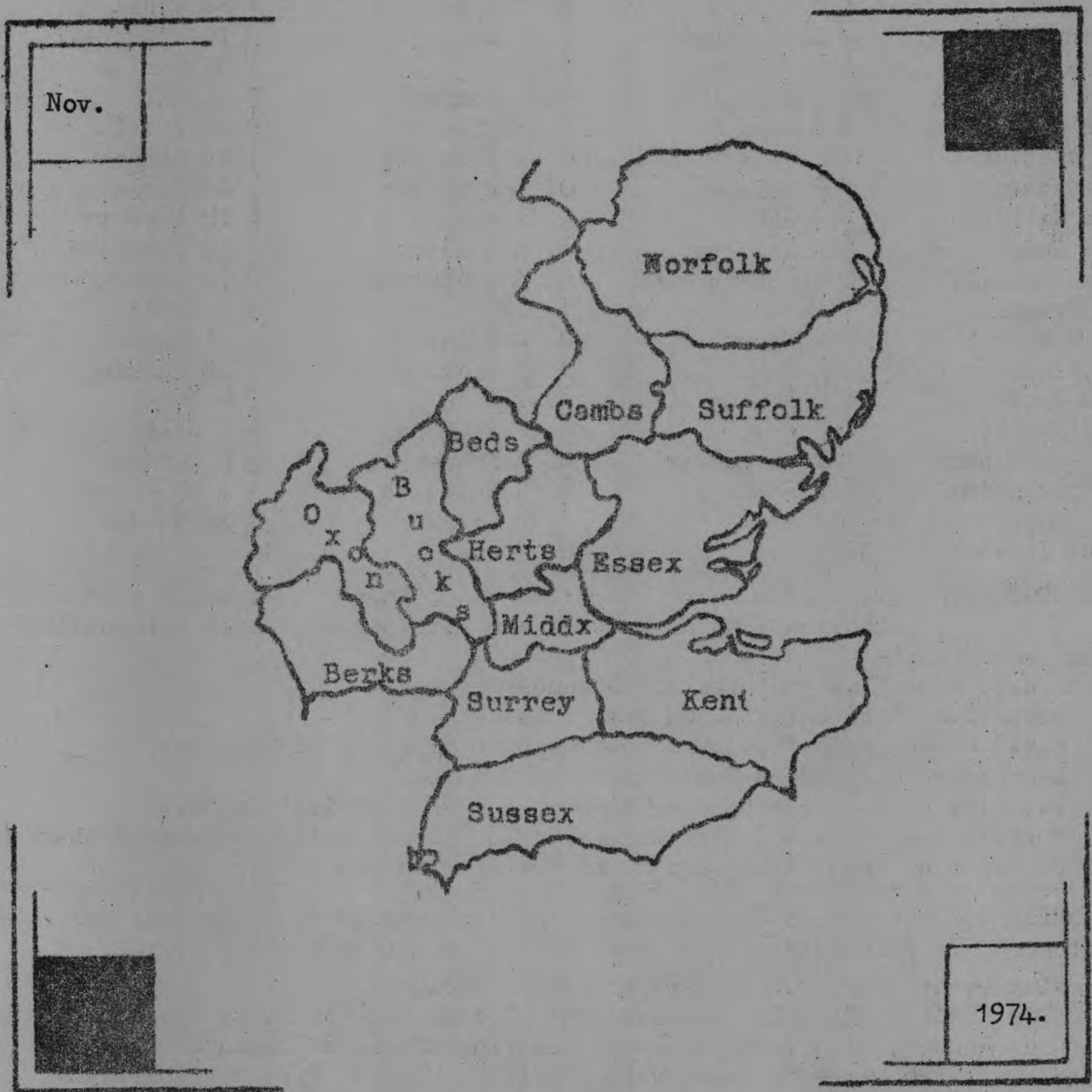


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BULLETIN

STOP PRESS Junior Chess - Surrey.

The "Russell Trophy" Junior Jamboree for Surrey Schools was held at Trinity School and won by Whitgift School. Nine teams of eight players entered and the final placings were:-

Whitgift 7 points, Trinity School 5½ 2nd; Glyn Grammar 4½ 3rd; Dulwich College and John Fisher School 4 4th; Hampton Grammar School and Tiffin School 3 5th; Battersea Grammar 2½ 8th and St Joseph's College 2 9th.

National Club Championship

93 entries have been accepted for the 1974/5 competition, four teams Cambridge University I, Brighton, Bolton and Islington are exempt until the 4th round and the following have byes in the first round: E.R.D.E. Waltham Abbey, Norfolk and Norwich, Oxford University, Hastings and St Leonards, Hanham and Kingswood, Exeter and Stafford. The following Southern Clubs are engaged in the first round (results given where known):-

Stevenage 1½ Ilford 4½; Hilltop (Hatfield) 6 Hertford 0; Romford 5 Rayleigh 1; Maidenhead 3½ Gerrards Cross 2½; Reading 4½ Slough (Lady Haig) 1½; Varndean School 2 R.A.E. Farnborough 4; London Y.M.C.A. 6 British Petroleum 0; Streatham & Brixton 3 Waltham Forest 1; Athenaeum 2 Mushrooms 2; Cowley 3 (Won on board count) Luton 3; Bedford v Cambridge University II; Felixstow v Cambridge City; University of East Anglia v Ipswich; Mitcham 4½ Sutton & Cheam 1½; Horsham v Guildford; London YMCA Wolves v Bayswater; G.L.C. v London University; Hammersmith v Cavendish and Hornsey PINTAS v Hendon.

MONTAGUE - JONES

AMBOYNA SHIELD

<u>ESSEX II</u>		19-10-74	<u>SUFFOLK</u>	<u>OXFORD</u>	2-11-74	<u>SURREY III</u>		
1	A Martin	½	D Wise	½	AD Gravett	1	RE Mattocks	0.
2	JV Ripp	1	I Wallis	0.	M Daube	@	HM Cath	@.
3	P Bond	1	C Riches	0.	J.C.Waldron	1	RG Rusha	0.
4	G Bayliss	½	DW Packham	½	J Phipps	0	IO O'Donnell	1.
5	C Ramage	½	D Mayers	½	GT Jones	1	DH Carter	0.
6	RH Langenham	0	M Smith	1.	D Godfrey	0	DL Meen	1.
7	VB Rumsey	½	J Buis	½	BC Wyatt	0	JE Pattle	1.
8	T Whitton	1	J West	0.	A McDonald	1	JR Womack	0.
9	J Watson	1	P Hadwen	0.	T Pavlovic	½	GC Nurse	½.
10	GB Smith	½	J Gibson	½	T Morgan	½	TN Parrott	½.
11	PG Smith	½	R le Grys	½	A Collins	0	AS Westwood	1.
12	RA Wagstaff	0	J Bowers	1.	P MacIntosh	0	RD Barnett	1.
13	L Dregent	0	P de la Mothe	1.	DW Coope	@	B Lyons	@.
14	G Gatheral	1	A Thorpe	0.	J Malek	1	JP Raison	0.
15	A Kinder	1	A Purchase	0.	D Hackett	1	DE Luckin	0.
16	AE Bower	½	A Meakes	½	T Lund	0	M Dubey	1.
17	SJ Abbott	1	N Whurr	0.	P Dunford	½	N High	½.
18	N Goldenberg	1	D Carpenter	0.	M Kimber	½	G Davies	½.
19	BJ Bullwinkle	½	P Eastlake	½	N Hepworth	1	B Proctor	0.
20	T Bruce	0	S Foale	1.	D Green	1	TM Waller	0.
	At Ipswich	12		8.		10		8.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS The Autumn has brought to the Editor's post box a good crop of publications to provide him with pages of most interesting reading, including:-

- B.C.F. News Flash October and November issues.
- Bucks C.A. News bulletin September issue.
- W.E.C.U. Bulletin 'Westward Ho!' October (Grading List) issue.
- Lancashire C.A. Chess Bulletin October issue.
- M.C.C.U. News Letter October issue (Mr Graham's first issue).
- Norfolk C.A. News Bulletin October issue (Frontispiece Norwich Cathedral).
- Surrey C.A. Chess News August and November issues.

