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I've done it now. A foolscap Bulletin, for reasons I won't bore you with, meant a daisywheel printer, sub-standard reproduction, and all manner of frustrations with spacing and fonts (and exclamation marks). As I write, I've not seen what the new version looks like. The front cover is a question mark. But I hope that your new Bulletin, while still a stencil-and-shoestring affair, will offer some compensations for the antique charm of the old one.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Richard,

...I would suggest you could have a lost and found section in the Bulletin. I am at present carrying two pullovers in the back of my car... If nobody makes a claim I shall give both garments to Oxfam or some other charity in the summer.

Yours sincerely,

FRED MANNING Match Captain, Surrey I/III

Consider it open. One is brown, found at Berks venue 15 Oct; the other is navy blue, found at Sutton 28 Jan.

Dear Richard,

25 February 1995

With rules so much at the forefront, readers may be interested in a couple of minor incidents in my own games this year. I should mention that my own attitude to play is to play for fun and get a fair result, not to get game points at all costs.

1. Guildford club match in the Border League (36 moves in 1h30 then adjourn or adjudicate): my opponent soon after making his move 30 and after stopping his clock and starting mine, with 1 or 2 min for his remaining 6 moves against about 5 min for mine, offered me a draw in a complicated unclear position. To minimise this distraction in my thinking time I said a quick "no", then thought for about 3 min, then said I was accepting, whereupon my opponent said the draw was no longer on offer. So I stopped the clock and insisted on the draw on the grounds of: (1) an offered draw cannot be retracted on the move; (2) the draw was illegally offered in my own time. In fact, having declined the draw, point (1) ceased to be true (see Art.10.7); but I would argue that holding to the draw was a reasonable penalty against (2) (under Art.10.8). In fact my opponent fairly soon graciously accepted the draw without further argument.

2. Kent II county match (35 moves in 1h45, then rest in 30min): having passed the 35-move time control with 1h31 on my clock and 1h01 on my opponent's, I found myself at move 72, with about 30sec left against about 30min for my opponent, defending a  $K + R \text{ v } K + R + P$  ending with my K effectively (though not actually) in front of the P and my opponent's K about 2 rows behind the P. Believing this to be a clear book draw but not thinking I had enough time to play it out carefully, I stopped the clock and claimed a draw under what is QP-Finish rule 16, on the 2nd grounds, viz that "it is not possible to win by normal means". (My opponent was still clearly trying to win over the board, although I had the impression that he had been playing the ending more quickly than necessary on his clock, and thereby not as well as he might have, because presumably he was hoping to win partly through my time trouble.) My opponent (a junior) and several experienced seniors around were somewhat taken aback by this, one even suggesting we should just play on. But both captains, after a little consultation, agreed my action was correct and the situation should be referred to the County Match Controller with the match result, more in the spirit of seeking confirmation rather than as a claim.

I think most active players probably more or less know the essentials of the main Laws of Chess (as shown by the lack of much argument over incident (1)). But it seemed obvious to me that several experienced county players did not know about QP-finish rule 16, probably the most significant rule in QP-finishes. As they don't all read the SCCU Bulletin, can I suggest a little circular to regular players, via their captains, on this subject? I don't actually relish scoring points through my opponents' ignorance, but equally I don't see why I should be penalised because of it. Armed with the correct knowledge, my opponent might have thought harder and beaten me through playing better chess, clearly the intent of the rules.

Yours sincerely

H TREVOR JONES Guildford

PS On the proposed publication of interim grading lists (issue 121:2). I disagree with one of Martin Cath's comments. It would be quite possible to publish interim (and incomplete) grading lists without requiring graders to use two lists at once in their calculations. Just base all calculations on the old Autumn list, and treat the interim one merely as an information service to players.

Ed: - The Postscript was suggested by a telephone call from HTJ, shortly after I received his letter, and its wording is mine. I agree with him, as it happens, and not just with graders' convenience in mind. Using up-to-date interim grades in calculations is obviously correct, if you want grading to be as accurate and sensitive as possible. Only you have to do it right! The interim grades must logically be accompanied by a new, and complete, master list for graders' use. Otherwise you're using up-to-date grades for people with (say) 10 games in the first half-year, and old grades for people with 9. That can't be right.

HTJ's claim for a draw was subsequently upheld, and the opponents have appealed.

**Dear Mr. Haddrell,**

5.2.95

Thank you for the SCCU Bulletin, which arrived this morning. Please note my new address (formerly 43, Stuart Road). Perhaps you would be good enough to publicise this: there are 4 entries against my name in the new BCF year book. One of them is for a different P. Walker and two of them show my old address.

I enclose some results, on disk, but include a printed version, just in case you can't read them. I use Amipro - you should be able to import these to Word 6.0. If you have problems, I'm happy to provide telephone support at 0% of my usual fee!

You will notice that my own children's performances in some of the events were rather good. I would prefer that others blow their trumpets for them, but part of my job as County Junior Organiser is to publicise results from Essex. Besides, this is why Essex pay for my subscription to the SCCU Bulletin.

Some other information: the F. Pulley shown as Essex board 4 v Herts (u100) in a previous SCCU bulletin is actually the same Frank Gulley as played against Middlesex. The Joe Sansom (Bd 4, Middx v Essex u100) is indeed Joe Sansom.

**PETER WALKER**

62 East St, Southend-on-Sea, Essex SS2 6LH

Ed: Right name is Gulley. Afraid I haven't publicised the Essex-Junior extract from the Ilford results. If someone were to send the Ilford results, I'd publish those.

Word gets quite petulant about Amipro. When Mr Walker spelt it like that it wanted AmiPro, then when I spelt it AmiPro it wanted Amipro. The underlying point is that, however it spells it, it can't read it. So I pretended the letter was a text file, and edited out the embedded codes and things. If you know a better way of doing this, tell me. (A better way, for a document of this length, is typing it out again. For a longer document, with a higher ratio of text to embedded code, that might not be the case.)

Trevor Jones sent his letter three ways - once on paper, once as a word processor file in some format foreign to me, and once as a text file. My beast read the text file easily. This seems to be the answer. The beast is literate in Word and Word Perfect (various versions), but if you've got anything else it would like a text file please. I think most word processors can save documents in text form if you ask them nicely.

**Dear Richard,**

13.3.95

I was interested to read Dinah Norman's letter in the SCCU Bulletin, and in every other chess magazine. I'm always reluctant to compare the state of English tournaments to the situation in the US because there are, no doubt, such substantial differences between the chess culture in both countries. However, as a player graded 190 who (allegedly) has very few chances of picking up prizes I thought I could add usefully to the debate.

What Dinah suggests is that there are not enough active tournament players in the 170-200 bracket because they can't win prizes or because they don't want to play opponents substantially stronger than themselves. The situation for the 190 player who has to enter Opens and cannot win grading prizes or (allegedly) the main prizes is that same situation which exists for the player graded 121 who has to enter the Major U160 section of the congress - but they don't complain about "three or four 150+ players turning up and winning all the prizes", do they? Sometimes we just have to acknowledge that we play chess for fun, and not for money. Many of us play chess for the express purpose of improving our game against strong opposition.

What does Dinah truly seek to achieve? Is it to increase the number of players in the 170-200 bracket participating in tournaments or is it to increase the number of tournaments at which those players might win prize money? The two things are not the same.

If we are going to look at the situation in the US as a model then let us look at the whole situation, not just a few aspects. In the UK chess clubs and matches in leagues are the basis of chess activity, whilst counties prefer to put their efforts into promoting inter-county matches and competitions. If I were a cynic who wanted to maximize the number of people playing in the top sections of the opens then I would scrap county matches and leagues.

In the States the basis of chess is the weekend tournament. Even then, a casual examination of my latest copy of "Chess Horizons" (New England) shows that the typical weekend event is much smaller than the typical British swiss. Most large US tournaments are sponsored four-round swisses on Saturdays and Sundays (no late Friday or Saturday rounds) in up to six sections. Ratings are published every six months and the grading information is incorporated into the list in the correct chronological order. Frankly I do not trust British grades enough to split events into sections with 25 point grading bands.

The local associations maintain an official diary of events which meet their standards and act as coordinators so that new organisers do not just dump clashing new events onto the calendar. Organisers are also required to send graders information promptly and guarantee prize funds which obliges most organisers to word their leaflets most carefully. In the US the local chess associations are powerful forces with professional organisers who get paid for their full-time efforts.

Sadly I think weekend chess in London and the South-East has been damaged not by tournament formats (I think that the ideal tournament format is one where I am the highest graded player, indeed the only player, so I get a section and the prizes to myself, Ho-Ho) but by rising rents, the depression, and cynical organisers who grandly promise attractive prize funds (justifying charging high entry fees) and then repeatedly slash the prizes when the

entries "prove insufficient". I recently played in a well-known London event which that day enjoyed a record turnout. I later discovered that the prizes had still been trimmed. Players have come to expect a low standard of service from organisers, and are rewarded with just that. I gave up playing county matches because I resented travelling long distances to play one game of chess. But many players prefer county matches because of the team spirit, and the fact that they do not have to give up an entire weekend to chess when their work, social and family commitments do not permit it.

I think that players based in the South-East (as both Dinah and myself are) should look for a lead to the superb, well organised tournaments organised in the Midlands, where they regularly pull in sponsors and run events in pleasant hotel venues and attract players in numbers which would stun most of us (300 for a quickplay) because they provide accommodation possibilities and trouble-free car parking and run the events efficiently with enough arbiters to keep on top of all the work and surprises that tournaments involve.

Yours sincerely,

ADAM RAOOF London NW4 4NF

Incidentally, the editor of "Chess Horizons" says he can accept contributions in over twenty formats and goes on to list them.. but I think he's just showing off.

## JUNIOR NEWS

### SCCU U18 JAMBOREES

4th March 1995 at Haversack: 40 in 100 min then QPF 20/20

MAJOR COUNTIES (in right-hand column, all the Whites "floated" up from the board below)

White		Black	White		Black
1 James Vigus 195 K	0 1	T H-Edwards 206 M	David Gibeon 169 M	0 1	Mark Ferguson 214 S
2 R Bates 211 S	1 0	Jeffrey Titmas 180 K			
3 Joel Newman 172 K	½ ½	Blair Connell 210 S	Oliver Rosten 184 S	0 1	Chris Baker 167 M
4 Lee Jacobs 167 M	0 1	Mark Roberts 151 K			
5 Nick Harmer 151 S	1 0	David J Titmas 148 K	Nathan Alfred 142 K	1 0	Matthew Brief 166 M
6 Michael Duggan 163 M	0 1	M Anderson 154 S			
7 Robert Shorthouse 147 S	0 1	B Bramham 161 M	Matthew Cave 143 M	½ ½	Matthew Noakes 141 K
8 John D Titmas 136 K	0 1	Alistair Mills 145 S			
9 Costas Harris 120 M	1 0	Colin Moore 131 K	Lucy Horton 84 K	1 0	Jonathan Johnson 143 M
10 James Mills 136 S	1 0	Paul Saffer 134 M			
11 Alex Goodman M	0 1	William McKie 136 S	Christopher Panayi 135 S	0 1	Philip Richardson 113 K
12 Ian Moore 80 K	0 1	Geraint Edwards 11 M			

