

It's A Tough Time For The Ladies at Andover

It was going tough in the first session of fixtures in the Women's British League at Andover over the weekend 12/13th September. Having won Division 3 and Division 2 in successive seasons, the first team were making their debut in Division 1. Unfortunately, the first half fixtures had to be completed without new signing Shelley Ruoco who was unavailable, and it was the old guard of Sue Collier, Kai Milvek and Claire Plumridge that took to the table.

None of the players played to their full potential and the record of three points from a possible ten will have to be improved upon at the second weekend in January if the team is not be immediately relegated back to Division 2. Sue played well until the last match, in which she lost both her singles, to record seven wins from ten matches. In fact, she was made Player of the Weekend, due to some extent to the use of her medical skills in treating a player with an injured hand. Kai, the Estonian World Veterans Team Champion, struggled to win only four and Claire could only manage two wins.

The solitary victory came 5-1 against fellow promotees Yashima South Kesteven Sovereigns II of Grantham. In addition, the points were shared in a 3-3 draw with Eastbourne club Shinewater British Queen but matches against Leeds Ladies (1-5), Irish Ladies (2-4) and Grove I (2-4) were lost.

A second team was also entered at short notice to fill a gap in Division 2. This team are also fifth in their division at the half way stage and this was a creditable performance from a young and inexperienced team that should realistically have been



Team I: (l-r) Sue Collier; Claire Plumridge; Kai Milvek



Team II: (l-r) Jane Dickens; Sue Hayes; Emma Human; Gemma Chapman

in Division 3. Twelve-year old Gemma Chapman played at number one and led the team well with four wins from her ten matches including some notable scalps that will catapult her up the national rankings, but the most successful player with five wins was Sue Hayes. Jane Dickens was disappointing, only obtaining one win, and Emma Human made one appearance without success.

The team's two points both came on the second day in drawn matches with Ellenborough and Yashima South Kesteven Sovereigns III. The team also suffered a 4-2 defeat at the hands of Global Sports and 1-5 to both Ulster Ladies and Norton Ladies.



Women's British League

Results:

Cippenham I 1; Leeds Ladies 5
Cippenham I 5; South Kesteven II 1
Cippenham I 2; Irish Ladies 4
Cippenham I 3; Shinewater 3
Cippenham I 2; Grove I 4
Cippenham II 2; Global Sports 4
Cippenham II 1; Norton Ladies 5
Cippenham II 1; Ulster Ladies 5
Cippenham II 3; Ellenborough 3
Cippenham II 3; South Kesteven III 3

League Tables:

	P	W	D	F	A	Pts
Division 1						
Irish Ladies	5	3	2	19	11	8
Leeds Ladies	5	4	0	20	10	8
Shinewater BQ	5	1	3	15	15	5
Grove I	5	2	1	15	15	5
Cippenham I	5	1	1	13	17	3
S Kesteven I	5	0	1	8	22	1
Division 2						
Ulster Ladies	5	4	1	21	9	9
Global Sports	5	4	1	20	10	9
Ellenborough	5	1	2	14	16	4
Norton Ladies	5	2	0	16	14	4
Cippenham II	5	0	2	10	20	2
S Kesteven III	5	0	2	9	21	2

Averages:

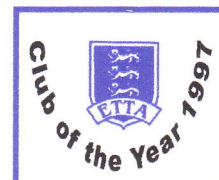
	M	P	W	Av
Cippenham I				
Sue Collier	5	10	7	70
Kai Milvek	5	10	4	40
Claire Plumridge	5	10	2	20
Cippenham II				
Sue Hayes	5	10	5	50
Gemma Chapman	5	10	4	40
Jane Dickens	4	8	1	13
Emma Human	1	2	0	0



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Ken Phillips Chairman and Coaching Officer

No. 2
Personality
Profile

The second in our series of personality profiles is Club Chairman Ken Phillips - probably the most influential and hard working member of the Club's management who, despite the many hours spent coaching at the Centre, does such a lot more besides.

