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Maximum entry for Cadet Open

A fantastic maximum of 108 players were attracted to the 2nd Cippenham Cadet Open, elevated this year to 3 Star status. Tournament Organiser Ken Phillips had put a ceiling of 96 entrants on the event, but by squeezing in a ninth table he found a way to accommodate the additional players who entered so that none were turned away disappointed.

Five more practise tables were erected in the school gymnasium and these proved popular throughout the day, alleviating a little the crush of players, coaches and parents in the main hall and lounge areas, both which coped remarkably well with the influx.

The tournament followed the established format of one-day opens, being singles only played in groups of four with all competitors going forward into either the championship or consolation events.

The main interest centred around the Boys Singles which attracted a quality entry and was keenly contested throughout. All the eight seeded players came safely through their morning groups but only five made it to their allotted quarter-final positions. Three went out the round before including Cippenham's Robert Hansell and Daniel Jacobs. Robert had earlier won through in a thrilling 21-19 in the third finale with his club colleague Ben Beveridge.



Gemma Chapman - ranked no. 1 in England U12

The quarter-finals were all won by the higher ranked participants. Top seed Oliver Stevens had a comfortable win over Edward Qualtrough and second seed Dominic Hall eased past Ben Cooper. Cippenham's Warren Brooks showed his colleague Robert Hansell how it should be done with a 21-9, 21-6 demolition job on David Langer and Robert Wilson came out on top in a three game tussle with Tim Holtam.

The semis were very different from one another. Stevens totally dominated against Robert Wilson while the match between Warren and Dominic Hall could have gone either way. Warren led throughout the first game only to lose 21-19 and then took the second 21-16. At 10-7 in the third it looked like the young Cippenham player would gain the best



Gemma, Warren and Robert are the pick of the Cippenham contingent at their home tournament

Results:	
Boys Singles:	
O Stevens (Rotherhithe) bt D Hall (Maidstone) -18, 16, 12 Girls Singles:	
E Magnusen (W Middx) bt G Chapman (Maidenhead) 23, 20, 15	
Consolation Boys Singles:	
N Anderson (Portsmouth) bt K Hills (Ipswich) 19, 20 Consolation Girls Singles:	
E Human (Maidenhead) bt S McMillan (Somerset) 12, 10	

win of his career so far. However, that proved to be his best position and Hall regained the initiative and took the game 21-16.

This set up an all Kent final between the top seeds and this also turned out to be an excellent match, won by Stevens in the deciding game.

The Girls Singles also produced a final between the top two seeds but this time it was the second seed who prevailed. Eliza Magnusen from Progress TTC in North West London, after two deuce games, put paid to Gemma Chapman's hopes in the third game. Whereas the Cippenham player had had an easy path to the final including a win over her Reading rival Lisa Calcutt in the first round, Magnusen had been made to work hard with deciding games required in two of her matches.



Cippenham Veterans 2 Star Open

Saturday 28th February

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Slough League Tables

	Ρ	W	D	L	F	А	Pts
Division One							
Cipp Brigands	9	9	0	0	73	17	18
Cipp Vagabonds	9	8	1	1	64	26	17
Cipp Pirates	8	7	0	1	62	18	14
Burn Cheetahs	11	6	0	5	62	48	12
Cipp Outlaws	11	6	0	5	57	53	12
Cipp Rogues	10	4	1	5	45	55	9
Chalfont A	9	4	1	4	40	50	9
SB Unison Bees	11	2	1	8	32	78	5
Nomads	9	1	0	8	24	66	2
Chalfont B	11	0	0	11	31	79	0
Division Two							
John Crane A	9	8	1	0	67	23	17
Police 1	7	6	0	1	50	20	12
Police 2	7	4	0	3	41	29	8
Andfoil	10	4	0	6	40	60	8
Burn Leopards	6	3	2	1	33	27	8
Cipp Villains	8	3	0	5	39	41	6
Cipp Buccaneers	8	3	0	5	36	44	6
Burnham Cats	8	2	0	6	31	49	4
Cipp Rascals	9	1	1	7	23	67	3
Division Three							
Burn Gorillas	9	8	1	0	69	21	17
Burn Panthers	8	7	1	0	61	19	15
John Crane B	6	4	0	2	39	21	8
Stoke Poges T	6	4	0	2	32	28	8
Burnham Tigers	10	3	1	6	41	59	7
Southern Electric	8	2	2	4	39	41	6
Burnham Lions	8	2	1	5	33	47	5
Nat West	7	1	1	5	24	46	3
Police 3	8	0	1	7	12	68	1
Division Four							
Stoke Poges A	8	5	1	2	54	26	11
John Crane C	6	4	0	2	37	23	8
Cipp Bandits	4	3	1	0	30	10	7
Cipp Rebels	6	3	0	3	33	27	6
Burnham Zebras	5	3	0	2	28	22	6
WAMDSAD Seag	7	2	1	4	25	45	5
WAMDSAD Swal	5	0	1	4	8	42	1
Cipp Vandals	3	0	0	3	5	25	0