Teams: 1 Surrey 8½/12; 2 Middx 5½; 3 Kent 4

### MINOR COUNTIES (no floats)

White		Black	White		Black
1 Ben Savage 174 H	½ ½	Jovanka Houska 173 Br	Paul Bradford 138 S	½ ½	Andrew George 174 Bu
Nigel Cundy 145 E	½ ½	Peter Hastings 158 O			
2 Felix Findeison 151 O	½ ½	Steven Willison 131 S	Daniel Lambourne 168 Bu	½ ½	Nicholas Lee 152 H
Aiden Leech 158 Br	1 0	Tim Hebbes 134 E			
3 Ian Henderson 150 Br	1 0	W Whittow 167 Bu	Patrick Nolan 120 H	0 1	Carl Moxley 135 O
Cammill Taank 133 E	½ ½	L Rackham 120 S			
4 James Haestier 109 S	1 0	Anthony Challis 116 H	Scott Crockart 111 O	½ ½	David Gold 124 Br
James Foster 157 Bu	0 1	Daniel Storey 116 E			
5 Philip Hobbs 151 Bu	1 0	Nick Kenrick 127 O	Richard Hogg 114 Br	0 1	Anthony Higgs 96 S
Matthew Lewsey 103 E	1 0	Mark Waltham 114 H			
6 Paul Cocks 110 H	0 1	Chris Bates 102 E	Matthew Poulson 87 S	0 1	David Lewis 112 Br
John Beaumont 111 O	0 1	Matthew George 134 Bu			
7 Liam Hyland E	1 0	Alan Hawkins 132 Bu	Kwokhuie Chung Br	½ ½	Stephen Bough 106 O
Rob Morris 105 H	0 1	Rhys Bowen 81 S			
8 Nick Matthewson O	1 0	Adam Humphreys 94 H	Marc Ely 56 S	0 1	M Silverstone 108 E
David Haynes 130 Bu	1 0	Gareth Davies 79 Br			
9 Ian Gunn E	0 1	Peter Hamborg 88 Br	Remi Strauss H	0 1	J Shuttlewood 125 Bu
Tat-On Man 62 S	0 1	Jesse Turner 111 O			
10 Alistair Good O	0 1	Thomas O'Brien 107 E	Stephen Clark 124 Bu	1 0	Giles Gardner S
Ivana Houska 90 Br	½ ½	David Waltham 84 H			
11 Terry Coleman 80 H	0 1	Simon Johnson Br	Tom Ely 69 S	0 1	Colin Hobbs 121 Bu
Graham Walker 93 E	1 0	Laurence Hunt 83 O			
12 James Buchanan 66 O	1 0	Daniel Triggs 89 S	Neil Foster 114 Bu	1 0	David Rogers H
Sagar Parekh 114 Br	0 1	Robert Giddens 90 E			

Teams: 1 Essex 9/12; 2 Bucks 8; 3 Berks 7; 4 Oxon 6; 5 Sussex 4½; 6 Herts 1½. Bucks get a repêchage place in the finals. (And what were Essex doing in the Minor Counties?)



**GIRLS FIRST TEAMS** (White floated up on unnumbered boards)

White		Black	White		Black
1 Alison Swersky M	0 1	Harriet Hunt 209 O	Ruth Bates 135 S	0 1	Jessica Ho 138 K
Catherine Holmes 128 K	½ ½	Ellen Walker 106 E			
2 Lucy Smith 116 O	1 0	C Webster 132 S	Brenda Cundy 76 E	0 1	Tatjana Trifunovic 84M
3 Beatrice McLeod 101 O	1 0	Ninal Taank 76 E	Joanna Hart 113 S	1 0	Tamar Miller 75 M
Sophia Flucker 76 M	0 1	Amy Kieran 113 K			
4 Emma O'Neil 61 E	0 1	Lucy Broomfield 104S	Rosalind Kieran 112 K	1 0	Caroline Cookson 76 O
5 Helen Leidecker 75 S	½ ½	Kate Ansell 70 O	Suzanna Morton 60 M	½ ½	Katie Bates E
Corinne Stannard E	0 1	Heather Richards 78K			
6 Rachel Reeves 107 K	1 0	Hannah Stafford 76 S	Elsbeth Buchanan 62 O	0 1	Fiona McIlreavy M

Teams: 1 Kent 5½/6; 2 Oxon 3½; 3-4 Middx, Surrey 2½; 5 Essex 1. Middx get repêchage place, Essex nominated for Minor Counties.

**GIRLS SECOND TEAMS** (White floated up in right-hand column)

White		Black	White		Black
1 Rebecca Larking 89 S	1 0	Helen Sender 78 M	Katie Preiskel M	0 1	Eleanor Reeves 90 K
2 Helena White 83 K	0 1	Jaimini Kothari 86 S			
3 Priya Kothari 75 S	0 1	Amanda Jones K	Lucy Horton 84 K	1 0	Nina D'Cruz 56 M
4 def M	0 1	Delia Caneppele 54 S			
5 Emily Manuel 78 K	1 0	Hannah Storer 63 M	Naomi Attar M	0 1	Annabel Yadoo 85 S
6 Melanie Appleby S	1 0	def K			

Teams: 1 Surrey 5/6; 2 Kent 4; 3 Middx 0

Yes, Lucy Horton (Kent) played in the Major Counties as well as the Girls Second Teams. She won quickly in the Girls, then went and replaced an absentee.

"For grading only":

Heather Walker 43 E	0 1	Delia Caneppele 54 S	Melanie Appleby S	1 0	Alexander O'Neil E
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**BASILDON JUNIOR CHESS CONGRESS**, 20/11/94.

**Under-18** Section (incorporating under-16s) 1st Karl Mah (Wanstead) 5½/6

**Under-16** 1st Lucy Broomfield (Norwood) 4/6

**Under-14** 1st David Kraushaar (Ipswich) 6/6

**Under-12** 1st= David Ho (Maidstone), Liam Hylands (Colchester) 5½/6

**Under-10** 1st Graham Walker (Temple Sutton School, Southend) 6/6

**Under-8** 1st Heather Walker (Temple Sutton School, Southend) 6/6

**BERKSHIRE SCHOOLS** 21-22 January 1995

**Open** (11 pl) 1 Joseph Conlon (Douai) 4½/5; 2 Aiden Leech (St Bernards) 4; 3 Richard Hogg (Altwood) 3½...

**Under 15** (6 pl) 1-2 Alex Edmans (St Pauls), David Gold (Reading) 4½/5...

**Under 13** (11 pl) 1 Edward Armstrong (Oratory) 6/7; 2 Malcolm Bovey (Cippenham) 5½; 3 Thomas Whipple (Reading) 5...

**Under 12** (20 pl) 1 Matthew Sommer (College Town) 6/7; 2 Marcus Coupe (Rotherham) 5½; 3-4 James Foster (John Rankin), Hayden Lossock (Aylesbury) 5...

**Under 11** (19 pl) 1 Artemy Kalinin (Douai) 6/7; 2-3 James Foster (John Rankin), Matthew Sommer (College Town) 5½; 4-5 Josiah Lutton (Basildon), Simon Murtagh (Holyport) 5...

**Under 10** (12 pl) 1 Ezra Lutton (Basildon) 6½/7; 2-3 Leila Nathoo (Richmond), Andrew Navias (Cheapside) 5; 4 Oliver Coddington (Fareham) 4½...

**Under 9** (12 pl) 1 Ezra Lutton (Basildon) 5½/7; 2-4 Graham Hargreaves (Beenham), Graham Morris (Abingdon), Tom Winfield (Portsmouth) 5; 5 Kenji Nicholas (Stoke Poges) 4...

**Under 8** (13 pl) 1-2 Josiah Lutton (Basildon), Kenji Nicholas (Stoke Poges) 5/6; 3-5 William Foster (John Rankin), Colin Kay (Guildford), Charlotte Wilcox (Willenhall) 4... Results Nigel Dennis

**NYCA UNDER 16 TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS** at Q Marys GS Walsall 11th March 1995

**Championship:** 1 Surrey 30½/36; 2 Warwicks 28; 3 Kent 27½; 4 Gtr Manchester 26; 5 Richmond 23½; 6 Wilts 22; 7 Bucks 19; 8 Glamorgan 18½; 9 Yorks 17; 10 Leics 15; 11 Berks 14½; 12 Staffs 11½; 13 Derbys 11; 14 Northants 10; 15-16 Lincs, Ches & N Wales 7.

**"Major" section:** 1 Kent B 31/36; 2 Gtr Manchester B 29½; 3 Warwicks B 26½; 4 Derbys B 23; 5 Glam B 22; 6 Leics B 16½; 7 Derbys C 13½; 8 Ches & N Wales 12; 9 Leics C 5; 10 Leics D 0.

**EPSCA UNDER 9 TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP:** Southern Zone Qualifier at Whitstable 18th March 1995

1 Richmond 29/36; 2 Wey Valley 27½; 3 Kent 26½; 4 Essex 21; 5 Bucks 20½; 6 Barnet 18; 7 NW London 14; 8 Berks 13; 9 Hants 12½; 10 Wilts 12; 11 S London 4. The top 6 qualified for the finals.

**"TIMES" BRITISH SCHOOLS CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Interzonal Round 1:** Hampton School (16.4) 6 0 Christs Hospital Horsham (15.11); Kings Peterborough (16.0) \*3 3 Stamford (16.2); Arden Solihull (12.9) \*3 3 Q Marys Walsall (16.6); Maidstone GS (14.9) 4 2 Trinity Croydon (15.2); Bluecoat Liverpool (13.8) \*3 3 Lancaster RGS (16.6); Monmouth (16.4) 3½ 2½ Bishop Wordsworths Salisbury (15.0); Truro (16.5) 4½ 1½ Torquay (15.11); Southend High School (16.2) 5 1 St Teresas Ipswich (10.3); Haberdashers Elstree (16.3) 6 0 Christs College Finchley (16.0)

**Round 2 draw:** Batley GS v Manchester Grammar; Hampton v Haberdashers; Kings v Arden; Maidstone GS v St Pauls; Methodist College Belfast v Bluecoat; Monmouth v Truro; Perth High School v RGS Newcastle; Southend v Ipswich School

**Plate:** Since last year there is also a Plate competition for Zone runners-up. Round 2 draw, for schools recognised as SCCU: RGS Guildford or Cavendish School v Westminster School; RGS High Wycombe v Hasmaneian High (who?).  
Results Mitchell Taylor

**KENT JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS** at Langley Park, Beckenham, 28th January 1995

**Under 18** (14 pl) 1 James Vigus 5/6; 2 Joel Newman 4½; 3-4 David Moskovic, John Potter 4...

**Under 16** (10 pl) 1-2 Catherine Holmes, Nathan Alfred 4½/6; 3-5 Paul Bradford, Sam Coates, Matthew Noakes 4...

**Under 14** (43 pl) 1 Martin Taylor 5½/6; 2-4 David Titmas, John Titmas, Jessica Ho 5; 5-7 Timothy Holmes, Trevor Jarrett, Heather Richards 4½...

**Under 11** (54 pl) 1 David Ho 5½/6; 2-3 Stephen Casement, Peter Titmas 5; 4-8 Matthew Avery, Emily Manuel, Steven Pretty, Paul Richards, Matthew Rogers 4½...

**KENT** schools chess risks domination by Maidstone GS for the next year or three. Apart from winning the local zone of the "Times", they have already won this year's Kent Senior Championship and are in the final of both U16 and U13. We won't let them play in the U11. Suspected main culprits are strong chess activity in feeder schools, and the huge and active Maidstone club.

**SURREY JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS** at Whitgift, Croydon, 18-19 March 1995

**Under 18/16** 1-3 (and all U16s) L Bayli (Teddington), M Broomfield (St Anselms), M Campbell (RGS) 4½; 4-5 R Manvatkar (Whitgift), M Reuter (KCS) 3½...

**Under 15/14** 1 L Broomfield (St Marys) 7; 2 S Garrett (Cheam: U14) 6; 3 S Lobb (Ingram) 5; 4 S Lock (Glyn) 4...

**Under 13** 1-2 S Patel (Trinity), R Rattray (Tiffin) 5; 3-4 C Bates (Sutton GS), J Shaheed (Wilsons) 4½...

**Under 12 A** 1-2 K Feld, M Feld (Danes Hill); 3-5 A Brims (Greenshaw), T Leung (Glyn), S Robati (RGS) 4...

**Under 12 B** 1 A Yadoo (LE Holles) 5½; 2 M King (Danes Hill) 5; 3-4 D Bushell, O Luen (Shrewsbury) 4...

Results AJW Thorn

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**GUILDFORD QUICKPLAY** 12th March 1995 attracted 241 players including 91 juniors.

