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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Richard,

3.10.96

As ever, I have read your latest SCCU Bulletin with interest.

One point struck me in relation to your comments on junior activities in reporting the meeting of the SCCU Executive on 13 September. The inference I gained was that the SCCU have funds available for junior activities which on present plans may be unspent in the current year.

May I draw the attention of you and your colleagues to one important requirement emerging from the conditions applying to the Department of National Heritage to the BCF grant for 1996-7. That concerns the objective of promoting formal links between clubs and schools.

The BCF Director of Junior Chess has started to give thought to ways of dealing with this issue and reference is made to a pilot scheme in the newly published BCF Business Plan 1996-7. This is linked with plans to develop a course for chess coaches (pages 16-17). All members of the BCF Management Board will shortly receive a copy of the Business Plan.

Knowing that some SCCU counties such as Kent, Berks and Herts are particularly active in development of junior chess, I would have thought the SCCU would be very interested in pursuing the BCF initiative in discussion with David Newell, if not already planning to do so.

Yours sincerely,  
BRYAN (FEWELL) Harpenden

copies to Chris Howell, John Philpott, Nigel Dennis

Richard,

15.10.96

One or two observations:

Last year's Sussex County Championship had 20 entrants, not 10.<sup>1</sup>

Any comments about Sussex's strength for the Minor Counties could equally apply to Wiltshire, seeing as the counties were so evenly matched<sup>2</sup>. I'm afraid that the judgment of Sussex is often doubted by players whose much stronger counties have occasionally lost to Sussex against the odds. I should be happy to supply details.

Keep looking for the mistake [in *Sussex Chess*]...<sup>3</sup>

PAUL WATSON Hon Sec Sussex CCA

Ed: (1) I counted wrong. I still don't make it 20, looks like 18 now, but I expect I'm missing something.

(2) Agreed. I said this in the comment that sparked the comment that sparked PW's comment... (3) Got it, with some prompting. "The achievement of Bernard Cafferty in remaining uneaten in eleven games". Had a David Friedfood once, now *there* was an opportunity missed.

Dear Richard,

26.11.96

Middlesex. yes Middlesex

I wish to confirm, with considerable regret, that Middlesex have had to withdraw the County's Open, U175 and U150 teams from the Counties Championships.

Our Open team captain, a regular in the job, had an established hard core squad, essential to any team, and was confident at the start of the season that he would be able to field full teams in spite of problems he has had in the past making up the full number. Unexpectedly, he found his hard core squad beginning to disintegrate, players for one good reason or another not being able to play, and new regular players not being available. In the end he felt he had to resign the post, being unable to find sufficient players. With no one else being willing to take over as captain, we had no choice but to withdraw the team.

Our U175 and U150 captains were new to the job and accepted the handicap that they had not inherited hard core squads, thus having to start from scratch. There was the handicap, too, that the new grading list only comes out at the start of August, and it was the end of August by the time we had obtained a disk, drawn from it the Middlesex players in grade order and separately by club, splitting to show players relevant to each team and sending the two lists to each of the captains. And the telephone numbers had to be found, through contacts or club officials - time consuming job. Our U175 captain reckons he made over 100 telephone calls, with little success. Our U150 captain went further and visited clubs and circulated all clubs in the Middlesex leagues. 2/3 weeks before the Kent match he had a full squad. But, being cautious, he rang round the players as a check the weekend before the match and found that eight players were unable to make the match, none having made contact to inform him. This so disillusioned him that he simply did not want to continue making the effort. The playing season being well under way by this time, the decision was taken to withdraw both teams.

A quite separate problem was a venue for home matches, as the first floor above Chess & Bridge had ceased to be available. One for single matches was found but we have yet to find a venue for double matches at anything like a sensible price.

With high hopes and considerable efforts, we began with three teams but have ended up with none this year. To say I am disappointed is to put it mildly and I must thank the three captains for trying so valiantly.

What really is the problem? Is it that there is now too much chess available? Is it that Middlesex as a county

exists but then does not really exist? Is it reluctance on people's part to travel? Is it, more generally, that priorities have changed? My successor, Chris Fewtrell, is aware of what has happened and he and I will be working through the next eight months to re-establish Middlesex on the Counties circuit in 1997-8.

WA SUTTILL

President, Middlesex CCA

### BCF MANAGEMENT BOARD

The Management Board met in London on Saturday 16th November 1996. Your Editor wasn't there because he had a match. (First things first, though in view of the match result he wishes he'd gone to the Board meeting.) Here's a potted report, courtesy of the other SCCU representative, mostly.

(1) **Congress Director** Tim Wall resigned, shortly after his appointment, because of new and unexpected personal circumstances. It was felt that Stewart Reuben might be competent to look after next year's British, and he will. Provisionally at any rate, and the Congress Director's job will be advertised.

(2) **Game Fee.** The MB is to recommend to Council that internal club games be charged at the full rate. Currently they're free but that was always, we think, intended as a sweetener to be withdrawn sooner or later. Your Editor can see no reasonable objection to charging the full whack, except that many clubs will stop having their internal games graded. (There's a small club near Tunbridge Wells that would be set back £100 a year.) Some discussion of junior events, but no proposals for Council.

(3) **FIDE Delegate.** David Jarrett, the existing delegate, has been elected FIDE Treasurer and felt that possible conflicts of interest meant he should resign as BCF delegate. The BCF will advertise the position.

(5) **BCF office.** You may or may not have heard that the freehold of the Hastings premises came up for sale by auction at the start of November. The Management Board was advised that it *was* a worthwhile purchase, and our representatives were authorised to bid up to £28,000. In the end the freehold went to a property developer for more than that. £34,000, we think. He can't just chuck us out, but the Bulletin gathers - remember, the Bulletin's a financial and legal imbecile - that we have a couple of years or so before decamping becomes either politic or necessary.

(4) **National Club Championship.** Bit of a cock-up on the Rules front. We've not seen a copy of the rules this year, but it seems that the outgoing Director of Home Chess introduced two changes on his own initiative. (1) He abolished the rule that says you have to have played for your club at least twice in the previous year in other competitions; and (2) he introduced a rule saying players can't be paid. The MB has ruled these changes void because they should have gone to Council, and participating clubs will be told. Clubs will have played round 1 under the new invalid rules. So far as paying players is concerned, some top clubs actually do it (even in round 1!) and they've been stalling their round 1 matches pending an MB ruling. The ruling has immediate effect, so OK there. Under the "two-match" rule, clubs may well have played people who will now cease to be eligible. That's unfortunate. Obviously they won't be ruled ineligible retrospectively. What's more, the old (and still official) rule won't re-apply till round 3 so you've still got time to arrange 2 matches for them in other competitions...

(5) **Minor Counties.** SCCU nominees are Berks, Bucks, Herts, Oxon and Surrey, and that went through on the nod.

(6) **National Chess Centre.** Really don't know any details, but they're now looking at another site in Hastings.

### ROUND AND ABOUT

#### ESSEX

County Champion is Andrew Brett of Chelmsford after a rapidplay play-off against Bill Sanders and Russell White. Presidents Team (the Rest) v Eastbrook (League Champions) went to the Champions 11½-9½.

#### KENT

Summer Quick-play League was won, not for the first time, by Hastings & St Leonards who beat Maidstone (well, one of the Maidstone teams) 9-7 in the Final 8.10.96. Hastings's weaker players seem to be endemically good at using their time handicaps. We note with regret that Hastings - no, we *know* they're not in Kent - don't seem to be playing in the Kent mainstream leagues this year. That won't affect their eligibility for next year's KSQP; Kent's a broad church, and they were in the KSQP before they were in the mainstream leagues anyway.

#### RALPH BARNETT TROPHY 17th August 1996

This is an annual jamboree for teams representing leagues in the London area. Grading limits vary with board number but go from Open to U120. 1 Essex 11½/20; 2 Surrey 11; 3 Civil Service 8½; 4 Middx 7

**4NCL**

We've had a very full and helpful report of the first two rounds (19th and 20th October). They left the resurrected Invicta Knights "in the lead" with 4 MP out of 4 and 12½ GP out of 16. Followed by Midland Monarchs 4:12; Wood Green 4:11; BCM 4:10; Northumbria 4:10; and 12 other teams who haven't got 4 MP. Six 2s and six 0s, actually. Next two rounds are 22-23 November and you'll be lucky if they're in this issue. "In the lead" is in quotes because, with 18 teams in it, they can't manage an APA and they haven't yet decided how they're going to split ties. Hope they get round to it some time.

