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A full house for the Super 6 Seniors with entries having to be rejected!

Welsh takeaway at Senior Open

The seeding committee for the Cippenham Super 6 Senior 2-Star Open on 22 October really got it right with the top four seeds all making it through to their allotted positions. A high standard and competitive event concluded with a final match being contested by the top two ranked men in Wales and the match could hardly have been closer. Callum Evans eventually triumphed over Daniel O'Connell 12-10 in the fifth and deciding game having twice recovered from a game deficit.

Evans also survived a really tough semi-final against Frederico Viterbo, this time having to claw his way back from a 2-0 deficit. However, the match swung in the Welshman's favour in the third game and never thereafter reversed. O'Connell's semi-final against Mitchell Jones was also hard fought, despite being 3-1, with the last two games decided by the narrowest of margins.

Defending champion Martin Gunn was a victim of Evans one round earlier, in the quarter-final, the stage at which Joshua Nashed, Marcin Pijanowski and Chris Bush also perished.

The Cippenham club's last survivors were Robert Hansell and Tom Windram. Both made it through their preliminary round groups and then won their first round matches in the knockout stage to make it to the last sixteen. At that stage, Robert lost to Gunn, deuce in the fifth after having led 2-0, while Tom lost 3-1 to eventual finalist Daniel O'Connell.

The consolation event was won by Samson Bekele who beat Alex Aston in a very closely fought final.

The tournament was organised by Paul Baker, refereed by Sue Hayes and was over-subscribed with some entries unfortunately having to be rejected.



All-Welsh final: Callum Evans (winner) and Daniel O'Connell (runner-up)

Cippenham Super 6 Senior 2-Star Open
Event Winner Runner-up
OS Callum Evans (WAL) Daniel O'Connell (WAL)

Alex Aston (Np)

Samson Bekele (Sy)



Consolation finalists: Alex Aston and Samson Bekele

20th Anniversary Party

and

Annual Prize Giving

Come and celebrate 20 years since the opening of Cippenham Table Tennis Centre

Thursday 10 November, 7:30 pm

Honour the recipients of the annual awards:

Karen Mitchell Outstanding Contribution Award

Senior Player of the Year

Alan Farral and Terry Boxall Junior Player of the Year

Partake in the food and wine provided

Poor start for women's teams

oth Cippenham teams made a poor start to the new season in the Women's British League and at the end of the first weekend have just a solitary point between them to show for their endeavours.

That single point was gained by the first team, playing in Division 3, but there was even a lengthy wait for that as it came in the final match. All three players contributed to the point in a 3-3 draw with Fusion III who, remarkably, drew all five of their matches over the weekend. Wendy Porter gave Cippenham a great start by beating Francesca Currie 3-0, Julie Dean made it 2-1 with a narrow win over Rhoda Boadu and then Denise Weller secured the point in the very last set against the same player. It could, however, have been so much better for Cippenham. Wendy led Amy Blagbrough 2-1 and Julie led Currie 2-0 but both eventually lost in the fifth game of their respective matches.

Throughout the weekend, the final results of the matches did not quite reflect the closeness of the encounters. This was never more keenly demonstrated than in the first match of the weekend in which Cippenham lost 6-0 against Halton 3. Remarkably, five of the six sets were lost 3-2 and the other 3-1 and Cippenham led in three of them.

Saturday afternoon brought the second successive 6-0 defeat, this time at the hands of Sycamore with the Nottingham team being a little more dominant than Halton had been earlier. Even so, Denise led Lisa Lewis 2-1 before losing 11-9 in the fifth.

The third match on Saturday saw Cippenham pitched against Cardiff City. The Welsh team raced into a 3-0 lead before some respectability was added to the final 4-2 score by Wendy and Denise who beat Julie Hughes and Claire Flannagan.

On Sunday morning only Denise tasted success with a narrow win over Morgan Sykes as Cippenham lost 5-1 to Burton Uxbridge 2.

The young second team, promoted from the Fifth to the Fourth Division and missing star player Jemma Walker, fared even worse. It started badly for Cippenham who, due to a mix-up, fielded only two players for the first match against Cliffdale Chandlers, with Shristi Ghosh arriving too late, and consequently lost 6-0. Even so, the match was evenly contested with three of the four sets played requiring a deciding game. Lucie Bouron, on debut, so nearly got off to flying start but, after leading 2-1, lost the fourth game 12-10 and the fifth 11-5 against Hannah Winfield.

