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#### SCCU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive met on Friday 10th March at the Friends House, Euston. 11 attended. Main items:

- (!) Secretary. We still haven't got a new one. Oliver Stobart stands down on the 1st July, and it's getting urgent.
- (2) County matches. There was still some anxiety about adjudications. Results were coming in very slowly, and BCF nominations might depend on them. It was already clear that Essex would qualify for a Championship nomination, though not necessarily in first place. The other place was wide open, with two crucial matches to be played next day. Kent III had already won the Third Division, ahead of three Second Teams, but the Third Teams nomination (of course) was the one that wasn't going to cause problems anyway.

Smoking came up again. Cambs had used a non-smoking venue for at least two matches, and Middx had made an official complaint. In the absence of the Tournament Controller no one was sure what was happening about the complaint. There was some feeling that the Union ought to adopt a clear position on smoking bans. It may well be that a county will propose something at the annual Council Meeting.

(3) <u>Grading</u>. Martin Cath said he had sold about 500 SCCU Grading Lists so far (out of a print run of 575, we think); and something over 100 BCF National Lists. He expected an overall profit of £350 at least. We can't resist adding that another Union printed 800 copies of its list and has sold 200. Given the SCCU figures, the Executive had no difficulty in deciding to sell a Union List again next year.

The Union pays a royalty to the BCF on each Union List sold. This year we have paid a provisional £185, to cover estimated sales of 500 copies. The BCF has suggested that in future the Unions should pay a straight lump sum of so much per page, irrespective of the number of copies sold; so the BCF would know in advance exactly how much income to expect. The figure they have in mind would cost us a good poit more than we're paying now; but quite apart from that the Executive was dubious about relieving the BCF of all financial risk in this way. We accept the risk of printing too many copies, and it was felt that they ought to bear their share of the risk. No doubt negotiations will continue.

The BCF, of course, pays us a commission on National Lists sold by us. It seems that the National List has not sold particularly well outside the SCCU. (Actually, some of Martin Cath's sales have been exports to people in other Unions. This could be because he took the trouble to advertise well in advance that he would be selling it.)

The SCCU's County Lists (for Herts, Kent and Middx) have not been a financial success. This is because we printed extra copies, on top of those ordered by the counties, and no one's bought them. The Kent one was actually printed twice because the BCF's first effort omitted all the members of half a dozen London clubs; the BCF hid make some financial recompense.

- (4) <u>Juniors</u>. There is much disagreement, in exalted circles, over exactly how the BCF's training scheme is supposed to work. Your Editor now feels better about his total ignorance.
- (5) Money. Surrey's levy number is coming down from 13 to 11, and Middlesex have also applied for a two-point reduction (from 19). The SCCU nomination for the British Championship will now cost us £80 instead of £70, because the entry fee has gone up. One member thought the cash prize should go to the SCCU Champion, rather than the nominee who may be someone further down the table. Postscript to an item from some while back: last year's nominee did not incur a late penalty, so the Union won't pay it.
- (5) SCCU Council Meeting will be on the 1st July at the Ibis Hotel hope we've got the name right, it sounded like that near Euston Station.
- (7) Reports of BCF delegates. Briefly: The BCF Finance Director is to resign. Part 2 of the Year Book the bit with the rules in should be out by the end of March. The Federation is looking to produce booklets/leaflets on things like the organisation of a chess club.

Oh, and a nice one. Lancashire are to propose (in Council, presumably) that Haion stage county matches should be over a minimum of 16 boards. That is the rule for the BCF stage of course, but there is no BCF rule about Union matches. If you suspect that Lancs have lost a battle at Union level and want the BCF to rescue them, you're right. The NCCU has decided to permit 12-board matches. Must admit the Bulletin has some sympathy with Lancs.

he Bulletin has been telling itself, off and on over the last few months, that it use t find out what the English Chess Association is. Finally we got around to it ac asked Julian Simpole, the ECA General Secretary, for a piece. Here (slightly untailed) is what he wrote.

#### THE ENGLISH CHESS ASSOCIATION

This new chess organisation was founded in January last year by GM Ray Keene and myself with Professor Alexander Kennaway as President. Simply, we want to advance the cause of chess in this country, and already enormous progress has been made. During 1988 we found sponsorship for the Watson Farley Williams Grandmaster tournament in London, which will be repeated this year and which we hope will become established as an annual event. In addition, our board members assisted in ensuring continuation of the sponsorship for the Foreign & Colonial Hastings Congress, and £20,000 was negotiated from Craton Lodge Knight (a firm trading with the USSR) for Matthew Sadler in his quest to become a Grandmaster. Continuing the good work, we organised the James Capel Speed Chess Challenge in November to which ECA members were invited on special concessional terms. The occasion was televised by Thames TV, and was a great success. In February this year the ECA teamed up with the Institute of Ophthalmology in organising Jon Speelman's "Fight for Sight" charity simul, sponsored by Pilkington Visioncare and covered once again by Thames TV. event raised money for Moorfields Eye Hospital, and further charity simuls are planned for the benefit of Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital and to help Halifax General obtain a body scanner.

It is heartening to write of the recognition accorded us by the Encyclopedia Britannica, which states that the aim of the ECA is "to make chess as popular as incoker and bring grass-roots players into closer contact with Grandmasters and asters." Indeed, our motto is "Chess for all". Those in agreement with our credo aclude Nobel Laureates William Golding and Professor Sir John Cornforth, Lord allaghan KG and Dr Patrick Moore CBE, who have joined the Committee of Honour.

he are working towards the following objectives:

- 1. To win the individual World Championship for England.
- 2. To win Olympic gold medals for England.
- To promote chess in any way in England.
   To encourage chess in English schools.
- 5. To establish friendly relations with the BCF/Welsh/Scottish and Irish Associations.
- 6. To find sponsorship for the inception of events aimed at attracting the public.
- 7. To get chess accepted as a sport.
- 8. To promote chess amongst the disadvantaged, unemployed, and senior sections of the community.
- 9. To use chess as a means of rehabilitation and prophylaxis in prisons, and against drug abuse, especially in inner city areas.

Significantly, Kasparov and Keene recently launched the chess anti-drugs movement in Vashington DC (chess as antidote to mindless narcotic ingestion), and received a standing ovation in the Senate House. US Grandmasters and sponsors were so impressed they are now working actively for the inauguration of an American Chess association, which will in the States replicate our efforts here.

Te have a five-point priority list of events:

- 1. A high level GM tournament.
- 2. A speed match between the USSR and the World.
- 3. A pro-am celebrity TV feature.
- 4. A regular TV magazine programme.
- 5. An English Championship.

In pursuit of these goals we have been promised massive support from Granada Group plc. They are providing us with a chess centre in Clapham, including an office for the association secretary and provision for the junior training we hope will be given by Bob Wade. The centre is to be opened officially by World Champion Gary asparov on May 4th before his simultaneous display in the Palace of Westminster against the House of Lords and the House of Commons. He will be here to initiate our own anti-drugs campaign, and has joined the ECA as Chief Consultant for the drive against drug abuse.

The Clapham office will be the HQ for the implementation of the programme outlined above and for a major event targeted on the Preston/Manchester region, where the

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Polgar sisters will take part against our aspiring players in a bid to obtain GM ic as. There are two exceptional features to this projected category 10 spectacular, to be held at Camelot Theme Park near Preston in June. Firstly, three Polgars have never before contested together in an event of this stature, and secondly, this is the first all-play-all GM International to be staged in the North of England since the 1890 Manchester tournament won by Tarrasch! Granada have agreed to sponsor this feast of chess in addition to guaranteeing total funding of the ECA for at least two years. This can only be a tremendous boost for the game in this country and an exciting indicator of the future, considering that the present strength of English chess is attributable in significant measure to commercial sponsorship.

The ECA is committed to providing media-worthy tournaments in which our established masters can gain further laurels without having to travel abroad. We see the winning of public interest as being vital to our aims. Thames TV have proved so outstanding in this respect that Hardinge-Simpole Publishing, in conjunction with Batsford, recently presented the television company with the first of a series of awards to be given annually for services to chess.

While the needs of champions are being met, the requirements of those setting out on the path to excellence are seen as extremely important. New fee-paying members receive a free chess book, advance information on Eureka chess computers and Batsford books, 10% discount on Eureka products, and a membership card. Further discounts for our members have been agreed by Batsford and Pergamon CHESS. With these and other attractions planned for our members, we hope interest in our activities grows. These activities will create fresh opportunities for the expansion of chess in this country, and we look forward to the support of enthusiasts everywhere.

Ed: - A planned chess weekend for ECA members, with Ray Keene and Bob Wade in attendance, has been called off for insufficient support. The ECA has about 40 ee-paying members at present (plus well over 500 who received membership as a "free gift" when they bought chess computers). The membership fee is £8; cheques (payable to English Chess Association) should be sent to JIP Simpole, 32 Hollingbury Rd, Brighton BN1 7JA.

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Coincidentally, we recently got a request to publish the following.

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#### CONGRESS RESULTS

KINGS HEAD QUICKPLAY 28.1.89 at the Porchester Hall attracted 231 players.

1-3 AC Kosten (Meudon), AJ Dunnington (Muswell Hill), AP Summerscale (Richmond: grading prize 190-204) 5½/6; J Burke (Richmond: grading 175-189), BA Barlow (Richmond: grading 160-174), G Crawley, S Cullip, K Ellis, N Foster, S Jackson, AP Law, N McDonald, F Rayner, Andrew Webster 5... Grading 145-159 1 GK Joshi (Slough), 2 DC Okike (Ks Head) 4; 130-144 1 C Joy (Rotherham), 2 K Khoo (Beckenham & Bromley) 3½; 115-129 1 BAH David (Silent Ns) 4, D Gunter (Sussex Univ) 3½; 100-114 1 S Gengadharan (Wimbledon) 4, 2 POL Radford 3½; U100 1-2 P Marwood (Woking), G Sullivan (Wood Green) 2½. Brilliancy Prize N Savage; Best Swindle SON Hawes (Horsham). Sorry details for some players are incomplete; the organisers give full details for prizewinners only.

