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#### EDITORIAL

I hope this issue is not riddled with misprints. If it is, my excuse is time trouble. A reader once said that the entertainment value of any Bulletin issue was directly proportional to the number of exclamation marks in it, and I don't think he had the Games Section in mind. He'll be very disappointed with this one, because my print wheels with exclamation marks are all defective (though not shriekless) and it's a nuisance changing print wheels for a punctuation mark. So, no exclamations this time unless they're really essential, and if I forget myself the print wheel I'm using will say "degrees".

Please note that my telephone number now has a 5 in front of it, and remember my brand new rule which says DON'T SEND MATCH RESULTS BY RECORDED DELIVERY. Now there's an unnecessary rule, you say. I'd have agreed with you until someone did it a couple of weeks ago. As I'm never in when the postman comes I had to make a special trip into

town to pick it up.

# SCCU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive met on Friday 5th September, and your Editor forgot to go. He's not going to get any minutes, either, because there's no minute secretary (though the Secretary will note decisions taken). This report is based on information supplied by Roy Brown.

(1) SCCU Championship, and British Championship qualifying places. The usual rota will be applied, with the SCCU Championship (and paid entry for the ritish) going to Upminster, while the other BCQ places (but no free entry) go to Sutton d Southend.

(2) SCCU Centenary.

A number of ideas were discussed. Two that were rejected were a match v the Rest of England (too expensive) and a Centenary Dinner (not enough support). There was support for a match County Champions (Kent) v Rest of SCCU, a match SCCU Seniors/Veterans v SCCU Juniors, and a one-day SCCU inter-county jamboree over (say) 10 boards. In addition, Middlesex are planning a weekend open team tournament over the May Day bank holiday and have agreed to call it the 'SCCU Centenary Team Tournament', and circularise all SCCU clubs, in return for Union sponsorship. The Executive liked this idea and agreed to offer £200.

(3) County Matches.

You may remember, though your Editor and the AGM didn't, that the rule about accelerated finishes in March was supposed to be reviewed after its first year. The Executive decided to retain it for a further year.

(4) Levy Review.

A bit of a non-item, but the issues got another airing. No attempt was made to reach conclusions.

(5) Juniors.

ain no conclusions, but it was nice to talk about juniors in the presence of a Junior THE RELEASE TO THE PARTY OF THE ganiser again.

# BCF MANAGEMENT BOARD AND COUNCIL 14th September 1991 Roy Brown again. The MB met in the morning:

There was a surplus for 1990-91 of some £2000, with windfalls from the Blackpool Zonal and the Leeds Rapid-play offestting the start-up costs of the Direct Membership Scheme. Some £7500 had been collected in early levy payments and this had eased the traditional summer cash-flow problem. Levy appeals had been received from 6 counties.

(2) International.

Moves are afoot to bring the Short-Karpov match to London, but the BCF would not accept any financial risk. Realistically, chances of success are slim. The European Team Championships will probably be cancelled because of the situation in Yugoslavia and the lack of time to find an alternative venue. An English Chess Championship, probably KO and early December, is proposed in its place, using the money earmarked for the original event (including Duncan Lawrie sponsorship).
(3) Yorkshire.

John Poole, BCF President, has started a dialogue with the new Yorks committee on the possibility of Yorks coming back into the fold. Further meetings are planned but Yorks are unlikely to take any decision before their AGM in June.

and Council in the afternoon:

(1) Presidents Awards.

Awards went to Eric Croker, Bernard Cafferty, and (Mr) Glynne Jones.

(2) <u>Direct Membership</u>.

Current total of DMs was 966; first-year subscriptions are coming up for renewal. Of the 193 who subscribed in July 1990, 149 had renewed. Bryan Fewell seeks volunteers to help promote membership, and is prepared to offer free membership as an inducement. Contact him (35 Clarence Rd, Harpenden, Herts AL5 4AH) if interested.

(3) Home Chess.
The EACU counties, as you know, are allowed to enter their second teams in the BCF Third Teams championship. (Your Editor disapproves, but he thinks he said that last time.)
Council discussed this, and the upshot was that the concession remains but "in 1992" - which presumably means this season - they will be limited to players graded under 160.

