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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive met on Friday 27th April 1984. 13 attended. From a long agenda the following are the main items of general interest.

(1) SCCU finances. Mr Suttill presented his preliminary figures for the accounts 1983/4. The overall picture looks very satisfactory, with a result somewhere around the break-even point. Grading figures (which always have the biggest turnover, since they include production and sales of Grading Lists) are healthy; in particular, Trevor Jones's special-service income had surpassed all expectations. Your Bulletin is slightly in the black. Biggest items of expenditure were adult and junior prizes (£250) and a donation, if that is the right word, to the East Anglian Union (£100).

The Executive agreed to propose the following at the SCCU Council Meeting on the 23rd June: County Levy £6 per point (no change); Bulletin sub £2.30 (no change); Grading List £1.75 by post - £1.60 for five or more - or £1.50 if collected direct from the Union.

(2) BCF finances. The Federation, at its Finance Meeting on the 12th May, is to propose a County levy of £85 (at present £80). The Executive made no final decision on its reaction to this but hoped that all Counties would make an effort to be represented, if only by proxy.

(3) A dispute had arisen between Middx and Essex over a match in the Amboyna/Ebony competition. It was one of those confirmation-of-fixture affairs that crop up from time to time; no one had travelled, the match had not been played, and both sides were claiming expenses. The Tournament Controller felt that both were partly to blame, and recommended that the match be counted void and no expenses awarded. The Executive supported him in this.

(4) County matches 1984/5. It was noted that the current arrangements always place a solitary first team in the Montague-Jones; should the first teams all play in the Championship? On balance the Executive felt not, mainly because that would leave only four teams in the MJ.

Jeff Douglas, who has been Tournament Secretary for twelve years at least - just how long he isn't sure - has finally invoked his long-standing threat to resign. His brand of quiet efficiency will not be easy to reproduce.

(5) The role of the Unions. The BCF has been looking at the role played by the Unions in the national set-up, and the Executive thought the time was ripe for it to do the same. The national grading scheme, which could be introduced in 1985, would take over one of the Unions' most important functions, and the SCCU role in the South East would be more or less limited to running County matches and individual championships. The very *raison d'etre* of the Unions (though, as far as your Editor knows, the BCF has not said this) will be in question. Should the Union be more involved with the chess scene in general, including leagues and congresses? Are there new things it ought to be doing? The Executive is to hold a special meeting on the 9th June to consider the whole question.

The BCF has asked the Unions to prepare Reports on their activities. It sounds a little vague, at least to your Editor, and it is not very clear what the Reports are for. (Publication in Yearbook? Or just for BCF consideration?) Nevertheless the SCCU is going to have a go.

(6) Grading. It was noted that the BCF's - sorry, BCM's - new machine, to be installed shortly, should be doing the grading in a year's time. The NCCU grading, indeed, is to be done on it this year. The money side is still not too clear, but it looks as though the cost to the Union could go up a bit. The actual published lists will still be produced, and sold, by the Unions. "Magnetic" - which presumably means cassette - directories of players will be available to local "graders". There is still no word on whether the system will offer the special services which have proved so popular in the SCCU. The BCF is conscious that details of the system have not been well publicised, and will attempt to put everyone in the picture shortly.

The Executive noted that the interim list was out; and agreed to offer advertising space in the SCCU Grading List for 1984.

(7) Juniors. The Union has called a meeting of County junior organisers for the 9th June. This will try to solve the problems of venue, and communication, encountered this year over the SCCU U18 jamborees. (Who knows, it may even find an SCCU Junior Organiser!)

(8) SCCU Individual Championship. It was noted that the new SCCU Champion, Daniel King, is already qualified for the BCF Championship on the strength of his grade. The SCCU nomination, therefore, goes to the next eligible player (RG Granat).

(9) BCET nomination. The Executive agreed its nomination for a British Chess Educational Trust award. Only one name had been put forward.

(10) SCCU Council Meeting 23rd June. The Executive made some final arrangements. The Meeting, as last year, will be at the Fairway Inn, Bayswater. One item for the agenda will be the grading of non-affiliated leagues. These are graded at present; should they continue to be? (Please remember, incidentally, that formal notice of the Meeting will go to County secretaries but not direct to County delegates.)

LLOYDS BANK BRITISH CHESS PROBLEM SOLVING CHAMPIONSHIP

This problem is the first stage in the 6th Lloyds Bank British Chess Problem Solving Championship, organised by the British Chess Problem Society. Successful entrants for this stage will qualify to compete in a more difficult postal phase, and the top scorers will be invited to take part in the final, to be held in London in January 1985. There will be prizes of £100, £50 and £25 for the leading solvers, and a Lloyds Bank trophy for the Champion.

To compete in the event, solve the problem and send your solution (key move only) to:

Public Relations
Lloyds Bank plc
71 Lombard St
London
EC3P 3BS

Closing date 30 June 1984. Mark the envelope "chess contest". It is also VERY IMPORTANT

to mark your entry "SCCU Bulletin". This is so the Bulletin can win a prize if you win. (We only got third prize last time.) Solvers with incorrect answers will not be sent the result unless they include a self-addressed envelope with their solutions. Not that we expect Bulletin solvers to have incorrect answers.

The winner and runner-up, plus a third solver to be nominated by the British Chess Problem Society, will be invited to represent Great Britain in the World Solving Championship in 1985.

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CONGRESS RESULTS

SURREY EASTER at Sutton, 20-23 April 1984

Frank Winter Memorial Open (incorporating the SCCU Individual Championship)
1-5 DJ King (Streatham: SCCU Champion on tie-break), RG Granat (Wimbledon: takes SCCU nomination for British Championship), N Bradbury (Barnet), JG Gallagher (Wimbledon), A Kuznecov (Streatham/Canada) 6/7... 109 played. Grading U185 D Agnos (Richmond) 5; U165 PJ Needham (W10) 4½; U145 RW Stevenson (Chertsey) 3. Junior U18 N Thomas (Rugby) 5

Major U150 (109 pl): 1 RR Goodfellow (Tunbridge Wells) 7; 2-3 N Foster (Hampstead), EJ Whipp (Sheffield Univ) 6; 4-5 E Key (Barnet), PL Terry (Wimbledon) 5½... Grading U135 RJ Banbury (Oxford Univ) 5; U120 J Cavendish (Richmond) 4½. Junior U18 BA Barlow (Richmond) 5; U16 L Faizi (Fulham) 4

Main APAs: 8 players - "A" 1-2 TS Allen (Fulham), C McHale (Glyn School) 5½... "B" 1 M Rausch (Horsham) 5; 2 DP Johnson (Sutton Manor) 4½. "C" 1 G Deards (Morley) 6½; 2 P Armstrong (Ashtead) 6... 6 players - "E" 1 PC Stokes (Battersea) 4; 2-4 AMW Arundale (St Pauls S), PJ Holt (Ealing), AJ Waters (Dulwich) 3... "F" 1-2 BJ Egdell (Birmingham Univ), STK Wilkinson (Sutton) 4... "G" 1 AD Sim (Sutton) 4½; 2 BJ Todd (S Norwood) 3½... "H" 1-3 N Callow (Whitgift), H Fenwick (London Deaf), B Swaffield (Redhill) 3... "J" 1-2 DA Baldock (S Norwood), GHJ Kendall (SW19) 4... "K" 1-2 PR Lindley (Ranelagh School), Andrew Webster (Sutton) 4... "L" 1 PJ Brown (Addington) 4; 2 DG Arundale (Roehampton) 3½...

