

## GIRLS AGAIN LEAD THE WAY

Cippenham "C" managed to retain their top spot in the National Junior Table Tennis League (Southern Region) at Cippenham Table Tennis Centre on December 4<sup>th</sup>. At the half way stage in the competition Cippenham have seven wins and just one defeat from their eight matches and are three points clear of rivals Challoner and a further point up on Chesham High School. The objective of successive titles still looks a possibility for the Cippenham club.

Cippenham promoted Jasjote Grewal in place of the absent Katherine Tweedy and managed to win their first three matches of the day, against Cippenham "E" 5-1, Chalfont "B" 6-0 and Bournemouth 5-1. Emily Tucker was the star for Cippenham in these matches, winning all six of her games while Jasjote and Sylvana Bielec won five each. However, the final match resulted in a 5-1 defeat for Cippenham at the hands of Challoner and the only success was Emily's win over Katy Mead. Emily suffered her only defeat of the day at deuce in the third game against Gemma Hollett.

Cippenham's other sides were not as successful with the girls "D" team lying seventh, the "E" team eighth while the boys "C" team are also eighth.

The division will now be split into two sections with the points that were gained in the first half being carried forward.

**New Signs** - I hope that you like the new signs recently erected at the Centre. There are two signs indicating the presence of Cippenham Table Tennis Centre at roadside, plus the main sign on the building and a direction indicator on the corner of the school. It has taken more than three years for this project to be completed but the results are worth the wait!



Emily Tucker and Sylvana Bielec

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Boys' Division 1/2	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
High Wycombe A	9	8	1	0	46	8	46
OLOP A	9	7	2	0	45	9	45
Bournemouth	9	7	1	1	43	11	43
Redbridge Trains	9	5	1	3	33	21	33
Chiltern CHS A	9	4	1	4	28	26	28
Kidlington Forum	9	4	2	3	28	26	28
Chiltern-CHS B	9	3	0	6	20	34	20
Cippenham C	9	1	1	7	15	39	15
OLOP B	9	0	1	8	7	47	7
Chilton Trinity	9	1	0	8	5	49	5

Boys' Division 3/4	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
High Wycombe B	11	11	0	0	58	8	58
Chiltern-CHS C	11	9	0	2	54	12	54
Witney A	11	10	0	1	47	19	47
Chalfont A	11	5	2	4	41	25	41
Cippenham E	11	6	1	4	38	28	38
Chiltern-CHS D	11	6	0	5	36	30	36
Bournemouth B	11	4	3	4	34	32	34
Cippenham F	11	4	1	6	27	39	27
Cippenham D	11	3	2	6	26	40	26
Chiltern-CHS E	11	2	1	8	16	50	16
Witney B	11	0	1	10	11	55	11
Chalfont B	11	0	1	10	8	58	8

Girls' Division 1/2	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cippenham C	8	7	0	1	40	8	40
Challoner	8	7	0	1	37	11	37
Chesham HS	8	6	0	2	36	12	36
Bournemouth	8	6	0	2	26	22	26
IMPACT	8	4	0	4	24	24	24
Chalfont A	8	3	0	5	19	29	19
Cippenham D	8	2	0	6	18	30	18
Cippenham E	8	1	0	7	11	37	11
Chalfont B	8	0	0	8	5	43	5

## Kai is Third Best this Century!



Cippenham's Kai Milvek has been voted the third best female player of the century in her native Estonia. Kai has won 23 national senior singles and doubles titles and has captained her country at the World Championships. To crown a glittering career Kai won three medals at the 1998 Veterans' World Championships - gold in the team event and bronze in singles and doubles. It was quite a family affair as Kai's brother, Jaan Harms, did even better, claiming second place in the male category, ahead of such stars as Igor Solopov!



**Best Wishes To All Members and Visitors In The New Millennium**





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## British League Results

**December 12<sup>th</sup>**

**Adeyfield 5; Cippenham 5**

W Bush-Harris 0; M Adams 1; C Payne 2; G Pointer 1; doubles 1

**January 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Cippenham 7; De Vere Sudbury 1 3**

W Bush-Harris 1; M Adams 2; C Payne 1/1; G Pointer 0/1; doubles 0/1; w.o. 3

## Results Round-Up

**Sussex GP Open (9/10 Oct)**

U21MS: Robert Pountney, r/u

**Gloucs Cadet 2\* Open (10 Oct)**

CBSBand1: Chris Hansell, r/u

**Western Open GP Major (30/31 Oct)**

U21MS: Robert Pountney, winner

**Cotswold Junior 4\* Open (29/30 Jan)**

CBSGrade1: Bradley Evans, winner

## Picture Parade



The Club's squads for the Junior British League pose with the Westgate School minibus during the weekend at Wolverhampton in October

Photo by Linda Evans

# PROMOTION FOR LADIES

A good all round team performance from Gemma Chapman, Claire Plumridge and Sue Hayes ensured Cippenham promotion from Division 2 of the Women's British League during the weekend of 29/30<sup>th</sup> January. Two wins, two drawn matches and one defeat was enough to gain second spot in the competition played at Kirkby Leisure Centre in Lancashire.