(4) BCF Congress.

The 1992 Congress will be at Plymouth. The third year in succession on the south coast, and the North were not pleased though they recognised that it was due to matters beyond the BCF's control.

This was set up a year ago to examine the BCF's financial management. Its main recommendation was to build up reserves as a matter of priority. One oddity. Another recommendation was that the BCF should cease to pay delegates' travelling expenses for Council meetings. Rejected, and no wonder. But Roy Brown adds: "Although it was not explained in the report, the purpose was not to leave delegates out of pocket, but to seek to minimise VAT losses (one way would be for the County to reimburse expenses and subtract the cost from the Levy payment)." An admirable idea, and we can't think anyone would have opposed it if the MB had said what it was up to and put the other half of the proposal in.

(6) Elections.

A contested election for the post of Finance Director (exclamation mark). Both candidates were well qualified and work in the City. The "winner" was Evelyn Latimer of Sevenoaks. No surprises with the other elections.

A number of changes were proposed, mostly boring and intended to take account of the DMS and disaffiliations and to tidy up various other anomalies. It had been hoped to take these en bloc, but delegates wanted to discuss individual proposals and there wasn't time. It was agreed to postpone discussion until the Finance meeting in April. RB doubts if there will ever be time to discuss the Constitution in detail at a Council meeting with an agenda full of other things. Which presumably would mean a Special General Meeting. Haven't got an up to date copy of the Constitution. Can you have Special General Meetings? Think the Finance meeting is one, technically.

You may have heard about this. After a lively but constructive debate, Council overwhelmingly voted to accept the Payment via Grading scheme favoured by the inter-county committee. Briefly, in case you didn't know, individual registration will effectively be scrapped and grading will be restricted to paying events. The committee had put forward four possible courses: payment via grading (33 votes); individual registration but with grading sanctions (2 votes); a hybrid scheme combining PVG with the Levy (5 votes); and "do nothing" (1 vote). In a preliminary vote only two counti (Oxon and Staffs) had opposed the general principle of linking income to the services provided. Or, to put it crudely, applying sanctions for non-payment. (How can you oppose this? Even under present rules the BCF won't let you play in various events without being registered.)

The MB will now work towards bringing detailed proposals before the April Council meeting. The Bulletin suggests that the first thing they do is decide what to call the scheme, RB's report calls it Payment via Grading, or PRS for short. Work that one out. (No, please don't write in to tell us. We've solved it.)

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We said last time that the Bulletin hadn't changed its mind about payment-for-grading since first expressing an opinion in 1978. Jack Speigel wrote to us about it in March 1982. He hasn't changed his mind either.

Dear Richard,

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Ref Roy Brown's views, and your own, on BCF income, let me present a counter argument with the following scenario.

3 or 4 amateur chess players think it might be a good idea to start a congress. Perhaps their club is celebrating an anniversary. The idea is to give, what, 200 players a pleasant week-end. They put up a little money, possibly their own. They find a venue, hopefully not too expensive, and, if they are lucky, perhaps a sponsor who might pay for printing 5000 entry forms. One of their number becomes Congress Secretary and puts in, say, 6 months' unpaid effort to do all the preparatory work.

During the actual congress another 3 or 4 people give up their time, perhaps 14 hours a day, also unpaid, to help run the event. Other people help with refreshments. If all goes well, by the time the event is over it has broken even or even made a small surplus - but remember, all the organisers have given their time for free. Another year the event may lose money (ask the congresses that have ceased running if you don't believe it) but no matter: previous years' surpluses will cover and we're not doing it for profit.

Act 2: The BCF, who have done nothing to set up or organise the congress, find the sponsor if any, or take the considerable financial risk, enter the scene. Give us £120 (200 players x 6 games @ 10p) - or £240 if you have it your way and charge 20p per

player per game, and we will grade it for you.

R Brown suggests sanctions for non-payment: no publicity before or after the event, to include BCM, Chess, County Newsletters, boycott by the Arbiters Association, even informing sponsors (which the BCF didn't find) that the event is "unrecognised" (bloody cheek that last one).