VIXING JOHNSON/VICTAULIC SYSTEMS LETCHWORTH CONGRESS 26.2.89 attracted 208 playres and 25 teams.

Premier 1 S Giddins (Black Lion) 4½/5; 2 A Raoof (Hendon) 4; 3-4 G Kenworthy (Powdermill), A Kinsman (Wimbledon) 3½... Grading U190 D Ledger (Bedford) 3½; U175 R Lamont (Thetford), Selim (Mayflower), W Tabakiernik (Letchworth & Baldock) 3 Challengers 1 K Yusof 5/5; 2-4 D Walker (Kettering), F Cockerill (Peterborough), R Schmidt (W Germany), S Matthews (Bedford) 4... Grading U145 S Matthews; U135 S Jerome (Willesden & Brent), K Williamson (Leighton Buzzard) 3 Major 1-3 JP Lewis (Tunbridge Wells), IK Watson (Pin Green), Y Hori 4½/5... Grading U106 D Hibbert (Kents) 4; Junior J Roche (Sutton Coldfield), D Fisher (Solihull Lodge) 4; Veterans BC Farr (St Neots) 3; Ladies C Jackson (Hilltop); Slow Starter T Williams (Watford) 3 Novices 1-3 S Dear (Letchworth\*), S Lee (Stevenage\*), T Cutler (St Albans\*) 5/6... Rooks (U17) 1 P Devonald (Watford Boys GS) 5/6; 2-4 O Duncan (Pinner), A Hall, P Pelton (both Watford Boys GS) 4... Teams 1 Pin Green 72½% (A Brocklehurst, A Proudfoot, L Jones, IK Watson) We can't fathom the asterisks.

BOURNE END (45 min) ONE-DAY 18.3.89 attracted 148 players.

Section A 1 AP Summerscale (SW15) 41; 2-3 C Blackwell (Stanwell), PJ Sharp (Reading) 4... Section B 1 E Gardiner (Reading Univ) 5; 2?4 NJ Hepworth (Bicester), SC Scopes (Chesham), DR Woods (Seer Green) 4... Section C 1 M Lucey (Thatcham) 41; 2-3 JE Cobb (Swindon), K Williamson (Bletchley) 4... Section D 1-3 K Andrews (Bracknell), CEW Barber (Alton), N Lusher (Fareham) 4... Section E 1 S Turvey (Chesham) 5; 2-3 D Carpenter (Banbury), M Goodwin (Hemel Hempstead) 4... Section F 1-2 JG Foster (Amersham), A Weaver (Chalfont St Giles) 41; 3-5 P Atkinson (Letchworth), GS Pierce (High Wycombe), L Tulip (Bicester) 4... Teams 1-2 Hemel Hempstead, Poisoned Pawns (Chesham); 3 Fulham

Results AJ Cox

HERTFORDSHIRE CHESS ASSOCIATION announce a new CHARITY CONGRESS, with all profits to Help the Aged, on the 8th and 9th June. They thank Provident Mutual Life for their support.

 $\underline{\text{BRITISH OPEN QP}}$  at Leeds, also in June if you believe the handout but the BCF thinks July, will have twice last year's prize fund thanks to a major sponsorship deal with the NatWest.

#### ROUND THE COUNTIES

CHILTERN LEAGUE results: Bucks U18 4 16 Herts 14.1.89; Bucks U18 5 11 +3 11.2.89; Berks U18 7 12 Bucks II 11.2.89; Bucks II 8 11 12 0xon II 14.1.89; Bucks II 10 5 6 +3 17.12.88

PILKINGTON VISIONCARE sponsored a simul by Jon Speelman 8.2.89, jointly arranged by the English Chess Association and the Fight for Sight Special Appeal Campaign, to raise money for an urgently needed new building for the Institute of Ophthalmlogy. Speelman played 21 masters and pupils of St Pauls School (of which he is an old boy), followed by a second (or combined?) 32 board simul. His score, in the second bit, was +24 = 6 - 2 (Dharshan Kumaran -19 moves! -, Chris Morrison).

LEIGH NATIONAL MINOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP results, round 2: Haywards Heath 2 3 Filndown; Hackney 3 2 Fulham; plus three foreign results and 11 byes. Eighth-final draw: Hastings & St Leonards v Hackney; Metropolitan v Kilndown; St Albans v Ipswich; Milton Keynes v Thornbury; and four others.

Plate results, round 1: Cowley 2 3 Equity & Law; Slough w/o def Silent Knights; Kings Head A 2 3 Upminster. Quarter-final draw: Scarborough v Rose Forgrove; Slough v Musketeers (Cheltenham - thanks PB) or Warley Quinborne;

Upminster v Equity & Law; Prescott & Knotty Ash v Hereford.

#### JUNIOR NEWS

# Metropolitan Under 18 County Matches at Highbury Fields School, 11th February 1989

| Middx              |      |              |    | Essex        |   | Surrey              |                |   | Kent           |
|--------------------|------|--------------|----|--------------|---|---------------------|----------------|---|----------------|
| 1 A Hon            | 1    | 0            | A  | Keehner      |   | Webster             | 1              | 1                                       | AL Mack        |
| 2 D Hassapis       | 1    | 0            | D  | Harvey       | D | Johnson             | 1              | 0                                       | ELA Ionides    |
| 3 G Haslinger      | 1    | 0            | Ι  | Burridge     | Μ | Stockwell Stockwell | 1              | 0                                       | RC Pepper      |
| 4 M Morris         | 1    | 0            |    | Alcock       | C | Wells               | 1              | 0                                       | LBT Jones      |
| 5 G Chapman        | 1    | 0            | Α  | Gooding      | M | Anderton            | 1              | 0                                       | AM Harakis     |
| 6 Selim            | 1    | 0            | Α  | Baum         | N | Callow              |                | 1                                       | DG Hogg        |
| 7 C Haslinger      | 1    | 1            | D  | Martin       | C | Briscoe             | 1              | 1                                       | IT Moroney     |
| 8 D Rosenberg      | 0    | 1            | ii | Rawlings     | A | Panchapagesan       | 0              | ï                                       | T Lee          |
| 9 D Dobbs          | 1    | 1            |    | Aurora (sic) |   | Cohen               | 1              | 0                                       | M Houska       |
| 10 V Cole          | 1    | 0            | D  | •            | G | Sotheran            | 0              | 1                                       | D Walker       |
| 11 A Jamal         | 1    | 1 3          | T  | Allen        |   | Hampton             | 1 2            | 1                                       | DN Cook        |
| 12 W Myers         | 1    | Ö            |    | Davis        |   | Bone                | i              | 0                                       | AR Pettey      |
| 13 P Behrman       | 1    | 0            | M  | Bautista     |   | Warren              | 0              | 1                                       | C Howell       |
| 14 C McGrath       | 1    | 0            | I  | Champelovier | P | Langdon             | 1              | 1                                       | JPH Greeves    |
| 15 H Sin           | 1    | 1            | N  | Gough        |   | Randal1             | 1              | 1                                       | B Sabaratnam   |
| 16 J Guha          | í    | 0            |    | Kirby        |   | Morgan              | 1              | 1/2                                     | D Gleed        |
| 17 D Deacon        | -1   | 0            |    | Boone        |   | Langdon             | 1              | Ő                                       | D Guirdham     |
| 18 Ala Miah        | 1    | 0            |    | Giles        |   | Cohen               | 1              | 0                                       | Matthew Taylor |
| 10 V Sood          | 1    | 0            | S  | Burridge     |   | Connell             | 1              | Ŏ                                       | E Jones        |
| X Hoare            | 1    | 0            | _  | Cole         | _ | Barwell             |                | -                                       | T Ockenden     |
| N Hon              | 1/2  | 1            |    | Sugarman     | _ | Hortin              | 1              | 1                                       | JA Coles       |
| 22 P Pelton        | 1    | Ó            |    | Ambrose      |   | Starling            | 1010           | 1 | L Kemmis       |
| 23 I Nathoo        | ī    | ŏ            |    | Cundy        |   | Cohen               | 1              | ő                                       | MD Pratt       |
| 24 Andrew Eyton    | 1    | 0            |    | Zubari       |   | Smalley             | ī              | 0                                       | NP Collacott   |
| 25 A Shah          | 1    | Ö            |    | Kelly        |   | Oakley              | 1              | 1 2                                     | S Pink         |
| 26 D Hennigan      | Ō    | 1            | C  | Russell      | - | def                 | 0              | i                                       | NS Atkins      |
| 27 D Jagoe         | 1    | ō            | C  | Taylor       | F | Brooks              | 1/2            | 1 2                                     | R Wiltshire    |
| 28 Angela Eyton    | 1    | 0            |    | Cundy        |   | Mitchem             | 1              | 0                                       | Adam Matthews  |
| 29 A Ram           | 1    | 0            |    | O'Brien      |   | Hyett               | ō              | 1                                       | M Dawoodbhai   |
| 30 A Hakim         | 1    | ő            | _  | Oddi         |   | Osborne             | 1              | Ô                                       | O Gard         |
| 31 M Guha          | 1    | Õ            | J  | Nichols      | J |                     | Ō              | 1                                       | P Fenn         |
| 32 L Jacobs        | î    | Ö            | _  | Frostick     | G | Thompson            | 1              | Ō                                       | J Houska       |
| 33 R Ng Kwet Shing | î    | Ö            |    | Lamming      |   | White               | ī              | 0                                       | 0 Lyne         |
| 34 M Brief         | 1    | 0            | W  |              | A | Phillips            | Ō              | 1                                       | J Dye          |
| 35 R Bates         | 1    | 0            |    | Wynn         |   | Bryant              | 1              | 0                                       | S Tidnam       |
| 36 K O'Sullivan    | 1    | 0            |    | Kenneth      |   | Palmer              | 1              | 0                                       | P Hall         |
| 37 N Tarlton       | 1    | 0            |    | Taank        |   | Webster             | Ô              | 1                                       | A Kemmis       |
| 38 J Fries         | 1    | 0            |    | Mah          |   | Thompson            | 0              | 1                                       | Marcus Taylor  |
| A Kalam            | 1    | 0            | 1  | def          |   | Clipsham            | 0              | 1                                       | O Kemmis       |
| J Calliste         | 1    | 0            |    | def          |   | Moore               | 1              | 0                                       | Anna Matthews  |
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#### Final League Table:

|   |           | М    | S  | K   | E   | MP | GP  |
|---|-----------|------|----|-----|-----|----|-----|
| 1 | Middlesex |      | 24 | 29  | 35½ | 3  | 884 |
| 2 | Surrey    | 16   |    | 24  | 30  | 2  | 70  |
| 3 | Kent      | 11   | 16 |     | 281 | 1  | 551 |
| 4 | Essex     | 41/2 | 9  | 111 |     | 0  | 25  |

Dear Mr Haddrell,

### Advanced training group at Hurst and Newbury

The BCF training co-ordinators have decided to discontinue the top training group which has been held annually at Hurst near Reading and at Newbury for the past five years. Since the change of BCF policy came half way through the season, Paul Littlewood had been booked for the next event at Newbury on 16th April 1989. However I have now told him that he will not be required for that event or for next season.

