the U16s and U18s on the final day. 15-years old Rachel Anslow, another star from Peniel, was

emerging through the rounds, to reach the final of the girls U16s. This young lady that plays with short pimples on the backhand side was playing very positively, to set up a concluding match with the in form Chloe Thomas. Anslow soon found herself two sets to one down, however finished strongly to take the final two legs, and the title.

Meanwhile the U16 boys' event was reaching the closing stages. Local hero Eddie Mitchell was a straight sets winner in the first semi final against Lewis Gray. The other semi went to Guy Ben-Aroya, overcoming a spirited challenge from Daniel O'Connell. The stage was set for the boys' final on the show court, with Eddie facing the in-form Ben-Aroya. It was a match to savour, with some brilliant play from both lads. It was looking as though there would be a local winner in the shape of the left handed Eddie, when in the fifth end he held an 8-5 lead. However it was not to be, as the Barnet player, Ben-Aroya, conjured up some excellent shots to put Eddie under strong pressure, running out a 11-9 final leg winner.

The last of the events were well under way and to the credit of all concerned at Cippenham kept the show rolling on time. The U18 girls' competition was dominated by two very in-form girls, and turned out to be an all Welsh final, with Chloe Thomas taking on her younger Blaenafon club mate, 11-years old Charlotte Carey. In a one sided final, Thomas took her tally to two titles with some ferocious attacking play.

Not to be outdone, Chloe's older brother, Patrick Thomas took the final event on the card, that of the boys' U18s. Thomas was in great form. However he had to work very hard in his semi-final against Lewis Gray before coming out on top 11-7 in the fifth end. Whilst in the other semi final Ryan Veigas had a marathon match with Eddie Mitchell, taking his place in the final against Thomas, with an 11-7 final end win. Thomas took gold, with his vast experience coming into play against relative newcomer Veigas, who to his credit took Thomas all the way, going down 7-11 in the last end.

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A bleak mid-winter session for our BL teams

Cippenham teams gained a total of only two points from a possible twelve from the short one-day third weekend of British League fixtures. Those points were gained by the first team in the morning match against Fusion. Martin Adams and Rob Lemon were the architects of this result. Martin's 3-0 win over Remi Petrosius was the latter's third-only defeat of the season and this was followed up with a 3-1 win over the in-form Tom Cutler. Rob had 3-1 results against both Simon Phillipz and John Dennison. Mark Butler also beat Phillipz.

The afternoon match was full of great table tennis with five of the eight sets going the distance of five games. This time Cippenham could not rely on Martin – he lost to both Wing Yung Chan and Dorian Robinson in five and the host team lost to York Gardens 5-3. Cippenham's wins came from Mark, over Robinson, Lee Dredge, over Ian Girdler, and a walkover given to Rob against the same injured player in the dead rubber. The Cippenham second team, also playing at their home venue in Division 1 South and Midlands,

came up against two very good sides. In the morning match against a strengthened Carrara Polska team only David Hayes and Danny Baxter managed to win matches, against Tomasz Gretchel and Dan Kolesnik respectively. Steve Buck went the distance with Kolesnik but lost in the fifth while Mark Jackson won one game only as he went down to Michael Kiszka and Marcin Pijanowski. In the afternoon table toppers OLOP IMPACT were far too strong and ran out easy 8-0 winners.

The third team, playing at Southall in Division 3 South, played well but suffered two 6-2 defeats that keep them rooted at the foot of the table. Against TTK Greenhouse II four sets went to a deciding game and Cippenham lost three of them. Phil Clarkson, against Jipe Olulabi, and Jonathan Evans, against Sullivan Morris, were the Cippenham winners. Phil also got Cippenham off to a good start in the afternoon match against Ipswich but only Paul Elliot was able to add to it with Steve Smith going through the day without a win.

Vets improve but it's not enough

The second and final weekend of the Veterans' British League witnessed an improved performance from the Cippenham team but still the only points collected were from a 5-1 drubbing of South Essex.

Cippenham managed to secure their place in Division 2 a year ago with some great and unexpected results but a re-shuffle last summer placed them in the newly formed Division 1A and up against it. This proved to be a step too far and relegation back to Division 2 is now the reality for the Slough-based club. Paul Baker's rehabilitation following a horrendous injury a couple of years ago was completed when he scored a brace of wins over Glenn Johnson and Neil Brierley in the success over South Essex. Roger Hookey also won twice while Mike Rhodes got Cippenham off to a great start against Brierley but succumbed to Fred Dove in the only reverse.

Otherwise, it was all up hill although Cippenham did run third-placed Graham Spicer Club close in a 4-2 defeat.

Mike beat current Cippenham Veterans' Open champion Steve Davis while Roger defeated Derek Holman. There were wins also for Roger and Paul in the 4-2 loss to PSP Westinsure but no joy at all in 6-0 defeats by the top two teams, Bribar Nomads and Thornton Sports.