**Premier** (31 ent) 1 Aaron Summerscale (Hackney) 6/6; 2-5 Blair Connell (Guildford), Andy Hammond (Kings Head), Philip Rossiter (Cavendish), Peter Kemp 4½... **GRADING U186** Simon Williams (Hart) 4

**Under 166** (49 ent) 1-2 Gian Bimbatti (Nottingham Univ), Paul Dupré (Addlestone) 5½/6; 3-5 Stephen Deall (Southampton), Brian Johnson (Salisbury), Dominic Tunks (Emsworth) 4½... **GRADING U150 GCW** Coomber (Redhill) 4; **JUNIOR** Ian Henderson (Earley) 4

**Under 131** (58 ent) 1 Leigh Debbage (Thamesdown) 5½/6; 2-4 Mark Campbell (RGS Guildford), Matthew King (Danes Hill), Scott Crockett (Didcot) 5... **GRADING 110-119** Neil Crees (Guildford) 4½; **U110** Gavin Lock (Crawley) 4. **JUNIOR** James Mills (Ashted) 4½

**Under 101** (103 ent) 1 Kevin Baggs (Hoddesdon) 6/6; 2 S Clark 5½; 3-8 Tommy Stubbington (Richmond Jrs), Trevor Talbot (Basingstoke), Kate Feld (Danes Hill), David Cable (Wallington), Moritz Reuter (Kings College), David Laturner (Bracknell) 5... **GRADING U70 M** Emson (Dulwich) 4; **U60** Jonathan Povah (Guildford), Lorin D'Costa (Royston), Bill Turner (Christs Hospital) 4; **UNGRADED** Bob Wooding (Bracknell), John Levitt (Haywards Heath) 4½. **JUNIOR** Steven Garrett (Ashted), Oliver Coddington (Southampton) 4½. **LADIES** Lucy Broomfield (South Norwood) 4½

Results PM Stimpson

## SCCU COUNTY MATCHES: FINAL LEAGUE TABLES

OPEN	C	M	E	K	H	Sx	Sy	O	Br	GP	MP
1 Cambs		12	10½	10½	12	12	12	10	11½	90½	7½
2 Middx	8		14½	11½	13½	12½	13	13	14	100	7
3 Essex	9½	5½		12	11½	13½	11	11½	12½	87	6
4 Kent	9½	8½	8		14½	12½	6½	17	12	88½	4
5 Herts	8	6½	8½	5½		12	12	13	10½	76	4
6 Sussex	8	7½	6½	7½	8		10½	*9½	12½	70	3
7 Surrey	8	7	9	13½	8	9½		12	8	75	2
8 Oxon	10	7	8½	3	7	8½	8		11	63	1½
9 Berks	8½	6	7½	8	9½	7½	12	9		68	1

UNDER 175	K	E	Sx	Sy	K	E	Sx	Sy	GP	MP
1 Kent		8½	8½	5½		7½	11½	9	50½	4
2 Essex	7½		6½	7½	8½		10½	11	51½	3
3 Sussex	7½	9½		8	4½	5½		*8	43	2½
4 Surrey	10½	8½	8		7	5	7		46	2½

UNDER 150	Sx	E	H	Sy	K	GP	MP
1 Sussex		8½	9½	8½	10½	37	4
2 Essex	7½		8	8½	10½	34½	2½
3 Herts	6½	8		9½	9	33	2½
4 Surrey	7½	7½	6½		10	31½	1
5 Kent	5½	5½	7	5		23	0

UNDER 125	M	Sx	E	O	Sy	Ka	Kb	GP	MP
1 Middx		9½	7½	8½	11½	8½	10½	56	5
2 Sussex	6½		8½	8½	10½	10	8½	52½	5
3 Essex	8½	7½		4	10	8	9	47	3½
4 Oxon	7½	7½	12		6	10	8½	51½	3
5 Surrey	4½	5½	6	9		7	8½	40½	2
6 Kent A	7½	6	8	6	9		4	40½	1½
7 Kent B	5½	7½	7	7½	7½	12		47	1

UNDER 100	E	H	K	M	E	H	K	M	GP	MP
4 Essex		6½	3½	5		3½	4	5½	28	1
Herts	5½		4	6½	8½			5½	(30)	2/5
1 Kent	8½	8		7	8			7	(38½)	5/5
Middx	*6	5½	5		6½	6½	5		34½	3

\* Match won

#### Loose ends

U100 Kent v Herts 25.2.95 was not played; Herts claim a win, Kent would accept "match void" or re-arrange it.

U175 Sussex v Surrey 10.12.94: score (but not match result) subject to adjustment. Sx appeal on eligibility.

U175 Sussex v Kent 4.2.95: score (but not match result) subject to adjustment. Sx appeal on QPF ruling.

A few more details on page 12.

The tables are complete but include one result picked up by telephone: U100 MH. We hope to publish full details of this match next time. We will also publish BCF-stage matches for SCCU nominees, if match captains will send them. (Please!)

Middx - Sx U125 (last issue, p8): your Editor was dozing when he wrote the footnote. Ignore him.

**Nominations** look straightforward, so long as you can remember who the Minor Counties are (your Editor never can). Actually it's 1 Herts 2 Surrey, but we had to be told. Hope Middx have noticed they're not an MC now. There is no BCF U100 Championship, but the MCCU run a competition as well and a match is proposed between our respective champions. We believe the BCF have already invited them to play it at Finals Day in Birmingham.

#### County Match Quotes

"It was a pleasure to see Middlesex [U125] transformed from their disgraceful shambles of last year into a well-organised competent team, who did us the courtesy of not enforcing a 2.00 start, and with whom we had a couple of pints in the pub afterwards: very sporting opponents." - Paul Buswell

"I think our first win against Kent since 87/88. And Kent's last season with 3 SCCU defeats [spoke too soon - Ed] was in... No-one can remember." - JR Cooke

"Average [grade of team] 162.5 (171 excluding default)". Eh? Looks like they're counting their defaulter as grade zero. That's one way of doing it.

"Playing extra four boards was hard at first." - An U125 match captain.



Essex	14.1.95	Herts*	Berks*	28.1.95	Cambs*
1 N Carr 208 (W)	1 0	J Rudge 203	MV Houska 208 (W)	½ ½	MJ Turner 227
2 M Twyble 216	0 1	S Swanson 202	PS Cooksey 197	0 1	JF Parker 224
3 J Rogers 205	1 0	P Maguire 190	PJ Sharp 190	½ ½	AR Jones 206
4 G Kenworthy 205	1 0	S Roe 198	HW Murphy 179	1 0	AJ Cohen 204
5 J Hodgson 201	1 0	B Savage 174	Jovanka Houska 173	½ ½	AHL Hon 199
6 G Moore 200	0 1	H Tebbs 189	JP Conlon 179	0 1	MH Thornton 196
7 A Dunn 198	1 0	K Clark 185	DS Tucker 171	0 1	D Cristinacce 189
8 K Mah 195	1 0	C Majer 177	IR Henderson 150	0 1	B Hague 183
9 B Kemish 186	1 0	K Ellis 176	PS Janota 174	1 0	PA Garner 177
10 J Manley 185	1 0	R Brennan 174	JT Munday 171	0 1	NDJ Noden 170
11 D Sherman 192	1 0	S Tovey 174	AJ Cox 164	½ ½	D Hotham 160
12 J Nellist 188	½ ½	S Law 153	MC Bowhay 163	1 0	RM Little 154
13 I Myall 184	½ ½	J Denton 172	L Davis 162	1 0	NC Pyper 155
14 S Kalinsky 183	0 1	B McReamoinn 171	SL Freitag 163	½ ½	M Hasenbusch -
15 R Parker 180	0 1	T Ray 159 (r)	AM Leech 158	0 1	PN Best 147
16 R White 179	½ ½	D Fewell 170	PAF Watkins 156	½ ½	J Wright 142
17 S Harris 175	0 1	A Gilfillan -	CJ Lyne 158	½ ½	EM Holland 152
18 R Heppinstall 174	0 1	T Sinkinson 169	SG Gilmour 160	0 1	K Buecker 150
19 D Millward 172	1 0	J Franks 165	BG Millis 149	1 0	J Tabraham 133
20 I Smith 165	0 1	N Lee 153	Mario Houska 129	0 1	P Bisson 123
(Wanstead)	11½ 8½		(Bracknell)	8½ 11½	
Kent*	28.1.95	Sussex*	Surrey*	28.1.95	Essex*
1 AE Hanreck 212 (W)	½ ½	DH Cummings 223	APH Kinsman 229	1 0	AP Lewis 210 (B)
2 NF Dickenson 210	½ ½	GH James 208	CKD Holland 205	½ ½	NL Carr 208
3 IR Watson 206	½ ½	DB Graham 200	C O'Shaughnessy 200	½ ½	M Twyble 216
4 S Bibby 202	0 1	B Cafferty 190	PD Kemp 195	0 1	DJ Coleman 205
5 C Chandler 202	½ ½	SJ Newman 193	RA Allicock 195	0 1	G Kenworthy 205
6 D Gormally 196	½ ½	MD Nicholas 184	JC Marley 184	1 0	JH Hodgson 201
7 JD Wager 192	1 0	J Graham 182	DB Rosen 183	1 0	GJ Moore 200
8 JN Sugden 191	1 0	PG Farr 182	JM Shepley 182	0 1	A Dunn 198
9 JE Scholes 185	1 0	R Elliston 181	BG Whyte 180	1 0	KCC Mah 195
10 CI Howell 178	½ ½	JA Dodgson 181	Suzanne Connolly-	0 1	JP Manley
11 D Farndon -	1 0	AO Pickersgill 178	KP Mynett 176	½ ½	IJ Myall 184
12 LJ Smart 181	1 0	RJ Almond 175	K Richardson 175	1 0	S Death 185
13 G Botley 186	½ ½	R O'Brien 175	ME Osborne 171	1 0	SM Kalinsky 183
14 RMR O'Kelly 180	½ ½	IG Kelly 168	PJ Roche 171	½ ½	R Parker 180
15 N Donovan 178	0 1	MR Stott 167	PM Stimpson 170	0 1	RP Whyte 179
16 Z Mehmet 170	1 0	CN Hann 168	FC Manning 134 (r)	0 1	S Harris 175
17 M Brougham 165	½ ½	P Watson 163	CR Clegg 166	0 1	GA Reid 171
18 LR Gurr 164	1 0	RH Clark 158	S M-Ross 164	0 1	DJ Millward 172
19 S Jacobs 162	½ ½	LJ Cannon 154	RJ Wilcox 158	1 0	CR Ramage 171
20 R Winterburn 150	½ ½	PR Selby 148	K Hurst 156	1 0	SD Harvey 168
(Orpington)	12½ 7½		(Stevenage)	9 11	
Middx*	28.1.95	Oxon	Herts*	11.2.95	Surrey*
1 SH Berry 220 (B)	1 0	P Jowett 189	P Byway 198 (B)	1 0	PD Kemp 195
2 TA Fatin 216	1 0	M Truran 200	S Swanson 202	1 0	RA Allicock 195
3 S Brown 208	1 0	A Hunt 198	J Rudge 203	½ ½	SG Walker 188
4 RJ McMichael 208	1 0	T Dickinson 188	S Roe 198	1 0	O Rosten 184
5 M Lyell 197	1 0	M Devereaux 180	P Maguire 190	½ ½	KFH Inwood 184
6 A Trifunovic 197	0 1	DG Hackett 184	B Savage 174	0 1	DB Rosen 183
7 TJ Kett 197	½ ½	R Nixon 167	K Clark 185	1 0	def
8 def	1 0	D Lee 179	C Prendergast 178	1 0	KP Mynett 176
9 KR Barnes 190	1 0	R Starkie 171	C Majer 177	0 1	K Richardson 175
10 C Gant 189	½ ½	J Stayt 168	K Ellis 176	0 1	ME Osborne 171
11 R Sagall 188	1 0	N Jones 166	S Tovey 174	1 0	PM Stimpson 170
12 NRE Aldritt 192	½ ½	D Ewart	D Fewell 170	½ ½	DR Sedgwick 169
13 J Burke 183	½ ½	D Bruce 161	S Law 153	1 0	CR Clegg 166
14 CNJ Rose 183	½ ½	N Hepworth 154	M Robertson 159	½ ½	SMacdonald-Ross 164
15 MW Tasker 177	1 0	P Hastings 158	J Cook 171	0 1	JJ Skielnik 163
16 RJ Pearce 180	½ ½	L Millin 153	T Sinkinson 169	½ ½	CJ Mann 159
17 TKH Lee 164	1 0	C Marcus 2046	B Morris 168	1 0	RJ Wilcox 158
18 AM Dunn 159	1 0	M Harrison 151	S Rawlings 167	1 0	K Hurst 156
19 WG West 149	0 1	G Alcock 150	K Robbins 164	½ ½	PD Dupré 156
20 M Griffiths	0 1	C Moxley 135	T Ray 159	0 1	FC Manning 134
(Chess & Br)	13 7		(Stevenage)	12 8	

