



CIPPENHAM NEWS

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More national titles to add to the long list at Cippenham over the past decade

Mel is National Junior Champion

Melanie Farquhar became the latest Cippenham Table Tennis Club protégé to win a national singles title over the Easter weekend.

Seeded second, Mel beat top seed Emma Vickers 11-6, 10-12, 11-4, 11-5 in the final of the Junior Girls' Singles at Doncaster. Her toughest match en route to the title was against her Cippenham team-mate Sarra Wang in the semi-final. After losing the first and the fourth games of their encounter, Mel managed to see off the third seed 11-7 in the fifth. One round earlier, in the quarter-finals, Mel had needed four games to thwart the challenge of up-and-coming Hannah Hicks. Otherwise it was all plain sailing except for a solitary game dropped against Dominique Jones in the preliminary group in an otherwise one-sided affair.

Melanie has been training under the guidance of Cippenham Head Coach Ken Phillips for many years and it is just reward for the hard work that she has put in on the table during that time. Two years ago she won her other major event, the National Junior Masters, but this is her first title at the National Championships.

Sarra Wang, an Essex player who has joined Cippenham this season for the Women's and Junior British leagues, gained some consolation for her singles defeat by clinching the Junior Mixed Doubles title. Paired with European number two junior Darius Knight, Sarra took the title after five hard fought games against English senior champion Paul Drinkhall and Rachel Jamieson. Sarra and Melanie also teamed up to reach the semi-final of the Junior Girls' Doubles.

A player more used to the podium is Gavin Evans. The 13-year old precocious Gavin, who a few weeks earlier reached the semi-final of the Men's Singles at the English Senior National Championships, won two events to maintain his grip on both the Cadet Boys' Singles and Cadet Boys' Doubles, the latter in tandem with Michael Bates. Gavin also reached the semi-final of the Junior Boys' Singles, falling to Drinkhall, and the same stage of the Junior Mixed Doubles with Emily Vickers.



Photo: ETTA

... and two more titles for Gavin



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Club of the Year 1996
Club of the Year 1997

National Masters at Cippenham

Cadet—5/6 May; Junior—12/13 May

Come and watch the best young players in the country at YOUR club!



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Slough League Stats

Cippenham TTC has lost its 13-year stranglehold on the Slough League title. We were unable to mount a serious challenge against Chalfont this season and the title went away from the Club for the first time in that many years. Outlaws just pipped Buccaneers for the runners-up spot that looked, for much of the season, like being filled by Burnham Nomads. Nomads failed to fulfil their fixture against Chalfont Bohemians while Outlaws claimed their outstanding match against Argonauts. That proved to be the difference!

Rascals took runners-up spot in Division Two and qualify for the play-off for promotion against Burnham Leopards (date to be decided) while Scoundrels are in the Division 2 Handicap final at Burnham on May 1st.

Final League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 1							
Chalfont Argonauts	21	19	1	1	172	38	116
Cippenham Outlaws	21	10	5	6	113	97	69
Cippenham Buccaneers	21	10	1	10	107	102	66
Burnham Nomads	20	9	4	7	101	99	64
Chalfont Bohemians	20	9	2	9	94	105	54
George Green Goblins	21	7	2	12	89	121	48
Burnham Leopards	21	7	3	11	89	121	48
Burnham Pumas	21	1	4	16	64	146	32
<i>Games: George Green Goblins 352:440 Burnham Leopards 361:450</i>							
Division 2							
Burnham Lions	10	9	1	0	80	20	53
Cippenham Rascals	10	7	0	3	68	32	43
Cippenham Vagabonds	10	6	0	4	55	45	37
George Green Gremlins	10	3	2	5	42	58	23
Cippenham Scoundrels	10	2	0	8	32	67	14
WAMDSAD A	10	1	1	8	22	77	9

Nets and Edges

David selected for Worlds

David Hayes has earned a great reward for the year he has spent playing full-time in France. The 19-year old has been selected to play for Ireland in the World Championships in Zagreb, 20-28 May.

