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Cippenham players amongst the winners as the Festival attracts large entry

# **Shristi leads the Cippenham surge**

nother successful season for Cippenham Table Tennis Club was concluded over the weekend of 14/15 June with the ever-popular Cippenham Young Players' Summer Festival. This 1-star open tournament attracted another bumper entry of over 200 and the host club's own group of young players starred by picking up some of the honours.

Two players stood out by winning two different age groups. Cippenham's Shristi Ghosh, who last year won the under-12 and was runner-up in the under-14s went even better this year. Shristi won both the under-14 and under-16 events and, for good measure, was runner-up in the under-18 event, playing five years out of her age group. The other stand-out player was Eren Gozcu, a Londoner who won both the under-18 and under-16 boys' events.

Such was Cippenham's dominance of the two girls' event won by Shristi that she met fellow Cippenham players in the finals of each. In the under-14s it was Jemma Walker while the under-16 finalist was Megan Ashfield. It was not just in the girls' events that Cippenham players starred as Ben Naylor-Smith was the beaten finalist in the boys' under-16 event also.

The Saturday events were actually over -subscribed and the organisers had to make changes to the schedule to accommodate the number of boys, over sixty, who registered for the under-14s.

Saturday started with the under-12 events and the boys' singles was the first of two events over the weekend that saw the winner's trophy wend its way down the M4 to Wales. Mithun



Sunday's successful home players: Megan Ashfield; Ben Naylor-Smith; Shristi Ghosh

Padmanabhan was the victor but his success was far from easily won. The top seed came through his preliminary round group and then dispatched his second round opponent with some ease. It then got a lot harder. Fellow Welshman Louis Evans took Padmanabhan the full five-games distance in the quarter-finals and Cippenham's Shae Thakker did likewise in the semifinal. In the final Padmanabhan was 2-0 down in games to Stanley Shilton before clinching the third game 13-11 and the next two to take the title. Shilton was a surprise finalist in that he was only runner-up in his group and then needed all five games to eliminate second seed Felix Thomis in the last 16 and another five games to get through Ellis Burgess in the quarters. By contrast, his 3-0 win over Casey Mansfield in the semis was easier.

The counterpart U12 girls' event was run as a round robin with Habina Seo and Anna Hursey both winning five of their six matches, the title going to Seo by virtue of her closely fought 3-2 victory over Hursey. Seo's loss, in five games all decided by the minimum margin, came at the hands of Lara Whitton who, nevertheless, finished only sixth.

The only player to retain his 2013 title was George Hazell in the Under-14 Boys' Singles. This event ran to form with the top two seeds meeting in the final. Hazell did not drop a game in winning the title as he dispatched Seun Sontan, under-12 winner Mithun Padmanabhan and Louie Evans before dishing out the same scoreline to Carl Breindel in the final.

The two Cippenham players were the top two seeds in the Under-14 Girl's Singles and neither was troubled up the semi-final stage. At that point top seed Shristi Ghosh only just managed to get the better of Victoria Coll 11-6, 10-12, 13-11, 9-11. 15-13 while Jemma Walker was a little more comfortable in



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### Young Players' Summer Festival (contd)

disposing of Scarlett O'Neil after dropping the first game. Shristi then won the first of her two titles with a 3-1 victory over her Cippenham training partner.

It was the turn of the two older age groups on the Sunday and an opportunity for Cippenham's top boy Ben Naylor-Smith to make his mark. This he did as, despite being seeded only fifth in the Under-16 Boys' Singles, he won his preliminary round group and then got the better by 3-2 of Shrey Bjardwaj in the quarter-final. In the semi-final Ben eased past second seed William Goodstone and then had the temerity to take the first game from top seed Eren Gozcu in the final. However, Gozcu, who had come through the rounds without dropping a game, was in no mood to give up on the title and won a close second game 13-11 and then ran out an easy winner in the third and fourth

Shristi continued in the Under-16 Girl's Singles where she left off the previous



Saturday's successful home players: Shristi Ghosh and Jemma Walker with Sue Hayes

day - winning! Seeded second behind her team-mate Megan Ashfield in this event, Shristi turned the tables by coming from 2-1 down to win a close encounter in which all the games finished 11-9 or 11-8. Cippenham's other young star, Jemma Walker, was beaten by Shristi in the semi-final while the other beaten semi-finalist was Zoe Davies of Essex

The two finalists met again later in the day in the semi-final of the Under-18 Girls' Singles. This time Shristi prevailed 3-0 but was then beaten for a second time in the event by Beth Roberts who delivered the second title of the weekend for the Principality.

