



CIPPENHAM NEWS

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Men cruise to VBL divisional title

The Cippenham veteran men's first team became Veterans' British League Division 2B champions and they did it in a canter, winning all ten of their matches over the season. Their impressive sets aggregate was 54-6 and three of the sets lost were by reserves playing up from the second team on the final day. This has earned the team promotion to Division 1 for next season.

Andy Trott, Martin Adams and Hari Gehlot were in imperious form throughout. Saturday's matches saw them beat Seasiders (Blackpool) and Dewsbury both 6-0 and then cap off a fine day with a 5-1 win over local rivals Ashford. Hari's loss to Steve Davis in the final encounter of the day was the only blip in an otherwise flawless performance.

With Andy Trott not available on Sunday, Cippenham promoted Tony Stead and Samson Bekele from the second team for one match each. Tony added to his reputation with a win over John Poysden as Cippenham beat South Essex 5-1 in the morning but Samson was not able to match this against Forsters D but this did not stop Cippenham from keeping up their one hundred percent record with a 4-2 victory. Andy finished the season unbeaten with Martin losing only once and Hari twice.

Cippenham's second team, consisting of Mike Rhodes and Paul Baker, in addition to Tony Stead and Samson Bekele, rounded off the first round of matches with a 3-3 draw against Crusaders and a 5-1 win over Ashford. Those points maintained Cippenham's fifth place in Division 4A but meant that they would play the final three matches in a group comprising the bottom four teams in the division.

Those three matches were all won easily to finish a very good weekend for the two Cippenham men's teams. The late Saturday match saw another 5-1 win over Ashford and this was followed on Sunday win a 6-0 drubbing of Draycott and 4-2 against bottom team Archway Peterborough 2. Over the season, all four Cippenham players won at least half of their matches with Samson on 64%, Paul 62%, Mike 56% and Tony exactly 50%.



Martin Adams

However, the results were not so good for the Cippenham women's team playing a little out of their depth in Division 1. Saturday morning saw the team of Denise Weller, Mary Heffernan and Sue Hayes beaten 6-0 by Ashford but they bounced back well to gain their only point of the first stage with a 3-3 draw with Milton Keynes. All three Cippenham players contributed a win apiece in a much-improved team performance.

The division was then split with Cippenham placed, as the bottom team, in the lower half for the final three matches. A 5-1 defeat at the hands of Irish Colleens, during which Sue scored Cippenham's only point, was followed on Sunday morning by a 6-0 defeat at the hands of London-based Fusion B. However, the season ended with another 3-3 draw with Milton Keynes, replicating the result against the same opponents from a day earlier. This time



Hari Gehlot

it was Mary who starred for Cippenham with victories against Julie Snowdon and Sheila King while Sue recovered from 2-0 down to beat Dawn Pearce.



Men 2 (l-r): Mike Rhodes; Samson Bekele; Paul Baker; Tony Stead

Photos by Mike Rhodes

Tables overleaf >>>

Could you be on a rota for Tuesday Duty Officer?

Or know anyone who could?

Please speak to Elena!

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VBL tables

Veterans' British League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Men's Division 2B							
Cippenham 1	10	10	0	0	54	6	20
Foresters D	10	6	2	2	37	23	14
Seasiders 1	10	4	2	4	28	32	10
Ashford 1	10	2	2	6	21	39	6
Dewsbury	10	1	4	5	20	40	6
South Essex	10	1	2	7	20	40	4

Men's Division 4A Bottom Half

Cippenham 2	3	3	0	0	15	3	6
Draycott 5	3	2	0	1	9	9	4
Ashford 3	3	1	0	2	6	12	2
Archway Peterborough 2	3	0	0	3	6	12	0

