

# Titles for Shae, Ashley, Ludo, Graham and Elroy so far at Club Championships



TS: Oli Shaw & Ashley Shaw

#### Day 1

The annual Club Championships have so far been played over three consecutive Thursday evenings and commenced with the Veterans' Singles and the Tweenies' Singles. Ten players contested the veterans' event, for over-40s, while only six were present for the so-called tweenies, the inbetweens who are too old to be juniors and too young yet to be veterans!

While the Tweenies' Singles may have been short in numbers it certainly made up for that in quality with three members of the Cippenham Saxons championship winning team in the Maidenhead League fighting for the title along with three other players of top division standard. The players were split into two groups of three. Oli Shaw won the top group, beating Ricky Hardcastle 3-0 and Igor Liiko 3-1. It was a hard night for Maidenhead League tweenies' champion Ricky who also lost 3-0 to Igor. Ashley Shaw, emulating his brother, also won his group dropping only one game en route while Anthony Gardner played out a winning fivegame battle with Michal Garski to qualify for the next stage in second place.

The cross-over semi-finals produced the match of the day with Oli getting the better of Anthony by the incredible score of 27-25 in the fifth! Ashley was pushed to four games by Igor but came through safely to set a final between the Shaw brothers in which Ashley triumphed 3-0.



VS: Graham Trimming & Ludo Montiel

The ten participants in the Veterans' Singles were initially placed in three groups and the top three seeds duly won through to contest the final group of three. In Group A, Graham Trimming had little difficulty in seeing off the challenges of Milton Makris, Walter Aldridge and Oleg Tretuic with the much improved Milton taking second place. Elroy Hull also won all his matches 3-0 in Group B against Keith Hall and Bhopinder Toor with Keith taking second place. Newcomer Ludo Montiel won Group C, needing a fourth game to dispose of Zsolt Varga but beating Jareslaw Skowera more comfortably and Zsolt took second place.

The final round robin was a closely contested affair. Graham faced Elroy first and won 3-0 although Elroy had chances to win the second game. Ludo then best Graham 3-2 in a match that could have gone either way. Elroy took the first game from Ludo but then lost the second 14-16 after holding several game points but after that it was all Ludo who eased through the final two games to take the title.

#### Day 2

The annual Club Championships continued into a second week with the Open Doubles. Seven pairs competed and were initially split into two groups. The winners and runners-up in each group then qualified for the cross-over semi-finals.

Top seeds Razvan Bucur and Igor



**OS: Paul Baker & Shae Thakker** 

Liiko won all their three matches in Group A although they were taken into a fourth game by Ludo Montiel, winner the previous week of the Veterans' Singles, and Zsolt Varga. Ludo and Zsolt claimed the runners-up spot in the group but all three of their matches required a fourth game to decide the outcome. Third place was taken by Tony Hotson and Alexi Zubrenhov and fourth place by Walter Aldridge and Bhopinder Toor.

Second seeds Graham Trimming and Elroy Hull won Group B although Michal Garski and Keith Hall did take game 3 before the seeds exerted their grip with an 11-0 scoreline in the fourth game.



OD: Graham Trimming & Elroy Hull

Cippenham Club Championships Results					
Event	Winner	Runner-up			
OS	Shae Thakker	Paul Baker			
VS	Ludo Montiel	Graham Trimming			
TS	Ashley Shaw	Oli Shaw			
OD	Elroy Hull	Razvan Bucur			
	Graham Trimming	lgor Liiko			

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#### Club Champs—contd.

Michal and Keith beat the 12-year old starlets Anna Piercey and Rachael Iles for the runners-up spot.

Razvan and Igor were made to fight all the way against Michal and Keith in their semi-final but eventually secured their spot in the final with a 3-2 win. Meanwhile, Graham and Elroy lost the first game to Ludo and Zsolt but recovered strongly to win 3-1.

