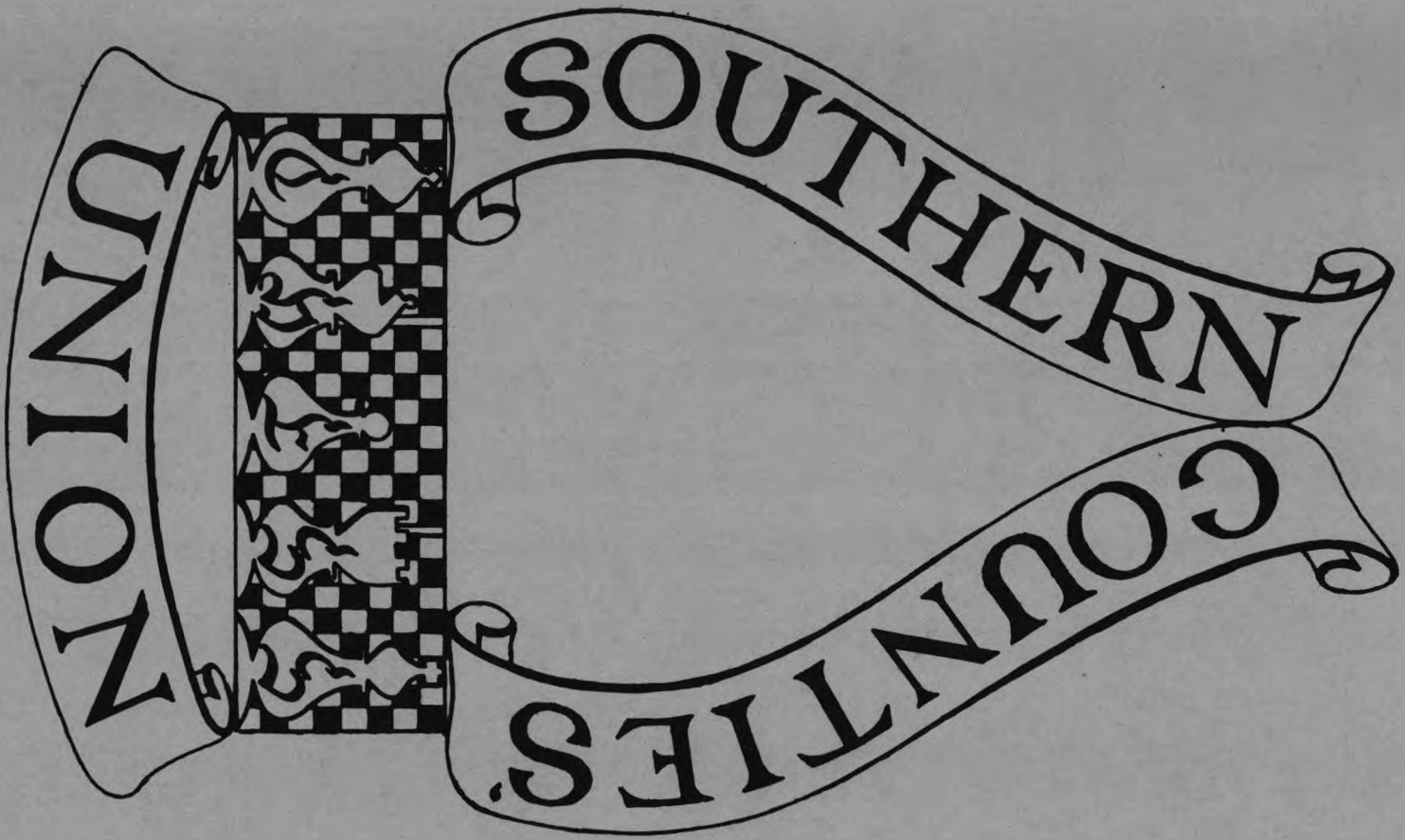


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EDITORIAL

Congratulations to Kent (and Lancashire!) on once again reaching the Final of the BCF Counties Championship where hopefully the repeat performance of their 1976 appearance will end in a similar result (Kent won in that year by 11 - 9). Also a special appreciation of Brian Locke's year of office and the immense amount of work he has done as President and Grading Secretary during a year when problems seemed to abound and rewards were few and far between. A welcome for Oliver Stobart as our new President, wishing him a successful year of office; and to Richard Haddrell to whom we are already indebted for his services as producer of the recent issues of the Bulletin: we look forward to his tenancy of the Editorial chair.

