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EDITORIAL

Not too much news around, so your Bulletin has Added Chess Content this month. Keep the copy coming in. Please!

GRADING

At a meeting on Saturday 10th November SCCU graders had an opportunity to learn more about the BCF's centralised grading plans. Bryan Threadgall (Director of National Grading) and Vic Jenson, who is masterminding the computer angle, demonstrated some of the programs that will be available and heard graders' views on a number of topics. Philip Clemow was pleased with the way the meeting went and feels useful things were learnt on both sides.

Vic Jenson is not an "outsider". He has been a grader, often in senior posts, since 1956. He knows what it's like at the sharp end. His system will eventually comprise some 40 programs, of which getting on for half are already written. Some of these will be available to graders working with their own micros; one which was actually demonstrated at the meeting is designed for grading Swiss tournaments. It would obviously be possible to provide for match grading as well. Graders preferring to work with pencil and paper in the old-fashioned way (well, there's no accounting for taste - Ed) will still be able to.

Clearly there is still a lot of work to do, but graders came away with a tangible impression of progress made. (One thing that emerged, incidentally, was that few of those present had Sinclair Spectrums; the Bees had it by a small majority. There is no reason in principle why graders' programs should not be adapted to run on different machines, though obviously that would mean extra work.)

The Bulletin, in common with a number of other graders, could not make this meeting. (It had a match.) There is to be a repeat in the Midlands next month (8th, we think) which SCCU graders will be welcome to attend.

REVISED SCCU GRADES

Philip Clemow notifies the following revisions. All are due to information not available when the September list came out.

Alcock G	A148
Eames R	Q156
Freeman Neal N	Q122
Harvey G	Q102

Simpson Alast. M (merged)	Y174
Simpson AM	

If you know of other players who, like Mr Simpson above, have two different grades because the computer thinks they're two different people, please tell your local grader. It happens rather often.

REVIEW

**FIRST MOVES:** How to start a chess game David Pritchard: Elliot Right Way Books 124pp 95p

"First Moves" is an opening primer for the complete novice... It is a book to be read, not studied... It ends where other opening books begin." Quite so. And when our novice gets to the other opening books, he won't find many of them written in descriptive notation. I cannot understand why this one is. Algebraic is the norm these days; teaching descriptive to beginners seems perverse.

Anyway. It is, as the blurb suggests, an attempt to teach general principles rather than variations. ("Are you committing these positions to memory? I hope not - it is only the ideas you are meant to be absorbing.") I liked the approach. After a short introductory section on the most basic ideas, we go on a quick tour of the openings. None is treated in detail; some are not even named. The idea is to introduce the reader to as many different types of position as possible, so he can react in the right way when faced with the unfamiliar. Pritchard advises eclecticism, not specialisation. (That can come later.) Perhaps on purpose, there is no particular plan to the book. Not that I could see, anyway. Pawn storms and position play, analysis and axioms come jumbled up any old how. And why not?

The presentation of the book is not, I think, quite what it might be. Diagrams tend to get separated from the moves they go with; often by lines, sometimes by pages. And I was infuriated by Pritchard's trick of turning the diagram over every so often and showing the position from Black's end. It may be true that "you should get used to looking at positions from both sides"; but I found it merely confusing. (The fault may be mine. I habitually analyse my adjourned games from White's end, even when I'm Black. Does anyone else share this peculiarity?)

After extensive testing (though I couldn't give it to the First Years, because of the notation) my copy has refused to fall apart, and value for money it has to be at 95p. I would recommend it, if it weren't for the notation.

RJH

## CONGRESS RESULTS

10th GUERNSEY INTERNATIONAL (sponsored by Lloyds Bank and Guernsey Tourism) attracted 179 players from 11 countries. 5 IMs made it the strongest yet. 1-2 B Carlier (Holland: Lloyds Bank trophy on tie-break), M Hebden 6/7; 3-5 K Arkell, A Kosten, A Martin 5½. Womens Prize S Jackson; Junior Cups NL Carr 5, J Way 4. Veterans: R Blow (Wales) 4½. Channel Islands Prize: P Rowe (Guernsey) 4. Brilliancy Prize to William Watson. Holiday Tournament: H Lockwood 5/6.

RAINHAM handicap QP 20 Oct 1984

1 SJ Wood (Gravesend) 5½/6; 2-7 M Adkins (Sidcup), P Lucas Folkestone), TE Farndon (Sevenoaks), JA Johnson (Sidcup), N McDonald (Gravesend), MD Sadler (Chatham) 4½... 40 pl. Team trophy: Gravesend

34th HITCHIN CONGRESS 27,28 Oct 1984 "advertised prizes of £1000 and gave away no less than £1300. The major tournament was so large that it had to be divided into two parallel events. Sponsorship from Provident Mutual Life and British Aerospace was a major factor in the success of the congress."

Provident Mutual Premier (50 pl) 1 AJ Miles 5/5; 2-5 PM Gayson (Luton), D LeMoir (Letchworth), CE Franklin (Gt Cornard), C Baker (Coventry) 4; 6-12 JR Holland (Hertford), TK Hemingway (Stevenage), MT Hennigan (Muswell Hill), J Foulger (Gateshead), NJ Hepworth (Kidlington), SD Singh (Colchester), HW Murphy (Welwyn: Herts Cup)... Veterans Prize WA Cordon (Bedford) 2½; Junior MT Hennigan, SD Singh; Grading JR Holland, TK Hemingway, NJ Hepworth, P Sagnella 3, FCW Chin 3.

British Aerospace Challengers (67 pl) 1-4 PJ Moulton (L Buzzard), CT Watson (Bedford), AG Rees (Wales), R Gooding (Colchester) 4½/5; 5-9 T Tomkins (Hatford Hilltop: Herts Cup), PHC Nendick (Hertford), J Cohen (Finchley), M Tasker (BBC), J Ng (Flitwick)... Grading RJ Quince (Luton), MS Harding (Hitchin), R Lamont (Thetford) all 3½; Slow Starters G Young (Islington).

