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EDITORIAL

Most of my pontificating, as usual, takes place on other pages. So let's do without an Editorial.

BCF MANAGEMENT BOARD

The MB held its extraordinary, or overflow, meeting on Saturday 14th March 1992. A summary, courtesy of an SCCU delegate:

(1) Budget. The MB will propose to Council on the 25th April a budget involving a 5% increase on the Levy, and a projected surplus of £800. A very small budget surplus by recent standards, but the Finance Committee is satisfied that projections are more realistic this time. Evelyn Latimer of Sevenoaks, the new Treasurer, aims for a new budget format looking 3 years ahead. Prospects are improved by a substantial bequest from the estate of the late Eric Weimann.

(2) Non-territorial Affiliates. It will be proposed that affiliation fees should rise by £10-£15 (some only pay £15 at the moment) and that non-TAs should no longer receive travel expenses for Council meetings. We understand that the affiliation fees have not gone up for quite a while.

(3) Grading. The Grading Secretary suggested that the List should be published one month later because of manpower shortage. The MB thought this would be a retrograde step; grading must have priority in the period June-July. (How this priority would translate into manpower the Bulletin isn't sure.)

(4) Home Chess. The MB discussed Bryan Fewell's proposals for re-organisation of the Counties Championships. The Unions were split; MCCU and SCCU voted for, WECU and WCCU against. (It must be said that "SCCU" means "SCCU rep(s)"; no Union mandate has been given, either by the counties or by the Executive. See page 4 for some discussion.) It was resolved by 6 votes to 5 that the proposals should be put to Council. Someone would have had egg on his face if it hadn't been.

(5) Year Book. It seems the YB is saved. A volunteer Editor with desktop publishing facilities has emerged, in the WECU we think, and the MB will drop its proposal to suppress the 1992 edition. There may have to be some compromises with quality or completeness. There was no discussion of publication date; which the Bulletin thinks rather odd considering it communicated Kent's feelings to the YB Editor in November. Briefly, Kent found the current date inconvenient because most Kent clubs have their AGMs in September-October. It might be interesting to find out when most clubs, nationally, have theirs.

(6) Direct Membership. There are about 1000 DMs at the moment; renewals are running at about 80%. Target for this year is to increase membership by 25% or so.

(7) Publicity. David Norwood, Publicity Director, has resigned with effect from the forthcoming Council meeting because of a new job outside Europe.

(8) British Chess Magazine. The BCF, through the Chess Centre Ltd, owns 80% of the shares in BCM. Murray Chandler, who owns the other 20%, has offered to buy the BCF out for £24,000. Additionally he has offered £70,000 over 5 years, in the form of £10,000 now and 5 annual payments of £12,000, if the BCF will tie its membership scheme to BCM subscription. In particular, players not subscribing under this scheme would not have their grades published. What the Bulletin thinks about this bit is unprintable, but the MB more temperately decided not to decide yet. There might, apparently, be tax implications (or something: the Bulletin was never comfortable with money) and some wondered if once in we would ever be able to get out. It was decided by 10 votes to 4 that the BCF would pursue negotiations with a view to a possible decision by Council in September. (Chandler seems no longer to be pressing, or anyway not so hard, for a decision by 30th April.) If nothing else the interest on £24,000 in a building society would probably be more than the Federation has made out of BCM lately.

(9) BCF Presidency. The President suggested that there might be financial mileage in having a "prestige" (and presumably figurehead) President. Your Editor will not say which two prestigious figures were mentioned in his telephone conversation with the SCCU rep. Apparently the Federation did have such Presidents in the past, and the MB was not averse to the idea. Proposals to Council, maybe, in April.

(10) Levy Review. The working party's proposals on Payment For Grading (hereinafter referred to as "Game Fee") will go to Council.

(11) Management Board Structure. You will know that ideas are afoot for reducing the size of the MB to manageable proportions. Have been for as long as the Bulletin can remember, actually. The Manchester and District CA has been getting quite defensive about the latest noises. The BCF President had tabled proposals for a working party. Your SCCU President, who obviously can't be a committee man at heart, had a rush of blood to the head and countered with a CONCRETE PROPOSAL, which the MB accepted by a large majority. The proposal, which will go to Council, is that the MB should consist of the President plus Finance Director plus four other Directors, plus one delegate per Union (currently it's two for all but EACU) and one each for the Manchester and London Leagues. Making 13 members compared with the current 21 or so. The dispossessed

Directors would have to resort to talking to each other, and to the surviving members of the MB, on the telephone; which they ought to be doing already but the Bulletin is cynical enough to suspect they aren't. You've probably guessed the Bulletin's opinion of the proposed change.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Richard,

5.2.92

re: County Matches

With reference to Mr Birchall's letter to the Bulletin appearing in the January 92 issue I agree with his comments 100%.

I am dismayed at the state the Kent 2nd and 3rd teams find themselves in, and place the blame on the match captains concerned. Organising chess matches especially on Saturday afternoons requires careful planning several weeks in advance. Match captains must be "armed" with plenty of players at their disposal to avoid the incidents mentioned, and to act as a general courtesy to the opposing team. No one likes to win by default especially on Saturday afternoons.

I personally in previous years used to participate in the County matches but to date have not been invited to represent a Kent team this season, plus also I could have transported several keen players from my club (Charlton) to the venues to fill the vacant places. Kent match captains please make a note of my telephone number for future reference: 081 311 1370.

Whilst writing, I note from the January 92 Bulletin that Chris Howell is resigning as SCCU Fixture Secretary and I would like to add my name to the long list of candidates for the job.

Yours sincerely,

Ty Jefferies

Thamesmead SE28

Dear Mr Haddrell,

19.2.92

On the question of defaults I am surprised the Union has no rules on this point when the BCF County Championship Rules (on page 115 of yearbook) impose a financial penalty at Final Stage, while Surrey in its inter-club competitions imposes a points penalty which is greater for the higher boards. Perhaps consideration of one of these methods might improve the situation at Union level?

Yours sincerely,

D Parsons

Carshalton

Dear Mr Haddrell,

17.2.92

I was interested in your comments [on junior organisers] in the January Bulletin. Kent, like Bucks, know that it takes a body of people to run junior chess. Yes, I agree that a one-man outfit, a junior organiser, depends for its success on the Organiser but it would be naive to think that a superman or -woman could be found to provide and administer a full programme of activities for many years, and without a long-term commitment where would be the continuity?

Certainly some of us, if not all, "still have primary and secondary schools" and within the primary tier of education we have first and middle schools. [To age 11? - Ed] In Bucks we are striving to ensure that there is continuity of opportunity for children to play the game, and receive some degree of coaching, throughout first, middle and upper schools, to use Bucks terminology.

Yours sincerely,

Brian Lacey

High Wycombe

Dear Mr Haddrell,

24.2.92

SCCU Bulletin 203:11. A correction to your item on Luke McShane is called for. Luke did indeed return from Hungary recently which he visited as part of a team of 16 English juniors. But the visit was to Szombathely not Budapest. Szombathely is a town very near the Austrian border which boasts a very strong club who were our hosts.

The Haladas club would, I am sure, be upset to see the credit for their splendid initiative in establishing links with English juniors stolen by those metropolitans in

Budapest. I would be very grateful if you would publish a correction of this understandable error on behalf of all the people in Szombathely who did so much to make our stay so enjoyable.

Yours sincerely,
Rod McShane London W9

Ed: - George Szasvari has pronounced Szombathely for me and you'd never guess it was spelt the way it is. I can spell Budapest. But that wasn't the reason for the mistake, of course. I printed what the Middx handout gave me, and am glad of the opportunity to put things right.

Dear Richard,

3.2.92

I've just received the January issue of the SCCU Bulletin, as ever informative. Here are some comments: -

(1) The decision to stop free copies of ChessMoves was an example of democracy in action whatever the Editor or myself may think. If it encourages some extra subscriptions then the hard pressed Federation funds will benefit.

(2) The annual review of Home Chess policy had to be deferred to the upcoming March meeting of the Management Board. This will include consideration of the future of the Year Book. Yes - it could be produced at a lower cost if content were cut, cheaper paper and a smaller typeface were used etc. Are our customers and advertisers prepared to pay at least the same as now for a less high quality product?

(3) Why do you question the location of this year's County Championship Finals? In the past few years the Finals of the Leigh Interests National Club Championships and the County Championships have been held over the same weekend. This will be the case in 1992 - Saturday 20 June for the National Club and Sunday 21 June for the Counties Championships. [Ed - I questioned it because my informant, inexplicit on paper, said over the phone that it hadn't been made very clear at the MB meeting and he'd not thought to ask, but he believed the same venue would not be used. Can't say Bryan's been very explicit now, but the message coming through is that it will.]

(4) You make some subtle point which escapes me in relation to clubs having to apply for consideration for the Club of the Year Award. Surely it is up to clubs to make their own case. The procedure has been publicised, in particular in ChessMoves, and a reminder will be made in the April issue.

(5) The proposals for changes in the Counties Championships will be considered at the March Management Board meeting and I am glad to see discussion of the issues involved in the SCCU Bulletin. The main aims are to provide more opportunities for county play and for games to be between players of (broadly) equivalent grade, outside the Open competition. The question of what best to do about counties with one or two over grade players will be one of the points considered.

(6) As to the chess activity statistics so far identified in response to Roy Brown's request, I am suitably impressed that the most chess played in any TA throughout the whole country, let alone in the SCCU, is in Hertfordshire! Whilst no doubt many of your readers would accept that Hertfordshire is the best county in which to play chess, I have a nagging feeling we would be hard pressed to justify our position as number 1 if a full set of statistics became available!