As subscribers are aware, this issue completes this year's volume and all subscriptions should be renewed at £1.80 per annum. Orders for extra copies of the September (Grading list) issue can be placed at £1.25 per copy or £1.15 for bulk orders of ten copies or more. All orders should be sent to Richard Haddrell whose address is given above - cheques payable to Southern Counties Chess Union, please.

I come now to write my last Editorial paragraph and I must begin by thanking many people whose help I have enjoyed over my years of service via the Bulletin - 20 years in distribution and the last seven as Editor. County match captains have been my main source of news, many county officials have received my requests for information and have always been co-operative, BCF officials over the years have helped in many ways and the assistance of my Union colleagues from time to time has been invaluable. I do greatly appreciate the honour the Union Council has done me in my appointment as the first and only Life Vice-President and it is also gratifying that they have also elected me to serve another year on the executive which makes me feel not yet entirely redundant! My final thanks to Richard Haddrell who has come to the aid of the Union to ensure that the Bulletin will continue: long may it do so!

JJ Lauder

ANNUAL COUNCIL MEETING 12.6.78

At their annual meeting on the 12th June, members of the Council of the Union unanimously elected Mr Oliver Stobart (Herts) as President for the coming season and Mr Eric Croker (Middlesex) as Vice-President. Both Mr Locke, the retiring President, and Mr Stobart will continue their executive services as Grading Secretary and Individual Tournament Organiser respectively. Mr FC Manning was elected as Junior Organiser and Mr H Trevor Jones as Grader and Grading Programmer. Mr Richard Haddrell was elected as Bulletin Editor and will produce and distribute the Bulletin. It was not possible to find a Union Grader for Junior Chess and this work will devolve upon county junior graders for the time being, similarly no Minute Secretary was obtainable. Mr CE Williams was re-appointed as Hon. Auditor and in recognition of past services Mr JJ Lauder was unanimously elected as the first Life Vice-President. For the ten places on the executive committee 13 candidates offered their services and after a ballot the meeting elected the following:

×WA Cordon (Beds), ✓AJ Cox (Bucks), JJ Lauder (Surrey), ✓J Poole (Middlesex), RJ Richmond (Cams), ×R Talbot (Herts), ×NG Thomas (Norfolk), BH Threadgall (Kent), JC Waldron (Oxford), RA Wagstaff (Essex). ⁹ *Sadler Rd, St Albans Hope H, Partridge, Norfolk NR14 7NA*
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The Council received reports from the Hon. Treasurer and other officials reflecting the work of the Union during the past year and the members expressed their appreciation for all that these gentlemen have done for us.

Arising out of the minutes of the June 1977 meeting of the Council, the meeting approved unanimously the following addition to the Union Rules:

"The Union affirms the right of member counties to adjust their boundaries subject to the agreement of their neighbours. Whereas the Union hopes that agreement

would be achieved, should a dispute arise the SCCU Council would act as final arbiter in the matter.

"In cases where a member county of another Union is involved, the SCCU insists that all parties, including the SCCU and the other Union, are kept fully informed (in writing) of the course of negotiations, even from preliminary stages. In the case of a dispute the SCCU undertakes to consult the other Union and if no agreement is reached would then seek arbitration from the BCF and would accept its decision as final.

"Unless the SCCU executive decides to the contrary, all boundary changes shall only be effective from the start of the new season, and shall be evidenced by being reported to the SCCU council meeting held prior to the change."

All members of the Council had received full details of the proposed "payment by grading" method of meeting the BCF annual budget, together with copies of Mr Locke's report of the Union sub-committee on the Union aspect of our obligations if the suggestions were accepted. A proposition in favour of the scheme was included on the agenda and member counties were able to consider the whole problem and record their opinions. That most members had done their homework on this issue was evident from letters received from Essex CA and Mr Martin Cath (Surrey), and several members suggested amendments to the proposition which were discussed in some detail and after one amendment had been accepted by 16 votes to 5 this was included in the final resolution which was accepted nem. con. as follows:

"We, the Council of the SCCU, cannot yet support the grading fees scheme as before the BCF Council to be held in July. We would welcome, however, the submission of alternative schemes for consideration."

Mr Parker (Bucks) stated that his county supported the BCF scheme, observing that no detailed discussion had been forthcoming on the scheme. No other members appeared to have any proposals in favour of the scheme but the meeting expressed their thanks to Mr Locke and the Union sub-committee for their work on this problem.

Footnote

County secretaries are invited to note the resolution of the Council quoted above and to ensure that their delegates to the BCF Council meeting at Birmingham on the 8th July are fully aware of the SCCU policy on the payment by grading scheme. In the event that any county delegate is unable to attend he should advise Paul Buswell in writing and appoint a proxy to vote in his stead; the Union President Mr OV Stobart will be pleased to act as proxy for any county delegate.