The final result was a reversal of the seeded positions, won by Graham and Elroy over Razvan and Igor 3-1.

#### Day 3

Despite having not practised during the run-up to his GCSE exams, 15 yearsold Shae Thakker retained his Open Singles title at the Club Championships on the third evening. The GB para international strolled through the preliminary round group against Keith Hall, Zsolt Varga and Steve Piercey but was made to work much harder in his semi-final against Ludo Montiel and in the final against Ludo Montiel and in the final against seasoned veteran Paul Baker, despite not actually dropping a game throughout. This was Shae's third success in the competition having also won it in 2015.

The sixteen participants were initially drawn into four groups of four. Veterans' Singles champion from two weeks earlier, Ludo Montiel, won Group B holding off challenges from Igor Liiko, Graham Trimming and Bhopinder Toor while the Tweenies' Singles champion Ashley Shaw was equally successful in Group D against Razvan Bucur, Krushan Kri and Alex Zubrenkov. Paul Baker was the other group winner against Michal Garski, Milton Makris and Anna Piercey.

Paul then beat Ashley 11-7 in the fifth game to secure his spot in the final where Shae ran out the winner 12,10, 11-9, 11-7.

Many thanks to Elena Tant for her organization with help from daughter Emma Human on the three evenings.

The Championships will conclude on 10 June with the Junior Singles.



OD: Razvan Bucur & Igor Liiko

## **Rachael wows at National Cup**



A nother of Cippenham Table Tennis Club's aspiring youngsters has made a huge impact on the national scene. Rachael lles, who has been training at Cippenham for about two years, sensationally bettered her seeding of fifth to gain the runners-up medal in the Under-12 National Cup. This event, played at Blackpool, brought together the top ten ranked players in England for an all-play-all showdown for a national title.

Rachael got off to a great start and did not let the loss of match points in the third game bother her as she beat off her first challenge from Emily Cheung 3 -1. A 3-0 win against Chui-Que Wong followed and then came what turned out to be the pivotal match against Sienna Jetha. Rachael came storming back from 2-0 down to overcome Jetha 14-12 in the fifth and deciding game, completing the match with a fist pump and a yell of delight. This was the first match in the whole of the event where the result had gone against seeding. Rachael's fourth match was against Connie Dumelow. Unfortunately, Saturday finished with a defeat, 3-0 at the hands of second seed Bethany Ellis.

Sunday started with an even harder match and a second defeat, 1-3 against top seed Maliha Baig. Baig would go on the win the event and complete the weekend unbeaten with only Rachael taking a solitary game off the champion. Rachael now had three of the lower ranked players in her sights and duly beat Mia Longman 3-1 and Sophie Ackred and Jessica Morris both 3-0.

Despite losing twice, Rachael finished in second place as third placed Ellis, having beaten Rachael, lost to Baig, Jetha and Wong, and she was presented with her medal by the President of Table Tennis England, Jill Parker MBE.



Photos by Trevor Parsons

### **Junior 4-Star**

The fifth running of the Cippenham Junior 4-Star Open took place over the weekend of 18th and 19th May. Many thanks to Referee Steve Smith, Organiser Mike Atkinson and Entries Secretary Ken Phillips for all their hard work and the members of the Club who came along to the tournament to assist in many ways with special mention to Julia Piercey.

Also thanks to the army of blue-coated umpires who gave up their time and without whom the tournament could not have gone ahead.

A full report of the play can be found on the Club's website.

Cippenham Junior 4-Star Open Results						
Event	Winner	Runner-up				
JBS	Louis Price (Av)	Robert Pelc (Sy)				
JGS	Anaya Patel (Bk)	Lara Whitton (WAL)				
CBS	Felix Thomis (Bk)	Louis Price (Av)				
CGS	Lara Whitton (WAL)	Raquel Sao Pedro (Li)				
JBCons	Larry Trumpauskas (K)	Gregory Fray (Li)				
JGCons	Lauren Loosemore (Dv)	Casey Nickle (Mi)				
CBCons	Krishna Nagarajan (Sy)	Owen White (Do)				
CGCons	Isabelle Lacorte (He)	Bethan Jones (WAL)				

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### Saxons and Trojans receive their Maidenhead League prizes

As reported in the last issue, before the final tables were available, both Saxons and Trojans won their division to provide Cippenham with the double of Division One and Division Two titles.