<b>Sussex*</b>		11.2.95	<b>Berks*</b>		11.2.95	<b>Essex*</b>		11.2.95	<b>Kent*</b>	
1 GH James 208 (W)	1/2	1/2	MV Houska 208			NL Carr 208 (W)	0	1	D King 231	
2 FJ Kwiatkowski 205	1/2	1/2	PJ Sharp 190			AP Lewis 210	1	0	N McDonald 225	
3 B Cafferty 190	1	0	Jovanka Houska 173			M Twyble 216	1/2	1/2	J Richardson 208	
4 SJ Newman 194	1	0	DS Tucker 171			J Rogers 205	1	0	N Dickenson 210	
5 MD Nicholas 184	1	0	PS Janota 174			G Kenworthy 205	1/2	1/2	AE Hanreck 212	
6 J Graham 182	0	1	IR Henderson 150			JH Hodgson 201	1	0	J Vigus 195	
7 PG Farr 182	1	0	JT Munday 171			A Dunn 198	1/2	1/2	D Gormally 196	
8 JA Dodgson 181	1	0	AJ Cox 164			GJ Moore 200	0	1	J Wager 192	
9 RV Elliston 181	1/2	1/2	MC Bowhay 163			KCC Mah 195	1/2	1/2	A Mack 192	
10 AOPickersgill 178	1/2	1/2	L Davis 162			B Kemish 186	0	1	JN Sugden 191	
11 RJ Almond 175	1/2	1/2	I Duvall 162			JP Manley 185	1	0	L Smart 181	
12 SON Hawes 173	0	1	AM Leech 158			JR Nellist 188	1	0	A Harakis 182	
13 IG Kelly 168	1/2	1/2	CJ Lyne 158			IJ Myall 184	1	0	C Howell 178	
14 MR Stott 167	1/2	1/2	PAF Watkins 156			S Death 185	1/2	1/2	G Botley 186	
15 A Hall 167	1/2	1/2	SG Gilmour 160			RP White 179	1	0	RMR O'Kelly 180	
16 CN Hann 168	1	0	WP Tickner 153			SM Kalinsky 183	1/2	1/2	NP Donovan 178	
17 RH Clark 158	0	1	MF Redmond 156			R Parker 180	1/2	1/2	R Wiper 170	
18 LJ Cannon 154	1/2	1/2	NW Dennis 146			S Harris 175	0	1	J Newman 172	
19 GD Parker 146	1	0	DJ Lewis 112			JC Moore 174	1/2	1/2	Z Mehmet 170	
20 DG Ratcliffe 153	1	0	Mario Houska 129			DJ Millward 172	1	0	R Winterburn 150	
(Hassocks)	12 1/2	7 1/2				(Wanstead)	12	8		
<b>Cambs*</b>		11.2.95	<b>Middx</b>		11.2.95	<b>Oxon*</b>		25.2.95	<b>Cambs*</b>	
1 JF Parker (W)	1	0	CS Crouch 224			M Truran 200 (W)	1/2	1/2	MJ Turner 227	
2 MJ Turner	1/2	1/2	SH Berry 220			P Jowett 189	0	1	JF Parker 224	
3 W Hartston	1/2	1/2	M Carlson 208			NS Jakubovics 189	1	0	AJ Cohen 204	
4 AR Jones	1	0	SD Brown 208			T Dickinson 188	1/2	1/2	JJ Hastings 204	
5 J Wilson	0	1	RJ McMichael 208			R Nixon 167	1	0	EN Holland 194	
6 AJ Cohen	1/2	1/2	PS Cawte 208			DG Hackett 184	1/2	1/2	D Cristinacce 189	
7 JJ Hastings	1/2	1/2	MC Forster 205			M Devereaux 180	0	1	DDA Lawson 2240	
8 AHL Hon	1	0	T Farrand 200			R Starkie 171	1/2	1/2	B Hague 183	
9 D Hassabis	1/2	1/2	K Vlahos			J Stayt 168	1/2	1/2	PA Garner 177	
10 DDA Lawson	1	0	M Lyell 197			N Jones 166	0	1	NDJ Noden 170	
11 D Cristinacce	1/2	1/2	RG Wade 190			G Chapman 164	1	0	D Hotham 160	
12 MH Thornton	1	0	def			N Hepworth 154	1/2	1/2	R Little 155	
13 B Hague	1/2	1/2	C Mackenzie 194			S Jayakumar 1900	1	0	M Hasenbusch	
14 PA Garner	1/2	1/2	G Anthony 192			L Millin 151	0	1	PN Best 147	
15 S Sollan	1	0	def			P Hastings 158	1	0	IR Gooding 147	
16 NDJ Noden	1	0	C Gant 189			P Ball 145	0	1	K Buecker 150	
17 DS Boyle	1/2	1/2	NRE Alldritt 192			(Long Hanboro)	10	10	(adjusted)	
18 M Rehburg	1/2	1/2	J Burke 183							
19 P Faulkner	0	1	CNJ Rose 183							
20 R Little	0	1	RJ Pearce 180							
(Trinity Coll)	12	8								
<b>Middx</b>		25.2.95	<b>Sussex*</b>		25.2.95	<b>Berks*</b>		25.2.95	<b>Essex</b>	
1 SH Berry 220 (B)	1	0	DH Cummings 223			MV Houska 208	0	1	AP Lewis 210 (B)	
2 TA Fatin 216	0	1	GH James 208			AP Smith 200	1/2	1/2	M Twyble 216	
3 M Carlson 208	1	0	DB Graham 200			PS Cooksey 197	0	1	G Kenworthy 205	
4 PJ Sowray 213	1/2	1/2	KI Norman 195			PJ Sharp 190	1/2	1/2	JH Hodgson 201	
5 SD Brown 208	1	0	B Cafferty 190			HW Murphy 179	0	1	GJ Moore 200	
6 PS Cawte 208	1	0	SJ Newman 193			Jovanka Houska 173	1/2	1/2	B Kemish 186	
7 TJ Kett 197	1/2	1/2	JA Dodgson 181			MW Marlow 181	1/2	1/2	J Goldberg 184	
8 M Lyell 197	1	0	J Graham 182			DS Tucker 171	1/2	1/2	M Roberts 186	
9 C Mackenzie 194	0	1	PG Farr 182			IR Henderson 150	1/2	1/2	S Death 185	
10 NRE Alldritt 192	1	0	AO Pickersgill 178			DV Deane 169	0	1	SM Kalinsky 183	
11 L McShane 183	1/2	1/2	RJ Almond 175			JE Hickman 167	1	0	R Parker 180	
12 JM Quinn 190	1	0	R O'Brien 175			MC Bowhay 163	1	0	JC More 174	
13 CNJ Rose 183	1	0	SON Hawes 173			L Davis 162	0	1	S Harris 175	
14 KR Barnes 190	1/2	1/2	IG Kelly 168			AJ Cox 164	1/2	1/2	R Heppinstall 174	
15 C Gant 189	0	1	MR Stott 167			I Duvall 162	0	1	DJ Milward (so) 172	
16 J Burke 183	1	0	A Hall 167			SL Freitag 163	0	1	CR Ramage 171	
17 NJ de Peyer 175	0	1	CN Hann 168			CJ Lyne 158	1/2	1/2	I Hunnable 169	
18 TKH Lee 164	1/2	1/2	P Watson 163			SG Gilmour 160	0	1	S Harvey 168	
19 AM Dunn 159	0	1	LJ Cannon 154			BG Millis 149	1	0	IBN Smith 165	
20 MR Collins 158	1	0	def			MF Redmond 156	1/2	1/2	D Smith 152	
(Chess & Bridge)	12 1/2	7 1/2				(Bracknell)	7 1/2	12 1/2		

Kent*	25.2.95	Herts*
1 N McDonald 225	1 0	S Swanson 202 (W)
2 A Hanreck 212	½ ½	J Rudge 203
3 R Eales 219	1 0	S Roe 198
4 D Gormally 196	1 0	def
5 J Vigus 195	1 0	K Clark 185
6 D Moskovic 194	½ ½	B Savage 174
7 T Jefferies 99	0 1	R Brennan 174
8 J Sugden 192	½ ½	K Ellis 176
9 A Mack 192	1 0	C Majer 177
10 D Farndon	1 0	S Law 153
11 A Harakis 182	0 1	A Gilfillan -
12 L Smart 181	0 1	J Cook 171
13 G Botley 186	½ ½	M Robertson 159
14 N Donovan 178	1 0	S Rawlings 167
15 D Horton 178	1 0	T Sinkinson 169
16 J Newman 172	1 0	T Ray 159
17 S Wood 174	1 0	N Lee 153
18 M Wiper 170	½ ½	J Franks 162
19 Z Mehmet 170	1 0	A Atkinson 152
20 S Jacob 162	1 0	P Primett 142
(Charlton)	14½ 5½	

Surrey*	11.3.95	Kent
APH Kinsman 229	1 0	def (W)
CKD Holland 205	1 0	D Gormally 196
C O'Shaughnessy 200	½ ½	J Sugden 192
MJ Franklin 197	1 0	D Farndon
PD Kemp 195	1 0	J Scholes 185
RA Allicock 195	½ ½	A Harakis 182
SG Walker 188	1 0	G Botley 186
O Rosten 184	½ ½	C Howell 178
JC Marley 184	0 1	L Smart 181
DB Rosen 183	½ ½	N Donovan 179
JM Shepley 182	0 1	D Horton 178
BG Whyte 180	1 0	L Wooldridge 176
RJ Stockwell 180	0 1	J Newman 174
KP Mynett 176	1 0	A Ropek 168
K Richardson 175	½ ½	Z Mehmet 170
ME Osborne 171	1 0	C Brown 171
PJ Roche 171	½ ½	S Jacob 162
DR Sedgwick 169	1 0	C Charles 148
CR Clegg 166	½ ½	S Howell 147
K Hurst 156	1 0	DG Ropek -
(Sutton)	13½ 6½	

Sussex*	11.3.95	Oxon*
1 GH James 208 (W)	0 1	H Hunt 209
2 DB Graham 200	½ ½	I Upton
3 B Cafferty 190	½ ½	A Hunt 198
4 SJ Newman 193	½ ½	M Rose 180
5 MD Nicholas 184	½ ½	T Dickinson 188
6 JA Dodgson 181	1 0	DG Hackett 184
7 PG Farr 182	0 1	M Deveraux (so) 180
8 RV Elliston 181	½ ½	RJ Starkie 171
9 J Graham 182	1 0	JN Stayt 168
10 AO Pickersgill 178	½ ½	N Jones 166
11 RJ Almond 175	1 0	A Lewis 166
12 SON Hawes 173	½ ½	G Chapman 164
13 IG Kelly 168	1 0	NJ Hepworth 154
14 MR Stott 167	0 1	LR Millin 151
15 CN Hann 168	½ ½	C Marcus 2046
16 A Hall 167	½ ½	P Hastings 158
17 GD Parker 146	½ ½	C Moxley 135
18 DG Ratcliffe 153	½ ½	P Ball 145
(Brighton)	9½ 8½	(Should be adjusted to
0½-9½ but won't be, Rule 13(c) being what it is.)		