Saturday started with two matches in which the points were shared. 3-3 draws were played with Norwich Gels and Suvi Sportswear. In the first match Gemma starred with two wins while it was a brace from Claire which was all important in the second match. Saturday evening finished with a 6-0 thrashing of Limberlost Pine Poole. The all important defeat came first thing on Sunday morning when Claire failed to score as Cippenham went down 2-4 to third placed Norton. The result of this defeat was that Cippenham went into the last match against Scottish Ladies three points behind their opponents. However, the day finished well with Gemma and Sue winning two each in a 4-2 victory over the champions.

Gemma and Sue both finished up with 14 wins from 20 matches over the two weekends to finish joint third in the division's averages.

The young Cippenham second team also played well and their two wins elevated them one place to fourth in Division 3. The victories came 4-2 over Norwich and 5-1 over The LFC's. Joanna Parker (12) excelled and her 16 wins from 20 matches gave her fourth place in the division's averages. Emma Human and Jane Dickens both won three of their ten matches over the weekend.

## Results:

Cippenham I 3; Norwich Gels I 3  
Cippenham I 3; Suvi Sportswear II 3  
Cippenham I 6; Limberlost Pine 0  
Cippenham I 2; Norton Ladies 4  
Cippenham I 4; Scottish Ladies 2  
Cippenham II 2; Grove II 4  
Cippenham II 2; East Midland Ladies 4  
Cippenham II 1; Sutton at Hone 5  
Cippenham II 4; Norwich Gels II 2  
Cippenham II 5; The LFC's 1

## League Tables:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
<b>Division 2</b>							
Scottish Ladies	10	6	3	1	39	21	15
Cippenham I	10	6	2	2	39	21	14
Norton Ladies	10	5	2	3	33	27	12
Norwich Gels I	10	3	4	3	28	32	10
Limberlost Pine	10	3	0	7	21	39	6
Suvi Sportswear II	10	0	3	7	20	40	3
<b>Division 3</b>							
Sutton at Hone	10	8	1	1	44	16	17
E Midland Ladies	10	6	2	2	38	22	14
Grove II	10	5	2	3	36	24	12
Cippenham II	10	4	0	6	27	33	8
The LFC's	10	3	2	5	22	38	8
Norwich Gels II	10	0	1	9	13	47	1

## Players' Performances

	M	P	W	Av
<b>Cippenham I</b>				
Sue Hayes	10	20	14	70
Gemma Chapman	10	20	14	70
Claire Plumridge	10	20	11	55
<b>Cippenham II</b>				
Joanna Parker	10	20	16	80
Emma Human	10	20	8	40
Jane Dickens	10	20	3	15

## Out of Ormesby

While the club's women players were in the north, the men's team stayed at home to play in the first stage of the Ormesby Cup - the national club championship for which Cippenham qualified by winning the Slough League last season. A weakened side lost both matches: 5-2 to Exiles (Barnet) and 5-0 to Vagabonds (Harrow & Wembley). The most pleasing note was two excellent victories over higher ranked players by Robert Hansell (15). The other members of the team were Chris Lusher and Kevin Rowe.

**Thanks again, Alan** - Alan Farral has once again done the Club proud by making a rack to house the old nets and posts that we now leave out for the school to use. Members should note that only Donis Stress nets and posts should now be placed inside the Club's lockable cabinet.

## Top Man Award for Prabdeep

Christmas time at Alan Farral's Tuesday evening beginners' coaching class signals the award for *Top Man* for the most improved player. This year Alan was delighted to make the presentation to Prabdeep Panesar (pictured). Prabdeep and his sister Jhaapjeep are, of course, the offspring of Malkeet Panesar who played for Cippenham in the Slough League a few years ago.



Photo by Alan Farral



## Two Titles for Gemma, Another for Warren

Cippenham's Gemma Chapman just managed to hold off the challenge of Reading's Lisa Calcutt to retain her Girls' Singles title at the Cippenham Junior 3 Star Open Championships on 2<sup>nd</sup> January. It was plain sailing for Gemma throughout the day until the final where her nerve just held to win 21-19 in the third game. Earlier Gemma had defeated her Maidenhead team mate Emma Human in the semi-final while the presence of Jo Parker in the other semi-final meant that three of the last four players were from this club. Jo's loss to Calcutt in the semi was a disappointment for the number two seed and England Under-12 champion.