Now, so far as I know the graders are unpaid. The Grading Fee amounts to nothing more nor less than a Congress Tax (read Grading Tax for other events). Thus the BCF are to live off the backs of their voluntary Graders, whom the BCF will "educate" until they are "receptive to new ideas".

Well, thanks BCF (and doubly so RJH). This could turn many events into loss-makers and dissuade anyone mad enough to contemplate starting a new event from doing so. What

was that about killing the golden goose?

Yours sincerely, JA Speigel

(Founder of Southend Congress and unpaid Secretary for its first quarter of a century)

Dear Richard, 2.8.91

A quick note before I go to Eastbourne.

(1) BCF U18 Finals. David Blackman allowed Oxon to enter the Minor section because otherwise the SCCU would not have been represented. When I approached David to withdraw Oxon from the Major Girls, I suggested that Middlesex could enter their Girls side, even though they did not qualify. He agreed... The fact that the SCCU events occur in term time whilst the BCF finals are during the Easter holidays has caused Oxn problems...

(2) Re the DM scheme, I have no time at the moment to give a reasoned reply as requested. Quick thoughts are: 1. If there is to be payment of 40p per game, the BCF will need to apoint a paid grading officer to do the 280,000 gradings. If local graders are required to do the gradings, they should be paid 20p per game and the BCF

receive 20p for co-ordinating the system...

Best wishes, Lester Millin Oxon

John Poole, BCF President, corrects us on a brief report (last issue) suggesting that Direct Membership subscriptions, for new members, had gone up to £25. In fact this increase had yet to be approved by the BCF Council (and we don't know whether it was approved or not). The proposal was that it should take effect from the 1st November. Before that date, new members can enrol at £20 and get 3 months free membership into the bargain. The increase will not take effect, for existing members, before the 1st August 1992.

We also reported a JP note to the BCF Management Board commenting on the "strongly anti-BCF attitude" of some Union bulletins, especially the MCCU and SCCU ones. In private correspondence since then he has been much kinder to the SCCU Bulletin.

#### GRADING NOTES

The BCF list duly appeared on the 1st August, and your Editor has no complaints about his grade. Inevitably, though, there have been a few hiccups. These two took our fancy.

(1) J Graham of Crawley couldn't find his name. There was a J Graham with his reference number, but the club was given as Norwich Union. Turned out he'd been conflated with another J Graham, an immigrant to East Anglia from the north, who really did play for Norwich Union. Why the East Anglian grader should have assumed his immigrant came from Crawley, and amended the records accordingly, we don't know.

(2) A junior member of The Holt, who had played zero games in the last three years, went up from an E grade to a C and gained about 17 grading points in the process. Another case of mistaken identity. In fact the player had played one graded game in the last 12 months, but the rest of his points came from someone in Leicestershire (yes, Leicestershire) who was so much stronger than him that it is hard to see how the confusion arose.

These players, and others, are under review and we may be able to publish corrected grades next time. It is difficult to undertake corrections until the master grading list appears and that isn't expected until the end of October. There has been a delay because the Bristol League submitted their results late, or something. It's not the first time the Bristol League has caused problems.

# SCCU JUNIORS

Proposals are afoot for a Barbican Junior Chess Club, to meet on Saturday mornings, and the organisers would like to provide (say) monthly training sessions which could be extended to players from the whole of the Union. A sort of unofficial, or it could be official, SCCU junior training centre. Equipment would be provided by the Barbican club. But help would be needed with general management and supervision, and volunteers are called for. If interested, please contact one of the following.

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Bruce Birchall, SCCU Junior Organiser
Gary Kenworthy, President, Barbican CC: 53 Abbotts Drive, Upshire, Waltham Abbey,
Essex EN9 3HH

It has to be said that SCCU involvement in junior training over the last year or two or four, has been negligible. Your Editor sees a central venue as being for the top-flight players, while coaching at a lower level takes place within the counties. The SCCU could contribute financially to central training, or to both varieties. The availability of BCF funds is an unknown quantity, to the Bulletin, but should be investigated.