A note from the Editor-elect

Credit where it is due: I would like to emphasize that all editorial work on this issue of the Bulletin has been done by Mr Lauder, whose counsel I shall doubtless fall back on frequently in the months to come. I shall be in harness for the September issue and will do my best to maintain his high standards.

RJ Haddrell

CUTTY SARK GRAND PRIX 1978

Leonard Barden reports that as at 26th May the leaders are as follows:

1 DE Rumens (Coulsdon, Surrey)	147.0	6 JDM Nunn (Oxford)	120.1
2 AJ Whiteley (Kensington)	145.5	7 MJ Franklin (Surrey)	114.5
3 Simon Webb (Reading, Berks)	139.9	8 Jonathan Mestel (Cambridge U)	113.3
4 Nigel Short (Atherton, Lancs)	126.5	9 George S Botterill (Aberystwyth)	112.0
5 JG Nicholson (Brighton, Sussex)	121.5		

Maximum score 200. Previous winners were: 1974 Tony Miles and Gerald Bennett; 1975 Tony Miles; 1976 DE Rumens; 1977 George Botterill.

UNIVERSITY MATCH 1978

(Royal Automobile Club, Pall Mall)

<u>Oxford</u>		<u>Cambridge</u>		The 99th Varsity Match has two claims to fame: it has been sponsored by Lloyds Bank and for the first time two girls played. There is much evidence to suggest that the playing strength was also one of the best ever with ten of the players Elo-rated in the FIDE official list.
1 D Goodman	0 1	Jonathan Mestel		
2 D Macpherson	0 1	Shaun Taulbut		
3 Michael Truran	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Emmanuel Rayner		
4 Peter Sowray	0 1	Colin Crouch		
5 Jonathan Benjamin	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Graham Hillyard		
6 Peter Varley	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Simon Knott		
7 Geoffrey Moore	1 0	Paul Davies		
8 Annette Rogers	0 1	Jane Anson		

$2\frac{1}{2}$ $5\frac{1}{2}$

CONGRESS RESULTS

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SCCU JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

17th - 19th March and 7th - 9th April 1978

Nearly 400 invited juniors took part in these events which were combined with the BCF Junior Squad Championships. Detailed results:

Under 18 1 - 4 JW Branford (SCCU Champion), MJ Dubey (both Surrey), DH Cummings (Sussex), JM Hodgson (Middx) 5/6; 5 - 8 GC Crawley and SC Quigley (Middx), AP Lewis (Essex), TM Williams (Surrey) 4½ ... 86 players

Under 16 1 G Senior (Yorks) 4½/5; 2 - 3 GC Crawley (SCCU Champion), LJ Pinto (both Middx) 4; 4 - 8 SC Conquest (Sussex), SG Dighton, JA Flanagan (both Surrey), DJ King and CA Frostick (both Kent) 3½ ... 61 players

Under 14 1 - 2 GW Lane (Kent: SCCU Champion), IA Robson (Essex) 4½/5; 3 - 5 N Bradbury (Herts), NF Dickenson, DJ Edmonds (both Kent) 4; 6 - 10 M Bennett (Middx) D Goorvitch (Essex), APH Kinsman, AN Watt (Surrey), JR Richardson (Kent) 3½ ... 88 pl

Under 12 / Under 10 1 JD Hockaday (Middx: SCCU Under 12 Champion) 6½/7; 2 JM Emms (Norfolk) 6; 3 - 4 NH Stone (Kent), ES Lee (Essex: SCCU Under 10 Champion) 5½ ...

These events were organised by David Eustace and Peter Morrish with financial support from the Union and the Slater Foundation and book and magazine awards from Batsfords and the Chess Player.

LLOYDS BANK GIRLS' SCHOOLS TROPHY

The first ever competition for this trophy attracted teams from girls' schools from many counties as far away as Spalding, Lincs, and Rugby, Warwicks. Over 130 girls competed in teams of four and out of 18 teams in the Under 18 section the host school, Coloma Convent Grammar, Croydon, tied with Nonsuch High, Cheam, Surrey. In the Under 11 section out of 15 teams Newbury Park, Ilford, Essex, tied with Whaplode Primary, Whaplode, Lincs, and 3rd place was shared by Sir Henry Fermor Primary, Crowborough, Sussex, and Roehampton Gate Primary, London SW. Prizes were presented by Mr Robin Harrison, Lloyds Bank Schools Liaison Officer, as part of the Bank's £10 000 a year chess sponsorship programme. Organisation was in the hands of Peter Granat and Neil Clifton of Surrey. Lavinia Pereira of Coloma, one of the winning team captains, was interviewed on LBC News on Sunday morning following the event.