(7) Thank you for publicising our request for more Local Representatives to help promote the Direct Membership Scheme. Such appointments are made as part of my responsibilities and I would be glad to hear from anyone interested. The main work would be to make sure there is promotion of the scheme by, for example, putting out leaflets at county matches and other local events as well as assisting the BCF Office to secure renewals. A free membership is available for a Local Representative whilst they hold this post.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely,
Bryan (Fewell) Director of Home Chess and Services

Dear Richard,

3.2.92

Following your comments on possible grading-limited county chess (Bulletin 203:2), may I repeat a suggestion I'm sure I made back in the days I was involved in chess organisation (before transferring my time on such things to the Railway Development Society)? The principle could apply to any level of mixed-strength competition from schools to counties except genuine top-division championship events, but let's propose it for lower level county matches. Basically each team entering a league or division or even a KO would name its own grading limits for each board number separately and there would be a points handicap system based either on overall competition scores (game or match points) and absolute grading limits of teams; or on a match-by-match

basis (as in the Times school competition, except they use ages instead of grades) on the relative limits of opposing teams. No allowance would be made for a team unable to field its expected team and having to use lower-graded substitutes, but retrospective adjustment might be allowed for a team wanting to grow stronger.

H Trevor Jones

Guildford

PS For your info, I gave up my BCF Direct Membership sub when they chose to make it bigger and grander and offering lots of extra things that might have appealed to people taking their chess more seriously than I do. I'm now content just to receive your own bi-monthly witty magazine.

Dear Mr Haddrell,

11.3.92

Counties Championship Structure

I agree with you that Mr Fewell's proposals do not necessarily involve a change to the structure of the SCCU competitions. Provided, that is, that the BCF aren't seeking to make the new structure mandatory at Union level - Mr Fewell's article in the February ChessMoves suggests that they might be. I am minded to think that that the SCCU should oppose any change which stops us running the Union Qualifying Stage as we see fit and making our own nominations to the Final Stages.

If this is accepted, I see no reason why the SCCU competitions should not be run as at present, but with teams entered and selected in accordance with the new grading limits. Perhaps, however, for the grading limit competitions we could have an end of season jamboree for one of the two qualifying places. Under this scheme, the highest placed team for each grading limit in the main competition would qualify as our first nominee; other teams would play in the jamboree which would be open to all the counties whether or not they had entered an equivalent team in the main event. Hence a county with four or five players over 175 (say) and the rest under 175 could play their full team in the main competition and enter the Under 175 jamboree. The big advantage compared with the present play-off system is that everyone would know that the jamboree was going to take place, which avoids the problem of having to make arrangements at short notice.

There are a lot of issues for the SCCU to consider here. I haven't addressed them all in this letter, but I've rambled on for long enough.

Yours sincerely,

DR Sedgwick Croydon

Dear Richard,

rec. 12.3.92

You invite comments on Bryan Fewell's proposals to introduce grading limited county matches and the effect this will have on SCCU competitions, and so here are my personal views.

I am totally opposed to grading limited events being introduced. Although the "bigger" counties such as Middlesex, Essex and us in Kent would no doubt be very strong contenders, we would also be the counties where many keen county players would be deprived of the opportunity to play on any regular basis. Kent have already fielded 38 different players graded over 175 this season, and yet there is no way we could field two teams in the top division; I would estimate you would need well over 60 in total to do this, and the strong U175s would have their own matches to play in.

At the moment, the non-first-choice over-175s make up their quota of matches playing for Kent II and Kent III, so that everyone gets the right amount of chess to suit them; any new system must not be allowed to prevent keen players from playing. Of course, the problem you describe in the Bulletin where a smaller county might not enter the top section at all is even worse - some of the strongest County players in the country would be driven away!

As for amending the SCCU competitions (yet again!) I feel this could be a disaster, as the competitions seem to be running better than in recent memory as they are. I personally support both quickplay finishes and 16 board matches, to match the National stages, but these are relatively minor changes which do not affect the basic structure.

The other matter I feel I must comment on is the withdrawal of Middlesex I from this year's top division; I imagine the admirable Bruce Birchall is feeling a little sheepish about the timing of his largely justified comments about Kent's difficulties (now apparently behind us) in the January Bulletin! I feel strong action must be taken to stop a team which is performing below expectations just dropping out, whether or not their captain has resigned; I believe there was a volunteer to run Middlesex I on a temporary basis, but the offer was not taken up.

There is a clear advantage to Middlesex II and III in that they can no longer have players become ineligible due to playing for Middlesex I in the defaulted matches.

Their recent opponents - and with playoffs looming, their future opponents - do not have the same advantage; the same argument extends to National stages if they were to qualify.

I therefore propose that Middlesex II should be considered ineligible for nomination to the STCC National stages, and that Middlesex III should be eligible for this competition but not the National Third Teams competition. I know that some within Middlesex already feel this is the only honourable course, but a decision must be made before the playoff matches are fixed.

Finally, I do indeed intend to stand down as SCCU Fixtures Secretary; this is because several counties seem to think it is time to completely re-order the fixtures. As a first team captain myself, I have felt happy to simply reverse the previous season's fixture list and find dates agreeable to all counties, but I do not feel it is right to be the one who creates a new order of fixtures, as I would feel open to the criticism that the new list favoured my own county in some way or another. I believe the new Fixtures Secretary should be someone not currently involved with a particular team.

Keep up the excellent work you are doing with the Bulletin!

Chris Howell Maidstone

Kent I captain, Kent Grading Officer, SCCU Fixtures Secretary
(that's enough hats - Ed)

Ed: - The previous line was written by CI Howell! Only one Middx II match, in the SCCU stage, comes into this. It followed one Middx I default, not two, and it was such a comfortable win that few will doubt they would have come top anyway. But I take the point about the National stage. As for Middx III, they also had only one match outstanding when Middx I withdrew. It is still outstanding, having been postponed to the 28th March, and they have won their division without it. For some background to the withdrawal, see page 10.

Some more comments on county matches: I flirted with the idea of handicaps, but didn't mention it because at bottom, I suppose, I just don't much like handicaps. Certainly a handicap that adjusts match results is less objectionable than one that interferes with the game itself. It might be simpler to declare a limit on your overall average grade rather than different ones for different boards. You could even use average grades calculated on the day, with no requirement for a prior self-imposed limit, but I can see the disadvantages of that. Scoring on a match-by-match basis would give a clearer impression, at any given time during the season, of how teams were doing. It wouldn't even be specially complicated. (Surprising, that. When Trevor Jones ran our internal competitions at Tunbridge Wells Chess Club his rules were famously complicated.) There would still need to be separate divisions - not much fun in a team of 120s playing a team of 190s - but divisions based on average grades would be flexible enough to meet all counties' needs.

Ironically, there are noises in the air about abolishing the age handicap in the games. So far as you can judge, it tends not to make much difference except when primary schools play.

To take up a point of Bryan Fewell's, surely the problem of "counties with one or two over-grade players" is in principle unsolvable. Whatever adjustments or allowances you make, there will always be an ideal "best-fit" county and others will be, to a greater or lesser extent, disadvantaged. And yes, I do see the disadvantages of the system we've got. I know Trevor's suggestion is a bit radical, but I think that some form of it should be seriously considered.

Mr Sedgwick's suggestion of jamborees for one of the nominations makes a lot of sense and I would hope to see it introduced if grading limits came in. (Even if they didn't, it would be an attractive way of avoiding play-offs.) You'd need to be a bit sophisticated about which team in the main competitions counted as "highest". I can't believe the BCF would seek to impose the new structure on Union-level events. They've got more sense.

Shortly after writing most of that, I was startled to see the prominent ChessMoves article referred to by Mr Sedgwick, saying that Bryan's proposals will be put to Council on the 25th April with a view to implementation next season. I thought the MB was still waiting to discuss them! Certainly I had not been aware that they were official Management Board thinking. On investigation, and after some prompting by Roy Brown, I discovered a passage in ChessMoves for October 1991, reporting the September Council Meeting: "Counties were asked to think about the possibility of running the Counties Championships in a Divisional Structure based on grading limits rather than 1st, 2nd and 3rd teams. It was emphasised this should provide more opportunities for county chess. The matter will be discussed at the Home Chess policy review session at the January 1992 Management Board Meeting. If there is sufficient interest, formal proposals will be put before Council in time for the 1992/3 season." That had passed me by. Of course it got crowded out of the January meeting, and where the "sufficient interest" came from I don't know; RB says that to the best of his knowledge no one in the SCCU, apart from me and Trevor, has commented at all. (That

was before the Howell and Sedgwick letters arrived.) Clearly Bryan has decided to go ahead anyway, and we can't say we weren't warned. I suspect his proposals will be thrown out because half of the delegates won't have heard of them till a few weeks before the meeting, still less discussed them with their county officers. Which, for my money, would be the right result for the wrong reason.

On Roy Brown's statistics referred to in Bryan Fewell's letter: Paul Watson of Sussex tells us his county did reply. Roy Brown tells us the reply has not reached him.

FOUR-HANDED CHALLENGE

On the 18th March 1892, in Cambridge, a London team met a Cambridge team at four-handed chess. The result of this match has not been supplied, but the return was due to take place on Wednesday 18th March 1992 in London. In 2092 the venue will revert to Cambridge.

