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• RESULTS

EPSOM TOURNAMENT 08/07/06 The fifth Epsom Tournament was held in July instead of the usual August and attracted 48 players. Winner for the third year running was young Li Shen (6 dan CLGC). He beat Alex Selby in the last round. All players on two and three wins got prizes thanks to sponsor Forbidden Technologies. Those with three were: Paul Trebbett (7 kyu Walsall), brother and sister Ken and Kay Dackombe (both 12 kyu Farnborough Village) and Harriss Cook (17 kyu Epsom). Harriss also won the 13x13 side event, and the 9x9 was won by Peter Fisher with 9/12. A special prize went to Ingrid Jendrzejewski for 6 wins out of 6 at 9x9. Cambridge won the team prize uncontested.

In a side room Bei Ge and Matthew Macfadyen were competing for the British Championship, with game one also being broadcast on KGS thanks to some of the players taking byes; commentary was by Guo Juan. After an early lead Matthew Macfadyen, playing Black, let things slip and Bei Ge won by 3.5 points. Bei then analysed the game after the tournament in the nearby Yates's.

UK GO CHALLENGE FINALS 02/07/06 26 of the best players from 10 school heats and other youngsters met for the finals of the third UK Go Challenge at Loughborough Grammar School. Section winners were: U18 Boys - William Brooks (Cambridge), U16 Boys - Matthew Hathrell (Finham Park School, Coventry), U14 Boys - Matthew Harris (Cambridge), U12 Boys - Owen Walker (Cambridge), U10 Boys - Richard Engel (Cambridge), U8 Boys - Jonathan Xue (Milton, Cambridge), U16 Girls - Maria Tabor (Epsom), U10 Girls - Aoife McCaul (Milton, Cambridge), U8 Girls - Bridget Johnson (Milton, Cambridge). Overall top place winners: 1st - William Brooks, 2nd - Maria Tabor (Best Girl), 3rd - Matthew Hathrell. Champion School – Aston, Champion Primary School - Milton, Cambridge. Top boy and girl won a LG Chocolate Mobile and all section winners won LG MP3 players kindly donated by LG Electronics UK Ltd. All section winners also got a framed certificate showing their achievement. There were many other prizes for those winning games, in fact something for all.

BGA KGS TOURNAMENT 01/06/06-30/06/06 Over 150 games were played in the third BGA KGS Tournament, played on the Kiseido Go Server during June and directed this year by Stuart Barthropp. The joint tournament winners were Alan Cameron (MacNala) and Andrew Simons (Uberdude). Steve Fawthrop (DrStraw) was the dan category winner, the player of the best move of the tournament and one of the players in the best game against William Brooks (twillo). Ian Davis (javaness) was placed third and won both the 1-15 kyu category and the roshambo nigiri exciting side event. Jenny Radcliffe (simpkin) won the 16-30 kyu category and also played the most games. The Fighting Spirit award went to Gedh - for spirited attacking play combined with nerve-wracking time management and an Honourable Mention went to Jesse Savo (Werfeus), a formidable Finnish 1 dan, who unfortunately did not complete enough official games.

CHALLENGERS' LEAGUE 16/06/06-19/06/06 The Letchworth Settlement, an education centre, was the venue for the long weekend of the Challengers' League. The top players from the Candidates' joined with British Champion Matthew Macfadyen to decide who will play this years title match. Two players took an early lead, Matthew Macfadyen (6 dan Learnington) and Bei Ge (4 dan Milton Keynes) getting ahead. They stayed ahead and Matthew won their encounter to take first spot. Bei was second and so will challenge Matthew for the British Champion's title. Neatly all the players beat the players placed below, so the rest of the ordering was: Matthew Cocke, Alex Rix, Des Cann, Francis Roads, Alistair Wall and Paul Christie. Geoff Kaniuk, Championship Organiser, was referee and ensured all went well.

