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#### News

From the 34 players in the August Tournament at Covent Garden, Terry Stacey emerged the winner with 6 wins from 6. Other prizes went to Vic Morrish (3 kyu, IVC) with 5/5 and George Scott (10 kyu, Bracknell) with 5/6 wins. Candidates places were allocated to Martin Lerner and Vic Morrish. The lightning tournament prize was shared between Eddie Shaw and John Rickard.

Manchester Go Club is unique in offering an annual residential tournament; it is therefore sad that only 33 players supported the Northern Congress. Perhaps the location of the British Congress had something to do with it. At least there was a good chance of winning a prize; the six divisions were won by J. Rickard (3 dan, Cambridge), A. Benyon (2 kyu, Manchester), A. Thompson (4 kyu, Mormouth), Y. Jeada (6 kyu, Geneva), R. Pearcy (11 kyu, Cardiff), and D. Kelly (13 kyu, Chester).

David Strowlger marked his debut as a tournament director by starting the Wanstead Tournament on time, to the dismay of various latecomers. Prizes for 3/3 wins were awarded to Matthew Macfadyen (6 dan, CLCG), Anthony Warburton (1 kyu, Stevenage), and Simon Carter (3 kyu, Furze Platt). Candidates qualifiers were A. Warburton and Mark Cumper (1 dan, CLCG). Prizes were also given to three under-18 players with two wins: Didi Pryn, Nicola Oswald, and Michael Carr, all from Furze Platt. Attendance was 46; the only problem was a big hole in the entry between 11 and 22 kyu. DFK's, where were you?

Furze Platt Comprehensive School Go Club lost a friendly match at home on Sept. 16th to Wanstead by nine matches to six.

The projected tournament at Birmingham had to be cancelled owing to industrial inaction.

Toby Bailey is going abroad, and has had to retire as BGA Analyser. His place is taken by Brian Chandler (address as listed), so keep sending him the records of those games that you so nearly won.

John Smith is going to act as Kyu-diploma coordinator, but he will not be issuing the diplomas by post.

The BGA Book Distributor has moved house - please send your orders to the new address as listed. There is an opportunity for someone who visits tournaments fairly regularly of taking over the job of acting as BGA Salesperson, as Andy Finch wishes to confine his activities to the mail order side of the business. Interested parties contact the President or Andy directly.

Another job that needs doing for the BGA is that of looking after the equipment (Go sets, etc.) As with the above job, it is not especially onerous, but does call for someone who attends tournaments fairly regularly, and/or is in touch with other people who do so. Once again, offers of help to the President.

There have been some changes in the conditions governing the BGA Tournament Levy. From December 25th the rate will be 25p per person per game. (students 12½p), with only the first three games in a day to count, and from February 1st the rate is doubled for British non-BGA members who have played in at least one tournament before. Clubs intending to run a tournament on Christmas Day please take note.

1985 subscriptions are payable from 1st October 1984 at the same rates as for 1984, namely £2, £4, £6 and £7 for Club(student), Club (full), Unattached (UK and Eire), and Overseas respectively. Enquiries and subscriptions should be sent to the new Membership Secretary (address under Contact addresses) and not to Derek Hunter.

The BGA Committee has made some changes in the rules for qualification for the Candidates Tournament. Any 1 dan or 1 kyu player with 3/3 in a tournament will qualify, and after the London Open each year the nigiri option for tie breaking is abandoned - in such a case both players qualify. Consequently this year Graham Clemow and Mo Amin have qualified from Bracknell and York respectively.

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Richard Granville has details of European Go Clubs, so give him a ring if you are planning a trip to the continent.

If you are interested in joining a trip to Japan next July or August (fare about £650), contact David Hall at 368 Queens Road, Aberdeen AB1 8DX.

There is a new BGA price list - details in the BGJ.

## Forthcoming Events

**October 13th:** First BGA National Under-18 Championship 1984, sponsored by Equity and Law plc, High Wycombe, at Furze Platt Comprehensive School, Furze Platt Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire. Categories for U-14, U-16, U-18 and over 18 but attending school/6th form college. Four rounds, Time limits 45 mins. Entry £2.00 to include tea and biscuits etc. but not lunch. Registration 10.15 am, clocks start 11.00 am, Prize giving 6.30 pm. app. Entries to France Billal, Furze Platt Comprehensive School, Furze Platt Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire SL5 7NQ. (Tel: Maidenhead 33007 school, High Wycombe 21556 home). A place in the Candidates Tournament is available, and performance in this tournament will be taken into account if we are awarded a place in next year's World Youth Championship in Taipei.

**October 28th:** Wessex Tournament, Marlborough Town Hall. 4-round even game tournament, first prize is the Wessex Trophy. Two Candidates Tournament places available. Registration before 9.45 am, clocks 10.00 am sharp, prizegiving 7.25 pm. Entry £6.00 (£3.00 under 16) to include coffee, lunch, afternoon tea and high tea to P. Langley, 21 Hallard Close, Chipping Sodbury, Avon BS17 6JA. (Tel. 0454-318813). Cheques payable to Bristol Go Club. Closing date for entries 16th October.

**November 10th:** Nottingham Tournament, Portland Building, Nottingham University. Candidates places and prizes in several divisions available. Register before 9.45 am, clocks start 10.00 am. Bar lunch available. Entry £2.50 (£1.50 under 16) to C.R. Wright, 4 The Crescent, Skegby, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts, NG17 3PA. ENTRY FORMS ENCLOSED.

**December 8th & 9th:** Teach-in and 3rd Black Bull Handicap Tournament respectively, at The Somers Arms, Leigh Sinton, Malvern. Registration 10.45 (8th) and 10.30 am (9th). 4-round tournament on lowish handicaps. Entry £2.50 (£1.50 students), or £1 for teach-in only, to Richard Newton, 14 Tankhouse Lane, Malvern, Worcs. (Tel. Malvern 65625). ENTRY FORMS ENCLOSED.

**December 26th-31st:** 11th London Open Go Congress, 2 The Piazza, Covent Garden, London WC2. 8-round Macmahon, 90 mins plus 45 secs, lightning tournament, and New Year celebration. Entry forms are being sent to clubs independently; further copies from David Andrews, 263 Mile End Road, Colchester, Essex, CO4 5DZ.

**January 27th:** 2nd Cheshire Tournament, Crewe. 3-round Macmahon. First prize; Gostelow Go Bar retained for one year, sponsored by IBM Computers plc. Meals and coffee available; 20 mins. by car from M6, J 17. Contact Brian Timmins, (tel. Bodnet 292).

**April 12th-14th:** British Go Congress, Worcester. Contact Richard Granville.

**June 30th:** Leicester Tournament.

**July 20th - August 3rd:** European Go Congress, Terschelling, Netherlands. B & B plus entry approx. £166 hotel, £74 youth hostel, £52 camping.

**April 4th - 6th 1986:** British Go Congress, Crewe.

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