RESULTS

EPSON TOURNAMENT 10/08/02. The first Epson Tournament was very successful. We had a very pleasant room in a combined leisure-centre and library in the middle of town. 61 players turned up. There were dozens of prizes and even the losers all got a mug, thanks to sponsorship by Forbidden Technologies. http://www.forbidden.co.uk. The overall winner was Seong-June Kim (6 dan CLGC). Winners of 3/3 games were: Alan Thornton (2 dan St Albans), Paul Clarke (1 dan Maidenhead), David Pemberton (4 kyu Epson), Brian Kelly (5 kyu Epson), Roland Halliwell (9 kyu Epson), Richard Brand (14 kyu Reading) and Chris Lake (19 kyu Reading). On 2/3 were: Taiho Nakamura (5 dan Epson), Uno Shige (5 dan Epson), Young Kim (5 dan CLGC), Li Shen (4 dan CLGC), Jim Clare (3 dan Reading), Ian Melikidze (2 dan CLGC), Henry Segerman (1 dan Stanford USA), Tony Atkins (1 dan Bradken), Brian Brunswick (1 kyu Epson), Edward Blockley (2 kyu Worcester), Martin Solty (3 kyu Warsnade), Andrea Cessalotito (4 dan CLGC), Class Roeve (5 kyu Newcastle), Stephen Silver (6 kyu no club), Andy Burwell (3 kyu Twickenham) and Anna Hall (J kyu Bracknell). Allison Bexfield won the 13 x 13 competition and Roland Halliwell the 9 x 9. Epson Duffers won the team prize. Gerry Mills got a special prize for being the first entrant, and Guess-the-name-of-the-Teddy was won by Sue Patterson. (It was Hugo.)

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP. The Title Match is a best of 5 matches between the defending champion, Matthew Macfadyen, and the challenger, Matthew Cocke. The first game took place alongside the Epson Tournament. Macfadyen took white, and after a very exciting game, won by 1½ points.

LEICESTER TOURNAMENT 13/07/02. 40 players attended the first tournament at Letchworth Garden City which launched the new go club there. Winner was David Ward (4 dan Cambridge) who beat Ruud Steenman (2 dan Bradford) in the final. Organiser Simon Bexfield was one of those on three wins. The others were Richard Mullens (5 kyu Stevenage), Shawn Hearn (6 kyu Bracknell), Nicola Hurden (10 kyu Bracknell). Roger Daniel won the first to enter award and Jill Segerman got a prize for playing all four games in the 13×13 competition.

WELSH OPEN 29/06/02-30/06/02. 44 players attended the tenth Welsh Open in Barmouth. Winner for the tenth time (48 wins unbeaten) was Matthew Macfadyen (6 dan Lernington). On 5 wins was Shawn Hearn (7 kyu Bracknell). On 4 wins were Dan Gilder (2 dan Manchester), Gerry Mills (1 dan Monmouth), David King (1 kyu Swindon), Andrew Marshall (13 kyu Isle of Man) and Jonathan Englefield (20 kyu High Wycombe). The team prize was won by the Eoyere team comprising Simon Goss, Shawn Hearn, Emma Marchant and Jonathan Englefield. In the 9x9 the highest winning % was by Ron Bell and the marathon man (most games) was Roger Daniel. A booby prize went to Edward Marshall.

LEICESTER TOURNAMENT 15/06/02. 38 players took part in the 25th Leicester. A top group jgo meant Tim Hunt (2 dan Open University) was judged the winner ahead of previous champion Simon Shiu (4 dan Bristol). Phil Ward-Ackland (6 kwt West Wales) was only player to win all 3 games. Tony Atkins (2 dan Bracknell) won the most games in the 13×13 and Shawn Hearn (7 kyu Bracknell) won the most games.


YOUTH GRAND PRIX after Letchworth: first Shawn Hearn 5 kyu Berkshire Youth on 932 points, second Paul Blockley 15 kyu Worcester on 882, third Jonathan Englefield 18 kyu High Wycombe on 649.