Men's Division 4A

Border Reivers	7	5	1	0	29	13	11
Foresters E	7	5	0	2	31	11	10
Graham Spicer 2	7	5	0	2	28	14	10
Crusaders	7	4	1	2	23	19	9
Cippenham 2	7	2	3	2	20	22	7
Draycott 5	7	2	1	4	16	26	5
Ashford 3	7	2	0	5	11	31	4
Archway Peterborough 2	7	0	0	7	10	32	0

Women's Division 1 Bottom Half

Fusion B	3	3	0	0	16	2	6
Irish Colleens	3	1	1	1	9	9	3
MK	3	0	2	1	7	11	2
Cippenham	3	0	1	2	4	14	1

Women's Division 1

Ellenborough	7	4	3	0	25	17	11
Foresters	7	4	1	2	26	16	9
Lyncrest	7	3	3	1	25	17	9
Ashford	7	2	4	1	24	18	8
Fusion B	7	2	3	2	21	21	7
MK	7	0	6	1	19	23	6
Irish Colleens	7	2	1	4	21	21	5
Cippenham	7	0	1	6	8	34	1

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Men 1				
Andy Trott	6	12	12	100
Mark Banks	2	4	4	100
Martin Adams	10	20	19	95
Hari Gehlot	10	20	18	90
Tony Stead	1	2	1	50
Samson Bekele	1	2	0	0
Men 2				
Samson Bekele	7	14	9	64
Paul Baker	8	16	10	62
Mike Rhodes	8	16	9	56
Tony Stead	7	14	7	50
Women				
Mary Heffernan	5	10	3	30
Sue Hayes	10	20	5	25
Julie Dean	5	10	2	20
Denise Weller	10	20	2	10

Results:

Men 1	Women
6-0 Seasiders 1	0-6 Ashford
6-0 Dewsbury	3-3 MK
5-1 Ashford 1	1-5 Irish Colleens
5-1 South Essex	0-6 Fusion B
4-2 Foresters D	3-3 MK
Men 2	
3-3 Crusaders	
5-1 Ashford 3	
4-2 Archway Peterborough 2	
5-1 Ashford 3	
6-0 Draycott 5	

Pure "Magic" at Maidenhead Closed



Maciej Dlugozima, a member of the champions elect Cippenham Trojans team, was the most successful player when the Maidenhead and District Table Tennis Association held its annual championships at Cippenham in February. Maciej, or "Magic" as he is widely known, won the blue riband event, the Men's Singles, for the second time having previously won in 2018. Maciej also won the Tweenies' Singles, an event for players between junior and veterans ages. Runners-up in both events were Maciej's teammates: Hari Prasad in the Men's Singles and Ricky Hardcastle in the Tweenies'. However, the tables were turned when Ricky got the better of Maciej in the Division One Singles.

Ricky added a second title when winning the Mixed Doubles with Lucie

Maidenhead Closed Championships Results

Event	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-up
MS	Maciej Dlugozima	Hari Prasad
LS	Denise Rolfe	Lucie Bouron
MD	Hari Prasad	Dave Hyder
	Bruce Smeath	Elroy Hull
XD	Ricky Hardcastle	Gary Crick
	Lucie Bouron	Denise Rolfe
VMS	Bruce Smeath	Gary Crick
VWS	Denise Rolfe	Louise Forster
TS	Maciej Dlugozima	Ricky Hardcastle
D1S	Ricky Hardcastle	Maciej Dlugozima
D2S	Keith Hall	Walter Aldridge
D3S	Rajin Soni	Alex Zubrenkov
DHS	Bruce Smeath	Alex Zubrenkov
DD	Keith Hall	Walter Aldridge
	Mike Collins	Dave Tant
MSCons	Dave Hyder	Elroy Hull
TSCons	Hari Prasad	Chris Collins
VMSCons	Akeel Mir	Dave Tant

Bold type indicates represents Cippenham in league

Bouron and Hari Prasad got his reward when teaming up with Bruce Smeath to win the Men's Doubles. In the final they beat Smeath's NWCA teammates Dave Hyder and Elroy Hull.