SECRETARIES COLUMN: Herts C.A. announce the appointment of a new Hon. Sec. He is O.V. Stobart, 79 Park Meadow, Hatfield, Herts. Hatfield 66428.

- Forthcoming events for your players attention include:-
- LONDON EVENING STANDARD Amateur 13-15 December. Open 20-22 December. Details S. Reuben, 11 Haversham Close, Cambridge Park, Twickenham, Middx.
 - HASTINGS: 28 Dec - 14 Jan. W.L. Starling, Clover, Fyrsway, Fairlight, Hastings.
 - LONDON JUNIOR: 30 Dec - 4 Jan. P Morrish, 3 Elmside, Stoneyfields Lane, Edgware, Middlesex. HA8 9SG
 - WELSH OPEN, CARDIFF. 3 - 5 Jan. R.J. Deakin, 6 St.Isan Rd, Heath, Cardiff.
 - LUTON 7 - 9 February. Brian Cox, 164 Wilsden Avenue, Luton, Beds.

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Friendly Match. Berkshire 11 Wiltshire 15, played at Swindon.

"The World of CHESS" by Anthony Saily & Norman Lessing - Ridge Press Book via Collins, London and Glasgow. Probably not bought by players but is something special for bedside reading and ideal present for 'you know who'.

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EDITORIAL

September (Grading List) issue. The Editor would like to thank all those club and county officials who helped to make this issue a sell-out (1200 copies or thereabouts) in the brief period of five weeks. It is not possible to produce further copies this year and whilst regretting the inevitable disappointment of late applicants the Editor hopes that club secretaries will be instructed to note in their dairies that August is the time to apply for extra copies of the 1975 Grading List.

Grading. The Editor has noted that at some (but not all) weekend Congresses, games which are unfinished at the call of time are continued on a "sudden death" basis within a short time limit, in some cases as little as ten minutes on a player's clock. The question arises as to whether such games can properly be included by the graders in their records pari passu with games completed at one rate of play, or possibly adjudicated after a specific length of time or number of moves. Possibly the B.C.F. Grading Committee could produce a ruling on this point during the coming months in time for next season's Grading figures.

B.C.F. Finances. The September issue contained on Page Two a reference to the increase in Registration Fees from 25p to 50p has led the Hon. Treasurer, Mr P.J. Ezra to offer some further explanation which will help to clarify the true position. It should be stated that the increased fee includes V.A.T. as the B.C.F. have now fallen into the VAT net and also the Board fees remain at 5p, being also subject to V.A.T. which will be paid by the B.C.F. Mr Ezra adds the comment that most counties are sympathetic to our view to support the registration scheme, but the attitude of County administrators is germane to this, and also recalls that the Constitution of the S.C.C.U. insists that its member counties operate what may be called "Maxi-registrations".

CONGRATULATIONS.

Many of his friends in chess circles will wish to join us in congratulating Mr E.E. Croker on his appointment as Chairman of the B.C.F. Grading Committee in succession to Sir R.W. Clarke, who is retiring next month. On this occasion we take the opportunity of thanking Sir Richard for many years of expert service to graders at all levels as well as to the committee which he chaired with distinction and ability.

Mr Croker has done a great deal of work as a grader of junior chess and will bring a great deal of experience to his new task.

CLASSIFIED RESULTS: (See also Stop Press)

- (C) Essex $14\frac{1}{2}$ Sussex $5\frac{1}{2}$; Surrey 9 Berks 11; Herts 11 Norfolk 9; Cambs 14 Surrey 6; Kent 12 Herts 6(2); Essex 10 Norfolk 6(4); Berks $5\frac{1}{2}$ Middlesex $13\frac{1}{2}$ (1).
- (M-J) Surrey II $11\frac{1}{2}$ Kent II $8\frac{1}{2}$; Herts II 8 Middlesex II 12; Sussex II 10 Essex II 10; Kent II 10 Middlesex II 10; Beds 6 Surrey II 12; Bucks 13 Suffolk 7; Suffolk 8 Essex II 12; Herts II 5 Surrey II 13(2); Herts II $7\frac{1}{2}$ Bucks $12\frac{1}{2}$.
- (A) Sussex III $7\frac{1}{2}$ Bucks II $12\frac{1}{2}$; Essex III $9\frac{1}{2}$ Cambs II $6\frac{1}{2}$ (4); Surrey III $11\frac{1}{2}$ Berks II $8\frac{1}{2}$; Kent III 13 Bucks II 7; Berks II 9 Cambs II 11; Essex III 8 Sussex III 12; Oxon 10 Surrey III 8.
- (E) Middlesex IV $14\frac{1}{2}$ Essex IV $5\frac{1}{2}$; Berks III $5\frac{1}{2}$ Surrey IV $14\frac{1}{2}$; Berks IV 5 Kent IV 15; Berks III $10\frac{1}{2}$ Essex IV $9\frac{1}{2}$; Beds II 10 Oxon II 9(1); Berks $9\frac{1}{2}$ Beds II $10\frac{1}{2}$; Middlesex IV 16 Oxon II 4.

Latest:

- (C) Middlesex $16\frac{1}{2}$ Norfolk $3\frac{1}{2}$
- (M-J) Bucks 9 Sussex 9 with 2 for adjudication.
- (A) Bucks II 12 Oxford 7.
- (E) Middlesex IV 16 Oxford II 4.

CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS :-

ESSEX 28-9-74		SUSSEX		SURREY 5-10-74		BERKS		
1	Dr KD Sales	1/2	GH James	1/2	PD Gait	0	DS Tuoker	1.
2	K O'Connell	1/2	JIP Simpole	1/2	N Povah	0	R Bailey	1.
3	A.J. Stebbings	0	JC Henshaw	1.	JG Brogden	1	FM Collins	0.
4	RE Spurgeon	1	DCS Goodman	0.	WA Linton	0	MJ Staples	1.
5	G Sheed	1	RC Newman	0.	M Burn	1/2	JH Hodgson	1/2.
6	RW O'Brien	1/2	GJ Micholas	1/2	AH Prizant	1/2	TJ Bean	1/2.
7	IBN Smith	0	SON Hawes	1.	DM Andrew	0	PA Harris	1.
8	PC Doye	1	LJ Cannon	0.	MF Singleton	1	J Townsend	0.
9	S Kalinsky	1	KI Norman	0.	TW Pelling	0	DI Stevenson	1.
10	K Escott	1	KF Homeyard	0.	RJ Stockwell	0	RFG Kneebone	1.
11	A Marshall	1	CH Stacey	0.	RC Lynn	0	CL Tadiello	1.
12	R Walker	1/2	RH Williams	1/2	SEE Cranmer	1/2	PF Rosman	1/2.
13	P Bond	1/2	ARP Lewis	1/2	JM Soesan	1	D Lewis	0.
14	A Martin	1	D Hirsch	0.	WEC Richards	1/2	P Morrey	1/2.
15	R. Watts	1	RTF Williams	0.	EH Donovan	0	PR Taylor	1.
16	HI Woolverton	1/2	MK Beglin	1/2	D Curnow	1/2	GJ Sexton	1/2.
17	RS Johnson	1	PD Leat	0.	J Piggott	1	JT Matthews	0.
18	JT Pascoe	1	FN Kington	0.	A Keene	1	TG Pollard	0.
19	G Campbell	1/2	G Rivers	1/2	KFH Inwood	1	P Brown	0.
20	R Franklin	1	JA Knott	0.	DE Noble	1/2	JR Verling	1/2.
At St Brides		14 1/2		5 1/2		9		11.