Your Editor confesses to a lamentable ignorance about junior training in the SCCU. He knows what goes on in Kent (lots), but next to nothing about the other counties. He's even a bit vague about which counties run junior (or schools) leagues, or junior individual championships. Some counties send results, often with very little detail, but no one ever tells us about training. We've toyed with the idea of running a series on junior activity in the counties, but never got much beyond that. Maybe we will, one day. If any junior organisers out there would like to write to us, we may even start the series next time.

RUSSELL TROPHY JAMBOREE 13th September 1991

This was the Surrey Junior Russell Trophy: we believe there is another. 1 RGS (?Guildford)  $7\frac{1}{2}/8$ ; 2 Westminster  $5\frac{1}{2}$ ; 3 Trinity 5; 4 Whitgift  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; 5-7 Sutton, Hampton, Guildford C  $3\frac{1}{2}$ , 8 Tiffins 2; 9 Glyn 1. Results AJW Thorn.

CLERICAL MEDICAL SOUTHERN COUNTIES U14 JAMBOREE 14th September 1991

This was the second year of the tournament, though we don't believe we heard about it last year. 1 Kent 18/24; 2 Suffolk 13; 3 Wilts 12; 4 Hants 11; 5 Berks 6.

Results Felicity Moore

# ROUND THE COUNTIES

HERTFORDSHIRE leagues 1990-91: Div 1 Watford I, Div 2 St Albans II, Div 3 Watford II, Div 4 Hemel Hempstead II, Div 5 Letchworth III, Div 6 Hemel Hempstead III, Div 7 Royston II. Burn Trophy KO Chris Majer. Russell Trophy KO (yes, there is) Watford, Sharp Trophy KO Allenburys, U120 KO Barnet. Juniors: U19 Mill Hill, U16 Watford, U14 Haberdashers; Premier Cup Haberdashers, Schools Cup Watford Boys. "The greatest interest in schools is amongst primary school pupils." So why no primary competition?

NORTH ESSEX LEAGUE 1990-91: Div 1 Writtle A, Div 2 Colchester B, Div 3 Marconi B. Knock-out Cup Writtle A; Plate Writtle B. Results Robert Rodie.

LONDON (we think): Eastman Cup was won by Hackney who narrowly beat an extremely powerful Wood Green side in the Final. London League champions are Barbican. The 1991 London League AGM 1991 agreed a Challenge Match between the League champions and the Eastman Cup winners, Hackney won it 12-7. (Yes, 19 boards.)

Quote "Thanks for your Bulletin of July 1991 and also reminding me of renewal. Unfortunately I have decided not to renew for I play for a London team in the London League and we are never featured in your Bulletin."

Can't say as you are. Any Londoners out there willing to send news/results?

THANET 23-26 August 1991 Open (22 ent) 1 AP Lewis (Winchester) 5/7; 2 FJ Ferrar (Aberdeen) 5; 3-6 LR Gurr (Rainham Kent), G Botley (Lewisham), AI Armstrong (Maidstone), SE Lazarus (Finchley) Grading B Spink (Rainham); Thanet Prize D Shakeshaft (Ramsgate) Under 157 (50 ent) 1-4 K Mah (Wanstead), I Eustis (Bishop Vaughan), SL Wedlock (Southend), K Hoare (Barbican)  $5\frac{1}{2}/7...$  Grading E Bromilow (Sidcup); "Improved Grade"

GM Brown (Wanstead); Thanet BJ Westover (Birchington) Under 121 (47 ent) 1 JP Gillespie (Reading) 6/7; 2-4 P Havens (Birchington), E Lodge

(Ilford), N Wijngaarden (Holland) 5½... Grading J Goldsmith (Finchley); Highest ungraded J Couzens (Broadstairs); Thanet GL Mingay (Margate).

Special Prizes: Ladies SC Scott (Maidstone); Seniors (60+) AB Walker (Dover); Juniors ("15-") JP Titmas (Maidstone); Pergamon Prize ML Brown (Clevedon).

BERKS & BUCKS at Maidenhead 24-26 August 1991 Championship (16 pl) 1 N Davey (Slough)  $4\frac{1}{2}/5$ ; 2 R Heasman (Basingstoke) 4; 3 G Moore (Hounslow)  $3\frac{1}{2}$ .