Neil stars as Cippenham win through

Neil Charles was the undoubted star for Cippenham as the local team won through the first group in the Ormesby Cup - the national championship for mens' club teams. Neil was magnificent all day and was well supported by Kimber Choda and Mike Rhodes in a Cippenham team lacking the services of Gareth Herbert, Steve Joel and Martin Rule.

In the first round zone played at Cippenham on 30th November, our heros first despatched National Grid Guildford 5-3 and then defeated Polish TTC of Reading 5-4. In both matches Neil won all of his three singles matches, with Kimber and Mike winning one each.

Only former England junior champion Martin Adams troubled Neil, taking the middle game. Otherwise he was completely dominant with no opponent taking more than seventeen points against him. For Kimber and Mike it was all very different. In the morning match against National Grid, Mike set up the victory by beating Phil Snelson 21-19 in the third to get Cippenham level 3-3. After Neil had blitzed Ramesh Bhalla it was Kimber who sealed victory by also beating Snelson 22-20 in the third.

In the match against Polish, Kimber got Cippenham off to a tremendous start by hammering Justin Mead 21-7, 21-12. After Neil had worked his magic the score stood 4-4. Mike was then left with the daunting task of beating Mead for victory, a feat accomplished 21-16, 21-19.

Cippenham 5; National Grid 3
K Choda I.t. G Holmes -15, 20, -15
M Rhodes I.t. R Bhalla -5, -11
N Charles bt P Snelson 15, 12
K Choda I.t. R Bhalla -12, -17
N Charles bt G Holmes 10, 13
M Rhodes bt P Snelson 14, -19, 19
N Charles bt R Bhalla 12, 8
K Choda bt P Snelson 14, -18, 20
Cippenham 5; Polish 4
K Choda bt J Mead 7, 12
M Rhodes Lt. M Adams -7, -14
N Charles bt C Payne 17, 10
K Choda I.t. M Adams -18, -15
N Charles bt J Mead 7, 15
M Rhodes I.t. C Payne -14, -16
N Charles bt M Adams 19, -15, 17

Boys still on course

Cippenham III are still on course to win the Woolwich National Junior League, despite suffering their first loss against Chalfont 3-4 on 22nd November.

Results:

Cippenham III 3; Chaff Cippenham III 7; Ches Cippenham III 6; Miltor Cippenham III 6; Cippe Cippenham III 6; Cippe Cippenham IV 3; Ches Cippenham IV 3; Miltor Cippenham IV 0; Ches Cippenham IV 0; Ches	ham ham enha ham ham font ham	Hig ynes Hig m I\ Hig ynes St. I Hig	h Sc s Kin h Sc / 1 h Sc s Kin Peter h Sc	hool gs 1 hool shool gs 4	A 2 B 4		
League Tables:	Ρ	W	L	F		Pts	
Cippenham III	10	9	1	61	9	61	
Chalfont St. Peter	10	9	1	57	13	57	
Chesham High Sch A	10	7	3	51	19	51	
Milton Keynes Kings	10	4	6	22	50	22	
Chesham High Sch B	10	3		21	49	21	
OLOP I	5	2		13	22	13	
Cippenham IV	10	0	10	13	57	13	
OLOP II	5	1	4	7	28	7	
Players' Average Boys III:	s: I	M	P	w		Av	
Robert Hansell		5	10	10	10	0%	
John Camillerì	1	0	20	19	ç	5%	
Ben Beveridge	1	0	20	17	8	5%	
Daniel Jacobs	5		10	6	6	60%	
Boys IV:		-					
Steven Davies		8	16	6		8%	
Thomas Mitchell		7	14	2	10.000	4%	
Ross Drabble		7	14	1		7%	
David Hayes		8	16	1		6%	

Cippenham stay top

Despite suffering their first dropped point of the season Cippenham stayed top of Division 3 of the British League after a 4-4 draw with title challengers Progress on December 14th. Neil Charles won twice for Cippenham and Kimber Choda and Martin Rule once each.