Good luck, David!

Adult Coaching on it's way

By popular demand there will be a six-week adult coaching course on Thursday evenings during the summer. Watch for details on the notice board or speak to Sue Hayes if you are interested.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Division 2 Handicap							
Burnham Lions	5	3	1	1	31	19	31
George Green Gremlins	5	4	0	1	28	22	28
WAMDSAD A	5	2	1	2	26	44	26
Cippenham Scoundrels	5	1	3	1	25	25	25
Cippenham Rascals	5	0	2	3	22	28	22
Cippenham Vagabonds	5	1	1	3	18	32	18
Semi-Final:							
Scoundrels 7; Burnham Lions 3							

Players' Averages:				
	M	P	W	Av
Scoundrels				
Vibhash Mishra	6	18	14	78
Ray Burbidge	6	18	10	56
Tariq Kashmiri	6	18	7	39
Rascals				
Ollie Valdez	5	15	10	67
Amar Abid-Ali	4	12	7	58
Peter Gajdus	5	15	3	20
Vagabonds				
Graham Young	4	12	7	58
Tina Winn	4	12	5	42
Andrew Young	4	12	4	33

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Outlaws				
Ashley Shaw	5	15	13	87
Phil Clarkson	4	12	9	75
Sue Hayes	15	45	25	56
Graham Trimming	19	57	30	53
Choi Lee	13	39	15	38
Peter Gajdus	3	9	3	33
Ollie Valdez	1	3	0	0
Buccaneers				
Eric Van Looy	13	39	34	87
Muriel Hooker	2	6	5	83
Tim Kiteley	11	32	16	50
Terry Boxall	17	49	24	49
Peter Hillier	8	22	4	18
John Lloyd	10	30	5	17
Rascals				
Peter Gajdus	10	30	28	93
Ollie Valdez	10	30	17	57
Amar Abid-Ali	10	30	16	53
Vagabonds				
Armando Borges	10	30	22	73
Graham Young	8	24	11	46
Andrew Young	8	24	11	46
Tina Winn	4	12	4	33
Scoundrels				
Vibhash Mishra	4	12	6	50
Ray Burbidge	8	23	11	48
Tariq Kashmiri	8	24	6	25
Georgia Veneer	9	26	4	15

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Grand Prix

The Grand Prix is switching back to **Tuesdays** now that the league season is over and will run for six weeks from

Tuesday 8 May

to

Tuesday 19 June

excluding 29 May (the AGM)

Disappointing Entry for DG Open

A lack of entries caused the second running of the Cippenham Double Group 2-Star Open Championship to not be quite the success hoped for. 25 players did take part but several others reported that they had not received entry forms. Maybe the postman let us down in this respect.

Those that did enter, though, had a good day's play under the direction of organizer Terry Boxall and referee Peter Hillier.

The five-player groups produced 15 to contest the main event and for Patrick Thomas the trip from Wales proved worthwhile as he defeated Yasir Mauthoor in the final. The last surviving local was Eric Van Looy who succumbed to Ben Larcombe in the quarter-final.

Singles:

Patrick Thomas (WAL) bt Yasir Mauthoor (E) -6,7,6,10

Consolation:

Jurate Brazaityte (K) bt Paul Massey (Ha) 10,7,6

Double Group
Open

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Eric is the new Club Champion

After a lapse of a few years during which the events were not run, the Club Championships made a welcome return last month. It was a new concept—rather than a one-day affair that taxes everybody's stamina and endurance levels. The events are being run on six Tuesday and Thursday evenings in April and May. Four of those evenings have occurred so far with the Drawn Doubles scheduled for 1 May and the Tweenie Singles and Junior Doubles for 3 May.

So far the entries in the senior events have been as expected but the junior events have been disappointing—in fact, the Cadet Singles did not receive any entries. Probably, this was because the events were scheduled during a time slot used predominantly by adults rather than juniors.

Junior Singles Thursday 19 April



A disappointing entry of only two players—both of whom are regular participants at Tuesday and Thursday practice sessions.