We will continue elementary training at these events, but we will no longer be able to invite the best juniors from adjoining counties, as we will not have a top c ach suitable for them.

Yours sincerely,
Nigel Dennis Berks Junior Organiser

Ec: - What is the BCF policy?

KENT JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (Secondary) at Beckenham 28.1.89 Under 18 (19 pl) 1 Matthew D Sadler (Rochester) 6/6; 2 Alexis M Harakis (Orpington) 44; 3-4 Leslie BT Jones (Catford), Andrew L Mack (Bromley) 4; 5 Edward LA Ionides (Dulwich)  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ... (This has to be the first time an IM has played in a Kent junior championship. Precedents, anyone?) <u>Under 16</u> (16 pl) 1-2 Bernard MH Hong (Catford), Matthew Taylor (Orpington) 5/6; 2-3 Nicholas Collacott (Judd, Tonbridge), Eric Jones (Catford) 4; 5-7 Danish Bhaiwala (Eltham), Martin Brown (Gravesend), Mufaddal Dawoodbhai (Orpington) 3\frac{1}{2}...

Under 14 (29 pl) 1 Stuart Pink (Orpington) 5\frac{1}{2}/6; 2 Anil Rao (Eltham) 5; 3 Richard

Wiltshire (Dartford) 4\frac{1}{2}; 4-9 Matthew Basoo, Arun Gadhok, Hari Pathmanathan (all Eltham), Philip Hall (Rochester), Sam Tomlinson (Orpington), Jonathan Walton (Trinity Croydon) 4... Under 12 (74 pl) 1 Paul Fenn (Sittingbourne) 6/6; 2 Jeremy Knowles (Maidstone) 5\frac{1}{2}; 3 Georgina Bowles (Maidstone) 5; 4-9 Jonathan Rahamim (Blackheath: joint Ull prize), Martin Strotton (Maidstone: joint Ull prize), David Moskovic (Colfes: UlO prize), Rajesh Ameen (Sevenoaks: U9 prize), Jonathan Dye (Orpington), Marcus Taylor (Sittingbourne) 41; 10-23 Nathan Alfred (Beckenham), Nicholas Jones, Caroline Rankin both 7oaks), Oliver Kemmis (Blackheath), Nicholas Mantell, Mark Rackham (both Ashford), Gavin Moore, Jeffrey Titmas, Ian Rouse (all Maidstone), Dipesh Patel (Bexley), Daniel Reeves (Rainham), Stephen Rogers (Eltham), Paul Sharp (Lamberhurst), James Vigus (Catford) 4... (Beckenham)  $2\frac{1}{2}$ . Under 8 Prize Adam Nicholson

KENT JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (Primary) at Maidstone 11.2.39

Under 11 (94 ent) 1 David Moskovic (Colfes) 6/6; 2-6 Mark Rackham (Ashford),
Christopher Lang (Beckenham), Miles Houghton (Chislehurst), Jeremy Knowles
(Maidstone), Joel Newman (Bromley) 5; 7-12 Surendran Pathmanathan (Eltham Coll),
Christopher Whitwood, Anthony Skinner (both Palace Wood Maidstone), Tim Ellison
(Canterbury) 4½... Girls Champion Tracy Brown (Palace Wood) 4

Under 10 (74 ent) 1 James Vigus (St Dunstans Coll) 6/6; 2 Nicholas Mantell (Ashford)
5½; 3-4 Colin Moore (Ashford), Mark Nicholls (Palace Wood) 5; 5-9 Amy Kieran
(Blackheath), Helena White (Palace Wood), Gavin Moore (Maidstone), David Kelly
(Swanley), Dipesh Patel (Dartford) 4½...
Under 9 (50 ent) 1-2 Rajesh Ameen (7oaks), Kendall Wells (Ramsgate) 5½/6; 3-5 Thomas
Walton, Sarah Lang (both Beckenham), Nicholas Jones (7oaks) 5; 6 Stuart Dobinson
(Palace Wood) 4½...
Under 8 (46 ent) 1 David Titmas (Palace Wood) 7/7; 2 James Garcia (Colfes) 6...

KENT SCHOOLS LEAGUE winners 1988-9: Senior (15 teams) Simon Langton Boys GS, Canterbury; Primary (44 teams) Adamsrill, Sydenham. Under 16 and Under 13 finals have been postponed to the summer term.

SURREY JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS at Glyn School, Ewell, 24-26 Feb 1989

Under 18 (18 pl) 1 A Webster (Sutton Manor) 5½/6; 2 SC Hampton (RGS Guildford) 4½;
3-5 IJ Andrews (Rutlish), DP Johnson (S Manor), AM Warren (Heath School) 4...

Under 16 (7 pl) 1-2 EJ Stovell (Glyn), GWP Thompson (St Georges) 4/6; 3-5

N Banasevic (RGSG), RJ Currie (RGSG), TP Watkin (St Georges)

Under 15 (9 pl) 1 C McGrath (something Oratory) 5½/6; 2 RA Bone (S Manor) 4; 3-4

SM Basnett (RGSG), AW Phillips (Glyn) 3½...

Under 14 (19 pl) 1-2 M Osborne (Wallington), R Smalley (RGSG) 5½/6; 3 P Currie (RGSG) 4...

Under 12 (non-championship: 22 pl) 1 M Ioannides (Linslade) 6/6; 2 J Johnson (Bandon Hill); 3-6 M Ferguson (RGSG), P Marwood (Goldsworth), C Panayi (Bandon Hill), C Smith (Bandon Hill)...

MEALD OF KENT JUNIOR at Cranbrook 4.3.89

Mair 14 (54 ent) 1 Sam Tomlinson (Orpington) 5½/6; 2-4 Marcus Taylor
(Stringbourne), Jeffrey Titmas (Maidstone), Jonathan Walton (Beckenham) 5; 5-7

Matthew Basoo, Arun Gadhok (both Eltham Coll), James Vigus (St Dunstans Catford) 4½

Mair 10 (60 ent) 1 Colin Moore (Ashford) 7/7; 2-3 Nicholas Mantell (Ashford),
We ena White 5½; 4-13 John Titmas, David Titmas, Michael Relf, Mark Nicholls, Amy
Mieran, Nicholas Jones, Tony Jenkins (Canterbury), Christopher Graham (Palace Wood),
Man Foulsham (Palace Wood), Nilesh Ameen (70aks) 5...

Under 11 (47 ent) 1 Jeremy Knowles (Maidstone) 6½/7; 2-4 Thomas Allport
(Crowborough), Mark Rackham, Joel Newman 5½; 5-9 Martin Strotton (Palace Wood),
James Warwick, Christopher Whitwood, Dipesh Patel, Stuart Dobinson 5...

FOLKESTONE JUNIOR 24.3.89

Under 13 (28 ent) 1 Paul Fenn (Sittingbourne) 5½/6; 2-5 Hung Sin (E London), Jeffrey Titmas, David Moskovic, Stuart Pink (Hayes Kent) 4½; 6-8 Sam Tomlinson, Ian Rouse (Palace Wood), Stuart Dobinson 4...

Under 11 (53 ent) 1 Anthony Skinner (Maidstone)  $5\frac{1}{3}/6$ ; 2-3 Rajesh Ameen, David Titmas 5; 4-7 Christopher Whitwood, Miles Houghton, James Warwick, Gavin Moore  $4\frac{1}{3}$ ... Best Girl Amy Kieran 4

Under 9 (49 ent) 1 Adam Dodd (Ashford) 6/6; 2-3 Anthony Parker (Palace Wood), Peter Opie (Sittingbourne) 5; 4-6 James Garcia, Nicholas Jones, Robin Clark (Eastbourne)

## SCCU OPEN (MAJOR) UNDER 18 JAMBOREES for BCF Qualification: 4th March 1989

#### "BOYS"

|     | White            |               |     | Black           | White          |     |   | Black          |
|-----|------------------|---------------|-----|-----------------|----------------|-----|---|----------------|
| 7   | R White (E)      | 0             | 1   | MT Hennigan (M) | A Webster (S)  | 1 2 | 1 | MD Sadler (K)  |
|     | AL Mack (K2)     | 1             | 0   | P Pelton (H)    |                |     |   |                |
| 2   | A Mortazavi (M)  | 1             | 0   | D Johnson (S)   | A Hall (H)     | 0   | 1 | A Keehner (E)  |
| 3   | ELA Ionides (K)  | 1             | 0   | D Harvey (E)    | P Devonald (H) | 0   | 1 | D Kumaran (M)  |
|     | I Burridge (E4)  | 1             | 0   | def (S)         |                |     |   |                |
| 6,  | C Wells (S)      | 1             | 0   | D Tang (II)     | JG Wilson (M)  | 0   | 1 | RC Pepper (K)  |
| .5  | J Boulter (H)    | 0             | 1   | MN Anderton (S) | T Ulicsak (K)  | 0   | 1 | A Hon (M)      |
|     | N Callow (S6)    | 0             | 1   | A Alcock (E)    |                |     |   |                |
| 6   | D Martin (E)     | 0             | 1   | BMH Hong (K)    | D Hassapis (M) | 1   | 0 | C Boulter (H)  |
| 7   | C Briscoe (S)    | 0             | 1   | G Haslinger (M) | A Gooding (E)  | 1   | 0 | R Udy (H)      |
|     | P Ha (H8)        | 0             | 1   | LBT Jones (K)   |                |     |   |                |
| 8   | M Morris (M)     | 0             | 1   | A Baum (E)      | D Lintern (K)  | 1   | 0 | G Sotheran (S) |
| _ 9 | W Rawlings (E)   | C             | 1   | CJ Bates (11)   | SC Hampton (S) | 1   | 0 | AM Harakis (K) |
|     | IT Moroney (K10) | 1             | 0   | B Mays (H)      |                |     |   |                |
| 0   | Selim (M)        | 1             | 1 2 | R Bone (S)      | K Shahan (H)   | 1   | 0 | def (E)        |
| 1.1 | T Lee (K)        | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1   | R Arora (E)     | T Steer (H)    | 0   | 1 | V Cole (N)     |
|     | T Allen (E12)    | 0             | 1   | AM Warren (S)   |                |     |   |                |
| 12  | S Langdon (S)    | 1             | 0   | A Kearns (H)    | A Jamal (M)    | 1   | 0 | C Howell (K)   |
|     |                  |               |     |                 |                |     |   |                |