There was double celebration for Cippenham as Warren Brooks won the Boys' Singles to make it a double for the host club. Warren was the only Cippenham player to make it past the last eight and did not drop a game all day. After winning his initial group Warren eased past Michael Simpson, Umair Mauthoor and Lee Calcutt before despatching top seed and defending champion Tim Holtam 22-20, 21-15 in the final. Cippenham's John Camilleri and Stuart Tweedy also made it through to the quarter-finals while Slough junior champion Tom Mitchell, David Hayes and Chris Hansell were beaten one round earlier.

In the Boys' Consolation England Under-10 champion Bradley Evans reached the final before losing to Dorset's Ben Cooper.

### Boys' Singles:

W Brooks (Wycombe) bt T Holtam (Mi) 20, 15

### Girls' Singles:

G Chapman (M'd) bt L Calcutt (Bk) 18, -14, 19

### Boys' Consolation:

B Cooper (Do) bt B Evans (Slough) 14, -18, 15

### Girls' Consolation:

S Simpson (Sx) bt E Etheridge (K) 18, 15

**LOG ON** - Martin Adams has developed a new table tennis web site for exchange of views. Log onto [www.onelist.com](http://www.onelist.com) - then select sports; winter games; table tennis UK.

Gemma Chapman again provided the main local interest at the Cippenham 2 Star Open Championships on 23<sup>rd</sup> January by capturing the Women's Singles for her first senior open title. The 13 year old won her group with ease and then overcame Diane Melville in the quarter-final. Her semi-final victim was top seeded Sarah Horsnell who was despatched 21-18, 21-14. Gemma's 21-9, 21-10 win over Amanda Alabaster in the final was much more of a one-sided contest.

The main event of the day, however, was the Men's Singles which attracted a large field of 75 players from all over the south of England and beyond. It was the eighth seed Jerome Jonah who triumphed by beating his Surrey colleague Chris Beckley in the final and Jonah was clearly delighted with his performance. After winning his group Jonah defeated Brian Savage, World over-60 medallist Tom Adams and then John Monk in the quarters before his toughest match of the day against Simon Rockall in the semi-final. Top seed Simon, a member of Cippenham who is coach to Bradley Evans, was expected to win but Jonah showed greater flair in the vital last few points to win by the narrow margin of 21-19 in the deciding game. That was the only time that Jonah was fully extended in the knock-out part of the competition while, in comparison, his opponent in the final had several narrow scrapes. In the second round Beckley saved match points to defeat Keith Lesser 23-21 in the third, then he next beat Graham Outrim 21-17 in the third and followed this up with the same scoreline in the quarter-final against Martin Gray having recovered from 12-8 down. The semi-final against third seed Steve Davis was more straightforward with Beckley winning 21-14, 21-16.

There were good performances from two of Cippenham's junior players. 14 years old Warren Brooks excelled in reaching the last sixteen and to get there put out Sean Pickin who had earlier beaten the number four seed. In the next round Warren went out 23-21 in the third to John Monk, the same player who had beaten Robert Hansell. Robert (15) had previously won much praise for his win over Geoff Grange in the groups.

### Men's Singles:

J Jonah (Sy) bt C Beckley (Sy) 15, 12

### Women's Singles:

G Chapman (M'head) bt A Alabaster (K) 9, 10

### Men's Consolation:

D Wakefield (K) bt W Wong (Mi) 12, 18

### Women's Consolation:

S Hudson (Bd) bt C Clarke (Sk) 14, 15

## UNSEEDED PLAYERS WIN VETS OPEN

There were plenty of surprise results at the Cippenham Veterans' 2 Star Open on 16<sup>th</sup> January as both the men's and women's events were won by unseeded players.

The Men's Singles was won by Ian Girdler of Kent, a formerly highly ranked player who has just returned to the sport and was making his first visit to Cippenham Table Tennis Centre. Officially ranked half way down the field Girdler won his group by signalling his intentions with a conclusive win over the higher ranked Graham Outrim. In the first round proper Girdler had an easy win over Ray Cordery before defeating eighth seed Barrie Gilbert and then Gerry Hawkins. In the previous round Hawkins posted an unexpected result with a win over fourth seed Derek Holman. Next to face Girdler was Dave Crowley, seeded two but who had lost in his group. That defeat brought Crowley into the top half of the draw where he promptly dispatched top seed and previous champion Steve Davis. After losing the first game of the semi-final against Crowley, Girdler stepped up a gear and then his all attacking game was much too powerful for Tom Carr in the final.