HERTS 12-10-74		NORFOLK		SURREY 19-10-74		CAMBS		
1	AJ Ball	0	OM Hindle	1.	S Webb	1/2	MF Stean	1/2.
2	PAJ Brown	0	TC Noyce	1.	PD Gait	0	AJ Mestel	1.
3	Dr PH Collins	1/2	R Noel Johnson	1/2	N Povah	0	MJ Holloway	1.
4	AI Wheatley	0	M Woolnough	1.	R Webb	0	JN Sugden	1.
5	AP Primmett	1/2	FL Coleman	1/2	R Emerson	0	A Kanamori	1.
6	B Turner	1	AJ Blackburn	0.	MF Singleton	0	JG Cooper	1.
7	CH Watson	1	J Scott	0.	JF Wheeler	0	AG Tringmar	1.
8	P McDermott	0	T Turner	1.	JG Brogden	0	P Littlewood	1.
9	WEB Pryer	1	D Hall	0.	M Burn	1	JP Sommerville	0.
10	WD Houpt	1/2	J Birchley	1/2	WA Linton	1/2	RL Johannes	1/2.
11	KL Woodland	1/2	R Hardy	1/2	RJ Stockwell	1/2	JG Nicholson	1/2.
12	R Williams	1	P O'Connor	0.	TW Pelling	1	AC Cooper	0.
13	AW Hooper	1	M Cooke	0.	RC Linn	0	Dr Johnson	1.
14	C Lean	1	P Clitcock	0.	JM Soesan	1/2	TPD Chapman	1/2.
15	J Cook	1/2	A McDonnell	1/2	CRA Clegg	1/2	J Saunders	1/2.
16	JW O'Loghlen	0	GM Wright	1.	A Keene	0	CM Cooley	1.
17	JP Covington	1	D Abbott	0.	FC Manning	0	R Sams	1.
18	FB Ings	0	AC Dickinson	1.	HM Cath	1/2	NS Cooper	1/2.
19	G Palmer	1	A Flattern	0.	GC Nurse	1/2	A Stokor	1/2.
20	J Sharp	1/2	PR Rans	1/2	JE Pattle	1/2	N Summerhayes	1/2.
At Cambridge		11		9.	At St Brides	6		14.

KENT 26-10-74		HERTS		NORFOLK 26-10-74		ESSEX		
1	A Phillips	1	AJ Ball	0.	TC Noyce	@	JB Howson	@.
2	MV Lambshire	1/2	PAJ Brown	1/2	RC Noel Johnson	@	AJ Stebbings	@.
3	PS Milner-Barry	1/2	Dr PH Collins	1/2	M Woolnough	@	DIW Reynolds	@.
4	R O'Kelly	0	ND Willmott	1.	J Pugh	1	IBN Smith	0.
5	A Hanreck	1	CH Watson	0.	SW Ruthen	0	S Kalinsky	1.
6	N Oliver	1	WD Houpt	0.	JM Scott	0	K Escott	1.
7	S MacDonald-Ross	1	J Cook	0.	C Cropp	0	A Martin	1.
8	J Hutcheson	0	AJF Riley	1.	R Hardy	1	JV Ripp	0.
9	J Johnson	@	KL Woodland	@.	JC Birchley	@.	P. Bond	1.
10	R Bellinger	@	RJ Robinson	@.	D Hall	1/2	R Watts	1/2.
11	DC Taylor	1	JW O'Loghlen	0.	P O'Connor	1/2	AE Robertson	1/2.
12	S Lorber	1	JP Covington	0.	G Wright	1	JT Pascoe	0.
13	PB Cook	1/2	J Sharp	1/2	D Abbott	0	G Campbell	1.
14	BWR Hewson	1	SR Capsey	0.	P Rans	1/2	R Franklin	1/2.
15	AJ Smith	0	MA Carnochan	1.	R Katz	0	C Ramage	1.
16	D Springate	1/2	A Gray	1/2	G Plumpstead	0	R Heppinstall	1.
17	DJ Barnes	1	R Goodall	0.	A Pond	1/2	P Gasper	1/2.
18	NP Alexander	1	D Pinch	0.	I Gladden	@	J Watson	@.
19	MJ Pitt	0	J Hulbert	1.	NG Thomas	0	GB Smith	1.
20	S Fancy	1	JA Lowe	0.	OW Green	1	SJ Abbott	0.
At Charlton House		12		6.	At Norwich	6		10.

MONTAGUE - JONES RESULTS:

<u>SURREY II</u> 28-9-74		<u>KENT II</u>		<u>HERTS II</u> 5-10-74		<u>MIDDLESEX II</u>		
1	AH Prizant	1	default	0.	RJS Robinson	0	JV Skilleter	1.
2	MJ Sheehan	1	default	0.	AG Burrows	1/2	PJ Adams	1/2.
3	default	0	DC Taylor	1.	JP Covington	1	MH Hawley	0.
4	S Death	1	JB Sellers	0.	R Godall	1	GV Cadden	0.
5	default	0	MH Micklethwaite	1.	R Talbot	1/2	RA Batchelor	1/2.
6	P Durrant	0	BWR Henson	1.	KL Woodland	1	SJF Walsh	0.
7	HM Cath	1	PJ Taylor	0.	SR Capsey	1/2	JGR Stainton	1/2.
8	N Rose	1/2	AJ Sherriff	1/2.	OV Stobart	1/2	TD Welsh	1/2.
9	RC Picot	1	MJ Pitt	0.	SG Peters	0	J Hodgson	1.
10	T Howdle	1/2	DE Rodford	1/2.	JL Rennocks	0	VP Aeron	1.
11	GC Nurse	1/2	RS Sefton	1/2.	DP Young	0	HB Angel	1.
12	JE Pattle	1/2	JA Dodgson	1/2.	TM Thurstan	0	BW Silver	1.
13	K Mehendale	1	default	0.	CW Hutchby	0	KR Clark	1.
14	Dr RG Fricker	1	default	0.	AJF Riley	1	PW Rose	0.
15	D Luckin	0	LT Canham	1.	BA Fewell	1/2	M Wallman	1/2.
16	RE James	0	G Tidmarsh	1.	TA Sinkinson	0	KE Creer	1.
17	D Barasi	0	AK Reeve	1.	A. Collman	0	JS Clarke	1.
18	FA Winter	1	AJ Douglas	0.	RF Riley	1/2	RL Barnett	1/2.
19	RE Rushbrook	1/2	WP Tickner	1/2.	SJ Cooley	0	JE Redon	1.
20	G Beattie	1	P Howe	0.	B Drury	1	DG Wayte	0.
at St Brides		11 1/2		8 1/2	At Edmonton	8		12.