Scores: 1 Middx 10/12; 2 Kent  $7\frac{1}{2}$ ; 3 Surrey 6; 4 Essex  $5\frac{1}{2}$ ; 5 Herts 1

#### GIRLS

| White            |   |   | Black          | White           |   |     | Black         |
|------------------|---|---|----------------|-----------------|---|-----|---------------|
| 1 E Phillips (E) | 1 | 0 | K Walker (S)   | C Haslinger (M) | 1 | 0   | R Rahamim (K) |
| 2 A Kemmis (K)   | 0 | 1 | R Harvey (E)   | F Webster (S)   | 1 | 1/2 | N Hon (M)     |
| 3 A Eyton (M)    | 1 | 0 | T Ambrose (E)  | H Burns (S)     | 1 | 0   | J Houska (K)  |
| 4 A Matthews (K) | 0 | 1 | N Bradford (S) | S How (E)       | 1 | 0   | J Myers (11)  |
| 5 P Dave (E)     | 0 | 1 | K Gillham (K)  | J Fries (M)     | 1 | 0   | A Morley (S)  |
| 6 A Jenkins (S)  | 1 | 0 | L Ross (E)     | K Hollingsworth | 1 | 1   | A Nathoo (M)  |

Scores: 1 Middx 4/6; 2 Surrey  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ; 3 Essex 3; 4 Kent  $1\frac{1}{2}$ 

SCCU MINOR "JAMBOREE" was won by Oxon who beat Sussex  $7\frac{1}{2}$ - $4\frac{1}{2}$  (detailed results not received). Oxon also took the SCCU nomination for the Minor Girls, because no one else entered. It has been observed, with what truth your Editor cannot say, that girls' teams weaker than Oxon's played in the Major. Is there a rule about what constitutes a "major" girls' team? Same as the "boys'" rule? What is the boys' rule?

| ( IAMPIONS   | SHIP   |  |   |   |  |  |   |   |  |                         |   |
|--|--|--|---|---|--|--|---|---|--|-------------------------|---|
| Perks Eucks Cambs Ussex Herts Kent Middx Oxon Sussex | Br  10 <sup>1/2</sup> +1 15 11 <sup>1/2</sup> 20d 13+1 12 <sup>1/2</sup> 15 <sup>1/2</sup> | Bu<br>8 <sup>1</sup> +1<br>6 <sup>1</sup> +5<br>10+3<br>13<br>15<br>9+3<br>11+2<br>12 <sup>1</sup> | C<br>5<br>8 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> +5<br>10+4<br>?<br>6+3<br>11<br>2 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> +2<br>11 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> +1 | E<br>8½<br>7+3<br>6+4<br>7+3<br>9½<br>8½+5<br>6<br>9½ | H<br>Od<br>7<br>?<br>10+3<br>12<br>13<br>5 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | K<br>6+1<br>5<br>11+3<br>10 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub><br>7<br>9+5<br>4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> +1<br>6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> | M<br>7½<br>8+3<br>9<br>6½+5<br>7<br>6+5 | 0<br>4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub><br>7+2<br>15 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> +2<br>14<br>14 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub><br>14 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>3</sub> +1<br>18 | Sx 6 7 1 10 1 10 1 10 1 10 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 |                         | MP<br>0/8<br>1/5<br>3/5<br>4/4<br>3/6<br>5/7<br>4/5<br>2/8<br>6/8 |
| MONTAGUE- Middx II Kent II Surrey I                  |  | M 9+1 12-1+3   | K 9+1 12½   | Sy 4½+3 6½  | N<br>10  | M K<br>1<br>5 <del>1</del> +2  | : Sy                                    |   |  | MP<br>0/3<br>1/3<br>4/4 | <i>.,,</i> 0  |
| A BOYNA/I  |  | E  | K<br>8 <sup>‡</sup> +1  | Sy<br>10  | Sx<br>10*  | Е  | K<br>8+5                                | Sy<br>5*+1  | Sx<br>12                                     |                         | MP<br>2 <sup>1</sup> /5   |

5 /5

 $2^{\frac{1}{2}}/6$ 

1 /6

13 + 2

11

101

5+2

Kent III

Surrey II

Sussex II

 $10^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1$ 

10

71

8

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7=

12

121

7+5

13 1 + 1

Please tell the Editor if you spot errors in these tables. We had hoped they would be more or less final, but adjudications have dashed that one. It seems fairly certain that Middlesex will join Essex in the BCF stage of the Championship. Kent II will take the top nomination in the Second Teams, while Middx II play off against whoever comes second in the Amboyna. Second, because first place is occupied by Kent III and we can't nominate two Kent teams in the same competition. Kent III, given the choice, would no doubt have opted for the Third Teams anyway. As for the Minor Counties, the nominations will go to the top two eligible teams in Division I, whoever they eventually turn out to be. No play-off will be necessary, because the only eligible team outside division I is Surrey and they're not interested.

Speaking of play-offs, it is fortunate that the BCF quarter-finals aren't till the 13th May. No provision was made for play-offs in the match schedule, with the result that the Second Teams one can't possibly be played by the end of March. We must get this right next year!

Missing matches. Some match captains are notoriously reluctant to send results to the Bulletin. The Editor has always been philosophical about this: at least it's two or three matches a season he doesn't have to type. But another match captain has remarked that it makes it impossible for him to check on opponents' eligibility. He's right. It's a bit late to rectify that this season, but starting now we will make an effort to publish everything even if it means begging copies off the Tournament Controller. A small number of begged copies have got into the following pages, and we think we're up to date except for a solitary late-season match known to be in the post. Herts v Cambs 14.1.89 was not played: Ferts are claiming a win by default, and we don't know what Cambs are claiming.

<u>Vofaults</u> are rife, in more than one county. Not sure what should be done about it, at Union level, but something needs to be.

Adjudication (singular!) from last time:
C Herts 7 12 Kent 1.10.88: 1 Knott O Ady

<sup>\*</sup> match won

CHAMPIONSHIP

|                    |    |        | CHAPIT TONOH | III           |                    |     |             |
|--------------------|----|--------|--------------|---------------|--------------------|-----|-------------|
| <u>Cambs</u> 1.10. | 89 |        | Berks        | Cambs 5.1     | l1.89              |     | Oxon        |
| HK Tsang (W)       | 1  | 1      | K Hyde       | SD Singh (W)  | 1                  | 1   | RJ Starkie  |
| 2 WR Hartston      | 1  | 0      | def          | AD Harley     | 1                  | 0   | AD Wallace  |
| 3 G Burgess        | 1  | 0      | def          | JP Sharp      | 1 a                | 0   | B Bix       |
| * J Sharp          | 1  | 0      | def          | DJ Watts      | 1                  | 1/2 | D Hubbard   |
| 5 DJ Watts         | 1  | 0      | def          | A Hessenbruch | 1                  | 0   | JJ Hastings |
| 6 AD Hartley (so)  | 1  | 1/2    | C Bracken    | JD Lee        | а                  |     | SJ Ansell   |
| 7 SD Singh         | 1  | 0      | ACP Milnes   | BC Pell       | 1                  | 0   | NJ Hepworth |
| 8 DF (so) Craggs   | 0  | 1      | G Crockart   | MH Thornton   | 1                  | 0   | GW Chapman  |
| 9 JD Lee           | 1  | 0      | def          | DG Craggs     | 1                  | 0   | D Godfrey   |
| 10 SD Smith        | 0  | 1      | P Thompson   | AR Baker      | 1                  | 0   | JN Stayt    |
| 11 PAN Webster     | 1  | 0      | R Bhudy      | PAN Webster   | 1                  | 0   | N Jenkinson |
| 12 AM Arundale     | 1  | 0      | PA Martin    | SD Smith      | 0                  | 1   | GP Alcock   |
| 13 GF Thompson     | 1  | 1/2    | S Foister    | R Vujatovic   | *                  | 1   | LR Millin   |
| 14 SA Steel        | 1  | 0      | def          | GF Thompson   | 1                  | 0   | RP Howell   |
| 15 A Baker         | 1  | 크<br>크 | D Seawert    | AMW Arundale  | 1                  | 0   | HAJ Searle  |
| 16 RA Lamb         | 12 |        | MP Cook      | SA Steel      | 1                  | 0   | R Null      |
| 17 A Bealwis       | 1  | 0      | def          | HK Tsang      | 1                  | 0   | def         |
| 18 P Masters       | 1  | 0      | P Watkins    | P Rajendra    | 1                  | 0   | def         |
| 19 PJ Veitch       | 그  | 7      | P Tickner    | SJL Rix       | 1                  | 0   | def         |
| 20 AM Franklin     | 1  | 0      | G Fergusson  | RA Lamb       | 1                  | 0   | def         |
| (Cambridge)        | 15 | 5      |              | (Caius Coll)  | (15 <sup>1/2</sup> | 2북  | )           |
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| er.             | Sussex* 28.    | 1.89              |      | Middx*       |        | ks    |
|-----------------|----------------|-------------------|------|--------------|--------|-------|
|                 | BJ Denman (B)  |                   | + 12 | SH Berry     | ID Th  | nomp: |
| 2               | GH James       | 1                 | 0    | G Wall       | PJ Sł  | narp  |
| 3               | FJ Kwiatkowski | 0                 | 1    | RG Wade      | RM We  | ebb   |
| 4               | DB Graham      | 1 2               | 1    | SJ Rodericks | KG Hy  | /de   |
| 5               | L Rutherford   | 0 =               | +    | PD Yerbury   | SC Kr  | night |
| 5               | SJ Newman      | 0                 | 1    | JS Walton    | PI Th  | omp   |
| 7               | RV Elliston    | 0                 | 1    | KI Norman    | J Tov  | vnsei |
| 3               | G Rivers       | 1                 | 0    | S Spivack    | AC M   | lne:  |
| 9               | RWB Moss       | 1                 | 0    | JM Quinn     | G Cro  | ocka: |
| 10              | JIP Simpole    | 1<br>1<br>1       | 1    | M Paley      | D Cor  | alla  |
| 11              | MD Nicholas    | 1                 | 1    | AO Alabi     | RE As  | shmor |
| 12              | IM Climie      | 2 =               | + 12 | KR Barnes    | D Sea  | wert  |
| 13              | IG Kelly       | 1                 | 0    | def          | AJ Fo  | ounta |
| 14              | A Hall         | 1                 | 0    | def          | *D Nor | man   |
| 1.5             | APR Lewis      | 1                 | 0    | JCH Nyman    | PA Wa  | atkiı |
| 16              | J Graham       | 1                 | 0    | LJ Fincham   | WP Ti  | ckne  |
| 17              | MR Stott       | 1                 | 0    | JVA Franks   | A Rol  | oins  |
| 18              | RH Williams    | 1                 | 0    | P Pickering  | F Bor  | isey  |
| 19              | PR Selby       | 1                 | 0    | def          | def    |       |
| 0               | LJ Cannon      | 1                 | 0    | def          | G Fer  | gus   |
| $\mathcal{B}_1$ | righton)       | $(12\frac{1}{2})$ | 41/2 | )            | (Bour  |       |
|                 |                | 132               | 6    | 2            | *"Ladi |       |
|                 |                |                   |      |              |        |       |