Major Blue (44 pl) 1-3 NP Kerby (Barnet: Herts Cup), BC Farr, B Concagh (both Bedford) 4½/5; 4-5 AJ Tredinnick (Loughton), LA Scott (M Keynes)... Slow Starters R Adams (Bury), SH James (Hertford).

Major Green (42 pl) 1 M Thomas (Corby) 4½/5; 2-6 JA Foster (Hertford), C White (Gt Yarmouth), PA Woodward (M Keynes), P Turvey (Ipswich), C Willbe (Allenburys) 4... Slow Starters DG Maclean (Battersea); Ladies C Fewtrell (Stevenage).

Hitchin Bishops U13 (34 pl) 1-3 James Wilson (Bedford Modern), Paul Bird, Mark Morris (both Barnet Knights) 5½/6; 4 Jonathan Hastings (Marston) 4... Herts Cup ML Brown (Bs Stortford).

Hitchin Knights U11 (29 pl) 1 Daniel Harvey (Ilford) 5½/6; 2-3 Simon Ansell (Marston), Duncan Woods (Chalfont) 5; 4-5 Adam Crafts (Marston), David Chandler (Leighton Buzzard) 4½... Age prizes: Emily Morrison, Steven Timson (Woodham Walter). Special Intermediate Prize: Natasha Regan (Chalfont)

Results J Glynne Jones

## ROUND THE COUNTIES

ESSEX: North Essex League results, rather belatedly, from last season: Div 1 (13 teams) Chelmsford A; Div 2 (12 teams) Chelmsford C; third year running the North Essex KO Final was between Writtle A and Chelmsford A, and Writtle won 2½-1½.

Burnham on Crouch masochists Clint Mann and Martin Taylor returned from their cycling chess playing tour nursing nothing worse than exhaustion and a minus score. They believe they have raised about £80 for the Dengie Club. (Must be easier ways.)

SURREY: Some preliminary results for the 1984 individual events:-

Slater-Kennington: South Norwood section, GJ Mason. Wernick Cup: Sutton section, JD Bayless. Wimbledon section, G Behrendt. Kingston section, D Staples. Felce Cup: Sutton section, PM Shaw. Croydon section, DD Cox.

Team QP Championship was held on the 22nd September at Sutton. Results: 1 Wimbledon A 20/24; 2 Streatham 15½; 3 Redhill 14½... 16 teams of 6.

CHILTERN LEAGUE: Bucks II 5½ 14½ Oxon II 22.9.84; Berks "B" 9 11 Bucks II 3.11.84

FRIENDLY: North Essex 10½ 9½ Suffolk

Ian Hunnable in ChessIns (Insurance CA), writes: "This season marks a further reduction in the size of the (Inter-Office) League which now comprises just three Divisions. There has been much to-ing and fro-ing since the Inter-Office League Sub-committee, partly, I fear, because few Office Representatives attended the meeting and various teams' circumstances weren't made clear until later." Kent has meetings like this, designed to arrange fixtures as well as sort out little details like which teams are entered and whether to split the leagues regionally. One club, anticipating the usual crop of absentees with undeclared intentions, sent rather unapologetic apologies and arranged all their fixtures by phone. How do other counties solve this problem? Is it a problem? (The London clubs in Kent seem to manage.)



### JUNIOR NEWS

Not much of this (the first of the Metropolitan 40-board U18 matches take place on the 17th November, and the National U16 Team Championship is at Upminster on the 24th.) Some congress results from Kent, though, and if you want results from other counties make sure someone sends them!

#### MAIDSTONE SCHOOLS CONGRESS 29-30 Sep 1984

Team events: Secondary 1 Tunbridge Wells GSB; 2 Forest Hill Comprehensive...

Primary 1 Adamsrill (Sydenham); 2 Adamsrill "B"...

Individual events: U19 1-2 N Fox (Maidstone), CG Ward (TWGSB) 4/5...

U13 (44 pl) 1 MD Sadler (Chatham) 5/5; 2-3 JA Coles (Judd, Tonbridge), DP Fulton (Judd) 4...

U11 (33 pl) 1-2 R Wiltshire (Dartford), S Denyer 4/5; 3-8 N Collacott, T Pruden, D Irwin, J Sargent, M Paveling, A Posey...

#### ASHFORD JUNIOR 6-7 Oct 1984

Under 18 1 A Hammond (St Edmunds Dover) 4½/5; 2 S Lamb (Faversham) 4...

Under 14 1 DG Hogg (TWGSB) 5½/6; 2-5 S White (Southlands, New Romney), A Pettey (Dover GS), S Peters (BETHS), D Lintern (Maidstone) 5...

Under 11 1-2 R Wiltshire (Dartford), A Bailey (Highfield, Bromley) 6/7; 3-4 D Macdonald (Benson), D Semal (Raglan) 5½...

Results RG Blake

#### KENT JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (Secondary) at Tunbridge Wells, 3-4 Nov 1984

Under 18 (13 pl) 1-2 CG Ward (TWGSB), DA Wood (Chatham South) 5/6; 3 PJ Morris (Gravesend School) 4½...

Under 16 (10 pl) 1-2 A Tucker (Colfes), TE Farndon (TWGSB) 4½/6; 3 GSM Jenkins (Kent College, Canterbury) 4...

Under 14 (24 pl) 1-2 T Bourne (Crown Woods), A Mack (Trinity) 6/8; 3-4 B Swift (Crown Woods), T Ulicsak (Bromley) 5½; 5-6 DP Fulton (Judd), I Moroney (Sidcup) 5...

Under 12 (27 pl) 1-2 B Hong (St Dunstons College), MD Sadler (Chatham) 5½/6; 3 M Pratt (Trinity) 5; 4-8 J Beaney (Kings Rochester), O Gard (Thomas Tallis), E Ionides (Dulwich College Prep School, Dulwich), T Rogers (Sedgehill), R Wiltshire (Dartford) 4

The Primary Championships are in February.