Challengers A (16 pl) 1 JG Brookes (Bourne End) 4/5; 2-4 DL Roberts (Met Office Bracknell), C Cobb (Swindon), DJ Faulkner (Welwyn) 3½...

Challengers B (14 pl) 1-3 EN Bramley (Slough), FC Manning (Wimbledon), JB Hawson (Sutton & Cheam) 3½/5...

Reserves A (14 pl) 1 RW Hazell (Camberley) 4/5; 2-4 E du Puget (Oadby), N Dicker (Southampton), J Morris ("Hayes")  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ...

Reserves B (12 pl) 1 S Scopes (Chesham)  $4\frac{1}{2}/5$ ; 2-3 M Connock (St Albans), B Frost

(Blackbird Leys)  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ...

serves C (12 pl) 1-2 A Heslop (Blackbird Leys), L Pratt (Sheffield) 4/5; 3-6 K Farrington (BT Reading), DM Forbes (Bourne End), R Hayley (Waltham Forest), M Pearson (Southgate) 3...

Reserves D (14 pl) 1-3 MF Brandley (Blackbird Leys), PB Hicks (Slough), Mark Keen

(Newbury) 4...

Lightning Tournament 1 Gerald Moore; 2 MP Wiper.

Mrs J Stean Trophy (best junior performance): Charles Cobb.

Results Alan Cox

And, better late than never:

VILLAGE CONGRESS at Charlton, 12-14 July 1991

Open (42 ent) 1-2 PK Wells (Jesus College), AH Perkins (British Airways)  $5\frac{1}{2}/6$ ;  $\overline{3}$  PJ Morris (Gravesend) 5, 4-5 PJ Rossiter (Cavendish), JW Rogers (Nottingham)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ... Grading: 180-190 DS Tucker (Dartford), JD Wager (Charlton) 4; 170-179 NP Donovan (Charlton), G Haslinger (K George V College)  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ; U170 AP Spice (Orpington), D McMahon (London) 4. Juniors U18 S Bibby (Sutton Coldfield), "M" Houska (Slough)  $3\frac{1}{2}$ . Under 160 (68 ent) 1 D Gormally (Charlton)  $5\frac{1}{2}/6$ ; 2-3 AM Gregg (Ks Head), AM Harakis (Hayes) 5; 4-5 MJ Likeman (Earley), DC Helsby (Lewisham)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ... Grading 140-150 LJ Williams (Morley College)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; 130-139 J Cohen (Finchley)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; U130 AD Wright Richmond) 4; Ungraded K Ellis (Hemel Hempstead)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . Junior U18 M Osborne

(Wallington), D Moskovic (City of London) 4. Under 125 (58 ent) 1 JKM Newman (Hayes)  $5\frac{1}{2}/6$ ; 2 T Lee (London Univ) 5; 3-5 A Matthews (Leighton Buzzard), DH Ramsey (Fulham), N Wood (Sutton Manor)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ... Grading 100-115 A Karel (Kingston), D Molineux (Xs Head) 4; U100 D Wells (Fulham) 4; Ungraded R Webber (Grays)  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . Junior U14 S Haslinger (St Johns CE School and we wish we had that

exclamation mark) 4.

Results T Jefferies

#### COUNTY MATCHES 1991-2

Here we go again, and here's the regular requests to match captains (some of whom are new, after all).

(1) Please send a copy of every result sheet, the whole thing, to the Bulletin for publication. (You must obviously send one to Fred Manning, the Tournament Controller, as well.) Don't rely on your opponents to send it; certain captains are, shall we say, somewhat irregular with their mailings. The grader works from the Bulletin, so no publication no grading.

(2) Be prompt. Don't wait for adjudication results, I get those independently. Don't assume, because the next Bulletin's six weeks away, that delay makes no difference; I like to space my typing out. And don't assume, because the official deadline's past, that you've missed the boat. You may not have. Unofficially, the Bulletin neary always goes out on a Sunday in the second half of the month and I'll squeeze results in if they come on the Saturday.

(3) Give full initials for all your players, every time. Or better still, give the

name exactly as it appears in the grading list (and if that's wrong, tell the BCF). If you don't know Joe Smith's full initials and it's inconvenient to look in the grading list, ask him dammit. He's sitting there at a chessboard waiting to be asked. The habitual offenders will go on putting J Smith, but they are making things hard for the

grader.