Since then, Cippenham Titans have made it a treble with victory by 7-2 over OLOP Bears in the final of the Knock-Out Handicap Competition.

Saxons and Trojans were present to receive the trophies at the League's Annual General Meeting



Saxons (I-r): Ricky Hardcastle: Ashley Shaw; Albert Cheung; Graham Trimming. Oli Shaw was away at the time of the presentation.



Trojans (I-r): Chris Clifford; Harry Coles; Keith Hall. Sue Hayes was not able to be there.



## Members receive first aid training

Many thanks to Elroy Hull and his colleagues Suzanne and Emma from St John Ambulance Brigade who gave a group of Club members training in life support on a Friday evening in May, and made it a very enjoyable as well as educational occasion. With such a high level of activity at Cippenham, it is always good to have plenty of people trained to respond to such emergencies, even though we hope never to have to use the training we have received.

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	Cippenham Saxons	18	15	1	2	132	48	132	
	Bovingdon Gn Kestrels	18	11	2	5	106	74	106	
	Castle Hill Pumas	18	9	2	7	99	81	99	
	Old Gords Vultures	18 18	9 6	2 3	7 9	94	86	94 88	
	NWCA Bluejays Cippenham Cossacks	10	0 7		9 10	88 70	92 99	00 70	
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	Division 2	.,	Ŭ	Ŭ	.,	00	100	00	
	Cippenham Trojans	18	15	1	2	125	55	125	
	Old Gords Harriers	18	13	3	2	111	69	111	
	Bovingdon Gn Hawks	18	11	2	5	94	86	94	
	OLOP Bears	18	5	5	8	82	98	82	
	NWCA Raiders	18	5	-	10		101		
	Cippenham Titans	18	4	2	12	76	104	76	
	Cippenham Spartans	18	1	2	15	63	117	63	
	Players' Averages:	м		F		w		Av	
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	Oli Shaw	8		24	1	21		88	
	Ashley Shaw	11		32		27		84	
	Ricky Hardcastle	13		38	3	29		76	
	Graham Trimming	12		36		23		64	
	Albert Cheung	10		29	9	16		55	
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	Keith Hall	1		30		0		0	
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	Chris Clifford	17		51	1	44		86	
	Sue Hayes	5		15	5	12		80	
	Harry Coles	14		42	-	28		67	
	Keith Hall	16		48		29		60	
	Ike Greenberg	2		6	5	1		17	
	Titans:	5		15		9		60	
	Tony Jackson Lucie Bouron	12		35		9 17		49	
	Akeel Mir	14		41		18		44	
	Walter Aldridge	16		47		19		40	
	Clive Chapman	4		12		2		17	
	Jan Chapman	3		g	9	0		0	
	Spartans:								
	Dave Tant	16		48	-	30		63	
	Armando Borges	4		12	-	6		50	
	Zsolt Varga	16		48		22		46	
	Elena Tant	15		45	)	1		2	

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#### **Weekday Timetable**

Mon	19:15	Advanced Coaching Group	
Tues	19:15 19:30	Local league matches (out of season) Practice tables	
Weds	19:30	Elite Coaching Group	
Thurs	17:15 19:15 19:30	Beginners' coaching Local league matches (out of season) Practice tables	

### Fees Season 2018-19

	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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#### Weekend Diary

Jun 29/30 Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest. Jul 13/14 Paul Drinkhall training days

### Cippenham Table Tennis Club **Annual General Meeting**

Will take place on Tuesday 4 June, 8:00 pm

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