Acknowledgments Nigel Johnson

**EUROPEAN CLUB CUP**

**Slough** in Bratislava 6-8 September came fourth. Having beaten EtVaS Vantaa (Finland) 5-1 in the first round, they lost 4-2 to the Yugoslav Partizan Beograd team, then lost to some Ukrainians in the third-place play-off. Individual scores: Hebden 1½/3; Kosten 1½/3; Arkell 1½/3; Summerscale 1/3; Cummings 1/3; Smith 2/3. Partizan Beograd won it. We see from Slough's press release that Slough, supported by their third-round opponents, lodged a protest against Partizan Beograd on the ground that they had submitted their final team list only a week before the event so their opponents couldn't prepare for them. Leonard Barden in the Guardian calls this gamesmanship; the press release makes it sound more like cheating. Other sources suggest that it wasn't as black and white as that. The deadline for team lists was six weeks earlier, and PB broke the rules by changing their list at short notice but there were unusual circumstances and you could at least see why the organisers allowed it, though they might have handled it better. The penalty for the infraction, according to Slough's press release, "is an automatic 6-0 loss, which in Slough's case would have guaranteed them a place in the Group 7 final and therefore an automatic qualification to the Finals Weekend". Slough didn't get their 6-0 win but they got their entry fee back, so error's been admitted, and they were (not very helpfully in practical terms) made first reserves for the Finals.

**Maidstone**, in Greece 30th August - 1st September, don't seem to have run into anything like that. They repeated last year's performance by coming third. They beat the hosts in round 1, then had the misfortune to draw the eventual winners, the all-GM New Siberia team, in round 2. They lost by a bigish margin but gave New Siberia a much tougher match than they got in the Final. Maidstone then beat a Swiss team in the third-place play-off. Individual scores: Emms 1/3, Ward 2/3, Ivanov 2/3, Dickenson 1½/3, Cooley 1/2, Watson ½/2, Powell ½/1, Bibby 0/1. Meanwhile, back in Maidstone, "Bob Fenn is facing up to the unenviable task of retyping the club's constitution after former committee member \*\*\*\*\* forgot the password he'd been using to protect it."

**Barbican** and **Guildford** haven't sent us anything but their (disappointing) results have been pretty well reported.

**BRAINTREE** (North Essex Chess League) 21-22 September 1996

**Open** (19 pl) 1-2 Karl Bowden (Writtle), Chris N Dunworth (Croydon) 4/5; 3 Chris E Franklin (Sudbury) 3½...  
NORTH ESSEX CHAMPION Karl Bowden

**Under 160** (36 pl) 1 Les J Crane (Upminster) 4½/5; 2-4 Peter J Byford (Braintree), Andrew D Hartland (Writtle), Richard J Weeber (Grays) 4... GRADING U140 Simon S Armour (Southend), Chris A Bates (Colchester), Tony Drake (Hadleigh), Ken Groce (Powdermill), Robin J Oakley (Chingford), Patrick C Ribbands (Cambridge City), Robin Slade (Chelmsford) 3; NORTH ESSEX CHALLENGERS Andrew D Hartland

**Under 130** (51 pl) 1-7(!) Paul Bloom (Chislehurst), Kenn Butcher, Alex Cater, Jim West (all Braintree), Geoff C Elliston (Wickford), Christopher Lovista (Bishops Stortford), Peter M Titmas (Maidstone) 4/5... GRADING U110 David J Lilley (Braintree) 3; JUNIOR Iain Gunn (Maldon) 3

**Under 100** (33 pl) 1 Paul Stukas (Chelmsford) 5/5; 2-3 Trevor Adams (Chelmsford), David McRoberts (Woodpushers) 4... JUNIOR Dominic Allen (Powdermill) 3½ Results David J Millward

**SWANLEY RAPID** 11th November 1996 gives no clubs but it gives the grades so we've copied them.

**"Group A"** (16 pl) 1 John Bennett 198 5; 2 JJ Thompson 160 4½; 3-5 James Vigus 221, Mark Roberts 169, John Anderson 190 4... GRADING U140 Richard Murphy 138, Stephen Casement 130 3

**"Group B"** (24 pl) 1 Michael Redman 108 5; 2-4 Oliver Cooley 116, Paul Richards 63, Russell Scott 97 4½; 5-7 Robert Wilson 99, David Ho 106, Steven Pretty 115 4... GRADING U100 Robert Wilson Results Ken Grist

**JUNIOR NEWS****NYCA UNDER 18 QUICKPLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS** at Stoke on Trent, 28th September 1996

13 teams of 12: 1 Manchester 42½/60; 2 Surrey 36½; 3-4 Glamorgan, Warwicks 35; 5 Somerset 34½; 6 Richmond 34; 7 Berks 29; 8 Humberside 28½; 9 Bucks 27; 10 Staffs 23; 11-13 Cheshire, Derbyshire, Lincolnshire 21½. Which makes an odd number of half-draws, but never mind. Your Editor knows what it's like trying to pick the results up at the end of a jamboree, even when the table you're copying from is right. Results AJW Thorn.

**ESSEX JUNIOR RAPIDPLAY** at Colchester, 6th October 1996

**Open** (adults: 28 ent) 1-3 Stephen Gregory, Jim Howson, David Spence 5... JUNIOR Richard Watts; BEST ESSEX JUNIOR Ellen Walker

**Under 14** (16 ent) 1 Ben Collins 5; 2 Iain Gunn 4½; 3-5 Peter Giles, Christopher Bates, Neil Hoggood 4...

**Under 12** (29 ent) 1 Graham Walker 5½; 2-4 Ezra Lutton, Lawrence Trent, Katie Bates 5...

**Under 10** (40 pl) 1 Josiah Lutton 5½; 2-3 Heather Walker, Lee Gold 5; 4-6 Stewart Trent, Daniel Diamond, Joshua Rubin 4½...

**20th ASHFORD (Kent) JUNIOR** 26th October 1996

"Rather a low entry this year - 72, compared with 100 or more in previous years."

**Under 18 Major** only got two entrants, and both were allowed to play in the Minor instead.

**Under 18 Minor** (13 players) 1 Matthew Noakes (giving time handicaps in all games) 5/6; 2-4 Oliver Cooley, James Warren, Robert Wilson 4...

**Under 14** (10 pl) 1 Konrad Sanders 4½/6; 2-4 Richard Cheeseman, Paul Higgins, Russell Scott 4...

**Under 12** (16 pl) 1 Joseph AlMalah 5½/6; 2 Stephen Milford 4½; 3 Raymond Gosden 4...

**Under 10** (21 pl) 1-2 Sara Higgins, James Regan 5/6; 3 Edmund Birkhamshaw 4½; 4-6 David Ridout, Elliot Seabrook, Robin Jones 4...

**Novice** (13 pl) 1 Matthew Martindale 6; 2 Mark Davidson 5; 3-6 Luke Hunter, Darren Shilling, Robert McKinnon 4... Results Bob Blake

**BROMLEY JUNIOR** 2nd November 1996

**Under 12** (31 pl) 1 Matthew Moore (Haywards Heath) 5½/6; 2 Jayesh Jogia (Dulwich) 5; 3-4 Amir Habibi (Cranbrook), James Thanesan (Maidstone) 4½; 5-9 Sara Higgins, Robert White, James Lowing, Raymond Gosden, Joseph Al Malah 4...

**Under 10** (39 pl) 1 Edmund Birkhamshaw (Worsley Bridge) 6/6; 2 Edward Coughlan (Sevenoaks) 5; 3 Gregory Jones (Maidstone) 4½; 4-11 James Wanstall, Michael Ostheimer, Ryan Nicholls, David Howell, Matthew Hadfield, Alex Partridge, Sam Block, Karim Habibi 4... Results David Brown. Also someone else who just sent the wall charts. Don't do this!

**SWANLEY JUNIOR** 11th November 1996 had a disappointing entry.

**Under 12** (18 ent) 1-2 Lalin Navaratne, Amir Habibi 4½/6; 3-6 James Chapman, Emily Lerwill, Joseph Al Malah, Raymond Gosden 4...