(4) If you use a new player, add a note saying where he's from (and quoting his BCF reference number if possible). This is very grader-friendly, and a match captain has actually done it on one of the following pages. I promise to copy the note out. (5) Be legible. If you can't write, get someone else to do it for you. Or borrow a typewriter. Writing in capitals does not help. If unsure about your legibility, ask someone else to have a look at your capitals. Do your Bs and Rs tend to look alike? Or your Ms and Hs, or Ms and Ns? Or Ps and Ds? Or Rs and Ns? All of those, and others, are quite common. And remember a poor photocopy won't help. Faint blue ballpoints photocopy badly.

(6) Spell your players' names right. I try not to introduce any more of my own mistakes than I can help. My policy, apart from obvious slips of the pen, is to copy the spelling given by the player's own match captain. Even when I don't believe it. "Sic" (or "so") in brackets after a name means I have typed what I was given. If it

doesn't say that and the spelling looks dubious, suspect an error on my part.

A note for sexists. I refuse to print first names given purely because a player's female. They will be edited down to initials. I may retain the first name for clarity, but only with reluctance.

(7) If there are adjudications, tell me the claims or probable claims (your own side's, at any rate). A simple "+" or "=" next to the result column is fine. I'm sure readers want to know. And please put the provisional match score at the bottom, it's a help at this end (and Fred's too, I imagine).

Results agreed after you've sent me the sheet may sometimes come out looking like adjudications. This is because no one's kept me posted, or if they have I've not

noticed.

#### NOMINATED PLAYERS 1991-92

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Nominated players may not play in a lower team than that specified. If a county has given more than 18 names (or 14 in the case of 2nd or 3rd teams), then the additional ones are people nominated purely out of honesty: people who won't play below the team specified, but can't be counted towards the 18 because they didn't play twice last year. They count as official nominations. We hope we've identified the Surrey ones correctly (and we're rather disappointed to see the County Match Controller failing to give full initials...) The Sussex player asterisked has incomplete initials because of a difference of opinion about them between his match captain and your Editor. (We know it's RBW, even if Mr Watson and the grading list don't.)

The Controller asks us to warn counties that he will not check on players' eligibility. He will neither compare teams with the nomination lists, nor police the rule which says you're ineligible if you've played three times in a higher team. These responsibilities are delegated to the match captains. So watch your opponents closely, and make sure all your match captains scan the Bulletin to see who's played for higher teams. The Controller will naturally rule on any allegations of ineligibility.

	Middx I	Middx II	Essex I	Essex II	Sussex I
1	Whiteley AJ	Hon A	Baer B	Ashdown M	Kwiatkowski FJ
	Berry SH	Spivack SSY	Bowden K	Crane LJ	Denman BJ
3	McMichael RJ	Alldritt NRE	Carr NL	Harvey DP	James GH
4	Crouch C	Sharp JR	Coleman D	Harvey S	Graham DB
5	Farrand T	Cawte PS	Ellames R	Heppinstall R	Webb L
6	Nellist JR	Wheatley AI	Hasson P	Kalinsky SM	Norman' KI
7	Ward JT	Rosenberg DB	Hodgson JH	Millward DJ	Hawes SON
8	Lynch: DP	Gavriel TC	Kenworthy G	Pheby III	Elliston RV
9	Rayner F	Barnes KR		Robertson S'	Nicholas MD
10	Thomas RH	White GA	10.47	Rodie R	Farr PG
11	Clarke TM	Gilfillan A	Moore JC	Whitton TD	Stott MR
12	Yerbury PD	Raoof AM	Myall IJ	Williamson P	Newman SJ
13	Burke J	Szaszvari G	Nellist J	Wood JSA	Kelly IG
14	Duckers HL	Griffiths PV	Ramage C	41	R Moss
	McKenzie P	4 114	Sherman D	The same log.	Almond RJ
16	Lukey S		Smith IBN	ar badic of his	Pickersgill AO
	Wall NCT		Tredinnick A	g #14 hard 4 common and a second	Rutherford L
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	Marker DG			

The matches have already started. Pity the first name typed has to be Default.