Things improved in the afternoon, with Shristi restored to the team, but Cippenham were beaten again, this time 4-2 by Stantek Old Sports, with Megan Ashfield and Shristi winning one each. Shristi won another as Cippenham lost their final match of the day 5-1 against Graham Spicer.

Divisional leaders MK Vixens swept Cippenham away 6-0 on Sunday morning and Shristi was once again the only winner in the afternoon as Byng Hall B ran out 5-1 winners.

Women's British League League Tables: PWDL F A Pts Division 3 Burton Uxbridge 2 2 0 21 9 8 3 2 20 10 0 Sycamore Fusion III 15 15 16 Halton 3 14 1 2 2 0 1 4 Cardiff City 12 18 Cippenham A Division 4 MK Vixens Graham Spicer 5 3 1 1 18 12 7 0 Cliffdale Chandlers 3 16 14 6 Byng Hall B 2 13 17 Stantek Old Spots 5 1 0 4 9 21 2 5 0 0 5 4 26 Cippenham B Players' Averages: M Ρ W Αv Cippenham A: Denise Weller 10 3 30 Wendy Porter 10 20 Julie Dean 5 10 1 10 Cippenham B: Shristi Ghosh 4 8 3 38 Megan Ashfield 10 10

Cippenham Super 6

Cippenham B: 0-6 Cliffdale Chandlers

2-4 Stantak Old Spots

1-5 Graham Spicer

0-6 MK Vixens

1-5 Byng Hall B

Veterans' 2-Star Open

Sunday 27 November 2016

Preliminary round groups of 6 followed by championship and consolation knock-out

More medals and a TV appearance for Shae



Another busy couple of months for Shae Thakker culminated in more medals to add to his growing collection from the SportsAble Grand Prix and a TV appearance with a prize to boot!

Lucie Bouron

Cippenham A:

0-6 Halton 3

0-6 Sycamore

2-4 Cardiff City

3-3 Fusion II

1-5 Burton Uxbridge 2

Results:

The SportsAble event, played at Cippenham late September, saw Shae emerge winners of two events, the Standing Band A Singles and the Class 10/11 Singles and a runners-up medal in the Junior Singles.

His TV appearance was on the game show *Go For It.* Viewers were treated to Shae being interviewed at home and then, in the studio, he was set a challenge. Of course, the challenge included a table tennis table, a robot and Shae trying to hit 10 balls into each of two receptacles. Confident from the outset, there was never any doubt that our young star would complete the challenge, with time to spare, and win the prize!! If you have not seen the footage, go to Sunjay Thakker's Facebook page where you will find it multiple times!!

Under-strength girls struggle

The Cippenham girls' team missed star players Jemma Walker and Shristi Ghosh as the Junior British League season got underway at Derby over the weekend. Jasmine Williams and Holly Long were drafted in as replacements, pushing regular Megan Ashfield up to the number one position.

Megan Ashfield got Cippenham away in the first match on Saturday morning, beating Medha Verma to put her team 1 -0 up. Unfortunately, that was as good as it got as only Jasmine Williams, in the final game against Federica Bonato, was able to add to the score as Cippenham lost their opening match to Ashford Brunswick 4-2.

Better was to follow in the afternoon against Ulster. An all round team performance, which included one win for each of the three girls, earned Cippenham their first point of the weekend in a 3-3 draw. Holly Long and Jasmine Williams both held off challenges from Lucy Johnson to win tight matches close in the deciding set. Megan added one against Emma Kee and Jasmine led Lucy Craig 2-0 in the opening set before succumbing in five.

The Saturday evening match up against runaway Division 2 leaders Swerve saw Cippenham lose emphatically 6-0 without winning a game.

Junior Bı	iti	sh	L	ea	gue)	
League Tables:	P	w	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Girls' Division 2							
Swerve 1	5		0		28		10
Burton Uxbridge 3		3			19		
Ulster	5	2	1	2	14		
Ashford Brunswick					13		
Cippenham					10		
Greenhouse	5	0	2	3	6	24	2
Players' Averages:							
	M		P)	W		Αv
Megan Ashfield	5		10)	5		50
Jasmine Williams	5		10		4		40
Holly Long	5		10)	1		10
Results:							
2-4 Ashford Brunswick		2-4	Вι	urtoi	n Uxt	oridg	e 3
3-3 Ulster		3-3	G	reer	nhous	se Č	
0-6 Swerve 1							

Megan was in terrific form on Sunday morning as she won both her matches against Burton Uxbridge 3. However, the other two girls were not able to add to the scoresheet and Cippenham lost to the second-placed team 4-2.