Keith Hall beat Walter Aldridge in an all-Cippenham Division Two Singles final while Alex Zubrenkov only just failed to make it a clean sweep for Cippenham in the divisional event when he lost 15-13 in the fifth to Rajin Soni in the Division Three Singles. Keith Hall also won the Drawn Doubles, partnering Mike Collins in the final against Walter Aldridge and David Tant.

Two of the consolation events were also won by Cippenham players: Hari Prasad in the Tweenies' Singles and Akeel Mir in the Veterans' Singles.

Under-strength Cippenham defeated twice

An under-strength Cippenham team, missing stalwart Rob Hansell, fell to consecutive defeats when the third weekend, this time just one day, of the Senior British League took place. Zero points from the day saw Cippenham fall two places to sixth in National Division B-4 but are still well clear of the bottom and anything other than a calamity will still see the team finish above the relegation places when the season concludes in April.

Three wins for team captain Martin Adams, including a doubles in tandem with Shae Thakker, and a solitary win for Steve Munson was not enough to earn any points in the morning match against Horsham Spinners and the final result was 5-4 in the Sussex team's favour. Adams and Thakker both beat Mark Collins while Thakker also beat Daniel Pound.

Senior British League

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
National Division B-4							
Joola Plymouth 1	10	8	0	2	57	33	16
Haywards Heath 1	10	8	0	2	52	38	16
Waterside 1	10	6	0	4	48	42	12
Foresters 2	10	5	0	5	51	39	10
Portishead 1	10	5	0	5	45	45	10
Cippenham	10	4	0	6	43	47	8
Horsham Spinners 1	10	2	0	8	34	56	4
Brighton TTC 2	10	2	0	8	30	60	4

Players' Averages:

	M	P	W	Av
Martin Adams	10	20	16	80
Robert Hansell	4	8	6	75
Steve Munson	10	20	9	45
Shae Thakker	10	20	7	35
Maciej Dlugozima	3	6	0	0
Ricky Hardcastle	3	6	0	0

Results:

4-5 Horsham Spinners 1
3-6 Foresters 2

Trojans secure Maidenhead title



Trojans' top two: Ricky Hardcastle and Maciej Dlugozima

Congratulations to the Cippenhams Trojans team of Ricky Hardcastle, Maciej Dlugozima, aided by Hari Prasad, Anthony Gardener and Michal Garski who have secured the Maidenhead League title with two matches to spare.

The title-winning moment came in late February against defending champions Cippenhams Saxons in a 9-1 victory for the new champions. Only a first doubles defeat of the season for Trojans prevented the whitewash!

Saxons, still, look set to gain the runners-up trophies and only a unlikely series of results from NWCA Bluejays, who Saxons meet this week, can deny this.

Cippenhams Titans have fallen off top perch in Division 2 but are only three points behind leaders NWCA Raiders and have a match in hand. Don't count out Cippenhams Vikings who, despite currently being in fourth place, are only two points off top spot with two matches in hand. It's going to be close! The possibility of a one-two for Cippenhams teams in both the top two divisions is still alive and results in March will determine the outcome.

Spartans look set to win Division 3 despite having as many as five matches still to play. They lead their nearest rivals by eleven points and have a game in hand.

Maidenhead League

League Tables:

P W D L F A Pts

Division 1

Cippenhams Trojans	13	13	0	0	110	20	110
Cippenhams Saxons	13	9	1	3	87	43	87
Cookham Social Pumas	13	4	2	7	62	68	62
NWCA Bluejays	10	5	2	3	51	49	51
Old Gords Harriers	13	3	0	10	32	98	32
Bovingdon Gn Hawks	12	0	1	11	28	92	28