Novice "A" (35 pl) 1 WD Armstrong (Wimbledon) 5/5; 2-4 J Cook (Thomas More School), RP Howell (Staines), M Roe (Vauxhall) 4½... Junior U14 S Bailey (Downside) 3½

Novice "B" (16 pl) 1 MA Rivlin (Hackney) 4½/5; 2-3 GM Nelson (Wilsons School), RA Sage (Whitgift) 4...

Novice APAs (6 players): "A1" 1 E Blankett (S Norwood) 5; 2 GM Nelson (Wilsons School) 4... "A2" 1 JE Fardon (GLC) 5; 2 P Bates (Richmond) 4... "A3" 1 IP Birch (Clayesmore) 4; 2 C Bates (Richmond) 3... "A4" 1 D Palmer (Croydon) 4½; 2 JD Birch (Camberley) 3½... "B1" 1 L Izzard (Kingston) 5; 2 JD Birch (Camberley) 3½... "B2" 1 PA Nicholls (Addlestone) 5; 2-5 IP Birch (Clayesmore), CM Cornell (Sutton Manor), RW Nelson (Cheam), D Stewart (Redhill) 2½...

Ladies Prize, awarded to the lady with the highest % score in the Congress:
Mrs L Izzard (5/5, Novice B1)

Results HM Cath

11th CITY CHESS QP at Highbury, 15.4.84

1 K Arkell 6/6; 2 D Agnos 5½; 3-8 M Hebden, J Plaskett, P Large, P De La Mothe, P Needham, R Denning 5... Grading A Mortazavi, C Gorman, R Willmoth 4½; N Edwards, J Holland, S Cullip, L Jones 4

SOUTHEND ON SEA 20-23 April 1984 attracted 208 entries, 8% more than last year.

Southend Open (100 pl) 1-3 Neil Carr (Ilford), Andrew D Martin (CentYMCA), Malcolm B Pein (Wood Green) 6/7; 4-6 Karl Bowden (Brentwood), Oliver A Jackson (Sale), Martin G Shephard (Norfolk and Norwich) 5½... Grading 169-155 Nigel P Donovan (Ely), Colin Purdon (Pin Green), G Scholes (Bs Stortford), Stephen J Wood (Gravesend) 5; 154-145 Rene Tiggelman (Rotterdam) 4½, Jonathan PR Lintott (Oxford City), David J Millward (Writtle) 4; 144-135 Steven Earl (Oxford City) 4½; 134-121 Edward Barker (Laindon) 5; U121 Alison Hughes (CentYMCA) 4; Guy RC Bailey (Portsmouth) 3½. Also numerous book prizes.

Major "A" (U171: 12 pl) 1 Dr EN Bramley (Slough) 4/5; 2-3 Dinah M Norman (Harrow), Philip Turp (Ilford) 3½...

Major "B" (10 pl) 1 Alan Tunnaclyffe (Cambridge City) 4/5; 2 SR Capsey (Bs Stortford) 3½; 3-5 GM Brown (Bs Stortford), Darren Lewis (Hull), RC Petherick (Rayleigh) 3...

Minor "A" (U131: 14 pl) 1 Alan V George (Clacton) 4½/5; 2 Michael Gibbons (Ilford) 3½; 3-5 ? Connock (St Albans), CJD Newman (Billericay), Dr DJ Opie (Hassocks) 3

Minor "B" (14 pl) 1-2 RM Che??y (Kidlington), Andrew R Francis (Islington) 4; 3 Trevor White (Chelmsford) 3½; 4 KR Pateman (Chelmsford) 3...

Minor "C" (14 pl) 1-2 Andrew Mann (Hadleigh), PC McEwen (Thorpe Bay) 4/5; 3 RC Jackson (Sale) 3½...

Minor "D" (12 pl) 1 DN Morrell (Northampton) 5/5; 2-3 Michael Chappel (Southend), FA Sealey (Maldon) 3½...

Junior U15 "A" (10 pl) 1 Keith Woodcock (Ipswich) 5/5; 2 Adrian Wright (Ipswich) 4; 3-5 Alan Carter, Andrew Watson (both Wm Parker, Hastings), Kaushik Saujani (Southend) 3...

U15 "B" (13 pl) 1-2 Rajah Hassain (Westcliff), Nicholas Jakubovics (Oxford City) 4; 3-4 Stephen Prince (Oxford City), A Whitehouse (Southend) 3½...

U12 (8 pl) 1 Paul de Sa (Newcastle) 6½/7; 2 Marl K Brown (Bs Stortford) 5½; 3 Mark E Ashkettle (Upminster) 4½...

The Congress was assisted by Southend Borough Council and Taylor Woodrow Property Ltd. Results GMA Smith.

6th WEALD OF KENT QP at Cranbrook, 1st April 1984

1-2 RG Bellinger (Kilndown), RB Moss (Hastings) 5½/6; 3-7 M Bryant, M Rich (both Hastings), TE Farndon (7oaks), A Husband (Cranbrook), J Thomson (Kilndown) 4...

Junior results under "Junior Results".

Res DJ Fowler

ESSEX CHAMPIONSHIPS at Wanstead, 5-7 May 1984 (30 pl)

1 MP Townsend (ex Cambridge Univ) 5½/6; 2 NL Carr (Ilford) 5; 3-7 Mark S Abrahams JA Goldberg (both Ilford), John E Duggan, Graham Speed (both Wanstead), John C Moore (Southend) 4... Essex Minor (U151) Champion Jeffrey Page (Ilford) 3½; Grading U131 RT Hare (Romford), RL Middleton (Chelmsford) 3

Results GMA Smith. A BBC program written by Clifford Hilton displayed the round-by-round scores and produced the final tournament table [When I think of the hours I've spent doing that... -Ed] but cannot yet handle all the details of BCF pairing rules.

JUNIOR RESULTS

6th WEALD OF KENT at Cranbrook, 31.3.84

Under 16 (4 pl) 1 TE Farndon (Tunbridge Wells GS/7oaks) 3/3...

Under 13 (15 pl) 1 Graeme Hogg (Tunbridge Wells GS/7oaks) 5½/6; 2-5 Rupert Bellinger (Kilndown/Skinners Sch), David Gleed (Beths), Terry Hoxey, Jeffrey Jackson (both Wm Parker, Hatings) 4...

Under 11 (19 pl) 1 Nicholas Comerford (Kilndown/Wadhurst) 7/7; 2 Alex Bowen (Kilndown/Goudhurst) 5½; 3 Tristan McDonnell (Kilndown/Goudhurst) 5; 4 Andrew Salsbury (Headcorn) 4½... Res DJ Fowler

CHARLTON SCHOOLS JAMBOREE 24.3.84 (15 min/player/game)

Secondary (13 teams of 6) 1 Forest Hill I 27/30; 2 Askes 19; 3 St Dunstans 18½; 4-5 Blackheath Bluecoats I, Ravens Wood 17...

Primary (14 teams of 6) 1 Palace Wood (Maidstone) 22/30; 2 Adamsrill I 22; 3 Adamsrill III 20½; 4 Fossdene I 19...