| ID Thompson (B) 1 0 GM Boyce PJ Sharp RM Webb  | Berks 2                      | 8.1.89        |             | Bucks*       |
|--|------------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| KG Hyde SC Knight O 1 RD de Coerly PI Thompson O 1 RDW Marsh J Townsend AC Milnes G Crockart D Coralla RE Ashmore D Seawert AJ Fountain D Norman PA Watkins WP Tickner A Robins F Bonsey def G Fergusson (Bourne End)  A RDW Marsh C Bowley AC Bowley AC Milnes D RCS Newton C Bowley AC Bowley A ROS Newton D RCS Newton C Bowley A ROS Newton C Bowley A SJ Homer D J Beedle EN Bramley D Smith EK Tweeddale A Dwoods A Dunlop D J Turner D J Turner A Rosins A DJ Turner A Rosins A DJ Turner A Rosinger A Rosinger A Rosinger   | ID Thompson                  | (B) 1         |             | GM Boyce     |
| KG Hyde SC Knight O 1 RD de Coerly PI Thompson O 1 RDW Marsh J Townsend AC Milnes G Crockart D Coralla RE Ashmore D Seawert AJ Fountain D Norman PA Watkins WP Tickner A Robins F Bonsey def G Fergusson (Bourne End)  A RDW Marsh C Bowley AC Bowley AC Milnes D RCS Newton C Bowley AC Bowley A ROS Newton D RCS Newton C Bowley A ROS Newton C Bowley A SJ Homer D J Beedle EN Bramley D Smith EK Tweeddale A Dwoods A Dunlop D J Turner D J Turner A Rosins A DJ Turner A Rosins A DJ Turner A Rosinger A Rosinger A Rosinger   | PJ Sharp                     | 1             | 1,          | G Moore      |
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| SC Knight PI Thompson O 1 RDW Marsh J Townsend AC Milnes G Crockart D Coralla RE Ashmore D Seawert AJ Fountain *D Norman PA Watkins WP Tickner A Robins F Bonsey def G Fergusson (Bourne End)  O 1 RDW Marsh C Bowley ARDW Marsh O RCS Newton C Bowley ARCS Newton C  | KG Hyde                      | 2             |             | A Robbings   |
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| D Coralla  RE Ashmore  D Seawert  AJ Fountain  D Norman  PA Watkins  WP Tickner  A Robins  F Bonsey  def  G Fergusson  (Bourne End)  D Smith  EK Tweeddale  EK Tweeddale  D Woods  D Woods  D CD Floyd  A Dunlop  DJ Turner  DJ Turner  RP Ginger  | G Crockart                   | 1             | 1           | SJ Homer     |
| D Seawert AJ Fountain AJ Fountain D Norman D Nor | D Coralla                    |               | 1           | J Beedle     |
| D Seawert AJ Fountain AJ Fountain D Norman D Nor | RE Ashmore                   | 1/2           | 1/2         | EN Bramley   |
| WP Tickner 1 0 CD Floyd A Robins 1 0 A Dunlop F Bonsey 1 DJ Turner def 0 1 JH Springall G Fergusson (Bourne End) (8 1 0 1)   | D Seawert                    | 0             | 1           | D Smith      |
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| def 0 1 JH Springall G Fergusson 0 1 RP Ginger (Bourne End) $(8^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{q} \ 10^{\frac{1}{4}})$   | A Robins                     |               |             | A Dunlop     |
| G Fergusson 0 1 RP Ginger (Bourne End) (8 9 10 1)  | F Bonsey                     | 1             | 15          | DJ Turner    |
| (Bourne End) $(8^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{q} \ 10^{\frac{1}{2}})$   | def                          | 0             | 1           | JH Springall |
|  | G Fergusson                  | 0             | 1           | RP Ginger    |
|  | (Bourne End)                 | (8 49         | 101         | )11          |
| *"Ladies Board!" - Bucks m/c   | *"Ladies Bo <mark>a</mark> r | d!" - Bi      | ucks        | m/c          |

|     | ]              | Kent* 4.    | 2.8 | 39  |     | Oxon*        |
|-----|----------------|-------------|-----|-----|-----|--------------|
| 1   | MD             | Sadler (B)  |     | 1   | 0   | RJ Starkie   |
| 2   | RG             | Eales       |     | 2+  | = 2 | AD Wallace   |
| 3   | NF             | Dickenson   |     | 0   | 1   | NJ Hepworth  |
| 4   | CI             | Howell (r)  |     | 0   | 1   | MJ Nightall  |
| 5   |                | Hanreck     |     | 1   | 0   | def          |
| 5   | EJ             | Whipp       |     | 0   | 1   | GW Chapman   |
| 7   | AJ             | Stebbings   |     | 1   | 0   | GP Alcock    |
| -3  | JN             | Sugden      |     | 1   | 0   | B Bix        |
| 3   | IR             | Watson      |     | 1   | 0   | N Jenkinson  |
| 10  | RMI            | R O'Kelly   |     | 1   | 0   | JN Stayt     |
| 11  | $\mathbb{H}$ P | Cook        |     | 1   | 0   | R Davies     |
| 1.2 | JE             | Scholes     |     | 1   | 0   | HAJ Searle   |
| 13  | JA             | Johnson     |     | 1   | 0   | J Cooper     |
| 14  | M              | Ali         |     | 1 1 | 1 7 | AJ Wyeth     |
| 1.5 | SJ             | Pullinger   |     | 1   | 0   | C Byott      |
|     |                | Williams    |     | 1   | 0   | T Smith      |
| 17  | JD             | Wager       |     | 1   | 0   | R Nall       |
| 18  | MA             | Adkins      |     | 0   | 1   | D Metcalfe   |
| 19  | IM             | Pountney    |     | 1   | 0   | GJ Tustian   |
| 20  | PS             | Milner-Barr | у   | 1   | 0   | DAS Buckland |
| (Ch | narl           | lton H)     | (14 | 1   | 4분  | )            |
|     |                |             |     | -   | 0   |              |

| Essex* 28.    | 1.89 |     | Herts*       |
|---------------|------|-----|--------------|
| K'Bowden ()   | 1    | 0   | SJB Knott    |
| NL Carr       | 1    | 0   | def          |
| DJ Coleman    | 0    | 1   | PV Byway     |
| G Kenworthy   | 0    | +1  | S Swanson    |
| D Sherman     | 1    | 0   | SJ Roe       |
| J Rogers      | 1    | 0   | JF Rudge     |
| MS Twyble     | 1    | 0   | H Murphy     |
| G Speed       | 0    | 1   | KR Clark     |
| JA Goldberg   | 1    | 0   | PA Brown     |
| IJ Myall      | 1    | 0   | D Drakeford  |
| P Hasson      | 1    | 1   | MA Boyce     |
| JP Manley     | 0    | + 1 | JR Denton    |
| GJ Moore      | 1/2  | 1/2 | HL Tebbs     |
| JC Moore      | +    | = 0 | TA Sinkinson |
| IBN Smith     | O.   | 1   | CE Majer     |
| AJ Tredinnick | 0    | 1   | S Law        |
| CR Ramage     | 0    | 1   | J Cook       |
| SM Kalinsky   | 1    | 0   | B Morris     |
| SW Ruthen     | 1    | 0   | A Atkinson   |
| GF Yates      | 0    | 1   | T Reeves     |
| (Wanstead H)  | (10  | 7)  |              |
|               | 11   | 9   |              |

