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DEADLINE for next issue, Sunday 7th December

RESULTS

WANSTEAD 04/10/03 54 players attended Wanstead. Winner was Young Kim (5 dan Central London). Also winning 4/4 were Phil Beck (1 dan Cambridgew, Matthew Reid (2 kyu Cambridge), Erwin Bonsma (5 kyu ipswich), Patrick Donovan (9 kyu Eastbourne) and Kay Dackcombe (23 kyu Bromley). The following got prizes for 3/4: Li Shen (5 dan London), Tony Atkins (3 dan Bournemouth), Tim Hunt (3 dan Milton Keynes), Weed (1 kyu Billericay), James Aspden (1 kyu Oxford), Martin Softy (3 dan Wanstead), Martin Harvey (3 kyu Chester), Steve Bailey (4 kyu West Surrey), Shaun Hearn (6 kyu Stasford), Pablo Marro (8 kyu Spain) and Ken Dackcombe (25 kyu Bromley).

MILTON KEYNES 21/09/03 67 players attended the Open University for the 15th Milton Keynes Tournament. Unbeaten winner was Lei Chen (5 dan GLGC). He beat Young Kim (5 dan London) and then Alastair Wall (4 dan Wanstead) in the last round. Second with 3/3 was Toby Manning (3 dan Leicester). Also on 3/3 were Alison Bexfield (2 dan Letchworth), Niall Cardin (1 dan Oxford), Matt Platt (2 kyu Oxford), Craig Young (9 kyu North London), Paul Blackley (14 kyu Worcester) and Zachary Tsai (17 kyu Warwick). The Sandbags won Oxford the team prize for a second year running. Alex Beman (19 kyu Leamington) and Ian Davis (7 kyu Cambridge) won prizes for 7/7 and 6/8 on the N BOARD MAP Go Board.

CORNWALL TOURNAMENTS 06/09/03 - 07/09/03 12 players took part in the Cornish Handicap Tournament on the Saturday in Penzance. Winner of the Go Bowls trophy on 4.5/6 was Hennie Groote Lipman (2 dan Netherlands). Many players scored 3/5 to be second, of whom the prize winner was junior player Jonathan Englefield (11 kyu High Wycombe). 20 players took part in the Cornwall Tournament on the Sunday. Winner of the Devon Go Stone for the first time was Simon Goss (2 dan) who beat fellow Bracknell player Ian Marsh (1 dan) in the final. Last years winner was third, Alastair Wall (4 dan Wanstead). The player winning wood was local lad Jake Finnis (16 kyu).

NORTHERN 18/08/03-17/08/03 28 players attended the Northern at Renold Building, UMIST, in Manchester. It was held as part of the MSO. Gold medal winner with 5/6 was Li Hauou, a Chinese 6 dan who has been studying in Liverpool. Second and third were two more young Chinese players: Chao Le with 5/6 and Han Zhongwei with 4/6. Paul Taylor (1 kyu Cambridge) took fourth with 4/6 and 5th was Tim Hunt (3 dan Open Uni) and 6th Dan Gilder (3 dan Manchester) on 5/6. On four wins were: Martin Harvey (3 kyu Manchester), Bill Streten (4 kyu Wanstead) and Mihoko Isoda (15 kyu Oxford).

MIND SPORTS OLYMPiad 19/03/03-25/03/03 Held at the Renold Building at UMIST in Manchester the 7th MSO had Go events on both weekends. The first weekend tournament was the Northern. Matthew Macadynen (6 dan Leamington) won games 2 and 3 of the British Championship during the same weekend. Go players winning non-Gold medals were Paul Smith who took Gold at Oware, Nick Wedd gold at Skat and Piers Shepperdson at Perudo Rico. There were 4 Go events the Bank Holiday weekend.

Go Rapidplay on 23/03/03 was won by Li Hauou (6 dan China) with 6/6. Silver was Dan Gilder (3 dan Manchester) and Bronze was Masashi Sugiyama (2 dan Japan). Jonathan Englefield (11 kyu) won 4/6; 5 dan players took part.

On 24/08/03 the 7 player Lightning was won by Piers Shepperdson (5 dan) with 5/6, second was Masashi Sugiyama (4/6) and third Natasha Regan (1 dan Epsom) with 3/6. Mihoko Isoda (15 kyu) also won 4/6.