KENT schools league results 1983-4: Senior (28 teams) Tunbridge Wells Boys GS;

Under 16 (41 teams) Tunbridge Wells Boys GS; Under 13 (38 teams) St Olaves GS, Orpington; Primary (52 teams) John Ball, Blackheath

Tunbridge Wells Schools League: Sixth Form (5 teams) Tunbridge Wells Boys GS; Under 16 (6 teams) Tunbridge Wells Boys GS; Under 13 (9 teams) William Parker

SUSSEX schools championships: Under 19 (8 teams) William Parker, Hastings; Under 16 (12 teams) Dorothy Stringer; Under 14 (19 teams) and Primary we don't know.

William Parker arranged a sponsored simul in December against Jasha Murei, raising about £100. The master scored 2.5-1.

10th MAIDENHEAD JUNIOR 17-19 April 1984

Under 18 (22 pl) 1 Neil Wood (Harwell) 6½/8; 2-3 Christopher Doe (Bourne End), Tom Walker (Haslemere) 5½...

Under 13 (41 pl) 1 Matthew Ball (Bourne End) 8½/11; 2-3 Robert Burns (Newbury), Jonathan Lane (Wokingham) 8; 4-6 Julian Quance (Guildford), Vaseef Asghar (Reading), Christopher Trinder (Newbury) 7½...

Under 11 (50 pl) 1-2 Paul Goldring (Wokingham), Nicholas Brisbourne (Gerrards Cross) 9/12; 3 Nicholas Simon (Chalfont St Peter) 8½; 4-9 Guy Faust, Jonathan Hastings (both Oxford), Nicholas Mallen (Reading), Andrew Scarves (Maidenhead), Richard Coates (Wokingham), Laurence Berry (Hurst) 8... Res NW Dennis

Friendly matches:

Under 18 Berks 12½ 24½ Gloucs; Girls Berks 3½ 1½ Gloucs 7.4.84

Under 16 Berks 16½ 23½ Bucks 10.3.84

Under 14 Berks 12½ 7½ North Hants 24.3.84

"TIMES" SCHOOLS KO, 2nd interzone round:

Haberdashers Elstree** 3 3 Aylesbury GS; K Edward VI Southampton* 3 3 Glyn, Ewell; St Pauls 5 1 Magdalen College School, Oxford. * = win on age handicap, ** on bd ct.

Quarter final pairings, and we'll give them all or someone will say parochial: Haberdashers v St Pauls; K Edward VI v Plymouth College; Manchester GS v Queen Marys Walsall; Nottingham High School v Royal GS Newcastle. The semi finals and final are in London on the 11th and 12th July.

LLOYDS BANK ENGLAND JUNIOR SQUAD/SCCU JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS: First weekend, 23-25 March at Highbury Fields (* = SCCU Champion, ** = Squad Champion)

Under 21 (31 pl) 1-2 J Levitt*** (Middx), PK Wells (Hants) 5/6; 3-4 AJ Dunnington (Yorks), G Crawley (Middx) 4½; 5-6 S Conquest (Sussex), JM Hohgson (Middx) 4; 7-13 SD Bell (Hants), K Bowden (Essex), BA Jacobs (Sussex), PE Johnstone (Middx), DJ King, N McDonald (both Kent), DR Morwood (Lancs) 3½...

Under 16 (60 pl) 1-2 MT Hennigan**, D Agnos* (both Middx) 5/6; 3-7 JP Sharp, AP Summerscale (Middx), CG Ward, DA Wood (Kent) 4½; 8-15 S Elliott (Gloucs), MG Fraser (Scotland), M Hazelton (Durham), D James (Gtr Mcr), B Kemish (Essex), PJ Morris (Kent), IM Sim, JM Way (Surrey) 4...

Under 12 (59 pl) 1 GN Buckley** (Staffs) 6½/7; 2 PF Hennigan* (Middx) 6: 3 DN Cook (Kent), EL Godber (Hants), M Isaacs, A Selkiry (Middx) 5½; 7-11 A Hon, JH Maxwell-Scott (Middx), A McElwee (Warwicks), MI Walker (Hants), JC Walsh (Wales) 5...

Under 10 (incorporated in U12: 50 pl) 1-2 E Neill* (Kent), JR Poulton** (Hants) 5½/7; 3 R Huq (Warwicks) 5; 4-8 S Cullip (Northants), S Damji (Surrey), D Hassapis, A Jamal (Middx), SA Pain (Derbys) 4½...

Winners received trophies, cheques and scholarships for the Lloyds Bank internationals in Jersey and Guernsey.

SECOND WEEKEND, 6-8 April 1984 at Highbury Fields

Under 18 (51 pl) 1 N McDonald*** (Kent) 5½/6; 2-5 D Agnos, J Sharp (Middx), PJ Morris, RE Walker (Kent) 4½; 6-12 J Carlin, S Lazarus (Mx), A Daley, P Stevenson (Hants), SC Knight (Berks), CG Ward (Kent), T Wall (Northd) 4...

Under 14 (84 pl) 1-4 H Bakhshi* (Essex), J Arney (Hants), T Kendall** (Devon), I Mackay (Scot) 5/6; 5-10 J Akehurst (Cleveland), C Duncan (Middx), SAM Foister (Berks), D James (Gtr Mcr), M Long (Warks), S McQuillan (Scot) 4½; 11-15 R Akehurst (Cleveland), P Holt (Warks), A Keehner (Essex), R Kynoch (Scot), A Warden (Sy) 4...

Lloyds Bank National Girls U18/16 (12 pl) 1 M Hepworth*** (Surrey) 5/5; 2-3 F Cohen (Mx), SC Scott (Kent) 3½; 4-7 K Jukes (Mx), L Kelly (Lincs), A MacLean (Sy: SCCU U16 champion), B Spiller (Glos: Nat U16 Champion) 2½...

Girls U14 (6 pl) 1 A Spiller** (Glos) 4½/5; 2 A Bell* (Sx) 3½; 3 J Baxendine (Sy) 3...

Girls U12/10 (25 pl) 1 J Owen** (Gtr Mcr) 6½/7; 2-5 A Jones* (Mx), N Bradford (Sy), C Haslinger (Mx: Nat/SCCU U10 champion) 5; 6 R Rahamin 4½; 7-11 E Hallett (Warks), H Heron (Hants), J Myers (Mx), G O'Farrell (Hants), C Smith (Sx) 4...

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BCF UNDER 18 TEAM FINALS at the Great Eastern Hotel, London

Open: 1 Hants 10½/12; 2 Beds 6½; 3 Warwicks 6; 4-5 Sussex, W Glamorgan 4½; 6 Cheshire 3

Girls: 1 Middx 5½/6; 2 Gloucs 3½; 3 Warwicks 3; 4 Lancs 0

NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BCF UNDER 14 TEAM FINALS at Liverpool

Championship Section: 1 Hants 24½; 2 London CentYMCA 20½; 3 Kent 19½; 4 Staffs 17; 5 Chilworth "B" 12½; 6 Lincs 11½

Minor Section (only they didn't call it that): 1 Warwicks 20; 2 Cleveland 19...