Born: 4.6.40, Haverfordwest, South Wales

Residence: Maidenhead

Status: Divorced, 2 adult children

Occupation: Table Tennis coach & administrator

Playing standard: Journeyman!

Playing successes: None!

Playing since: 1950

Joined Cippenham: 1977 after moving to the area

Cippenham offices: Chairman since 1997; Deputy Chairman 1987-97; Coaching Officer 1986-93 and since 1996

Bucks County offices: Coaching Officer since 1989; Treasurer 1989 to 1997

Other appointments: ETTA Regional Staff Coach for a short while a few years ago

Honours: Slough Borough Sports Coach of the Year 1994

Proudest moments in TT: Jesper Hougaard winning the National Cadet Masters 6.4.97; whenever I see the kids playing well competitively

Biggest wish for the future of TT: ongoing success for Cippenham's juniors

Ken says: "I still remember walking into the Centre in October 1996 and thinking, with these premises, the sky is the limit, everything is achievable. I have not changed my mind since."



Results Round-Up

Merseyside GP Open (29/30 Aug)

WS: Sue Collier, winner

WD: Sue Collier, r/u

Changes to team selections:

Pirates: add Kimber Choda

Vagabonds: delete Robert Wilson

Brigands: add Tom Wald

Rebels: add Laura Barry

WBL II: add Emma Human

Remember this?



The building of the Centre - Summer 1996

Outstanding Contribution Award for Pam Dickens

On the 1st October Anniversary Party the second annual recipient of the Outstanding Contribution Award was unveiled. Committee members are excluded from this award, designed to recognise a special contribution from the rank and file membership.

This year the Award goes to Pam Dickens. Pam is a very special lady from a very special family who has worked tirelessly for the last two years to ensure that members and visitors at the Centre get fed and watered at our many events. Her cooking is wonderful, the presentation perfect and it's all done with a cheery smile. The catering corps at the Centre is one of the foremost reasons for the success of our weekend events.

Congratulations, Pam!



The new Club Tracksuit

Pictured left is the new better quality tracksuit from Donic that has been adopted for the Club. The Club's official kit now comprises of this tracksuit plus the same Donic blue shirts and black shorts that we have sported for the last two seasons.

All the Club's kit can be purchased by members at a massive 25% off the catalogue price. To obtain your's ring:

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Mixed Fortunes for British League teams

There have so far been mixed fortunes for the Club's two teams in the British League. Whereas the first team has made an encouraging start to its Division 2 South campaign, the second team is struggling and has lost both of its matches in Division 3 South & West.

The home matches on 6th September provided great entertainment. The first team, led by two wins from debutant Martin Adams, came from 1-3 down to beat Norwich Todd Foxwood 5-3. This was a good team performance as Clive Payne, Kimber Choda and Martin Rule all contributed a win. At the same time the seconds lost 2-6 to Harvey Barnet III. Steve Joel and Mark Banks won one each, but Mike Rhodes and Paul Baker missed out.

Two weeks later the first team, playing without the injured Clive Payne, drew 4-4 away to Horsham II, while the seconds lost 3-5 at Ashford against Carphone Warehouse Progress II. For the firsts there was a win each for Martin Adams, Kimber Choda, Martin Rule and Steve Joel. The three successes for the second team came from Sue Collier, Mike Rhodes and Mark Banks, with Paul Baker being the unlucky loser.

Results:

Cippenham I 5; Norwich Tood Foxwood 3
Cippenham II 2; Harvey Barnet III 6
Horsham II 4; Cippenham I 4
Carphone Progress II 5; Cippenham II 3

Mike Rhodes Bookings Officer

No. 3
Personality
Profile

The third in our series of personality profiles is Club Bookings Officer Mike Rhodes who works tirelessly on behalf of the Club in that role, ensuring that there is always a Duty Officer available. As often as not, Mike takes on this role himself. Whatever Mike does, he does well!