Herts*	11.3.95	Berks*
PV Byway 198 (W)	0 1	MV Houska 205
JF Rudge 203	1 0	Mario Houska 129 (r)
SJ Roe 198	0 1	PS Cooksey 197
JG Foulger 194	0 1	J Houska 173
PG Maguire 190	0 1	DS Tucker 171
KR Clark 185	0 1	IR Henderson 150
BD Savage 174	1 0	JE Hickman 167
JN Fraser-Mitchell 179	1 0	MC Bowhay 163
CE Majer 177	1 0	JT Munday 171
KS Ellis 176	0 1	L Davis 162
T Ray 159	½ ½	AJ Cox 164
SJ Tovey 174	½ ½	I Duvall 162
D Fewell 170	1 0	CJ Lyne 158
J Cook 171	1 0	PAF Watkins 156
S Law 153	½ ½	BG Millis 149
TA Sinkinson 169	1 0	SG Gilmour 160
B Morris 168	0 1	MF Redmond 156
S Rawlings 167	½ ½	WP Tickner 155
NS Lee 153	1 0	NW Dennis 141
C Lean 138	½ ½	SJR Turner 137
(Stevenage)	10½ 9½	

Essex	11.3.95	Middx*
1 MS Twyble 216 (W)	0 1	JS Speelman 251
2 J Rogers 205	1 0	CS Crouch 224
3 G Kenworthy 205	0 1	SH Berry 220
4 JH Hodgson 201	0 1	B Martin 217
5 A Dunn 198	0 1	TA Fatin 216
6 GJ Moore 200	1 0	M Carlson 208
7 KCC Mah 195	0 1	SD Brown 208
8 JP Manley 185	0 1	RJ McMichael 208
9 B Kemish 186	0 1	T Hinks-Edwards 206
10 D Sherman 192	½ ½	MC Forster 205
11 JR Nellist 188	0 1	T Farrand 200
12 M Roberts 186	½ ½	M Lyell 197
13 IJ Myall 184	½ ½	T Kett 197
14 S Death 185	½ ½	A Trifunovic 197
15 RP White 179	0 1	RG Wade 190
16 JC Moore 174	½ ½	F Rayner 194
17 R Parker 180	0 1	NRE Alldritt 192
18 S Harris 185	0 1	CNJ Rose 183
19 R Heppinstall 174	0 1	J Burke 183
20 DJ Millward 172	1 0	C Gant 189
(Wanstead)	5½ 14½	

Received 17.2.95: an U100 result sheet with all the Whites on the left, and the teams alternating sides to fit. Team A were in bold typeface. Fortunately we didn't have to type this oddity, because it was for a match played on the 3rd December and already reported by the other side. And printed in the last issue. Just as we were about to file the sheet under "miscellaneous monstrosities", we happened to turn it over. And there on the back was another match, same style, played 4th February.

We didn't have to type that one either, as it turned out, because it too had already been sent by the other side. But there are one or two morals, even if it is a bit late in the season for them to do any good. (1) Be prompt. (2) Please, if you're new, give results as on the official result sheet (and as published in these pages). Home side on the left, all the way down. We were a bit surprised that the match captain in question hadn't noticed the disadvantages of doing it his way. (3) If you're going to use both sides of the sheet, *please* signpost the fact. Put "PTO" on both sides in fluorescent ink, or something. Letters that overflow onto side 2 are one thing, but if side one is self-contained the Bulletin does not automatically turn the paper over to see what's on the back. (Usually, with match results, nothing is. People send one match at a time.)

## UNDER 175

Surrey	4.2.95	Essex*	Essex*	18.2.95	Kent*
1 DF Hill 174 (W)	0 1	R Heppinstall 174	R Heppinstall 174	½ ½	PD Fenn 174 (B)
2 ME Osborne 171	½ ½	DJ Millward 172	DJ Millward 172	½ ½	JR Bayford 174
3 DR Sedgwick 169	½ ½	TM Donnelly 172	TM Donnelly 172	1 0	PW Eldridge 174
4 JS Tymms 169	0 1	PC Doye 171	PC Doye 171	0 1	CM Brown 171
5 D Parsone 103 (r)	0 1	CR Ramage 171	CR Ramage 171	1 0	Z Mehmet 170
6 S Macdonald-Ross 164	½ ½	ID Hunnable 169	SD Harvey 168	1 0	MI Mortimer 167
7 HM Cath 163	0 1	SD Harvey 168	G McNally 164	½ ½	MD Brougham 165
8 JJ Skielnik 163	1 0	D Smith 152 (r)	M Weighell 162	½ ½	I.R Gurr 164
9 CJ Mann 159	½ ½	M Weighell 162	R Waldteufel 162	1 0	SJ Jacob 162
10 RJ Wilcox 158	1 0	R Waldteufel 162	A King 161	0 1	NC Mackett 163
11 K Hurst 156	1 0	A King 161	NH Twitchell 160	½ ½	PC Rutland 161
12 PD Dupré 156	1 0	JA Philpott 157	JA Philpott 157	1 0	RJ Everson 158
13 PE Barnard 152	0 1	P Walker 153	SM Williams 152	0 1	AB Mata 157
14 R Shorthouse 148	0 1	SM Williams 152	S Harwood 150	1 0	RE Lane 155
15 SR Jones 142	0 1	S Harwood 150	A Parsons 150	0 1	JH Lewin 155
16 FC Manning 134	0 1	MRA Murrell 137	MRA Murrell 137	0 1	AJ Sherriff 153
(Sutton)	5 11		(Wanstead)	8½ 7½	

Sussex	4.2.95	Kent*	Kent*	18.3.95	Surrey
1 S Hawes 173 (W)	½ ½	JR Bayford 174	PD Fenn 174 (W)	½ ½	DF Hill 174
2 I Kelly 168	0 1	PW Eldridge 174	JR Bayford 174	½ ½	MC Page 173
3 MR Stott 167	1 0	CM Brown 171	ME Taylor 171	1 0	ME Osborne 171
4 S Blewitt 167	0 1	MM Robertson 170	PJ O'Donovan 170	1 0	PJ Roche 171
5 K Davies 161	0 1	AG Ropek 169	PW Eldridge 174	1 0	PM Stimpson 170
6 RH Williams 161	0 1	MI Mortimer 167	MM Robertson 170	0 1	DR Sedgwick 169
7 IP Judd 160	½ ½	MD Brougham 165	TH Owens 169	1 0	WD Lowe 168
8 ASJ Fleming 159	0 1	LR Gurr 164	MI Mortimer 167	½ ½	CRA Clegg 166
9 RH Clark 158	½ ½	SJ Jacob 162	MD Brougham 165	1 0	TJJP (so) Gibbons 165
10 CR Squires 158	0 1	NC Mackett 163	A Knights 165	½ ½	S Macdonald-Ross 164
11 D Banks 158	0 1	RJ Everson 158	NC Mackett 163	½ ½	JJ Skielnik 163
12 MJ Reddie 156	0 1	AB Mata 157	SJ Jacob 162	½ ½	M Maxwell 162
13 LJ Cannon 154	1 0	RE Lane 155	PC Rutland 161	0 1	CJ Mann 159
14 DG Ratcliffe 153	0 1	JH Lewin 155	RJ Everson 158	0 1	PD Dupré 156
15 G Parker 146	*½ ½	HT Jones 150	AB Mata 157	0 1	PR Archer 152
16 PR Selby 148	½ ½	N Alfred 142	JH Lewin 155	1 0	FC Manning 134
(Hassocks)	4½ 11½		(Orpington)	9 7	

\*Bd 15 subject to Sussex appeal on QPF ruling

## UNDER 150

Kent*	28.1.95	Surrey*	Herts*	28.1.95	Essex*
1 DJR Barnes 148	1 0	EJ Brodie 149 (W)	A Potter 148 (W)	0 1	AD Hartland 149
2 MR Wiltshire 149	1 0	R Shorthouse 148	B Judkins 145	½ ½	ND Cundy 146
3 AVH Sands 149	½ ½	JB Hawson 145	S Charles 140	½ ½	KS Jones 144
4 GF Steele 147	1 0	STK Wilkinson 143	M Wali 144	½ ½	PR Barclay 146
5 IA Hames 147	0 1	SR Jones 142	K Brooks 143	0 1	AE Drake 146
6 RW Parsons 146	0 1	JED Hale 141	D Price 143	0 1	TG Winter 141
7 SC Howell 147	0 1	T Phillips 141	R Yip 144	1 0	S Armour 137
8 IT Moroney 145	0 1	D Spearman 141	P Lawrence 143	1 0	T Hebbes 134
9 def	0 1	MDW Harverson 139	J Coles 141	½ ½	P Zammit 138
10 I Underwood 140	0 1	CPL Parker 137	S Cook 140	½ ½	MRA Murrell 137
11 PL Childs 139	½ ½	JR Bell 136	B Fewell 140	0 1	R Weeber 136
12 BES Hunter 131	1 0	JW Halls 136	R Gordonsmith 139	1 0	C Taank 133
13 R Dugdale 127	0 1	KN Mehendale 132	A Hall 140	1 0	LJ Sargent 132
14 DC Picton 120	0 1	DA Baldock 131	J Marshall 136	1 0	I MacLachlan 128
15 T Stock 115	0 1	DM Woods 131	T Wright 128	½ ½	DG Cannan 128
16 def	0 0	def	A Fulton 129	0 1	L Burt -
(Orpington)	5 10		(Welwyn)	8 8	

Essex*	25.2.95	Sussex*	Herts	25.2.95	Surrey*
1 AD Hartland 149	1 0	PR Selby 148 (B)	A Potter 148 (W)	0 1	EJ Brodie 149
2 PR Barclay 146	½ ½	FW Brown 148	A Adams 148	0 1	JB Hawson 145
3 ND Cundy 146	½ ½	RC Davies 147	S Weston 146	½ ½	SR Jones 142
4 A Drake 146	0 1	IK Edgson 146	B Judkins 145	½ ½	D Spearman 141
5 T Allan 115 (r)	0 1	DBA Hughes 145	R Yip 144	1 0	A Smith 140
6 D Reid 143	½ ½	DL Roberts 145	S Charles 140	1 0	MD Harverson 139
7 TG Winter 141	1 0	RA Clement 144	P Lawrence 143	0 1	CP Parker 137
8 P Zammit 138	1 0	MI Wickens 142	K Brooks 143	1 0	JR Bell 136
9 MRA Murrell 137	1 0	WH Partridge 142	D Price 143	½ ½	JW Halls 136
10 R Weeber 136	0 1	RR Harper 141	J Coles 141	1 0	FC Manning 134
11 T Hebbes 134	0 1	KA Andrews 141	S Cook 140	½ ½	DA Baldock 131
12 C Taank 133	1 0	G Scamardella 138	R Gordonsmith 139	1 0	DM Woods 131
13 LJ Sargent 132	0 1	MR Hickman 138	J Marshall 136	½ ½	WJ Marshall 131
14 I MacIachlan 128	0 1	S Willison 131	P Laskier 131	0 1	J Xuereb 126
15 L Burt -	½ ½	TJ Woods 129	A Fulton 129	1 0	L Evboumwan 126
16 DFC Bird 125	½ ½	PH Benson 124	M Wali 144	1 0	def
(Wanstead)	7½ 8½		(Welwyn)	9½ 6½	

## UNDER 125

Surrey*	28.1.95	Oxon*	Middx	4.2.95	Kent B*
1 R Tillet 122	½ ½	AJ Wyeth 124 (B)	N Johnson 124 (B)	0 1	D Tan 122
2 G Lamond 122	1 0	J Booker 122	G Sweetland 124	½ ½	T Stock 115
3 D Howes 121	1 0	JD Wood 118	R Okrzeja 123	0 1	D Bennett 120
4 D Hodgson 121	1 0	A Collins 114	D Agbley 123	1 0	J McKenna 119
5 R Mattocks 119	½ ½	G Spalding 116	S Lazarz 122	1 0	C Dunsmore 118
6 R Rattray 119	1 0	F Fallon 113	R Crooks 122	1 0	H Richards 78
7 J McGing 116	0 1	D Foreman -	A McHale 121	0 1	A Kissoon 114
8 D Jones 113	1 0	D Metcalfe 110	R Maddock 121	0 1	S Casement 112
9 D Parsons 103	1 0	P Staniland 108	A Johnstone 121	1 0	W Stock 111
10 D Innes 107	0 1	M Brindley 108	D Ramsey 121	½ ½	D Wiltshire 109
11 P Shaw 110	0 1	G Tustian 107	G O'Grady 121	1 0	J Warren 101
12 M Tillet 106	½ ½	C Kerrigan 71	S Warman 121	1 0	S Thanesan 76
13 M Green 100	1 0	DAS Buckland 96	A Goodman 120	½ ½	Ben Gasson -
14 J Silvertown 90	0 1	R Cordon 93	G Smith 120	1 0	A Taylor 73
15 S Smyth 85	½ ½	S Booker 73	N Bye 120	1 0	Shaun Simmons -
16 def	0 0	def	B Etheridge 110	1 0	Ingrid Stock -
(Sutton)	9 6		(Lond Ch Centre)	10½ 5½	

Mr Bye's victims must be all too accustomed to the obvious quip so we'll refrain.