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|-------------------|---|--------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 0xon* 14.1        | .89   | Berks        | Cambs 18.           | 2.89                                  | Essex*               |
| ' J Friedland (B) | 1 0   | ID Thompson  | AJ Mestel (B)       | 0 = + 1                               | AD Martin            |
| 2 AJ Tol1         | 0 1   | P Sharp      | WR Hartston         | 1 0                                   | K Bowden             |
| 3 RJ Starkie      | 1 1   | P Thompson   | GK Burgess          | 1 1                                   | NL Carr              |
| 4 R Gray          | 1 0   | def          | AD Harley           | 1 1                                   | AP Lewis             |
| 5 DG Hackett      | 1 1   | M Marlow     | JP Sharp            | 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 | G Kenworthy          |
| 6 A Mushens       | 1 0   | def          | A Hessenbruch       | 1 0                                   | J Rogers             |
| 7 AD Wallace      | 1 1 1   | A Milnes     | S Rix (r)           | 0 1                                   | MS Twyble            |
|                   |   |              | PAN Webster         | 1 1                                   | GF Yates (r)         |
| 8 N Jackubovics*  | $\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$                     | def          |                     | 0 1                                   |                      |
| 9 MJ Nightall     |   | D Coralo     | JD Lee              | 1 1                                   | IJ Myall<br>P Hasson |
| 10 AJ Barwise     | 1 0   | def          | MH Thornton         |                                       |                      |
| 11 J Hastings     |   | D Seawert    | DG Craggs           | $0  1 \\ \mathbf{z} = +\mathbf{z}$    | JP Manley            |
| 12 S Ansell       | 1 0   | G Fergusson  | AR Baker            | _                                     | JH Hodgson           |
| 13 NJ Hepworth    | 1 0   | W Tickner    | AMW Arundale        | 0=+1                                  | ND Crabb             |
| 14 GW Chapman     | 1 0   | def          | PR Masters          | 0 1                                   | R Ellames            |
| 15 D Godfrey      | 0 1   | J Fowler     | SD Smith            | 0 1                                   | GJ Moore             |
| 16 J Stayt        | 1 0   | def          | GF Thompson         | 1 1                                   | JC Moore             |
| 17 B Bix          | 1 0   | A Fountain   | PJ Crocker          | 0 1                                   | IBN Smith            |
| 18 GP Alcock      | 1 0   | def          | P Rajendra          | 0 = +1                                | AJ Tredinnic         |
| 19 LR Millin      | 1 0   | def          | HK Tsang            | 0 1                                   | CR Ramage            |
| 20 HAJ Searle     | 1 0   | def          | SA Steel            | 1 0                                   | SM Kalinsky          |
| 2 /               | $15^{\frac{1}{4}}$ $4^{\frac{1}{4}}$  |              | (Cambridge)         | (6, 10)                               | )                    |
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| Herts* 18.2       | .89   | Sussex*      | Bucks* 18           | .2.89                                 | Kent*                |
| 1 SJB Knott (B)   | 1 1   | BJ Denman    | GM Boyce (W)        | 0 1                                   | MD Sadler            |
| 2 def             | 0 1   | GH James     | G Moore             | 0 1                                   | HJ Barber            |
| 3 PV Byway        | 1 1   | DB Graham    | RD de Coverly       | 0 1                                   | JJ Ady               |
| 4 S Swanson       | 1 0   | L Rutherford | RDW Marsh           | 1 0                                   | AE Hanreck           |
| 5 SJ Roe          | $\begin{array}{ccc} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} \end{array}$ | SJ Newman    | C Bowley            | 1 1                                   | IR Watson            |
| 6 HW Murphy       |   | G Rivers     | M Egby              | 0 1                                   | JN Sugden            |
| 7 KR Clark        | 0 1   | SON Hawes    | S Finn              | 0 1                                   | RMR O'Kelly          |
| 8 D Drakeford     | 0 1   | JIP Simpole  | J Beedle            | 1 0                                   | JE Scholes           |
| 9 MA Boyce        | 0 1   | IG Kelly     | EN Bramley          | 1 1                                   | D Sadler (r)         |
| 10 JDH Sachs      | 1 0   | A Hall       | D Smith             | 0 1                                   | NI Fox               |
| 11 HL Tebbs       | 1 0   | PR Selby     | J Alster            | 1 1                                   | G Botley             |
| 12 TA Sinkinson   | 0 1   | APR Lewis    | CD Floyd            | 0 1                                   | J Wager              |
| 13 CE Majer       | $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$   | P Watson     | A Dunlop            | 1 1                                   | CI Howell            |
| 14 S Law          | 0 1   | J Graham     | S Scopes            | 0 1                                   | JA Wood              |
| 15 J Cook         | 0 1   | MR Stott     | J Poole             | 1 1                                   | SJ Pullinger         |
| 16 MJ Cohen       | 1 0   | A Cooper     | DJ Turner           | 0 1                                   | PJ O'Donovan         |
| 17 M Benson       | 1 1   | LJ Cannon    | AG Brown            | 0 1                                   | AI Armstrong         |
| 18 B Judkins      | 1 0   | R Almond     | RP Ginger           | 1 1                                   | RW O'Brien           |
| 19 RJ Arnot       | 1 1   | R Sherlock   | N Johnson           | 0 1                                   | MM Robertson         |
| 20 TR Reeves      | 1 1   | MR Hickman   | T Rixon             | 0 1                                   | RCM L-Anders         |
| (Hoddesdon)       | 9 11  |              | (Hazlemere)         | 5 15                                  |                      |
| ,                 |   | * Matt       | · ·                 | Dr Bramley                            | y is making          |
|                   |   | rath         | er a habit of this. |                                       |                      |
|                   |   | Kuma         | ran's dad, also a r | eserve, no                            | ot long ago.         |
| Kent* 1           | 1.3.89  | Middx*       | Middx*              | 18.2.89                               | Berks                |
| 1 MD Sadler (W)   | 0 1   | JS Speelman  | SH Berry (W)        | 1 0                                   | ID Thompson          |
| 2 N McDonald      | 1 1   | JP Levitt    | K Vlahos            | 1 1                                   | RM Webb              |
| 3 JJ Ady          | 1 0   | SH Berry     | AP Law              | 1 0                                   | P Thompson           |
| 4 CG Ward         | 0=+1  | AP Law       | B Horrocks          | 1 0                                   | A Milnes             |
| 7 RG Eales        | 1 0   | G Wall       | P Yerbury           | 1 0                                   | def                  |
| 5 NF Dickenson    | 1 0   | K Vlahos     | def                 | 0 1                                   | J Fowler             |
| 7 AE Hanreck      | 1+=0  | DJC Mackle   | D Kumaran           | 1 0                                   | D Corallo            |
| 8 EJ Whipp        | 1 1   | F Rayner     | F Rayner            | 1 0                                   | W Makar              |
| 9 AG Trangmar     | 1 ÷ = 0   | SJ Rodericks | def                 | 0 1                                   | C Gorka              |
| 10 AJ Stebbings   | 2+= 2   | RJ McMichael | KI Norman           | 1 0                                   | M Bowhay             |
| 1 TP Water        | 1 1   | D Variance   | VD Pernoe           | 1 0                                   | A Fountain           |

| 11.3.89                     | Middx*  | Middx*  | 18.2.  | 89  | Berks  |
|-----------------------------|---|---|--|---|--|
|                             | JS Speelman   | SH Berry (W)  | 1  | 0   | ID Thompson  |
| 1/2 1/2                     | JP Levitt   | K Vlahos  | 1  | 77  | RM Webb  |
| 1 0                         | SH Berry  | ΛP Law  | 1  | 0   | P Thompson   |
| 0 = +1                      | AP Law  | B Horrocks  | 1  | 0   | A Milnes   |
| 1 0                         | G Wall  | P Yerbury   | 1  | 0   | def  |
| 1 0                         | K Vlahos  | def   | 0  | 1   | J Fowler   |
| + = O                       | DJC Mackle  | D Kumaran   | 1  | 0   | D Corallo  |
| 1/7. 1                      | F Rayner  | F Rayner  | 1  | 0   | W Makar  |
| ÷ = 0                       | SJ Rodericks  | def   | 0  | 1   | C Gorka  |
| 2+= 2                       | RJ McMichael  | KI Norman   | 1  | 0   | M Bowhay   |
| 1 1                         | D Kumaran   | KR Barnes   | 1  | 0   | A Fountain   |
| 1 1                         | J Quinn   | AO Alabi  | 1  | 1   | D Seawert  |
| 0 1                         | HL Duckers  | def   | 0  | 1   | P Watkins  |
| 0 1                         | R Colston   | JVA Franks  | 0  | 1   | W Tickner  |
| 0 1                         | DP Lynch  | RHW Pearce  | 1  | 1   | D Norman   |
| 4+=2                        | JCH Nyman (r)   | T Donnelly  | 1  | 0   | def  |
| 1 1                         | RJ Pearce   | B Stuart  | 1  | 0   | B Kocan  |
| 0 1                         | PS Cawte  | CICH Wallace  | 7  | 3   | F Bonsey   |
| $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ | KR Barnes   | MR Crewdson   | 0  | 1   | R Coates   |
| 0 1                         | C Mackenzie   | A Fraser  |  |   | G Fergusson  |
|                             |   | (Hendon)  | 124  | 7-  |  |
| 9 11                        |   |   |  |   |  |
|                             | $ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$ | O 1 JS Speelman  1 1 JP Levitt  1 0 SH Berry  O = + / AP Law  1 0 G Wall  1 0 K Vlahos    + = O DJC Mackle  1 | O 1 JS Speelman SH Berry (W)  1 1 JP Levitt K Vlahos  1 O SH Berry AP Law  O = + | 0       1       JS Speelman       SH Berry (W)       1         1       1       JP Levitt       K Vlahos       1         1       0       SH Berry       AP Law       1         0       + I AP Law       B Horrocks       1         1       0       G Wall       P Yerbury       1         1       0       K Vlahos       def       0         1       0       K Vlahos       def       0         1       0       K Vlahos       def       0         0       1       0       K Vlahos       1         1       0       K Vlahos       1       0       0         1       4       F Rayner       1       1       1         1       4       F Rayner       1       1       1       1         1       4       D Kumaran       1       1       1       1       1       1       1       1       1       1       1       1 </td <td>0 1 JS Speelman SH Berry (W) 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1</td> | 0 1 JS Speelman SH Berry (W) 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 |