**Under 10** (29 ent) 1-2 Sara Higgins, James Regan 5/6; 3-4 Zackery Bennett, Harry Shaw 4½; 5-8 Elliott Seabrook, Thomas Stradwick, Antoinette Wilson, Francesca Berlin 4... BEST U8 Matthew Hadfield 3½; BEST NOVICE David Clark 3½ Results Miles Roberts

**RGS GUILDFORD** 9-10 November 1996

**Under 18 Open** (12 pl) 1 SK Williams (Farnham) 6; 2 M Broomfield (St Josephs) 4; 3-4 MC Campbell (RGS), M Inglis (Bohunt) 3½...

**Under 18 U105** (11 pl) 1 TK Chase (Danes Hill) 6; 2-3 NJ Bawden (RGS), J Zoubaida (KCS Wimbledon) 4½; 4 S Robati (RGS) 4...

**Under 14** (Sat: 9 pl) 1 AJ Bigg (Caterham) 5½; 2-4 M Elliott (RGS), T Leung (Glyn), S Matthews (Therfield) 4...

**Under 12** (Sat: 12 pl) 1 J Povah (Cranmore) 5; 2-3 D Zoubaida (KCS Wimbledon), CJ Rawlinson (Aldro) 4½; 4 TP Wonnacott (Brixington) 4...

**Under 12 A** (Sat: 31 pl) 1 K Boztas (Greville) 6; 2-3 CM Dixon (Whitgift), J Stephen (Aldro) 5; 4 B Jablonski (St Catherines) 4½...

**Under 12 B** (Sun: 25 pl) 1 O Luen (Shrewsbury House) 5½; 2-3 CJ Rawlinson (Aldro), TP Wonnacott (Brixington) 5; 4 KL Feld (LEH) 4½... Results AJW Thorn

**NYCA UNDER 14 CHAMPIONSHIPS** at Stoke on Trent, 23rd November 1996

1 Richmond A 26½/36; 2 Kent A 25½; 3-4 Manchester, Warwicks 22; 5 Bucks 19½; 6 Wilts 17; 7 Glamorgan 16; 8 Surrey 12; 9 Yorks 10; 10 Richmond B 9½... 39 teams of 12. Results AJW Thorn

**National Chess-a-thon**, sponsored by Contemporary Games and supported by the Scottish and Welsh Federations as well as the BCF, takes place in December. Children get sponsored so much per hour (one day maximum!) for playing chess, and the proceeds go to the BCF Youth Chess Trust, or its Welsh or Scottish equivalent. Top 100 fund-raising schools get a chess computer. Mailings "have gone to more than 32,000 schools" but your Editor's wasn't one of them; if yours wasn't and you'd like details, contact the BCF office.

## SCCU COUNTY MATCHES: LEAGUE TABLES

including all results received up to 27.11.96

| OPEN             | Br       | Bu       | C         | E         | H         | K         | O  | Sy | Sx | MP        |
|------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----|----|----|-----------|
| Berks            |          |          |           |           |           |           | 8  |    | 3½ | ½:2       |
| Bucks            |          |          |           | 3         |           |           | 5½ |    |    | 0 :2      |
| Cambs            |          |          |           |           |           | 8         |    | 6½ |    | ½:2       |
| Essex            |          | 13       |           |           | 11½       | 8½        |    | 10 |    | 4 :4      |
| Herts            |          |          |           | 5½        |           |           |    | 7½ | 7½ | 0 :3      |
| Kent             |          |          | 8         | 7½        |           |           | 10 |    |    | 1½:3      |
| Oxon             | 8        | 10½      |           |           |           | 6         |    |    |    | 1½:3      |
| Surrey           |          |          | 9½        | 6         | 8½        |           |    |    | 7  | 2 :4      |
| Sussex           | 12½      |          |           |           | 8½        |           |    | 9  |    | 3 :3      |
| <b>UNDER 175</b> | <b>E</b> | <b>K</b> | <b>Sy</b> | <b>Sx</b> |           |           |    |    |    | <b>MP</b> |
| Essex            |          | 8½       |           |           |           |           |    |    |    | 1 :1      |
| Kent             | 7½       |          |           |           |           |           |    |    |    | 0 :1      |
| Surrey           |          |          |           | 10½       |           |           |    |    |    | 1 :1      |
| Sussex           |          |          | 5½        |           |           |           |    |    |    | 0 :1      |
| <b>UNDER 150</b> | <b>E</b> | <b>H</b> | <b>K</b>  | <b>Sy</b> | <b>Sx</b> |           |    |    |    | <b>MP</b> |
| Essex            |          |          |           |           | 10½       |           |    |    |    | 1 :1      |
| Herts            |          |          | 9         | 5         |           |           |    |    |    | 1 :2      |
| Kent             |          | 5        |           |           |           |           |    |    |    | 0 :1      |
| Surrey           |          | 11       |           |           | 6½        |           |    |    |    | 1 :2      |
| Sussex           | 5½       |          |           | 9½        |           |           |    |    |    | 1 :2      |
| <b>UNDER 125</b> | <b>E</b> | <b>H</b> | <b>K</b>  | <b>O</b>  | <b>Sy</b> | <b>Sx</b> |    |    |    | <b>MP</b> |
| Essex            |          |          |           |           |           |           |    |    |    |           |
| Herts            |          |          |           |           |           |           |    |    |    |           |
| Kent             |          |          |           |           |           | 6½        |    |    |    | 0 :1      |
| Oxon             |          |          |           |           | 12        |           |    |    |    | 1 :1      |
| Surrey           |          |          |           | 4         |           |           |    |    |    | 0 :1      |
| Sussex           |          |          | 8½        |           |           |           |    |    |    | 1 :1      |
| <b>UNDER 100</b> | <b>E</b> | <b>H</b> | <b>Sy</b> | <b>E</b>  | <b>H</b>  | <b>Sy</b> |    |    |    | <b>MP</b> |
| Essex            |          | 6        | 8½        |           |           |           |    |    |    | 1½:2      |
| Herts            | 6        |          |           |           |           |           |    |    |    | ½:1       |
| Surrey           | 3½       |          |           |           |           |           |    |    |    | 0 :1      |

Please tell the Editor if you spot mistakes in these tables. Everything seems to have come in, up to the matches played 16th November. Note one or two changed dates and a changed match captain (page 10).

Middx have withdrawn all three of their teams (Open, U175 and U150), and Kent have withdrawn from the U100. Kent were a bit careless to lose their match captain; a letter from the Middx President appears on page 1. It was a pity their Open match captain called his first match off at 24 hours notice. Don't know how relevant it is, but we did hear he took exception when the tournament controller said \*\*\*\*\* wasn't eligible to play for Middx. The rules say it as well.

Open: It's basically a 16-board competition this year. The only teams that haven't gone for 16 boards are Essex, Berks and Kent, and Essex will play 16 boards against both Berks and Kent anyway. Haven't heard what Berks and Kent are doing between themselves. The Bulletin was going to do its best to confuse itself and everyone else by adjusting all the 16-board scores in accordance with the rules (2 extra points for each side). But David Sedgwick's not doing it and we've decided, if only for consistency, to adopt his commonsense approach. If Berks and Kent play 20 boards, we'll dock them both 2 points. Which is what David will do. Suppose that could mean someone scoring negative game points, but never mind. (It happens in some leagues anyway!)

On the following pages an asterisk by a county's name means the result has been received from that side. (r) means reserve. (sic) or (so) means your Editor really has typed what he was given, though he doesn't necessarily believe it. And he knows most of the offenders will take no notice, but *please* will match captains try to be legible. The Bulletin does not know the grades by heart. Still less the names it's never seen before. Or even the initials necessarily, for the names it does know. And when it knows the initials, it gets confused if AG comes out as T (for Tony).

Some identifiable mistakes by match captains have been investigated and corrected. Errors will remain, and some of them will be your Editor's. He's careful but fallible. If they're significant (like giving a game result the wrong way round!) please let him know so he can publish a correction. Remember the grader works from the Bulletin.