RESULTS FROM OVERSEAS

EUROPEAN GO CONGRESS, ZAGREB About 300 took part in the Championships. At the end, Alexandre Dinerstein, the pro from Russia, was unbeaten to be European Champion. Second on 8/10 was Dmitri Bogacchi (Bocholt) (6 dan Ukraine). On 7/10 were Mikhail Galchenko (5 dan Ukraine), Svetlana Shishina (6 dan Russia), Kai Naoyuki (6 dan Japan) and Christoph Gerlach (6 dan Germany). Heading the 6 wins group were Radek Nechanicky (6 dan Czech), Csaba Mero (6 dan Hungary), Andrej Cheburekov (Tchobourakov) (5 dan Russia) and previous Champion Andrej Kukov (6 dan Russia). Gold star IIa Shishin (5 dan) was 11th. Highlight of T. Mark Hall's tournament was a game on board 7 against Iija's sister, the other Russian pro, Svetlana Shishina; he lost top 80 at 28/6/10. Of the 10 UK players the only other player on half wins was Colin Adams (1 kyu). Winning 8/10 was Gabor Szabo (4 kyu Hungary) and winning 8/10 were Michale Spode (3 kyu Germany), Michal Hola (3 kyu Slovakia) and Jan Milian (5 kyu Slovakia). The weekend tournament was also won by Dinerstein, with runner up Csaba Mero and Radek Nechanicky third. Just over 200 took part. Nechanicky beat Dinerstein in the final of the Lightning (Piers Shepperson made the last 18).

NEWS

21ST CENTURY CUP COMPUTER GO Held in Edmonton in Canada 27/07/02-28/07/02. Fourteen computer programs took part over seven rounds. First was "Many Faces of Go" with 7 wins and second was Michael Reiss's Go 4++ with 6. Other places 3 Go Intellec, 4 Katsunari, 5 Aya, 6 Neuoro, 7 Gnugo, 8 Explorer & Smart Go, 10 Indigo, 11 Great 5, 12 Goloi, 13 TSGO, 14 Hirotsuka.

GO ON BBC A story about the animation Hikaru no Go causing a craze among Japanese children was featured on BBC News programs (News 24 & BBC World channels) on 31 July. There is also a page on the CBBC Newsround site. A further story from Newsweek is at MSNBC.

CLUB UPDATES

BRADFORD Now meets at The Victoria, Saltaire Road, Shipley, Bradford. Otherwise unchanged. New club: BRISTOL Meets Wednesdays 7:30 (was Tuesday). Now 2 email addresses: bob@hannah10.freeserve.co.uk paul.etwell@blueyonder.co.uk

COTSWOLD TRUST Chanonry jets group added. In is addition to the main Cotswold club. Meetings by arrangement. 01244 344 829 xenafan@blinternet.com

LETCHWORTH New club. Meets last Sunday every month 2pm - 6pm. 112 West View, Letchworth, Herts, SG6 3QJ Simon Bexfield, 01462 694648, Simon@bexfield.co.uk

LINCOLN Dead.

LONDON Twickenham Wednesday 19:30 Popes Grotto hotel, Twickenham. Irregular meetings, so always rings to confirm. Andy Burwell 020-8227-1717 andyburwell@blueyonder.co.uk

READING Jim Clare's work phone number removed (defunct).

SHERBORNE & YEOMIL Weekly Wednesdays. Venue moves around. Otherwise unchanged.

SCHOOL CLUBS: Brakenhale, Cumnor House, Queen Anne High, all no longer meeting.
NORTHERN, Manchester, Saturday 7th - Sunday 8th September
Location St Anselm Hall, Kent Road East, Victoria Park, Manchester
Event 6 round McMahon, 1 hour then 30 stones in 5 minutes.
Contact John Smith  0161 445 5012 (home)  0161 275 4756 (work)
Internet J.H.Smith@man.ac.uk

PENZANCE, Saturday 14th - Sunday 15th September
Location The Yacht Inn, The Promenade, Penzance
Event Saturday: A rapid handicap tournament; several rounds of 20min each, sudden death. Sunday: A three round McMahon tournament. 1hr each and 25 stones in 5min overtime.
Contact F.J.Culmer, Rose-in-Vale, Gweek, Helston, Cornwall. TR12 7AD.  01326 573167
Internet john_culmer@talk21.com  http://www.johnculmer.f9.co.uk/go/tournament.html

MILTON KEYNES, Sunday 29th September
Location The Old Lecture Theatre, The Open University, Milton Keynes, MK7 6AA
Event 3 round McMahon. 60 minutes plus 30 stones in 5 minutes.
Contact Fred Holroyd, 10 Stacey Avenue, Wolverton, Milton Keynes, MK12 5DL.  01908 315342
Internet f.c.holroyd@open.ac.uk