### SCCU COUNTY MATCHES

We're off again. The first match results of the season, or such of them as have been sent to the Bulletin, are on the following pages. Dr DJ Opie, County Match Controller, writes:

It is to be regretted that there have been two match defaults (20-0) so early the season. In the first instance Kent III defaulted to Kent IV, though the correct procedure was observed. In the second, however, Cambridge failed to notify their opponents of the home venue under Rule 9(c) of the SCCU County Match Rules. This resulted in the award of this match 20-0 to Surrey I.

I would also ask match captains to check adjudication details on their players' claims, which have, so far, been rarely correct.

It is further to be regretted that there have been two instances of refreshments not being provided at County Matches; one by accident and the other as a matter of policy. I would request strongly that, if refreshments are not being provided, then the visiting match captain be informed well in advance by the home match captain, so that his players may have the opportunity to make other arrangements.

Sorry that my first comments as CMC should be grumbles, but these are issues important to the equitable and civilised conduct of our Competitions!!

#### Missing results

Championship: Cambs v Berks 6 Oct; Kent v Cambs 27 Oct

Montague-Jones: none

Amboyna/Ebony: Middx IV v Essex 13 Oct; Surrey III v Middx IV 3 Nov

It could be that these matches have been postponed without the Bulletin knowing (or noticing). If not, would players seeing this give their match captains a prod? Unpublished results are liable to go ungraded.

An asterisk by a County's name on the following pages means the result has been received from that side. Adjudication results were up to date on the 18th November.

## CHAMPIONSHIP

Middx*	6.10.84	Surrey*	Essex	6.10.84	Sussex*
1 WN Watson (B)	1 0	J Gallagher	K Bowden (W)	1 0	DH Cummings
2 JM Hodgson	1 0	D Savereide	NL Carr	0 1	S Conquest
3 CW Pritchett	$\frac{1}{2}$ = $+\frac{1}{2}$	G Krahenbuhl	D Sherman	1 0	FJ Kwiatkowski
4 AJ Whiteley	1 0	R Granat	AJ Stebbings	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	G Kenworthy
5 RG Wade	0 1	S Gillam	JH Hodgson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JC Henshaw
6 S Berry	0 1	C Holland	SJ Lowe	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	GH James
7 SJB Knott	1 0	A Corkett	D Coleman	1 0	RV Elliston
8 GC Crawley	1 0	R O'Brien	ES Lee	0 1	BJ Denman
9 JC Benjamin	1 0	def	JB Howson	1 0	JIP Simpole
10 KI Norman	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	D Sedgwick	AT Marshall	0 1	APH Kinsman
11 T Farrand	1 0	SK Walker	KW Spurgeon	0 1	DGA Shallcross
12 RJF Sams	1 0	R Stockwell	LP Burnett	$\frac{1}{2}$ = $+\frac{1}{2}$	MD Nicholas
13 S Spivack	1 0	R Woodcraft	IJ Myall	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Gillings
14 PD Yerbury	1 0	G Mason	JC Moore	1 0	DW Fryer
15 D Agnos	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	SG Walker	BS Virk	0 1	IG Kelly
16 SJ Rodericks	$\frac{1}{2}$ = $+\frac{1}{2}$	M Lester	GF Yates	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Fallon
17 JM Quinn	1 0	S Crowdy	ID Hunnable	1 0	LJ Cannon
18 DA Farndon	1 0	C Clegg	JR Cooke	1 0	RTF Williams
19 RJ Pearce	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	J Hawson	D Singh	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	AB Bamford
20 GA Leyton	1 0	P Archer	SJ Singh	1 0	DC Leach
(Highbury Fields)	15 $\frac{1}{2}$ 4 $\frac{1}{2}$		(Wanstead H)	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ 8 $\frac{1}{2}$	

Herts*	6.10.84	Kent	Surrey	6.10.84	Herts*
1 S Swanson (W)	0 1	A Martin	P Lamford (B)	+ =	S Swanson
2 D Lemoir	0 1	M Fuller	D Savereide	1 0	P Byway
3 JF Rudge	0 1	JJ Ady	R Granat	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Leahy
4 IL Thomas	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	A Hanreck	W Linton	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PG Maguire
5 B Cheal	1 0	S Brown	R Harris	0 1	P Gregory
6 M Leahy	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	A Trangmar	C Holland	1 0	W Tabakiernik
7 B Whitworth	0 1	J Sugden	D Bell	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	C Purdon
8 H Murphy	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	O'Kelly(!)	D Sedgewick(sic)	1 0	P Bonafont
9 W Tabakiernik	0 1	PM Webb	A Corkett	1 0	J Cook
10 G Hollis	1 0	RCA Lee-Pentecost	P Stimpson	1 0	S Law
11 KM Weinhold	1 0	M Cook	R Stockwell	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	B Morris
12 C Purdon	0 1	D Taylor	R Woodcraft	1 0	R Willis
13 J Cook	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	W Giblin	J Brogden	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	R Lee
14 S Law	0 1	J Wager	M Lester	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	A Vickers
15 B Morris	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	C Howell	M Stockwell	0 1	A Harley
16 A Harley	1 0	J Wood	P Roche	1 0	JJA Riley
17 A Vickers	1 0	def	C Clegg	0 1	J Taffel
18 C Majer	1 0	D Reilly	J Hawson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Sutton
19 M Dyer	0 1	S Macdonald-Ross	J Wilcox	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	B Judkins
20 M Sutton	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Reddie	P Archer	1 0	J Leake
(Welwyn)	9 11		(Sutton)	(12 7)	