## OPEN

| Sussex*                     | 12.10.96 | Surrey*                | Essex*           | 12.10.96 | Herts*               |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------------------|------------------|----------|----------------------|
| 1 David B Graham 220        | ½ ½      | Daniel L Bisby 204 (B) | K Bowden 228 (W) | 1 0      | Paul Byway 199       |
| 2 Bernard Cafferty 194      | ½ ½      | Jon C Benjamin 199     | JW Rogers 225    | 0 1      | Simon Knott 218      |
| 3 FJ Kwiatkowski 204        | 1 0      | Rawle A Allicock 197   | AP Lewis 212     | 1 0      | Neil Bradbury 205    |
| 4 Luke E Rutherford 203     | ½ ½      | Peter D Kemp 195       | M Twyble 208     | ½ ½      | Kevin Clark 185      |
| 5 Geoff H James 194         | ½ ½      | Marcus E Osborne 184   | DA Sands 201     | 1 0      | Alistair Simpson 189 |
| 6 Steve J Newman 183        | ½ ½      | Kevin D Richardson 182 | E Dearing 195    | ½ ½      | Phil Maguire 189     |
| 7 Martin O Costley 181      | 0 1      | David WW Gunter 181    | G Kenworthy 195  | 0 1      | Alex Ethelontis 180  |
| 8 James W Mansson 178       | 0 1      | Alan K Punnett 179     | JH Hodgson 194   | ½ ½      | Nick Lee 180         |
| 9 Mike R Stott 177          | ½ ½      | Julien M Shepley 173   | J Eurnett 190    | ½ ½      | Howard Tebbs 179     |
| 10 Andrew G Cooper          | ½ ½      | Philip M Stimpson 171  | A Dunn 185       | ½ ½      | Chris Majer 177      |
| 11 Adrian O Pickersgill 175 | ½ ½      | Kevin P Mynett 167     | Myall 184        | 1 0      | Joe Franks (r) 160   |
| 12 John A Dodgson 170       | 1 0      | Chris Briscoe 161      | Saunders 181     | 1 0      | Andrew Gilfillan 176 |
| 13 Chris N Hann 171         | 0 1      | Paul D Dupré 160       | White 178        | 1 0      | Steve Law 169        |
| 14 Stephen ON Hawes 167     | 1 0      | def                    | Parker 177       | ½ ½      | Terry Turner 155     |
| 15 Jim Graham 164           | 1 0      | Chris RA Clegg 154     | Brett 175        | 1 0      | David Bower 157      |
| 16 Ian G Kelly 163          | 1 0      | Ian S McLeod 139       | Millward 172     | ½ ½      | Barry Morris 151     |
| (Horsham)                   | 9 7      |                        | (Writtle)        | 10½ 5½   |                      |

"Herts played their County Champion, Paul Byway, on board 1 (as allowed by the rules)" - Chessex. No such rule! DRS is happy with this particular order, but might object if PVB played above a GM...

| Oxon*              | 12.10.96 | Berks*             | Cambs*                    | 26.10.96 | Kent*            |
|--------------------|----------|--------------------|---------------------------|----------|------------------|
| 1 S Ansell 217 (B) | ½ ½      | PS Cooksey 194     | J Parker 233 (B)          | 0 1      | N McDonald 236   |
| 2 M Truran 208     | 0 1      | PJ Sharp 188       | M Turner 231              | 1 0      | PJ Morris 223    |
| 3 A Hunt 203       | 0 1      | KD Smallbone 185   | A Cohen 206               | 1 0      | JE Vigus 215     |
| 4 N Jakubovics 187 | 0 1      | Jovanka Houska 183 | D Cristinacce 200         | 0 1      | AL Mack 202      |
| 5 T Dickinson 184  | ½ ½      | AM Leech 183       | R Gaughan 190             | 1 0      | AE Hanreck 199   |
| 6 R Starkie 180    | ½ ½      | I Duvall 174       | Ed Holland 188            | 0 1      | NF Dickenson 193 |
| 7 J Stayt 175      | ½ ½      | JT Munday 170      | M Thornton 186            | 0 1      | RMR O'Kelly 191  |
| 8 L Millin 176     | 0 1      | L Davis 170        | D Rosenberg 183           | 1 0      | D Farndon 190    |
| 9 G Chapman 174    | 1 0      | MC Bowhay 168      | F Pollitz 180             | 0 1      | JN Sugden 189    |
| 10 J Wittman 172   | 1 0      | IR Henderson 166   | Derrick Heng <sup>1</sup> | 1 0      | CI Howell 187    |
| 11 D Hackett 175   | ½ ½      | DA Gold 168        | T Gooding 176             | ½ ½      | D Horton 188     |
| 12 Nick Jones 167  | ½ ½      | PJ Colby 155       | P Best 170                | 1 0      | CB Rice 185      |
| 13 D Bruce 158     | 1 0      | MF Redmond 156     | M Davey 169               | 1 0      | JR Bayford 185   |
| 14 P Ball 150      | 1 0      | PR Maul 161        | N Harmer 164              | 0 1      | M Wiper 182      |
| 15 M Harrison 143  | 1 0      | SJR Turner 148     | G James 150               | 0 1      | G Botley 180     |
| 16 N Kenrick 142   | 0 1      | DJ Lewis 146       | N Pyper 150               | ½ ½      | NP Donovan 177   |
| (Long Hanborough)  | 8 8      |                    | (Emmanuel College)        | 8 8      |                  |

<sup>1</sup> from Singapore, 2200 3 years ago

| Surrey*                   | 2.11.96 | Cambs*                | Herts*               | 2.11.96 | Sussex*            |
|---------------------------|---------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------|--------------------|
| 1 Richard A Bates 221 (W) | 1 0     | Matthew J Turner 231  | PV Byway 199 (B)     | ½ ½     | DH Cummings 219    |
| 2 Daniel L Bisby 204      | 0 1     | Jonathan F Parker 233 | SJB Knott 218        | ½ ½     | DB Graham 200      |
| 3 Michael J Franklin 200  | ½ ½     | Mark Ferguson 223     | Neil Bradbury 205    | ½ ½     | B Cafferty 194     |
| 4 Jon C Benjamin 199      | ½ ½     | David Cristinacce 200 | JF Rudge 194         | 1 0     | FJ Kwiatkowski 204 |
| 5 Rawle A Allicock 197    | 0 1     | Demis Hassabis 199    | KR Clark 185         | 0 1     | LE Rutherford 203  |
| 6 Peter D Kemp 195        | 0 1     | Mark H Thornton 186   | PF Maguire 189       | ½ ½     | GH James 194       |
| 7 Oliver Rosten 195       | 1 0     | Fred Pollitz 180      | Alex Ethelontis 180  | 0 1     | SJ Newman 183      |
| 8 Daniel B Rosen 190      | 0 1     | Ian Gooding 176       | Nick Lee 180         | 0 1     | PG Farr 184        |
| 9 Marcus E Osborne 184    | 0 1     | Mark Davey 169        | Simon Roe 181        | 1 0     | MO Costley 181     |
| 10 Kevin D Richardson 182 | ½ ½     | Nick C Pyper 150      | HL Tebbs 179         | ½ ½     | MR Stott 177       |
| 11 Ken FH Inwood 178      | 1 0     | Chris RL Kreuzer 136  | CE Majer 177         | 1 0     | JM Manson 178      |
| 12 Tomas M Thrower 173    | 1 0     | Sam Essen 130         | Andrew Gilfillan 176 | 1 0     | RJ Almond 176      |
| 13 Sean Thrower 172       | 1 0     | Gulan Zilani 110      | John Denton 176      | 0 1     | AG Cooper -        |
| 14 Martin C Page 176      | 1 0     | def                   | PR Bonafont 173      | 0 1     | M Broom 178        |
| 15 David R Sedgwick 176   | 1 0     | def                   | Steve Law 169        | 0 1     | AO Pickersgill 175 |
| 16 Julien M Shepley 173   | 1 0     | def                   | John Cook 162        | 1 0     | JA Dodgson 170     |
| (Sutton)                  | 9½ 6½   |                       | (Stevenage)          | 7½ 9½   |                    |



