**European Pair Go**

Brno in Czech Republic was the venue for the 2000 event. 15 counties attended. As usual Germany won with 5/6. Next came Hungary and the Netherlands on 4 and Romania and the UK lead the group on 3/6. Jackie Chal and Francis Roads won the furthest traveled pair prize and had results +Yugoslavia, +Czechia B, -Germany, +Croatia, -Hungary.

**International Spring Match, Sunday 9th April**


**Bournemouth Go Tournament, Saturday 15th April**

Bournemouth does not lack of advertisement, 234 players from 2 dan to 25 kyu attended the Bournemouth Tournament, held at the same West Parley Village Hall as in 1997 and 1998. Unfortunately the pub in the directions had changed name leading to a minor road accident. Oddly nobody won all three games. Alan Thornton (2 dan St Albans) held the title by a SOS tie-break. The best 2/3 in each third of the draw collected engraved glasses, others got sticks of rock.

**Paris, 22nd - 23rd April**


**Thames Valley Team Tournament, Monday 22nd April**

8 teams of three met at St Paul's in Bracknell for the tournament famous for the large numbers of 'T's in its announcement (21 this year). Reading saw off challenges from Royal Standard, Berks and Bracknell to win the Broken Stone Trophy yet again.

**33rd British Go Congress at Ipswich, Friday 26th - Sunday 28th April**

26 players met at the Novotel in Ipswich for the Friday evening British Lightning. Nobody won all five and despite T.Mark Hall winning the first four the winner was Tim Hunt (1 dan Cambridge). Others were Des Cann, Frank Janssen, Jonathan Chinn, Chris Dawson and Tony Atkins. The continuous 13x13 winner was Des and best youth was Shaw Hearn.

Winner of the 59 player British Open was T. Mark Hall (4 dan Bristol) on 5/6. Second was Alistair Wall (4 dan Wansedt) on 5/6. Others on 5/6 were Tim Hunt (Cambridge 1 dan), Vince Suttle (5 kyu Ipswich) and Shaw Hearn (12 kyu Berks Youth). The Bracknell Berks Youth team won the Nippon Club Cup as best team.

**Grand Prix**

Francis Roads won the Stacey Trophy with 36 points and Des Cann was second on 31, and third were T Mark Hall and Seong-June Kim on 26. Simon Goss (2 dan) won the Weak Knee Dan trophy with 33 points.

**Milan TT 29th - 30th April**

Best of the 73 players at the first ever European Toyota Go Tour event was Vladimir Dane (Czech) on 5/5. On 4/5 was Viktor Bogdanov (Russia) and best of the group on 3/5 was Leon Match (Slovenia).

**Bled TT, 8th - 7th May**

56 players attended the second Toyota Tour tournament, held in Bled, Slovenia. Joint winners on 5/6 were Vladimir Danek (6 dan Cz) and Tibor Pocsai (5 dan Hungary); third on tie-break was Gert Schneider (5 dan Austria).

**Bracknell Go Tournament, Saturday 13th May**

63 players attended the Bracknell Tournament, held for the second year running at Woodhill in Wokingham. Getting his revenge for last year was winner Seong-June Kim (6 dan Cambridge). The only other player on 3/3 was John Rae (9 kyu England). All those winning their first two were awarded prizes too: Des Cann (4 dan), John Fairbairn (2 dan), Simon Butler (1 dan), Steve Bailey (2 kyu West Surrey), Alexey Nemolovskiy (2 kyu Ukraine), Paul Johnstone (8 kyu Twickenham), Steve Smith (12 kyu Winchester) and Simon Jones (18 kyu Berks Youth). Nicola Hurden (12 kyu Berks Youth) won the 13x13 and David Denholm (6 kyu Hign Wycombe) won the go puzzle competition.

**Budapest, 13th - 14th May**

56 players attended the major tournament in Hungary. Winner was Tibor Pocsai (5 dan) on 5/5 and second was Diana Koszegi (5 dan Hu) on 4/5.

**Pair Go Tournament, Sunday 21st May**

This was held at a very pleasant hotel in Boars Hill near Oxford, but attendance was disappointing this time. Winners were Emma Marchant and Simon Goss (8 kyu2 dan). On 2/3 were Natasha/Alex, Sally/Nick and Jackie/Francis. Winners in the handicap section were Fiona Campbell and Jim Edwards from Aylesbury. Youth Champion were Nicola Hurden/Shawn Hearn. Garry White organised a 13x13 event won by himself in a team called Girafins. Jinn Williams/Fred Holroyd were the best dressed pairs and special prizes for costume went to France Ellun, Jackie Chal and Lydia and Matthew Macfadyen.

**Challenger's Go Tournament, Saturday 26th - 28th May**

This was held as an all-play-all at the Friends Meeting House in Walthamstow. In order the scores were: Des Cann 7, Matthew Cocke 6, Young Kim 5, Alex Sleby 3, T Mark Hall 3, David Ward 2, John Rickard 1, Alistair Wall 1. Des Cann will challenge Matthew Macfadyen for the British Challenge's title.