Bucks*	27.10.84	Middx	Berks	27.10.84	Essex*
1 H Golombek (W)	0 1	AJ Whiteley	SM Taulbut (B)	$\frac{1}{2}$ $+\frac{1}{2}$	NL Carr
2 N Davey	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RG Wade	PE Cunningham	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MP Townsend
3 G Moore	0 1	SH Berry	PJ Sharp	0 +1	AJ Stebbings
4 MS Twyble	0 1	R Colston	JA Freeman	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JH Hodgson
5 GM Boyce	1 0	JC Benjamin	MM Marlow	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DJ Coleman
6 K Beedle	0 1	T Parkes	DS Tucker	0 1	SJ Lowe
7 A Robbings	0 1	Darren L Lee	MA Johnstone	1+ =0	JB Howson
8 CA Frostick	0 1	KI Norman	PI Thompson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JA Goldberg
9 KG Hyde	1 0	T Farrand	AJ Aslett	0 1	ES Lee
10 P Hackman	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RJF Sams	CT Callow	1 0	J Page
11 RD de Coverly	0 1	S Spivack	AW Hooper	1 0	IJ Myall
12 AJ Cox	0 1	DP Lynch	Dr NM Stewart	0 1	JC Moore
13 PR Rawcliffe	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PD Yerbury	MF Redmond	0 1	TD Coote
14 Clive Bowley	0 1	JM Quinn	A Buckland	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	SM Kalinsky
15 PD Porter	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RJ Pearce	NW Dennis	0 1	IBN Smith
16 RDW Marsh	0 1	JT Ward	MG Jones	0 1	TD Whitton
17 MJ Egby	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	AI Wheatley	PM Flower	0 1	ID Hunnable
18 MJ Buxton	0 1	R Kane	PAF Watkins	1 0	JD Bakhshi
19 GJ Ellames	0 1	DC Perrett	GT Fergusson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Abrahams
20 C Kennedy	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	GH Govas	WP Tickner	1 0	DN Bellis
(Bourne End)	5 15		(Earley)	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	

## CHAMPIONSHIP

## MONTAGUE-JONES

Sussex I *	10.11.84	Berks I	Herts II	10.11.84	Kent II*
1 S Conquest (W)	1 0	PE Cunningham	1 TH Thurston (W)	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$ NR Oliver
2 FJ Kwiatkowski	1 0	PJ Sharp	2 AG Burrows	1 0	AP Smith
3 G Kenworthy	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JA Freeman	3 G Scholes	1 0	G Botley
4 JC Henshaw	1 0	C Blackburne	4 TA Sinkinson	0 1	P Morris
5 GH James	1 0	PM Rice	5 BA Fewell	a	IM Pountney
6 RV Elliston	1 0	def	6 G Zubreczki	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	J Wood
7 JIP Simpole	1 0	MA Johnstone	7 M Dyer	0 1	J Allan
8 APH Kinsman	1 0	PI Thompson	8 PA Saunders	0 1	MM Robertson
9 L Rutherford	1 0	RN Dixon	9 DP Young	0 1	DA Wood
10 JA Dodgson	1 0	CT Callow	10 JA Leake	0 1	C Howell
11 D Graham	1 0	A Buckland	11 TC Wright	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Price
12 MD Nicholas	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	AW Hooper	12 RA Hubbard	0 1	D Reilly
13 SON Hawes	1 0	NM Stewart	13 N Staples	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Childs
14 M Gillings	0 1	MF Redmond	14 PG Matthews	0 1	MJ Pitt
15 DW Fryer	1 0	PA Hart	15 B Hare	1 0	Z Mehmet
16 P Fallon	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	I Climic	16 A Jeffries	0 1	RCA Lee-Pentecost
17 L Howlett	1 0	MPA Connolly	17 JC Robertson	0 1	M Phillips
18 LJ Cannon	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	GT Fergusson	18 RV Dugdale	1 0	S Jacob
19 M Graves	1 0	WP Tickner	19 C Fewtrell	0 1	A Raaf
20 RTF Williams	1 0	def	20 J Hollingsworth	0	1 H Dobson
(Chichester)	17 3		(Welwyn)	(6 13)	

## MONTAGUE-JONES

Middx II	29.9.84	Kent II*	Kent II*	20.10.84	Oxon
1 P De La Mothe	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	R Webb (B)	NR Oliver (W)	1 0	DG Hackett
2 JP Sharp	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	NR Oliver	AP Smith	1 0	RJ Starkie
3 DA Farndon	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	AP Smith	G Botley	1 0	T Craig
4 KR Clark	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	G Botley	P Morris	1 0	G Chapman
5 JS Walton	0 1	JD Wager	JS Williams	1 0	R Griffiths
6 SE Lazarus	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Morris	IM Pountney	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	GT Jones
7 F Rayner	0 1	D Morris	DA Wood	0 1	M Kimber
8 AP Summerscale	0 1	RCA Lee-Pentecost	J Wood	1 0	P White
9 RJ Pearce	0 1	JS Williams	J Allan	1 0	S Charles
10 JT Ward	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MJ Reddie	MJ Reddie	1 0	NJ Hepworth
11 DC Perrett	0 1	J Allan	MM Robertson	1 0	G Alcock
12 SJ Tovey	1 0	MM Robertson	C Howell	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DK Sayers
13 R Kane	1 0	D Reilly	P Price	1 0	N Lowe
14 JP Gorgol	0 1	C Howell	TC Hare	1 0	E King
15 JA Hunt	0 1	P Price	N Cummings	1 0	G Hodgson
16 BJ Benjamin	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Childs	MJ Pitt	1 0	D Metcalf
17 H Dixon	1 0	A Sands	A Sands	1 0	D Buckland
18 AH Donkin	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MJ Pitt	Z Mehmet	1 0	def
19 M Francois	1 0	A Raaf	CM Brown	1 0	def
20 LJ Fincham	0 1	Z Mehmet	H Dobson	1 0	def
(Highbury Fields)	8 12		(Lewisham)	18 2	

