

8 points from a possible 24-another slow start to the season

## Slow Saturday but BL teams pick up on Sunday

Cippenham made their traditional slow start to the British League season, although the second day saw all teams picking up points especially the third squad who experienced a Super Sunday.

Once again, Martin Adams was the most successful player with five wins out of eight but he received insufficient support from the rest of the team. Just one point out of eight was the dismal return for the Cippenham first team playing in Division One South at their home venue. Cippenham were a little unlucky in that two matches were lost by the narrow margin of 5-3.

Our only point came in the 4-4 draw with York Gardens on Sunday morning. This was a match that promised to provide both points as Cippenham won five games more than their opponents but three sets were lost 11-7 in the deciding fifth game or closer. The two 5-3 losses came at the hands of Brighton and VRS Generation (Fareham) but, once again, a 11-9 fifth game defeat for Mark Butler in the match against Brighton and 11-8 in the fifth for Rob Lemon in the Generation match determined the difference between defeat and elusive league points. Sandwiched in between was a horror 8-0 defeat to Urban Progress, a team relegated from the Premier Division last season.



Cippenham first team (I-r): Rob Lemon; Lee Dredge; Martin Adams; Mark Butler

Lee Dredge, with three wins, played well but Mark Butler and Rob Lemon tasted victory only once each.

The Cippenham second team, playing at the same venue and at the same level as the first team in Division One South and Midlands fared somewhat better, gaining three points, tying the aggregate for the whole of last season! As with the first team, it was the Sunday morning match that bore most fruit. A 5-3 win over Fusion II was gained with braces from Danny Baxter and new signing Martin Gray with Cippenham's other new signing, Owen Clutterbuck, adding the fifth.

Steve Munson was the star in the other profitable match from which a 4-

4 draw was gained from Urban Progress II. Steve beat Csaba Baliant and Darius Atashroo, both three-straight, while Owen and Danny, respectively, also demeaned the same opponents.

Martin Gray also won one each in the 6-2 defeats to Sycamore and OLOP IMPACT to finish with four wins from eight matches on his Cippenham debut while Danny did better with four out of six. Owen won half of his six matches, Steve had a similar return from four matches, while Mark Jackson and Steve Buck failed to score in their six and two matches respectively.

For Steve Smith's report on the third team plus all the statistics, please see over >>>



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#### Graham tops in Grand Prix—a record **48** entries

Vilub Chair-∕man Graham Trimming became the third member to win a second Grand Prix series even though he was away on holiday final the for week. Graham had amassed 270 points in his four previous



weeks to become uncatchable. In the end, Paul Baker was runner-up after winning both of the weeks that he entered and Anthony Gardner was third. Graham won once, as did Tony Stead, Rafique Sarhadi and Alex Polding. The total number of players taking part, 48, equalled the record and underlines the continuing popularity of this weekly Tuesday event.

Gra	nd Prix 16	Pts
1.	Graham Trimming	270
2.	Paul Baker	200
3.	Anthony Gardner	190
4.	Terry Osborne	155
5.	Ricky Hardcastle	155
6.	Tim Goodship	125
7.	Elroy Hull	105
8.	Alex Polding	100
8.	Rafique Sarhadi	100
8.	Tony Stead	100

## JL gets underway

he new season of the Junior National League is underway. Cippenham have entered four boys' teams and they are competing in the divisions at Chesham High School. The girls' Anthony Gardner competition, being



played at Cippenham, has yet to start but will unfortunately be without representation from the hosts.

Although there were good individual performances, the first day's play was marred by each of the four Cippenham teams being a player short. To fail to turn up after agreeing to play is not an option!

There are two teams from the Club in each of the second and third divisions and, despite being short of players, three of the teams hold mid-table positions after the first round of matches.