Division 2

NWCA Raiders	16	11	2	3	96	64	96
Cippenhams Titans	15	9	3	3	93	57	93
OLOP Bears	15	9	0	6	90	60	90
Cippenhams Vikings	14	9	1	4	86	54	86
Cippenhams Normans	15	6	2	7	72	78	72
Boyne Hill CC	13	3	0	10	47	83	47
Cookham Social Lions	14	0	0	14	26	114	26

Division 3

Cippenhams Spartans	13	12	1	0	97	31	97
SportsAble Wizards	14	8	4	2	86	54	86
NWCA Seahawks	15	6	2	7	76	74	76
Bovingdon Gn Kites	14	6	3	5	70	70	70
Stoke Poges Bees	14	5	3	6	68	72	68
NWCA Sharks	14	5	0	9	62	78	62
SportsAble Warriors	14	0	1	13	29	109	29

Players' Averages:

M P W Av

Trojans

Ricky Hardcastle	12	36	34	94
Maciej Dlugozima	10	30	28	93
Hari Prasad	4	12	11	92
Anthony Gardner	5	15	11	73
Michal Garski	3	9	6	67
Chris Clifford	2	6	4	67
Harry Coles	2	6	3	50
Sue Hayes	1	3	1	33

Saxons

Oli Shaw	6	18	15	83
Ashley Shaw	11	32	23	72
Albert Cheung	11	32	19	59
Graham Trimming	10	29	16	55

Titans

Lucie Bouron	8	24	16	67
Lawrence Harvey	13	38	23	61
Tony Jackson	13	38	23	61
Walter Aldridge	5	14	8	57
Clive Chapman	6	18	8	44

Vikings

Harry Coles	11	32	26	81
Keith Hall	14	41	24	59
Siyuan Li	3	9	5	56
Akeel Mir	12	35	19	54
Mohammed Qasim	1	3	0	0

Normans

Josh Blagden	1	3	3	100
Emma Human	11	30	22	73
Dave Tant	12	33	22	67
Armando Borges	5	15	8	53
Elena Tant	9	24	3	13
Denzil Mascarenhas	7	21	0	0

Spartans

Josh Blagden	10	30	29	97
Alexey Zubrenkov	8	22	20	91
Mohammed Qasim	10	28	22	79
Oleg Kuba Kubenko	5	15	9	60

National Cadet Cup is coming to Cippenhams

Another prestigious event is set to come to Cippenhams. On 28/29th March, Cippenhams will host the National Cadet Cup featuring the top ten cadet (under-15) boys and girls in the country.

The National Cup replaced the National Masters a few years ago. Cippenhams previously hosted the National Masters many times, starting with the very first season at new newly opened Centre in 1996-7. This was a landmark event for Cippenhams as two of our players, Gareth Herbert and Jesper Hougaard won the two boys' events—juniors and cadets. Eleven time in a row Cippenhams hosted both the Junior and Cadet Masters and then it was one or the other until 2010.

Can you help?—the Club needs Duty Officers for Tuesday!

The future of Tuesday evening practice sessions is in doubt. An appeal to members for a permanent Tuesday Duty Officer brought no fruitful response and so another idea has been floated. Could we get, say, six people willing to go on a rota to cover this role. As members will be aware, this is a paid role and would suit anyone who wants to make a little more pocket money and, what's more, the rate per hour has recently been increased!

If you, or anyone you know, would be able to add their name to the rota, then please speak to Elena Tant on 07946 227098.

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Weekday Timetable

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

Fees Season 2019-20

	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		
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Liam Pitchford - England's No. 1.
Liam Pitchford uses a Butterfly Viscaria blade with Tenergy 05 rubber on both sides.

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Weekend Diary

Mar 1	Reading Junior Closed Championships
Mar 7	National Junior League (4)
Mar 8	Reading Senior Closed Championships
Mar 15	National Cadet League (4)
Mar 21	South Region Qualification Event
Mar 28/9	National Cadet Cup
Apr 4/5	Senior British League National Div B4 (4)
Jun 27/28	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Festival

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