ENGLAND JUNIOR "A" v KARPOV 12th May 1984

Karpov, fresh from winning the Phillips and Drew, played 20 +9 =8 (J Levitt, J Hawksworth, J Howell, G Crawley, NF Dickenson, S Bell, K Shovel, S Brown) -3 (PK Wells, NL Carr, S Conquest). The world champion, taking about 6½ hours to complete the simul, scored only 4½ points on the top 10 boards but cleaned up at the other end.

ENGLAND JUNIOR "B" v POLUGAEVSKY meanwhile started late and after about 6 hours and 25 moves only 2 games were finished. We gather some were unhappy about the adjudications. The GM thought most of his opponents "candidate master" strength, much too strong for a 31 board simul, and was timed to take 25 minutes for one particular circuit. He scored +19 =7 (P Stevenson, J Sharp, DA Wood, W Giblin, A Stone, K Walker, T Needham) -5 (B Jacobs, N Fox, CG Ward, S Elliott, N von Schlippe).

ENGLISH PRIMARY SCHOOLS CA Area Championships, Southern Zone: 5 May 1984

1 NW London 44½/60; 2 SE London 42½; 3 Wandsworth 41; 4 Hants 40; 5 Kent 38; 6 Wey Valley 38; 7 Tower Hamlets 37... 16 teams. The top 5 (including Kent on tie break) qualified for the Finals on 19 May. ("London" as such is no longer eligible but its constituent parts still seem to be winning things.)

ROUND THE COUNTIES

KENT Finals Day (Sunday 13th May at Charlton House) takes place as we duplicate. It is safe to predict that Charlton will win one of the finals as they have two teams in it. They also have one team in each of the others. A clean sweep would be a County record. Individual finals will be played at the same time but we're not sure how many Charlton players have reached those...

SURREY leagues: Ellam Trophy Redhill II; Centenary Trophy S Norwood II. The leagues are not completed but these teams are home and dry; other leagues as yet undecided. County Champion is Paul Lamford; Slater-Kennington P Stimpson

SUSSEX Championship Final was between FJ Kwiatkowski and RV Elliston and we seem to remember someone telling us FJK had won.

Mid-Sussex League AGM 17.5.84: Sussex Chess News cryptically remarks: "It is understood that an exciting meeting is in store." We look forward to reading about it.

CHILTERN results: Herts III 9 11 Bucks III 10.3.84; Berks "B" 13½ 6½ Herts III 31.3.84

LONDON LEAGUE: "Player A had claimed the game on the grounds of distraction by his opponent and the League Committee initially found in his favour and awarded him the point. Player B appealed and on reconsideration the Committee, although still holding him to have been in breach of Article 19.1(c), changed their decision to a void game and player B to be warned as to his future behaviour..." Void? Sounds odd, but we don't know the circumstances. (Maybe the game broke up in disorder and was never finished??)

CLUB MAGAZINE EDITOR who had better remain anonymous is resigning in the face of "sabotage" - he can't get hold of results to publish. Don't think we've ever had to complain of sabotage, but we know the feeling.

REVIEWLEONID KUBBEL'S CHESS ENDGAME STUDIES

Edited by TG Whitworth. Available from TG Whitworth, 8 Sedley Taylor Rd, Cambridge CB2 2PW @ £5.50. 175 pp, paper covers.

This kind of book, as I am not the first to discover, is hard to review unless you're a specialist writing for specialists. But here goes.

Leonid Kubbel (1892-1942) - and I glean this information from the introduction by veteran composer Alexander Herbstman who knew him personally - belonged to the Leningrad circle of composers. He was one of the founding fathers of the chess study; the middle one, and the most prolific, of three brothers. His 500-odd studies are far outnumbered by his problems. There are two old collections of the studies, both scarce. This book brings together 300, including some from other sources.

The 300 studies are grouped not by themes - as well for me; I wouldn't recognise a Bristol theme if it sat up and said "hello" - but by the nature of the material on the board. When I got to the ones with queens on, I gave up and just looked at the solutions (figurine algebraic) which accompany the diagrams. Not that I did all that well on the others, and I was selective with those. Some are simple enough, once you see the idea; some are fiendishly difficult.

The book seems good value for £5.50. It is fairly solid, the paper is good, the diagrams and print clear. Chess studies are an acquired taste, but Kubbel has gone quite a long way towards whetting my appetite. But be warned: they should only be taken in small doses. There's enough here for a lifetime of rainy weekends.

A game from the Lloyds Bank Varsity Match 1984:

White J Hawsworth (Oxford) Black AW Beardsworth (Cambridge): Benoni
 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 b5 4 Nf3 d6 5 Bg5 Ne4 6 Qc2 Bf5 (Simpler 6... Nxc5 7 Nxc5
 etc) 7 Nh4 Qa5+ 8 Nd2 Nxd2 9 Qxd2 Qxd2+ 10 Bxd2 Bd7 11 cxb5 Bxb5 12 e4 Bxf1 13 Rxf1
 e5 14 Nf5 Nd7 15 Ne3 Nb6 16 b3 Be7 17 Nc4

Even better is 17 Ba5! aiming for an active N v passive B ending.

17... Nxc4 18 bxc4 Rb8 19 Ke2 Kd7 20 Bc3 f6?

A basic error in such positions, putting a P on the same colour as his B. Black
 should contest the b file by ...Rb7 and ...Rhb8

21 Kd3 Rb6 22 g3 Rf8 23 f4 R6b3 24 Rab1Rb6 25 Rb5!

Planning a subtle refutation of Black's passive bad B strategy.

25... R8b8 26 fxe5 fxe5 27 a4 Rf8 28 Rxf8 Bxf8 29 a5 Ra6 30 Rb7+ Ke8 31 Kc2 1-0
 The White K goes to b5 and wins the R.

COUNTY LEAGUE TABLES

CHAMPIONSHIP

	K	E	C	M	Sx	Sy	H	Bu	Br	GP	MP
1 Kent		13	11½	12½	11	11	13½	17	15½	105	8
2 Essex	7		9	11	12	10½	11½	11	12	84	6
3 Cambs	8½	11		10½	8½	10	13½	13	11½	86½	5½
4 Middx	7½	9	9½		12½	14½	11½	16½	12	93	5
5 Sussex	9	8	11½	7½		11½	12	11½	12	83	5
6 Surrey	9	8½	10	5½	8½		8	13½	11½	74½	2½
7 Herts	6½	8½	6½	8½	8	12		8½	16	74½	2
8 Bucks	3	9	7	3½	8½	6½	11½		12½	61½	2
9 Berks	4½	8	8½	8	8	8½	4	7½		57	0

MONTAGUE-JONES

	M	E	O	K	H	M	E	O	K	H	GP	MP
1 Middx II		11	16½	14	12½		11½	14½	11½	17	108½	8
2 Essex II	9		9	12	14	8½		12	11	14½	90	5
3 Oxon	3½	11		10½	12	4½	8		11½	9	70	4
4 Kent II	6	8	9½		13	8½	9	8½		-	62½	1
5 Herts II	7½	6	8	7		2	5½	11	-	-	47	1

PHILLIPS AND DREW AMBOYNA/EBONY

	K3	K4	Sx	Sy2	M	Sy3	E	GP	MP
1 Kent III		12½	8	13	11	9	12	65½	4
2 Kent IV	7½		12	8½	14	13½	10	65½	3½
3 Sussex II	12	8		10	10½	13	7	60½	3½
4 Surrey II	7	11½	10		6½	13	11	59	2
5 Middx III	9	6	9½	13½		16½	-	54½	2
6 Surrey III	10	3½	7	7	3½		12½	43½	2
7 Essex III	8	10	13	9	-	7½		47½	1½

These are the final tables, we hope. Please tell the Editor if you spot mistakes in them.
 The two unplayed matches are void.