Cippenham 4; Progress II 4 S Joel I.t. D Fezehatsion -7, 19, -19 N Charles bt M Essombe 16, -16, 13 M Rule I.t. O Boyede -18, -14 K Choda bt V Graham 13, 16 N Charles bt D Fezehatsion 18, 17 S Joel I.t. O Boyede -10, -15 K Choda I.t. M Essombe -15, -14 M Rule bt V Graham 11, 18

Results Round-Up

Eastern GP Open (1/2 Nov) MD: Gareth Herbert, r/u MSBand1: Neil Chales, r/u WSBand1: Samantha Marling, r/u

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M Rhodes bt J Mead 16, 19

Cippenham miss Gareth - but Jesper stars at Kettering www.

Cippenham's hopes of winning the Premier Division of the Woolwich Junior British League disintegrated with the unavailability of Gareth Herbert for the first weekend played at Kettering on 22/23 November. Gareth was selected by the ETTA to go to the Austrian Open on the same date.

Following in Gareth's footsteps, Scott Friday also pulled out a few days before the event through illness and Cippenham's plans for the team were decimated. Jesper Hougaard was recalled from Denmark to take Gareth's place, and Nicholas Wilson was elevated from the second team to replace Scott.

As it turned out, both of these players acquitted themselves well, with Jesper playing immaculately to win seven of his ten games. Nick also scored two wins, something he was unable to do in the First Division last season, and obviously benefited from the captaincy of Josh Herbert. Martin Rule, expecting to play at number three, was suddenly thrust into the limelight at the top of the team. This proved a little to much and his results were disappointing.

An opening draw with Peniel was all that the team could muster, and they will be looking for some improvement upon that at the final session this month.

The boys second team played very well to finish in fourth place in Division 2 after losing the services of Nicholas Wilson. Robert Hansell was drafted into the team and became the most successful player. For the fast improving Warren Brookes it was a great learning experience for his five remaining years as a junior, while England U12 champion Robert Wilson was a little disappointing with only two wins.

The girls team, under the captaincy of Muriel Hooker, performed well to finish in second place in their division, with Gemma Chapman outstanding. Claire Maher also had a good return from her matches while Jane Dickens accredited herself well at number one.

The second session is again at Kettering on 24/25th January. Good luck to all our teams.



Boys I - Jesper Hougaard; Nicholas Wilson; Martin Rule

Results: Boys I team: Cippenham 3; Team Pe Cippenham 2; Asti Expr Cippenham 2; Irish Boy Cippenham 1; Grove "A Cippenham 2; Challone	res: /s 4 \" 5	s "A' I	" 4				
Boys II team: Cippenham 1; Uxbridge Cippenham 1; Asti Expr Cippenham 4; Spicer B Cippenham 2; East Mid Cippenham 4; Team Pe Girls team: Cippenham 6; Team Pe	ress lan nie nie	s "B' ; 2 ds "/ I "B" I "B"	" 5 A" 4 '2	\ " 5	i		
Cippenham 6; Darlingto Cippenham 3; Feedwat Cippenham 4; Blair Gov Cippenham 2; Lillington	er F vrie	em 2			4		
League Tables:		w	D	L	F	A	Pts
Boys Premier Divisio		_		_			
Challoner Hall "A"	5	5	0	0	22	8	10
Grove "A"	5	3	1	1	19	11	7
Asti Express "A"	5	2		1	18	12	6
Irish Boys	5	2	1	2	15	15	5
Team Peniel "A"	5	0	1	4	6	24	1
Cippenham I	5	0	1	4	10	20	1
Boys Division 2A:							
Uxbridge (Burton)	5	5	0	0	23	7	10
East Midlands "A"	5	3	1	1	20	10	7
Asti Express "B"	5	2	2	1	18		6
Cippenham II	5	2		3	12		4
Team Peniel "B"	5	1	1	3		20	3
Spicer Boys	5	ò	0	5		23	0
Girls Division 2:	5	U	U	5	1	23	U
	5	5	0	0	24	6	10
Lillington Free Church	1.070				24		
Cippenham	5	3	1	1	21		7
Feedwater Femmes	5	2	2	1	18		6
Blair Gowrie	5	2	1	2		15	5
Darlington	5	1	0	4	9		2
Team Peniel "B"	5	0	0	5	3	27	0
Players' Averages Boys I:	5:	M	Ρ		w		Av
Jesper Hougaard		5	10		7	7	0%
Nicholas Wilson		5	10		2	2	0%
Martin Rule		5	10		1		0%
Boys II:		•					•
Robert Hansell		5	10		6	6	0%
Warren Brookes		5	10		4		0%
Robert Wilson		5	10		2		0%
Girls:		5	10		4	2	U 70
Emma Human		1	2		2	10	0%
Gemma Chapman		5	10		8		0%
Claire Maher		4	8		6		5%
Jane Dickens		5	10		5		0%
Suns Diokens		2	10		5	3	0/0