SURREY JUNIOR CHESS CONGRESS 1978

Under 18 1 - 2 JW Branford (Tiffin), RG Granat (Rutlish) 5; 3 - 4 PA Ellis (Glyn), JA Lawrence (Whitgift) 4½ ... 27 players

Under 16 1 - 3 MN Andrews (Hampton), GW Dormand (Eastfields), APH Kinsman (Tiffin); 4 - 6 SC Crowdy (Archbishop Tennysons), NJA Pelling (RGS Guildford), P Romano (Trinity) 4 ... 23 players

Under 15 1 - 2 JA Flanagan (Furzedown), JG Gallagher (Salesian) 5/5; 3 - 4 CB Baker (Hampton), S Deighton (Whitgift) ... 31 players

Under 14 1 - 3 DR Feinstein (Furzedown), AG Mitchell-Baker (Hampton), AP Soane (St Josephs) 5/5

Under 13 1 PE Johnstone (Hampton) 5½; 2 SG Walker (Sutton Manor) 5; 3 - 6 M Lacy (Redstone), Jane Chamberlain (Orleans Park), IA Frigaard (Reigate), TJ Houghton (RGS Guildford) 4½ ... 41 players

Under 12 1 R Blackwell (Whitton) 5½; 2 - 3 PJ Bannister (Trinity), Susan Walker (Nonsuch) 5; 4 - 7 A Arulia (Cheam CE), G Hinton (Cranleigh), CT McElligot (St Lukes CE), AJ Waters (Dulwich) 4½ ...

MIDDLESEX OPEN WEEK-END TEAM TOURNAMENT

Imperial College Union, SW7

49 teams and 251 players took part in this event for which chess clocks were the prizes. 1st, winning 5 clocks, were London Central YMCA I with 18½/24. 2nd (3 clocks) Harrow I 18; 3rd Streatham I (2 clocks) 17½; 4th Streatham II 16; 5th Harrow II 16; 6th Wimbledon I 15. Best "little" teams: Richmond Juniors 13½; Islington II 13; Hurlingham Rooks 10½ - all of whom received one clock. Cash for best % scores: over 160 AS Westwood (169) Streatham II £20; under 160 GJ Mason (147) Hurlingham Knights 5½/6. £20 Poole Trophy for best score overall AS Westwood 6/6.

Third Basingstoke Annual Congress: See page 6.

CLASSIFIED RESULTS

NATIONAL COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP Quarter Finals 6th May 1978:

Kent 10½ Devon 5½; Lancs 10½ Essex 5½; Yorks 12 Staffs 4;
Gloucs 10½ Greater Manchester 9½

Semi Finals:

Kent 10 Yorks 9 with one for adjudication; Lancs 14½ Gloucs 5½

(It is understood that the game for adjudication is at least a draw for Kent.)

(Latest: it's a win - official)

MINOR COUNTIES Semi Finals:

Devon II 9 Yorks II 11; Middx II 11 Greater Manchester II 9

SOUTHERN COUNTIES

MONTAGUE-JONES: Oxford 10 Middx III 10; Middx II 14½ Beds 5½;

Essex II 11 Beds 9; Kent II 11½ Surrey 3½ (15 boards)

AMBOYNA: Sussex III 10 Middx III 10; Surrey III 10½ Essex III 9½

EBONY: Essex IV w.o. Surrey V scr.

SOUTHERN COUNTIES CHESS UNION: FINAL TABLES 1977/1978

CHAMPIONSHIP

	K	E	M	S	H	S	B	C	B	GP	MP
Kent	X	13	11½	11	13½	12½	14	14	14	103½	8
Essex	7	X	14½	8½	12½	15	12	11	14	94½	6
Middlesex	8½	5½	X	12½	10	11½	13	11	12½	84½	5½
Surrey	9	11½	7½	X	9½	12	7	11	12½	80	4
Herts	6½	7½	10	10½	X	9	9	12	11	75½	3½
Sussex	7½	5	8½	8	11	X	10	12	10½	72½	3½
Berks	6	8	7	13	11	10	X	9	10	74	3
Cambs	6	9	9	9	8	8	11	X	10½	70½	2
Bucks	6	6	7½	7½	9	9½	10	9½	X	65	½