| Kent*                |     | 2.11.96 |   | Oxon*        |         | Bucks            |   | 2.11.96 |                     | Essex* |  |
|----------------------|-----|---------|---|--------------|---------|------------------|---|---------|---------------------|--------|--|
| 1 Simon D Brown      | 207 | ½       | ½ | M Truran     | 208 (B) | MV Lambshire (B) | 0 | 1       | JW Rogers           | 225    |  |
| 2 James E Vigus      | 215 | ½       | ½ | A Hunt       | 203     | S Lazarus        | 0 | 1       | AP Lewis            | 212    |  |
| 3 Chris M Cooley     | 205 | 0       | 1 | J Hastings   | 197     | J Beedle         | 1 | 0       | M Twyble            | 208    |  |
| 4 Cliff R Chandler   | 206 | 1       | 0 | M Rose       | 194     | M Armstrong      | 0 | 1       | DJ Coleman          | 205    |  |
| 5 Alan E Hanreck     | 199 | 1       | 0 | A Lewis      | 190     | R de Coverly     | 0 | 1       | A Plug <sup>1</sup> |        |  |
| 6 David M Moskovic   | 196 | ½       | ½ | M Devereaux  | 188     | LM Wooldridge    | 0 | 1       | D Sands             | 201    |  |
| 7 RMR O'Kelly        | 191 | 1       | 0 | T Dickinson  | 184     | DF Hill          | 0 | 1       | G Moore             | 197    |  |
| 8 John D Wager       | 191 | ½       | ½ | R Starkie    | 180     | SL Scopes        | 0 | 1       | JH Hodgson          | 194    |  |
| 9 David Farndon      | 190 | ½       | ½ | S Jayakumar  | 176     | M Egby           | 0 | 1       | J Burnett           | 190    |  |
| 10 John Sugden       | 189 | ½       | ½ | G Chapman    | 174     | M Vann (r)       | ½ | ½       | A Dunn              | 185    |  |
| 11 James E Scholes   | 187 | 1       | 0 | F Buchkremer | 174     | A Kelly          | 0 | 1       | JC Moore            | 183    |  |
| 12 David J Horton    | 188 | 0       | 1 | D Hackett    | 175     | RP Ginger        | ½ | ½       | W Saunders          | 181    |  |
| 13 Chris Rice        | 185 | 0       | 1 | N Jones      | 167     | A Laurence       | 0 | 1       | RP White            | 178    |  |
| 14 Jim Bayford       | 185 | 1       | 0 | S Terry      | 165     | M George         | 0 | 1       | R Parker            | 177    |  |
| 15 J Stuart Williams | 181 | 1       | 0 | C Moxley     | 161     | M Johnson        | 1 | 0       | A Brett             | 173    |  |
| 16 Nigel Donovan     | 178 | 1       | 0 | P Ball       | 150     | A Jesse          | 0 | 1       | DJ Millward         | 172    |  |
| (Charlton House)     |     | 10      | 6 |              |         | (Marlow)         | 3 | 13      |                     |        |  |

<sup>1</sup> You know what the Bulletin thought. But it seems to be genuine. There is an Arjun Plug ("Foreign") in the list without a grade.

| Herts*              |         | 16.11.96 |    | Surrey*             |     | Sussex*        |         | 16.11.96 |    | Berks*         |     |
|---------------------|---------|----------|----|---------------------|-----|----------------|---------|----------|----|----------------|-----|
| 1 Paul V Byway      | 199 (W) | ½        | ½  | Daniel L Bisby      | 204 | DH Cummings    | 2.9 (B) | 1        | 0  | HW Murphy      | 205 |
| 2 Simon JB Knott    | 218     | ½        | ½  | Russell G Granat    | 202 | DB Graham      | 220     | 1        | 0  | PS Cooksey     | 194 |
| 3 Neil H Bradbury   | 205     | 1        | 0  | Peter D Kemp        | 195 | B Cafferty     | 194     | ½        | ½  | PJ Sharp       | 188 |
| 4 Jerry F Rudge     | 194     | 1        | 0  | Oliver Rosten       | 195 | FJ Kwiatkowski | 204     | 1        | 0  | DS Tucker      | 189 |
| 5 Phil G Maguire    | 189     | 1        | 0  | Daniel B Rosen      | 190 | LE Rutherford  | 203     | 1        | 0  | Jovanka Houska | 183 |
| 6 Kevin R Clark     | 185     | ½        | ½  | Marcus E Osborne    | 184 | GH James       | 194     | 1        | 0  | AM Leech       | 183 |
| 7 Simon J Roe       | 181     | ½        | ½  | Kevin D Richardson  | 182 | SJ Newman      | 183     | ½        | ½  | ACP Milnes     | 178 |
| 8 Howard L Tebbs    | 179     | 0        | 1  | David WW Gunter     |     | PG Farr        | 184     | ½        | ½  | I Duvall       | 174 |
| 9 Chris E Majer     | 177     | ½        | ½  | Alan K Punnett      | 179 | MD Nicholas    | 181     | 1        | 0  | JT Munday      | 170 |
| 10 Andrew Gilfillan | 176     | ½        | ½  | Ken FH Inwood       | 178 | MO Costley     | 181     | 1        | 0  | L Davis        | 170 |
| 11 John R Denton    | 176     | 1        | 0  | Julien M Shepley    | 173 | MR Stott       | 177     | ½        | ½  | MC Bowhay      | 168 |
| 12 Philip Bonafont  | 173     | 0        | 1  | Tomas M Thrower     | 173 | AG Cooper      | -       | 1        | 0  | DA Gold        | 168 |
| 13 Steve J Tovey    | 171     | ½        | ½  | Sean Thrower        | 172 | M Broom        | 178     | 1        | 0  | DJ Lewis       | 146 |
| 14 Steve Law        | 168     | 0        | 1  | Phillip* M Stimpson | 171 | JC Mansson     | 178     | 0        | 1  | SJR Turner     | 148 |
| 15 John Cook        | 162     | 0        | 1  | Paul D Dupré        | 160 | RJ Almond      | 176     | 1        | 0  | NW Dennis      | 145 |
| 16 Philip J Gregory | 170     | 0        | 1  | Chris RA Clegg      | 154 | AO Pickersgill | 175     | ½        | ½  | Mario Houska   | 128 |
| (Stevenage)         |         | 7½       | 8½ |                     |     | (Brighton)     |         | 12½      | 3½ |                |     |

\* Grading list has Philip

| Oxon*             |         | 16.11.96 |    | Bucks         |     | Essex*      |         | 16.11.96 |    | Kent        |     |
|-------------------|---------|----------|----|---------------|-----|-------------|---------|----------|----|-------------|-----|
| 1 H Hunt          | 217 (B) | ½        | ½  | S Lazarus     | 191 | JW Rogers   | 225 (B) | 0        | 1  | N McDonald  | 236 |
| 2 I Upton         | 199     | 1        | 0  | J Beedle      | 187 | AP Lewis    | 212     | 0        | 1  | PJ Morris   | 223 |
| 3 J Hastings      | 197     | ½        | ½  | M Armstrong   | 179 | A Plug      |         | 1        | 0  | DW Gormally | 213 |
| 4 M Rose          | 194     | 1        | 0  | RD de Coverly | 178 | KCC Mah     | 214     | 0        | 1  | SD Brown    | 207 |
| 5 A Lewis         | 190     | 1        | 0  | L Wooldridge  | 171 | M Twyble    | 208     | ½        | ½  | CM Cooley   | 205 |
| 6 M Devereaux     | 188     | 1        | 0  | DF Hill       | 170 | JP Manley   | 205     | 1        | 0  | CR Chandler | 206 |
| 7 T Dickinson     | 184     | 0        | 1  | R O'Brien     | 168 | D Sands     | 201     | ½        | ½  | RG Eales    |     |
| 8 R Starkie       | 180     | 0        | 1  | B Shipley     | 168 | G Moore     | 197     | 1        | 0  | AE Hanreck  | 199 |
| 9 S Jayakumar     | 176     | ½        | ½  | B Hughes      | 155 | G Kenworthy | 195     | ½        | ½  | DM Moskovic | 196 |
| 10 J Stayt        | 175     | ½        | ½  | T (sic) Kelly | 151 | JH Hodgson  | 194     | 1        | 0  | AM Harakis  | 191 |
| 11 G Chapman      | 174     | ½        | ½  | J Springall   | 150 | D Sherman   | 195     | ½        | ½  | RMR O'Kelly | 191 |
| 12 F Buchkremer   | 174     | 0        | 1  | C Floyd       | 148 | J Goldberg  | 190     | 0        | 1  | JD Wager    | 191 |
| 13 J Wittman      | 172     | 1        | 0  | B Atkinson    | 147 | J Burnett   | 190     | 1        | 0  | PP Taylor   | 190 |
| 14 DG Hackett     | 175     | 1        | 0  | A Laurence    | 146 | JC Moore    | 183     | ½        | ½  | D Farndon   | 190 |
| 15 S Terry        | 165     | 1        | 0  | E Bolduc      | 132 | W Saunders  | 187     | ½        | ½  | JN Sugden   | 189 |
| 16 N Kenrick      | 142     | 1        | 0  | A Hughes      | 127 | RP White    | 178     | ½        | ½  | CB Rice     | 185 |
| (Long Hanborough) |         | 10½      | 5½ |               |     | (Wanstead)  |         | 8½       | 7½ |             |     |