#### League Tables:

League Tables.	Ρ	w	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Division 2							
Blackmore Vale	3	3	0	0	21	6	21
Chitern-CHS C	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	3 2 2 2	0	1	18	9	18
Denham Village A	3	2	0	1	17	10	17
Cippenham B	3		0	1	15	11	15
Chalfont A	3	0	0	3	5	22	5
			4	22	4		
Division 3							
Chiltern-CHS D	3	3 2 1	0	0	24	3	24
Denham Village B	3	2	1	0	22	4	22
Cippenham D	3		0	2	11	15	15
Cippenham E	3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	1	0	2 3 2	9	18	9
Chalfont B	3	0	0	3	8	19	8
Chiltern-CHS F	- 3	1	0	2	6	21	6
Players' Averages:							
Players' Averages:	М		P	ı	w		Av
Cippenham B	М		P	ı	w		Av
<b>Cippenham B</b> Anthony Gardner			8	1	7		88
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Cippenham B Anthony Gardner Salman Tanveer Cippenham C	3		8		7 6		88 75
Cippenham B Anthony Gardner Salman Tanveer Cippenham C George Weller	3		8		7 6 1		88 75 13
Cippenham B Anthony Gardner Salman Tanveer Cippenham C George Weller Duncan Calvert			8		7 6		88 75
Cippenham B Anthony Gardner Salman Tanveer Cippenham C George Weller Duncan Calvert Cippenham D	3 3 3 3		8 8 8 8		7 6 1 1		88 75 13 13
Cippenham B Anthony Gardner Salman Tanveer Cippenham C George Weller Duncan Calvert Cippenham D Lee Fletcher	3 3 3 3		8 8 8 8		7 6 1 1 7		88 75 13 13 88
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**Anniversary Party** Thursday 16 October, 7pm Celebrate 12 years at the Centre Annual awards for: **Outstanding Contribution** Senior Player of the Year Junior Player of the Year Who will be the winners this year? Come along and join in the plaudits and partake of the food and drink

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# Third team in contention in a very competitive division

he third British League team started their campaign against Ashford II, relegated from Division 2 South last season. Chris Hansell and Eddie Mitchell secured the only victories in a 2-6 loss. Chris beat Nicolas Ravalec in five and Eddie got the better of Anthony Johnson in four. With a bit of luck the result could have been a draw or even a win for Cippenham with Eddie losing out in five to Adam Brewer and Chris losing in four close games also to Brewer. Steve Smith had two close contests losing deuce in the fifth to Johnson and a close fourgame match with Ashford number four Trung Tran. Phil Prady, playing at what proved to be a lofty number three, also lost both of his matches close in four.

In the afternoon the same line-up succumbed to Hastings, catching them on a day when they fielded one of their strongest sides. Chris defeated Rose Rainton, ranked 15 in the country, three-straight but lost to Paul Barry. Eddie also lost to Barry but defeated Hastings number three Matt Porter. Porter edged a tight game with Steve to come through 7 in the deciding end having led 2-0, Steve then beat Roger Pingram in similar fashion, 2-0 up but leaving it until late in the deciding end to come through 11-9. Again Phil lost both of his matches in four games. Final score 3-5.

Fielding a different team on Sunday, things took a turn for the better. First match was against Fusion III who had looked impressive winning both of their matches on the Saturday and looked set to continue this form racing

#### by Steve Smith

to a 2-0 lead, Chris Hansell and Paul Baker losing to David Fraser and JoJo Senorin respectively. From then on it was plain sailing as Cippenham only dropped a further four games on their way to a 6-2 win. Eddie Mitchell winning both of his matches and Tony Stead also securing a maximum on debut.

The final match of the weekend against DHS Greenhouse Progress IV also started badly with Progress winning the first two sets, Paul losing out to Joseph Mensah and Chris losing in five to the reigning National Under-12 Champion Igor Morais. Cippenham won the next four sets before Eddie also lost to Morais in three straight games. Tony then clinched the win with a 3-1 win over an inspired Bhavin Savjani who pushed Tony all the way. Again, a maximum for Tony with the others chipping in with one apiece.

In what is shaping up to be a very competitive division, after the first weekend the third team finished with four with two wins and two losses, Only two points separate all eight teams with the leaders on five points and the bottom team on three!

Highlights of the weekend were Tony's maximums in his first appearance in the Yellow and Blue, Eddie's fine win over David Fraser which saw Eddie's consistent attack finally break down the magnificent defensive play of Fraser, and Chris' straight-games win over one of the country's best female players.

#### League Tables: PWDL F A Pts **Division 1 South** 0 0 29 Urban Progress I 4 4 3 8 Woolwell I 2 2 0 20 12 6 4 2 Greenhouse Progress II 4 1 1 18 14 5 2 Brighton I Δ 1 1 17 15 5 2 VRS Generation I 4 0 2 14 18 4 BATTS Team Peniel II 4 1 0 9 23 2 3 0 1 3 11 21 1 York Gardens I 4 **Division 1 South & Midlands** 0 0 26 Sycamore 4 4 6 8 4 OLOP IMPACT I 4 0 0 24 8 8 2 2 2 16 16 Kingfisher 4 0 4 Elgre Nottingham I 4 2 0 15 17 4 Fusion II 4 2 0 2 15 17 4 Cippenham II 1 2 13 19 3 4 1 1 3 12 20 0 4 7 25 Urban Progress II 0 4 1 Carrara Polska I 4 0 0 **Division 3 South** Table not yet available Players' Averages: Ρ W Μ Av Cippenham I Martin Adams 8 5 63 4 Lee Dredge 4 8 3 38 1 1 Mark Butler 13 4 8 Rob Lemon 4 8 13 Cippenham II 4 67 3 6 Danny Baxter Martin Gray 8 4 50 4 Owen Clutterbuck 6 3 2 0 50 3 Steve Munson 2 4 50 Mark Jackson 3 6 0 Steve Buck 1 2 0 0 Cippenham III 4 2 4 100 **Tony Stead** 5 Eddie Mitchell 4 8 63 4 2 Chris Hansell 4 8 50 Paul Baker 2 4 50 Steve Smith 2 1 0 25 4 Phil Prady 2 Δ ٥ Results: Cippenham I **Cippenham III** 3-5 Brighton I 2-6 Ashford II 0-8 Urban Progress I 3-5 Hastings 4-4 York Gardens I 6-2 Fusion III 3-5 VRS Generation I 5-3 G'house Progress IV Cippenham III 2-6 Sycamore