Born: 3.6.54, Birmingham

Residence: Slough

Status: Single

Occupation: Air Traffic Services Assistant

Playing standard: County veterans; British League second team; Slough men's/veterans' inter-league

Playing successes: Cippenham Veterans' Open Men's Singles; Southern Region Premier Division team title; many veterans titles from Southern Region, Bucks, Slough, Maidenhead and Staines

Playing since: 1966

Joined Cippenham: 1988

Cippenham offices: Bookings Officer (formerly called Venue Liaison Administrator) since 1992

Slough League offices: Inter-League Secretary since 1990

Honours: Slough League Coral Racing Trophy 1993

Proudest moments in TT: gaining a physical education prize at school and buying a book on table tennis with it against the wishes of the teachers!

Biggest wish for the future of TT: for table tennis to become higher profile with greater media attention

Mike says: "I am very grateful to the enthusiastic coaches and teachers who helped in my development, especially at an early age. These people, like our own Ken Phillips, are invaluable to the sport."



Cippenham Dominates Bucks Trials

Cippenham players dominated the Bucks Junior Trials, held here on 5th September. At least the top four players in every section were from the Club and all of the players who will subsequently be invited to represent the county at the regional trials are members of Cippenham.

Congratulations to Warren Brooks, Jane Dickens and Emma Human who won their events. For Emma there was even greater satisfaction as the trials provided an unexpected win over her Maidenhead friend and rival Gemma Chapman.

Placings for Cippenham players:

Junior Boys:

1. Warren Brooks*
2. Robert Hansell*
3. Daniel Jacobs*
4. Duane Brooks*
5. Ben Beveridge
7. Thomas Mitchell

Junior Girls:

1. Jane Dickens*
2. Emma Human*
3. Gemma Chapman*
4. Rebecca Eldridge*

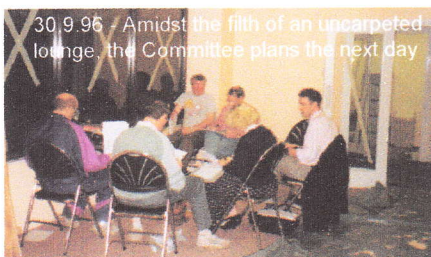
Cadet Boys:

1. Warren Brooks
2. Thomas Mitchell*
3. Chris Hansell*
4. Ross Drabble*
5. David Hayes*
6. Bradley Evans
8. Paul Zeun
11. James Milton
25. Andrew Dickens
29. Myles Evans
30. Gavin Evans

Cadet Girls:

1. Emma Human
 2. Gemma Chapman
 3. Francesca Parnell*
 4. Helen Smith*
 5. Emily Tucker*
 6. Alex Hedley*
 9. Catherine Hayes
- * will be invited to the regional trials

Two Years Ago ...



30.9.96 - Amidst the filth of an uncarpeted lounge, the Committee plans the next day



1.10.96 - It's spick-and-span as the action gets underway

Slough Woolwich Junior League Team Selections

Division 1:

Terrors: Bradley Evans; David Hayes

Urchins: Thomas Mitchell; Paul Zeun

Waifs: Ross Drabble; Stuart Tweedy

Strays: Chris Hansell; James Milton

Gremlins: Jonathan Attenborough; Claire Smart

Division 2:

Sprites: Helen Smith; Hannah Stone

Elves: Francesca Parnell; Katherine Tweedy

Imps: Emily Tucker; David Chator

Goblins: Alex Hedley; Andrew Dickens

Devils: Matthew Rees; Mark Bannister

Division 3:

Vagrants: Myles Evans; William Mitchell

Scoundrels: Catherine Hayes; Eleanor Tweedy; Jenny Hansell

Beggars: Gavin Evans; Rebecca Tweedy

Desperados: Nathan ?; Terry ?

Ragamuffins: Rowan ?; Frazer ?

Scamps: ? Panesar; ? Panesar

Fugitives: Andrew Milton; a.n. other

With apologies to those whose full names are unknown to Ken!