Sussex*	4.2.95	Essex*	Kent A*	18.2.95	Surrey*
1 KA Lucas 121 (W)	½ ½	MD Bradford 123	PD Poland 124	½ ½	R Tillet 122
2 DJ Langridge 123	0 1	C Barrett 123	AP Fabian 122	0 1	D Weston-Lewis 122
3 PH Benson 124	½ ½	P Sheehan 122	T Gulyas 122	0 1	R Wylie 124
4 PJ Helliwell 124	1 0	RP Joyce 121	AJ West 122	½ ½	D Howes 121
5 CC Dunn 123	0 1	D Storey 116	L Winsor 120	½ ½	D Hodgson 121
6 CJ Parker 123	1 0	T Allen 115	DC Picton 120	½ ½	D Moore 122
7 A Ballard 123	1 0	GC Bengier 115	EJ Downham 119	1 0	R Mattocks 119
8 L Rackham 120	1 0	D Hughes 113	GL Mingay 118	½ ½	J McGing 116
9 M Plumb 113	0 1	JA Figgins 112	IG Clark 120	0 1	D Jones 113
10 N Pestelle 118	½ ½	EG Lodge 112	DSJ Shipp 116	1 0	H Wylie 112
11 G McCulloch 120	0 1	ND Hopgood 108	JC Robertson 111	1 0	P Munday 111
12 EJ Hillier 109	0 1	PW Pattison 107	A Fletcher 115	0 1	D Parsons 103
13 M Curtis 113	1 0	PEJ Kemp 103	IC Smith 105	1 0	D Innes 107
14 PS Smith 114	1 0	RJC Foster 104	NP Webb 104	1 0	P Shaw 110
15 C Wakefield 108	0 1	P Storey 98	CG Gregory 102	1 0	M Green 100
16 SP Deere	1 0	def	KC Cowan 97	½ ½	J Silvertown 90
(Crowborough)	8½ 7½		(Orpington)	9 7	



Kent B*	18.2.95	Essex*	Oxon*	25.2.95	Middx*
1 T Stock 115 (W)	½ ½	M Bradford 123	C Hunt 123 (W)	1 0	S Ronksley 124
2 C Dunsmore 118	1 0	C Barrett 123	AJ Wyeth 124	0 1	S O'Brien 124
3 A Kissoon 114	0 1	R Hayley 121	G Reynolds 122	0 1	G Sweetland 124
4 T Jarrett 113	1 0	P Sheehan 122	J Booker 122	0 1	R Okrzeja 123
5 S Casement 112	½ ½	D Storey 116	G Spalding 116	0 1	S Lazarz 122
6 W Stock 111	½ ½	JP Thompson 115	A Collins 114	½ ½	R Maddock 121
7 D Wiltshire 109	0 1	T Allen 115	S Morris 116	1 0	D Ramsey 121
8 J Warren 101	0 1	G Bengier 115	D Foreman -	½ ½	A Johnstone 121
9 P Titmas 95	0 1	D Hughes 113	R Jacobs 116	0 1	S Warman 121
10 D Ho 90	1 0	J Figgins 112	L Smith 116	0 1	Paul Endersby -
11 A Blake 92	0 1	E Lodge 112	S Crockart 111	1 0	Nigel Bye -
12 P Richardson 113	½ ½	N Hopgood 107	F Fallon 113	½ ½	Alex Goodman -
13 S Thanesan 76	1 0	P Kemp 107	G Tustian 109	½ ½	R Balatoni 117
14 B Neville 75	1 0	P Pattison 107	G Hodgson 110	1 0	B Steele 110
15 Shaun Simmons -	0 1	R Foster 104	M Brindley 108	1 0	B Etheridge -
16 A Taylor 73	0 1	P Storey 98	P Staniland 108	½ ½	C Andrews 103
(Orpington)	7 9		(Long Hanboro)	7½ 8½	

Essex*	11.3.95	Kent A*	Surrey*	11.3.95	Kent B*
1 M Bradford 123	1 0	P Poland 124 (W)	K Chamberlain 123	1 0	D Bennett 120 (B)
2 C Barrett 123	1 0	AP Fabian 122	R Tillett 122	0 1	T Stock 115
3 R Hayley 121	½ ½	T Gulyas 122	DWeston-Lewis 122	1 0	J McKenna 119
4 P Sheehan 121	½ ½	HJ West 122	D Moore 122	0 1	S Casement 112
5 JP Thompson 115	0 1	E Downham 119	M Shahoud 122	½ ½	T Jarrett 113
6 T Allen 115	0 1	D Picton 120	D Howes 121	1 0	R Jarrett 75
7 G Bengier 115	0 1	P Thomas 117	D Hodgson 121	½ ½	W Stock 111
8 D Hughes 115	0 1	DS Shipp 116	R Mattocks 119	1 0	H Richards 78
9 J Figgins 112	½ ½	J Robertson 111	J McGing 116	0 1	J McKenna 108
10 E Lodge 112	1 0	R Springett 109	D Jones 113	0 1	BM Neville 75
11 B Twinn 110	1 0	IB Bryan 109	H Wylie 112	1 0	D Wiltshire 109
12 N Hopgood 107	½ ½	IC Smith 105	P Shaw 110	0 1	P Titmas 95
13 B Sheppard 107	1 0	NP Webb 104	D Parsons 103	½ ½	D Ho 92
14 P Pattison 107	0 1	C Gregory 102	A Palmer 92	1 0	J Warren 101
15 P Kemp 100	1 0	def	B Swiftman 90	½ ½	S Thanesan 76
16 R Foster 104	0 1	K Hendrikse 99	J Silverton 90	½ ½	Frances Taylor -
(Wanstead)	8 8		(Sutton)	8½ 7½	

Sussex	11.3.95	Oxon*
1 Lucas (W)	½ ½	AJ Wyeth
2 DJ Langridge	1 0	J Booker
3 Helliwell	0 1	D Foreman
4 Dunn	½ ½	A Collins
5 Parker	0 1	L Smith
6 Ballard	0 1	M Brindley
7 D Langridge	1 0	D Metcalfe
8 Rackman (sic)	1 0	G Hodgson
9 Plumb	0 1	G Tustian
10 Pestelle	0 1	M Coleman
11 McCulluh (sic)	1 0	P Staniland
12 Hillier	0 1	IR Brooke
13 Curtis	1 0	C Kerrigan
14 Smith	½ ½	DAS Buckland
15 Deere	1 0	S Booker
16 Buswell	1 0	def
(Brighton)	8½ 7½	

### Appeals and Disputes

(U100 fans relax, there *are* some results on the next page.) The Rules & Appeals sub-committee has three things to rule on. One has been hanging fire since early January and the sub-committee had hoped to meet before now. (Damn well ought to have, in your Editor's opinion. He was expecting to have some decisions to report in this issue.) With any luck the sub-committee will meet in April. Very briefly, and without prejudging anything, the issues are:

(1) The ineligibility thing from Surrey-Sussex U175, 10.12.94, as reported in the last issue. Sussex have appealed against the ruling. The sub-committee, whatever its decision in this instance, may wish to consider whether the rules need changing.

(2) A Sussex appeal against a QPF ruling, Sussex-Kent U175 4.2.95, as noted on page 10. It also comes up, if you want some details, in a letter on page 1. The Bulletin does not know whether this is an appeal on

procedural grounds, or just an appeal against the judge's judgment. It doesn't even know what the provision for appeals is. Careful, Richard, that's going to get misunderstood in Sussex. The Bulletin does not know what the provision for appeals is, but it would not seek to have this one rejected on a technicality.

(3) Kent-Herts U100, 25.2.95. Both teams turned up at Kent's usual venue, and it wasn't available. Subsequent events are not entirely clear to the Bulletin, but Kent's defence against the Herts default-claim has something to do with the fact that another venue was available and everyone went there before Herts decided to call it off. Or something, and it probably isn't as simple as that.

## UNDER 100

Middx*	4.2.95	Kent*	Herts*	11.2.95	Essex*
1 A Swersky - (B)	1 0	M Jones 95	D Aburrow 99 (W)	½ ½	P Storey 98
2 R McShane 98	0 1	S Chick 96	A Humphries 94	½ ½	F Riley 97
3 G Luetchford 93	1 0	D Ho 92	M Read 63	½ ½	F Gulley 94
4 L Keegan 84	0 1	P Titmas 95	Steve Blackburn -	1 0	G Walker 93
5 Ben Chamberlain -	½ ½	David Hargrave -	W Hamm 94	1 0	R Prickett 93
6 N Kingston-Smith 97	½ ½	Dieter Beaven -	Tony Phillips -	0 1	C Hobbs 92
7 Leighton Powell -	1 0	A Blake 92	Steve Knight -	1 0	E Saunders -
8 T Trifunovic 84	0 1	A Dovey 97	F Lovett 92	0 1	R Giddens 90
9 T Kwong 88	1 0	D Bland 90	J Angus 78	1 0	D D'Cruz 78
10 A D'Cruz 81	0 1	L Jones 97	J Lanaway 93	1 0	MJ Owen 75
11 S Morton 82	0 1	I Stoneman 90	Terry Coleman -	1 0	DK Wornham 60
12 D Leadon 92	0 1	N Lang 90	J Dalton -	1 0	L Tomkinson 53
(Ch & Bridge)	5 7		(Hertford)	8½ 3½	
Essex*	25.2.95	Middx*	Kent*	18.3.95	Essex*
1 P Storey 98 (W)	0 1	G Luetchford * 93	M Jones 95 (B)	1 0	P Storey 98
2 F Riley 97	0 1	D Hutson 96	S Chick 96	1 0	F Riley 97
3 J Sansom 97	½ ½	R Mooring 80	D Hargrave -	0 1	J Sansom 95
4 F Gulley 94	1 0	L Keegan 84	D Smith 88	½ ½	C Hobbs 92
5 RC Smith 93	½ ½	L Powell -	D Beaver -	1 0	RC Smith 93
6 R Prickett 93	½ ½	H McCormack 88	I Stoneman 90	1 0	RH Prickett 93
7 I Hebbes 87 (r)	0 1	R Attar 89	A Davey 97	½ ½	R Giddens 90
8 E Saunders -	1 0	G Crozier 87	A Lomas - (r)	0 1	A Sehmbi -
9 R Giddens 90	1 0	L Nathoo 72	A Blake 92	1 0	J Howlett 82
10 D D'Cruz 78	1 0	S Mooring 32 (r)	T Jefferies 99	1 0	D D'Cruz 78
11 MJ Owen 75	0 1	A D'Cruz 80	L Horton 84	0 1	D Allen 69
12 D Allen 69	0 1	JP Robinson -	N Lang 90	1 0	G Ogilvy -
(Wanstead)	5½ 6½		(Orpington)	8 4	

\* Luetchford is so spelt by his own match captain; the Essex mc agrees with the grading list.