## PHILLIPS AND DREW AMBOYNA/EBONY

Middx II*	13.10.84	Sussex II*	Surrey III	13.10.84	Surrey II*
1 B Benjamin (B)	0= +1	JA Dodgson	IM Sim (W)	0 1	DP Sedgwick
2 M Francois	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Watson	LW Prescott	1 0	PJ Roche
3 L Fincham	0 1	IG Kelly	JM Guilfoyle	1 0	RG Rusha
4 S Morgan	0 1	RWB Moss	def	0 1	WG Clark
5 M Smith	1 0	TRF Williams	HM Cath	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RJ Wilcox
6 M Brougham	0+ +1	JP Munday	LRA Clegg	1 0	CPL Parker
7 J Rety	1 0	M Graves	BJ Todd	0 1	JB Hawson
8 J Franks	0 1	RD Hirsch	IRE Clark	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	EJ Brodie
9 K Jones	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JB Mitchell	KN Mehendale	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PR Archer
10 S Land	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DG Ratcliffe	RE Mattocks	0 1	DM Woods
11 D McGovern	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	LKG Eastoe	B Blackburn	1 0	def
12 T Burrell	0 1	SJ Newman	AD Sim	0 1	JS Tymms
13 M Barkwill	1 0	PJ Grant	PI Clemow	1 0	B Lyons
14 S Farrier	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RH Saunders	RA Lanzer	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JJ Skielnik
15 D Taloni	0 1	PH Benson	EA Parker	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	CJ Dennis
16 M Crewdson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JP Rix	FC Manning	0 1	E Weimann
17 N Louth	0= +1	MR Hickman	RM Harris	0 1	JRM Moore
18 M Cresswell	1 0	Dr DJ Opie	JEV Hardcastle	1 0	P Wasserberg
19 GN Abbey	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	J Richmond	WJ Fuller	0 1	RE James
20 S Kalug	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Curtis	DA Baldock	0 1	DPG Moss
(Highbury Fields)	8 12		(Sutton)	8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 11 $\frac{1}{2}$	

Surrey II		3.11.84	Kent IV*	Kent III	3.11.84	Middx III*
1 GJ Mason (W)	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	JF Ferrar	M Ruston (W)	1 0	A Summerscale
2 PJ Roche	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	R Grover	AVH Sands	1 0	A Hughes
3 JG Brogden	1	0	MH Micklethwaite	BA Crouch	+	J Rety
4 DJ Best	0	1	SJ Pullinger	RL Williamson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MC Smith
5 RG Rusha	0	1	L Gurr	MA Phillips	1 0	LJ Fincham
6 WG Clark	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	A Wriglesworth	PL Childs	0 1	AH Donkin
7 RJ Wilcox	0	1	ED Gardiner	JM Griffiths	0 1	RH Becker
8 Miss H Granat	= +		RP Fullager	P Finch	0 1	DG Keen
9 NS Lane	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	MJ Godwin	RA Kingdon	1 0	S Land
10 CPL Parker	0	1	D Shakeshaft	B O'Gorman	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DP McGovern
11 JB Hawson	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	B Langridge	R Morton	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	A Canning
12 EJ Brodie	0	1	RE Laine (sic)	AA Purchase	1 0	JK Jones
13 JE Pattle	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	I Hames	DF Sexton	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MA Barkwill
14 PR Archer	0	1	PA Tatham	DC Playford	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MJ Cresswell
15 DM Woods	0	1	A Waters	T Lloyd	0 1	MR Crewdson
16 PL Terry	1	0	SR Pierce	AWR Harris	0 1	N Louth
17 PM Shaw	0	1	N Shepherd	J France	+	GN Abbey
18 JS Tymms	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	SA Edwards	MW Cansdale	0 1	TN Burrell
19 JJ Skielnik	1	0	J Morris	GR Clifford	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JCH Nyman
20 E Weimann (Sutton)	1 0 (7 $\frac{1}{2}$ 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ )		R Gawley	H Gravelle (Charlton H)	1 0 (9 9)	PJ Horam

Sussex II*		3.11.84	Essex III
1 JA Dodgson (W)	1	0	I Pheby
2 P Watson	0	1	P Sagnella
3 IG Kelly	1	0	P Turp
4 RWB Moss	+		M Bird
5 LA Butt	+		DJ Millward
6 A Blue	0	1	LJ Crane
7 RTF Williams	0	1	P Salmon
8 JP Munday	0	1	N Twitchell
9 I Fayter	1	0	D Goorvitch
10 M Graves	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	JS Wood
11 RD Hirsch	0	1	W Hawthorn
12 SJ Newman	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	M Rahman
13 DG Ratcliffe	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	J Page
14 LKG Eastoe	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	R Craven
15 PS New	1	0	C Bellinger
16 PJ Grant	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	SS Johal
17 RH Saunders	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	J Davenport
18 PH Benson	1	0	A Barber
19 MR Hickman	= +		M Burns
20 EJ Bowley (Hassocks)	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ (8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ )		R Francis

Kent IV v Kent III went by default to the fourth team when their opponents failed to raise a side. (Appears Londoners won't travel to Canterbury.)

Cambs v Surrey (Championship, 17th Nov) has been declared won for Surrey because the Cambs match captain failed to notify his opposite number of the venue. We understand he was hard to contact as well. It is possible that Cambs may raise the matter with the SCCU Executive (next meeting 23rd Nov).

There are some proposals in the air for new scoring systems in the SCCU County competitions. One would, effectively, deduct a game point for each default. The others could be more far-reaching. Details later if it comes to anything.

#### BCF stage County Matches

The BCF has written to the Unions asking them to state, formally, whether they will be taking up their entitlement to two places in the National stage of the Minor Counties. (The EACU has one.) Two Counties, duly nominated by their Unions, dropped out last year and the result was predictable havoc. It is to be hoped the eligible Counties in the SCCU will say straight away if they're not interested! (Ineligible are Cambs, Essex, Kent and Middx. Sussex are allowed another go, if they can contrive not to finish in the top two in the Shannon.)

