ARE YOU AFFILIATED?

Subscriptions were due on January 1. The clubs who have not sent in their subscriptions will receive this Newsletter, but they won't receive the next one unless they have affiliated by then. Subscription rates are £7 Overseas, £6 Unattached, £4 Club membership, £2 Student. The Membership Secretary awaits your communication.

ARE YOU UNATTACHED?

To assist our administration we ask unattached members who wish to receive the Newsletter to send to the editor a supply of addressed labels or envelopes. It is BGA policy to encourage unattached members to form themselves into clubs, however loosely constituted, and the Membership Secretary's help is available to those wishing to do so.

News

A refreshingly high proportion of the 54 entries for the Black Bull Handicap Tournament were from players below 10 kyu in strength. The Organiser, Richard Granville, had chosen a pleasant pub in the Gloucestershire village of Leigh Sinton for his venue. The draw was organised to produce mainly 3 and 4 stone handicaps.

The top 16 players played a handicap knock-out competition, won by Matthew Macfadyen from Quentin Mills. Third was J. Richard. Prizes for 4/4 results went to G. Mills, S. Atwell and A. Robinson, and for 3/4 results to players too numerous to mention.

The London Open Go Congress attracted 130 players to the Inter-Varsity Club from January 1 to 4. The usual 8-round MacMahon tournament was held, with the slightly unusual feature of a 6 point komi.

This year's champion is K.Y.Liu, a Chinese from Duesseldorf. He won by the narrowest possible margin on the tie-breaking system from Hosokawa, a London Japanese student. Next three places went to our own Matthew Macfadyen, Jon Diamond, and Terry Stacey respectively.

Other prize-winners, with 5½ wins or more, were M. Boon, J. Rickard, T. Derr, A. Roche, F. Hadib, S. Butler, T. Macneeney, M. Clarke, P. Martin, H. Sthloul and R. Burrow.

A Piccadilly Line train bound for Heathrow Airport was selected as the venue for the final of the Lightning Tournament. Mr. Komori from Duesseldorf won; second was J. Michel (Paris).

Several members of CLGC helped with the organisation, but David Vine and Toby Manning did most of the donkey work.

The Committee has approved the following promotions: S. Clark (Hammersmith) to 3 dan, T. Hazelden (CLGC) and J. Rickard (Cambridge) to 2 dan, and W. Brakes (Henley Hempstead, S. Hughes (Oxford), and M. Lerner (CLGC) to 1 dan.

The BGA's Annual General Meeting will form part of the British Go Congress. Full details will appear in the next British Go Journal: the agenda will include the election of a new President to replace Toby Manning, who won't be standing, and a Committee proposal to retain the same subscription rates for 1984.

Please note the new address for contributions for the BGJ listed overleaf under 'Contact addresses'.
Forthcoming Events

February 11 - 13th: Prague Tournament; details from Richard Granville.

February 20th: BGA Small Board (13x13) Championship, Wanstead House, 21 The Green, Wanstead, London E11. Eight rounds, Registration 10.45 am; prizegiving 7.00 pm. Entries (£2) to Francis Roads, 61 Halmesbury Road, London E18 2NL. (01-505 4381).

ENTRY FORMS ENCLOSED.

February 26th: Oxford Go Tournament, Lower Lecture Room, Lincoln College, Turl St., Oxford. Registration 10.00 am; prizegiving 7.30 pm. 3 round Macmahon tournament; time limits one hour plus 20 secs byo yomi. Entry £2 'cheques payable to Oxford University Go Society' to T. Bailey, Mathematical Institute, 24-29 St. Giles, Oxford, OX1 3LB by Feb. 12th.

March 6th: 4th British Schools Championship, Campion School, Wingletye Lane, Hornchurch, Essex. 4 rounds, teams of three, schools may send more than one team. Starts 12.30 am. Food/Accommodation available. Contact Ian Carson, 01-599 5684. This is the first Schools Championship to be held in the South of England.

March 12th: Trigantius Tournament, Upper Dining Hall, Emmanuel College, Regent Street, Cambridge. Clocks start 10.30 am. 3 round Macmahon, time limits one hour plus 20 secs byo yomi. Entries £2 plus £1.15 if lunch required by 7th March to P.R. Maitland, 6 Gresham Road, Cambridge; cheques payable to Cambridge University Go Society.

ENTRY FORMS ENCLOSED.


April 8 - 10th: British Go Congress, Lancaster Polytechnic, Coventry. 6 round Macmahon, Lighting Tournament, and the BGA's Annual General Meeting.

May 7th: Bracknell Go Tournament, 3 round Macmahon.

May 28 - 31: Candidates Tournament and NOT the Candidates Tournament, TUC, London (provisional booking).


October 23rd: 14th Wessex Go Tournament, Marlborough Town Hall.

Late October: British Go Week (national publicity event to which all clubs are asked to contribute).

The BGA Tournament Levy - a Message from the Treasurer

Formerly, it was the custom of the BGA to charge for the hire of its equipment requested by organisations to assist in running their tournaments. These hire charges were abolished a few years ago and replaced by a levy. All tournaments held under the auspices of the BGA or aided by the BGA in any way, such as loaning equipment, publicity or organisational assistance should pay the levy. The amount of the levy is received from time to time by the BGA committee and stands currently (as from 1st September 1982) at 10p per person per round for all tournaments providing qualifying places for the Candidates Tournament and 20p per person for all other tournaments. Please help the Treasurer by sending an appropriate cheque with an explanatory note as soon as possible after any tournament. The address to send to is:

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