<u>BUCKS</u> 5-10-74		<u>SUFFOLK</u>		<u>ESSEX II</u> 12-10-74		<u>SUSSEX II</u>		
1	KG Hyde	1/2	I Wallis	1/2.	AT Marshall	1/2	KF Homeyard	1/2.
2	Dr EN Bramley	1/2	DW Packham	1/2.	JV Ripp	1	FN Kington	0.
3	RD de Coverly	1	M Smith	0.	HI Woolverton	1	A Chaiken	0.
4	BW Atkinson	1	D Mayers	0.	JT Pascoe	1/2	RFT Williams	1/2.
5	DJ Faulkner	1/2	J Buis	1/2.	R Franklin	1/2	CJ MacArthur	1/2.
6	A Niedzwiedzki	0	J West	1.	C Ramage	0	FJ Kwiatkowski	1.
7	JK Jackson	1	R Legrys	0.	RH Langenham	1	A Chalkey	0.
8	RWD Marsh	1/2	P Hadwen	1/2.	I Hunnable	1	J Watson	0.
9	N Thackray	1/2	J Bowers	1/2.	R Heppinstall	1/2	P Watson	1/2.
10	G Cabaj	1	P de la Mothe	0.	VB Rumsey	1	G Rivers	0.
11	RC Newton	1/2	A Purchase	1/2.	CF Dorn	0	JA Knott	1.
12	J Bower	0	A Thorpe	1.	D Morris	1/2	P Fallon	1/2.
13	MJ Eghy	1	D O'Brien	0.	G Gatheral	0	PD Leat	1.
14	J Alster	1	P Eastlake	0.	H Staunton	0	JH Reed	1.
15	A Stubbs	1	S Foale	0.	P Harbott	1/2	J Graham	1/2.
16	A Wodzianek	0	N Whurr	1.	D Cannan	0	SL Whitehead	1.
17	A Cox	0	D Carpenter	1.	E West	0	JL Whiteman	1.
18	BW Edgar	1	N Mindham	0.	JL Geddes	1/2	EW Bolduc	1/2.
19	Dr A Hill	1	R Woodcroft	0.	NP O'Conner	1/2	R Langridge	1/2.
20	PJ Colwill	1	MVD Beek	0.	AE Bower	1	AWT Hansford	0.
At St Brides		13		7.	At St Brides	10		10.

<u>BEDS I</u> 12-10-74		<u>SURREY II</u>		<u>MIDDLESEX II</u> 19-10-74		<u>KENT II</u>		
1	P Habershon	0	AH Prizant	1.	RA Batchelor	1/2	JA Johnson	1/2.
2	RS Jones	0	JM Soesan	1.	JV Skilleter	0	BWR Hewson	1.
3	J Myera	0	RC Lynn	1.	JC Benjamin	1	JA Dodgson	0.
4	AJ Booth	1/2	C Jones	1/2.	PJ Adams	0	DC Taylor	1.
5	WK Osborne	1/2	Dr RG Fricker	1/2.	GV Cadden	0	MH Micklethwaite	1.
6	PR Rawcliffe	1	RE Mattocks	0.	MH Hawley	1	J Wager	0.
7	JG Jones	1	PM Shaw	0.	HB Angel	1	MJ Pitt	0.
8	RGP Freeman	1/2	HM Cath	1/2.	TD Welsh	0	Hilary Thomas	1.
9	D Elkin	1/2	Dr K Mehendale	1/2.	KR Clark	1	DE Rodford	0.
10	A Springbett	0	D Meen	1/2.	GT Carter	1	GM Brown	0.
11	G Blackburn	0	JE Pattle	1.	J Hodgson	0	S Fancy	1.
12	RJ Woods	1	JDH Nicholas	0.	S Ingolfsrud	0	RS Sefton	1.
13	S Brokesby	1/2	R Barnett	1/2.	VP Aeron	1	LA Trangmar	0.
14	J Kilminster	0	FC Manning	1.	PW Rose	1/2	P Hannan	1/2.
15	H. Biggs	0	GC Nurse	1.	JS Clarke	1/2	AJ Sherriff	1/2.
16	default	0	default	0.	JE Redon	0	LT Canham	1.
17	default	0	default	0.	K Creer	1	G Tidmarsh	0.
18	default	0	DF Payne	1.	RL Barnett	0	AK Reeve	1.
19	default	0	D Careswell	1.	DG Wayte	1	M Phillips	0.
20	default	0	Dr B Sweetman	1.	NR Benjamin	1/2	P Howe	1/2.
At St Brides		6		12.	At Charlton H.	10		10.

A M B O Y N A S H I E L D results:-

SUSSEX III 28-9-74		BUCKS II		KENT III 19-10-74		BUCKS II		
1	P Watson	0	RC Newton	1.	D Barnes	1	M Egby	0.
2	P Fallon	$\frac{1}{2}$	RC Hopton	$\frac{1}{2}$.	DL Springate	1	default	0.
3	ML Roberts	1	A Wodzianek	0.	AJ Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$	A Cox	$\frac{1}{2}$.
4	JL Whiteman	0	A Stubbs	1.	HT Jones	1	D Thomas	0.
5	S Macaulay	0	J Bower	1.	OJ Fox	$\frac{1}{2}$	D Lush	$\frac{1}{2}$.
6	EJ Bowley	1	Dr AW Hill	0.	CH Armstrong	1	GI Woodman	0.
7	FPE Green	0	M Mobbs	1.	M Robertson	$\frac{1}{2}$	D Graham	$\frac{1}{2}$.
8	J Valler	0	A Cox	1.	DJ Stevenson	0	PJ Colwill	1.
9	EW Bolduc	1	D Lush	0.	ROH Crewdson	1	C Webb	0.
10	RC Howard	0	CNE Harris	1.	E Liberman	$\frac{1}{2}$	CS Randall	$\frac{1}{2}$.
11	PH Benson	$\frac{1}{2}$	KR Ellis	$\frac{1}{2}$.	RJ Haddrell	0	E Braine	1.
12	AM Jenkins	0	D Graham	1.	MP Hoys	1	AG Togwell	0.
13	RH Saunders	$\frac{1}{2}$	CS Randall	$\frac{1}{2}$.	D MacDougal	0	J Hoy	1.
14	R Langridge	1	R Johnson	0.	PL Cook	1	P Trent	0.
15	C Purdon	1	G Griffiths	0.	B Drew	0	L Mullen	1.
16	AWT Hansford	0	GI Woodman	1.	R Mason	0	H Charlett	1.
17	DH Cummings	1	A Dyer	0.	JD Llewelyn	1	F. Day	0.
18	MD Beishon	0	C Webb	1.	R Cousins	1	F Brown	0.
19	PD Hayes	0	R Robinson	1.	A Clark	1	G Trent	0.
20	DJ Chirgwin	0	G Parker	1.	B Devlin	1	R Alster	0.
At St Brides		$7\frac{1}{2}$		$12\frac{1}{2}$.	At St Brides	13		7.