WANSTEAD, Sunday 12th October
Location Wanstead House, 21 The Green, Wanstead, London E11
Event 4 rounds McMahon, 45 minutes plus 30 stones in 5 minutes.
Contact Bill Streeten, 3 Wellington Court, Wellington Road, London E11 2AT.  020 8926 6923
Internet http://www.ajwall.demon.co.uk/Wanstead.htm  william.streeten@ntlworld.com

WOMENS' GO TEACHING WEEKEND, near Oxford, Saturday 19th - Sunday 20th October
Event A weekend at Sally Prime's house, with teaching by 5 dan Go professional Guo Juan. There will be chances to play informally, and to compete for the Eva Wilson Memorial Go Ban. All strengths and ages are most welcome.
Contact Sally Prime, Sunnybrook, 37 North Hinksey Village, OX2 0NA.  01865 247403  sally@maproom.co.uk

WESSEX, Marlborough, Sunday 27th October
Location Marlborough Town Hall
Event 4 rounds 50 minutes plus 30 stones in 5 minutes, then 60 in 5 minutes.
Contact Bob Hitchens, Thistledown, Wells Road, Hallatrow, Bristol, BS39 6EN  01761 435496
Internet wessex-go@blueyonder.co.uk

THREE PEAKS, Thornton in Lonsdale, Yorkshire, Saturday 9th - Sunday 10th November
Location The Marton Arms, Thornton in Lonsdale, near Ingleton, Yorkshire.
Event 5 round McMahon, 1 hour plus 20 stones in 5 minutes then 30 in 5 minutes.
Contact Toby Manning, 7 Oak Tree Close, Leamington Spa, Warwick, CV32 5YT.  01926 888739
Internet http://homepage.ntlworld.com/tobymanning/3peaks/ tobymanning@ntlworld.com

INTERNATIONAL TEAMS TOURNAMENT, London, Saturday 19th October
Location The Crosse Keys pub, 9 Gracechurch Street, London, EC3 DQ
Event There is a normal club meet, you will be able to both watch the tournament and play friendly games. Meet at 12 pm for start at 12:30pm.
Contact Geoff Kaniuk  (020) 8874 7352  geoff@kaniuk.demon.co.uk

NATIONAL SMALL BOARD CHAMPIONSHIP, Sunday 24th November
Location Milton Community Centre, Milton, near Cambridge.
Event Played on 13x13 boards.
Contact Paul Smith  01223 563832  paul@andrea-paul.freeserve.co.uk

STRONG PLAYERS' TRAINING DAY, Milton Keynes, Sunday 1st December
Contact T.Mark Hall  020 7627 0656  tmark@tmark@gogodemon.co.uk

WEST SURREY TEACH-IN AND HANDICAP, Saturday 7th - Sunday 8th December
Contact Pauline Bailey  01483 561027  pab27@compuserve.com

LONDON OPEN, Friday 28th - Monday 31st December
Location International Students House, 229 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 5PM  http://www.ish.org.uk
Event 8 rounds McMahon, 50 minutes for 5 kyu or stronger, otherwise 60 minutes. Overtime 20 moves in 5 minutes. Lightning and other side events.
Contact Geoff Kaniuk, 35 Clonmore Street, London SW18 5EU  020 8874 7362, mobile 07951 140433
Internet http://www.european-go.org/toyotatour  geoff@kaniuk.demon.co.uk

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CALENDAR OF MAJOR EUROPEAN EVENTS  http://www.vn.tue.nl/oe/lnsg/cf/gchog/foutourn.html
2003 IRISH GO CONGRESS, Dublin 7th - 10th March 2003  Part of Toyota European Go Tour
Location Teachers Club, 36 Parnell Square, Dublin.
Event Irish Open, 5-round McMahon, 60 minutes plus 15 stones in 5 minutes. 5-round Irish Rapid. Irish Handicap, 3 rounds.
Contact John Gibson, 30 Lakelands Park, Dublin 6W, Ireland.  00-353-1-4908779 (home)  00-353-1-2843486 (work)
00-353-87-2556420 (mob)  00-353-1-2360760 (fax).
Internet john@mgf.ie

EUROPEAN GO CONGRESS, St Petersburg, Russia, 19th July - 2nd August 2003
Contact Oleg Gavrilov, Kuznetsovskaya 15-16, St Petersburg, 195128, Russia.  +7 (812) 389 1473
Internet http://www.egc2003.spb.ru  egc2003@mail.wplus.net

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