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Bucks
                                             Sussex*
                                                          11.3.89
                                                                     Cambs
                         GM Boyce
N Davey
                                            BJ Denman (W)
                                                         0 = + 1
                                                                  WR Hartston
                                                           DB Graham
                                                                   GK Burgess
                         C Frostick
G Moore
                                            SJ Newman
                                                                   AD Harley
                                           RV Elliston
                                                                   JP Sharp
                                           RWB Moss
                          A Robbings
                                                                   DJ Watts
                        RDW Marsh
 6 AD Wallace
                                            G Rivers
                                                                   MH Thornton
 7 HAJ Searle
                          RD de Coverly
                                           SON Hawes
                                                                   JD Lee
8 N Davies
                          S Deedle
                                           JIP Simpole
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                    0
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9 N Jackubovics
                  1
                         C Bowley
                                           MD Nicholas
                                                                   DG Craggs
                  1 0 D Smith
1 S Finn
10 MJ Nightall
                                           IM Climie
                                                           0 1
                                                                   AR Baker
11 AJ Barwise
                                                           0 1
                                           IG Kelly
                                                                  PR Masters
                  1 1 D Wood
12 J Hastings
                                           JP Munday
                                                           0 1
                                                                   PR Crocker
                  1 O EN Bramley
                                          APR Lewis
13 S Ansell
                                                           1 0
                                                                   HK Tsang
                  0 1 EK Tweeddale
1 0 J Alster
                                                          0 1 SJL Rix
1 R Mohindra
1 0 AM Franklin
1 0 JF McKee
                                          P Coleman
A Hall
14 NJ Hepworth
15 GW Chapman
16 G Alcock
                  1 0
                         HM Frostick
                                           J Graham
17 B Bix
                 1 0
                          CD Floyd
                                           MR Stott
18 N Jenkinson
                          DJ Turner
                 0 1
                                          PR Selby
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19 J Stayt
                                          LJ Cannon
                                                           1 0
20 LR Millin
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                     0 S Charles
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                                          A Cooper
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(Cowley)
                 (11)
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|     | MONTAGUE-JONES |      |     |               |                  |        |                                 |               |
|-----|----------------|------|-----|---------------|------------------|--------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| _   | Middx II       | 14.1 | .89 | Kent II*      | Kent II*         | 28,1   | .89                             | Middx II      |
|     | F Rayner (W)   | *1   | 0   | DR Morris     | IM Pountney (B)  | 1      | 0                               | def           |
| 2   | S Elliott      | 1    | 0   | LJ Smart      | AI Armstrong     | 1      | 0                               | R Craven      |
| 3   | C Mackenzie    | 1    | 0   | NR Oliver     | PS Milner-Barry  | 1      | 0                               | def           |
| 4   |                | 0    | 1   | SJ Wood       | NC Mackett       | 1 + =  | 0                               | C Vielhauer** |
|     | L Fincham      | 0    | 1   | IM Pountney   | PJ O'Donovan     | 1      | 0                               | D McGovern    |
| - 6 | D Okike        | 1/2  | 1   | AI Armstrong  | L Gurr           | 1      | 0                               | S Lazarz      |
| 7   | JVA Franks     | 0    | 1   | PJ O'Donovan  | CM Brown         | 2 = +  | 2                               | A Bowles      |
|     | C Veelhauer**  | 1    | 1/2 | NP Donovan    | PW Eldridge      | 1      | 0                               | def           |
|     | S Lazarz       | 0    | 1   | SG Williamson | HT Jones         | 1      | 1                               | P Grunstein   |
| 10  | I Graham       | 1    | 0   | PW Eldridge   | MJ Pitt          | 1      | 0                               | A Thompson    |
| 11  | D White        | 0    | + 1 | CM Brown      | RE Lane          | 0      |                                 | P Martin      |
|     | CICH Wallace   | 1    | 0   | MJ Pitt       | (Charlton H) (   | 1648   | 1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> ) | 2             |
| 1.3 | DJ Lawrence    | 1    | 1   | HT Jones      | Middx defaulted  |        |                                 |               |
| 14  | MR Crewdson    | 1    | 0   | RE Lane       |                  |        |                                 |               |
| 15  | J McVicar      | 1    | 1/7 | NC Mackett    | ** You guess!    | And th | e u                             | could be a v. |
| 16  | A Bowles       | 1    | 0   | K Majewski    |                  |        |                                 |               |
|     | W Dillon       | 1    | 0   | DA Tame       | * In the left h  | and ma | to a la                         | Vant alaim    |
| 13  |                | 0    | 1   | DJ Shipp      | * In the left-ha |        |                                 |               |
| 19  | 2 Taylor       | 1    | 0   | M Sovashall   | a win on board   | i on t | ne g                            | round that    |

In the left-hand match, Kent claim a win on board 1 on the ground that F Rayner had already played 3 times for Middx I. There has not yet been

an official ruling, but on the face

of it Kent's claim must be upheld and we have unofficially adjusted the match score.

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| Middx II           | 18.2 | .89 | Surrey I*        | Surrey I*      | 11.3.89                     | Kent II        |
|--------------------|------|-----|------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| 1 KJ Pearce (B)    | 1    | 0   | def              | SG Walker (W)  | 1 0                         | JS Williams    |
| 2 C Mackenzie      | 1    | 0   | Andrew Webster   | DB Rosen       | 0 1                         | DR Morris      |
| 3 G Patterson      | 0    | 1   | DR Sedgwick      | Λ Webster      | 1 0                         | IM Pountney    |
| 4 M Barkwill       | 1    | 0   | def              | PD Kemp        | 1 0                         | MJ Reddie      |
| 5 L Pidsley        | 1    | 0   | PM Stimpson      | MPF Singleton  | 1+=0                        |                |
| 6 A Bowles         | 0    | 1   | S Macdonald-Ross | DR Sedgwick    | 1 1                         | SG Williamson  |
| 7 def              | 0    | 1   | RJ Stockwell     | SC Crowdy      | $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ | DJ Lintern     |
| 8 9 Griggs         | 1    | 1   | WG Clark         | PM Stimpson    | 1 + = 0                     | C Wright       |
| 3 DJ Lawrence      | 0    | 1   | KFH Inwood       | S Macdonald Ro | oss 1 0                     | PV Eldridge    |
| 10 C Fewtrell      | 0    | 1   | PJJP Gibbons     | RJ Stockwell   | 1 0                         | CM Brown       |
| 11 S Lazarz        | 1    | 0   | LW Prescott      | PJJP Gibbons   | 1 0                         | SJ Jacob       |
| 12 G Sherman       | 1    | 0   | def              | MD Baker       | 1 1                         | BJ Westover    |
| 13 J Simmons       | 0    | 1   | CRA Clegg        | CRA Clegg      | 1 1                         | RT McCorry     |
| 14 K Putnam        | 1    | 1   | JS Tymins        | JS Tymms       | 0 1                         | HT Jones       |
| 15 def             | 0    | 0   | def              | MJ Sheehan     | 1 1                         | RE Lane        |
| 16 M Gesthuysen    | 1    | 0   | RJ Kearsley      | def            | 0 1                         | C Stone        |
| 17 J Tait          | 1    | 1   | JG Lopes         | JG Lopes       | 1 0                         | NC Mackett     |
| 18 R Pellegrinetti | 0    | 1   | PR Archer        | CPL Parker     | 0 1                         | NS Atkins      |
| 19 Q Taylor        | 0    | 1   | EJ Brodie        | FC Manning     | 1 1                         | A Bates        |
| 20 def             | 0    | 1   | E Weimann        | E Weimann      | 1 1                         | AJ Ashworth    |
| (Hendon)           | 81   | 101 |                  | (Sutton)       | $(10^{\frac{1}{3}} 7)$      | <del>!</del> ) |
|                    |      |     |                  |                | 122                         | 74-1           |

Dear Richard,

For the third time in as many years, Middlesex II default 7 or more boards in one match. 12 defaults must be a record! There are two particularly worrying aspects:

(1) Andy Bowles, the Middlesex II captain, struggling to raise a team against

(1) Andy Bowles, the Middlesex II captain, struggling to raise a team against the competition from the Kings Head Quickplay and a Middlesex I match on the same day, asked a senior Middlesex organiser whether he should cancel the match a few days in advance. He was told to carry on with the match in order to gain as many game points as he could; an attitude I find difficult to sympathise with.

(2) More than one strong Kent II player now turns down invitations for matches against Middlesex II (happily playing against Surrey) because of their record of defaults resulting in farcical matches and wasted journeys. Middlesex II won the home match against Kent II 11-9 this year; if these strong players had been available Kent would probably have won the match. (Ed: this was written before the board 1 ineligibility came to light.)

I, together with every regular Kent II player, am getting really frustrated with this situation. Some penalty must be in order.

Yours Chris Howell

Kent II captain 1985-88 (& now acting captain); Kent I captain 1983-

(Ed: I hear from other sources that the bottom two Middx boards were bridge players who just about knew how to move the pieces around. Apparently the Kent board 11 got so careless he left a mate on.)