Eren Gozcu showed that he is a talent

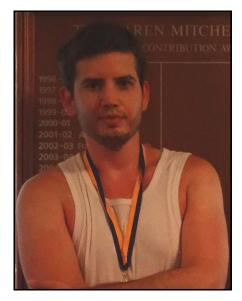
### Cippenham Young Players' Summer Festival Results

Event	Winner	Runner-up
U18BS:	Eren Gozcu (Mi)	Ben Bennett (Wo)
U18GS:	Beth Roberts (WAL)	Shristi Ghosh (Bu)
U16BS:	Eren Gozcu (Mi)	Ben Naylor-Smith (Bu)
U16GS:	Shristi Ghosh (Bu)	Megan Ashfield (Bu)
U14BS:	George Hazell (Sx)	Carl Breindel (He)
U14GS:	Shristi Ghosh (Bu)	Jemma Walker (Bu)
U12BS:	M Padmabhan (WAL)	Shanley Shilton (Gs)
U12GS:	Habina Seo (Ha)	Anna Hursey (WAL)
U18BC:	Antony Atkins (Sy)	Paul Toader (Mi)
U18GC:	Zoe Davies (E)	Anisha Rasan (Mi)
U16BC:	Justin Jeffery (E)	Ellis Burgess (WAL)
U16GC:	Rhoda Boadu (Mi)	Bethany Brewer (WAL)
U14BC:	Jos Barraclough (Bk)	David Avery (WAL)
U14GC:	Lara Whitton (WAL)	Alana Mansfield (E)
U12BC:	Louis Price (Av)	C Cunningham (Sy)

to look out for in the future in the Under-18 Boys' Singles. The Middlesex youngster, who is yet to turn fourteen, justified his second top seeding of the day. After winning his group stage he went on to eliminate Theodore Achampong and Ben Naylor-Smith before his 3-1 win over Worcestershire's Ben Bennett brought him his second title. Bennett's route to the final included wins over Shrey Bhardwaj and William Goodstone.

The tournament was organised by Catherine Hayes and refereed by Steve Smith

# **Consistent Seb takes Grand Prix title**



Seb Nimier appears to want to hide the medal he has just been awarded!

The first of this summer's Grand Prix proved the power of consistency. That consistency belonged to Seb Nimier who played in each of the six Tuesday evening events and topped the points table. Seb put the icing on the cake by actually winning the final event

Ricky Hardcastle won the only two events he participated in while Simon Vine also won two and was runner-up in another. Sue Hayes was the other weekly winner.

A total of thirteen players took part with the highest weekly attendance being eight.

The second Grand Prix kicked off last week, 29 July, and will run for the customary six weeks. Why not come along and take part in what is a perfect opportunity to blow the cobwebs away and build up your form for the start of the new season which is not so far away.

### Grand Prix 39 Jun-Jul 2014

Points Table				
Pos	Name	Pts		
1	Seb Nimier	335		
2	Simon Vine	270		
3	Ricky Hardcastle	200		
4	Sue Hayes	200		
5	Bas Mocharrafie	190		
6	Emiko Hill	120		
7	Raj Nanda	115		
8	Hari Prasad	110		
9	John Fullam	100		
10	Gary Teeder	70		

# **Elena and Dave join the Committee**



ewly-weds Elena and Dave Tant have struck up another new partnership, this time with the six other members of the Management Committee of Cippenham Table Tennis Club. Elena brings with her a wealth of experience gained during many years as League Secretary of the Maidenhead Association while Dave has already proved his worth to the Club with his expertise in electrics - just the sort of skill set needed in a club like ours!

Retiring from the Committee are Rebecca Hayes, who is away at university, Steve Smith, who is living back in Birmingham, and Malcolm Makarian who will, nevertheless, maintain his exceptional contribution to the Club in so many other ways.

General Secretary Graham Trimming presented his report on the year which had been largely successful. The Club continues to be a well-managed, financially secure organisation even though membership figures are on the decline.

### Who's Who at Cippenham?

Now that the dust has settled on the pre-season changes to the Club's management team, it is an opportune moment to set out for you who does what at Cippenham Table Tennis Club. That way you will know who to go to for information and advice.