Congratulations to Kent I, Middx II and Kent III; and we cannot resist, for those with
 bound copies of Bulletin back numbers, a malicious reference to Issue 150, page 7, bottom
 left-hand corner. The BCF Stage matches to date are on page 10.

ADJUDICATIONS

One successful appeal:

C Middx 9½ 10½ Cambs 14.1.84: 2 Wade 0 Dyson

And the adjudications from last time:

C Surrey 9 11 Kent 11.2.84: 10 O'Brien 1 Milner-Barry; 11 Walker ½ Webb

Herts 8½ 11½ Essex 11.2.84: 13 Thurstan ½ Yates; 17 Dyer 1 Virk

Essex 9 11 Cambs 3.3.84: 5 Howson ½ Bell; 7 Marshall ½ Richmond; 12 Smith ½ Mackenzie;
 17 Warren ½ Morris

MJ Oxon 11½ 3½ Kent II 11.2.84: 2 Hackett ½ Stonehouse; 13 Charles 0 Jacob;

18 Harris ½ Winterburn

AE Surrey III 12½ 7½ Essex III 18.2.84: 9 Guilfoyle 1 Bellinger

Surrey II 10 10 Sussex II 18.2.84: 2 Roche ½ Kelly; 3 Best 0 Newman; 9 Rusha ½ Arthur

Kent IV 14 6 Middx III 18.2.84: 10 Wriglesworth 1 Kitchin

CHAMPIONSHIP

Sussex*		3.3.84	Herts*		Kent*		3.3.84	Bucks*	
1	GH James (B)	0	1	JF Rudge	RG Eales (B)	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	H Golombek	
2	FJ Kwiatkowski	0	1	PG Maguire	IR Watson	1	a 0	G Moore	
3	JG Nicholson	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	H Murphy	AE Hanreck	1	0	KG Hyde	
4	BJ Denman	1	0	W Tabakiernik	JN Sugden	1	a 0	A Robbings	
5	JC Henshaw	1	0	N Wilmot	RMR O'Kelly	1	0	RD de Coverly	
6	JIP Simpole	0	1	J Denton	MV Lambshire	0	1	DA Bennett	
7	G Kenworthy	1	0	JW O'Loghlen	TW Pelling	1	0	P Hackman	
8	APH Kinsman	0	1	AP Primett	PS Milner-Barry	1	0	M Buxton	
9	RV Elliston	1	0	C Purdon	AP Smith	1	0	G Ellames	
10	D Graham	1	0	CE Majer	MP Cook	1	0	AJ Cox	
11	JA Dodgson	0	1	B Morris	N McDonald	1	0	PD Porter	
12	DGA Shallcross	1	0	def	DH Powell	1	0	PR Rawcliffe	
13	L Rutherford	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	S Law	SW Giddins	0	a 1	EN Bramley	
14	DW Fryer	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	J Cook	NR Keene	1	0	A Niedzwiedzki	
15	P Fallon	1	0	AD Harley	NR Briggs	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	A Dunlop	
16	LJ Cannon	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	M Dyer	D Reilly	1	0	B Church	
17	DB Scott	1	0	R Arnot	J Wood	1	0	RPF Whitewood	
18	JG Kelly	1	0	DP Young	CI Howell	1	0	D Carrod	
19	RTF Williams	0	1	JF Gittus	JD Wager	1	0	D Lane	
20	SR Boniface (Hassocks)	1	0	def	RCA L-Pentecost (Charlton H)	1	0	JG Lane	
		12	8			17	3		

Berks*		3.3.84	Middx*		Herts*		17.3.84	Berks*	
1	SM Taulbut (W)	1	0	AJ Whiteley	PJ Gregory (W)	0	1	JA Freeman	
2	MJ Staples	0	1	SJB Knott	S Swanson	1	0	GT Fergusson	
3	PE Cunningham	1	0	S Spivack	JF Rudge	1	0	RN Livesey	
4	JA Freeman	0	1	JC Benjamin	PG Maguire	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	RA Brown	
5	DS Tucker	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	R Sans	H Murphy	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	D Evans	
6	JG Brogden	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	T Carpenter	KM Weinhold	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	MG Jones	
7	GMT Blackburne	$\frac{1}{2}$	a $\frac{1}{2}$	B Baer	W Tabakiernik	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	NW Dennis	
8	AJ Aslett	1	0	JR Quinn	H Tebbs	1	0	A Buckland	
9	P Morrey	1	0	J Hunt	J Denton	1	0	SAM Foister	
10	OWS Jones	0	1	A Jackson	A Vickers	1	0	SD Prior	
11	RN Dixon	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	J Ward	JW O'Loghlen	1	0	AP Challinger	
12	JC Hart	0	1	D Farndon	C Purdon	0	1	IA Connelly	
13	GT Fergusson	0	1	GA Leyton	C Majer	1	0	BJ Collins	
14	RN Livesey	0	1	J Burke	B Morris	1	0	SK Roberts	
15	KS Benjamin	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Rice	TM Thurstan	1	0	AS Robins	
16	NM Stewart	0	1	AT Wheatley	S Law	1	0	TGE Lampard	
17	P Edwards	1	0	R Kane	J Cook	1	0	ST Garget	
18	RA Brown	0	1	S Band	A Harley	1	0	SJ Foster	
19	MG Jones	0	1	L Fincham	M Sutton	1	0	MA Knight	
20	RE Langham (Ilehurst)	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	DN Foley-Comer	M Dyer (Welwyn)	1	0	E Buckland	
		8	12			16	4		

Bucks*		17.3.84	Surrey*		Middx		17.3.84	Kent*	
1	H Golombek (B)	0	1	JG Gallagher	J Hodgson (B)	0	1	NR Davis	
2	G Moore	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	WA Linton	AJ Whiteley	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	AD Martin	
3	RCS Newton	1	0	MJ Yeo	T Parkes	0	1	JJ Ady	
4	PC Girdlestone	0	1	RG Granat	S Berry	1	0	RG Eales	
5	GJ Nicholas	0	1	CKD Holland	SJB Knott	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	IR Watson	
6	A Robbings	0	1	PJ Sullivan	C Hill	0	1	AE Hanreck	
7	M Twyble	0	1	B Whyte	K Shovell	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	AG Trangmar	
8	RD de Coverly	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	DR Sedgwick	R Blackwell	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	JN Sugden	
9	DA Bennett	1	0	BJ Valentine	DJ Watts	0	1	RMR O'Kelly	
10	P Hackman	1	0	RJ Stockwell	JC Benjamin	1	0	TW Pelling	
11	G Ellames	$\frac{1}{2}$	a $\frac{1}{2}$	SK Walker	T Farrand	0	1	PS M-Barry	
12	JB Kirk	0	1	SG Walker	S Spivack	0	1	RN Webb	
13	BW Atkinson	0	1	MJ Lester	R Sans	0	1	AP Smith	
14	AJ Cox	0	1	GJ Mason	DP Lynch	1	0	NR Oliver	
15	PD Porter	0	1	SC Crowdy	P Yerbury	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	N McDonald	
16	EN Bramley	0	1	GW Dormand	JM Quinn	0	1	W Giblin	
17	A Dunlop	1	0	MR Tebb	N von Schlippe	0	1	NR Keene	
18	JH Taylor	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	RJ Wilcox	J Hunt	0	1	JN Briggs	
19	SB Scott	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	PR Archer	A Jackson	1	0	S M-Ross	
20	AV Hill (Amersham)	0	a 1	M Stockwell	B Baer	1	0	JD Wager	
		6 $\frac{1}{2}$	13 $\frac{1}{2}$			7 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{1}{2}$		