The match is being organised by Cambridge University CC and the Insurance CC. The Bulletin has never played four-handed chess, probably because it requires a special board. It appears that Cambridge rules differed from London ones a century ago; what they did about this in 1892 we don't know but this century's match will use a composite version. Since you ask: the players sit at the four edges of the board with partners opposite each other, using two contrasting sets. The board is extended by three ranks of 8 squares at each edge, and your bits start on the two ranks nearest you. The two Blacks have black squares in the near right corner, and in the diagram we've been sent all Queens start to the left of the King; which would confuse the Bulletin no end. Heroic the Pawn that reaches the 14th rank! (Wonder what happens to one that gets stuck on the 11th, in an extension?) The move goes clockwise. You win by checkmating both opponents; a player checkmated loses his moves unless and until partner (or careless opponent?) relieves the mate. Come to think of it, it might not be careless at all. South unmates East, mating West. West loses his go, and North remates East. Must try this game. It seems rather unfair that all you get for checkmating one opponent and stalemating the other is half a point. On the other hand a single survivor against two opponents must be at a huge disadvantage, even if they don't employ shabby tricks to get three moves in a row.

Acknowledgments ID Hunnable

CHILTERN LEAGUE: Herts II 13½ 6½ Bucks II 11.1.92; Bucks II 11.7 Berks II 8.2.92

1990-91 GRADING STATISTICS published in the Midland Counties Chess Union Newsletter for February: Wales tops the average-grade list. Lowest-placed SCCU county is Sussex (15th out of 46); bottom of the list is Gloucestershire with an average grade of 91 (23 players!). The Newsletter doesn't say whether this is grading performance for the season or actual grades, nor which categories of player have been included. This lack of scientific method is matched only by the Bulletin's in failing to investigate. But for what it's worth here's the top 16, and you can no doubt take it for granted that average means mean.

	total players	total games	games/ player	average grade		total players	total games	games/ player	average grade
Wales	102	1939	19	145	Kent	703	12141	17	126
Bristol	128	1784	14	136	Beds	174	3787	22	124
Cambs	157	2273	14	133	Herts	298	5267	18	124
Middx	1122	18758	17	132	Oxon	356	5373	15	119
Surrey	679	14536	21	132	Essex	787	13853	18	118
Scotland	71	702	10	130	Worcs	189	3080	16	118
Berks	238	3474	15	130	Sussex	497	9846	20	117
Dorset	137	2950	22	127	Suffolk	223	4548	20	116

NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Results rather up to date 24.3.92

OPEN

Round 4 Barbican 4½ 1½ Nottingham Students; Cambridge Univ* 3 3 Charlton; Oxford Univ 4 2 Cardiff; Slough 3½ 1½ +1 Rhyddings; Gosport* 3 3 Richmond & Twickenham; Kings Head A 3 3 *Maidstone (2 arbiter-less QPF disputes resolved); plus two outstanding

Round 5 draw: Barbican v Oxford U; Breadsall or Glasgow Poly v Camb U; Gosport v Maidstone; Slough v Paisley or Rochdale

Plate

Round 2 Bradford 6 0 Poulton 1e Fylde; Cosham 4½ 1½ Hastings; Guildford 4 2 Sutton & Cheam; Hounslow 5½ ½ Abercynon; L Buzzard 1½ 4½ Writtle; Northampton 4 2 Titans; The Albert 3½ 2½ Lincoln; Wood Green 5 0 Southend

Round 3 draw: Guildford v Hounslow; The Albert v Northampton; Wood Green v Cosham; Writtle v Bradford

MAJOR

Round 3 Rose Forgrove 2 3 Bolton; Warley Quinborne 1 4 Great Lever; Bushbury* 2½ 2½ Cardiff; Oxford Univ 3½ 1½ Rugby; Slough (Lady Haigh) 0 5 Cowley Community Centre; RHBNC (no idea what this means) 2½ 2½ *Guildford; Ilford 2 3 Kingston; Southend on Sea 1½ 3½ Hackney A

Quarter-final draw: Gt Lever v Bolton; Kingston v Bushbury; Cowley v Oxford Univ; Guildford v Hackney A

Plate:

Round 2 Leeds 1½ 3½ Morecambe; Lichfield 3½ 1½ Rochdale; Hereford 4 1 Cheddleton; Aberystwyth 3½ 1½ Whaddon; Hounslow w/o scr Musketeers; Charlton 2 3 Saxmundham; International Students (of what? - we wouldn't ask only a Tunbridge Wells player of dubious studentship belongs to them, though he played against them) 1½ 3½ Tunbridge Wells; Rainham 2 3 Basingstoke

Round 3 draw Morecambe v Hereford; Aberystwyth v Lichfield; Tunbridge Wells v Basingstoke; Saxmundham v Hounslow

INTERMEDIATE

Round 3 (SCCU) Kings Head A 4½ ½ Ipswich; Maidstone 1½ ½ +3 Gravesend; Metropolitan 4 1 Grays

Round 4 draw: Eastbourne v Kings Head A; Liverpool A v Formby; Rose Forgrove A v Metropolitan; Warley Quinborne A v Maidstone or Gravesend

Plate:

Round 2 (SCCU) Hammersmith* 2½ 2½ Southend; St Albans 1 4 Bridgend; Stock Exchange 3½ 1½ Salisbury Juniors; Tunbridge Wells* 2½ 2½ Orpington

Round 3 draw: Bridgend v Stock Exchange; Lucas/Birmingham Settlement v Grimsby & District; Prescot & Knotty Ash v Lichfield; Tunbridge Wells v Hammersmith

MINOR

Round 2 (SCCU): Kings Head B 1½ 3½ Eastbourne; Metropolitan 3½ 1½ Thanet; St Albans 3½ 1½ RAF; Slough* 2½ 2½ Bognor Regis; Byes Kings Head A, Fulham

Round 3 (SCCU): Eastbourne 3 2 Metropolitan; Kings Head A 1 4 St Albans; Slough 2 3 Fulham

Quarter-final draw (in full): Fulham v Eastbourne; Salisbury Junior A v St Albans; Stockport v Rushall (Staffs); Warley Quinborne A v Calderdale

Plate:

Round 1 (SCCU): Bourne End w/o scr Haywards Heath; Hastings & St Leotards* 2½ 2½ Ashford Kent; Maidstone 2½ 2½ *Ilford Junior; Oxford Univ* 2½ 2½ Warley Quinborne B; Byes Milton Keynes, Kilndown

Round 2 (SCCU): Bourne End 3 2 Milton Keynes; Kilndown 2 3 Hastings; Ilford Junior w/o scr Leighton Buzzard; Salisbury Junior B 2 3 Oxford Univ

Quarter-final draw (in full): Bourne End v Oxford Univ; Cardiff v Sutton in Ashfield; Ilford Junior v Hastings; Prescot & Knotty Ash v Great Lever (Bolton)

Acknowledgments Philip Clemow, John Leake, Peter Gibbs, Paul Buswell.

"Without the knowledge of either Team Captain, Hastings (sic) and Maidstone played the same player in their [Open round 1] matches. As the Hastings match was the later of the two to be played, they have been penalised for including an ineligible player." We've got a fair idea who this must have been. But if he's RBW in Maidstone and RWB in Hastings, was it the same player?

JUNIOR NEWS

BRAINTREE JUNIOR 25th January 1992

Under 18 (5 pl) 1 Nicholas Gough (Chelmsford) 3½/4; 2 Darren Boone (Clacton) 3...

Under 14 (18 pl) 1 Darren Porter (Ipswich) 5½/5; 2-3 Simon Armour (Southend), David Spence (Ipswich) 4½; 4-5 Marcus Harvey (Brentwood), Edmund Player (Stowmarket) 4...

Under 12 (40 pl) 1 Ellen Walker (Southend) 5½/6; 2-4 Rich(ard?) Lizzimore (Southend), Emily Porter (Ipswich), Thomas White (Saffron Walden) 5; 5-6 Yip Fai Leung (Southend), Sanjay Joshi (Stanmore) 4½...

Under 10 (28 pl) 1 Gerard Ridgway (Woodbridge) 6/6; 2-3 Tim Hebbes (Walthamstow), Thomas Fletcher (Stowmarket) 5; 4-8 Joseph Jackson, Neil Hopgood, Chris Bates (all Colchester), Anthony Davis (Birmingham), David Wornham (Southend) 4...

Under 8 (21 pl) 1-2 Graham Walker (Southend), Emily Manuel (London) 5/6; 3-4 Al(an?) Atkinson (Woodbridge), Matthew Lewsey (Colchester) 4½; 5-6 James Hart (Woodbridge), Mark Oliver (Basildon) 4...

Results Peter Walker. The computer program that made the tables wasn't very generous in its allocation of space for the players' names, hence the couple of guesses. (Your Editor, admittedly fussy, gets round this problem by reading his tables into a word processor and editing them.) It did the grading in Elo, presumably because it's the same one that does the Southend Congress. Lowest rating performance (in the U8) was 250 if we're reading the tables right; which we make minus 44 BCF. Mind you, that player started off with a rating which converts to minus 7½. We assume this was an estimate. How accurately, or meaningfully, can you convert between Elo and BCF? Any experts out there? And would you grade an U8 event? Maybe the program just did it from force of habit.