CIPPENHAM NEWS

Weekend Diary October/November

October

Sat 3rd	9.00am	Bucks Junior Inter-League
Sun 4th	3.00pm	BL - I v. Fellows Cranleigh II v. Guildford
Sun 11th	12.30pm	Slough Woolwich Junior League
Sat 17th	2.30pm	Bucks county matches
Sun 18th	9.00am	Southern Region Junior Prelim Trials
Sat 24th	10.30am	Woolwich National Junior League
Sun 25th	9.00am	Cippenham 2 Star Open Championships

November

Sun 1st	9.00am	Bucks Men's Inter-League 1st Session
Sun 8th	9.00am	Bucks Junior Closed Championships
Sat 14th		ETTA Senior County Premier Division
Sun 15th		ETTA Senior County Premier Division
Sat 21st	12.00pm	ETTA Under-12 Squad Training
Sun 22nd	9.00am	ETTA Under-12 Squad Training
Sat 28th	10.30am	Woolwich National Junior League
Sun 29th	10.00am	Slough Woolwich Junior League
	3.00pm	BL I v. KCD Stiga I
	3.00pm	BL II v. OLOP ANCS (UK) Ltd III

Weekday Diary

Mon	5.30 Advanced Coaching 7.30 Excellence Coaching
Tues	5.15 Beginners' Coaching 7.15 Local league matches 7.30 Practice Tables
Thurs	5.15 Beginners' Coaching 7.15 Local league matches 7.30 Adults' Coaching 7.30 Practice Tables
Fri	7.00 Elite Coaching

Bar Opening Times

Tuesday & Thursday
9pm - 11pm

Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 1998-9

	Full	Conc'n
Annual Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£10.00	£5.00
Family Membership (1/9 to 31/8)	£17.50	n/a
Slough League Registration	£10.00	£5.00
Maidenhead League Registration	£15.00	£7.50
Practice Fees	*£2.50	*£1.25
Match Fees	£3.00	£1.50
Coaching Fees	**£3.00	**£1.50

* plus £1.00 (50p) for non-members

** plus 50p (25p) for non-members

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The Season's Calendar

Future Events at Cippenham

Oct 28	Bucks Cadet Inter-League (midweek)
Dec 5	Cippenham Junior 3 Star Open
Dec 6	Slough Woolwich Junior League (3)
Dec 12	Bucks county matches
Dec 20	Children's Christmas Party
Dec 27	Berks Junior/Cadet Inter-Town
Jan 2	Southern Region Junior Final Trials
Jan 3	Cippenham 2 Star Open
Jan 9	ETTA Conference
Jan 16	Cippenham U9/10/11 1 Star Open
Jan 17	Club Championships / Handicap Tour
Jan 24	Slough Woolwich Junior League (4)
Jan 31	Bucks Men's Inter-League (2)
Feb 6	Woolwich National Junior League (3)
Feb 14	Slough Senior Closed
Feb 20	Bucks county matches
Feb 28	Slough Woolwich Junior League (5)
Mar 6	Cippenham Veterans 2 Star Open
Mar 14	Berks Senior/Veterans Inter-Town
Mar 21	Slough Woolwich Junior League (6)
Mar 27	Woolwich National Junior League (4)
Mar 28	Cippenham Cadet 3 Star Open
Apr 10	Cippenham 2 Star Open
Apr 18	Slough Junior Closed
Apr 24/25	Barclays Bank Championships
May 8	Cippenham U12 2 Star Open
May 22/23	English Junior/Cadet Masters

Other Cippenham TTC Events

Oct 10/11	Woolwich Junior British Lge (Kettering)
Nov 14/15	Veterans British League (Rugby)
Nov 21/22	St. Ives Junior Team Event
Jan 30/31	Women's British League (Hopton)
Feb 6/7	Maidenhead Closed
Feb 6/7	Woolwich Junior British Lge (Hopton)
Feb 20/21	Veterans British League (Hopton)
Mar 28	Bucks Senior/Veterans Closed (MK)

OLOP at Cippenham

Watch out for matches in the British League Premier Division featuring OLOP against reigning champions Darlington (including Des Douglas?) on 7th March and Launceston on 11th April. What a treat for spectators!

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