Cippenham Table Tennis Club

**Young Players' Autumn** 

**Festival** 

**Sat/Sun 13/14 September** 4 age groups: U12; U14; U16; U18

# Your Membership Form for 2014-15 is due soon

The membership year runs from 1 September to 31 August

Thanks to those who have already submitted theirs

If you have not yet done so, then please send your form to Graham, with the correct fees, by 1 September to ensure continued membership.

#### Thanks.

Remember the ETTA Individual Membership requirements.

#### The Management Committee:

Ken Phillips: Chairman; Facilities Manager; Coaching Officer; Head Coach; JBL Captain/Secretary; NJL Captain/Secretary; NCL Captain/Secretary; British League Weekend Referee; Young Players' Autumn Festival Referee; Senior/Veterans' 1-Star Open Referee; Stock Buyer; BCTTA Representative; Weekday Duty Manager

Graham Trimming: General Secretary; Treasurer; Committee Secretary; Membership Secretary; PremierClub Contact; Press Secretary; Newsletter Editor; Webmaster; Maidenhead League Selection Committee; British League Weekend Organiser; Team Open Organiser & Referee; Veterans' Open Organiser

Sue Hayes: Deputy Chairman; Welfare Officer; Weekday Duty Manager; Westgate School Liaison; Grand Prix Administrator; Trojans Captain; Catering Liaison; Photocopier Liaison

Elena Tant: Bookings Officer; Calendar Coordinator; Maidenhead League Selection Committee; Spartans Captain

Simon Wilde: Events Officer; Maidenhead League Captain & Secretary; Maidenhead League Selection Committee; Saxons Captain; Club Championships Organiser; Club Supply Agent; Members' Supply Agent

David Tant: Health & Safety Advisor

Naomi Hayes: Weekday Duty Officer (paid position)

#### **Bassam Mocharrafie**

#### Other volunteers:

**Martin Adams:** Senior British League Captain, Secretary & Team I Captain

Mike Atkinson: National Junior League Organiser; National Cadet League Organiser

Paul Baker: Veterans' British League Captain & Secretary; British League Team II Captain; Senior Open Organiser; Senior/ Veterans' Open Organiser

Jan Chapman: Lead coach

**Catherine Hayes:** Young Players' Autumn Festival Organiser; Young Players' Summer Festival Organiser

Jim Hayes: Weekend Set-up Coordinator
Peter Hillier: Veterans' Open Referee

Malcolm Makarian: NJL/NCL Duty Officer (shared); Cleaner (paid position)

Charles Mitchell: Anniversary Party Organiser

**Steve Smith:** Senior Open Referee; Young Players' Summer Festival Referee

Denise Weller: Women's British League Captain & Secretary; Veterans' British League Captain & Secretary

## **Grand Prix**

**Every Tuesday evening through August** 

No need to book, no special fees, just turn up and register by 7:40 pm

### **Senior British League**

Sat/Sun 20/21 September

**Matches start 11 am on Sat, 10 am on Sun** 

Come and support the Cippenham team

### **Key Club Contacts**

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Deputy Chairman & Welfare Officer

Sue Hayes : 01753 573669

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**Events Officer & Maidenhead League Captain** 

Simon Wilde: 01628478916

#### Weekday Timetable Mon 19:15 Advanced Coaching Group **Tues** 19:15 Local league matches (out of season) 19:30 Practice tables 19:40 **Grand Prix** Weds 19:30 Elite Coaching Group **Thurs** Beginners' coaching 17:15 Local league matches (out of season) 19:15 19:30 Practice tables

#### Fees Season 2014-15 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 £12.00 n/a National Cadet League registration £12.00 n/a \*£4.00 Practice Fees \*£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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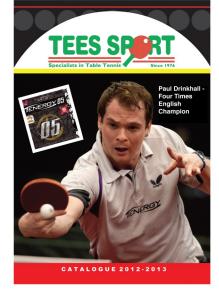
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### **Weekend Diary**

13/14 Cippenham Young Players' Autumn Fest 20/21 Senior British League Div 1S & Div 5S Oct 11 National Junior League 25/26 Southern Disability Grand Prix Nov County Championships Veterans National Cadet League 22 Cippenham Super 6 Veterans' 2\* Open 29 County Championships Cadets 30 National Cadet League Dec National Junior League 6 13/14 Senior British League Div1S & Div3S

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