

# **Perfect start to Senior British League**

The Senior British League season started perfectly for Cippenham in early September. We are fielding only one team this season in the premier team event in the country, operating in National Division B-4 with all matches being hosted at Cippenham.

Four wins from four matches provided the dream start for Cippenham and currently places the team in second position behind a very strong Ellenborough side who have a superior sets aggregate. Team captain and number one player Martin Adams, and number two player Robert Hansell, were superb and both were completely unbeaten over the entire weekend, winning all their singles matches and the four doubles, a total of twenty individual contests. Steve Munson backed them up by winning half of his eight singles while Ricky Hardcastle tasted success twice.

The season kicked off on Saturday morning with a match against Kingfisher III, local rivals from Reading. This turned into a bit of a romp for Cippenham who ran out 9-0 winners against the division's bottom team. All Cippenham players dropped at least one end but the only one that came close to losing was Martin Adams who just about managed to hold off the challenge of Artur Morar 11-9 in the fifth and deciding game. The player of the match award went to Ricky Hardcastle for his wins over Rob Gladstone and Rayaan Asghar.

Saturday afternoon matched Cippenham with Horsham Spinners. Martin and Rob kept up their winning ways although both were made to work hard in their second matches. Martin saw off Craig Brown 3-0 but dropped an end against Rory Scott while Rob, after getting Cippenham off to the perfect start beating Scott 3-0 was made to fight all the way by John Robinson before winning 3-2. Martin and Rob combined for an easy win in the doubles while Steve Munson pitched in by beating Brown after having lost a very close fifth game to Asa Gauntlett.

A repeat performance was called for on Sunday morning and that was exactly



L-r: Robert Hansell; Martin Adams; Steve Munson; Ricky Hardcastle

what Cippenham delivered with another 6-3 victory over Generation 2 from Fareham. Martin was untroubled as he set about Mike Rhodes and Valmiki Sinanan, while Rob lost one end to Sinanan but had an easy win over Daniel Lucking. Together they won the doubles with the loss of only nine points over the three games. However, Steve, after having dismissed Hugo Gregan 3-0 was undone by Cippenham member Mike Rhodes and Ricky Hardcastle lost two close matches against Lucking and Gregan.

The first real challenge of the season came on Sunday afternoon against a Foresters team that had lost only narrowly to division leaders Ellenborough in the morning. An entertaining match finished in Cippenham's favour 5-4 but it could have gone the other way as Robert Hansell battled out the pivotal encounter with Ryszard Pelc. With the match score 4-2 in Cippenham's favour, the hosts knew that Rob's match up with Pelc was their best chance of securing the maximum league points and so it proved. Rob won the first game and then held 8-6 and 8-5 leads in the second and third games but Pelc hit back to lead 2-1. Rob squared it at 2-2 and then the fifth game swung one way then the

other and both players had match point before a delighted Rob eventually triumphed 13-11. Rob had earlier beaten Lewis Mayhew 3-1 and Martin was imperious against both Mark Collins and Mayhew and together the Cippenham heroes secured the doubles 3-1.

Overleaf for statistics and more photos >>>

22nd Anniversary Party Annual Prize Giving Tuesday 9 October, 7:45 pm Honour the recipients of the annual awards:

Senior Player of the Year

Alan Farral and Terry Boxall Junior Player of the Year

Partake in the food and wine provided

### CIPPENHAM NEWS

## **Summer Grand Prix: Bas supreme**



Bas Mocharrafie was the clear winner of Cippenham's Summer Grand Prix, run over a six week period in August and September. Between them, Bas and Paul Baker won all six events with Bas winning four of those. Bas and Paul met in the final three times with Paul winning their first two encounters while Bas was successful the final week.

Paul, who played in four events,

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	Summer Grand Prix Results					
Pos	Name	Points				
1	Bas Mocharrafie	540				
2	Paul Baker	310				
3	Keith Hall	200				
4	Graham Trimming	135				
5	Akeel Nazeer	120				
6	Seb Nimier	105				
7	lgor Liiko	100				
8	Zsolt Varga	100				
9	Milton Makris	100				
10	Razvan Bucur	90				

duly finished second in the points table while Keith Hall, who played five, won the bronze medal. Graham Trimming played only three times but scored enough points to finish fourth while Akeel Mir was fifth and Seb Nimier sixth.

A total of twenty-one players took part overall in what was planned as a preseason event to ready players for the league matches ahead.