The weekend ended on a cheerier note as a further league point was gained in a 3-3 draw with Greenhouse. This time it was Jasmine who played the starring role, beating both Mya Sultan and Casey Nickle while Megan overcame Airney Gerald Jounarouk.



100% again for Shae!

Shae Thakker is at it again—unbeaten over eight matches on the opening day of the National Junior League season. Add that to 35 unbeaten last season and, well, you can work the maths out yourself!

Helped by Pranav Gudipati and William Fricker, the Cippenham A side lie third in the top division with all to play for.

National Junior League								
League Tables:	P		_		_		Di-	
Division 1	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts	
Crusaders A	3	3	0	0	25	2	25	
Reading A	3	3	0	0	19	8	19	
Cippenham A	3 3 3 3 3	2	0	1	17	10	17	
Kidlington A	3	0	0	3	7	20	7	
Crusaders B	3	0	1	2	6	20	6	
Crusaders C	3	0	1	2	6	20	6	
Division 3								
Hillingdon	3	3	0	0	19	8	19	
Ashford B	3	2	0	1	18	9	18	
Chiltern C	3 3 3 3 3	2	0	1	14	13	14	
Dacorum	3	1	0	2	12	15	12	
Ashford C	3	1	0	2	11	16	11	
Cippenham B	3	0	0	3	7	20	7	
Division 4								
Ashford D	3	3	0	0	24	3	24	
Chiltern D	3	2	0	1	19	8	19	
Kidlington C	3 3 3 3 3	3	0	0	19	8	19	
Chiltern F	3	1	0	2	8	19	8	
Cippenham C	3	0	0	3	7	20	7	
Chiltern E	3	0	0	3	4	23	4	
Players' Averages:								
•	M		P		W		٩v	
Cippenham A:								
Shae Thakker	3		8		8	1	00	
Pranav Gudipati	3 3 3		8		3		38	
William Fricker	3		8		3		38	
Cippenham B:								
Holly Long	3 3 3		9)	4		44	
Aiden Caldeira		9		3	33			
Marcus Richardson			9 0			0		
Cippenham C:								
James Western-Kaye	3		9)	5		56	
Jace Heath	3		9)	2		22	
Nikolai Hinterreither	3		9		0		0	

Maidenhead League teams

The following teams have been selected:

Cippenham Saxons - Division 1:

Simon Vine (capt.); Ricky Hardcastle; Albert Cheung; Anthony Gardner; Shae Thakker; Nigel D'Arcy

Cippenham Trojans - Division 1:

Graham Trimming (capt.); Sue Hayes; Ashley Shaw; Denise Weller; Terry Osborne

Cippenham Spartans - Division 2:

Elena Tant (capt.); David Tant; Zsolt Varga; Armando Borges

Cippenham Titans - Division 3:

Ike Greenberg (capt.); Keith Hall; Brian Guilloud; James Hubbard; Igor Liiko

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Weekday Timetable Mon 19:15 Advanced Coaching Group **Tues** 19:15 Local league matches 19:30 Practice tables 19:40 Grand Prix (when run) Weds 19:30 Elite Coaching Group **Thurs** 17:15 Beginners' coaching Local league matches 19:15 19:30 Practice tables

Fees Season 20	16-1 7	
	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 50n (25n) for non-members		



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Weekend Diary

Nov 5	County Championships Veterans' Div 1B
Nov 6	National Cadet League (1)
Nov 12/13	Senior British League (2)
Nov 26	National Junior League (2)
Nov 27	Cippenham Super 6 Veterans' 2* Open
Dec 3	County Championships Junior Div 2C
Dec 4	National Cadet League (2)
Dec 10	County Championships Junior Division
Dec 11	Senior British League (3)
Jan 7	Cippenham Team 2-Star Open
Jan 14	County Championships Veterans' Div 1B
Jan 28	County Championships Veterans' Div 1B
Jan 29	National Cadet League (3)

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