MONTAGUE-JONES

	O	M	E	N	H	S	K	S	B	S	GP	MP
Oxford	X	10	10	10½	12½	11½	12	11	12	12½	102	8
Middx II	10	X	11	9½	15½	13½	8	15	14½	16½	113½	6½
Essex II	10	9	X	9½	15	13½	10½	14	11	13½	106	6½
Norfolk	9½	10½	10½	X	12½	9½	8½	13	11½	14½	100	6
Herts II	7½	4½	5	7½	X	10½	11	11	12	13	82	5
Sussex II	8½	6½	6½	10½	9½	X	11½	8½	15	11	87½	4
Kent II	8	12	9½	11½	9	8½	X	11	Od	11½	81	4
Suffolk	9	5	6	7	9	11½	9	X	11	12½	80	3
Beds	8	5½	9	8½	8	5	20d	9	X	9½	82½	1
Surrey II	6½	3½	6½	5½	7	9	3½	7½	10½	X	59½	1

AMBOYNA

	E	M	S	K	S	GP	MP					
Essex III	X	X	11	12½	10½	9½	12½	13½	12½	14½	96	7
Middx III	9	9½	X	X	10½	12	12½	11½	10½	10	83½	5½
Surrey III	9½	10½	9½	8	X	X	6½	14½	15½	13½	87½	4
Kent III	7½	7	7½	8½	13½	5½	X	X	10½	13½	74½	3
Sussex III	7½	5½	9½	10	4½	6½	9½	6½	X	X	59½	½

EBONY

	E	B	K	SIV	SV	GP	MP					
Essex IV	X	X	11	11½	15½	9	14½	11½	13	20d	106	7
Berks II	9	8½	X	X	15	10½	10½	10½	12	10	86	5½
Kent IV	4½	11	5	9½	X	X	10	11	13½	12½	77	4½
Surrey IV	5½	8½	9½	9½	10	9	X	X	13	14	79	2½
Surrey V	7	Od	8	10	6½	7½	7	6	X	X	52	½

A very interesting season: we congratulate Kent on retaining the Shannon Trophy (unfortunately we can't find the actual Trophy but the honour is well earned) and Oxford on winning the Montague-Jones, a trophy that so often has gone to the second team of one or other of the stronger counties.

ADJUDICATION RESULTS

- (MJ) Kent II v Oxford 18.3.78: 7 LT Canham ½ ½ J Butler. Score 8 - 12 *½-½ in official*
- (A) Oxford v Middx II 22.4.78: 3 AD Gravett 1 0 JV Skilleter; 5 S Hughes 1 0 S Spivack; 11 C Kevis 0 1 NA Perkins; 15 MC Cooke 0 1 RV Atkins. Score 10 - 10 *9½-10½*
- Sussex III v Middx III 22.4.78: GR Opie 0 1 TV Parrott; PD Noble 1 0 N Goldberg
- Surrey II v Beds 28.1.78: 6 A Westwood ½ ½ P Hatton; 10 A White 0 1 A Ditmas; 13 G Beattie 1 0 P Gill; 15 S Barry 0 1 J Weidhoff; 19 S Tyrell 0 1 K Mathews:11-9.
- Middx II v Beds 8.4.78: 5 G Wolfarth ½ ½ N Wingfield; 7 MH Hawley 1 0 P Hatton

NATIONAL COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Quarter Finals

Kent		6.5.78		Devon		Lancs		6.5.78		Essex	
1	RG Eales	1	0	ARB Thomas	JE Littlewood	1	1	Dr J Penrose			
2	M MacDonald-Ross	1	1	RA Lee	B Cafferty	1	1	J Silman			
3	PG Large	0	1	GW Wheeler	MJ Conroy	1	1	AD Martin			
4	PS Milner-Barry	1	1	J Wheeler	ND Short	1	0	AJ Stebbings			
5	JN Sugden	1	1	P Walden	D Lees	1	1	D Wright			
6	AG Trangmar	1	0	TF Thynne	MJ O'Hara	1	0	S Fancy			
7	RM O'Kelly	1	0	RM Bruce	JE Horner	1	1	C Cooley			
8	AE Hanreck	1	1	CJV Bellers	RA Doney	0	1	IR Watson			
9	CF Woodcock	0	1	S Arnold	D Shuttleworth	0	1	RW O'Brien			
10	G Botley	1	1	M Roberts	K Harris	1	0	IBN Smith			
11	DH Powell	1	1	AF Footner	N Ivell	1	0	DIW Reynolds			
12	SW Giddins	1	0	K Schofield	M Price	1	1	HI Woolverton			
13	RA Parry	1	0	SH Crockett	G Ellison	1	1	AP Lewis			
14	J Wager	1	0	BW Clapp	A Beardsworth	1	0	JR Cooke			
15	DC Taylor	1	0	RHT Newman	P Brooks	1	0	AT Marshall			
16	I Pountney	1	1	K Verney	W Cottam	1	0	SJ Abbott			
(Salisbury)		10	5			(Birmingham)		10	5		