UNDER 18 JAMBOREE at Royal Grammar School, Guildford 1st February 1992

1 Surrey 34/40; 2 Hants 22½; 3 Berks 11½; 4 Bucks 10.

KENT JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS (part 2) at Maidstone, 25th February 1992Under 10 (51 pl) 1 Mark Roberts (Sevenoaks) 5½/6; 2-5 Timothy Holmes (Pickhurst), Trevor Jarrett (Maidstone), Ian Moore (Ashford), Matthew Noakes (Maidstone) 5; then 13 players on 4...Under 9 (27 pl) 1 Rosalind Kieran (Hayes Kent) 6/6; 2 Sarah Lloyd-Hughes (Maidstone) 5; 3-4 Toby Stock (Ashford), Mark Presland (Maidstone) 4½; 5-7 Paul Higgins (Sevenoaks), Olivia Jones (Blackheath), Christopher Allen (Hayes) 4...Under 8 (34 pl) 1 Stephen Casement (Canterbury) 5½/6; 2-3 Mithulan Jegapragasan (Maidstone), Alistair Taylor (Canterbury) 5; 4-5 Stephen Clark (Hextable), Alvin Kisson (Maidstone) 4½... Results Bob BlakeKENT SCHOOLS LEAGUE Primary Champions are Palace Wood (Maidstone).SURREY JUNIOR: page 15SCCU UNDER 18 JAMBOREES: MAJOR COUNTIES

BCF Eliminators at Haverstock School NW3, Saturday 7th March 1992

"BOYS"

<u>White</u>			<u>Black</u>			<u>White</u>			<u>Black</u>		
1	Demis Hassapis M	½ ½	1	Bernard Hong K		1	A Panchapagesan	½ ½	1	Andrew Keehne	
2	Jeremy Lewis K	0 1	2	Blair Connell S		2	Mark Bautista E	0 1	2	Daniel Rosenberg M	
3	Paul Griffiths M	1 0	3	Steven Hampton S		3	Tuong Nguyen K	½ ½	3	Daniel Harvey E	
4	W Rawlings E	½ ½	4	James Vigus K		4	Aaron Cohen S	1 0	4	David Dobbs M	
5	Richard Bates S	1 0	5	David Moskovic K		5	T Hinks-Edwards	½ ½	5	Karl Mah E	
6	Stuart Pink K	1 0	6	Kublai Hoare M		6	Nicholas Gough E	½ ½	6	Mark Ferguson S	
7	def M	0 1	7	Jonathan Walton K		7	Marcus Osborne S	1 0	7	Andew Myall E	
8	Sam Tomlinson K	½ ½	8	Alex Warren S		8	Ian MacLachlan E	0 1	8	Andrew Ram M	
9	Lee Jacobs M	½ ½	9	Robert Smalley S		9	Jeffrey Titmas K	1 0	9	Mark Cundy E	
10	def E	0 1	10	Jonathan Dye K		10	Daniel Bisby S	½ ½	10	David Jagoe M	
11	Sudipta Sarkar S	1 0	11	Paul Fenn K		11	M Ainscow M	½ ½	11	Nigel Cundy E	
12	Joel Newman K	0 1	12	C McGrath M		12	Adan Capal E	0 1	12	Richard Bone S	

Scores: 1 Surrey 8½/12; 2 Middx 6½; 3 Kent 6; 4 Essex 3

GIRLS

<u>White</u>			<u>Black</u>			<u>White</u>			<u>Black</u>		
1	Harriet Hunt O	1 0	1	Amy Kieran K		1	Fiona Webster S	1 0	1	Jessica Fries	
2	C Holmes K	½ ½	2	Helen Burns S		2	Jemma Myers M	0 1	2	Tracey Thompson O	
3	Lucy Smith O	½ ½	3	Charmaine Webster		3	Rachel Reeves K	0 1	3	Ginette Pelton M	
4	Eleni Hassapis M	1 0	4	Helena White K		4	Ruth Bates S	1 0	4	Isobel Ellory O	
5	Mikyla Jackson S	0 1	5	Amanda Jones K		5	Kate Ansell O	1 0	5	Iva Anguelova M	
6	Sarah Lang K	½ ½	6	Beatrice McLeod O		6	Clare Santry M	0 1	6	Rebecca Larking S	

Scores: 1 Oxon 4; 2 (bd ct) Surrey 4; 3 Middx 2; 4 (bd ct) Kent 2. (No one's told us who won on tie-break so we've assumed it was done the obvious way and worked it out ourselves.) Later: the second version to arrive is less full, for the most part, but includes tie-break information. It confirms our arithmetic for 1st and 2nd places but does not split Middx and Kent. The third version gives Oxon and Surrey as 1st=. For an update, see next page.

Results anonymous, first two versions, but we wouldn't be surprised if it was Bruce Birchall both times. Third version AJW Thorn. Rate of play was 36 in 1½ plus 30 min (each?) QP finish. The players' grades, for interest:

	S	M	K	E	OG	SG	MG	KG
1	182	202	187	181	160	145	141	106
2	180	198	171	170	151	119	122	94
3	177	184	167	162	136	113	115	86
4	166	170	163	156	96	113	98	97
5	159	151	159	150	85	96	-	85
6	160	168	158	148	84	99	85	-
7	175	157	158	148				
8	165	155	157	127				
9	165	153	151	125				
10	161	158	146	124				
11	158	149	138	117				
12	156	149	138	110				

And we don't know about their ages.

AND THE MINOR EVENTS

Same venue, Saturday 21st March 1992

"BOYS"

Players asterisked "floated" up.

<u>White</u>			<u>Black</u>			<u>White</u>			<u>Black</u>		
1	Simon Ansell O	1 0	Miroslav Houska Br	David Oates S	0 1	Tim Rogers Bu					
	*Jason Lee Br	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Martin Robertson H								
2	Bill Mayers H	0 1	C Maxwell-Scott	Simon Long Bu	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Jonathan Hastings O					
3	Martin Arrighi H	0 1	Will. Whittow Bu	J Houska Br	0 1	James Schumacher S					
	*Nicholas Green S	1 0	Harriet Hunt O								
4	S Willetts O	1 0	Mark Redman H	Andrew George Bu	1 0	MRJ Vandenberghe Br					
5	Adam Hunt O	0 1	Daniel Lamborne Bu	Ian Henderson S	1 0	David Robertson H					
	*Richard Purvis H	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	J Clifford Br								
6	James Foster Bu	0 1	Robin Clark S	Philip Cook Br	0 1	Tracey Thompson O					
7	Kelan Mistry H	0 1	Peter Hastings O	Alex Edmans Br	0 1	Paul Colburn Bu					
	*Lucy Smith O	0 1	Shah Athar S								
8	Alex Taylor Bu	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Joe Barrett H	J Hershkowitz S	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Jody Saunders Br					
9	Luis Tulip O	1 0	Aiden Leech Br	Julian Tang S	0 1	Philip Hobbs Bu					
	*Alan Walker Br	1 0	Daniel Singer H								
10	Simon Markham H	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	John Webb S	Matt. George Bu	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Robert Wilkinson O					
11	Barry Wenham H	0 1	Dave Bartlett Bu	NA Peksa Br	0 1	Glen Parker S					
	*James Bosworth S	1 0	Balasz Somogyi O								
12	John Beaumont O	1 0	Simon Cross H	Andrew Weaver Bu	0 1	Stephen Hughes Br					

Res: 1 Sussex 9/12; 2 Bucks (thought they'd left us?) 8 $\frac{1}{2}$; 3 Oxon 7; 4 Berks 3 $\frac{1}{2}$; 5 Herts 2

GIRLS: The only entry came from Bucks, so they are nominated. Berks wanted to play, but could not be accommodated on dates.

MAJOR GIRLS (Update)

It is confirmed that Oxon win on tie-break. Surrey and/or the SCCU subsequently asked if both couldn't go to the Finals, in view of the fact that there are only two other nominations (Devon from WECU, Staffs from MCCU, nothing of course from NCCU and probably nothing from EACU). John Robinson of Kettering, who controls the event nationally, said no; which apparently is the strict interpretation of the rules. Bruce Birchall intends to ask the SCCU Executive, at its meeting Friday 27th March, to make representations on Surrey's behalf. He also intends to draft and propose a new version of the rules.

SCCU JUNIOR TRAINING

at the Barbican 4th April, 16th May. For players of reasonable strength. Contact Gary Worthy at 53 Abbots Drive, Upshire, Waltham Abey, Essex TN37 7JL.

NATIONAL UNDER 16 TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS at Walsall 14th March 1992

1 Richmond 27 $\frac{1}{2}$ /36; 2 Manchester A 25 $\frac{1}{2}$; 3 Surrey 23; 4-5 Kent, Glamorgan A 18 $\frac{1}{2}$; 6 Berks 15... 19 teams of 12 played; Rounds 2 and 3 were split into Championship (6 teams) and "Major" sections. It's a fair while since we've vilified the widespread habit of calling minor sections major, so we'll do it again. It's a crass misuse of the English language, and the fact that it isn't going to fool anyone doesn't make it better.

