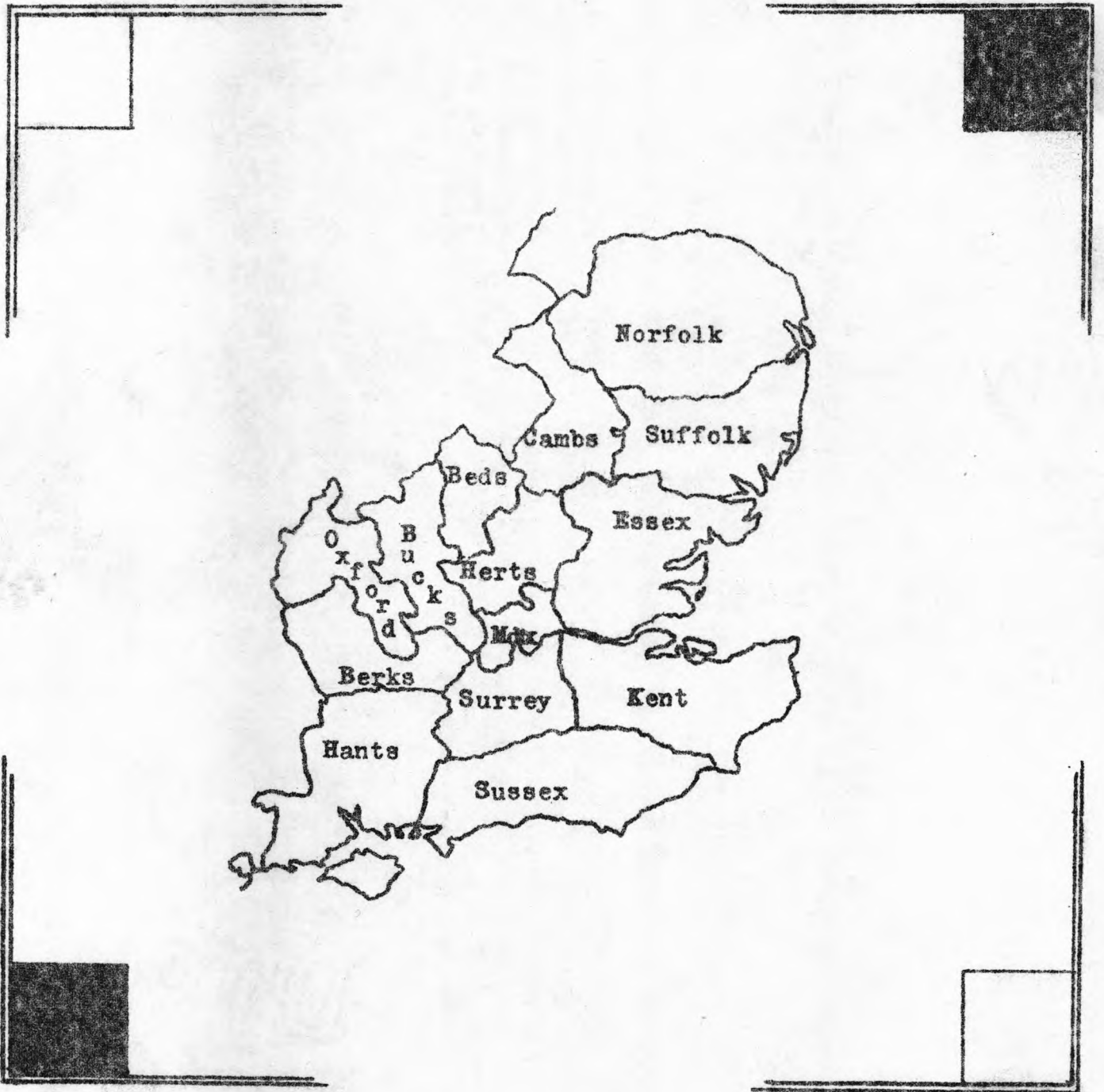
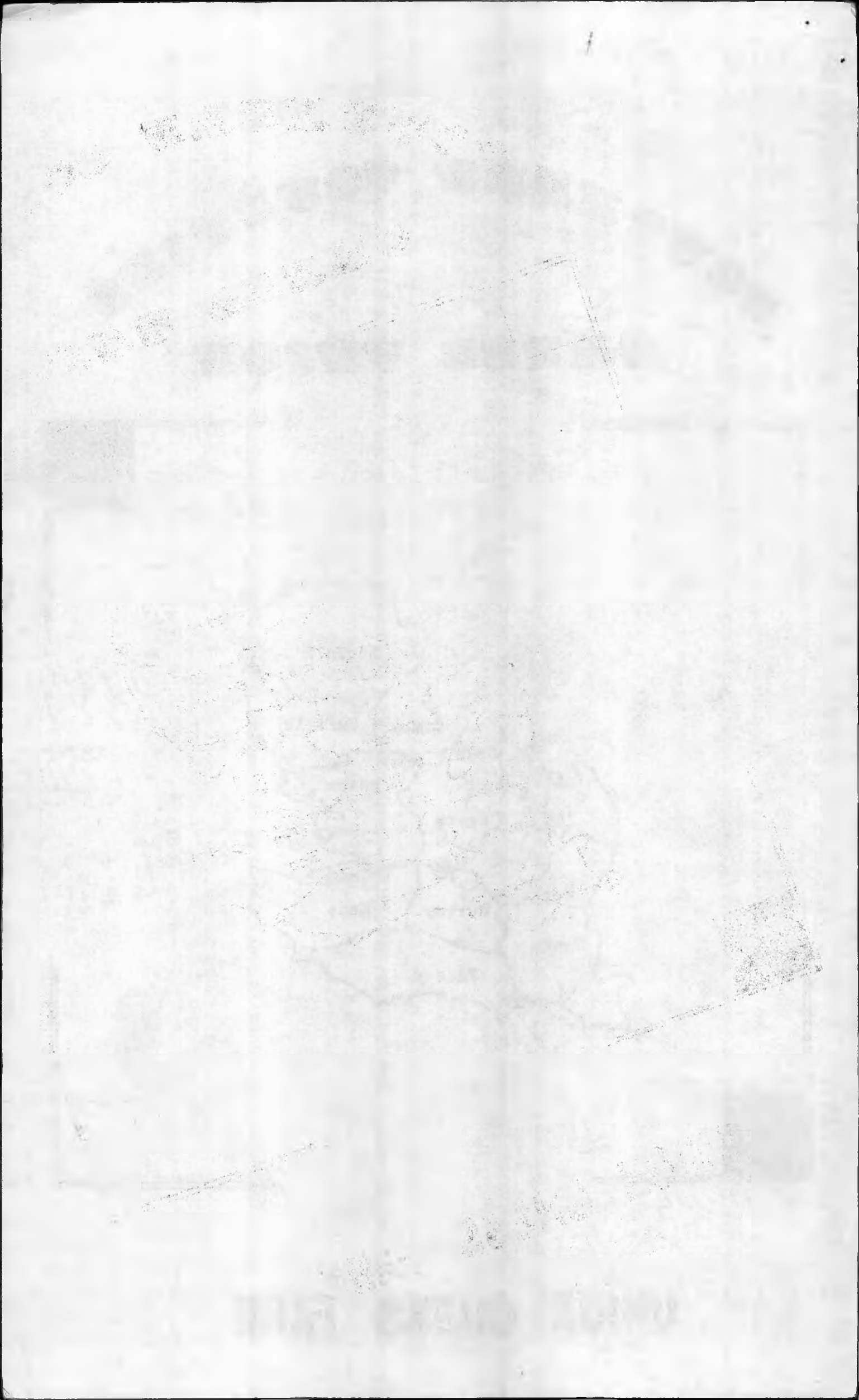