The shocks were not all contained in the top half of the draw, Mike Rhodes, Cippenham's main hope for the title and third seed, was summarily dispatched by Tom Carr in the quarter-final and Carr went on to win a thrilling semi against Norman Swift who had earlier beaten Paul Beck, the victor over Crowley in the groups.

Five of the previous six titles in the Women's Singles had been collected by Marilyn Bawden but the 'flu victim was unable to defend her title this time. Instead her Essex colleague Shirley Carroll picked up a first winner's trophy by defeating local player Jackie Thomas in the final. Both finalists had been stretched to a third game in the semis - Carroll by second seed Gill Larking, and Thomas by the much improved Sharon Mitchell.

The Women's Consolation event brought cheer to the Cippenham club when evergreen 78 years old Georgia Veneer gained a runners-up award.

### Men's Singles:

I Girdler (K) bt T Carr (He) 8, 13

### Women's Singles:

S Carroll (E) bt J Thomas (Slough) 18, 11

### Men's Consolation:

M Stennett (Ca) bt G Grange (Mi) 11, 21

### Women's Consolation:

F Wade (Mi) bt G Veneer (M'head) 6, 21



# CIPPENHAM NEWS

## Weekend Diary February/March

### February

Sat 5th	9:00am	Maidenhead Closed Championships
	2:30pm	Bucks Junior I v. Hampshire
Sun 6th	9:00am	Maidenhead Closed Championships
	11:00am	Bromfield Trophy Stage 1 (Maidenhead)
Sat 12th	11:00am	Leach Cup Stage 1 (Slough)
Sun 13th	12:30pm	Slough League Youth Divisions
Sat 19th	9:00am	Slough Closed Championships
Sun 20th	9:00am	Slough Closed Championships
Sat 26th	9:00am	ETTA National Junior League
Sun 27th	9:00am	SR Junior Training/Coaches' Get-Together

### March

Sat 4th	2:30pm	Bucks Veterans I v. Kent IV
Sun 5th	3:00pm	BL - Cippenham v. BATTs Team Peniel I
		BL - OLOP I v. JAGS SC
Sun 12th	9:00am	Berkshire Junior/Cadet Inter-Town
Sat 18th	2:30pm	Bucks I v. Isle of Wight; Junior II v. Surrey III
		Veterans II v. Middlesex III
Sun 19th	9:00am	Bucks Cadet Inter-League
Sat 25th		ETTA National Junior Masters
Sun 26th		ETTA National Junior Masters

## Weekday Diary

<b>Mon</b>	5.30	Advanced Coaching
	7.30	Excellence Coaching
<b>Tues</b>	5.15	Beginners' Coaching
	7.15	Slough League matches
	7.30	Practice Tables
<b>Wed</b>	7.30	Squad Training
<b>Thurs</b>	5.15	Beginners' Coaching
	7.15	Slough League matches
	7.30	Practice Tables
<b>Fri</b>	7.00	Elite Coaching

### Bar Opening Times

Tuesday & Thursday  
9pm - 11pm

### Cippenham Table Tennis Club Fees Season 1999-00

	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	£2.50	£1.25
Slough Woolwich Junior League Match Fees	£0.50	£0.50
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

Apr 1	ETTA National Junior League
Apr 2	Slough League Youth Divisions
Apr 8/9	ETTA National Cadet Masters
Apr 15/16	Barclay Bank National Championships
Apr 19	Slough League Play-Offs (midweek)
Apr 29	Club Championships/Handicap
Apr 30	British League v. KCD
May 14	Cippenham Under-12 2 Star Open

### Other Cippenham TTC Events

Feb 5/6	Veterans' British League (Hopton)
Mar 11/12	Junior British League (Liverpool)
Mar 12	Gainsford Cup Stage 1

## Gemma, Jo and Warren Qualify for Masters

Three Cippenham players qualified for the National Junior and Cadet Masters tournaments by their performances at the national trials on 8/9<sup>th</sup> January - and two qualified in two different age groups.

Cippenham's top two girls, 13 years old Gemma Chapman and England U12 champion Joanna Parker each qualified for both the junior and cadet competitions underlying their huge potential for players so young. And for good measure the boys will be represented in the Cadet Masters by Warren Brooks, another former England U12 champion. The players can be assured of plenty of local support as the Masters tournaments will both be held at Cippenham in March and April.

**Cancellation of Cadet Open** - Cippenham TTC regrets to announce the cancellation of the successful Cippenham Cadet 3 Star Open scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup> March. This has been caused by the ETTA switching the date of the Junior British League and thus clashing with our event. Someone failed to book the venue! This is the second time that the same event has been moved because of ETTA changes!! *What a shambles!!!*

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