The 8-player 13x13 was won by Tim Hunt (3 dan Open University) with 4.5/6. Masashi Sugiyama took another silver with 4/6 and Simon Goss (2 dan Bracknell) took the bronze. Mihoko Isoda won 4.5/6 and Jonathan Englefield 4/6.

On 25/08/03 the Pair Go was won by Natasha Regan and Tim Hunt, paired for the first time. Second were Helen and Martin Harvey (Manchester) and third were Anna Griffiths and Tony Atkins (Berks). Fourth were Mihoko Isoda and Masashi Sugiyama.

EPSOM TOURNAMENT 09/08/03 The second EPSOM Tournament attracted 56 players including a very strong top group (bar 5 dan). Also the first British Championship game was held (see News). Winner was Hiroshi Takamaki (5 dan CLGC); All players on two and three wins got prizes thanks to sponsor Forbidden Technologies Plc. Those with three were: Li Shen (4 dan CLGC), Hyo Sik Cho (1 kyu London) and Jill Segerman (8 kyu Brighton). Best team was the Easing team. Jenny Radcliffe (15 kyu Durham) won the 9x9 and Andrew Jones (3 dan Wanstead) the 13x13.

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP 09/08/03 The first British Championship title match game between Matthew Macadynen and challenger Matthew Cocks was played at the EPSOM Tournament. It was won by Macadynen by resignation. The other games were held on 16/08/03 and 17/08/03 at the MSO in Manchester. Again broadcast on KGS and again won by Matthew Macadynen, who thus retained the title.

OVERSEAS

Incheon World Amateur Baduk Championship 27/09/03 - 03/10/03 Replacing the cancelled World Amateur, this new championship was in Korea. 58 countries took part and played 6 rounds. The top 4 players then played a knockout. Korea won all 6 games. In the knockout Japan's Hiroaoka Satoshi beat Ukraine and then Korea to win the championship. Britain's Matthew Macadynen came 19th, and Simon Goss was there as a guest official.

19th US GO Congress, Houston, Texas, 02/08/03-09/08/03 Some 300 Go fans attended. Nie Li, the 22-year-old politics student in California, won the US Open again with 6 straight wins. Best of the British Team was Wanstead's Francis Roads taking third in the 2-4 dan section of the Open.

PROMOTION Li Shen (12 years old, from China) was promoted to 5 dan. Very many congratulations to him!

SKIING TRIP Paul Margets is organising a skiing trip to La Plagne for go players on the week commencing 7th February 2004. If anyone is interested in coming along, then please contact Paul@yuong.deon.co.uk phone 01372-723-268.

CARTOON BOOKLET A cartoon introduction to go by Andreas Fecke is on the BGA website http://www.britgo.org/cartoons/cartoon1.html

CLUB NEWS AND UPDATES

BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY New club. Monday nights from 7.30 (venue tba) Contact Zac Tsai 07889 795000

BRIGHTON: Contact email now: granville.wright2@btopenworld.com

EXETER/DEVON: Meetings now by arrangement. Email now to tomwid@btopenworld.com

HIGH WYCOMBE: Appears to be dead.

LONDON (CLGC): Now at: The International Student House, 229 Great Portland Street, London, W1V 5PN. Saturdays 2:00pm - 10.00pm. http://www.bexfield.com/clicl/clicgc.htm PROGRAMME OF EVENTS includes tournaments, teaching sessions for kyu players, and a Christmas party.

34th WESSEX GO TOURNAMENT Sunday 26th October. Registration closes 9:45.
Location: Marlborough Town Hall
Event: Four round, even game competition, 50 minutes plus 30 stones in 5 minutes then 60 stones in 5 minutes. Optional 13x13.
Contact: Bob Hitchens, Thistledown, Wells Road, Hallatrow, Bristol BS39 6EN. Phone 01761 453496. wesssex-go@blueyonder.co.uk.