Semi Final

MINOR COUNTIES

Kent		3.6.78		Yorks		Middx II		G'ter M'chester II			
1	RG Eales	1	1	D Adams	GD Lee	1	1	C Beaumont			
2	M Macdonald-Ross	1	1	MJ Haygarth	R Holmes	1	0	S Terleckis			
3	PS Milner-Barry	1	1	J Kinlay	KR Clark	1	0	A Gardner			
4	PG Large	1	1	N Littlewood	RL Turnham	1	0	A Stobo			
5	JN Sugden	1	0	P Romilly	JV Skilleter	1	1	A Cummins			
6	AG Trangmar	1	1	C Shepherd	CHJ Orton	1	1	R English			
7	AE Hanreck	1	0	BA Jones	G Wolfarth	0	1	C Gentile			
8	MP Cook	1	1	D Lister	GW Blackmore	0	1	DO Smith			
9	RL Johannes	0	1	G Kenworthy	M Blaine	0	1	D Risley			
10	R de L Holmes	1	1	R Westra	HB Angel	1	0	V Dwyer			
11	DJ King	1	0	H Mossong	NA Perkins	1	0	C Sizeland			
12	G Botley	1	1	J Vickery	MH Hawley	1	0	C Fielding			
13	CF Woodcock	0	1	JH Beaty	S Quigley	0	1	I Powell			
14	DH Powell	0	1	J Atkinson	D Barasi	0	1	D Toole			
15	RA Parry	1	1	D Firth	P Larwood	1	1	B Rhodes			
16	I McAllan	1	0	J Burnett	M Benjamin	0	1	F Cole			
17	J Wager	0	1	T Kosten	G Sage	1	0	L Smith			
18	DC Taylor	1	0	A Woch	JVA Franks	1	0	V Rushworth			
19	SW Giddins	1	1	S Mann	S Band	1	0	P Moody			
20	CA Frostick	1	0	A Porter	BA Smith	0	1	A Dyer			
(Long Lawford)		11	9			(Sutton Coldfield)		11	9		

SCCU UNDER 14 JAMBOREE 13.5.78

1	I Robson (E)	1	0	JG Gallagher (S)	Default (K)	0	1	H Bennett (M)
2	AN Watt (S)	0	1	DJ Edmonds (K)	P Johnson (M)	1	1	K Bowden (E)
3	NJ Pelling (E)	0	1	JA Brown (K)	A Soane (S)	1	0	R Blackwell (M)
4	J Bagri (M)	0	1	D Feinstein (S)	TJ Bancroft (K)	0	1	N Cart (E)
5	HR Calver (K)	1	1	R Bhuchar (S)	M Twyble (E)	1	0	A Mitchell-Baker
6	M Thomas (S)	1	0	D Goorvitch (E)	I Banerjee (M)	0	1	AP Downton (K)
7	S Lee (E)	0	1	K Brown (S)	I Holle (K)	1	0	N Hills (M)
8	M Nott (S)	0	1	SM Taylor (K)	D Sharp (M)	0	1	E Lee (E)
9	G Jeffries (E)	1	1	D Malam (K)	A Curtis (S)	0	1	S Abiaw (M)
10	S Isley (M)	0	1	P Bailie (S)	NH Pope (K)	1	1	B Lemmon (E)
11	N Stone (K)	1	1	A Stirling (S)	M Sames (E)	1	0	S King (M)
12	P Gibbons (S)	1	0	A Hewitt (E)	D Johal (M)	1	0	D Evans (K)
13	S Leary (E)	1	0	D Stearn	P Chilcott (K)	1	0	L Gawler (M)
14	I Frigaard (S)	1	1	NS Hattersley (K)	M Kainith (M)	0	1	J Franklin (E)
15	J Taylor (E)	1	0	I Mason (K)	A Granat (S)	0	1	D Jarvis (M)
16	G Bell (M)	1	0	B McKenzie (S)	J Aldridge (K)	0	1	S Humphrey (E)
17	P Myers (K)	1	0	Default (S)	G Reid (E)	0	1	S Kopila (M)
18	SG Walker (S)	1	0	P Moore (E)	A Wright (M)	0	1	RE Walker (K)
19	P Street	0	1	T Houghton (S)	MJ Luff (K)	1	0	S Bell (M)
20	MR Green (S)	0	1	Kevin Holle (K)	J Sharp (M)	0	1	D Robson (E)

