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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

26th Wessex Go Tournament:

Sunday 22nd October

124 players attended the venerable Wessex this year. Prizes were awarded in Divisions. The overall winner was T Mark Hall (4d Bristol) 4/4. Div 2: Paul Christie (Bath) 3/4 (on SOS), Div 3: Jo Ḥampton (W. Wales) 3½/4, Div 4: Nick Wedd (Oxford) 3½/4, Div 5: Jiri Keller (CLGC) 3/4 (on SOS), Div 6: Andy Seaborne (Bristol) 3/4, Div 7: Dave King (Swindon) 4/4, Div 8: Peter Johnson (Hursley) 4/4, Div 9: James Harrod (Brakenhale) 4/4. The Team winner was Hursley Hotshots with 75%. The Fred Guyatt 13x13 trophy was won by Francis Weaver with 14 wins. Qualifiers for the 1996 Candidates' Tournament were Mike Harvey, Simon Goss, Nick Wedd, and Bill Aldred.

Three Peaks Tournament:

Weekend 4-5th November

The tournament was won by John Rickard (4d Cambridge).

3rd Swindon Go Tournament:

Sunday 26th November

There were 60 players at this event, and the winner was Francis Roads (4d Wanstead). Other winners with 3/3 were: Harold Lee (4d CLGC), Jay Rastall (2d CLGC), Jonathan Chin (1k Reading), Charles Bockett-Pugh (4k W. Surrey), George Haig (12k Swindon), Pauline Bailey (16k W. Surrey), James Harrod (25k Brakenhale), Carl Bate (31k Brakenhale), and Karen Graham (33k Brakenhale). The 13x13 was won by Herman Marxer (1k Oxford).

West Surrey Handicap Go Tournament:

Sunday 3rd December

51 players attended, of whom the winner with 4/4 was Jay Rastall (2d CLGC). The losing finalist was Alison Jones (2d Wanstead). Prize winners were Elinor Brookes (9k Swindon) 4/4, Gerrard Farrimond (30k Epsom Downs) 4/4, Suryan Stettner (10k CLGC) 3½/4 and Francis Weaver (14k Brakenhale) 3½/4. Other winners with 3/4 were: Tony Atkins (2d Reading), Clive Wright (1d), France Ellul (3k Brakenhale), Roger Daniel (4k), John Johnstone (8k Bournemouth), Thomas Blockley (9k Worcester), Steve Ashing (9k W. Surrey), and Clare Boxall (23k Brakenhale).

13x13 Tournament: Most wins - Tony Atkins and Neil Ings, Highest percentage (83%) - James Hamilton, Persistence - Daniel Dowling.

Baby photo ID competition: Colin Willaims and John Johnstone.

NEWS FROM ABROAD

For further details of overseas events contact Tony Atkins or me. EGP = Fujitsu European Grand Prix event.

Irish Open Handicap Tournament:

Weekend 18-19th November

The winner was Tony Goddard (5d) with 6/6, second was Paul Donelly (1d) 4/6, and third was Stephen Flinter (1d).

Brussels: Guo Juan was first and Shutai Zhang second.

The European Go Congress: will be at Abano Terme which is in the region of Padova and Venice.

Fujitsu European Grand Prix Tournaments for the 95/96 season:

Copenhagen (16-17 Sep), Bucharest (29 Sep-1 Oct), Bratislava (14-15 Oct), Belgrade (20-22 Oct), Brussels (28-29 Oct), Kharkov UKR (3-5 Nov), Gothenburg (11-12 Nov), Zurich (2-3 Dec), London (29 Dec-1 Jan), Prague (9-11 February), Milan (24-25 Feb), Vienna (8-10 Mar), Dublin (15-17 Mar), Paris (6-8 Apr), Bled (12-14 Apr), Budapest (3-5 May), Amsterdam (16-19 May), Hamburg (25-27 May), Helsinki (8-10 Jun), Warsaw (15-16 Jun), Kaliningrad RUS (5-7 Jul), European Go Congress @ Milan (20 Jul-3 Aug).

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

22nd London Open Go Congress: (EGP)

Friday 29th December - Monday 1st January

Sponsored by Hitachi. The London Open is one of Europe's leading Go events and is a good opportunity to meet players from abroad. Location: (as last year) Highbury Roundhouse Community Centre, 71 Ronalds Road, London N5 1BX. Registration by 10 am on the 29th. Event: This will be an 8 round McMahon tournament. The London Open is this year's representative in the Grand Prix de Europe.

Optional Lightning competition on Friday evening. Optional New Year's dinner on Sunday evening.