Results (but not terminology) AJW Thorn

TIMES BRITISH SCHOOLS KO

Inter-Zone stage, first round: Ipswich School (12.9) 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Bedford Modern A (16.8); Bancrofts School Woodford (15.8) 4 2 Holland Park London (15.7); King Edwards Birmingham (16.11) 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ Bishop Vesey's GS (17.3); Nottingham High School A (4 $\frac{1}{2}$ 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ Charlton Telford (14.5); King Edward VI Southampton (14.8) 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Christs Hospital Horsham (16.0); Monmouth A (15.9) 5 1 Monks Park Bristol (16.1); RGS Newcastle (15.0) 6 0 Broughton High School Preston (14.9); Trinity Croydon A (14.6) 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ St Olaves Orpington (15.11); Dr Challengers Amersham (16.1) 5 1 Haberdashers Askes Elstree (13.4)
Round 2 draw: Hymers College Hull v Aberdeen GS; Ipswich School v Bancrofts; K Edwards Bham v Nottingham; KESS Soton v City of London; Monmouth v Magdalen College School; RGS Newcastle v Manchester Grammar; Trinity v Dr Challengers; Truro School v St Columbs College Derry

Acknowledgments Mitchell Taylor

SCCU COUNTY LEAGUE TABLES
including all results received to 25.3.92

CHAMPIONSHIP

	C	E	H	K	M	O	Sy	Sx	GP	MP
Cambs		11+1	12½	8	12	7+2	8	8	66½+3	3
Essex	8+1		9	9½+1	12	12½+1	11	8	70+3	3++
7 Herts	7½	11		3½	9½	10½	4+3	10+1	56+4	2½+
1 Kent	12	9½+1	16½		11	9½+2	12	14	84½+3	5++++
8 Middx	8	8	10½	9		13	0d	0d	48½	2
Oxon	11+2	5½+1	9½	8½+2	7		12	12	65½+5	3++
Surrey	12	9	13+3	8	20d	8		8	78+3	3
Sussex	12	12	9+1	6	20d	8	12		79+1	4+

MONTAGUE-JONES

	Br	Bu	E2	K2	K3	M	GP	MP
Berks		10	9	12½	14½+2	7+1	53+3	2½
5 Bucks	10		4½	12½	14	7	48	2½
2 Essex II	11	15½		5½	15½	3+3	50½+3	3
Kent II	7½	7½	14½		16½	9½=	55½	2½
6 Kent III	3½+2	6	2½	3½		3½	19+2	0
1 Middx II	9+1*	13	14+3	9½=	16½		62+4	4½

AMBOYNA/EBONY

	E	K	M	Sy	Sx	E	K	M	Sy	Sx	GP	MP
Essex III		12	3	8	11		7	6½+5	7½	9½+1	64½+6	2++++
Kent IV	8		9½	10	10½	13		5½	8½	7½	72½	2½
1 Middx III	17	10½		14½	12	8½+5	14½			14	(91+5)	6++++
Surrey II	12	10	5½		11	11½	11½			7	(68½)	4½++
Sussex II	9	9½	3	9		9½+1	12½	6	13		76½+1	2++

* match won

= match drawn

Please tell the Editor if you spot errors in these tables. Final positions have been shown where we think they're certain. In the Match Points column, each "+" means one possible extra half-point from adjudications (or outstanding matches). We have ignored the claims, because the adjudicators do. Outstanding adjudications could make it hard to determine some of the nominations by the end of the month. Accelerated finishes in March is not the answer to this recurring problem. (The Bulletin can think of one or two things that would be.) There is supposed to be a play-off in the Third Teams, but what usually seems to happen is that one side or the other doesn't bother. Which is just as well, given the timescale. Come to think of it, when did we last have a play-off?

Nominations.

These are your Editor's unofficial calculations. The official ones will be made by the Executive at its meeting 27.3.92.

Championship: 1 Kent. 2 Sussex, barring miracles favouring Oxon or Essex at Kent's expense.

Minor Counties: Ignoring adjudications it's 1 Surrey, 2 Cambs. Adjudications could push Oxon above Cambs or both. Assuming Oxon don't get the miracle, of course.

Second Teams: 1 Middx, 2 Essex. Unless Middx succumb to moral pressure and withdraw, in which case Kent II come in.

Third Teams: Middx are nominated, with a play-off between Kent III and either Essex III or Kent IV. In fact it must be Kent IV unless Essex have a miracle. Trouble is, you can't be sure they won't have a miracle until the results are through. By miracle we mean, of course, the full point going to the side that's claiming a draw. You may know it's impossible if you've seen the positions, but the Bulletin hasn't and this do-it-yourself element shouldn't come into adjudications anyway. This is just one more reason, and certainly not the most important one, why miracles shouldn't be allowed. (Send SAE for the others.)

We will naturally publish BCF-stage results, so long as match captains send them.

Correction.

Issue 203, page 8, Berks v Kent II: Berks board 7 was JT Munday, not JP. (JP is his younger brother and plays for Sussex). Expect the grader sorted that out.

Middx I withdraw.

Middx I gave notice, after their January match v Herts, that they were defaulting their remaining matches (v Surrey and Sussex). Events are not totally clear, to the Bulletin

anyway, but certainly the match captain had resigned. He had experienced some difficulties, apparently compounded by friction with one or both of the other team captains. Shortly after this the second team captain got the push for inefficiency, and his intended successor pulled out. The committee spent a week looking for replacements, but ended up where it started with three teams and one match captain. He was willing to take on all three teams, but the committee thought two was enough; and a decision was taken to withdraw the first team, apparently because they weren't going to achieve anything this season anyway. (Or, to maximise the chances of the remaining teams.) Wittingly or not, they have engineered relegation for the first team; the subsequent promotion of both the others would no doubt have happened anyway, though no one could have been sure of that at the time. We don't know whether they considered the possible effect on competition for BCF nomination in the Championship and Minor Counties. It is true, as Chris Howell suggests in his letter on page 4, that some Middx people are uneasy about events.

Adjudications

from Issue 202:

AE Essex III 12 8 Kent IV 9.11.91: 1 Philpott 0 Hong; 2 Ululode 0 Nguyen; 15 King 1 Shipp

Sussex II 3 12 Middx III 9.11.91: 11 Hirsch $\frac{1}{2}$ Fewtrell; 12 Eastoe $\frac{1}{2}$ Knott

And for what it's worth Sussex II appealed unsuccessfully against both adjudications in their match v Essex III 21.9.91

from Issue 203:

C Oxon 12 3 Sussex 30.11.91: 10 Hastings 1 Newman

Middx 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Herts 18.1.91: 1 McMichael 1 Byway; 11 Gilfillan 1 Denton

Kent IV 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ Surrey II 21.12.91: 1 Hong 0 Inwood; 3 Nguyen $\frac{1}{2}$ Stimpson

Surrey II 11 $\frac{1}{2}$ 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ Essex III 11.1.92: 3 Hale 1 McCarron; 20 Weimann 1 Roberts. But Surrey's board 15, who won, turned out to have been ineligible; hence the match score (one penalty point as well as the game loss).

Middx III 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ Kent IV 11.1.91: 5 Alabi $\frac{1}{2}$ Lane; 6 Lee $\frac{1}{2}$ Underwood

Kent IV 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ Sussex II 30.11.91: 5 Blake 0 Harper

Adjudications here and on the following pages were up to date 15.3.92; a fair number of recent ones were just about to go off to the adjudicator on that date. Let's abolish adjudications.

New players

Essex II:

R Johnson, not in published list, is playing for Brentwood in Essex League.

S Williams is 147307E from Colchester

COUNTY MATCH RESULTS

CHAMPIONSHIP

<u>Kent*</u>	25.2.92	<u>Cambs*</u>	<u>Essex*</u>	25.1.92	<u>Oxon</u>
1 AJ Stebbings (B)	0 1	PK Wells	JP Manley (B)	0 1	D Glueck
2 AE Hanreck	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JG Wilson	MS Twyble	1 0	ST Ansell
3 CR Chandler	0 1	NS Jakubovics	G Kenworthy	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Piper
4 JN Sugden	1 0	SAM Foister	JH Hodgson	0 1	M Hazelton
5 RMR O'Kelly	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	J Monk	D Sherman	1 0	D Lee
6 NF Dickenson	1 0	AG Cooper	A Dunn	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	F Van Hasselt
7 AJ Hammond	0 1	NK Regan	JR Nellist	1 0	RJ Starkie
8 SJ Wood	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	A Ponting	LJ Myall	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JJ Hastings
9 JD Wager	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PS Fallon	IBN Smith	0 1	M Rose
10 AI Armstrong	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	SD Smith	JC Moore	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	S Willetts
11 G Botley	1 0	J McKee	RA Walker	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DJ Bruce
12 MP Cook	0 1	DS Boyle	RP White	+ =	GW Chapman
13 CI Howell	1 0	AC Watkin-Jones	S Robertson	1 0	D Metcalfe (r)
14 AG Trangmar	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	CJ Howell	SM Kalinsky	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	B Bix
15 SJ Pullinger	1 0	P Widjaja	M Bautista	1 0	MJ Nightall
16 MM Robertson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	G Bushill	GF Yates	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	A Mushens
17 PS Milner-Barry	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JT Totty	CR Ramage	1 0	GP Alcock
18 JP Lewis	1 0	A Gupta	S Harris	1 0	LR Millin
19 PW Eldridge	1 0	D Shaw	M Ashdown	1 0	D Guirdham
20 NJ Butland	1 0	M Brown	KCC Mah	1 0	N Lane
(Sevenoaks)	12 3		(Wanstead)	(12 $\frac{1}{2}$ 6 $\frac{1}{2}$)	