The word processor apologises for its accident on page 5. It had another on this page which has meant re-cutting the stencil. (Your Editor has a recurring, and irritating, problem with VIEW which he cannot reproduce at will. Delete-to-end-of-line, and phantom characters way off the screen, come into it. Anyone else met it?)

#### SCCU COUNTY COMPETITIONS: NEW POSSIBILITIES

Of the 25 questionnaires sent out by Dr Opie, 18 have now come back. Results: Rate of Play.

13 favour the current rate (40 in 2) and 5 the suggested rate of 54 in 2 hrs 15 min or 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  hrs. No change is likely.



KO competitions (Montague-Jones, Ebony/Amboyna).

Excluding the first team captains, whose opinions may not be relevant, 9 out of 10 have replied. We don't know who the tenth one is. The overall result is 3 in favour of an M-J KO and 5 in favour of an AE one. On the face of it (though we have not seen a breakdown to make it absolutely clear) there is a case for running these competitions after the conclusion of the leagues. At all events, it will be proposed at the next Executive meeting. Where the Trophies, if any, will come from is not obvious.

Quick-play Competition.

8 match captains favoured a one-day competition and one a weekend one. It will be proposed that a one-day event be held. The rules would have to be worked out by the Executive.

NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP, sponsored by Legal and General, really is giving away money this year. (We've only just got round to working it out.) Zone winners in the main championship get £50 and a clock. There are 12 zones, with only 6 or 7 teams per zone; so only two matches for your £50 if you happen to get a round 1 bye. That's most of the entry fees back in zonal prizes before you even get to the inter-zone. A little problem with byes, though: recipients have the right to opt out of the competition and go into the Plate along with the first round losers. There are 21 recipients. Sensibly, the organisers have decided to keep them all in the competition proper and let them into the Plate if they lose in round 2 (otherwise someone's liable to get a bye into a zone final). Why not 7 or 8 teams per zone next year? (No, it might not leave room for the late entries. But the entry form categorically states late entries will not be accepted. Why not stick to that for a change? People might then start taking it seriously!)

Clubs in the Major may not have noticed the rule which says "No team may contain any player with a grade of 175 or equivalent or over... No team must contain more than one player with a grade of 160 or equivalent or over..." Think about it. It's different in the Minor.

Oddments

LEIGH GRAND PRIX prizes are going up next year (£3000 first prize, £750 second...)  
BRITISH ISLES SUB-ZONALS, for Interzonal qualification, will be at the Curzon Hotel in Brighton 12-20 December if you feel like dropping in. Play is daily from 1 to 6 p.m. The event is sponsored by Computer Games Ltd.

CONGRATULATIONS to Teresa Needham on her new IWM title. Also to Surrey II and Bucks II on winning their respective divisions (2 and 4) in the Counties and Districts Correspondence Championships. We won't give the full results, they're in the November Newsflash.

BCF YEARBOOK hasn't surfaced in Tunbridge Wells yet (18.11.84). Is this a record? And speaking of the BCF, what's this we hear about the Management Board deciding to do their paperwork in English?

GAMES (acknowledgments Lloyds Bank and Leigh Interests)

The brilliancy prize from the Lloyds Bank Guernsey International 1984:

White W Watson      Black M Lyell

1 P-K4	P-K4	15 N-B7+	K-Q2
2 N-KB3	N-QB3	16 NxQ	KxN
3 B-N5	P-B4	17 B-N5	B-Q2
4 P-Q4	BPxP	18 O-O-O	K-B1
5 NxP	N-B3?	19 P-Q5	N-Q1

Inferior to 5...NxN 6 PxN P-B3 7 N-B3!?  
(7...B-K2 Q-R4+ and QxKP) with a complex piece sacrifice.

6 N-QB3	B-K2
7 B-QB4	P-Q4
8 NxQP!	KNxN
9 Q-R5+	P-N3
10 NxNP	N-B3
11 B-B7+!	

The point of W's earlier sacrifice. Now he gains the Q for 3 minor pieces while Black's position stays disorganised.

11	KxB
12 N-K5+	K-K3
13 Q-R3+	K-Q4
14 Q-N3+	K-Q3

14...KxP 15 NxN+ PxN 16 B-B4 leaves the King stranded.

20...PxP 21 Q-B3+ wins the Knight.

Well, we thought algebraic was the norm. One from the Lloyds Bank 1984:  
White Michael Adams, Black A Muir

1 e4	c5
2 Nf3	Nc6
3 d4	cxd4
4 Nxd4	Nf6
5 Nc3	d6
6 Be3	Ng4
7 Bg5!?	

A variation from the normal 7 Bb5 Nxe3  
8 fxe3 Bd7 9 O-O e6 10 Bxc6 bxc6  
11 e5 with complicated play.

7	Qb6
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8 Bb5 Bd7  
 9 O-O Qxd4  
 10 Bxc6 Qxd1  
 11 Bxd7+ Kxd7  
 12 Raxd1 h6  
 13 Bc1 g5  
 14 h3 Ne5  
 15 Nd5 Rc8  
 16 f4 gxf4  
 17 Bxf4 Ng6  
 18 c3 Ke6

Better 18...Nxf4

19 Be3 b6  
 20 Rd4! Ne5  
 21 Ra4 Nc6  
 22 b4 Bg7  
 23 Ra6 b5  
 24 a4 Ke5

Black tries the tactic 25 axb5 Kxe4, but White's reply is decisive.