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| Surrey*  |                 | 19.10.96 | Sussex* |                       | Essex*                  |    | 9.11.96 | Kent               |  |
|----------|-----------------|----------|---------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----|---------|--------------------|--|
| 1        | def             | 0        | 1       | John A Dodgson 170    | Paul L Williamson 173   | ½  | ½       | NSW Alfred 174 (W) |  |
| 2        | TM Thrower 173  | 1        | 0       | Michael J Reddie 174  | Andrew R Brett 173      | 0  | 1       | GM Brown 170       |  |
| 3        | S Thrower 172   | 1        | 0       | Chris Hann 171        | Larry E Marden 173      | ½  | ½       | S Firth 170        |  |
| 4        | PM Stimpson 171 | 1        | 0       | David W Fryer         | Ivor BN Smith 173       | 0  | 1       | Z Mehmet 169       |  |
| 5        | JS White 169    | ½        | ½       | SON Hawes 167         | David J Millward 172    | 1  | 0       | A Atkinson 165     |  |
| 6        | D Spearman 165  | ½        | ½       | Paul A Batchelor 167  | Peter C Doye 166        | 1  | 0       | PW Eldridge 162    |  |
| 7        | C Briscoe 161   | ½        | ½       | Andrew SJ Fleming 165 | Sid M Kalinsky 165      | 0  | 1       | SJ Pullinger 163   |  |
| 8        | PD Dupré 160    | 0        | 1       | Graham James 164      | Steve D Harvey 163      | ½  | ½       | MD Brougham 159    |  |
| 9        | HT Jones 157    | 1        | 0       | Ian G Kelly 163       | Colin R Ramage 163      | 1  | 0       | SJ Peters 159      |  |
| 10       | D Tuddenham 156 | 1        | 0       | def                   | Neville H Twitchell 162 | ½  | ½       | NC Mackett 152     |  |
| 11       | CRA Clegg 154   | 1        | 0       | Keith Davies 157      | Ian D Hunnab 161        | 0  | 1       | RJA Winterburn 149 |  |
| 12       | RJ Wilcox 154   | 0        | 1       | Roy R Harper 156      | Les J Crane 159         | ½  | ½       | AC Waters 148      |  |
| 13       | PR Archer 151   | 1        | 0       | David L Roberts 155   | Andy King 159           | 0  | 1       | AJ Sherriff 148    |  |
| 14       | SR Jones 150    | ½        | ½       | WH Partridge 151      | Steve M Williams 157    | 1  | 0       | def                |  |
| 15       | PE Barnard 147  | ½        | ½       | Laurence Rackham 150  | Peter Walker 154        | 1  | 0       | def                |  |
| 16       | JB Hawson 138   | 1        | 0       | R Daniel Hirsch 138   | Mark Weighell 151       | 1  | 0       | def                |  |
| (Sutton) |                 | 10½      | 5½      |                       | (Wanstead House)        | 8½ | 7½      |                    |  |

| Surrey*  |                    | 23.11.96 | Essex* |                          |
|----------|--------------------|----------|--------|--------------------------|
| 1        | JM Shepley 173 (W) | 0        | 1      | Paul L Williamson 173    |
| 2        | TM Thrower 173     | 0        | 1      | Larry E Marden 173       |
| 3        | Sean Thrower 172   | 1        | 0      | Ivor MB Smith 173        |
| 4        | JC Marley 172      | 1        | 0      | David J Millward 172     |
| 5        | S Retallick 170    | 1        | 0      | Steve D Harvey 163       |
| 6        | JS White 169       | ½        | ½      | Colin R Ramage 163       |
| 7        | FC Manning 137 (r) | 0        | 1      | Neville H Twitchell 162  |
| 8        | Chris Briscoe 161  | ½        | ½      | Ian D Hunnab 161         |
| 9        | PD Dupré 160       | ½        | ½      | Ken W Clow 158           |
| 10       | N Maxwell 159      | ½        | ½      | Andrew D Hartland 155    |
| 11       | TD Phillips 156    | 0        | 1      | Ray Purse 154            |
| 12       | CRA Clegg 154      | ½        | ½      | Richard J Weeber 154     |
| 13       | RJ Wilcox 154      | 0        | 1      | Roberto E Waldteufel 152 |
| 14       | CJ Mann 153        | 0        | 1      | Mark Weighell 151        |
| 15       | PR Archer 151      | 0        | 1      | Paul R Barclay 148       |
| 16       | SR Jones 150       | ½        | ½      | David Smith 145          |
| (Sutton) |                    | 6        | 10     |                          |

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| Herts       |              | 2.11.96 | Surrey* |                   | Sussex*               |    | 2.11.96 | Essex*           |  |
|-------------|--------------|---------|---------|-------------------|-----------------------|----|---------|------------------|--|
| 1           | A Brewis (B) | 0       | 1       | Andrew N Smith    | PR Selby 148 (B)      | 1  | 0       | PR Barclay 148   |  |
| 2           | A Fulton     | 0       | 1       | Jed Stone         | PA Greaves 147        | 0  | 1       | TG Winter 145    |  |
| 3           | S Charles    | 0       | 1       | Kevin Wilkinson   | DJ Hopson 146         | ½  | ½       | David Smith 145  |  |
| 4           | C Howe       | ½       | ½       | Rod Bell          | LJ Cannon 144         | 1  | 0       | LJ Burt 144      |  |
| 5           | K Hardy      | ½       | ½       | Ian McLeod        | PN Kington 143        | 1  | 0       | DJ Payne 144     |  |
| 6           | P Lawrence   | ½       | ½       | John Hawson       | DS Hall 143           | 0  | 1       | S Harwood 143    |  |
| 7           | R Clayton    | 0       | 1       | Fred Manning      | RA Clement 139        | 0  | 1       | G Gooding 142    |  |
| 8           | S Cook       | 1       | 0       | Krishna Mehendale | RD Hirsch 138         | 0  | 1       | DJ Rawlings 139  |  |
| 9           | D Price      | 0       | 1       | John Marshall     | FW Brown 136          | 0  | 1       | SS Armour 138    |  |
| 10          | S Blackburn  | 1       | 0       | Neil Clifton      | MR Hickman 134        | 1  | 0       | D Cannan 137     |  |
| 11          | JG Jones     | ½       | ½       | Claire Thrower    | TJ Woods 132          | 0  | 1       | MRA Murrell 136  |  |
| 12          | M Waltham    | ½       | ½       | Matthew Feld      | CC Dunn 131           | 0  | 1       | MJ Cresswell 135 |  |
| 13          | P Myers      | 0       | 1       | David Hodgson     | SJ Elgie 130          | ½  | ½       | A Drake 135      |  |
| 14          | J Marshall   | 0       | 1       | Don Baldock       | PH Benson 128         | 0  | 1       | RD Sharman 134   |  |
| 15          | P May        | 0       | 1       | Jo Hart           | EJ Hillier 127        | ½  | ½       | CJ Hobbs 134     |  |
| 16          | M Wali       | ½       | ½       | David Moore       | B Chamberlain 100 (r) | 0  | 1       | D Bird 126       |  |
| (Stevenage) |              | 5       | 11      |                   | (Crawley)             | 5½ | 10½     |                  |  |