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In this out-of-season issue there are no match results reported with the notable exception of Cambridge's wins in the Quarter Final and Semi-Final of the British Counties Championship. It is, however, a very important issue, making public for the first time our new Inter-County Competition arrangements, which come into operation immediately. Everyone concerned with county chess should read Pages 3 & 4 with great care. The Fixtures Secretary, Peter Morrish will be pleased to answer any queries.

B.C.F. COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Quarter Final

CAMBS. v EAST GLAMORGAN

1. W.R. Harston	1	S. Cronick	0
2. A.H. Williams	1	C. Franklin	0
3. R.G. Eales	1	J.D. Mills	0
4. J. Kirk O'Grady	0	G. Moore	1
5. N.J. Holloway	0	G. Barnard	1
6. R.M.R. O'Kelly	1	J. Lang	0
7. R. webb	1/2	H. Griffiths	1/2
8. R.W. Morgan	1	P. Paries	0
9. J.F. Rudge	1	I. Hopkins	0
10. A.J. Oddie	1	P.B. Thomas	0
11. C.J. Lennox	1	T. O'Leary	0
12. A. Abakuks	1/2	R. Smith	1/2
13. H.T. Jones	1/2	R.A. John	1/2
14. R.D. de Coverley	1/2	C. Evans	1/2
15. S.P. Norton	1	M. Neary	0
16. P.L. Clarke	0	M. Goodyear	1
	<u>11</u>		<u>5</u>

(Played 2nd May)