DURHAM 17/06/06-18/06/06 Durham only found a venue for the tournament (the Shincliffe Room at St Aidan's College) with a week to spare and the Challengers' was on (results texted direct to Durham), so an attendance of 32 was pretty good. Guest lunch speaker David Ward (4 dan Cambridge) won all six games to take the first prize. Club mate Will Brooks (2 dan) only lost to him to come second and Alan Thornton (1 dan St Albans) was third with 4 wins. Some local players did well with Chris Barnett (4 kyu) coming fourth with 4.5, Andrew Thurman (15 kyu) winning 4/6 and Will Hornby (10 kyu) winning 3/4. York's Andrew Smith (10 kyu) was unstoppable winning all 6.

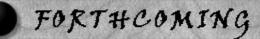
WELSH OPEN 10/06/06-11/06/06 The 14th Welsh Open at Barmouth was won as always by Matthew Macfadyen (6 dan Leamington) putting him on 68 wins unbeaten at that event. David Ward (4 dan Cambridge) was second on 4 wins out of 5. Prize winners for five wins were Phil Ward-Ackland (4 kyu West Wales) and Paul Trebbett (8 kyu Walsall). On 4 wins was Luke Oram (14 kyu Cardiff). 30 players took part and enjoyed the venue of the Min-Y-Mor Hotel, the glorious seaside sunshine and evening meals at local restaurants. A lecture by Matthew Macfadyen, on how and when to read, was well received (part of the Shodan Challenge). For the first time the draw was done by computer with no ill effects, apart from David Ward having to play down against Geoff Kaniuk (2 kyu) in the last round and having some scary moments against him.

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YOUTH GRAND PRIX and STACEY After Epsom, Stacey points are: 1st David Ward 10 points, 2nd Ben He 8, 3rd William Brooks 7 and 4th Chris Barnett 5.5. Top players in the Youth Grand Prix are: 1st Ken Dackombe 12-kyu Farnborough 720 points, 2nd Kay Dackombe 2-kyu Farnborough 682, 3rd William Brooks 2-dan Cambridge and 6th Li Shen 6-dan London 345.

BRITS OVERSEAS Des Cann attended the World Amateur Go Championships, held at Huis Ten Bosch theme park in Sasebo near Nagasaki. 28/05/06-31/05/06. 68 countries took part. Des came 30th on four wins (against Uruguay, Ecuador, Mexico and Bosnia, with losses to Canada, Spain, Taiwan and Austria). The 50th European Go Congress in Rome is under way. In the main tournament there are 10 players from UK, ranging form 16 kyu to 4 dan. Of these, John Cassidy (12 kyu) has done the best so far with 6 wins at the end of round 8.

GO PICNIC hosted by Peter and Sheila Wendes. There were 44 people in all, from 6 months old to 78. Some serious go was played, some less serious, and some highly original variants. Much time was spent just lazing about enjoying the fine sunny day with good food and good company.



MIND SPORTS OLYMPIAD, LONDON Saturday 26th August -Sunday 3rd September.

Location University of Westminster campus on Marylebone Road, London

Event MSO Rapidplay Go, Monday 28th August. From 09:30 to 17:30. 6 round McMahon tournament. 30 minutes with no overtime. MSO Beginners' Go, Monday 28th August. From 09:30 to 13:30. Tuition and small board tournament for beginners. No entry fee. MSO Open Go, Saturday 2nd September. From 09:30 to 17:30. 3 round McMahon. 60 minutes with 20 moves in 5 minutes overtime. Contact http://www.msoworld.com/

PENZANCE TOURNAMENT, Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th September. Registration by 1:30 Saturday, or 9:45 Sunday

Location The Yacht Inn, The Promenade, Penzance

- Saturday: A rapid handicap tournament; several rounds of 20min each, sudden death. Event
- Sunday: A three round McMahon tournament. 1hr each and 25 stones in 5min overtime.
- Contact John Culmer, john.culmer@exception.co.uk Tel. 01326 573167.

EAST MIDLANDS, Sunday 17th September. Registration by 10:00

- Location The National Space Centre, Exploration Drive, Leicester, LE4 5NS.
- 3 round McMahon tournament. 60 minutes time limit with 40 moves in 5 minutes overtime. There will also be 13 x 13 side tournament. Event
- Contact emgo2006@tiscali.co.uk (preferred). Or: Peter Fisher, 8 Belfry Drive, Leicester, LE3 6UU. Tel. 0116 2871362

MILTON KEYNES, Sunday 24th September. Registration by 10:15.