| Surrey*                    | 16.11.96 | Sussex*               | Kent*             | 16.11.96 | Herts             |
|----------------------------|----------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------|-------------------|
| 1 Neil Clifton 108 (r) (B) | 0 1      | DJ Hopson 146         | T Baldwin 149 (B) | ½ ½      | A Hall 149        |
| 2 ST Kevin Wilkinson 143   | 1 0      | LJ Cannon 144         | A Waters 148      | ½ ½      | A Fulton 148      |
| 3 Colin PL Parker 142      | ½ ½      | IK Edgson 144         | A Sherriff 148    | ½ ½      | S Charles 146     |
| 4 J Rod Bell 139           | ½ ½      | PN Kington 143        | def               | 0 0      | def               |
| 5 Ian S McLeod 139         | 0 1      | David S Hall 143      | C Davis 145       | 0 1      | B Judkins 144     |
| 6 John B Hawson 138        | 1 0      | RC Grundy 141         | def               | 0 0      | def               |
| 7 Fred C Manning 137       | ½ ½      | RC Davies 140         | G Steele 145      | ½ ½      | D Webb 141        |
| 8 John Marshall 135        | ½ ½      | Richard A Clement 139 | M Jones 112 (r)   | 0 1      | D Price 141       |
| 9 R Jim Hale 133           | 0 1      | R Daniel Hirsch 138   | P Finch 141       | 0 1      | P Lawrenc 142     |
| 10 Claire L Thrower 133    | 0 1      | Mark Finch 135        | I Hames 139       | ½ ½      | R Gordonsmith 147 |
| 11 David A Jones 131       | ½ ½      | Timothy J Woods 132   | R Kieran 138      | ½ ½      | J Marshall 134    |
| 12 Matthew D Feld 128      | ½ ½      | C Chris Dunn 131      | D Gleed 136       | ½ ½      | J Coles 134       |
| 13 David L Hodgson 128     | 0 1      | Stephen J Elgie 130   | B Hunter 134      | 0 1      | M Wali 128        |
| 14 Don A Baldock 126       | 0 1      | Peter H Benson 128    | S Casement 130    | ½ ½      | A Philips 122     |
| 15 Joanna S Hart 124       | ½ ½      | Eric J Hillier 127    | D Hargrave 129    | 1 0      | R Kearns 125      |
| 16 Lucy Broomfield 120     | 1 0      | Kevin Carter 126      | S Chick 120       | 0 1      | T Wright 124      |
| (Sutton)                   | 6½ 9½    |                       | (Charlton House)  | 5 9      |                   |

The defaults weren't known about in advance. People were turning up late on both sides and we suspect a certain amount of shuffling around took place to get all the absentees onto two boards.

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| Oxon*                  | 26.10.96 | Surrey*         | Kent*                  | 26.11.96 | Sussex*              |
|------------------------|----------|-----------------|------------------------|----------|----------------------|
| 1 Alan Collins 124 (B) | 0 1      | L Evbounwan 124 | Stephen Chick 120      | ½ ½      | BK Horscroft 120     |
| 2 Ian R Brooke 124     | 1 0      | G Morse 121     | Peter L Childs 123     | ½ ½      | Ben McManus 123      |
| 3 Lee Collins 121      | 1 0      | R Balatoni 121  | Neil Lister 116        | 1 0      | David Simpkins 120   |
| 4 Tony Heslop 119      | 1 0      | D Parsons 117   | M Zukunft 115          | 0 1      | PJ Helliwell 119     |
| 5 AJ Wyeth 112         | 1 0      | KW Lovel 116    | G Batty 114            | 0 1      | Alan J Quant 119     |
| 6 Wayne Tutty 115      | 1 0      | DJ Howes 115    | Anthony Hargreaves 113 | 0 1      | Graham P Salmon 117  |
| 7 Malcolm Brindley 108 | 1 0      | W Waterton 110  | Michael R Jones 112    | 1 0      | Marc A Bryant 115    |
| 8 Frank Fallon 97      | 1 0      | PM Shaw 105     | Peter D Poland 112     | ½ ½      | SP Deere 114         |
| 9 DAS Buckland 100     | 1 0      | AP Palmier 105  | I Stoneman 112         | ½ ½      | Michael Curtis 110   |
| 10 James Buchanan 90   | 1 0      | M Curran 104    | Colin G Gregory 111    | 1 0      | N Pestelle 111       |
| 11 Catherine David 71  | 0 1      | LI Makinson 97  | Ivor C Smith 109       | 0 1      | Adam JP Wood 111     |
| 12 John Findlay 82     | 0 1      | S Smyth 97      | David SJ Shipp 103     | ½ ½      | Charles Holcombe 108 |
| 13 Graham Morris 87    | 0 1      | D Innes 96      | James C Robertson 103  | ½ ½      | Paul Buswell 100     |
| 14 David Metcalfe 104  | 1 0      | def             | Robin Thompson 98      | 0 1      | N Clive 110          |
| 15 G Spalding 115      | 1 0      | def             | Brian J Thatcher 96    | ½ ½      | Stephen D Carter 60  |
| 16 M Creasey 74        | 1 0      | def             | def                    | 0 0      | def                  |
| (Long Hanborough)      | 12 4     |                 | (Sevenoaks)            | 6½ 8½    |                      |

### UNDER 100

| Essex*                           | 2.11.96 | Surrey*                      | Herts*              | 16.11.96 | Essex                          |
|----------------------------------|---------|------------------------------|---------------------|----------|--------------------------------|
| 1 Ron Prickett 99 (B)            | 1 0     | Edward Radford 99            | Adam Humphreys 99   | ½ ½      | Ron Prickett 99 (W)            |
| 2 Bijan Mehdienejad 99           | 1 0     | William Upton 95             | Remi Strauss 94     | 0 1      | Chris Wiggins 99               |
| 3 Chris Wiggins 99               | ½ ½     | Chris Dixon 93               | Wolf Hamm 89        | ½ ½      | Robert Payne 98                |
| 4 Bobby Payne 98                 | 1 0     | Laila Tillett 89             | David Bate-Smith 89 | 1 0      | Lawrence Trent 87 <sup>1</sup> |
| 5 Lawrence Trent 95 <sup>1</sup> | 1 0     | Philip Castle 89             | Frank Batchelor 80  | 1 0      | Alex O'Neil 94                 |
| 6 Alex O'Neill 94                | 1 0     | Chris Manders 89             | David Aburrow 94    | 0 1      | Fred Riley 88                  |
| 7 Fred Riley 88                  | 1 0     | David Manders - <sup>1</sup> | Maurice Kenton 81   | 1 0      | John Sneezby                   |
| 8 Andy Denny 84                  | 1 0     | Storm Ballard - <sup>1</sup> | Mark Senn e80       | 0 1      | Stewart Trent 72 <sup>1</sup>  |
| 9 John Sneezby e84               | ½ ½     | Graham Curtis 88             | Alan Brewis 73      | 1 0      | Jason Klimach 66               |
| 10 Stewart Trent 82              | ½ ½     | Richard Jones 84             | Stephen Burt e70    | 1 0      | Martin Taylor 62               |
| 11 Heather Walker 69             | 0 1     | Richard Davey 84             | John Dalton 48      | 0 1      | Alan Trent                     |
| 12 Bryan Edwards 64              | 0 1     | Chris Baker 69               | Matthew Noble e50   | 0 1      | David Sneezby                  |
| (Wanstead House)                 | 8½ 3½   |                              | (Stevenage)         | 6 6      |                                |

<sup>1</sup> Manders unpublished on 60 (8 games); Ballard 102 (5 games). Trent L is 87 in published list, 97 in master list; Trent S 72 published, 82 ML. Someone at Ilford's been slipping a few late results into the grading. Published grade is what counts, if you'd forgotten.