CHAMPIONSHIP

Cams	17.3.84	Sussex*
1 WR Hartston (B)	$\frac{1}{2} = +\frac{1}{2}$	JC Hawksworth
2 MA Pagden	1 0	S Conquest
3 ACL Dyson	0 1	BA Jacobs
4 MP Townsend	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	GH James
5 RJ Joynt	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	FJ Kwiatkowski
6 SD Bell	1 0	JG Nicholson
7 DJ Walker	0 1	G Kenworthy
8 G Anthony	0 1	JS Henshaw
9 MA Eke	1 0	def
10 M Kerridge	$\frac{1}{2} + = \frac{1}{2}$	JIP Simpole
11 RJ Richmond	0 1	RV Elliston
12 JP Manley	1 0	SON Hawes
13 CA MacKenzie	0 1	JA Dodgson
14 Simon Smith	0 1	L Rutherford
15 MC Forster	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DW Fryer
16 SG James	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Fallon
17 EL Nwawudu	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	LJ Cannon
18 RP Bristow	1 0	AB Bamford
19 H Morris	0 1	RH Williams
20 TM Mortimer	0 1	RTF Williams
(Highbury F)	$8\frac{1}{2}$ $11\frac{1}{2}$	

MONTAGUE-JONES

Herts II*	14.1.84	Oxon
AG Burrows	1 0	RJ Starkie
BA Fewell	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	G Chapman
TH(sic)Thurstan	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	B Samroui
M Dyer	1 0	M Kimber
TA Sinkinson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	D Godfrey
C Lean	0 1	S Charles
DP Young	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	NJ Hepworth
RJ Arnot	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	GT Jones
JA Leake	0 1	S Barry
PA Saunders	0 1	A Gentry
RA Hubbard	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DK Sayers
A Mackenzie	1 0	B Frost
BD Judkins	1 0	JF Taylor
KL Woodland	0 1	E King
AA van Raalte	0 1	N Lowe
D Rollinson	1 0	JD Wood
RLA Studer	1 0	D Metcalfe
JC Robertson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	J Booker
RV Dugdale	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	D Buckland
T Wright	1 0	D Wood
(Bourne End)	11 9	

MONTAGUE-JONES

Herts II	24.3.84	Essex II*	Oxon	24.3.84	Middx II*
1 TM Thurstan (W)	1 0	T Whitton	DG Hackett (B)	0 1	SJ Rodericks
2 AG Burrows	1 a 0	R Heppinstall	G Chapman	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	KR Clark
3 C Lean	1 0	K Clow	D?S Buckland	0 1	DA Farndon
4 DP Young	0 1	F Dorn	O Carugo	0 1	F Rayner
5 M Dyer	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	C Ramage	J Lintott	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PM Rice
6 RJ Arnot	0 1	I Pheby	def	0 0	def
7 JA Leake	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	J Priestley	M Kimber	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	N francois
8 JF Gittus	0 1	B Beavis	S Charles	0 = +1	R Kane
9 G Zubrecski	0 1	P Turp	NJ Hepworth	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	CHJ Orton
10 G Scholes	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Sagnella	J Yates	0 1	R Symonds
11 B Judkins	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	R Gooding	S Goringe	1 0	BJ Benjamin
12 PD Craft	0 1	G Fernie	GT Jones	1 0	NA Perkins
13 R Hubbard	0 1	H Woolverton	S Barry	0 1	C Swick
14 RA Thornton	0 1	R Parker	DK Sayers	0 1	DA Hick
15 C Norris	0 1	D Millward	G Alcock	0 1	S Devereux
16 RC Harrison	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	L Crane	B Frost	0 1	JP Gorgol
17 D Rollinson	0 1	R Tabor	N Lowe	0 1	R Makin
18 J Robertson	0 1	R Hammond	N Jones	0 1	SH Band
19 T Wright	0 1	JS Wood	E King	0 1	LJ Fincham
20 K Woodland	0 1	A Barber	G Hodgson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	R Jennings
(Broxbourne)	$5\frac{1}{2}$ $14\frac{1}{2}$		(Oxford)	$4\frac{1}{2}$ $14\frac{1}{2}$	

Essex II*	7.4.84	Kent II	Middx II*	7.4.84	Herts II
1 I Robson (B)	0 1	NR Oliver	DA Farndon	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	TM Thurstan
2 F Dorn	0 1	G Botley	F Rayner	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RJ Arnot
3 K Clow	1 0	TH Stonehouse	R Kane	1 0	JF Gittus
4 I Pheby	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MJ Reddie	CHJ Orton	0 1	PA Saunders
5 S Payne	0 1	Iif Pountney	SJ Tovey	1 0	KL Woodland
6 R Heppinstall	1 0	M Robertson	def	0 0	def
7 L Crane	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	D Reilly	DA Hick	1 0	BD Judkins
8 B Beavis	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	A Raof	S Devereux	1 0	JC Robertson
9 J Priestley	1 0	P Childs	MD Houghton	1 0	T Tomkins
10 P Turp	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	N Jordan	M Francis	1 0	M Morcom
11 C Ramage	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Phillips	BJ Benjamin	1 0	JG Matthew
12 R Gooding	0 1	CM Brown	SH Band	1 0	def
13 P Sagnella	0 1	S Jacob	A Hughes	1 0	D Cock
14 H Woolverton	1 0	J France	GH Govas	1 0	C Fewtrell
15 R Parker	0 1	Z Mehmet	N Louth	1 0	RC Moye
16 D Millward	1 a 0	H Dobson	LJ Fincham	1 0	E Bishopp
17 R Hammond	1 0	K Gillmore	TN Burrell	1 0	P Moffatt
18 R Tabor	1 0	RJ Winterburn	A Hutchison	1 0	I Jenkins
19 JS Wood	1 0	LA Trangmar	R Jennings	1 0	CMF Fewtrell
20 A Barber	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Sherman	VSJ Litvin	1 0	J Hollingworth
(Brentwood)	11 9		(Highbury F)	17 2	