25 Rxc6! Rxc6  
 26 Bd4+ Kxe4  
 27 Bxg7 Rhe8  
 28 axb5 R6c8  
 29 Nxe7! Rb8

29...Rxe7 30 Rel+

30 Nc6 Rbc8  
 31 Nxa7 Ra8  
 32 Nc6 1-0

From the 1984 Greater Manchester Open:

White P Kane, Black AJ Miles

1 P-K4 P-QB3  
 2 P-Q4 P-Q4  
 3 PxP PxP  
 4 B-Q3 N-QB3  
 5 P-QB3 P-KN3  
 6 N-B3 N-B3  
 7 O-O B-B4

exchanging White's most active piece.

8 BxB PxB  
 9 R-K1 P-K3  
 10 B-N5 B-K2  
 11 QN-Q2 N-K5  
 12 BxB QxB  
 13 N-K5 QNxN  
 14 PxN O-O-O!

already preparing the final attack.

15 N-B3 KR-N1  
 16 Q-Q4 K-N1  
 17 QR-Q1 R-N5

to provoke a weakness near White's King.

18 P-KR3 R-N3  
 19 P-B4 QR-N1  
 20 P-KN3 RxP+!

a clearer win than the more obvious Knight sacrifice.

21 PxR RxP+  
 22 K-R2 RxN  
 23 R-K3 R-B7+  
 24 K-R1 Q-N4  
 25 R-KN1 Q-B5

O-1

Black mates or wins the Queen.

The most significant opening novelty at Lloyds Bank 1984 was Spassky's new defence to the Lopez, which he had already used in the European Club Cup. White B Spassky, Black MG Chandler

1 e4 e5  
 2 Nf3 Nc6  
 3 Bb5 Nf6  
 4 O-O Bc5  
 5 Nxe5 Nxe5  
 6 d4 a6

Spassky's idea. Now Ady - Spassky in an earlier round continued:

7 dxe5 axb5 8 exf6 Qxf6 9 Nc3 c6  
 10 Qh5 (trying to improve on 10 e5 Qf5! 11 b3 O-O 12 Bb2 Re8 13 a4 b4 14 Na2 Qg6! with a small but clear advantage for Black: Psakhis - Spaasky, Solingen 1984) 10...d6 11 Bg5 Qg6 12 Qh4 h6 13 Bf4 b4 14 Ne2 O-O with initiative for Black. Black won in 37 moves.

7 Be2 Ba7  
 8 dxe5 Nxe4  
 9 Bd3 Qh4  
 10 Qf3 d5  
 11 ed Nd6  
 12 Rel Be6  
 13 g3 Qh3  
 14 Nc3 O-O-O  
 15 Bf4 1/2-1/2

Chandler: "A very unclear position came out of the opening. I was not convinced I had any advantage." (And a draw gave them =1st.)

Lloyds Bank 1984:

White JDM Nunn, Black Reefschlager

1 e4 e6  
 2 d4 d5  
 3 Nc3

John Nunn has obviously been influenced by the Mestel/Hebden treatment of the French which is basically Qg4 against anything (except of course ...Nf6)

3 Bb4  
 4 e5 c5  
 5 a3 Ba5!?

A sharp and unclear attempt to avoid main lines after ...Bc3. The disadvantage is that it tends to lead to less flexible positions for Black; the advantage is its surprise value.

6 b4! cd

An interesting idea is ...cb 7 Nb5 f5! which attempts to close the centre down and thwarts W's attempts to play his Q to an aggressive square. White has attacking chances after both (1) 8 ab Bb4 9 c3 Be7 10 Ba3 Ba3 11 Ra3 Nc6 12 Nd6 Nh6 and (2) 8 Nd6 Kf8 9 Bd2 ba 10 Ra3 Bd2 11 Qd2 Nh6! but these positions are not at all clear.

7 Qg4 Ne7  
 8 Nb5 Bc7

9 Qg7 Rg8  
10 Qh7 a6  
11 Nc7 Qc7  
12 Bb2?!

Not, I think, the best move order.

12 Ne2 seems more accurate when after (1)  
12...Bb2 13 f4 Qf6 14 Bb2 Nbc6 15 0-0-0  
Bd7 16 g3 White has a decided advantage.  
Of course Black has (2) 12...Bd7! 13 f4  
Nbc6 14 Bb2 0-0-0 15 Qd3 but he is suffering  
a little in this position. Finally 12...Bd7  
13 f4 a5?! is a sharp attempt to disrupt the  
White position but after the calm 14 ba! Qa5  
15 Bd2 Qb6 16 Ng3 Nbc6 17 Nh5 0-0-0 18 Nf6  
Rh8 19 Qd3 Nf5 20 Be2! White has consolidated  
and Black is again without play.

12 Nbc6  
13 f4 Bd7  
14 Nf3!

The N has been allowed to develop to a much  
better square than e2.

14 0-0-0  
15 Qd3 Nf5  
16 0-0-0 f6

Both players consumed some time around here,  
presumably analysing tactics after 16...Ne3  
17 Rd2 Nb4 18 ab Bb5 but after the simple  
19 Qd4! Nf1 20 Rf2 Black is bust. But if  
Black can't work up something against W's  
centre quickly, what compensation does he  
have for this h pawn?

17 Nd4 Ncd4  
18 Bd4 Bb5

The best try.

19 Qd2 Bf1  
20 Rhf1 Nd4  
21 Qd4 Rg2  
22 Rd2 Rd2  
23 Kd2 f5

23...fe 24 Qe5 Qc6 25 h4 Rg8 26 Rf2 is  
hopeless.

24 Rg1 Kb8  
25 Rg3!

A very clear handling of the position.

John Munn's clarity of thought is one of his  
strongest features as a chess player. Give  
him a position like this and he will hardly  
ever make a mistake. It remains for White  
to exchange Rs, eliminate Black's counter-  
play by playing his K to b2, and then push  
the h pawn.

25 Qh7  
26 h3 Rc8  
27 Rc3 Rc3  
28 Qc3 Qg6  
29 Qe3 Qg2  
30 Kc3 Qf1  
31 Kb2 a5  
32 ba! Qb5  
33 Qb3! 1-0

White exchanges Qs after 33...Qa5 34 Qb4  
(34...Qa7 35 Qd6 and Qe6 is dreadful for  
Black.)