- Location The Old Lecture Theatre, The Open University, Walton Hall, Milton Keynes, MK7 6AA.
- Event 3 round McMahon tournament. 60 minutes time limit with 30 moves in 5 minutes overtime. 6½ points komi. Other events include a Shodan Challenge teaching session, and replay of one of the games from the British Go Championship title match.
- Contact Andrew Grant, 34 Martingale Place, Downs Barn, Milton Keynes, MK14 7QN. Tel. 01908 669883 or email honinbo@btinternet.com.

FIFE, Saturday 14th October. Registration by 10:15am.

Location to be decided

- Event 4 round Handicap tournament, overtime of 50 stones in 5 minutes
- Edwin Brady eb@dcs.st-and.ac.uk Tel. 01334 461629 (daytime). Contact

WESSEX, BRISTOL, Sunday 29th October. Registration is from 9.15 to 9.45.

Location The JN Fear Institute, 30 High Street, Keynsham, Bristol, BS31 1DQ.

Event 3 round McMahon tournament. 1 hour; overtime will be 30 stones in the first 5 minutes and 60 stones in each subsequent 5 minute period. Contact Entry via BGA website, or: Bob Hitchens, Thistledown, Wells Road, Hallatrow, Bristol, BS39 6EN. Tel. 01761 453496

THREE PEAKS, THORNTON in LONSDALE, YORKSHIRE, Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th November. Registration by 13:00 Saturday

- Location The Marton Arms, Thornton in Lonsdale, near Ingleton, Yorkshire LA6 3PB.
- 5 round McMahon tournament. 55 minutes with overtime 30 stones in 5 minutes Event
- Contact Bob Bagot, The Grange, Ravenstonedale, Cumbria, CA17 4NG. Tel. 01539 623679 email lesbag@tiscali.co.uk

SWINDON, Sunday 19th November. Registration by 10:15. Phone on the day: 07989 492793.

- Location Even Swindon Community Centre, Old School, Jennings Street, Swindon, SN2 2BG.
- 3 round McMahon Tournament. 60 minutes time limit + overtime. 13 x 13 side event Event
- Contact Paul Barnard, preferably paul@psaa.me.uk or 16 Braemar Close, SWINDON, SN3 1HY. Tel. 01793 692408 evenings before 9.30pm.

BRITISH 13 x 13 GO CHAMPIONSHIP, Sunday 26th November. Registration 9.30-9.45

Location Meadows Community Centre, 1 St Catharine's Road, Cambridge CB4 3XY

Event 15 minutes sudden death, aim for at least 9 rounds. Those in contention for the top prize play even games, others play handicap games. Paul Smith, 2 Townsend Close, Milton, Cambridge CB4 6DN. Tel. 01223 563932. junclub@chessgo.org.uk Contact

WEST SURREY TEACH-IN AND HANDICAP, Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd December.

SCOTTISH BARLOW, Saturday 16th December. Registration by 09:45.

- Location Quaker Meeting House, 7 Victoria Terrace, Edinburgh, EH1 2JL.
- 4 round McMahon tournament, kyu players and shodans only. 45 minutes time limit with 30 moves in 5 minutes overtime. Event
- Donald MacLeod Tel. 0141 880 6169. donald.macleod284@virgin.net Contact

LONDON OPEN, Thursday 28th December 2006-Sunday 31st December 2006.

- Location International Students House, 229 Great Portland Street, London, W1N 5HD
- A Major Tournament in the TOYOTA IGS-PandaNet European Go Tour: The main event is a 8 round McMahon tournament: 90 minutes Event time limit with 20 moves in 5 minutes overtime. 61/2 komi. When both players are 20 kyu or weaker, the time limit is reduced to 60 minutes. Side events include Lightning and Pair Go tournaments.
- Entry via BGA website is preferred. Geoff Kaniuk, 35 Clonmore Street, London SW18 5EU United Kingdom. Tel./fax: 020 8874 7362 Contact (phone and address will change in autumn) toyotatour.london@european-go.org

BRITISH GO ASSOCIATION

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