Martin Adams



**Steve Munson** 

Senior British League								
League Table:	D	w	п		F	۸	Pts	
National Division B-4	r	**	U	-	•	^	r tə	
Ellenborough	4	4	0	0	28	8	8	
Cippenham	4	4	0	0	26	10	8	
Brighton TTC II	4	3	0	1	22	14	6	
Foresters II	4	2	0		21			
Waterside I	4	_	0			16		
Horsham Spinners I	4		0			19		
Generation 2 I	4	-	0				-	
Kingfisher III	4	0	0	4	4	32	0	
Players' Averages:								
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Martin Adams	4		8		8		00	
Robert Hansell		· 8 · 8				00		
Steve Munson			8		4		50	
Ricky Hardcastle	4		8		2		25	
Results:								
9-0 Kingfisher III								
6-3 Horsham Spinners I								
6-3 Generation 2 I								
5-4 Foresters II								



**Robert Hansell** 



**Ricky Hardcastle** 

### CIPPENHAM NEWS

## **Unseeded Garduli wins Super 6 Senior Open**

A nother maximum entry assembled at Cippenham Table Tennis Centre on Sunday 16th September for the Cippenham Super 6 Senior 2-Star Open Championship. The 48 players were arranged in eight groups of six for the preliminary stage and then separated into two knock-out events including a consolation for those finishing in the lower half of their group.

The eventual winner was Sabin Garduli, a Romanian, who was unknown to the seeding committee and therefore was a floater in the draw. Nevertheless, there was little indication of what was to follow early on as Garduli lost his opening match in the preliminary round group to Julie Hughes. However, with Hughes losing three of her five matches the group was eventually won by Garduli with David Randall second and Hughes third.

Other groups were generally progressing in line with the seeding with Neil Wright, a Welsh compatriot of Hughes, taking up his allotted top seeded position and Steve Davis and Ben Warner also remaining unbeaten during that preliminary stage.

Into the knock-out competition and Wright's position at the top of the draw was short lived, losing 3-1 to Joe Kaye. The sequence of the name at the top of the draw being eliminated continued with Joe Kaye's moment being punctured by Sammy Kaye in the quarterfinal who then lost to Phillip Smith in the semi-final. Smith had previously progressed unbeaten from his preliminary round group and then eliminated Adam Johnson and fourth seed Ben Warner 3-2 to set up that semi-final meeting with Kaye.

Meanwhile, in the bottom half of the draw, Garduli was carving his way through with minimal resistance. Alan Papier and Chris Price were both beaten 3-0 although Price did extend his match a little with two deuce games. In his semi-final Garduli matched up against third seed Steve Davis who had earlier beaten Vadym Krevs and Cippenham's Paul Baker. This ended an impressive run for Baker who had finished second in his group and then defeated Julie Hughes and David Ramsey to reach the quarter-final.

The final between Sabin Garduli and Phillip Smith was won by the Romanian in three close games 10, 11, 9.



#### Finalists: Phillip Smith & Sabin Garduli

The consolation event for those players finishing in the bottom three places of their preliminary round group was won by Samson Bekele who has recently joined Cippenham to play in the Veterans' British League. His opponent in the final was Alex Emms.

The tournament was organised by Paul Baker and refereed by Sue Hayes.



 
 Cippenham Super 6 Senior 2-Star Open Results

 Event
 Winner(s)
 Runner(s)-up

 Open
 Sabin Garduli (ROM)
 Phillip Smith (Sx)

 Cons
 Samson Bekele (Sy)
 Alex Emms (Wo)

PS. Sabin Garduli , who lives in Egham, took out membership of Cippenham TTC two days later!

#### Teams for NJL

The Club is running three teams this season in the National Junior League.

Dates: 6 Oct; 24 Nov; 26 Jan; 9 Mar

Venue: Cippenham

Players:

**Cippenham A:** Douglas Claridge-Hansen; Kush Tanna; Harry Coles; Jaiden Caldeira

**Cippenham B:** William Saint; Siyuan Li; Anna Piercey; Rachael Iles

**Cippenham C:** Jeeven Bancil; Mateusz Skowera; Isam Sousseing

Pictured left: Ashley Shaw belatedly received his trophy for winning the Wilkinson Sword for the player with the higher average in Maidenhead League Division 1 last season.

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Mon	19:15	Advanced Coaching Group
Tues	19:15 19:30	Local league matches Practice tables
Weds	19:30	Elite Coaching Group
Thurs	17:15 19:15 19:30	Beginners' coaching Local league matches 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**

	National Junior League (1) Senior British League Nat Div A-2 & B-4 (2)
Oct 20/21	County Championships Cadet Div 2A
Oct 27/28	County Championships Senior Premier Div
Nov 3	BerkshireActive
Nov 4	National Cadet League (1)
Nov 17/18	County Championships Senior Div 2B
Nov 24	National Junior League (2)
Nov 25	Cippenham Super 6 Veterans' 1-Star Open
Dec 2	National Cadet League (2)
Dec 15/16	County Championships Over-60 Div 1B
Jan 6	Cippenham Team 2-Star Open
Jan 12	Independent Schools Association tourn.
Jan 13	National Cadet League
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