<u>Surrey*</u>		25.1.92	<u>Sussex*</u>		<u>Sussex*</u>		15.2.92	<u>Herts*</u>	
1	APH Kinsman (W)	1 0	FJ Kwiatkowski	FJ Kwiatkowski	1 0	PV Byway (B)			
2	PD Kemp	0 = +1	GH James	DB Graham	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	S Swanson			
3	CD Holland	1 0	DB Graham	LE Rutherford	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	SJ Roe			
4	WA Linton	1 0	LE Rutherford	RWB Moss	0 1	HW Murphy			
5	RA Allicock	0 1	RWB Moss	SON Hawes	+ =	JF Rudge			
6	C O'Connor	0 1	G Abayasekera	RV Elliston	0 1	JG Foulger			
7	C O'Shaughnessy	1 0	MR Stott	G Abayasekera	0 1	HL Tebbs			
8	RA Harris	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PG Farr	KI Norman	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JR Denton			
9	JM Shepley	0 1	IG Kelly	PG Farr	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	KR Clark			
10	DB Rosen	0 1	J Graham	MR Stott	1 0	S Law			
11	DR Sedgwick	0 1	SJ Newman	IG Kelly	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	AP Primett (r)			
12	S Macdonald-Ross	0 1	RJ Almond	J Graham	0 1	AG Burrows			
13	WD Lowe	0 1	IP Judd	SJ Newman	1 0	CE Majer			
14	Richard A Bates	1 0	AO Pickersgill	AO Pickersgill	0 1	B Morris			
15	HM Cath	1 0	A Hall	A Hall	1 0	TA Sinkinson			
16	D Brock	0 1	LJ Cannon	LJ Cannon	0 1	J Cook			
17	STK Wilkinson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	AN Smith	AN Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	S Weston			
18	CR Clegg	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JP Munday	JP Munday	1 0	SH Neill			
19	N Fotherby	0 1	PR Selby	PR Selby	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	ST Leadbetter			
20	DA Baldock	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Watson	PN Kington	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	TC Wright			
(Sutton)		8 12		(Horshan)	(9 10)				

<u>Oxon</u>		15.2.92	<u>Kent*</u>		<u>Cambs*</u>		15.2.92	<u>Essex*</u>	
1	D Glueck (W)	+ =	NL McDonald	AJ Mestel (3)	1 0	DJ Coleman			
2	S Ansell	0 1	CM Cooley	WR Hartston	1 0	JP Manley			
3	N Holloway	1 0	AE Hanreck	JG Wilson	1 0	MS Twyble			
4	M Piper	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	CR Chandler	NS Jakubovics	0 1	G Kenworthy			
5	M Hazelton	1 0	AP Smith	EN Holland	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JH Hodgson			
6	J Redmond	0 1	JN Sugden	SAM Foister	1 0	A Dunn			
7	F van Hasselt	1 0	SW Giddins	T Petkov	0 1	D Sands			
8	R Starkie	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	NF Dickenson	MH Thornton	1 0	JR Nellist			
9	M Rose	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	SJ Wood	A Hessenbruch	+ =	IJ Myall			
10	J Hastings	= +	JD Wager	D Jarvis	0 1	JC Moore			
11	R Waugh	0 1	AI Armstrong	A Richardson	0 1	IBN Smith			
12	D Bruce	0 1	CI Howell	PJ Crocker	1 0	S Robertson			
13	GW Chapman	1 0	AG Trangmar	NK Regan	1 0	R Heppinstall			
14	S Willetts	0 1	NP Donovan	A Ponting	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	SM Kalinsky			
15	R Dixon	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MP Cook	AG Cooper	0 1	DP Harvey			
16	J Stayt	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	SJ Pullinger	PS Fallon	0 1	DJ Millward			
17	P Vienker	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PS Milner-Barry	SD Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	GF Yates			
18	H Hunt	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	NC Mackett	DS Boyce	1 0	CR Ramage			
19	B Bix	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	CM Brown	JF McKee	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	D Smith			
20	A Hunt	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RCN Lee-Anderson	T Pederson	1 0	S Bates			
(Oxford)		(3 $\frac{1}{2}$ 9 $\frac{1}{2}$)		(Cambridge)	(11 8)				

<u>Kent*</u>		29.2.92	<u>Essex*</u>		<u>Cambs*</u>		29.2.92	<u>Oxon</u>	
1	DJ King (W)	1 0	K Bowden	def (B)	0 1	ST Ansell			
2	NL McDonald	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	D Coleman	NS Jakubovics	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Piper			
3	PJ Morris	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JP Manley	SAM Foister	1 0	J Redmond			
4	IR Watson	+ =	MS Twyble	NK Regan	1 0	D d'Elia			
5	AJ Stebbings	1 0	G Kenworthy	PS Fallon	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RJ Starkie			
6	AE Hanreck	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JH Hodgson	AG Cooper	1 0	JJ Hastings			
7	AP Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	A Dunn	AD Ponting	0 1	M Rose			
8	JN Sugden	0 1	JR Nellist	T Pederson	0 1	DJ Bruce			
9	RMR O'Kelly	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JC Moore	DS Boyle	1 0	M Kliefges			
10	NF Dickenson	0 1	IBN Smith	JF McKee	0 1	GW Chapman			
11	JD Wager	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	R White	def	0 1	A Lewis			
12	AJ Hammond	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	S Robertson	H Parker	0 1	JN Stayt			
13	AI Armstrong	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	R Heppinstall	JT Totty	+ =	P Vainker			
14	G Botley	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	SM Kalinsky	DN Kkais	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	B Bix			
15	CI Howell	0 1	GF Yates	P Widjaja	0 1	MJ Nightall			
16	NP Donovan	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	S Harvey	A Gupta	0 1	CP Alcock			
17	DJ Horton	1 0	R Rodie	BV Lien	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	LR Millin			
18	LJ Smart	0 1	CR Ramage	PN Best	+ =	P Hastings			
19	PS Milner-Barry	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	B Hirsch	SJ Cook	0 1	G Hodgson			
20	JE Vigus	1 0	D Smith	J Herican	1 0	D Metcalfe			
(Sevenoaks)		(9 $\frac{1}{2}$ 9 $\frac{1}{2}$)		(Downing Coll)	(7 11)				

Kent Bds 19,20 aged respectively 85 and 13

CHAMPIONSHIP

Surrey*	29.2.92	Herts*
1 G Wall (B)	1 0	PV Byway
2 C Holland	1 + 0	S Swanson
3 R Abayasekera	0 1	SJ Roe
4 P Kemp	1 0	HW Murphy
5 RA Allicock	1 0	JF Rudge
6 WA Linton	1 0	JR Denton
7 C O'Connor	½ ½	KR Clark
8 C O'Shaughnessy	½ ½	S Law
9 R Stockwell	1 0	KS Ellis
10 RA Harris	1 0	J Cook
11 Richard Bates	0 = 1	S Neil
12 JM Shepley	½ ½	LE (sic) Majer
13 D Rosen	0 1	TA Sinkinson
14 D Sedgwick	1 0	S Weston
15 S Madonald-Ross	½ + ½	BD Judkins
16 D Kerr	½ ½	G Thompson
17 RJ Wilcox	1 0	TL (sic) Wright
18 JED Hale	1 0	def
19 STK Wilkinson	1 0	def
20 CR Clegg (Sutton)	1 0 14½ (13 4) 5½	def

DIVISION II: MONTAGUE-JONES

Kent II*	21.3.92	Essex II
DJ Horton (B)	1 0	IM Pheby
JA Wood	1 0	RG Rodie
MM Robertson	1 0	TD Whitton
F Percival	½ ½	MJ Ashdown
LM Pickett	½ ½	DJ Millward
RT McCorry	1 0	JR Cooke
Z Mehmet	½ ½	DP Harvey
MD Brougham	1 0	LJ Crane
DJR Barnes	½ ½	CFH Dorn
RS Sefton	1 0	S Williams
TH Owens	½ ½	NH Twitchell
PC Rutland	1 0	M Rahaman
LR Gurr	½ ½	AJ Parsons
JE Vigus	½ ½	PDJ McCarron
JH Lewin	½ ½	David Smith
SJ Jacobs	0 1	Avan Rooy
MJ Reddie	½ ½	MRA Murrell
SC Scott	1 0	Andrew King
HT Jones	1 0	Chris Sykes
MR Croft (Sevenoaks)	1 0 14½ 5½	Stuart D Bates

Kent III	18.1.92	Bucks*
1 IM Pountney (W)	½ ½	N Davey
2 AP Spice	0 1	G Moore
3 DJ Pagden	0 1	J Beedle
4 AC Waters	½ ½	DR Woods
5 BJ Westover	½ ½	RDW Marsh
6 S Pink	0 1	RD de Coverly
7 JC Walton	½ ½	EK Tweeddale
8 NC Mackett	0 1	DR Smith
9 AE Pilkington	1 0	R Fox
10 S Tomlinson	1 0	S Scopes
11 P Havens	0 1	DF Hill
12 MR Taylor	0 1	EN Branley
13 J Dye	½ ½	PJ Taylor
14 T Walton	½ ½	RP Ginger
15 IC Smith	0 1	MK Chojnacki
16 P Poland	0 1	T Rogers
17 AC Fagan	0 1	WG Whittow
18 C Moore	0 1	JH Springall
R Taylor	0 1	DJ Turner
20 N Cowan (Sevenoaks)	1 0 6 14	MS Vann

Berks*	1.2.92	Middx II*
PJ Sharp (W)	1 0	J Quinn 190
MW Marlow	½ ½	P Cawte 189
JT Munday	0 1	M Ross
ACP Milnes	1 0	J Eva 180
S Gilmour	0 1	C McKenzie 178
J Townsend	= +	T Donnelly 169
L Davis	½ ½	D Bower 166
WP Tickner	½ ½	J Rety 164
BG Millis	½ ½	C Fewtrell 158
JE Hickman	0 1	J McVicar 158
D Deane	½ ½	V Sood 157
K Savoy	½ ½	T Hinks-Edwards 157
PAF Watkins	½+ =½	I Graham 157
MA Saunders	0 1	D Field 157
D Norman	½ ½	J Franks 155
M Redmond	½+ =½	T Black 153
D Yarwood (Bracknell)	½ ½ (7 9)	C Wallace 151

Match 17 boards by agreement. Middx captain gave all his team's first names and no supporting initials. (He did the same for Berks's woman player as well.) Please

don't do this. Just in case there's any confusion possible we've copied the grades out.