No surprises here—Peter Gajdus (pictured right) beat his team-mate Ollie Valdez (left) 3-0 in a match between two of Cippenham's newest and most promising young players.

Open Singles:

Eric Van Looy bt Gerald Finesilver 9,-10,7,7

Open Doubles:

Tim Kiteley & Graham Trimming bt Peter Gajdus & Sue Hayes 5,4,-11,4

Veterans' Singles:

Graham Trimming bt Terry Boxall 6,9,-11,8

Junior Singles:

Peter Gajdus bt Ollie Valdez 3,9,8

Open Singles Tuesday 24 April



Eric Van Looy, the Belgian national who joined the Club last summer and has been playing for us in the British League and Slough League, is the new Club champion. Eric beat the unseeded Gerald Finesilver in the final. Gerald, beaten in his group by Tim Kiteley, only got through his group on count-back. He then knocked out second seed Graham Trimming 13-11 in the fifth and third seed Steve Smith, a new member, 3-0 in the semi-final.

Sue Hayes, beaten deuce in the fifth by Steve in the third-fourth play-off, was the other semi-finalist and there were 15 entries.

Of special note, the winner was nearly defeated in his group by junior Peter Gajdus. Eric eventually came through in the fifth game. Also, what about Paul Chandler taking two games off Sue Hayes!

Veterans' Singles Thursday 26 April

9 players were formed into 3 groups and, as with all the other events, two players from each group progressed into the knock-out stage and one was eliminated.

Gerald Finesilver, seeded number one after his win over Graham Trimming two days earlier, was the major casualty in the semi-final, beaten by an inspired Terry Boxall 3-0.

Terry had come through the toughest group, beating Neil Bird (a blast from the past! - good to see you back, Neil) into second place and John Lloyd into third. He then beat Malcolm Makarian in the quarter-final.



In the final Terry met his match in Graham Trimming who won 3-1 after holding two match points in the third. After emerging from his group relatively unscathed, Graham's toughest match was against Neil in the semi.

Open Doubles Tuesday 17 April

The first winners' medals were presented to Tim Kiteley and Graham Trimming, a partnership arranged on the night, who dropped only one game throughout and that was in the final against Peter Gajdus and Sue Hayes. A total of six pairs contested this first event.



(l-r): Sue Hayes; Peter Gajdus; Graham Trimming; Tim Kiteley

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Weekend Diary May/June/July

May

Sat 5	ETTA National Cadet Masters
Sun 6	ETTA National Cadet Masters
Sat 12	ETTA National Junior Masters
Sun 13	ETTA National Junior Masters
Sat 19	Southern Region Junior Training
Sun 20	Southern Region Junior Training

June

Sat 9	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Festival
Sun 10	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Festival
Sat 16	Southern Region Junior Training
Sun 17	Southern Region Junior Training

July

Sun 1	Cippenham Veterans' Summer 2-Star Open
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Annual General Meeting

of

Cippenham Table Tennis Club

will take place at

Cippenham Table Tennis Centre

on Tuesday 29 May 2007, 8 pm

All members are invited to attend

Agenda:

To receive the annual report

To receive the Financial Report

To elect Officers, Management Committee members and Auditor

If you would like to play a part in the management of the Club why not come along and volunteer for one of the positions on the Committee.

Cippenham needs you!

There will be free practice for all attendees.

Weekday Diary

Mon	7:00	Advanced Coaching
Tues	7:15	Slough League matches (out of season)
	7:30	Practice Tables
	7:40	Grand Prix
Wed	7:30	Squad Training
Thurs	5:15	Beginners' Coaching
	7:15	Slough League matches (out of season)
	7:30	Practice Tables

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 2006-07

	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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Annual General Meeting

of

Slough & District Table Tennis League

will take place at

United Reformed Church, Burnham

on Tuesday 22 May 2007, 7:45 pm

All registered players are invited to attend

There are a number of vacant positions that require to be filled

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