TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Cambridge Go Tournament, Sunday 1st March
69 players took part in this year's event held, as usual, in the University Centre, on a pleasant sunny day. The strongest players were attracted by the prize money supplied by Hitachi and going to the winner and best kyu player. The tournament was won jointly by Matthew Cocke (5 dan), the defending champion, and by Des Cann (4 dan, Lammersing Spa). They both beat local Korean players Seong-June Kim (5 dan) and Yongchoel Shin (4 dan). Matthew's third win was against Francis Roads (4 dan, Warrneead) and Des's was against Charles Matthews (3 dan, Cambridge). There were two winners as the organisers elected to have more than eight players above the bar. The best kyu player was Ian Marsh (1 kyu, Brench) and the other prize-winners (for 3Q) were Martin Harvey (2 kyu, Manchester), Jim Edwards (7 kyu, High Wycombe), Sarah Jackson (8 kyu, Hurstley) and James Murray (18 kyu, Cambridge). The team competition was won yet again by a Cambridge team. The "UnTouchables III" were Mark Daigorno (5 kyu), Matthew Woodcraft (2 kyu), Mark Worthington (7 kyu) and Robert Saffield (1 kyu). They finished on exactly 50% which was enough to beat the other 2 teams who bothered to enter. The continued 13k+13 competition was won by the national under-12 champion William Brooks (14 kyu, Cambridge). He won a massive 15 wins out of 18 and came close to winning a prize in the main tournament too. In the 12-player beginning tournament the winner was Simon Bray.

Barcelona GP, 21st - 22nd February
Three British players attended the new Spanish GP and met again the tour party that had visited London. Martin Smith (1 dan, London) played very well to win 4/5.

Ing Chang Ki Memorial Tournament and Ing Youth Championships, 28th February - 1st March
Tony Atkins wrote:

>Hi Matthew (Maclayden), did you have a nice time in Cannes?
Yes, very. Winter doesn't seem to be a concept on the Riviera.

>How did you get on?
I finished 7th with 4/6, losing to Guo Juan and Gilles van Eeden (NL, 5dan), but beating M. Eykhout (NL), L. Soldan (POL), T. Pocseil (HUN), R. Nechanicky (CZE). These 4 are graded 5, 5, 6 and 6 dan, but I've probably listed them in decreasing order of strength (Eykhout beat Guo in the Dutch Championship this year).

>Who won?
Nobody won all; Guo, Lee Hyuk and Miyake won 5/6, with Guo ahead on SOS.

>What about the Youth?
Brits were Tom Blockley and Paul Hyman. They got 3/7 and 2/7 which I would regard as pretty good considering the current state of European grades around 5 and 12 kyu. Many of their opponents are in groups of clubs rapidly improving players. Overall winner was Dimitri Bogatskii (Ukr, 6 dan); there were 11 Ukrainians. Rides to China went to Hungary, Russia, Netherlands and I can't remember the rest (probably available on EGCC page).

International Teams match, Saturday 7th March
The winning team was Cambridge.

Cambridge vs Oxford varsity match, Saturday 7th March
A much-improved Oxford team travelled to Cambridge on 7 March to win the 1996 Varsity match 6-3. Oxford were led by Henry Seggermann (1 kyu) and Nick Fortescue (4 kyu).

Candidates Tournament, Weekend 14th - 15th March
The top placed players were: 1. M. Smith, 2. J. Claes, 3. P. Acherd, 4. T. Atkins, W. Brakes, J. Rastall
9th Irish Open in Dublin (EGP), 20th - 23rd March
The winner was Matthew Maclayden with 5/6 from runner up Cristoph Gerlach (5 dan D).

Bournemouth Go Tournament, Saturday 4th April
There were 36 players at this year's Bournemouth, and the winner was Alan Thornton (2 dan St Albans). Runner up was Tony Atkins (2 dan Reading). Players with 3/3 were: A. Bell (4 kyu Portsmouth), J. Edwards (6 kyu High Wycombe), and D. Smede (14 kyu Hurstley).

TTTTTT Go Tournament (Tony's Tideless Thames 'n Tributaries Team Tournament), Monday 13th April
Ten teams of three took part in this local event. High Wycombe (Paul Clarke, Francis Ellul, & Jim Edwards) beat Swindon 'Beehive' in the final.

31st British Go Congress at Chester, Friday 17th - Sunday 19th April
The winner was Matthew Maclayden with 6/6. Other leading players were: 2. Francis Roads, 3. X. Shi, 4. Des Cann, 5. T. Mark Hall.