ESSEX III 28-9-74		CAMBS II		SURREY III 5-10-74		BERKS II		
1	C Ramage	$\frac{1}{2}$	V Burk	$\frac{1}{2}$.	C Jones	1	P Barnard	0.
2	R Langenham	1	U Bay-Peterson	0.	HM Cath	1	JE Syner	0.
3	T Whitton	0	R Willis	1.	T Howdle	1	LA Treloar	0.
4	CF Dorn	1	D MacPherson	0.	J Womack	1	WH Norris	0.
5	R Gerrish	1	default	0.	DL Meen	1	K Wyld	0.
6	A Uddgren	$\frac{1}{2}$	M Thompson	$\frac{1}{2}$.	JE Pattle	$\frac{1}{2}$	KB Hemmings	$\frac{1}{2}$.
7	J Watson	1	H Scarlett	0.	AS Westwood	0	W Evans	1.
8	W Saunders	1	J Hooper	0.	GC Nurse	1	A Scarborough	0.
9	GB Smith	1	M Angel	0.	L Cima	0	M Farrington	1.
10	D Cannan	@	J Cash	@.	N Williams	0	NM Stewart	1.
11	JL Geddes	0	PCJ Laidlaw	1.	CH Gibbons	1	PB Sarson	0.
12	BJ Bullwinkle	@	V Rains	@.	B Lyons	$\frac{1}{2}$	RE Boxall	$\frac{1}{2}$.
13	L Lighton	@	T Fowler	@.	D Luckin	$\frac{1}{2}$	A Baker	$\frac{1}{2}$.
14	A Scibor	0	D Rayner	1.	D Barasi	1	EM Davies	0.
15	R Hatch	0	D Carter	1.	PD Hannam	$\frac{1}{2}$	H Sloan	$\frac{1}{2}$.
16	P Harbott	$\frac{1}{2}$	T Kong	$\frac{1}{2}$.	S Milner	0	G Harrison	1.
17	E West	0	S Pride	1.	B Proctor	$\frac{1}{2}$	K Wilkinson	$\frac{1}{2}$.
18	N O'Connor	@	A Burton	@.	Dr RG Fricker	0	GP Dembo	1.
19	T Bruce	1	D Hanson	0.	G Beattie	$\frac{1}{2}$	RN Palmer	$\frac{1}{2}$.
20	A Brumpton	1	B Goldsmith	0.	J Beadle	$\frac{1}{2}$	K Hopkins	$\frac{1}{2}$.
At Upminster		$9\frac{1}{2}$		$6\frac{1}{2}$.	At St Brides	$11\frac{1}{2}$		$8\frac{1}{2}$.

CHAMPIONSHIP

BERKS II 26-10-74		CAMBS II		BERKS 26-10-74		MIDDLESEX		
1	P Barnard	1	J Burk	0.	DS Tucker	$\frac{1}{2}$	DJ Mabbs	$\frac{1}{2}$.
2	PM Pugh	0	M Furfie	1.	R Bailey	$\frac{1}{2}$	JM Quinn	$\frac{1}{2}$.
3	P Brown	$\frac{1}{2}$	U Bay-Oeterson	$\frac{1}{2}$.	MJ Staples	0	S Reuben	1.
4	AJ Davey	0	G Lawrence	1.	JH Hodgson	@	J Century	@.
5	KS Benjamin	0	D MacPherson	1.	TJ Bean	0	GA Dickson	1.
6	I Millard	1	R Willis	0.	RFG Kneebone	0	RA Batchelor	1.
7	W Evans	1	A Mazoomdar	0.	PA Harris	$\frac{1}{2}$	KM Weinhold	$\frac{1}{2}$.
8	DJ Harborne	0	M Thompson	1.	J Townsend	0	C Crouch	1.
9	PR McKechnie	0	A Stoker	1.	DI Stevenson	$\frac{1}{2}$	JV Skilleter	$\frac{1}{2}$.
10	NA Randall	0	J Willman	1.	CL Tadiollo	0	AL Natt	1.
11	W Makar	0	P Chittock	1.	PF Rosman	$\frac{1}{2}$	NA Perkins	$\frac{1}{2}$.
12	EJ Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$	D Rayner	$\frac{1}{2}$.	Miss A Sunnucks	0	M Blaine	1.
13	JH Hasselt	0	D Carter	1.	D Lewis	1	PJ Adams	0.
14	H Ashton	$\frac{1}{2}$	M Angel	$\frac{1}{2}$.	PR Taylor	1	WG Raines	0.
15	MGB Tarrant	$\frac{1}{2}$	V Rains	$\frac{1}{2}$.	GJ Sexton	0	I Kilgour	1.
16	H. Sloan	1	T Kong	0.	JT Matthews	0	MH Hawley	1.
17	G Harrison	1	S Pride	0.	G Varty	1	HB Angal	0.
18	EM Davies	0	B Goldsmith	1.	TG Pollard	0	M Osmond	1.
19	K Hopkins	1	default	0.	MJ Pryce	0	T Welsh	1.
20	JJ Looker	1	default	0.	JR Verling	0	M Brown	1.
At Reading		9		11.	At Reading	$5\frac{1}{2}$		$13\frac{1}{2}$.

EBONY SHIELD results:-

ESSEX IV 28-9-74		MIDDLESEX IV		SURREY IV 28-9-74		BERKS III		
1	W Hawthorne	0	J Lobley	1.	DW Cay	0	RJ Hastie	1.
2	D Read	1	AJ Clarke	0.	DC Caraswell	0	JH Hasselt	1.
3	AD Lewis	0	T Casswell	1.	JP Raison	0	MJ Bruton	1.
4	A Eley	0	GT Carter	1.	TB West	$\frac{1}{2}$	CKS Wilmot	$\frac{1}{2}$.
5	W Franklin	1	J Boltwood	0.	M Cowley	$\frac{1}{2}$	AL Watkin	$\frac{1}{2}$.
6	JS Wood	0	D Price	1.	Dr GG Birch	1	R Young	0.
7	A Smith	0	JR Cotterell	1.	NP Kent	1	JJ Looker	0.
8	A Quare	0	FG Wallis	1.	EA Parker	1	TP Fagan	0.
9	G Gooding	$\frac{1}{2}$	K Castle	$\frac{1}{2}$	C Dennis	$\frac{1}{2}$	J Messer	$\frac{1}{2}$.
10	D Edmunds	$\frac{1}{2}$	Mrs O Chataway	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Brown	1	JT Byrne	0.
11	B Lees	0	PL Szabo	1.	J Buttinger	1	SV Harries	0.
12	A Dawkins	0	J Greiller	1.	N McHale	1	A Morgan	0.
13	M Learner	$\frac{1}{2}$	B Fraser	$\frac{1}{2}$	C Lines	1	D Rollinson	0.
14	J Eve	1	D Besso	0.	E Weimann	1	JD Whealing	0.
15	T Bailey	0	DJ Thomas	1.	RE Rushbrook	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Musgrove	$\frac{1}{2}$.
16	A Gentry	0	D Castello	1.	J Branford	1	GF Langran	0.
17	D McIndoe	0	G Evans	1.	RG Granat	1	JC Hart	0.
18	K Marsh	1	M Lewis	0.	R Ellis	1	SJ Hays	0.
19	default	0	AJ Bushell	1.	FA Winter	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Hallis	$\frac{1}{2}$.
20	default	0	BW Tyndall	1.	Helen Granat	1	GR Wood	0.
At Centymoa		$5\frac{1}{2}$		$14\frac{1}{2}$.	At St Brides	$14\frac{1}{2}$		$5\frac{1}{2}$.