AMBOYNA/EBONY

Sussex II*	10.3.84	Surrey III	Essex III*	10.3.84	Kent IV*
1 P Watson (W)	0 1	CR Clegg	D Bellis (B)	1 0	MH Micklethwaite
2 SJ Newman	0 1	LW Prescott	I Pheby	1 0	AI Armstrong
3 LA Butt	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	I Sim	M Bird	1 0	RR Goodfellow
4 JP Munday	1 0	R Hessey	MH Twitchell	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	L Gurr
5 DG Ratcliffe	1 0	SW Madden	P Salmon	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	H Tassell
6 AE Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	HM Cath	R Rose	1 0	AD Wriglesworth
7 A Blue	1 0	D Staples	P Revell	0 1	RC Shilling
8 JT Munday	1 0	def	G Daniel	0 1	MA Bone
9 LKG Eastoe	1 0	RE Mattock	P Heath	0 1	RF Pooley
10 M Graves	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	R Harris	S Barrows	1 0	MR Croft
11 PH Benson	1 0	B Blackburn	G Gooding	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RE Lane
12 PJ Grant	1 0	FC Manning	J Langford	0 1	J Thomson
13 EJ Bowley	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	EA Parker	J Hayes	0 1	DJ Fowler
14 IK Edgson	1+ 0	AD Sim	D Sands	0 1	AR Bellinger
15 MR Hickman	0 1	RA Lanzer	P Barclays	$\frac{1}{2}$ = $+\frac{1}{2}$	SC Scott
16 M Curtis	0 1	B Todd	C Thomson	0 1	DJ Edwards
17 A Downard	0 1	DA Baldock	J Davenport	0= +1	P Ganszczyk
18 P Hollister	1 0	AJ Douglas	C Jeffries	1 0	def
19 J Richmond	1 0	AJ Bearne	R Wagstaffe	1 0	def
20 DJ Opie (Falmer)	<u>1 0</u> 13 7	def	A Sullivan (Wanstead)	<u>1 0</u> 10 10	def

Kent III*	10.3.84	Surrey II*	Kent IV*	31.3.84	Sussex II*
D Taylor (B)	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DR Sedgwick	I Telfer (B)	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Watson
2 PJ Morris	1 0	PJ Roche	JS Williams	0 1	IG Kelly
3 AJ Sherriff	1 0	JE Pattle	JG Lloyd	1 0	LA Butt
4 BA Crouch	1 0	DM Woods	SJ Pullinger	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JP Munday
5 WP Tickner	1 0	def	MH Micklethwaite	1 0	DG Ratcliffe
6 PC Childs	1 0	JB Hawson	TT Godwin	0 1	SJ Newman
7 AVH Sands	1 0	EJ Brodie	L Gurr	1 0	KS Reed
8 RE Williamson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PM Shaw	A Husband	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JT Munday
9 KE Gordon	1 0	def	H Tassell	$\frac{1}{2}$ a $\frac{1}{2}$	CJ Arthur
10 R Morton	0 1	RJ Wilcox	ED Gardiner	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	LKG Eastoe
11 J Griffiths	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MT Bolan	MA Bone	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RH Saunders
12 P Finch	1+ =0	DJ Lawrence	R Pooley	0 1	M Graves
13 MP Mourant	0 1	RJ Kearsley	H Phillips	1 0	PH Benson
14 S Barr	1 0	JJ Skielnik	A Waters	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PJ Grant
15 RA Kingdon	1 0	def	RE Lane	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PS New
16 RJ Hale	0 1	JS Tynms	G Jenkins	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Curtis
17 T Lloyd	0 1	P Wasserberg	MJ Godwin	1 0	A Downard
18 DC Playford	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	E Weimann	D Shakeshaft	1 0	DJ Opie
19 AWR Harris	1 0	DPG Moss	F Dussetti (sic)	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	J Richmond
GR Clifford (Charlton)	<u>0 1</u> 13 7	JED Hale	P Ganszczyk (Canterbury)	<u>1 0</u> 12 8	def

Another game from the Lloyds Bank Varsity match:

White DJ Walker (Cambridge) Black KW Regan (Oxford): Queens Indian defence
1 d4 Nf6 2c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 g3 Ba6 5 Qa4 Be7 6 Bg2 0-0 7 0-0 c6 8 Nc3 d5
9 cxd5 b5?

Black tries to set up complications, but misjudges the result. Simply cxd5 gives a solid position.
10 Qb3 b4 11 dxe6!

The refutation. White sacrifices a N, but his central Ps more than compensate.
11... bxc3 12 exf7+ Kh8 13 bxc3 Nbd7 14 Ng5 Rb8 15 Qc2 Qc8 16 Re1 h6 17 Nf3 Rxf7
18 e4 Nh7 19 e5 Ndf8 20 Be3 Bc4 21 Nd2 Bd5 22 Ne4 Qa6 23 Rab1 Rxb1 24 Rxb1

White has played energetically, pushing in the centre and capturing the b file while Black regroupes his disorganised forces.

24... Ne6 25 f4 Bf8 26 a4 g5? (better ...g6) 27 f5! Rxf5 28 Nd6 Bxg2 29 Qxf5 Bd5
30 Rb7 Bg7 31 Nf7+ Kg3 32 Nxb6+ Kh8 33 Qf7 Nc7 34 Qxc7 1-0

Acknowledgments Lloyds Bank

BCF STAGE COUNTY MATCHES

Counties Championship Quarter-Finals

Kent*		28.4.84		Ches/N Wales		Hants		28.4.84		Essex*	
1	AD Martin (W)	1	0	P Bennett	GH Bennett (W)	0	1	NL Carr			
2	JJ Ady	1	0	T Bennett	AF Brameld	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	AT(sic)Stebbings			
3	IR Watson	1	0	D Dugdale	S Roe	0	1	AP Lewis			
4	AE Hanreck	1	0	I Bates	J Corfield	0	1	KR Bowden			
5	AG Trangmar	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	AP Davies	PJ Rossiter	1	0	JB Howson			
6	S Macdonald-Ross	0	1	A Brint	PG Stevenson		+	SJ Lowe			
7	RMR O'Kelly	1	0	S Wood	CB Baker	0	1	ES Lee			
8	TW Pelling	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	E Brownbill	ML Newbury	0	1	JA Goldberg			
9	R Webb	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	TJ Povak	MJ Buckmaster	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	AT Marshall			
10	AP Smith	1	0	P Benson	IA Stenhouse	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	AM Simpson			
11	NR Oliver	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	D Barnett	DW Bell	1	0	JG Cooper			
12	MP Cook	1	0	A Raeburn	RJ Lock	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	GF Yates			
13	DV Powell	1	0	C Coates	C Moorman	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	IBN Smith			
14	NR Keene	1	0	R Furness	TI Cowling	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	SM Kalinsky			
15	JN Briggs	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	S Wild	P Miller	0	1	ID Hunnable			
16	RCA L-Pentecost (Coventry)	1	0	C Hind	S Dean	1	0	J Page			
		12 $\frac{1}{2}$	3 $\frac{1}{2}$		(Guildford)	(6	9)				

Second Teams

Devon II		28.4.84		Middx II*		Yorks II		28.4.84		Essex II*	
1	N Crickmore (W)	1	0	SJ Rodericks	G Frost (W)	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	R Heppinstall			
2	M Roberts	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	J Ward	M Denison	1	0	T Whitton			
3	A Brussey	0	1	KR Clark	T Slinger	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	F Dorn			
4	T Kendall	0	1	RJ Pearce	K Dawson	1	0	C Ramage			
5	S Wilks	0	1	F Rayner	S Mann	1	0	L Crane			
6	BJ Penaligon	0	1	SJ Tovey	B Halliwell	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	B Kemish			
7	J Hutchings	0	1	PM Rice	J Bycroft	0	1	B Beavis			
8	RM Bruce	0	1	R Kane	P Madden	1	0	J Priestley			
9	J Anson	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	DA Hick	S Curry	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	P Turp			
10	I Calvert	1	0	R Symonds	P Swanson	1	0	H Woolverton			
11	J Parker	0	1	S Devereux	M Bramson	1	0	R Tabor			
12	JE Allen	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	BJ Benjamin	M Fox	1	0	P Sagnella			
13	EG Sparke	0	1	C Swick	G Coulson	1	0	D Millward			
14	J Hayward	0	1	JP Gorgol	D Leighton	0	1	R Parker			
15	S Scarbro	0	1	R Makin	P Beckett	0	1	R Gooding			
16	DVA Hutchinson (Bristol)	0	1	R Jennings	P Smith	0	1	R Hammond			
		3 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{1}{2}$		(Coventry)	10	6				