League Table:							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1 A							
Bribar Nomads 1	10	9	0	1	47	13	18
Thornton Sports	10	6	2	2	36	24	14
Graham Spicer 1	10	6	1	3	37	23	13
PSP Westinsure	10	5	1	4	29	31	11
South Essex	10	1	0	9	19	41	2
Cippenham	10	1	0	9	12	48	2
Players' Averages:							
	M	P	W	Av			
Charlie Childs	3	6	2	33			
Roger Hookey	8	16	5	31			
Paul Baker	9	18	3	17			
Mike Rhodes	10	20	2	10			
Results:							
5-1 South Essex	0-6	Thornton Sports					
2-4 PSP Westinsure	0-6	Bribar Nomads 1					
2-4 Graham Spicer 1							

League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1 South							
Brighton I	10	7	1	2	43	37	15
DML Woolwell I	10	6	1	3	44	36	13
DHS London Progress I	10	4	3	3	43	37	11
Fusion I	10	4	2	4	45	35	10
Byng Hall I	10	2	4	4	37	43	8
Cippenham I	10	2	4	4	36	44	8
York Gardens I	10	3	2	5	36	44	8
Generation 2 I	10	1	5	4	36	44	7
Division 1 South & Midlands							
OLOP IMPACT I	8	6	2	0	47	17	14
Westfield I	9	6	2	1	50	22	14
DHS L'don Progress III	9	5	1	3	48	24	11
Carrara Polska I	9	4	1	4	33	39	9
Urban Progress II	8	4	0	4	30	34	8
Bedford Modern I	8	1	1	6	19	45	3
Cippenham II	9	0	1	8	13	59	1
Oxford Fireplace Centre II expelled							
Division 3 South							
York Gardens II	10	9	1	0	58	22	19
TTK Greenhouse II	10	8	0	2	56	24	16
SHE-Britannia Ipswich I	10	6	1	3	49	31	13
OLOP IMPACT II	10	3	4	3	41	39	10
Hastings	10	4	1	5	34	46	9
Horsham III	10	3	0	7	26	54	6
Ellenborough II	10	2	0	8	25	55	4
Cippenham III	10	1	1	8	31	49	3

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham I				
Martin Adams	10	20	15	75
Mark Butler	10	20	9	45
Rob Lemon	10	19	7	37
Lee Dredge	6	12	4	33
Paul Baker	2	4	0	0
Gemma Chapman	2	4	0	0
Cippenham II				
Chris Hansell	4	8	3	38
David Hayes	6	12	4	33
Steve Munson	8	16	5	31
Danny Baxter	4	8	2	25
Mark Jackson	10	20	5	25
Steve Buck	6	12	0	0
Phil Clarkson	2	4	0	0
Cippenham III				
Eddie Mitchell	4	7	3	43
Paul Baker	4	8	3	38
Phil Clarkson	4	8	3	38
Paul Elliott	10	19	7	37
Jonathan Evans	6	12	4	38
Gemma Chapman	2	4	1	25
Steve Smith	10	18	4	22

Results:

Cippenham I	Cippenham III
5-3 Fusion I	2-6 TTK Greenhouse II
3-5 York Gardens I	2-6 Britannia Ipswich I
Cippenham II	
2-6 Carrara Polska I	
0-8 OLOP IMPACT I	

On with the Training

About a dozen Cippenham members, mostly current and aspiring coaches, attended a days' training at the Club on 20 January. In the morning it was Emergency Life Support and then the afternoon session was all about Safe-guarding and Protecting Children.

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Weekend Diary February/March

February

Sat 2	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Sun 3	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Sun 10	Cippenham Group to Group 2-Star Open
Sat 16	British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M
Sun 17	British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M
Sat 23	County Championships Cadet Division 1B.
Sun 24	Certificate in Coaching Course Level 1

March

Sat 1	Workshops: Emergency Life Support; Safeguarding and Protecting Children
Sun 2	Cippenham Veterans' 2-Star Open
Sat 8	Reading Closed Championships
Sun 9	Reading Closed Championships
Sat 29	National Junior League (4)

Weekday Diary

Mon	7:15	Advanced Coaching
Tues	7:30	Practice Tables
	7:40	Grand Prix
Wed	7:30	Squad Training
Thurs	5:15	Beginners' Coaching
	7:15	Slough League matches
	7:30	Practice Tables

Cippenham TTC has signed a service level agreement with Slough Borough Council. The Council will provide a small amount of funding to the Club in return for certain undertakings. Most of these the Club already complies with including the recently acquired Clubmark status.



Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 2007-08

	Full	Conc'n
Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£15.00	£7.50
Family Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£25.00	n/a
Annual Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£1.50	£0.75
Family Membership (after 30/11 per month)	£2.50	n/a
Slough League Registration	£15.00	£7.50
National Junior League registration	n/a	£12.00
Practice Fees	*£3.50	*£1.75
Slough League Match Fees	£3.50	£1.75
Coaching Fees (per session)	**£5.00	**£2.50
Coaching Fees (per term - 1st group)		£30.00
Coaching Fees (per term - 2nd group)		£20.00
* plus £1.50 (75p) for non-members		
** plus 50p (25p) for non-members		

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Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Apr 6	Ability training course
Apr 13	Cippenham Cadet & U13 2-Star Open
Apr 20	Umpires' training course and assessment
May 10/11	Southern Region junior training
May 17/18	British League Div 1 Promotion Play-offs
May 24/25	English National Junior Masters
Jun 7/8	Southern Region junior training
Jun 14/15	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.
Jun 29	Referees' Course
Jul 6	Cippenham Veterans' Summer 2* Open

Events away from Cippenham

Feb 9/10	Junior British League (2) (Wolverhampton)
Feb 16/17	British League Div 3 South (Southall)
Mar 1/2	Women's British League (1) (Bristol)
Jun 21/22	Women's British League (2) (Doncaster)

Bronze for Gavin in Euro Top10

Former Cippenham junior Gavin Evans is at it again – winning medals on the international stage. The fourteen year-old was top seed in the European Cadet Top 10 tourney at Sheffield but eventually had to settle for a bronze medal.

Gavin played nine matches against the other best players of his generation in Europe and won six of them. Crucially, he lost to the eventual winner Julien Indeherberg (BEL) and to second placed Romain Lorientz (FRA).

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