KENT IV 19-10-74		BERKS IV		BEDS II 19-20-74		OXON II		
1	RA MacBrayne	$\frac{1}{2}$	RJ Hastie	$\frac{1}{2}$.	E Borbas	$\frac{1}{2}$	A Gravett	$\frac{1}{2}$.
2	IE Body	1	CKS Wilmot	0.	P Montgomery	0	J Phipps	1.
3	M Parkinson	1	AMJ Scarborough	0.	N Staddon	1	T Pavlovic	0.
4	KM Claudius	1	MJ Farington	0.	R Collinson	1	P Mackintosh	0.
5	RW Shepherd	0	JGA Dembo	1.	HW Ingham	1	BL Wallis	0.
6	M Wiltshire	0	JAA Baker	1.	S Brocklesby	@	D Coope	@.
7	GC White	1	RN Palmer	0.	N Cannon	0	M Parsley	1.
8	SG James	1	EM Davies	0.	R Woods	1	F Wood	0.
9	T Baldwin	1	JJ Looker	0.	L Hansford	0	A Baker	1.
10	A Smith	0	AL Watkin	1.	EC Bee	0	S Horwood	1.
11	DS Orridge	1	G Wood	0.	K Symonds	0	J Taylor	1.
12	J Knowles	1	D Rollinson	0.	S Biswis	1	T Lund	0.
13	C Sheppard	$\frac{1}{2}$	CH Hayes	$\frac{1}{2}$.	P Cook	$\frac{1}{2}$	D del Nevo	$\frac{1}{2}$.
14	WA Ticker	1	JD Whealing	0.	T. Conquest	0	C Kevis	1.
15	default	0	JT Messer	1.	P Gill	1	RM Cherry	0.
16	P Tatham	1	SV Harries	0.	J Kilminster	$\frac{1}{2}$	B Cornes	$\frac{1}{2}$.
17	FS Pett	1	SJ Hays	0.	S Day	1	AR Naylor	0.
18	WR Bonds	1	JC Hart	0.	N Knights	1	M Coleman	0.
19	G Douglas	1	SD Black	0.	J Walker	0	JC Reigen	1.
20	H Clarke	1	TR Cheek	0.	R Harper	$\frac{1}{2}$	J Butler	$\frac{1}{2}$.
At Maidenhead		15		5.	At Dunstable	10		9.

ESSEX IV 19-10-74		BERKS III		BERKS IV 26-10-74		BEDS II		
1	EJ West	0	PR Taylor	1.	RJ Hastie	1	D Elkin	0.
2	W Hawthorne	$\frac{1}{2}$	TG Pollard	$\frac{1}{2}$.	DC Maddocks	$\frac{1}{2}$	G Green	$\frac{1}{2}$.
3	A Uddgren	$\frac{1}{2}$	K Wyld	$\frac{1}{2}$.	CKS Wilmot	0	R Collinson	1.
4	R Julian	0	*AW Potts	1.*	K Wilkinson	0	R Wilson	1.
5	W Franklin	0	JM Craddock	1.	CJ Berdusco	1	D Harris	0.
6	K Ramage	1	S Benedictus	0.	R Bristol	0	H Ingham	1.
7	JS Wood	$\frac{1}{2}$	EJ Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$.	AL Watkin	0	S Brocklesby	1.
8	P Harbott	0	W Evans	1.	TP Fagan	1	E Bee	0.
9	K Clow	1	JH Hasselt	0.	P Musgrove	$\frac{1}{2}$	K Symonds	$\frac{1}{2}$.
10	R Gerrish	1	WH Norris	0.	P Rae	$\frac{1}{2}$	B Wells	$\frac{1}{2}$.
11	AL Smith	0	NA Randall	1.	R Young	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Gill	$\frac{1}{2}$.
12	W Koreywo	1	G Craddock	0.	JT Byrne	$\frac{1}{2}$	T Conquest	$\frac{1}{2}$.
13	D Dennis	1	JP Berdusco	0.	SM Burbridge	1	V Vaghaiwalla	0.
14	A Eley	0	PB Sarson	1.	D Rollinson	$\frac{1}{2}$	J Walker	$\frac{1}{2}$.
15	D Edmunds	0	R Berdusco	1.	CW Hayes	0	A Darvill	1.
16	P Savin	$\frac{1}{2}$	AM Drummond	$\frac{1}{2}$.	A Morgan	$\frac{1}{2}$	L Hansford	$\frac{1}{2}$.
17	J Eve	$\frac{1}{2}$	HF Rymer	$\frac{1}{2}$.	P Hallis	0	R Harper	1.
18	G Gooding	1	DS Reynoldson	0.	GF Langran	0	M Al Doory	1.
19	D McIndoe	0	A Morgan	1.	JP Berdusco	1	default	0.
20	default	0	Dr MJ Bruton	1.	JD Whealing	1	default	0.
		$9\frac{1}{2}$		$10\frac{1}{2}$.		$9\frac{1}{2}$		$10\frac{1}{2}$.

(* This Board 4 game in the Essex IV - Berks III match was won over the board by the Berks player and is so recorded by the Grader. In fact the Berk's player was ineligible for this team and for the Ebony Shield record the game is counted a win for Essex, thus making the score $10\frac{1}{2}$ - $9\frac{1}{2}$ in favour of Berks.

ESSEX III		2-11-74	SUSSEX III		BUCKS		19-10-74	HERTS II	
1	C Ramage	1/2	P Watson	1/2	KG Hyde	1	RJS Robinson	0.	
2	R Langenham	0	P Fallon	1.	Dr EN Bramley	0	AG Burrows	1.	
3	CF Dorn	0	ML Roberts	1.	WF Coles	1	JP Covington	0.	
4	R Franklin	1/2	J Graham	1/2	RD de Coverly	1	R Goodall	0.	
5	KW Clow	0	G Rivers	1.	BW Atkinson	1	R Talbot	0.	
6	A Uddgren	1	EJ Bowley	0.	D Curtis	1/2	SR Capsey	1/2	
7	J Watson	0	JL Whiteman	1.	RDW Marsh	1/2	FB Ings	1/2	
8	W Saunders	1/2	EW Bolduc	1/2	DJ Faulkner	0	OV Stobart	1.	
9	P Gasper	1	S Macaulay	0.	A Niedzweidzki	1/2	KL Woodland	1/2	
10	A Kinder	1/2	J Valler	1/2	N Thackray	1/2	AJF Riley	1/2	
11	RA Wagstaff	0	CP Ravillions	1.	G Cabaj	1	J Ing	0.	
12	R Lighton	1	PH Benson	0.	P Porter	1/2	SG Peters	1/2	
13	JL Geddes	0	R Langridge	1.	J Alster	1/2	BA Fewell	1/2	
14	AE Bower	1	RH Saunders	0.	R Bott	0	B Drury	1.	
15	E West	1/2	RC Howard	1/2	RC Newton	1	DP Young	0.	
16	D Pearce	1	DH Cummings	0.	J Bower	1	JL Rennocks	0.	
17	N Goldenberg	0	DJ Chirgwin	1.	A Stubbs	1	RA Hubbard	0.	
18	R Hatch	0	AWT Hansford	1.	Dr AW Hill	1/2	RF Riley	1/2	
19	K Ramage	1/2	PD Hayes	1/2	M Mobbs	0	D Pinch	1.	
20	R Craven	0	MD Beishon	1.	R Robinson	0	TA Sinkinson	1.	
At St Brides		8		12.	At Hemel Hempstead		12 1/2	7 1/2.	