**REVIEW: Chess Circuit**

"If you're like me, and I know I am..." So Adam Raoof, in a kind mention of the SCCU Bulletin. But I was going to say something about *Chess Circuit* anyway. In the twelve-months plus since I first remarked on it as a promising new magazine, it's developed into something really readable. Plenty of interesting articles even for those who, like me, haven't the time or inclination to read all the chess in detail (and there's a lot of it). It's based on the topical congress scene, as its name implies, and features rabbit chess as well as the heavy stuff. Claims 120 subscribers so far, and over 400 readers, and is highly recommended. Available @ £12 p.a. for six issues from Chess Circuit, PO Box 1962, London NW4 4NF.

RJH

**NATIONAL CLUB** with acknowledgments to the various Controllers

**OPEN Rd 3:** Atticus 2½ 3½ Barbican; Charlton 3½ 2½ Cambridge Univ; Exeter 1½ 4½ Guildford; Maidstone 5½ ½ Oxford Univ; Slough 1½ 4½ Hull; Wood Green 5½ ½ Cardiff. Also Bedford 0 2 Glasgow Polytechnic, with 4 for adjudication, in a telephone match. Telephone matches with Scottish teams are best avoided. Telephone matches are best avoided. Dundee & Victoria had a bye. **Quarter-final draw:** Barbican v Charlton; Bedford or Glasgow Poly v Wood Green; Guildford v Dundee & Victoria; Hull v Maidstone. Which makes 5 SCCU teams in the last eight.

**PLATE Rd 2:** Bradford ½ 5½ Atherton; Bristol & Clifton 3½ 2½ Cheltenham; Gloucester 2 4 Mushrooms; Hounslow \*3 3 Southbourne; Ilford 4 2 Ipswich; Kings Head 2 4 Crowthorne; Northampton 2 4 Hertford; Phoenix scr w/o Cavendish. **Quarter-final draw:** Atherton v Bristol & Clifton; Crowthorne v Cavendish; Mushrooms v Hounslow; Hertford v Ilford

**MAJOR Rd 3:** Gt Lever 4½ ½ Poulton le Fylde; Prescot & Knotty Ash \*2½ 2½ Morecambe; Lichfield 4 1 Hereford; Milton Keynes 4 1 Fulham; Rainham 3 2 Wood Green; Metropolitan 2 3 Guildford; Maidstone 1 4 Kings Head; Reading 1½ 3½ Teignmouth. **Quarter-final draw:** Prescot & KA v Gt Lever; Kings Head v Rainham; Milton Keynes v Lichfield; Guildford v Teignmouth.

**PLATE Rd 2:** Rochdale \*2½ 2½ Huddersfield; Liverpool 2 3 Dista; Mansfield scr w/o Warley Quinborne; Coddon 3½ 1½ Abercynon; Saxmundham 1 4 Kingston; Thamesdown 3½ 1½ Cosham; Hastings w/o scr Southend; Exeter w/o scr Southbourne. **Quarter-final draw:** Dista v Rochdale; W Quinborne v Coddon; Thamesdown v Exeter; Kingston v Hastings.

**INTERMEDIATE Rd 3:** Barrow 2½ 2½\* Prescot & KA; Cosham \*2½ 2½ Teignmouth; Crowthorne 2½ 2 Reading; Grays \*2½ 2½ Southend; Gt Lever 2 3 Sherwood House; Hammersmith 2½ 2½\* Kings Head; Maidstone 3½ 1½ Hastings; W Quinborne 2 3 Tamworth & District. "You will appreciate that the Crowthorne-Reading match involved a penalty. If you want more details, let me know." - Peter Gibbs. We nearly did, then thought any explanation would be a disappointment. How *do* you incur a half-point penalty? **Quarter-final draw:** Kings Head v Maidstone; Prescot & KA v Crowthorne; Sherwood House v Grays; Tamworth v Cosham.

**PLATE Rd 2:** Eastbourne 3 2 Torbay Juniors; Morecambe w/o scr Bradford; Phoenix 2 3 Rainham; Pontefract 1 4 Darnall & Handsworth; Slough \*2½ 2½ Metropolitan; Southampton 4 1 Bridgend; Waltham Forest 1½ 3½ Ipswich; Warwick Univ 1½ 3½ Solihull Youth. **Quarter-final draw:** Darnall & Handsworth v Morecambe; Ipswich v Southampton; Rainham v Eastbourne; Solihull Youth v Slough.

**MINOR Rd 3:** Gt Lever 3 2 Rose Forgrove; Totnes 2 3 Basingstoke; Tamworth 3½ 1½ Chelmsley Wood; Gloucester 1 4 Morecambe; Tunbridge Wells scr w/o Hastings; Kings Head 3½ 1½ Slough; Phoenix ½ 4½ Metropolitan; Walsall Kipping 3½ 1½ Fulham. **Quarter-final draw:** Basingstoke v Hastings; Morecambe v Gt Lever; Metropolitan v Kings Head; W Kipping v Tamworth.

**PLATE Rd 2:** Abercynon 2½ 2½\* Horfield & Redland; Maidstone 3½ 1½ Kilndown; Hayes & Harlington 3 2 Kings Head B; Bognor & Aron w/o scr Grays; Amber Valley 3 2 Darnall & Handsworth; Yorkshire Copperworks 3 2 Prescot & KA; Reading 4 1 Thamesdown; Sherwood House 4 1 Barton Dragons. **Quarter-final draw:** Horfield v Sherwood House; Maidstone v Bognor & Aron; Amber Valley v Yorkshire Copperworks; Reading v Hayes & Harlington.

### SCCU EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive met on Friday 24th March 1995 at the Friends House opposite Euston Station. 17 attended. Here's some of the less boring bits. In chronological order, by and large and allowing for digressions and excursions.

**(1) Grading.** You may recall that the BCF's dot matrix printer came in for a bit of stick one or two meetings back. The printer that does the Grading List, that is. No hard news, that anyone knew, but someone had heard that the Federation's getting a laser printer. The Bulletin understands that all the grading software is due for replacement anyway. And speaking of changes, at present if you've played 30 minus *n* games in the latest season they top up your results by adding *n* imaginary games at the previous season's average. They intend, when the time and the software's right, to replace the imaginary games by the *n* *most recent* games from the previous season. Knew you'd want to know that.

Martin Cath, Grading Secretary, said it was a bit early in the day to be expecting much through in the way of results from graders. There had been a trickle. He anticipated a surplus of maybe £450 on the Union's grading activities for the season.

**(2) Notice of meetings.** Or rather, distribution of papers for meetings. It was agreed that every effort should be made to send papers out in good time, so delegates can consult their counties. Notice is always given in good time, but other things have sometimes tended to plop on your doormat the day before the meeting if you were lucky.

**(3) SCCU President.** David Sedgwick said he would step down this year, after the traditional two-year stint, and intended to propose Chris Howell as his successor.

**(4) Money.** The Treasurer had nothing much to report except that all counties were fully paid up. A proposal to donate £100 from SCCU funds to the Hastings Centenary event was deferred to the next meeting to give counties time to think about it. The counties had, in fact, been invited a while back to consider their attitude on funding international events in general, and what response there was was cautious. If anything, counties were better placed to fund events than the Union was. But Kent's financial success with the Menchik Memorial had not been unalloyed. [Kent's loss, though it wasn't said at the meeting, was more than £1000.]

**(5) Juniors.** Bruce Birchall said a meeting of county junior organisers 4.3.95 had decided to hold broadly the same events as last year. He had received only one nomination for a BCET national Schools Award. As usual we won't name the school till the awards are made, but BHB endorsed the nomination and the Executive concurred. At this point your Editor's notes include a scrawled "one hour so far and what have we done?", which was possibly unfair since we *had* just made a decision.

**(6) Game fee.** John Philpott said the BCF had got much more efficient about sending information. All leagues except the Thames Valley had paid, and congresses were being very forthcoming as well.

At the last SCCU AGM, in June 1994, Council appeared sympathetic to a shelved idea of Bryan Fewell's which would have given game fee rebates to Direct Members, up to a maximum of 20 games, in any events of their choice. In other words, not just in congresses. Nothing much happened, and the Bulletin was pleased because it sounded complicated. It's surfaced again. The Executive agreed, by 11 votes to 2 and the other one has some experience of Game Fee, to support this idea at the BCF (Finance) Council Meeting next month. Your Editor has never been a strong supporter of the Direct Membership Scheme (sorry) because it's bitty. Discounts for this, rebates from that, a register of names to tend, and more work for congress organisers. Straight Game Fee is far better. The only sort of DMS we'd get enthusiastic about is the donation sort. No services no rebates, just a donation and your name in the Yearbook.

(7) **Inter-County Nominations.** The Executive agreed the nominations for the BCF stages. Everyone took up their nominations, so we won't list them here. (See page 6 for the league tables.) Cambs said they *might* have to field a weak team in the quarter-final if they couldn't get a suitable date, but at any rate they wouldn't default.

Perhaps we should have said earlier that there was a spare place in the Championship, to which apparently the SCCU and MCCU had equal claim, and it had gone to the MCCU by lot. The BCF had told us we'd get it next year if the same situation arose. There was some feeling that the third-placed teams should have been invited to play off for it, and the President said he had already made this point to the BCF. Middx made frightening noises about what they'd do to the MCCU third nominee if they got the chance to play them.

(8) **Inter-County Rules.** The President sought leave to propose, at the BCF Council Meeting 22nd April, a number of changes to the county match rules. One related, rather boringly, to dates for payment of entry fees. Of the other four, two were uncontentious and the others apparently contentious only to your Editor. If you don't want the details, skip the rest of this paragraph. Oh, you have. Uncontentious: (a) write in, or clarify, the bit about Unions getting two nominations only if they've run a qualifying competition with at least three teams in; and (b) write in a rule that the teams required to play in preliminary rounds should be drawn from second nominees, and the home teams in the quarter-finals should be drawn from first nominees. Contentious: (c) make, and publish, the semi-final draw at the same time as the quarter-final one: Your Editor wanted to know whether this meant deciding the semi-final venues as well as pairings, and on hearing it did was dubious. Could mean that in the semi-final a team "due" for a home match was away against a team that had just had a home. No one else seemed worried about this, perhaps because most matches are played at half-way venues anyway. And (d) write in a provision that two nominees from the same Union should not meet before the Final. This would replace the rule that says the same thing about two nominees from one county. The Bulletin would probably support this proposal, but was bemused by the justification given for it: "to ensure that where the two strongest teams in a Division are both from the same Union, they play each other in the Final rather than earlier in the National Stages". We fancy the proposer might accept that this wasn't the best reason he could have found, and we won't be as rude about it as we'd intended. (We threatened, at the meeting, to be rude in the Bulletin. "So what's new?", they said.)

(9) **Badger Sponsorship.** Prizes for the Open are: 1 £600, 2 £450, 3-4 £200, 5-8 £100; plus Best Game prizes £25 per match. Minor Counties: 1 £150, 2 £100. March *ChessMoves* has different figures but we think ours are right.

(10) **BCF Yearbook.** There was some criticism of the new BCF/Batsford Yearbook, with particular reference to its small print in places and its omission of Union and County results. Some thought that the (large-print!) "magazine style section" was out of place, or overdone. It was accepted that the publishers were targeting a wider readership than before, and one not dominated by the likes of SCCU Executive members.