NEWS

- Membership secretary: Kathleen Timmins has taken over this post after Alison Jones retired from 80 owing to pressure of work.
- 1996 British Congress: will be held in Abingdon, Berkshire on 5th - 11th April. The organiser is Steve Bailey. Email: sbailey@iee.org
  Some information on the school is available from http://www.comp.co.uk/eduweb/sites/abschool/index.html
- Email mailing list: The BGA has commissioned email mailing lists, to which one subscribes and signs off in an automated way, through the good offices of Dave Cohen. All BGA members may join "bganlist", which is intended to carry tournament announcements and other information. To do so, email to listserve@dos.rhnco.ac.uk a message without subject reading: subscribe bganlist [Your Name]. The current national list "ulkgo" will be transferred to the same location as "ukglist", and will be open to all. Messages will be sent to Ulkgo inviting subscription to ulkgo. These two lists are owned by Charles Matthews. A further closed list for BGA business is owned by the BGA Secretary.
- BT Wireplay: The BT Wireplay go service is now available. You need a Win95 PC and modem, but do not need Internet access. The required go software comes either as a 4 Mb download from the Wireplay web site, or on a free CD-ROM available by post (call 0800-900-913). A Wireplay client program is also needed. This is a commercial service charging a premium phone rate, or a monthly 9.95 plus local call charges. Tony Wright and Paul Smith are interested players who are offering to support it.
- BGA Tournament Levy: This is an announcement for tournament organisers. The levy will be increased by 25% from 1st July. Contact T. Mark Hall for details (see BGA Addresses section).
- The Korea National Tourism Organisation are hoping to run a go-tourism holiday from 30th to 5th visiting Seoul and Kyongju. There will be visits to ancient sites/parks, go clubs, matches and the Women's World Amateur. Cost will be around 500 usd + airfares (cheap rates being negotiated). Contact Charles Matthews or Tony Atkins for more details.
FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Bar-Low Go Tournament at Cambridge, Sunday 3rd May
Location: University Centre, Grants Place, Mill Lane, Cambridge. Registration by 10.
Event: The Bar-Low tournament is designed to appeal to kyu players—in fact dan players are strictly forbidden. The time limit of 35 minutes and no overtime means that you get 5 rounds in the day and since the McMahon bar will be set no higher than 3 kyu (it was 5 kyu last year) it might be your chance to win a tournament outright. There will be prizes for 45 winners and better. Also for best junior, and maybe others.
Fees: £10. Concessions £3. Add £1 for non-BGA and £1 for late entry after 15 April.
Contact: Tom Hunt, 20 Panter Street, Cambridge CB3 9ET. Tel: 01223-500769. Email: tjh1000@daemt.uam.cat.ac.uk

Bracknell Go Tournament, Saturday 9th May
Location: Brownlow Memorial Hall, Bracknell. Registration by 10.00. 3 rounds of 90 minutes + overtime. Also a 1x13 competition.
Fees: BGA members £5, 16 or under £1. British non-BGA add £1. Entry after 7th May add £2.
Contact: Ian Marsh, 47 Hope Avenue, Bracknell, Berks. RG12 OWD. Tel: 01344 422296

Pair Go Tournament, Sunday 17th May
Location: Weeton, Northants.
Contact: Matthew Macfadyen Tel: 01628 337919. Email: matthew@kiki.memon.co.uk

Scottish Open Go Tournament at Glasgow, Weekend 23rd - 24th May
Location: The Dining Room, Glasgow University Union, 32 University Avenue, Glasgow. Registration by 10:15 on 23rd. 6 rounds at 60 mins.
Fees: BGA members £15, concessions £8. Add £2 if non-BGA, and £2 for registration after May 20th.
Contact: John O'Donnell, Computing Science Department, Glasgow University, Glasgow. Tel: 0141-330-5468. Email: jtod@cs.gla.ac.uk

Leicester Go Tournament, Saturday 13th June
Location: Church Hall, Church of the Martyrs, Shaftesbury Rd, Leicester. Registration by 10:15. 3 rounds.
Note: Smoking and alcoholic drinks are not allowed on the premises.
Fees: BGA members £5, non-members £6, concessions £3. Late entries £1.
Contact: Peter Fisher, 8 Belfry Drive, Leicester. Tel: 0116 2871326. Email: peter@fisher. demon.co.uk
Web: http://www.
or: Richard Thompson Tel: 0116 2781287. Email: jst@cis.compulink.co.uk

The 6th Welsh Open Go Tournament @ Barmouth, Weekend 27-28th June
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: £10. 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: Tony Putnam Tel: 01603-555578. Email: tomy@putnet.demon.co.uk or: Tom Widdicombe Tel: 01341-261396. ***Note changed address.***

The 4th Devon Go Tournament, Sunday 5th July
Location: Moorlands Hotel, Haytor Vale, Dartmoor. The hotel phone number is 01364-651407. Registration by 10:15. 3 rounds.
Fees: £10 or £7 if age 16 and under. A Buffet Lunch is included in the fee. Vegetarian lunches by prior arrangement.
Contact: Tony Putman Tel: 01603-555578. Email: tomy@putnet.demon.co.uk or: Tom Widdicombe Tel: 01341-261396.

The Sanilac Go Camp in France, 5th - 18th July
Location: The Sanilac Stage de Go is at http://bat710.univ-lyon.fr/~tfg/1998/STAGE/Welcome.html

European Go Congress 1998 at Mamaia in Romania, 25th July - 7th August
Location: Mamaia is a holiday resort on the Black Sea adjacent to Constanta. Contact: robert@enfis.sof.sro

US Go Congress 1998 at Santa Fe in New Mexico, 1st - 9th August
Location: The University in the state capital. High altitude makes the weather pleasant. Contact: Grant H Franks ghfranks@clark.net
Mind Sports Olympiad at London, 24th - 30th August Web: http://www.mindsports.co.uk/

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
Challengers @ London (2-4 May), Bar-Low (3 May), Bracknell (9 May), Pairs (17 May), Scottish (? 23-24 May), Leicester (13 Jun), Barmouth (27-28 Jun), Devon (5 Jul), Norwich (Aug), Mind Sports (24-30 Aug), Northern (12-13 Sep), Milton Keynes (19 Sep), Shrewsbury (4 Oct).

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Budapest HUN (9-10 May), Amsterdam NL (21-24 May), Hamburg D (30-31 May), Zagreb CRO (13-14 Jun), Warsaw PL (20-21 Jun), Helsinki SF (27-28 Jun), St Petersburg RUS (4-5 Jul), European Go Congress ROM (25 Jul - 7 Aug).
For European GP events see: http://www.x4all.nl/~egco/egf/gpтурn.htm
For European Calendar see: http://www.win.tue.nl/cs/fm/engels/go/tourn.html
For American Calendar see: http://www.usgo.org/usa/tournaments.html

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