Accommodation: A limited amount has been arranged. Contact the organisers.

Fees: Main event £18, under 18/unwaged £8. Lightning £2, under 18/unwaged £1. After 23rd December +£5.

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Furze Platt Go Tournament:

Saturday20thJanuary

Location: Hitachi Europe Ltd. (as last year), Whitebrook Park, Lower Cookham Road, Maidenhead. Registration by 10:00. 3 rounds. Fees: BGA members and overseas £5, British non-members £6, under 18/unwaged/senior citizens £2. After 17th January extra £2. Contact: Anna Griffiths, 26 Derwent Drive, Maidenhead, Berks. SL6 6LB 01628-38847.

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Wanstead Go Tournament:

Contact: Francis Roads, 61 Malmesbury Road, South Woodford, E18 2NL 2 and fax 0181 505 4381.

Cambridge 20th Trigantius Go Tournament:

Saturday 24th February

Location: University Centre, Mill Lane, Cambridge. Registration to 10. 3 rounds. A separate Beginners' Tournament. Also Small Board. Fees: BGA members £6, concessions £3. After 20th February £7 conc £3.50. British non-BGA +£1. The Beginners' Tournament is free. Contact: Mark Wainwright, 27 Portugal Place, Cambridge, CB5 8AF 🕿 01223-300368.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

London Open (29 Dec-1 Jan), Furze Platt (20 Jun), Wanstead (3 Feb), Oxford (18 Feb), Cambridge (24 Feb), Coventry (24 Mar), British Go Congress @ Durham (12-14 Apr), Candidates' Tournament (4-6 May @ Cambridge), Leicester (15 Jun), Barmouth (29-30 Jun), Devon (13 Jul). Please let me know about any additions or changes.

NEWS

- Promotions:-) The Council has approved the following promotions: Toby Manning and Antonio Moreno to 3 dan, Jo Hampton and Alex Selby to 2 dan, and Matthew Holton to 1 dan.
- British Championship: The fifth and final game of the British Championship between current Champion Shutai Zhang and Challenger Matthew Macfadyen was played as an additional event at the Swindon Tournament. The result was a win for Shutai, who thus retains the Championship 3-2.
- Sponsorship for BGA Tournaments in 1996: Under a new sponsorship scheme, a cash subsidy can be given to any BGA recognised Open Tounament. It will take the form of £2 for every entry, with a minimum of £50. This can be used for any direct purpose such as prizes or subsidised fees, etc. Organisers should contact BGA Secretary Tony Atkins for details (address below).
- Overseas Membership: This rate has been increased to £10 for '96. It has become necessary because the cost of mailings has led to this operating at a loss recently.
- World Pair Go: Mattheew Macfadyen and Kirsty Healey lost in the first round in Tokyo, but by only one point. They won some handicap games.
- Representative points: There are now three sponsored international events to which Britain can send representatives. They are the World Amateur Championship, The World Women's Amateur Championship, and the World Pair Go Championship. Some countries select their representatives by an elimination competition, but for several years we have chosen our World Amateur representative by a system of points. Leading players can gain points by success in the national tournaments. When they reach the top of the list they are selected, but then their points return to zero. This system ensures that the opportunity to represent the country is shared amongst the top players, and has now been adopted for the Women's and Pair Go events also. The current points standings are:

World Amateur: Matthew Macfadyen 29, Shutai Zhang (when he becomes eligible) 27, Alex Rix 22, Mark Hall 21, Harold Lee 21.

Women's: Sue Patterson 9, Kirsty Healey 8, Anna Tripp 7, Jackie Chai 4, Helen Harvey 4. Pair Go: Alison Cross 5, Des Cann 4, Michael Culver 3, Sue Patterson 3, Sally Prime 3.

From Gerry Mills, the Book Distributor: Kiseido, the publishers of "Go world", have assured the BGA that they will supply us regularly during 1996 and that 4 issues will be published. Unfortunately, the cost to the BGA has increased substantially, so the price of individual copies will go up to £4.50 from the beginning of 1996. So if you want back numbers at £4 each, order them now. Subscriptions for Go World for 1996 can now be accepted and will cost £18. All copies will be posted to subscribers within a day or two of their being received by me. In the event of less than four issues becoming available during 1996, or if for any other reason supplies are discontinued, at the sole discretion of the BGA, pro rata refunds will be made in January 1997. I will be ordering issue 95 in December, so let me have your subscription soon in order to receive your copy promptly in mid-January. New publications in stock:

Ranka Yearbook 1995 (numbers limited) £6, Get Strong at Invading £8, Get Strong at Joseki Vol I £9, 100 Challenging Problems £10.

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