Semi-Final

CAMBS. v. YORKS

1. R.D. Keene	1	P.N. Lee	0
2. N.J. Patterson	1/2	M.J. Haygarth	1/2
3. A.H. Williams	1	A.H. Perkins	0
4. R.G. Eales	1/2	B. Eley	1/2
5. J.N. Sugden	1/2	J. Seppings	1/2
6. T.W. Robbins	@	R.B. Edwards	@
7. N.J. Holloway	1	R.C. Lemon	0
8. J. Kirk O'Grady	1/2	A.T. Ludgate	1/2
9. R. Webb	0	A. Toothill	1
10. B.M. Rothbart	1	S. Thrower	0
11. J.F. Rudge	0	J.H. Beaty	1
12. R.W. Morgan	0	J. Toothill	1
13. R. O'Kelly	1	R.P. Weston	0
14. P. Henry	@	J.W. Atkinson	@
15. A.J. Oddie	1/2	J.E. Povey	1/2
16. C.J. Lennox	@	A. Brilliant	@
	<u>7 1/2</u>		<u>5 1/2</u>

(Played at Peterborough
on 6th June)

The adjudicated games gave the Semi-Final to Cambs who will meet Lancs in the Final. Cambridgeshire meet Lancashire in the Final. The result of this match will appear in our next issue.

CORRECTIONS TO UNION RESULTS 1969/70

The following results shown in the tables published in our last issue require amendment:

Championship South
BUCKS v OXON Bucks lost 9 1/2 - 10 1/2 BUCKS v SURREY Drawn 10 - 10.

Please amend total game scores to OXON 59, SURREY 52, BUCKS 47.

AMBOYNA SHIELD

BERKS v KENT Berks lost 13 1/2 - 36 1/2. BUCKS v OXON Bucks lost 22 - 28.

Please amend Berks match points to 2, and total game scores to Berks 147 1/2, Bucks 144 1/2, Kent 216, Oxen 159.

Final placings are corrected to: 1 = Hants & Essex, 3: Kent
4: Middlesex, 5: Sussex 6: Oxen 7: Surrey 8: Berks 9: Herts 10: Bucks.

The following changes took place some time ago, but may not have reached everyone :-

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near Ramsgate. CHANGE OF ADDRESS.

GRADING

County Graders, all Congress Organizers and others reporting results at Union level are asked to note that for this season Mr. H.G. Felce will be the sole Union Grader. Results should be sent to him to his new address, 8 Nork Gardens, Banstead, Surrey.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCHES

As readers may be aware no further inter-Union events are being arranged for the present but our Match Captain, Mr. Trevor Brugger, will be glad to hear of any organisation wishing to arrange a match against a team representing the S.C.C.U. Such Union teams will be as nearly as possible in keeping with the strength of their opponents and the number of boards will be open to agreement. There will be a preference for evening matches in London, but other propositions will be considered.

HON. TREASURERSHIP

The Union Hon. Treasurer, Mr. P.J. Ezra, has been appointed Hon. Treasurer of the B.C.F., in succession to Mr. I. Cohen who has filled that post with distinction for the last twenty-one years. Peter Ezra took office with the Union only a year ago, and we note with pleasure that his ability as an administrator has been quickly recognised by the Federation. We wish him well in his new post which is one of the most important in British Chess. The co-operation of the retiring Federation Treasurer will make it possible for him to continue his work for the Union for the remainder of 1970/71 season, but members are asked to ease his double burden by sparing him unnecessary work.

UNION ARCHIVES

Now that we have come to the end of the 1969/70 season, officials of the counties and clubs will be clearing out their files in preparation for next season. They and any other members who have original papers and documents likely to be of future interest are earnestly asked to send them to the Union's Hon. Archivist, Miss Titcomb at Bridge Cottage, Godalming, Surrey.

BULLETIN

Contributions to the Bulletin, whether of opinion on chess matters or match results, or other material for publication, should be sent to Mr. J.J. Lauder, 37 Dora Road, Wimbledon, S.W.19. the Features and Distribution Editor. It is hoped that the September issue, which includes, as usual, the Grading List, will be available in mid-September and members who require additional copies for themselves or for their clubs should send cash at 2/6d. per copy or £1 per ten copies to Mr. Lauder.

B.C.F. PRESIDENCY

The Union is honoured by the fact that one of our most distinguished players, P.S. Milner-Barry, has been elected President of the Federation, and R.C. Hopton the Union's President in 1967/68, has been elected Vice-President.

Those of us who have had the pleasure of working with them will wish to congratulate them on their appointments.

B.C.F. SCHOOLS SHIELD

Applications or recommendations for the Schools Shield for 1969/70 should be made to the Junior Organiser, Mr. Colin Tribe, without delay. The award is made each year by the British Chess Federation to the junior team recommended by the Union on the basis of the season's achievement. It has been, on occasion, awarded to a junior organisation not associated with a single school or team. Details of the record on which the award is to be recommended should accompany the application.