JUNIOR CHESS @ WANSTEAD H.S.

MIDDLESEX JUNIORS		ESSEX JUNIORS		
1	JG Benjamin	1	L Dregent	0.
2	T Howdle	1/2	A Martin	1/2.
3	SJ Brickman	1/2	P Banoroft	1.
4	P Girdlestone	1	P Birleson	0.
5	D Cole	1/2	P Pritchard	1/2.
6	C Stonehill	1/2	P Bern	1/2.
7	H Carter	1	K Ramage	0.
8	BJ Flan	0	P Smith	1.
9	NR Benjamin	1/2	P Gasper	1/2.
10	J Stafford	0	J Hudson	1.
11	O Hill	1/2	D Kraszewski	1/2.
12	NM Andrews	1	G Fosh	0.
13	JP Taffell	1	P Savin	0.
14	MTL Kwan	1	T Southon	0.
15	C Solomon	1/2	L Holt	1/2.
16	PJ Sowray	1	J Horey	0.
17	G Evans	1/2	S Rogers	1/2.
18	PN Franses	0	P Sagrella	1.
19	DR Lawson	1	P Jessop	0.
20	P Tabberer	0	K Robinson	1.
21	C Blackwell	0	C Brown	1.
22	H Morcom	1	D Rosenberg	0.
23	R Holmes	0	R Stern	1.
24	C Gallagher	1/2	P Denison	1/2.
25	H Sharma	1/2	P Salmon	1/2.
26	T Arnold	1/2	G Stern	1/2.
27	default	0	M Renshaw	1.
28	SJB Knott	1	Miss F Quinn	0.
29	P Madge	1	Miss M Kalinski	0.
30	P davey	1	Miss S Barton	0.
31	T Sanders	1	D Mellon	0.
32	N Chan	1	P Russell	0.
33	CM Dickens	1/2	P Holt	1/2.
34	N Thompson	1	D King	0.
35	default	0	A Kent	1.
36	PM Woodall	1	D Patel	0.
37	S Rooney	1	N Amor	0.
38	N Shapiro	1	N Jarvis	0.
39	S Head	0	R Brown	1.
40	KN Parker	1	C Purdon	0.
On 12-10-74.		24 1/2		15 1/2

FRIENDLY MATCHES

BERKS		21-9-74	SOMERSET	
1	JH Hodgson	1/2	R Northage	1/2.
2	NS Cooper	1	RW Gregory	0.
3	DI Stevenson	1	A Borkowski	0.
4	RFG Kneebone	1/2	RJ Gregory	1/2.
5	MG Patterson	0	B Crouter	1.
6	P Morrey	1	SH Brocklesby	0.
7	FJ Sexton	1/2	C Lasper	1/2.
8	JT Matthews	0	G Jepps	1.
9	TG Pollard	1	C Winch	0.
10	W Makar	1	R Gray	0.
11	AJ Davey	1	M Sellars	0.
12	AJ Stenton	0	D Woodruff	1.
13	DH Butler	1/2	P Hunt	1/2.
14	H Sloan	1	A Hornby	0.
15	R Bristow	0	K Hillier	1.
16	R Berdusco	0	R Bagshaw	1.
17	RJ Hastie	1	J Fewkes	0.
18	CKS Wilmot	0	T Headlong	1.
19	AL Watkin	1/2	D Bagshaw	1/2.
20	JP Berdusco	0	D Hick	1.
At Newbury.		10 1/2		9 1/2.
HERTS II		2-11-74	BERKS II	
1	J Sharp	1/2	P Barnard	1/2.
2	AG Burrows	1	KB Hemmings	0.
3	SR Capsey	0	JM Craddock	1.
4	JJ Morgan	1/2	DEA Riley	1/2.
5	AJF Riley	1/2	JE Syner	1/2.
6	MA Carnochan	0	SR Benedictus	1.
7	KL Woodland	1	K Wyld	0.
8	BA Fewell	1	RJ Berdusco	0.
9	A Collman	1	GP Dembo	0.
10	CA Hutchby	1/2	MJ Farrington	1/2.
11	D Pinch	1	JH Hasselt	0.
12	SP Daniels	0	MPA Connelly	1.
13	A Chiang	1	AMJ Scarborough	0.
14	JN White	1	WH Norris	0.
15	WJ Battell	1	Dr MJ Bruton	0.
16	JA Lowe	1	JAA Baker	0.
17	NP Williams	0	G Craddock	1.
18	G Marcus	0	EM Davies	1.
19	HS Foster	1/2	JP Berdusco	1/2.
20	D Young	1	JG Hart	0.
At Maidenhead		12 1/2		7 1/2.

240 Hartston, W.R. (IM)	236	214 Griffiths, P.C. (M)	204
238 Keene, R.D. (IM)	231	214 Holloway, N.J. (S&W)	214
230 Miles, A.J. (IM)	230	214* Sales, Dr K.D. (S)	205
230 Stean, M.F. (BM)	230	213 Hartston, Mrs J. (S)	200
228 Basman, M.J. (BM)	218	213 Jones, I.C. (Wales)	208
227* Littlewood, J.E. (BM)	221	213 Law, A.P. (S)	216
227 Nunn, J.D.M. (CM)	214	212* Harris, R.A.	214
226 Webb, S. (BM)	219	211 Haygarth, M.J. (BM)	214
226 Whiteley, A.J. (BM)	226	211 Ball, J.D.L. (M)	190
226 Mestel, A.J. (CM)	216	211 Bennett, G.H. (S&W)	206
225 Markland, P.R. (BM)	222	211 Ludgate, A.T. (N)	207
224 Williams, A.H. (BM)	224	210 Wade, R.G. (IM)	216
222 Horner, J. (CM)	222	210 Hutchings, S.J. (W&Wales)	211
221 Eley, B. (BM)	216	210 Kennaugh, C.W. (N)	193
220 Botterill, G.S. (BM)	214	210 Perkins, A.H. (S)	213
220 Hindle, U.M. (CM)	216	210* Lambshire, M.V. (S)	206
219 Penrose, J. (IM)	226	209 Franklin, M.J. (BM)	216
219 Bellin, R.S. (CM)	220	209* Phillips, A. (BM)	210
217 Saverymuttu, S. (CM)	213	209 Byway, P.V. (S)	200
217@ Cordon, M.J. (CM)	214	209* Toothill, J. (N)	207
217 Eales, R.G. (N&S)	208	208 James, G.H. (S)	200
217 Richardson, K.B. (S)	214	208 Stephenson, F.N. (N)	205
216* Wise, D.M. (S&W)	-	208* Cooper, J.G. (S&Wales)	201
215 Clarke, P.H. (BM)	211	208* Henshaw, J.C. (S)	201
215 Wright, D. (CM)	219	208* Moles, J.L. (S)	-
215 Parr, D. (S&Wales)	207	207 Denman, B.J. (S&Scot)	-
215* Bruzzi, S. (S)	205	207* Scholes, J.E. (S)	214
214* Milner-Barry, P.S. (BM)	215	207* Sherman, D. (S)	204

* = Less than 30 Games. @ = Less than 20 Games, both in 1973/4 season.

