TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Oxford Go Tournament Sunday 16th February
106 players attended Freuds Cafe, enjoyed a buffet lunch and go by candle light as it became dark. Winner was a visitor, Wathsbar Warnaar (4 dan), from the Netherlands. Oddly four 2 dan won all three games: Simon Goss (Bracknell), David Ward (CLGC), Yang-Sheng Wang (Reading) and Paul Smith (Cambridge). Also on 3/3 were Dave King (3 kyu Swindon), Jonathan Reece (3 kyu Oxford), Steve Smith (17 kyu Hurstley) and Graham Horsey (25 kyu West Surrey). Young Kim won the 13 x 13.

Cambridge Trigants Go Tournament Sunday 2nd March
74 players took part in the Trigants this year. Also there were the 8 women competing in the British Women's and about a dozen beginners in their own event. One of the local Cambridge teams won the team prize, but it was Norwich's Matthew Cocke (5 dan) who won beating Jean Michel (5 dan F) in the last round. On 3/3 were David Ward (2 dan CLGC), Matthew Holton (1 dan Teesside), Howard Manning (3 kyu Cambridge), Richard Mullens (5 kyu Stevenage), David Smith (12 kyu Teesside), Paul Hyman (15 kyu B'Hale) and Graham Horsey (22 kyu West Surrey). Highest placed kyu players were 1 kyu Nick Wadd and Simon Bexfield. Nick Wadd also won the 13x13.

Women's Qualification Go Tournament Sunday 2nd March
Alison Jones finished first ahead of Helen Harvey, Alison Cross, Kirsty Healey, Sue Paterson, Eliz Brooks, Lena Morris and Anna Griffiths. Points are scored towards trips to the Women's World Amateur; currently in the lead is Kirsty Healey. Sue Paterson was our 1996 representative.

International Teams Tournament Saturday 8th April
This was a 'by invitation' event in which a team of Japanese players resident in Britain competed against a few clubs which could field suitably strong teams. The Cambridge team won with Wanstead and Reading as runners up. Only Mr. Nishida from the Japanese team won 4/4.

Korean vs British Teams 16th March
This event, which was held in the Toby Jug at Tolworth in Surrey, pitchied together teams of 12 players. After three rounds the score was 18 all, and so a rapid play-off was held to decide the winner. This resulted in a 3-0 win for Britain.

Coventry Go Tournament Sunday 23rd March
There were 80 players at this year's Coventry which was won by Matthew Macafdyen. The following players won 3/3: Bob Bagot (2 dan Culcheth), Ian Marsh (1 kyu Bracknell), Henry Seegermann (3 kyu Manchester), Anna Griffiths (8 kyu Furze Platt), David Bennett (12 kyu Culcheth), Jonathan Reece (12 kyu Oxford), and Young Kim (18 kyu Brakenhale). The winning team with 75% was 'Leamington Beards'. There was also a Small board competition and the winner was David Bennett.

Bournemouth Go Tournament Saturday 5th April
38 players attended the revived Bournemouth Tournament. The winner was Alastair Wall (4 dan Wanstead) with 3/3. Other winners with 3/3 were Martin Solity (3 kyu Wanstead), and Paul Betty (20 kyu Bournemouth).

NEWS

Address and phone number changes. Andrew and Alison Jones have moved. Their new address and phone number are listed under BGA addresses below. Tony Atkins' area code has changed (also in the list below). My phone number has changed, see top of page.

British Championship. Charles Matthews of the Cambridge Club has taken over as organiser of the British Championship. This also includes the Candidates' Tournament and the Challenger's League. If you need information, contact him on 01223-350096.

A new BGA Publicity Officer is sought as Adam Atkinson would like to retire from the post. Contact Tony Atkins for more details.

The European Team Tournament. The (corrected) British team was: Matthew Cocke, Paul Hankin, Paul Smith, and Mark Wainwright.

The Thames Valley Team Tournament was won by Reading. Furze Platt were the runners up.

NEWS FROM ABROAD

Irish Open Go Championship in Dublin 14th - 16th March
The winner was Alastair Wall (4 dan Wanstead) with 5/5 and the runner-up was David Ward (2 dan CLGC) with 4/5. Other places went to Des Cann, Noel Mitchell, Tony Atkins, Colin Adams, Stephen Flinter, Baron Alliday, John Gibson and Bernard Palmer. In the Irish Rapidplay Championship the results were: 1st Des Cann 5/5, 2nd Alastair Wall 4/5, 3rd Baron Alliday, David Ward, Colin Adams 3/5. The Irish Handicap Championship results were: 1st Noel Mitchell 1D 3/3, 2nd J Gibson 2K, D Cann 4D, C Adams 1D, P O'Gradaigh 17K 2/3. Side Events: Pits: Stephen Flinter, Liar Dice: Tony Atkins, Bridge: Colin Adams & Des Cann, Shogi: Colin Adams, Morning Crescent: Colin Adams (on tie-break, narrower guage)

European Results:
Fujitsu Cup: 1 Rob van Zeijst (NL) 2 Hans Pietsch 3 Guo Juan (NL) / Catalin Taranu (Rom)
GP Bucharest: 1 Cristian Pop (Rom) 2 Sorin Gheorman (Rom) 3 Daniel Cotiga (Rom)
GP Belgrade: 1 Cristian Pop (Rom) 2 Victor Bogdanov (Rus) 3 M Stankovic (Yug)
GP Brussels: 1 Guo Juan (NL) 2 Wataru Miyakawa (Jap) 3 Farid Ben Malik (F)
GP Kharkov: 1 Alexei Lazarev (Rus) 2 Arkadi Bogatsky (Ukr) 3 Dmitri Bogatsky (Ukr)
GP Gothenburg: 1 Matthew Macafdyen 2 Emil Nihuis (NL) 3 Matti Sikola (SF)
GP Locarno: 1 Vladimir Danek (CZ) 2 Victor Bogdanov (Rus) 3 Enzo Pedrini (I)
GP London: 1 Guo Juan (NL) 2 Lee Huyuk (Kor) 3 Shui Li (Zhe)
GP Prague: 1 Dmitri Yatsenko (Ukr) 2 Alexei Lazarev (Rus) / Leszek Sadow (Pol)
GP Barcelona: 1 Murakami 2 Shui Li (Zhe) 3 Moussa (F) 13 Francis Roads
After Barcelona, Danek leads the GP on 56 ahead of Bogdanov (39) and Pop/Guo on 30. Noteworthy is Alan Heid on 8 points and only 3 kyu!