Notes "Martin"

Lloyds Bank 1984:

White Wells, Black Grunberg

1 d4 Nf6  
2 Nf3 g6  
3 c4 Bg7

4 Nc3 d5  
5 cd Nd5  
6 e4 Nc3  
7 bc 0-0  
8 Be2 c5  
9 Rb1

The exchange variation with Rb1 has in  
the last couple of years become one of  
White's most dangerous anti-Grunfeld  
weapons.

9 Nc6

Alternatives are 9...Bg4, 9...Qa5 or  
the interesting 9...b6!? akin to some  
4 a3 Queens Indian lines.

10 d5 Ne5

10...Bc3?! 11 Bd2 Bd2 12 Qd2 gives W a  
better ending after 12...Nd4 13 Nd4 cd  
14 Qd4 Qa5 15 Qd2 or a strong attack  
after 12...Nb8 13 h4!

11 Ne5 Be5  
12 Qd2 e6  
13 f4 Bg7  
14 c4 Re8

If 14...ed 15 cd with e5 to follow is  
excellent for W. However, if 15 0-0?!  
ed 16 ed gives Black good counterplay.  
Therefore the following forcing  
sequence has become virtually  
established as "best play".

15 e5 f6  
16 d6 fe  
17 Bb2 e4!?

The main line here has been 17...ef  
18 Bg7 Kg7 19 Rf1 Rf8 20 Rf4 Rf4 21 Qf4  
Qf6 but either 22 Qe3, 23 Kh1 and Rf1  
with an attack or 22 Qe4! Rb8 23 Rf1  
Qd4 24 Qd4 cd 25 Rb1! Bd7 26 Bf3 b6  
27 c5 (Novikov - Tukmakov, USSR Champ  
1984) seems good for White.

18 Bg7

In his notes in Informator 36 M Ghinda  
gives 18 Be5! (18 Bxg7?! Kxg7 19 0-0  
b6). However 18 Be5 fails to impress  
if Black plays for counterplay on the  
f file. 18 Bxg7 is here played with a  
more aggressive idea in mind.

18 Kg7  
19 h4!

As Black has weakened his K side dark  
squares and has no obvious central  
counterplay, this move, first played in  
Colev - Kekki, World Junior 1984, makes  
perfectly good sense.

19 b6

Possibly too slow. Kekki chose ...h6,  
but either 20 Rb3 or the immediate 20  
h5 are interesting.

20 h5 Rf8  
21 hg hg  
22 Rb3 Qf6  
23 Rbh3 Qd4  
24 Rh7 Kf6  
25 g4! Qd2  
26 Kd2 e5 (else 27 g5)  
27 Rf1! Rd8

27...Ke6 28 fe! Rf1 29 Re7 mate

28 g5 Ke6  
29 Ke3! ef  
30 Ke4 Bd7?!

30...Kd6 31 Rd1 Kc6 32 Rd8 Bf5 33 Ke5!

31 Bg4 Kd6 Rd8 34 Bf3  
32 Rd1 1-0



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CONGRESS DIARY

- Nov 23-25 TORBAY at Torquay. P Short, Blue Horizon, Nut Bush Lane, Shiphay, Torquay TQ2 6LD (T 64259)
- 27 BRAINTREE Lightning. JS Wood, Allanwood, 21 Courtauld Rd, Braintree, Essex (B 44522)
- 30- 2 GOODYEAR at Wolverhampton. Open; U131. P O'Donoghue, 7 Redcar Rd, Fordhouses, Wolverhampton 787978
- Dec 1 COMET CIRCLE. CK Lai, 12 Lagan House; Sumner Rd SE15 5RB
- 1- 2 CITY MINOR U131. LG Goodwin, 63 Aberdeen Park N5 2AZ
- 2 STROUD Open; U160; U130; U90. CH Breach, 7 Vicarage Lane, Frampton on Severn, Glos GL2 7EE
- 2 BOLTON Open; U150; U110. A Gardner, 79 Beverley Rd, Bolton BL1 4DY
- 7- 9 CASTLEMILK, Glasgow. M Hanley, 14 Westmuir Place, Rutherglen, Glasgow G73 1HF
- 8- 9 PERGAMON BRITISH LIGHTNING (10 second) CHAMPIONSHIPS. Teams of 4, 8th; Individual, 9th. WA Suttill, 7 Lonsdale Rd W11 2BY
- 8-16 REGENCY HOTEL MASTERS at Ramsgate. Open (but rabbit-expensive). N Povah, 15 Stoneleigh Court, Frimley, Camberley, Surrey GU16 5XH
- 9 BASINGSTOKE. RE Boxall, 91 Campsie Close, Bucksin, Basingstoke, Hants RG22 5DQ
- 16 CITY CHESS. LG Goodwin as Dec 1-2
- 21-23 ISLINGTON. LG Goodwin.
- 27-30 BATSFORD TCS LONDON JUNIOR U21; U18; U16; U14; Girls U18/16/14 incorporated. Also school team prizes. U12/10/8 must qualify; final events: U12 28-30; U10 27-28; U8 27th. AC Corfe, 51 Borough Way, Potters Bar EN6 3HA
- 28- 1 EN MULCAHY MEMORIAL at Cork. P Constant, 53 Halldene Ave, Cork, Eire
- 29-13 HASTINGS INTERNATIONAL. Challengers 29-7; graded sections 29-2, 29-6, 3-7, 8-10, 11-13. Chess Club, 2 Cornwallis Terrace, Hastings TN34 1EB
- Jan 1 BASINGSTOKE as Dec 9
- 4- 6 COUNTY OF SALOP at Telford. N Cox, The Crown House, Kynnersley, Telford TF6 6DX

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Heard at a recent junior event: "Is scholar's mate allowed?" (It was, grudgingly.)

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