4-4 Urban Progress II 5-3 Fusion II

2-6 OLOP IMPACT I

#### Eddie leads the way in County Trials

The Buckinghamshire county trials were held at Cippenham last month and once again home club players tasted success.

Cippenham held the top two places in the junior boys' event through Eddie Mitchell and Alex Polding while Steph Mitchell and Angela Oetiker were second and third respectively in the girls.

## Huge increase in membership

The membership year at Cippenham runs from 1 September until 31 August and so another year has just finished. And, what a year! The final total number of members rose a massive 23% from 171 to 211. Look around at the attendances at the Club's Tuesday and Thursday practice sessions and you will see why. Table tennis is booming at Cippenham with a full house at most sessions.

#### Your Membership Form for 2008-9 is now due

The membership year runs from 1 September to 31 August

Thanks to the many who have already submitted theirs

If you have not yet done so, then please send your form to Graham, with the correct fees, as soon as possible.

Thanks.

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#### Weekend Diary October/November

#### October

- Sat 11 Southern Region junior training squad
- Sat 18 Cippenham Series 2—Senior 2 2-Star Open
- Sun 19 Cippenham Series 2—Veterans' 1 2-Star Open

Sat 25 County Championships Junior Premier Division

Sun 26 County Championships Junior Premier Division

#### November

- Sat 8 National Junior League
- Sun 9 Cippenham Team 2-Star Open Championship
- Sat 15 County Championships Senior Premier Division
- Sun 16 County Championships Senior Premier Division
- Sat 22 County Championships Junior Division 2C
- Sat 29 British League Divisions 1S&M and 2S
- Sun 30 British League Divisions 1S&M and 2S

### Weekday Diary

Mon	7:15	Advanced Coaching
Tues	7:15 7:30 7:40	Slough & Maidenhead league matches Practice Tables Grand Prix
Wed	7:30	Squad Training
Thurs	5:15 7:15 7:30	Beginners' Coaching Slough & Maidenhead league matches Practice Tables

#### **Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 2008-09**

	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
Maidenhead 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		
Maidenhead League Registration National Junior League registration Practice Fees Slough League Match Fees Coaching Fees (per session) Coaching Fees (per term - 1st group) Coaching Fees (per term - 2nd group)	£15.00 n/a *£3.50 £3.50	£7.50 £12.00 *£1.75 £1.75 **£2.50 £30.00

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#### **Season's Calendar**

#### Future Events at Cippenham

Dec 6	National Junior League
Dec 7	Southern Region junior training
Dec 13	County Championships Senior Division 2D
Jan 10	County Championships Senior Division 2D
Jan 11	British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M (3)
Jan 24	Buckinghamshire Junior Closed
Jan 25	Southern Region junior training
Ja31/Feb1	Cippenham Young Players' New Year Fest
Feb 7	Cippenham Series 3—Senior 3 Open
Feb 8	Cippenham Series 3—Veterans' 2 Open
Feb 14/15	Maidenhead Closed Championships
Feb 21/22	British League Divisions 1S & 1S&M (4)
Mar 7	National Junior League
Mar 14/15	Reading Closed Championships
Mar 21	County Championships
Mar 28	Cippenham Series 4—Senior 4 Open
Mar 29	Cippenham Series 4—Junior 2 Open
May 2	Cippenham Series 5—Cadet & U13 Open
May 3	Cippenham Series 5—Junior 3 Open
May 9/10	ETTA National Junior Masters
May 23	Cippenham Series 6—Veterans' 3 Open
May 24	Cippenham Series 6—Senior 5 Open
Jun 13/14	Cippenham Young Players' Summer Fest.

#### **Events away from Cippenham**

Oct 18/19Junior British League (1) (Wolverhampton)Oct 25/26Veterans' British League (1) (Hereford)Jan31/Fe1Veterans' British League (2) (Doncaster)Feb 7/8Junior British League (2) (Wolverhampton)

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