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163 Brooks, A.J. Waltham Forest & British Museum.	152* O'Brien, P. Battersea & Employment
126 Collins, T. Aylesbury.	158* Potter, A.J. Wanstead.
182 Gillham, P. West London & NCCU.	166 Rosman, P.F. T.R.R. Lab and Civil Service.
180 Hawkes, J.E. Ldn Univ., Maidstone & Railways.	185 Thomson, S.J. Uppington and Oxford University.
160* James, D. Richmond & Twickenham.	161* Whitehead, S.L. Sussex University and N.C.C.U.
200* Kerr, A.G. Cavendish.	110* Woods, D. Charlton.
126 Lee, R. Magdalen Cols & Witney.	

* = B.C.F. Standard Grade.

ALTERATIONS TO THE PUBLISHED S.C.C.U. GRADING LIST:

Correct to read	195* Andrews, G.	Oxford University and N.C.C.U.
DELETE	Bentley, E.	Oxford University.
Correct to read	176* Campbell, G.	I.B.M. and Ilford.
	142* Daniels, S.P.	Queen Elizabeth School, Old Elizabethians, and Potters Bar.
	91 Denny, A.J.C.	St Dunstons College.
	170* Fallows, C.	Cambridge University and N.C.C.U.
	107* Hart, Jeremy C.	Courthouse J.Sch. & Maidenhead.
	213* Hartston, Mrs J.	Cambridge University.
	165* Howorth, Dr P.N.J.	Athenaeum, Streatham and Lewisham.
	145* Ireland, S.J.	Oxford University.
	171* Jones, Michael K.	Lewisham.
	173* Lorber, S.J.	Kent University and N.C.C.U.
	165* Muldoon, E.P.	West London and M.C.C.U.
	167 O'Donnell, I.O.	Noble Lowndes and Croydon.
	215* Parr, D.	Mushrooms.
	101* Pethybridge, W.G.	Wimbledon.
	180* Race, A.P.	Kent and N.C.C.U.
	121 Tydeman, St J.H.	Tunbridge Wells.

CORRECTIONS TO WEST OF ENGLAND GRADING LIST:

- Page 7 Beilby left Southern G.S.
 Page 9. After Collier, M. read Collinge, J. Hightown Sch. Staff. Same Page, Coutts G.A. should read Southern G.S. Portsmouth.
 Page 16. Seymour, Miss J.F. now Northern Girls G.S. Portsmouth.
 Page 18. Williams R. I.B.M. etc is a Junior, 'J' omitted.

'CUTTY SARK' GRAND PRIX SAGA

With only one Major Event to go - the ten-fold pointed Evening Standard London Open on December 20 to 22nd plus the single pointed Dart Congress just announced as counting at somewhat short notice, the Southern Counties Champion, Gerald Bennett of Bournemouth, and the World Junior Champion, Tony Miles, Sheffield University and Birmingham, are still neck and neck in the Cutty Sark's £1,000 Grand Prix. Bennett has $196\frac{1}{2}$ points and Miles $195\frac{1}{2}$. These two are so far ahead that, even though the points of the London Open count tenfold for the Grand Prix, they could only be overhauled by 3rd placed Les Blackstock, Athenaeum, if they both lost all their games in London and Blackstock won all his.

In practice, Blackstock with $136\frac{1}{2}$ points will be battling with Ron Harman, King and King, and Michael Basman, Wimbledon, for the £50 third prize. (2nd Prize is £100 plus a $\frac{1}{2}$ gallon of Cutty Sark Whiskey).

When Miles returned from Manila after winning the World Junior Title, he had $105\frac{1}{2}$ Cutty Sark points to Bennett's 120. Now to their progress to date:-

30/8 to 1/9. At triple-pointed Enfield Open, Miles shares 1st prize with 5/6.

Bennett loses their individual encounter but still totals $4\frac{1}{2}$. Scores

Bennett $133\frac{1}{2}$, Miles $120\frac{1}{2}$.

1 - 8/9 Bennett steals a march on his rival by driving down in his Dormobile to the double-pointed Paignton Premier (which began on the Sunday whilst Enfield still in progress). He defaults Round 1, starts in Round 2 and wins 5 games straight, then misses a win against N.E. Povah in the final round to share 2nd prize. Miles was content to play in the Single-pointed Thanet Open on 6 - 8/9 where he shared 1st prize with Brian Eley with a score of $4\frac{1}{2}$. Bennett $144\frac{1}{2}$, Miles 125.

13-15/9 Miles scored $3\frac{1}{5}$ in the triple-pointed London Chess Club where Bennett is not competing. (International Invitation event). Bennett $144\frac{1}{2}$, Miles $135\frac{1}{2}$.

27 - 29/9. Bennett again sits on side-lines while Miles competes in the triple-pointed Glasgow Invitation International. Miles however hits disaster, losing to Jamieson, Findlay and Fuller for $2/5$ total.

4 - 6/10. At the Double-pointed Chelmsford Open, Miles drops a draw to a local star, J.R. Priestley, but wins the event with $5\frac{1}{6}$. Bennett is 2nd but they do not meet. Bennett $163\frac{1}{2}$, Miles $161\frac{1}{2}$.

11 - 13/10. Miles concedes half points to P.V. Byway and Blackstock at the Woolacombe double-pointed 'Barnstaple' Open to tie for 3rd prize. Bennett with $3\frac{1}{4}$ is up against it in his last round game with R. Bellin, Great Yarmouth, in a poor position. Either, by winning the game, could tie for 1st place with the International Kurajica, A Grand Master. Bellin spoils his position just before the time check and the games goes on till the next morning when Bellin blundered away a draw and giving Bennett a 1st place tie with the Grand Master Kurajica. Bennett $172\frac{1}{2}$ Miles $169\frac{1}{2}$.

25 - 27/10. Miles sensationally drops a draw in Round 1 of the double-pointed Southampton Open to an unknown local Junior, S. Cool of Hightown School, Southampton. He wins the rest of his games to tie for 1st with $5\frac{1}{6}$. Bennett loses to Wright and totals $4\frac{1}{2}$.

1 - 3/11. They both win their first three games in the L.A.R.A. Open, organised by the Greater London Council Chess Club and meet again in Round 4. This time Bennett defends better against Miles' Reti Opening and the game is agreed a draw. Miles beats A. Phillips (a Past British Champion) in round 5, but Bennett, inspired by the £1,000 in his sights, excels this by a fine win against the very strong J.D.M. Nunn. In the final round Miles draws steadily against the wellknown Simon Webb whilst Bennett fights back from a poor position to draw with M.J. Basman. They were both among the 7 players to share first place. Bennett $196\frac{1}{2}$. Miles $195\frac{1}{2}$.

We now wait patiently and anxiously to see the final close stages fought out in what looks like a real cliff-hanger of a finish.

Monumental headaches in a tournament of tournaments exist for the organisers, particularly with players absent on national, or international duty on the one hand, whilst others are excluded from invitation tournaments - to say nothing of the (I believe) fact that Miles has had two Whites against Bennett to date without a reverse use of colours.

However I do suggest all Chess enthusiasts extend thanks and appreciation to Cutty Sark for the help and interest they are bringing to Chess, whilst at the same time hoping that, with gained experience, those responsible for organising the Chess side will find suitable answers to the problems that have, or might have even, shown up through this year. Good luck to them.

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