Essex II*	1.2.92	Bucks*	Kent III	22.2.92	Berks*
1 IM Pheby (B)	0 1	S Finn	DI Pagden (B)	0= +1	PJ Sharp
2 S Harvey	½ ½	RCS Newton	PW Eldridge	0 1	DS Tucker
3 R Heppinstall	1 0	RD de Coverly	AC Waters	½ ½	JT Munday
4 PL Williamson	1 0	DR Smith	BJ Westover	0 1	SG Gilmour
5 Robert Parker	½ ½	AJ Cox	NC Mackett	1 0	WP Tickner
6 RG Rodie	1 0	PJ Taylor	AB Mata	= +	D Deane
7 MJ Ashdown	1 0	WG Whittow	RJA Winterburn	0 1	I Duvall
8 DJ Millward	½ ½	BW Atkinson	AE Pilkington	1 0	K Savoy
9 JSA Wood	1 0	def	JEH Dyke	½ ½	EJ Smith
10 JR Cooke	½ ½	T Rogers	RL Williamson	0 1	MA Saunders
11 Daniel P Harvey	1 0	DJ Turner	IC Smith	0 1	Alan B Jones
12 LJ Crane	1 0	KF Hawkins	NP Collacott	½ ½	JS Murray
13 PR Barclay (r)	½ ½	AG Brown	AC Fagan	0 1	MF Redmond
14 R Johnson	1 0	G Joshi	TR Jefferies	0 1	J Houska
15 S Williams	½ ½	D Booth	KG Cowan	0 1	SJR Turner
16 M Rahaman	½ ½	E Bolduc	RJ Grant	0 1	RA Brown
17 AJ Parsons	1 0	B McDonagh	GL Mingay	0 1	J Thuburn
18 A Van Rooy	1 0	def	def	0 1	NW Dennis
19 MRA Murrell	1 0	F Deeks	def	0 1	Mario Houska
20 Andrew King (Wanstead)	1 0 15½ 4½	def	JK Jefferies (Sevenoaks)	0 1 (3½ 15½)	EP Sharkey

<u>Middx II</u>	22.2.92	<u>Essex II*</u>	<u>Bucks*</u>	22.2.92	<u>Kent II*</u>
1 D Okike (W)	1 0	IM Pheby	SP Finn (W)	1 0	DJ Horton
2 M Paley	1 0	S Harvey	G Moore	1 0	MM Robertson
3 N de Peyer	+ =	R Heppinstall	J Beedle	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	F Percival
4 A Eilers	1 0	PL Williamson	RCS Newton	0 1	RT McCorry
5 P Pals	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Robert Parker	RDW Marsh	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	Z Mehmet
6 J Sharp	1 0	RG Rodie	RD de Coverly	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MD Broughan
7 J Eva	+ =	TD Whitton	DR Smith	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DJR Barnes
8 C Mackenzie	1 0	MJ Ashdown	J Alster	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RS Sefton
9 N Aldritt	1 0	DJ Millward	AJ Cox	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PC Rutland
10 K Barnes	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JR Cooke	SC Scopes	1 0	LR Gurr
11 M McCall	1 0	Daniel J Harvey	EN Bramley	0 1	JE Vigus
12 T Donnelly	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	LJ Crane	PJ Taylor	1 0	SJ Jacob
13 T Lee	0 1	CFH Dorn	T Rogers	1 0	MJ Reddie
14 D Bower	1 0	def	A George	0 1	AVH Sands
15 S Bell	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	S Williams	X Hawkins	1 0	GF Steele
16 P Hatchett	1 0	M Rahaman	E Bolduc	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	SC Scott
17 P Flexner	1 0	def	D Bartlett	0 1	RC Shilling
18 J Franks	1 0	David Smith	B McDonough	1 0	MR Croft
19 G Gibson	= +	A Van Rooy	G Edmunds	1 0	def
20 G Brown	1 0	MRA Murrell	A Challenger	1 0	def
(W Kensington)	(14 3)		(Bourne End)	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ 7 $\frac{1}{2}$	

DIVISION III: AMBOYNA/EBONY

<u>Essex III*</u>	25.1.92	<u>Middx III*</u>	<u>Middx III*</u>	8.2.92	<u>Sussex II</u>
1 D Olulode (W)	0 1	A Eilers	F Oris 179 (B)	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	I Judd 166
2 S Harwood	0 1	N Crabb	N Crabb 174	1 0	M Lenton 163
3 M Bird	1 0	def	B Chapman 171	1 0	R Hollands 152
4 NH Twitchell	0 1	A Alabi	M McCall 170	1 0	P Kington 152
5 H Grist	0 1	D Bower	A Alabi 168	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	C Arthur 151
6 J Davenport	+ =	J Rety	T Lee 166	1 0	D Ratcliffe 151
7 GT Gooding	0 1	R Brown	S Bell 165	1 0	R Harper 149
8 J Page	1 0	M Shaw	P Flexner 160	1 0	D Hirsch 148
9 JS Simmons	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	C Fewtrell	C Fewtrell 158	1 0	M Hickman 143
10 A Van Rooy	1 0	def	J McVicar 158	1 0	I Edgson 147
11 P Barclay	1 0	I Graham	G Knott 158	1 0	D Hughes 142
12 RD Manning	0 1	D Field	R Alster 158	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Benson 140
13 M Murrell	0 1	T Black	L Jacobs 153	1 0	K Lucas 132
14 RT Hare	= +	T Hinks-Edwards	T Black 153	0 1	JW Hall 131
15 Andrew King	= +	B Birchall	G Jacobs 151	1 0	DJ Langridge 129
16 D Filer	= +	T Hammett	J Fries 141	0 1	T Woods 125
17 DG Cannan	1 0	M Johnson	A Nathoo 132	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	K Andrews 128
18 SD Bates	1 0	L McShane	L McShane 124	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	B Horscroft 127
19 M Weighell	= +	G Pelton	J Myers 122	0 1	DJ Opie 124
20 R Farzanehfar	0 1	R McShane	G Pelton 115	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	MR Curtis
(Wanstead)	(6 $\frac{1}{2}$ 8 $\frac{1}{2}$)		(W Kensington)	14 6	

<u>Sussex II</u>	25.2.92	<u>Surrey II*</u>	<u>Kent IV</u>	8.2.92	<u>Essex III*</u>
1 Matthew Lenton	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	KFH Inwood (B)	BMH Hong (W)	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	J Philpott
2 G Zubrezki	1 0	JS Tymms	JP Lewis	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Bird
3 RD Hollands	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RJ Wilcox	def	0 1	NH Twitchell
4 PN Kington	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RE Wilinon	MR Wiltshire	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PDJ McCarron
5 DG Ratcliffe	1 0	DN Bellis	def	0 1	David Smith
6 CJ Arthur	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	RGR Harris	NJ Butland	0 1	A Van Rooy
7 LKG Eastoe	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	JED Hale	SR Pierce	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Barclay
3 R Harper	1 0	PR Archer	P Childs	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	P Walker
9 D Newbery	1 0	def	P Latimer	1 0	Andrew King
10 MR Hickman	0 1	JJ Skielnik	R Dugdale	1 0	DG Cannan
11 G Scamardella	1 0	CPL Parker	PD Fenn	1 0	def
12 RH Saunders	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	PE Barnard	R Barry	1 0	Stuart D Bates
13 IK Edgson	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	IRE Clark	N Mantell	1 0	def
14 IS McLeod	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	DM Woods	J Barton	1 0	Tony Drake
15 PR (sic) Benson	1 0	KN Mehendale	MA Taylor	1 0	def
16 JW Hall	0 1	B Blackburn	D Tame	1 0	def
17 KAA Andrews	1 0	PM Shaw	RM Wiltshire	1 0	Wilson Dunsin
18 DJ Langridge	0 1	JW Halls	P Sandon	$\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$	M Tucker
19 B Horscroft	1 0	D Parsons	P Underwood	1 0	Peter W Pattison
20 DJ Opie	1 0	def	A Steer	0 1	Ellen Walker
(Hassocks)	13 7		(Sevenoaks)	13 7	

Essex III*		22.2.92		Sussex II			
1	J Philpott (B)	0	1	I Judd	This space was reserved for Sussex II v Kent IV. The score sheet has not arrived, though Sussex won 12½-7½, and we have used the space for a friendly match instead. Sussex v Kent in the next issue, we hope.		
2	S Harwood	0	1	CJ Arthur			
3	D Olulode	1	0	WH Partridge			
4	NH Twitchell	1	0	LXG Eastoe			
5	Karl CC Mah	1	0	RR Harper			
6	John S Simmons	½	½	RD Hirsch			
7	P Barclay	0	1	I Edgson			
8	RT Hare	½	½	MR Hickman			
9	Andrew King	=	+	G Scamardella			
10	DG Cannan	1	0	David BA Hughes			
11	D Filer	½	½	PH Benson	<u>Camb Univ</u>	1.2.92	<u>Insurance CC</u>
12	Stuart D Bates	0	1	JW Hall	SAM Foister	0	R Sayers
13	H Berlin	0	1	KAA Andrews	A Ponting	0	AGC Paish
14	M Weighell	1	0	Tim Woods	SJL Rix	1	DR Sedgwick
15	ME Ashkettle	0	1	B Horscroft	PS Fallon	0	D Malcolm
16	G Gooding	1	0	DJ Opie	JF McKee	½	ID Hunnable
17	Jason Roberts	0	1	Robin Clark	DS Boyle	1	M Page
18	R Farzanehfar	0	1	William Diffey	G Bushill	½	GW Derbyshire
19	Wilson Dunsin	1	0	MR Curtis	P Widjaja	1	M Calvert
20	Peter W Pattison (Wanstead)	1	0	Glen Parker	SJ Cook	1	S Yuan
		(9½)	(9½)		(Trinity Coll)	6	4