(11) **Minor Counties.** John Poole, BCF Director of Home Chess, "seems determined to put forward" (DRS) proposals to alter the eligibility for this event with effect from 1995-96. It appears that JP's first idea was to make the MC a competition for the 3rd and 4th placed teams from each Union. He then allegedly put forward a proposal based on levy numbers (no misprint). What his current thinking is we don't know. The Bulletin would change the rules as well, to prevent nonsenses like Middx (mean grade nearly 200 on a good day) qualifying as they did last year. It said how four issues back. The Executive decided it was happy with the status quo.

(12) **Fixtures 1995-6.** Dave Metcalfe found himself forced, through changes in his pattern of work, to resign as Fixture Secretary. But he had produced a list for next year, and with minor amendments it will be sent to the counties for their comments. The definitive list, for the Championship, is expected to be out in May.

(13) **Southern Counties U180 KO.** Fred Manning said there were six entries so far, and he hoped to have a list out by the 1st April.

(14) **Rules & Appeals Sub-committee.** Apart from the three things mentioned elsewhere (see page 12) the sub-committee also has to consider something or other about teas - the Bulletin has no details - and may or may not feel constrained to look at possible rule changes. It will meet on Friday 28th April at the Durham Castle. Telephonic meetings aren't allowed these days unless all parties agree, and it's got rather a lot on its plate for that anyway.

### BCF MANAGEMENT BOARD

Report based on material supplied by David Sedgwick

Briefly, on the meeting 4th February: Roger Edwards proposed replacement of the grading software, and the MB agreed expenditure of £4000 over two years subject to Council approval. The intention, quite apart from replacing an admittedly inefficient system, is to improve the flexibility of the software with later enhancements in mind. The **quarter-final draw** for the Counties Championships was made in the lunch break, and Chr\*s H\*w\*ll, who was deputising for David Sedgwick, was supposed to go to it but didn't. Depending which account you accept, he either forgot, or was dragged forcibly and against his will to the pub by the Union Treasurer. Returning, too late, to the draw he told everyone: "Whatever you do don't let David Sedgwick know I wasn't here." Unfortunately he omitted to say the same to the villain of the piece, the Union Treasurer, and the Bulletin offers no prizes for guessing the first thing the Union Treasurer said to the Union President afterwards.

On to the 25th March, the day after the SCCU meeting reported above.

(1) **Presidents Award.** It was decided that the Award should no longer confer any of the benefits of Direct Membership. David Sedgwick thought this was mean and penny-pinching. (One recipient, whose free Yearbook and



*ChessMoves* came as a surprise, doesn't feel too strongly about it but then he always charged the Union for them anyway.)

(2) **Yearbook.** The points made at the previous day's SCCU meeting were considered. In particular, it was felt that the YB should include as many of the Federation's rules as possible. (Some of the rules, including quite important ones, are currently on a three-year cycle or thereabouts and may well not be in the YB you're carrying around in your glove box.) John Poole, Director of Home Chess, would like to hear *within 4 weeks* from anyone who feels that any particular item should go in every time. His address:

**John Poole, 6 Cleves Court, Warwick Rd, Beaconsfield, Bucks HP9 2PE**

Within four weeks, remember, and by the time you read this it may be three weeks. He is also considering partial restoration of the Union and County results.

(3) **BCF Income.** Projected Game Fee income of £36,000 for 1994-5 will be exceeded by some £9000. For this reason the MB had little difficulty with its budget proposals for the April Council Meeting. The Manchester & District CA has proposed that its game fee payments be waived for the next three years in return for specific M & D projects, to be agreed with the BCF, for the development of junior chess. These were, apparently, projects that would have gone ahead if the Manchester Match had, and we gather that M & D's future silence about the match comes into the agreement somewhere. The MB is to recommend the agreement to Council and has presumably budgeted for it.

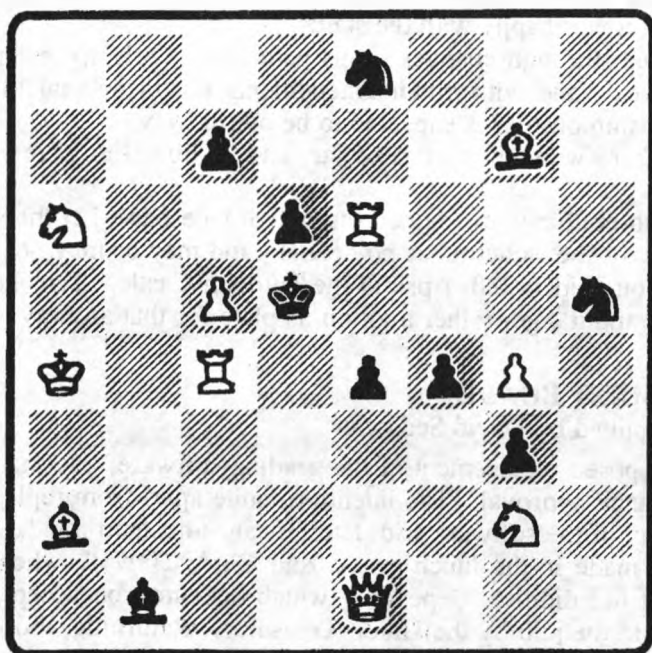
The DFE grant, amazingly, has gone up (from £47,000 to £48,500) after the inquisitorial process. The MB, feeling that we are expected to put in something of our own to match the government increase, will propose an increase in Game Fee from 20p to 21p per half-game (and a Rapidplay increase from 5p to 10p). The government grant, while expected to be maintained in real terms for three years, is likely to be progressively withdrawn thereafter. (But three years is an age in politics.)

(4) **Management Board Structure.** Views are to be sought at the April Council Meeting with a view to proposals in September. Game Fee has changed things.

(5) **Minor Counties.** JP will propose eligibility changes at the April meeting, no details yet.

(6) **Chess Centre Ltd** has received a bequest from the estate of the late Harry Golombek. It includes his chess library, and money to be spent on the establishment of a National Chess Library.

## BRITISH SOLVING CHAMPIONSHIP



Never thought the day would come when you'd see a diagram in the Bulletin. This is the first stage in this year's Championship; successful entrants will receive a harder postal eliminator, with an on-the-spot Final in January.

White to play and mate in 2, against any defence.

Send your solution (key move only) to British Chess Problem Society, 9 Roydfield Drive, Waterthorpe, Sheffield S19 6ND, with a cheque for £2 payable to BCPS. Also send an SAE for the postal stage. Closing date 30th June.

Mark your entry "SCCU Bulletin".



## CONGRESS DIARY

- Apr 1 TUNBRIDGE WELLS JUNIOR U19/parents; U16/14/12/10/8. RJ Haddrell, 48 Southview Rd, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN4 9BX 01892 532361
- 1-2 SPECTRUM CHESS at Gloucester sports a Première (U180) again but we've heard them well spoken of. U180; U140; U105. Norman Went, 53 New Zealand Way, Rainham, Essex RM13 8JT 01708 551617
- 2 LETCHWORTH Open; U160; U125; U90; U16/14/11. T Thurstan, 33 Brompton Park Rd, Hitchin, Herts 01462 459873
- 8 WESTMINSTER CHESS. John Sargent, 903 Longbridge Rd, Dagenham, Essex RM8 2BU 0181 595 5881
- 8-9 SUFFOLK at Ipswich. BCQ Open; U171; U136; U101; U71. N Sanderson, Park Farm House, Whersted, Ipswich IP9 2AF 01473 601192
- 10-12 MAIDENHEAD JUNIOR U18/13/11/9. R Brugge, 16 Wootton Way, Maidenhead, Berks SL6 4QU
- 14-16 BOLTON Open; U160; U120. Chess Congress, 21 Argo St, Bolton BL3 6TT
- 14-17 SURREY Open 7 rds BCQ, FIDE rated, incorporating SCCU Championship; U170; U145; U120; U100. FC Manning, 44 Willow Rd, Wallington, Surrey SM6 0PF
- 14-17 SOUTHEND Open 7 rds BCQ, FIDE rated; graded Swisses 5 rds. GMA Smith, 41 Westwood Gardens, Hadleigh, Benfleet, Essex SS7 2SH 01702 556086
- 14-17 WEST OF ENGLAND at Weymouth. Open; Ladies!; U160; U125. R Rendell, Romany, Chergrove Lane, Sturdington, Cheltenham, Glos GL51 5XB 02142 862041
- 14-17 SHEFFIELD Open; U166; U136; U101. All 6 rds. BD Stephenson, 9 Roydfield Drive, Waterthorpe, Sheffield S19 6ND 01442 471579
- 22 PRUDENTIAL READING. T Matthewson, 81 Recreation Rd, Tilehurst, Reading RG3 4UB 01734 413840
- 22-23 SOUTH HERTS at St Albans. Open; U176; U150; U130; U110. JA Leake, 14 Highfield Avenue, Harpenden AL5 5UA 01582 621623
- 28-30 NORFOLK at Norwich. Open; U160; U120; U80. F Bowers Chess Suppliers, 34 Middle Rd, Whaplode, Spalding, Lincs PE12 6TW
- 29 GOLDERS GREEN U150. AN Raoof, PO Box 1962, London NW4 4NF 081 202 0982
- May 5-7 ABERDEEN. J King, 39 Forestside Drive, Banchory, Kincardineshire AB31 3ZG 01330 824110
- 6 LLOYDS BANK GIRLS SCHOOLS TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP at Hampton Middx. U18; U13; U11. Neil Clifton, 114 Windermere Rd, Coulsdon, Surrey CR5 2JB 0181 660 8564
- 6 WALSALL Open; U130. J Withnall, 10 Gorway Close, Walsall WS1 3JG 01922 20569
- 6-8 MIDDX OPEN TEAMS of four. Simon Brougham, Top Flat, 41 Wetherall Rd, Hackney E9 7DB 0181 986 5496
- 6-8 DART VALLEY. W Fairbairn, Peake Cross, Dartington, Totnes, Devon TQ9 6DH
- 6-8 NORTH OF ENGLAND Open; U160; U135; U110. B Shap, 39 Alloe Field View, Illingworth, Halifax HX2 9EP 01422 246774
- 7 BASINGSTOKE. J French, 31 Brocas Drive, Basingstoke, Hants RG21 2LS 01256 472537
- 12-14 FROME Open BCQ; U170; U135; U115; U90. G Jepps, 27 Lockley Rd, Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA4 5RQ 01749 344191
- 13 WESTMINSTER CHESS. John Sargent, 903 Longbridge Rd, Dagenham, Essex RM8 2BU 0181 595 5881
- 13 SHEFFIELD RAPIDPLAY Open; U161; U121. BD Stephenson as 14-17 Apr
- 14 PETERBOROUGH. D Rooke, 20 Shortacres Rd, Peterborough PE2 9DZ 01733 383879
- 19-21 RHYL. H Jones, 17 Bryntirion Drive, Prestatyn, Clwyd LL19 9NT 01745 854110
- 20 GOLDERS GREEN Rapidplay Open; U160; U120. Golders Green RPC, BO Box 1962 NW4 4NF
- 20 EARLEY. 491 Basingstoke Rd, Reading RG2 0JG 01734 868113
- 21 SCUNTHORPE. GS Turner, 8 Endcliffe Avenue, Bottesford, Scunthorpe, Lincs DN17 2RD 01724 866433
- 27-29 MORECAMBE. FS Rushworth, 21 Douglas Drive, Morecambe, Lancs LA3 2LW 01524 859860
- 27-29 COTSWOLD at Stroud. L Wood, 55 Blenheim Drive, Bredon, Tewkesbury, Glos GL20 7LY 01684 72875
- 28 BRACKNELL JUNIOR QP Under 10/9/8. J Lloyd, 58 Pembroke, Hanworth, Bracknell, Berks RG12 7RD 01344 54000

**ARBITERS COURSE** at the Barbican 10th June, 8th and 22nd July. Think you're supposed to go to all three of them. Details from David Sedgwick, 23 Tierney Court, Canning Rd, Croydon CR0 6QU 0181 656 7682

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