Boys II - Warren Brookes; Robert Hansell; Robert Wilson



Girls - Emma Human; Gemma Chapman; Jane Dickens; Claire Maher

Slough success in Wilmott and Rose comps

The Slough men's and women's teams were both successful in their first round matces in the national Wilmott Cup and Rose Bowl respectively. Both teams won all their matches at Cippenham on 29th November.

Slough men - Neil Charles, Kimber Choda, Mike Rhodes - beat Birmingham, High Wycombe and Bracknell & Wokingham. The women - Jacquie Lovell, Claire Plumridge, Sue Hayes - beat Reading and West Middlesex.



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January/February Weekend Diary

January

Sat 3rd	9.00am	Southern Region Final Junior Trials
Sun 11th	9.00am	Bucks Mens Inter-League 2nd Half
Sun 18th	9.00am	Southern Region Junior Training
	6.00pm	British League v. Byng Hall II
Sat 24th	9.00am	Bucks Cadet Inter-League
Sun 25th	12.30pm	Slough Woolwich Junior League
February		
Sat 7th		Veterans County Div 1B 2nd session
	9.00am	Veterans County Div 1B 2nd session Berkshire Inter-Town Junior/Cadet
Sun 8th		
Sun 8th Sat 14th	9.30am	Berkshire Inter-Town Junior/Cadet
Sun 8th Sat 14th	9.30am 12.30pm	Berkshire Inter-Town Junior/Cadet Woolwich National Junior League
Sun 8th Sat 14th Sun 15th Sat 21st	9.30am 12.30pm 2.00pm	Berkshire Inter-Town Junior/Cadet Woolwich National Junior League Slough Woolwich Junior League
Sun 8th Sat 14th Sun 15th Sat 21st Sun 22na	9.30am 12.30pm 2.00pm 2.00pm	Berkshire Inter-Town Junior/Cadet Woolwich National Junior League Slough Woolwich Junior League Bucks county match

Weekday Diary for January

- Mon 5.30 Advanced Coaching 7.30 Excellence Coaching
- Tues 5.00 Beginners' Coaching 7.15 League Matches 7.30 Practice Tables
- Thurs 5.15 Beginners' Coaching 7.15 League Matches 7.30 Practice Tables



Further Dates For Your Diary

Apr 18

- Mar 1 Bucks Veterans Inter-League Playoff Mar 14/15 Veterans British League Div 4/5 Mar 21/22 Slough Closed Championships Mar 28 Woolwich National Junior League
- Mar 29 SR Junior Training Day Apr 4 Cippenham Junior 3 Star Open
- Apr 19 Slough Woolwich Junior League Apr 25 Cippenham Grand Prix 2 Star Open

Club Championships

- May 9 Cippenham U10/12 2 Star Open
- May 10 SR Junior Training Day
- May 16/17 National Junior/Cadet Masters

That Gas Leak

The Club regrets any inconvenience caused to members while the Centre had to be closed for the week before Christmas owing to a gas leak that was located underground at the point where the gas pipes enter the main hall. Naturally, we could not take any risks with your safety. Hopefully, all is now cured. The biggest casualty of the shutout was the Bucks Junior and Veteran Closed, scheduled for 21st December. A new date for this will be decided soon.

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