# DIVISION II: AMBOYNA/EBONY

\* E James, but it wouldn't fit. Not sure we believe his opponent's name.

\*\* Essex match captain asks us to say that his board 12, Stuart D Bates, is in the grading list as S Bates of Ilford (146408F).

David Metcalfe of Oxon has written to say that, despite allegations to the contrary in our last issue, he did send the results of last season's finals in both the Minor Counties and the SCCU U180 KO. They never arrived. He is particularly upset with the post office because they've changed his address as well. Anyway he'd like to see the Minor Counties final in the Bulletin. Anything to oblige (next page).

The Minor Counties final:

### And a friendly:

Oxon*	22.6.91	Worcs	Civil Service 11.7.91	London League*
1 D Glueck (B)	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	B Sharpe	MJ Rose (W) 0 1	RG Wade
2 MC Truran	0 1	D Bissell	L Aris 0 1	A Stebbings
3 ST Ansell	1 0	E Myers	A Gillfillan(so) 1 0	M Inzani
4 N Jackubovics	1 0	V Jenson	R Bauld 1 0	S Reuben
5 IR Dutton	1 0	NAP McSheeny	H Williams $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	S Spivack
6 F Van Hasselt	1 0	P Kitson	I Calvert $\frac{1}{2}$	NR Oliver
7 AJ Toll	0 1	J Edge	RJ Shepherd 0 1	D Sedgwick
8 JJ Hastings	1 0	J Keene	E Godly 0 1	MD Baker
9 RJ Starkie	0 1	K Laidler	K Hurst $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	I Pountney
10 R Dixon	1 0	I Murray-Watson	STK Wilkinson 0 1	N Twitchell
11 D Bruce	0 1	S Adams	PM Shaw 1 0	S Jacob
12 GW Chapman	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Bethel	K Cooper 0 1	RCN Lee-Anderson
13 JN Stayt	1 1 2 2 1 1 2 2	D Downes	KW Lovel $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Jan Moore
14 B Bix	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Robertson	EM Brendish $\frac{1}{2}$	GH Monk
15 MJ Nightall	1 0	S Foster	$5\frac{1}{2}$ $8\frac{1}{2}$	
16 LR Millin	1 0	M Burrows		
	10 6			

# SCCU COUNTY MATCHES: DATES 1991-92

We repeat the fixture list for the convenience of new subscribers. Let us know if you change any dates. Match captains' names and addresses appeared last time.

Sep 21	Championship	Montague Jones	Amboyna/Ebony SxE SyK
28		K3K2 MBu BrE	J. 27.
Oct 5	HE		ESy KM
26		K2M EK3	ME SySx
Nov 2		BuBr	G.M. EV
16			SxM EK
23		BrK2 K3Bu	
30 Dec 7			KSx MSy
Dec 7		MK3 K2E	
21			ESx KSy
Jan 11			SyE MK
18 25			TM C. C
Feb 1		EBu BrM	EM SxSy
8			MSx KE
15 22		K3Br BuK2 ME	
29		ASDI DUNZ ME	
Mar 7			SxX SyM
14 21			
28		All play-offs	1

Got a leaflet the other week advertising something called, well we won't say what it was called, but a hand-written personal note over an illegible signature said, "I know you'll love this." Racked our brains to think who we knew with that postmark, but without success. Further down the pile (we'd had a few letters that day) another leaflet advertised the same thing. A hand-written personal note over an illegible signature said, "I know you'll love this."