Totals: Kent 12½; Essex 11½; Surrey 9½; Middlesex 6½

MONTAGUE-JONES

Essex II		18.3.78		Beds	Sussex II		4.3.78		Herts II
1 R Heppinstall	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	A Perkins	RH Williams	0	1	AG Burrows		
2 W Saunders	0	1	P Habershon	AB Bamford	0	1	K Mahon		
3 JT Pascoe	0	1	S Brocklesbury	Canon AE Smith	0	1	M Krawczynsky		
4 T Whitton	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	CW Johns	T Norton	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	RJ Thompson		
5 K Warren	1	0	N Wingfield	AH Palmer	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	B Drury		
6 B Beavis	0	1	R Freeman	CJ Macarthur	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	RJS Robinson		
7 RA Wagstaff	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Hatton	PR Selby	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	DM Rutter		
8 SJ Abbott	1	0	N Staddon	RD Hirsh	1	0	KL Woodland		
9 CF Dorn	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	WA Cordon	C Arthur	0	1	G Lawrence		
10 P Smyth	0	1	H Ditmas	P Watson	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	M Cohen		
11 P Harbott	1	0	HW Ingham	DJ Hopson	0	1	SR Capsey		
12 K Clow	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	D Wright	JJ Soesan	1	0	D Witt		
13 G Gatheral	1	0	N Hickman	JP Munday	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	DP Young		
14 K Jones	0	1	R Collinson	J Stone	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	BA Fewell		
15 N Amor	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Gill	RH Saunders	1	0	PW Newstead		
16 R Hatch	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Montgomery	CP Tucknott	1	0	HM Lawrence		
17 S Harvey	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	K Liddle	M Smith	1	0	JH Gittus		
18 Miss J Moore	1	0	G Billington	IK Hardwick	1	0	T Wright		
19 R Hammond	1	0	K Mathews	S Riordan	0	1	SJ Cooley		
20 R Rodie	1	0	B Nuthwill	DC Leach	0	1	R Arnot		
(Wanstead)	11 9			(Crawley)	9 $\frac{1}{2}$ 10 $\frac{1}{2}$				

Kent II		6.5.78		Surrey II	Surrey III		AMBOYNA	Essex III
1 DJ King	1	0	A Westwood	S Drury	1	0	I Pheby	
2 NR Oliver	1	0	JE Pattle	TN Parrott	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Shepherd	
3 GM Brown	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	GK Sandiford	DL Meen	1	0	P Harbott	
4 JA Dodgson	1	0	P Roche	KJ Thurlow	1	0	D Cannan	
5 SD Brown	1	0	R West	M Anderson	0	1	FRE Elliott	
6 CA Frostick	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	B Lyons	HM Cath	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	AE Bower	
7 AJ Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	Helen Granat	Helen Granat	1	0	J Roles	
8 PH Barkas	1	0	BJ Todd	P Roche	0	1	R Lowen	
9 HJ Pitt	0	1	JDH Nicholas	G Beattie	1	0	M Bird	
10 LT Canham	1	0	RD Barnett	PR Archer	0	1	P Zammit	
11 PB Cook	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	FC Manning	PC Wood	1	0	AE Brumpton	
12 B Liberman	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	WR Rayner	J Wilcox	0	1	L Crane	
13 TH Owens	1	0	RE James	T Sperrin	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	R Hatch	
14 GC White	1	0	JRM Moore	RE Mattocks	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	B Whitelaw	
15 RC Pentecost	1	0	P Poyser	B Lyons	1	0	W Hawthorn	
(St Brides)	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ 3 $\frac{1}{2}$			G Green	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	E Dawe	
				WR Rayner	0	1	P Thompson	
				CJ Dennis	1	0	D Tyrell	
				KH Kinsman	0	1	DL Read	
				R Griffiths	0	1	R Rodie	
				(Wanstead)	10 $\frac{1}{2}$ 9 $\frac{1}{2}$		22.4.78	

At Surrey's request this match was restricted to 15 boards by agreement of match captains.

THIRD BASINGSTOKE ANNUAL CONGRESS

26th - 29th May 1978

Open 1 JDM Nunn (Oxford) 6/7; 2 S Fancy (Southampton) 5 $\frac{1}{2}$; 3 - 5 MJ Basman (Wimbledon), NW Bryans (Northampton), P Garbett (New Zealand) 5 ...