1970/71 INTER COUNTY COMPETITIONS

After careful discussion, the Council, by a majority decision, accepted most of the recommendations of the Executive Committee, for a revision of arrangements for the competitions for the Championship and Amboyna and Ebony Shields.

Players will be aware that, for many years past we have divided counties in the Union into two sections; North and South, with Championship teams from the two halves only meeting in a Play-off match. Latterly the Amboyna programme was altered to a single section but not all-play-all, as there were too many teams.

Three radical changes are being introduced experimentally for this season at least.

Firstly, there will be three separate events - the Championship over 20 boards and the Amboyna and Ebony over 25 boards (minimum) each. Counties will be able to choose whether or not they run teams in EITHER or BOTH Amboyna or Ebony events. Strict, but not too stringent, limiting conditions have been set out to control overlaps between teams. They are:-

- (i) CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM
Fifteen players shall be "nominated", and they will be eligible to play in Championship or Montague-Jones matches only.
- (ii) AMBOYNA:-
Any player after three Championship or M.J. appearances in any season becomes ineligible for the Amboyna for the rest of the season.
- (iii) EBONY:
 - (a) Not more than two players graded 169 or above may be included in the team.
 - (b) No player after TWO Championship or M-J appearances.
 - (c) No player after three C/M-J/or Amboyna appearances.

With a largely free choice of dates for Amboyna fixtures Counties are able, if they wish, to play any Amboyna match on the same date as a Championship and/or Ebony match, at the same venue, by choice and agreement with their opponents, who may be the same or different counties.

Secondly, the most interesting change will arise in the Championship where there will be a Preliminary Stage, to be completed before Christmas, in which counties will for this season at least be divided in three sections as follows:-

- (i) Cambs., Essex, Herts., Norfolk and Suffolk.
- (ii) Beds., Bucks., Middx., Oxon., & Surrey.
- (iii) Berks., Hants., Kent and Sussex.

Each will play each in their respective section. The two leading teams in each section, carrying their match result forward, compete in a Final Pool of six, after Christmas, from which the top two teams will qualify for the Quarter-finals of the B.C.F. National Championship.

The eight teams not qualifying for the Final Pool, may continue in the Montague Jones Trophy Competition, adding any desired number of matches in the second half of the season to those in the Preliminary stage against other non-qualifiers. A minimum of three matches is required - the result being calculated on a percentage basis.

Thirdly - Championship Fixture Dates. Set dates will be laid down:-

in the first half season for preliminary sections (i) and (ii) there will be FIVE regular fortnightly dates one of which will be a "bye" for each county. Section (iii) will play at 3-week intervals. These fixtures for 1970 are:-

Oct. 10.	Ex.-Nor.	Her.-Suf.	Mx.-Bed.	Sy.-Buc.	Han.-Kt.	Ber.-Sx.
Oct. 24.	Suf.-Ex.	Her.-Cam.	Bed.-Ox.	Suc.-Mx.	Sx.-Han.	
Oct. 31.	Kt.-Bev.					
Nov. 7.	Cam.-Suf.	Nor.-Her.	Bed.-Sy.	Ox.-Mx.		
Nov. 21.	Nor.-Cam.	Ex.-Her.	Sy.-Ox.	Buc.-Bed.	Kt.-Sx.	Ber.-Han.
Dec. 5.	Cam.-Ex.	Suf.-Nor.	Ox.-Buc.	Mx.-Sy.		

Where the qualifiers in any section have not been decided at close of play on the last date, a special procedure will be used for adjudicating unfinished games quickly - with special appeal arrangements.

CHAMPIONSHIP - FINAL POOL

The Finals dates will generally be at regular three-week intervals. Allocating the code letters 'a' and 'b' to the winner and runner up in Group (i), 'c' and 'd' to Group (ii) and 'e' and 'f' to Group (iii) the 1970/71 programme, with the first-mentioned team having choice of venue is:

Jan. 16th.	a v. d	b v. f	e v. c
Feb. 6th.	f v. a	d v. e	c v. b
Feb. 27th.	e v. a	d v. b	e v. f
Mar. 20th.	a v. e	b v. e	f v. d

It is hoped that most teams will agree to play in London, so that the developing struggle for supremacy in the final rounds can be more easily followed in the coincident matches, with greatly heightened interest.

JAMBOREE

To accommodate the programme above, the Jamboree must be deferred until two weeks after Easter, that is, until 24th April, 1971, which will be the week before the B.C.F. Inter-County Quarter-Finals.

Match Captains are busy arranging the details of this seasons fixtures, and a list, as full as possible, will be given in the next issue.

Four other dates to note:-

1970.	October 2nd - 4th	ATHENAEUM CONGRESS
	November 14th - 15th.	National Lightning Championships
	December 11th - 13th	ISLINGTON CONGRESS
1971.	March 6th	SCCU JUNIOR JAMBOREE

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