**SCCU FIXTURE LIST 1996-7**

To end of season. New dates asterisked.

| Teams entered: |    |    |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |    |
|----------------|----|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|
|                | Br | Bu | C | E | H | K | M | O | Sy | Sx |
| Open           | *  | *  | * | * | * | * |   | * | *  | *  |
| U175           |    |    |   | * |   | * |   |   | *  | *  |
| U150           |    |    |   | * | * | * |   |   | *  | *  |
| U125           |    |    |   | * | * | * |   | * | *  | *  |
| U100           |    |    |   | * | * |   |   |   | *  | *  |

|        | Open                 | Under 175 | Under 150 | Under 125  | Under 100              |
|--------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|------------|------------------------|
| Nov 30 | SyE KSx BrC BuH      |           | EK        | HO         |                        |
| Dec 7  | OC KH                | ESx SyK   |           | KE OSy SyH | *SyH (EH) <sup>1</sup> |
| 14     | BrE BuSy             |           |           |            |                        |
| Jan 11 |                      | SxSy      |           | EO         |                        |
| 18     | SyK HBr SxO CBu      |           | EH SxK    |            | EK                     |
| 25     |                      | KE        |           | SyK        |                        |
| Feb 1  | BrSy CSx KBu         |           | KSy       |            | KH                     |
| 8      | OE                   | ESy *SxK  |           |            | SyK                    |
| 15     | EC HO KBr BuSx       |           | HSx SyE   |            | HSy                    |
| 22     |                      | SxE       |           |            |                        |
| Mar 1  | (SCCU U18 qualifier) |           |           | HSx        | SyE                    |
| 8      | OSy CH SxE BrBu      |           |           | OK SyE     |                        |
| 15     |                      | KSy       |           |            |                        |
| 22     |                      | *KSx      |           | HK *SxSy   |                        |

<sup>1</sup> To be changed

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**A Hunt 203 - KD Smallbone 185**

County match Oxon - Berks 12.10.96

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.f4 Qc7 7.Nf3 Nbd7 8.Bd3 g6 9.0-0 Bg7 10.Qe1 b5 11.e5 dxe5 12.fxe5 Ng4 13.e6 Qb6+ 14.Kh1 Qxe6 15.Be4 Rb8 16.Ng5 Bxc3 17.bxc3 Qb6 18.Rxf7 Qc5 (Diagram) 19.Rxh7 Nf2+ (19...Rg8 20.Rh8) 20.Qxf2 Qxf2 21.Bxg6+ Kf8 22.Ne6+ "mate", it says here, but they were close.



White to move

**McDonald, Neil - Baker, Chris**

Invicta Knights - Bristol, 4NCL 1996

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.e5 Ne4 7.Qg4 Qa5 8.Qxg7 Bxc3+ 9.bxc3 Qxc3+ 10.Ke2 Qxd4 11.Qxh8+ Ke7 12.Ba3+ Nc5 13.Qf6+ Ke8 14.Qh8+ Ke7 15.Rd1 Qc3 16.Qf6+ Ke8 17.Qh8+ Ke7 18.Bc1 Ne4 19.Bh6 d5 20.exd6+ Kd7 21.Qxh7 Qxc2+ 22.Ke3 Qxf2+ 23.Kxe4 Nc6 24.Bf4 Qc2+ 25.Bd3 Qa4+ 26.Kf3 1-0

**Houska, Miroslav - Williams, Leighton**

Slough - Celtic Knights, 4NCL 1996

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.d4 cxd4 5.Nxd4 e5 6.Nde2 Bb4 7.a3 Bc5 8.b4 Bd4 9.Nxd4 (Diagram) exd4 10.Nd5 Nxd5 11.exd5 Qe7+ 12.Be2 Qe5 13.dxc6 d3 14.Qxd3 Qxa1 15.Qe4+ Kf8 16.0-0 Qc3 17.cxb7 Bxb7 18.Qxb7 Qc6 19.Bf3 Qxb7 20.Bxb7 Rb8 21.Bd5 a5 22.Bf4 Rc8 23.Bd6+ Ke8 24.b5 1-0



Black to move

## CONGRESS DIARY

- Nov 30 MUSWELL HILL Rapidplay. Michael Davies, 325 Green Lanes, Palmers Green N13 4YB  
0181 882 9491
- Dec 1 BASINGSTOKE RAPIDPLAY. J French, 31 Brocas Drive, South View, Basingstoke RG21 2LS  
01256 472537
- 1 CHALK FARM Rapid. BH Birchall, 26d Colville Square, London W11 2BQ 0171 792 8031
- 5 HENDON BLITZ (10 min each). 7.15 - 10 p.m. at Golders Green Church Hall. Adam Raoof, PO  
Box 1962 NW4 4NF 0181 202 0982
- 7 WESTMINSTER Rapid. JM Sargent, 903 Longbridge Rd, Dagenham, Essex RM8 2BU  
0181 270 9106
- 7 CANTERBURY JUNIOR. MPJ Whitwood, 8 Iden Crescent, Staplehurst, Kent TN12 ONU  
01580 892005
- 7-8 KENSINGTON. D Agble, Flat 15, Beit Hall, Prince Consort Rd SW7 2BB 0171 594 9456
- 8 SURREY GIRLS. N Clifton, 114 Windermere Rd, Coulsdon, Surrey CR5 2JB 0181 660 8564
- 14 GOLDERS GREEN Rapidplay. Adam Raoof, PO Box 1962 NW4 4NF 0181 202 0982
- 14-15 LONDON JUNIOR U14,10,8. AC Corfe, 51 Borough Way, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 3HA  
01707 659080
- 28-30 LONDON JUNIOR U21/18/16/12. AC Corfe, 51 Borough Way, Potters Bar, Herts EN6 3HA  
01707 659080
- 28-12 HASTINGS various. Con Power, 418 Harold Rd, Hastings, E Sussex TN35 5HG 01424 431970
- Jan 3-5 FULPRINT at York. NR Pearce, 6 Tyneham Valley, Strensall, York YO3 5BH 01904 491287
- 3-5 SOUTH WALES WINTER at Chepstow. I Eustis, Tyr Bach Farm, Rhos, Pontardawe, Swansea  
SA8 3EG 01792 862115
- 4-5 BARNET U206/151/111. J Venn, 117 Woodville Rd, New Barnet, Herts EN5 5NS 0181 449 9538
- 10-12 SHROPSHIRE. D Gostelow, 7 Field Lane, Kemberton, Shifnal, Shropshire TF11 9LR  
01952 587208
- 11 WESTMINSTER Rapid. JM Sargent, 903 Longbridge Rd, Dagenham, Essex RM8 2BU  
0181 270 9106
- 12 KENSINGTON Rapid. D Agble, Flat 15, Beit Hall, Prince Consort Rd SW7 2BB 0171 594 9456
- 17-19 GMCCA WINTER at Wigan. H Lamb, 134 Junction Rd, Deane, Bolton BL3 4NQ 01202 402241
- 18-19 SPECTRUM at Sheffield. Les Day, 10 Oaklawn Court, Barton Rd, Torquay, Devon TQ1 4EN  
01803 212136. Or N Went, 53 New Zealand Way, Rainham, Essex RM13 8JT 01705 551617
- 18 GOLDERS GREEN Rapidplay. Adam Raoof, PO Box 1962 NW4 4NF 0181 202 0982
- 18-19 BERKSHIRE SCHOOLS at Wokingham. U10/12/18U125 Sat, U9/11/13/Open(U18?) Sun.  
JP Sutherland, 34 Middle Rd, Whaplode, Spalding, Lincs PE12 6TW 01406 370166
- 19 SOMERS TOWN Rapid. BH Birchall, 26d Colville Square, London W11 2BQ 0171 792 8031
- 24-26 REDCAR. Redcar & Cleveland Borough Council, Majuba Rd, Redcar, Cleveland TS10 5BT  
01642 479277
- 25 KINGS HEAD RAPID. WA Suttill, 7 Lonsdale Rd, London W11 1BY 0171 229 9750
- 25 LANGLEY PARK (BROMLEY) JUNIOR. DJ Brown, 32 St Johns Rd, Petts Wood, Orpington,  
Kent 01689 821854
- 25-26 WIGAN (alongside 4NCL). U160/120. 4NCL Events Manager: Adam Raoof, PO Box 1962 NW4  
4NF 0181 202 0982
- 25-26 SPECTRUM at Torquay. Les Day, 10 Oaklawn Court, Barton Rd, Torquay, Devon TQ1 4EN 01803  
212136. Or N Went, 53 New Zealand Way, Rainham, Essex RM13 8JT 01705 551617
- 26 RICHMOND RAPID. R James, 95 Lyndhurst Avenue, Twickenham TW2 6BH 0181 898 1190

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(DRS please note: we *know* it says that on page 10 as well!)

## Quotes

None, that we can use.

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