**Zagreb, 27th - 28th May**

The Croatian major was attended by 36 players and won by Zoran Mutabzija (5 dan), the best on 4/5.

**Amsterdam TT 01/06/00-04/06/00**

The third Toyoh Tournament was held at the EGCC in Amstelveen, Netherland. Four of the 148 players had travelled from the UK - Harry Fearney (2 dan) scoring 4/6. Winner of the tournament was Du Yingyi with 6/6, second was Guo Juan with 5/6 and third was Frank Janssen the best on 4/6. The other player to win 6/6 was young Kei Shiinaida (3 kyu) who is living in Belgium.

**Leicester Go Tournament, Saturday 10th June**

A recent record of 74 players attended the Leicester Tournament. Winner for the second year running was Des Cann (4 dan), who beat Niculae Mandache (3 dan) in the final round. Those on 3/3 were Tony Atkins (2 dan Reading), Richard Thompson (6 kyu Leicester), Natasha Regan (5 kyu Epson), Matthew Selby (6 kyu Epson), Sokoto Takeda (6 kyu Birmingham), Malcolm Walker (8 kyu Worcester) and Chris White (25 kyu Berks Youth). Best team was Epson with 53.3%. Winner of the 13x13 was Garry White (14 kyu Berks Youth) with 8 wins, and second was Nicola Hurden (12 kyu Berks Youth). First entry prize went to Tony Atkins.
Newsletter Editor. After 10 interesting years as Editor, I have decided that the time has come to stand down. I would like to thank all those who have assisted me, and in particular Tony Atkins who has provided much of the content. Jill Segerman, who has been helping with the last two newsletters will now take over as the Editor. It will therefore be appropriate to send all future contributions and entry forms to her.

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The Mind Sports Olympiad. After some doubt, this event has now been confirmed, and the prize fund for go events is £10,000. As this will be the last time in the UK for the foreseeable future, it would be good to see as many BGA members as possible attending for at least some of the events. The BGA urgently needs some volunteers to help with teaching go at the Mind Sports Olympiad. Please reply to Alison Bexfield.

Game Analysis. T. Mark Hall has decided to stand down from this post and so some new helpers are needed. Someone to accept and process paper and electronic game records and volunteers of an appropriate level to do the analysing. Please reply to Tony Atkins.

Shrewsbury Tournament. Please note that the tournament has been cancelled and will NOT now occur in October.

European 2001 - Help required. The BGA is helping to run the European Go Congress in Dublin in 2001. Volunteers are needed to help run tournaments, the book shop and help with the Journal. It may be possible to offer discounted entry to those helping. The tournament runs 22/07/01 - 04/08/01 and sponsorship is being provided by Fujitsu-Siemens Ireland Ltd. Contact Tony Atkins.

Steve Bailey’s Experimental Tournament, Saturday 8th July
Event: Steve is considering arranging an experimental tournament with an unusual format for 1 and 2 kyus. Details from him.
Contact: Steve Bailey, 49 Stockton Road, Guildford, GU1 1HD. ☏ (01483) 533748, SGBailey@iee.org

Scottish Open Go Tournament at Edinburgh, Weekend 16th - 17th July
Location: Pollock Halls of Residence (Baird Common Room), University of Edinburgh. Registration by 10/45. 6 rounds.
Contact: Donald Macleod, 38 Buckstone Crescent, Edinburgh EH10 6PR. ☏ (0131) 446 4469, donald@sandwood.demon.co.uk

European Go Congress at Straubing (near Berlin), Germany, 24th July - 12th August
Contact: German Go Federation (DGB), PO Box 605-454, D-22249 Hamburg. Fax +49 30-32 40 2676/5
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US Go Congress 2000 @ Denver Colorado, 5th - 13th August
Contact: Stu Horowitz, USA 303-251-3604 or Ulf Tamm utamm@worldnet.att.net —**Note corrections**

2nd Norwich Biennial Go Tournament, Saturday 12th August
Contact: Tony Lyall, 37 Winter Road, Norwich, Norfolk. NR2 3RR. ☏ (01603) 613668 (evenings). Email: tlyall@ccn.ac.uk

Mind Sports Olympiad at London, 19th - 28th August
Web: http://www.msoworld.com/ —**Now confirmed**
Programme: 2008(am) Lightning; 2008(pm) Youth; 2308-2508 Main; 2608 Rapid; 27/09 Pair Go; 28/08 13r13, 21/08-2508 Computers; 19/08-2208 and 28/08 British Championship Final. Large prize fund: the top prize in the main event is £2000.

6th Northern Go Tournament, 2nd – 3rd September
Location: The Allen Hall, Wilmslow Road, Manchester. Registration by 10.00 on Saturday. 6 rounds.
Event: This will be a six round McMahon Tournament. Various B&B and lunch options available for Friday/Saturday/Sunday.
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