Minor Counties Semi-Final

Derbys		28.4.84		Herts*	
1	A Toothill (W)		+	PJ Gregory	
2	M Alcock	1	0	S Swanson	
3	JE Shannon	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	PG Maguire	
4	AJ Mort	0	1	H Murphy	
5	RJ Gamble	1	0	KM Weinhold	
6	II Glesias (?)	0	1	M Leahy	
7	RM Hallmark	1	0	G Hollis	
8	M Howard	0	1	J Denton	
9	D Greensmith	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	JW O'Loughlen	
10	DJ Pickering	0	1	S Law	
11	MJ Hill	0	1	C Purdon	
12	RMA Allen	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	J Cook	
13	JD Huddy	0	1	T Thurstan	
14	SN Gilmore	1	0	C Majer	
15	M Johnson	1	0	A Harley	
16	R Forey (Daventry)	1	0	MT Dyer	
		(7 $\frac{1}{2}$	7 $\frac{1}{2}$)		

The Fleming Trophy match:

Bucks*		28.4.84		Beds	
G Moore (W)		a		A Berry	
RCS Newton	1	0		R Freeman	
GM Boyce	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$		P Gayson	
KG Hyde	0	1		A Perkins	
CJ Nicholas	0	1		JN Wingfield	
A Robbings		a		R Coles	
RD de Coverly		a		W Osbourne	
DA Bennett	1	0		J Keene	
P Hacknan	1	0		H Ingham	
JB Kirk	0	1		M Ashdown	
GJ Ellames	1	0		W Cordon	
AJ Cox	1	0		B Wiggington	
PR Rawcliffe	1	0		R Quince	
EN Bramley	1	0		J McDade	
A Dunlop	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$		P Gill	
A Niedzwiedzki	1	0		J Staddon	
J Alster		a		M James	
JH Taylor	0	1		R Mahoney	
D Dawson	0	1		N Beveridge	
M Reeves	0	1		P Moulton	
(Amersham)	(9	7)			

The May Newsflash has it Herts won. Whether 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ -7 $\frac{1}{2}$ or on board count the Bulletin does not know, not having heard the adjudication result. (For all we know, Newsflash may just be making an intelligent guess anyway.) A good round for the SCCU teams. Commiserations to Essex II, and congratulations to the rest.

Two games from the simuls 12th May, with acknowledgments to Leonard Barden:

Karpov - Carr (best game prize)				Polugaevsky - Jacobs	
1 e4	d6	21 Qxa5	Nf6	1 d4	b5
2 d4	Nf6	22 Kf1	g4	2 e4	Bb7
3 Nc3	g6	23 Ke2	gxf3+	3 Bd3	c5
4 Nf3	Bg7	24 Kd3	Rxh2	4 c3	e6
5 Be2	0-0	25 Qb6	Ng4	5 Ne2	a6
6 0-0	Bg4	26 Rf1	Rb3	6 0-0	Nf6
7 Be3	Nc6	27 Qxd6	Nxf2+	7 Ng3	Nc6
8 Qd2	e5	28 Rxf2	Rxf2	8 d5	Ne5
9 d5	Ne7	29 a4	Rg2	9 Bc2	Qb6
10 Rad1	b5	30 Kc4	Rg6	10 f4	c4+
11 a3	a5	31 Qd7	Nc8+	11 Kh1	Ng6
12 Bxb5	Bxf3	32 Kb3	Nd6	12 d6	h5
13 gxf3	Nh5	33 Rh1	f2	13 f5	h4
14 Re1	f5	34 Rf1	Rb7	14 fxf6	hxf3
15 Qe2	f4	35 Qh3	Nxb5	15 gxf7+	Kd8
16 Bd2	g5	36 axb5	Rxb5+	16 h3	Nxe4
17 Qf1	Rf6	37 Ka2	Ra6+	17 Qd4	Qxd4
18 Qh3	Rh6	38 Kb1	Rxb2+	18 cxd4	Nf2+
19 Qd7	Qf8	0-1		19 Kg1	Nxh3+
20 Qxc7	Rc8			20 gxh3	Rxh3
				0-1	

CONGRESS DIARY

- May 18-20 NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 150+; U170; U141; U113. J Clunie, 19 Plains Farm Close, Mapperley Plains, Nottingham 269146
- 19-20 CITY CHESS Novice at Highbury Fields. U131. LG Goodwin, 63 Aberdeen Park N5 2AZ
- 25-27 KILMARNOCK 138+; U145; U114; U16/14/12. RJ McCormick, 14 Glebe Ave, Kilmarnock, Ayrshire (K 21817)
- 26-28 COTSWOLD at Tuffley, Glos. A Grieveson, Grant qualifying event. Open; U156; U131. M Powis, Nutgrove House, New St, Painswick, Stroud, Glos
- 26-28 STAFFORDSHIRE at Wolverhampton. Open; Ladies; U161; U131; U116; Veterans; U16/14/12/11. K Pittaway, 111 Parkes Hall Rd, Dudley, Worcs
- 26-28 UPMINSTER Open; U150. R Watts, 94 Corbets Tey Rd, Upminster, Essex
- 27 BRENT NW2. U141. E Whitby, 4 Shelbourne Close, Pinner, Middx
- Jun 2 COMET CIRCLE N4. U175. C Lai, 12 Lagan House, Summer Rd SE15
- 2 BASINGSTOKE Open. RE Boxall, 91 Campsie Close, Buckskin, Basingstoke
- 3 BASINGSTOKE as above
- 3 LONDON CENTRAL YMCA Open. MW Wills, 55 Stainforth Rd, Newbury Park, Essex
- 9 KINGS HEAD QP W2. WA Suttill, 7 Lonsdale Rd W11
- 22 GRANTHAM Open. M Smith, 33 Hebden Walk, Grantham, Lincs
- 24 BASINGSTOKE as above
- 29- 1 SANDWELL (W Midlands) Open; U160; U126; U18/16/14/12/9. JA Crump, 21 Shaftesbury St, W Bromwich, W Midlands B7 1LP
- Jul 8 BASINGSTOKE as above
- 13-15 CHARLTON Open; U160; U125. Mrs RM Hannan, 11 St Johns Rd, Sidcup, Kent DA14 4HA

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Trevor Jones, Grading Programmer, has developed a new program to improve the service. For the new season it will be possible to buy an itemised print-out for a whole club: that is, the grading entries for each member broken down into separate events (number of games, and number of points, for each event). The price will be £5 per club. This replaces the old service which gave you only 5 named players for your fiver. (You can still get the old service, actually, but as the price is going up to £5 per name it isn't recommended. It's a nuisance to run.)

Trevor Jones's address is inside the front cover.

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