SCCU UNDER 131 JAMBOREE

3.92 at Chalk Farm NW3

White		Black		White		Black		
1	M Weighall E	½	½	JW Halls Sy	R Kearns H	1	0	L McShane M
	KA Andrews Sx	1	0	MR Croft K				
2	RB Parkin K	1	0	J Mathews H	A Panovka M	1	0	ME Ashkettle E
	WB Drannan Sy	½	½	TJ Woods Sx				
3	DJ Rawlings E	½	½	SM Guy K	SR Jones Sy	0	1	Gerald West M
	RH Clark Sx	1	0	T Reeves H				
4	K Hardy H	½	½	G Gooding E	P Moor K	0	1	T Phillips Sy
	P Grant-Ross M	1	0	IJ Herszkowitz Sx				
5	L Sargent E	0	1	BK Horscroft Sx	N Edwards H	0	1	N Clifton Sy
	M Rackham K	1	0	D Cingvelova M				
6	R Crooks M	1	0	TF Fuller K	P Blackwell Sy	1	0	MM Wali H
	R Mortlock Sx	1	0	Jason Roberts E				
7	TR Jefferies K	½	a ½	DJ Opie Sx	Quentin Taylor M	0	1	R Harrison H
	D Innes Sy	0	1	J Figgins E				
8	D Hughes E	½	½	M Ram M	M Peat H	0	1	RS Rackham K
	EJ Hillier Sx	½	a ½	R Mistry Sy				
9	A Macdonald H	1	0	DL Roberts Sx	Norman Harris K	0	1	Wilson Dunsin E
	R McShane M	1	0	N Wood Sy				
10	R Weeter(?) E	1	0	F Lorett H	C Harvey Sy	1	0	S Plastow K
	G Parker Sx	1	0	def M				
11	M Tucker E	0	a 1	L Evboumwan Sy	B Savage H	1	0	def M
	M Curtis Sx	1	0	T Matthews K				
12	J Smith K	1	0	A Marris H	M Griffiths M	0	1	PW Pattison E
	B Sweetman Sy	½	½	JS White Sx				

Results Fred Manning. Not sure about one or two of the spellings; Fred didn't use a typewriter. The adjudications have been done with commendable dispatch, and obviously not through BCF channels, and we understand that one of them hung on a match captain's failure to make a telephone call. Scores: 1 Sussex 8/12; 2 Surrey 7; 3 Essex 6; 4 Middx 5½; 5 Kent 5; 6 Herts 4½. The top two are nominated for the BCF stage.

Stop press:

SURREY JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS at Glyn School, Ewell, 21-22 March 1992

Under 18 (28 pl) 1-3 AJ Cohen (Guildford CS), M Ferguson (RGS) 5/6; 4-6 DL Bisby (Reigate), O Rosten (Sutton Manor), SK Williams (St Peters) 4...

Under 15 (28 pl) 1 J Johnson (Wilsons) 5/6; 2-4 S Kapadia (Newland House), C Panayi (Wilsons), C Smith (Stanley Park) 4...

Under 13 (22 pl) 1 JW Clifford (The Mall) 6/6; 2 MC Campbell (Cranmore) 4½; 3-7 S Deall (Hollybrook), MFG Duggan (Chase Bridge), RG Hartley (Danes Hill), T Thrower (Whyteleafe), MD Watts (RGS) 4...

Under 11 A (Sat: 32 pl) 1-3 JT McKie, WM McKie (both Downside), MCA Moore (Whitgift) 5/6; 4 R Shelley (Whitgift) 4½...

Under 11 B (Sun: 60 pl) 1 M Inglis (Waverley Abbey) 6/6; 2-4 CP Hoffman (Danes Hill), R Rattray (St Dunstons), LTse (Eastwick) 5; 5-7 MFG Duggan (Chase Bridge), PD Richardson (Christ Church), JC Warris (Newland House) 4½... Results AJW Thorn

Even stopper press: Dear Richard,

25.3.92

Having suffered for 4 hours recently in a smoke-filled room where a county match was being played, I intend to lobby various UK chess bodies asking that they implement a non-smoking policy. Playing in an area where smoking is allowed is at best distracting and at worst a health hazard. It is also a serious deterrent to junior players.

FIDE has banned smoking in all international events, and more and more UK congresses are non-smoking. At many events smokers would not be too inconvenienced as it is often possible to have a separate area where they can go to smoke during the game.

Can I ask that others who feel as strongly as I do that smoking should be banned write to the BCF, the SCCU and their county association.

Yours sincerely,
Dave Vigus Chislehurst

CONGRESS DIARY

- Apr 3- 5 EDINBURGH Over 162; U164; U145; U126; U107; U39. Juniors U18/107, U12/89. Gordon MacDonald, 11 Viewforth Gardens, Edinburgh EH10 4ET. Juniors in non-junior events: add 100 to Scottish rating! (ChessMoves says add 13 to BCF one, but we can't find this in the leaflet and it shouldn't be true. What the hell, there won't be many SCCU juniors there.)
- 3- 5 COUNTY DURHAM at Washington. Open; U141; U111. PR Bielby, 30 Denham Avenue, Sunderland SR5 3HG
- 3- 5 WARWICKSHIRE at Nuneaton. EH Goodwin, 32 Alderminster Rd, Coventry CV5 7JQ 0203 458709
- 4 GOLDERS GREEN U150. Golders Green Quickplay, PO Box 1962, London NW4 4NF (081 202 0982)
- 5 BARBICAN. LG Goodwin, 48 Torrington Park N12 9TP 031 446 8569
- 10-12 NORFOLK at Norwich. Open; U160; U130; U100. J Charman, 45 Smiths Lane, Fakenham NR21 8LQ 0328 364177
- 11 BOURNE END. G Parker, 1 Thames Close, Bourne End, Bucks SL8 5QJ
- 11 TUNBRIDGE WELLS JUNIOR. U19/16/14/11/10/9/8 + Kent U12 Championship. RJ Haddrell, 48 Southview Rd, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN4 9BX 0892 532361
- 11-12 SOUTH HERTS at St Albans. JA Leake, 14 Highfield Avenue, Harpenden, Herts AL5 5UA 0582 713170
- 12 BASINGSTOKE. J French, 31 Brocas Drive, South View, Basingstoke 0256 472537
- 12 WARRINGTON. K Brown, 71 Lakeside Close, Widnes, Cheshire WA8 8RQ 051 424 0021
- 17-19 BOLTON. R Middleton, 21 Argo St, Bolton BL3 6TT 0204 651523
- 17-20 SURREY EASTER at Sutton incorporating SCCU Championship + British Championship Qualification. Open; U170; U145; U120; U100/ungraded. No smoking. FC Manning, 44 Willow Rd, Wallington, Surrey SM6 0PF
- 17-20 SOUTHEND EASTER (BCQ). Open 7 rds; Open graded Swisses 5 rds; Junior U12 Saturday. GMA Smith, 41 Westwood Gardens, Hadleigh, Benfleet, Essex SS7 2SH
- 18-20 WALSALL KIPPING Open; U161; U126. JW Withnall, 10 Gorway Close, Walsall, W Midlands WS1 3JG
- 22-24 MAIDENHEAD JUNIOR. U18/13/11/9. R Brugge, 16 Wootton Way, Maidenhead, Berks SL6 4QU
- May 1- 4 FOLKESTONE. GF Steele, 59 Ramsgate Rd, Margate, Kent CT9 5SA 0843 297045
- 2- 4 SCCU CENTENARY OPEN TEAM TOURNAMENT in central London. 6 rds, teams of four. Simon Spivack, 17 Claremont Square, Islington N1 9LY
- 2- 4 WARLEY QUINBORNE. J Lewis, 405 Court Oak Rd, Harborne, Birmingham B32 2DX 021 427 4988
- 9 GOLDERS GREEN as 4th April
- 10 BARBICAN as 5th April
- 15-17 FROME (BCQ). Open; U156; U121. G Jepps, 27 Lockey Rd, Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA4 5AQ 0749 344191
- 17 CITY CHESS as 5th April
- 17 SCUNTHORPE Open; U150; U110. S Lewis, 73 Rochdale Rd, Scunthorpe, Lincs DN16 3JE 0724 847952

ChessMoves, our (bought!) source for more than half of these, has developed a habit of saying "as above" when the fellow's details aren't above at all. Sure sign of a tired word processor, and ours knows the feeling.

Quote

"All affiliated clubs may send one representative to the Executive Committee meeting and all officers are expected to attend!" - County newsletter, and you may be able to guess which. The Bulletin's view has always been that officers are elected to do jobs, and if they can do them without attending committee meetings good luck to them.

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