Amsterdam Go Tournament 8th - 11th May
Venue: European Go Cultural Centre, Schokland 14, NL 1181 HV Amstelveen, The Netherlands. 6 rounds plus side events.
Contacts: European Go Cultural Centre 00 31 + 20 6455555 (office hours) fax: 00 31 + 20 6473209 email: egcc@xs4all.nl
Teunis Korleweg 00 31 + 2944 46185
The Candidates' Tournament @ Cambridge

Event: This is the first stage in the British Championship. It is open to all British BGA dan players together with 1 kyu who have gained qualification through tournament results. Invitations will be sent to all eligible players.

Contact: Charles Matthews, 60 Gilson Road, Cambridge CB1 2HF. 01223-350096.

Bar-Low Go Tournament at Cambridge

Location: University Centre, Mill Lane, Cambridge. Registration by 10.

Event: This tournament will be open to BGA kyu grades only and will be held in the same building as the Candidates' Tournament.

The format has been designed to meet requests from kyu players for more rounds in a day. 5 rounds, 35 minutes, no overtime.

Fees: £6. Concessions (under 24, over 60, unwaged) £3. Add £1 for non-BGA and £1 for late entry.

Contact: Tim Hunt, 63 Panton Street, Cambridge. 01223-244679. Email: tjh1000@danptp.cam.ac.uk

Bracknell Go Tournament

Location: Brownlow Memorial Hall, Bracknell. Registration by 10:00. 3 rounds of 60 minutes + overtime. Also a 13x13 competition.


Contact: Ian Marsh, 47 Hope Avenue, Bracknell, Berks. RG12 0WD. 01344 422296

Scottish Open Go Tournament at Glasgow

Location: The Dining Room, Glasgow University Union, 32 University Avenue, Glasgow. Registration by 10:15 on 24th. 6 rounds at 60 mins.

Note: the 26th is an English bank holiday.

Fees: BGA members £9, concessions £4. Add £2 if non-BGA, and £2 for registration after May 20th.

Contact: John O'Donnell, Dept of Computing Science, Glasgow University, Glasgow G12 8QQ. 0141-330 5458 (work)

Email: jto@dos.gla.ac.uk Web Page: http://www.dos.gla.ac.uk/~jto/ScottishOpen1997.html

Leicester Go Tournament

Location: Church Hall, Church of the Martyrs, Shaftsbury Rd, Leicester. Registration by 10:15.

Note: Smoking and alcoholic drinks are not allowed on the premises.

Fees: In advance: BGA members £5, non-members £6, juniors/unwaged/OAPs £2. On the day: £7.

Contact: Eddie Smithers, 1 Tweed Dr, Melton Mowbray, Leics. LE13 0UZ. 01664 857154. Email: e.smithers@sjas.foobar.co.uk

The 5th Welsh Open Go Tournament @ Barmouth

Location: Barmouth Youth Centre. Registration by 1:30 on Saturday. 5 rounds (3 on Saturday to about 8:30 and 2 on Sunday to about 3pm). Fees: £9. Check for concessions. After 22nd June add £2.

Accommodation: This is cheap and plentiful in Barmouth. Contact Jo for details. Check with Jo if you wish to arrive earlier.

Contact: Jo Hampton, 5 Handith Terrace, Barmouth, Gwynedd, LL42 1RD. 01341-281425.

Mind Sports Olympics

Event: This is an Olympiad for "thinking" games where the competitors will play each other at a variety of strategy games, such as Go, Chess, Bridge, etc. There will be more than 30 tournaments during the week, including 4 for Go. Location: The Royal Festival Hall, London. August 18-22, from 10am to 2pm, a 19x19 tournament, with 90 minutes per player plus overtime. August 18-22, from 4pm to 8pm, a 13x13 tournament, with 15 minutes per player plus overtime. August 23 (both sessions) and August 24 (10am-2pm), a 19x19 tournament, with 45 minutes per player plus overtime. August 24 (4pm-8pm), a 9x9 tournament, with 10 minutes per player for all the moves.

Contact: Mind Sports Olympic, P.O. Box 13388, London NW3 2ZF. Fax: 0171 482 0672. Web site http://www.mindsports.co.uk/

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

British Congress @ Egham (18-20 Apr), Pair Go (27 Apr), Candidates @ Cambridge (3-5 May), Bar-Low @ Cambridge (4 May), Bracknell (17 May), Scottish Open @ Glasgow (24-25 May), Challengers * (7-8 Jun), Leicester (14 Jun), Barmouth (28-29 Jun), Youth Pairs (6 Jul), Devon (12 Jul), Isle of Man (17-22 Aug), Northern (6-7 Sep), Milton Keynes (13 Sep), Bank of China Cup (21 Sep), Shrewsbury (5 Oct), Wessex * (26 Oct), 3 Peaks * (8-9 Nov), Swindon * (23 Nov), West Surrey (6-7 Dec), London Open (29 Dec-1 Jan).

* indicates a probable date that will be confirmed later.

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