#### CONGRESS DIARY

- Oct 4-6 MAIDSTONE. Open; U157; U121. NC Mackett, 74 Peel St, Maidstone, Kent ME14 2SD 0622 750610
  - PERTH. Premier; U150; U120. DG Cowling, 5 May Place, Perth PH1 3BH 0738 20736
    - ISLE OF MAN. I Poyzer, 24 York Rd, Douglas 0624 672136 5- 6
    - METROPOLITAN. Open; U161; U126. J Sargent, 903 Longbridge Rd, Dagenham, 5- 6 Essex RM8 2BU 081 595 5881
    - CITY CHESS. G Goodwin, 48 Torrington Park N12 9TP 081 446 8569 6
    - ESSEX JUNIOR at Colchester. R Sharman, Trefoil, Crown Lane, Ardleigh, 6 Colchester CO7 7RA 0206 231025
    - WARLEY QUINBORNE at Birmingham. J Lewis, 405 Court Oak Rd, Birmingham 6 B32 2DX 021 427 4988
    - OXFORDSHIRE at Cowley. U176; U131. I Brooke, 174 Cowley Rd, Oxford OX4 1UE 12 0865 245447 (work); or D Buckland 0865 771621
    - CLERICAL MEDICAL JUNIOR U18 at Petersfield. M Lusher, 11 Greenwood Close, 12 Fareham, Hants P016 7UF 0329 285876
    - EQUITY AND LAW JUNIOR at High Wycombe. R Hobbs, 72 Georges Hill, Widmer End, 12 - 13High Wycombe, Bucks 0494 715315

    - BARBICAN. G Goodwin as 6 Oct GUERNSEY. Open; U145. Chess Secretary, PO Box 23, Guernsey 0481 726611/728948 13-19
    - SCARBOROUGH. Open; U161; U136; U111. EP Jones, 24 Lightfoots Avenue, 18-20 Scarborough Y012 5NS 0723 352044
    - 18-20 DORSET at Weymouth. A Rookes, 6 Milton Close, Weymouth DT4 7NB 0305 774044
    - HITCHIN. JG Jones, 9 Lancaster Avenue, Hitchin, Herts SG5 1PA 0462 454171 19-20
    - 19-20 25-27 ROCHDALE. E Andersons, 54 Fenton St, Rochdale, Lancs OL11 3TH 0706 33325
  - LONDON U161. G Goodwin as 6 Oct LIVERPOOL. J Harrison, 24 Glenwood Drive, Irby, Wirral 051 648 1390 25-27
- HANHAM at Bristol. Open; U170; U140; U110. E Biddick, 65 Charlton Rd, Nov 1- 3 Keynsham, Bristol 0272 863568
  - GLASGOW. Open; U150; U125; U113; Junior U18/15/14/13/12/10. K Stewart, 27 Golfview Drive, Coatbridge ML5 1JN
  - 3 BARBICAN. G Goodwin as 6 Oct
  - CAMBRIDGE. JG Jones as Hitchin 19-20 Oct
  - RICHMOND JUNIOR. R James, 95 Lyndhurst Avenue, Whitton, Twickenham, Middx 081 898 1190
  - 8-10 RW Hedley, 33 Strangeways St, Dawdon, Seaham, Durham SR7 7LN 091 531 2616
  - 8-10 LLANDUDNO. D Dickson, 6 Tegfan Court, High St, Caergwrle, Wrexham LL12 9ES
  - 9-10 RGS GUILDFORD JUNIOR. Under 18/15/13/12. MCR Bryant, Royal Grammar School. Guildford GU1 3BB
  - 9-10 WESTON JUNIOR U18 at Southampton. M Lusher as 12 Oct
  - LEIGHTON BUZZARD. D Francis, 21 Plantation Rd, Leighton Buzzard, Beds 10
  - 15-17 HOLY CROSS at Hamilton. M Hanley, 14 Westmuir Place, Rutherglen, Glasgow G73 1HF 041 647 9441
  - BURY ST EDMUNDS. F Longfield, 34 Street Farm Lane, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk 16–17 IP31 2JE 0359 31928
  - 17
  - CITY CHESS. G Goodwin as 6 Oct. WESTMINSTER. J Sargent as 5-6 Oct 22 - 23
  - WEST WALES at Swansea. Open; U150; U113. L Philpin, 59 Cecil Rd, Gowerton, 22-24 Swansea SA4 3DF 0792 874984
  - SWANLEY. U180; U140; Junior U12/10/8. R Clark, 264 Claremont Rd, Hextable, 23 Kent BR8 7QU
  - TORBAY. Open; U156; U126. P Short, 4 Ellacombe Court, Ellacombe Church Rd, Torquay TQ1 1LJ 0803 214766

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