#### AHBOYNA/EBONY

| Surrey II*      | 21.1              | .89 | Essex II     | Essex II Sussex II* |   | .89 | Essex II*     |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----|--------------|---------------------|---|-----|---------------|
| 1 S Macdonald-R |                   | 0   | IM Pheby (W) | SJ Baines (B)       | 0 | 1   | IM Pheby      |
| 2 WG Clark      | 1                 | 0   | R White      | A Cooper            | 1 | 0   | R White       |
| 3 R Newton      | 1                 | 0   | DJ Millward  | RH Williams         | 0 | 1   | D Millward    |
| 4 J Tymus       | 4                 | 1   | TD Whitton   | G Zubreczki         | 0 | 1   | R Heppinstall |
| 5 PE Barnard    | 1                 | 0   | CFH Dorn     | CJ Arthur           | 1 | 1   | CF Dorn       |
| 6 RJ Wilcox     | 1                 | 1/7 | NH Twitchell | RJ Almond           | 1 | 0   | N Twitchell   |
| 7 PR Archer     | 1                 | 0   | P Williamson | DG Ratcliffe        | 0 | 1   | RG Rodie      |
| S EJ Brodie     | 1                 | 1   | R Rodie      | KA Lucas            | 0 | 1   | J Mantle      |
| 9 JJ Skielnik   | 1                 | 1   | J Mantle     | LKG Eastoe          | 0 | 1   | LJ Crane      |
| 10 RE Wilkinson | 1                 | 1   | L Crane      | R Sherlock          | 1 | 1   | JS Wood       |
| 11 CPL Parker   | 1                 | 0   | G Willis     | D Elliott           | 0 | 1   | K Clow        |
| 12 RG Rusha     | 1                 | 0   | Λ Sullivan   | J Stone             | 1 | 0   | S Wedlock:    |
| 13 JB Hawson    | 77                | 4   | KW Clow      | T Hoxey             | 1 | 0   | def           |
| 14 KN Mehendale | 3                 | 1   | M Gibbons    | RH Saunders         | + | 1   | H Grist       |
| 15 PM Shaw      | 1                 | 1   | IP Morgan    | PH Benson           | 1 | 1   | M Gibbons     |
| 16 J Cogger     | 0=                | + [ | G Monk       | JW Hall             | 0 | 1   | M Coles       |
| 17 D Brock      | 1                 | 0   | S Johal      | MR Hickman          | 1 | 1   | I Morgan      |
| 18 DA Baldock   | 1                 | 1   | S Armitstead | DG Collard          | 0 | 1   | S Johal       |
| 19 JED Hale     | 1                 | 0   | C Barrett    | MJ Curtis           | 1 | 1   | A Dawkins     |
| 20 % Djabri     | 0                 | 1   | D Flay       | A Pelling           | 1 | 0   | def           |
| (Sutton)        | $(13\frac{1}{3})$ | 5   | 1)62         | (Eastbourne)        | 8 | 12  |               |
|                 |                   |     |              |                     |   |     |               |

|     | Kent III*   | 25.     | .2.8 | 39 | Surrey II*       | Essex II      | 18 | .3.89 | Kent III*     |
|-----|-------------|---------|------|----|------------------|---------------|----|-------|---------------|
| 1   | F Percival  | (B) (   | )    | 1  | RA Allicock      | IM Pheby (W)  | 0  | 1     | MJ Reddie     |
| 2   | MJ Reddie   |         | )    | 1  | S Macdonald-Ross | TD Whitton    | 1  | 0     | D Hill        |
|     | LR Gurr     | 1       | +    | 0  | RGR Harris       | NH Twitchell  | ٥  | + (   | Z Mehmet      |
| L,  | D Hill      | 75. 1   | L    | 0  | def              | RG Rodie      | 0  | 1     | S Jacobs      |
| 5   |             | waite 1 | L    | 0  | PE Barnard       | LJ Crane      | 1  | 0     | PL Childs     |
| 6   | A Ropek     | ٦.      | +    | 4  | RJ Wilcox        | J Mantle      | 1  | 0     | RT McCorry    |
| 7   | Z Mehmet    | 1       | Ļ    | 0  | JJ Skielnik      | K Mah         | 0  | 1     | BJ Westover   |
| _   | PL Childs   | 4       | 1    | 1  | CPL Parker       | RA Wagstaff   | 0  | 1     | RC Shilling   |
| 9   | S Jacobs    | C       | )    | 1  | RG Rusha         | M Rahaman     | 0  | +     | HEJ Dobson    |
| 10  | BJ Westover | 1       | L    | 0  | JB Hawson        | Λ Sullivan    | 1  | 75    | RG Blake      |
| 11  | RC Shilling | C       | )    | 1  | KN Mehendale     | S Wedlock     | 1  | 0     | MR Croft      |
| 12  | D Tuddenham | 1       | -    | 0  | PM Shaw          | P Stimpson    | 0  | 1     | SC Scott      |
| 13  | HEJ Dobson  | C       | )    | 1  | FC Manning       | H Grist       | 1  | 0     | RF Pooley     |
| 14  | SC Scott    | 1       |      | 0  | B Blackburn      | M Gibbons     | 1  | = 0   | RW Parsons    |
| 15  | MA Bone     | 1       |      | 1  | EA Parker        | S Johal       | 1  | 0     | GF Steele     |
| 1.6 |             | 1       | -    | 0  | RE Mattocks      | SL Armitstead | 2  | + 2   | AE Pilkington |
| 17  | RW Parsons  | C       | )    | 1  | DA Baldock       | J Buckhalter  | 0  | 1     | RB Parkin     |
|     | GF Steele   | 1       | -    | 0  | JED Hale         | G Harrison    | 0  | + 1   | F Cole        |
| 19  | AC Waters   | 1       |      | 0  | B Sweetman       | D Flay        | 1  | 1     | M Snashell    |
|     | P Moor      | 1       |      | 0  | Z Djabri         | D Andreov     | 1  | 0     | P Moor        |
| (Se | evenoaks)   | (11     |      | 7) |                  | (Wanstead)    | (3 | 7)    |               |
|     |             | 124     | 2    | 74 |                  |               | 92 | 102   |               |

| Frlendly match: |                |    |                  |
|-----------------|----------------|----|------------------|
| Sussex II*      | 25.2.          | 89 | London Insurance |
| IG Kelly (W)    | 0              | 1  | DR Sedgwick      |
| PR Selby        | 0              | 1  | AGC Paish        |
| A Cooper        | 1/2            | 그  | ID Hunnable      |
| 4 A Hall        | 1 1            | 1  | MR Page          |
| 5 J Graham      | 1              | 0  | AR Marshall      |
| 6 S Wade        | 1/2            | 7  | EJ Brodie        |
| 7 R Almond      | 1              | 0  | CJ Dennis        |
| 8 S Furby       | 1              | 1  | RF Collins       |
| 9 RH Saunders   | 1 7            | 1  | RE James         |
| 10 PH Benson    | 1              | 0  | DJS Shipp        |
| 11 TJ Woods     | 1              | 0  | def              |
| 12 DJ Opie      | 1              | 0  | def              |
| (Hassocks)      | $7\frac{1}{2}$ | 41 |                  |
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### ON A POINT OF LAW

"Alex Tucker was due to play Emilia Holland in the Lloyds Bank Masters and decided to take bets on whether he could move his king on the second move and still beat her. Fortunately, soon after he made this splendidly original opening move, Stewart Reuben got to hear of the wheeze and promptly defaulted him." - Bare Bishop (ENCA). Was the arbiter's decision right?

#### AND ANOTHER

There was a time-scramble in a recent inter-county game, at the end of which White's flag fell. They couldn't reconstruct the moves, and no one was sure whether he'd lost on time or not. So what's the rule? No one knew. But surely it's easy: White is innocent until proved guilty. You can't impose any sort of forfeit unless you can prove your case; the verdict would just have to be "play on" (or, in this case, "proceed to adjudication"). In exactly the same way, no arbiter can act on an accusation such as "You touched that pawn!!" if it's denied and there's no evidence.

There was a happy ending this time. Someone eventually came up with a reconstruction that all accepted. (No, he hadn't lost on time.)

#### ANOTHER!

Let's have a go at the famous Suba-Plaskett incident in the Barnesdale Young Masters 24-26 Feb. You probably know that Suba won on time in a quick-play finish. He had g and h pawns; Plaskett had two nearby knights, and a king sitting in front of the pawns. There was no sensible possibility of either pawn queening, and one of them was about to drop anyway. Plaskett, when given a loss, appealed on the strength of the BCF rule for QP finishes which says: "If the controller is satisfied that a player is making no effort to win the game by normal means, or that it is not possible to win by normal means, then he may declare the game drawn. This may still apply even though one player's flag has fallen." The appeals committee upheld the original ruling.

I must assume, since no one has suggested otherwise, that the BCF rules were in force. (There actually don't seem to be any FIDE ones, or am I out of date?) Anyway. The bit about "normal means" raises two questions: first, with regard to the clock; and second, with regard to the moves. On the first count, it has to mean something like "other than on time". Not quite that, because it is logically impossible to "make an effort to win" by other means when you know your opponent's flag is about to fall; but the meaning's clear even if the wording's not. (I'm relinded of the rule in snooker which says you have to make a genuine effort to hit the ball "on". How can you, if you know it's impossible?) On the second count, the BCF rule is woefully inadequate. As Leonard Barden has said (Guardian 25.3.39), it seems unreasonable to argue that a position like the Suba-Plaskett one can be won by normal means unless these are interpreted at the level of a novice game; and no one has so interpreted them until now. But the wording of the rule ("not possible to win...") suggests that interpretation. Plaskett is not likely to play like a novice, but it's possible.

I have never used the BCF rules in a competition I've controlled. Last time out, my rules said the arbiter could give you a draw "if he believes that the position offered the opponent no <a href="reasonable">reasonable</a> winning chances". And a note added: "This means what it says. It is quite possible to lose on time from a superior position, if things are complicated and you have reasonable chances of going wrong. But you will not lose on time in a totally dead position, or one in which you are so

much better that you cannot reasonably go wrong." Could be improved on, but I think it's better than the BCF rule. Certainly it allows the arbiter to take the players' strengths into account. And back to LWB: normal practice in blitz finishes has hitherto been that "a theoretically drawn endgame would be given a draw unless there is significant play remaining". What the BCF rule needs is a note, along those lines or RJH ones, or both, explaining how it will be interpreted. The word "normal" could profitably be jettisoned in favour of "reasonable", or something to that effect. And they must get rid of the "not possible", which suggests that all you need is mating material, before some other fool of an arbiter decides to take it literally.

Children are always good value for novel disputes. At a recent U11 event two players suddenly decided, in the middle of their game, to start analysing together on a line of play which might have happened but hadn't. Fingers flew, squares were pointed at, and... "Please Sir! He's touched his Queen! He's got to move it!" Think I made the correct ruling that time.

RJH

Quote: "'The Laws assume arbiters have the necessary competence, sound judgement and absolute objectivity.' Discuss." - BCF Newsletter for mid February.

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