Major 1 J Anderson (Redditch) 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ /6; 2 - 3 SC James (Sperrys), RJ Wilcox (Wimbledon) 5; 4 AD Crossin (Cosham) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$... 46 players

Minor 1 JR Smith (Caerphilly) 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ /6; 2 SC Davidson (RAE Farnborough) 5; 3 - 7 CRC Clifton (Coulsdon), Miss D Evans (Kenilworth), B Floyd (Streatham), RK Hunt (Brighton), N Parker (Ilfracombe) 4 $\frac{1}{2}$... 60 players

Junior 1 G Strouts (aged 13: Petersfield) 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ /6; 2 - 3 AG Lofts (12: Camberley), D White (18: Eastleigh) 5 ... 40 players

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The Editor has received, with thanks:

BCF Newsflash for June

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BOOK LIST

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SIMPLE CHESS by Michael Stean: Faber paperbacks £1.95; cloth covers £3.50 116pp
This highly entertaining little book seeks to dispel some of the doubts that many chess players might feel as they attempt to cope with the strategy of the game. How the author tackles his task by reference to excerpts from many master and grand-master games may be seen in his introduction, followed by chapters on Outposts, Weak pawns, Open files, Half-open files, Black squares and White squares and Space. In clear and lucid terms Michael takes his reader through these subjects and the end product is very commendable: the reader will get a lot of pleasure from the book and probably improve his over-the-board play into the bargain!

VIKTOR KORCHNOI'S BEST GAMES Philidor Press £5.00 294pp

In this volume the anonymous compiler includes 60 tournament games and a further dozen brevities of 25 or less moves called "sudden death" performances. (It must be mentioned that Korchnoi has written to the press stating that although the annotations are his he has not authorised this book and hopes in due course to issue an authentic volume through a publisher of his own choice.)

The games extend over the period 1945 - 1977 and many of them are played against other grandmasters, which means that they have been published somewhere or other, but equally that they have a high standard of play. Also 270 pages of the book are devoted to 60 games all of which are fully and competently analysed. Those readers who like their chess literature in the form of anthologies may buy this book and find themselves well repaid in both content and production of the volume.

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- MANCHESTER** 7 - 9 and 14 - 16 July Owens Park, Wilmslow Rd: RA Furness, 9 Cranwell Ave., Culcheth, Cheshire
- EVENING STANDARD** 21 - 23 and 28 - 30 July Cunard International Hotel, Hammersmith: E Penn, 7 The Larches, N13
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- BERKS AND BUCKS** 25 - 28 August Amersham Community Centre: A Niedzwiedzki, Neathfield, Bois Lane, Amersham, Bucks
- CHORLEY** 26 - 28 August Town Hall, Chorley: Chess Congress, Town Hall, Chorley, Lancs
- GUERNSEY INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF CHESS** 15 - 21 Oct The Secretary, International Chess Festival, PO Box 23, St Peter Port, Guernsey, CI
- BASINGSTOKE** 20 - 22 October RE Boxall, 91 Campsie Close, Buckskin, Basingstoke, Hants

FIDE CHESS PROBLEM CONGRESS
Canterbury 1978

Under the sponsorship of Lloyds Bank the British Chess Problem Society, whose President is Sir Jeremy Morse, is organising the 21st Problem Congress of the World Chess Federation (FIDE) to be held in Canterbury from 30th August to 6th September.

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Quarter Finals: Oxford University 1 3 Islington 3 (Islington won on elimination); Brighton 4 Atticus 2; Atherton 3 Manchester 3 (all games drawn; Atherton won the replay $3\frac{1}{2} - 2\frac{1}{2}$); Plymouth $1\frac{1}{2}$ Wood Green $4\frac{1}{2}$

Semi Finals: Brighton 4 Atherton 2; Wood Green $2\frac{1}{2}$ Islington $3\frac{1}{2}$

Final: Brighton 2 Islington 3 with one game for adjudication. It is understood that Brighton are only claiming a draw in this game but even if they won it they would lose the match on board count.

NATIONAL PLATE TOURNAMENT

Quarter Finals: Bradford $4\frac{1}{2}$ Bath University $1\frac{1}{2}$; South Manchester $4\frac{1}{2}$ Sheffield $1\frac{1}{2}$; Ashford $2\frac{1}{2}$ Southampton $3\frac{1}{2}$; St Albans 3 Maidenhead 3 (St Albans won on board count)

Semi Finals: South Manchester 3 Southampton 3 (S Manchester won on board count); Bradford $3\frac{1}{2}$ St Albans $2\frac{1}{2}$

Final: At the time of writing this had not yet been played.

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