THREE PEAKS GO TOURNAMENT Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th November. Registration closes at 13:00.
Location: Marton Arms Hotel, Thornton-in-Lonsdale, about a mile outside Ingleton.
Event: Five round McMahon, 1 hour + 20 stones in 5 minutes, then 30 in 5 minutes.
Contact: Bob Bagot, The Grange, Ravenstonedale, Kirkby Stephen, Cumbria, CA17 4NG. Tel: 01539 623679. Baigies@hotmail.com

NATIONAL SMALL BOARD CHAMPIONSHIP Sunday 16th November. Registration closes 9:30.
Location: Whithlesford Memorial Hall, Mill Lane, Whittlesford, Cambridge, CB2 4NE.
Event: Handicap tournament, morning and afternoon sessions, 15 minutes sudden death.
Contact: Paul Smith, 2 Townsend Close, Milton, Cambridge CB4 6DN. Phone 01223 553932, or email at junc5club@chessgo.org.uk

WEST SURREY HANDICAP AND TEACH-IN Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th December. Registration closes 10:30 on Saturday, 10:15 on Sunday.
Location: Burpham Village Hall in Guildford.
Event: Saturday: Teach-in for kyu players in small groups, led by several dan players.
Sunday: Four round Swiss tournament, aiming for 4-stone handicaps.
Contact: P.A. Bailey, 27 Dagley Farm, Shalford, Guildford, Surrey, GU4 8DE. Phone 01483 565127. pab27@compuserve.com

SCOTTISH BAR-LOW Saturday 13th December. Registration closes 9:30.
Location: Union of Communications Workers Club, 15 Brunswick Street, Edinburgh, EH7 5BJ.
Event: Four round McMahon, 45 minutes time limit, with 30 stones in 5 minutes overtime.
Contact: Donald Macleod, 26 Preston Crescent, Inverkeithing, Fife KY11 1DR. Phone 01383 410405. Email dmacleod@epsulin.co.uk

Location: International Students House 229 Great Portland Street, London, W1N 5HD.
Event: Eight rounds, Tuesday: Symphony Tour regulations, 90 minutes for 19 kyu or stronger, otherwise 60 minutes, Wednesday: 21 moves in 5 minutes.
Contact: Website Preferred: http://www.bexfield.com/clgc/entry_gb.htm. Contact Geoff Kaniuk, 35 Clonmore Street, London SW18 5EJ United Kingdom. Tel/Fax: +44 20 8874 7362 toyotatour.london@europeangogo.org

MAIDENHEAD-FURZE PLATT Saturday 17th January 2004 Sunday 1st February 10:00.
Location: Hitachi Europe Head Office at Whitebrook Park, Lower Cookham Road, Maidenhead.
Event: Three round McMahon style tournament. Time limit of 50 minutes plus overtime of 30 stones in 5 minutes.
Contact: Eddie Best, 33 Dasdarey Road, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 1PE. Phone 01628 453967. eddy.best@virgin.net

BRITISH YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP Sunday 1st February. Registration closes 9:46.
Location: King Edward VI (Aston) School, Frederick Road, Aston, Birmingham, B6 6DJ.
Contact: Mike Lynn, Hillcroft, Barston Lane, Barston, Solihull, West Midlands, B92 0JZ. Tel: 01675 442753. mikenlyn@barston.freeseerve.co.uk

CHESHIRE Saturday 7th February. Registration closes 10:30.
Location: Bentley Motors Works Restaurant, Pyns Lane, Crewe, Cheshire, CW1 3PL.
Event: Top 8 play a three round Swiss for the open title, others play a 5 round handicap.
Contact: Tony Atkins, 37 Courts Road, Earley, Reading RG6 7DJ. Tel: 0118-9286143 ajaxgo@yahoo.co.uk

OXFORD Saturday 14th February.
Location: Wolfson Hall, St. Edmund Hall, Oxford. St Edmund Hall is just off the High Street, entrance in Queen's.
Event: Three round McMahon with 50 minute time limits, overtime of 30 stones in 5 minutes.
Contact: Daisy Wan, Corpus Christi College, Oxford OX1 4JF. Phone 07878 561828. daisy.wan@ccc.ox.ac.uk

TRIGANTIUS, CAMBRIDGE, Sunday 29th February. Contact Alex Selby, 67 Woodhead Drive, Cambridge, CB4 1YJ. Telephone: 01223 512013 (evenings) trig2003@pobox.com

LEANINGTON, Sunday 21st March Mike Lynn, Hillcroft, Barston Lane, Barston, Solihull, West Midlands B92 0JZ. Phone 01675 442753, mikenlyn@barston.freeseerve.co.uk.

BRITISH GO CONGRESS, MILTON KEYNES, Friday 2nd April - Saturday 4th April. tim@tihumt.net.uk

DURHAM, Saturday 17th-18th April. gradscg-club@durham.ac.uk

Location: Cherry Orchard Hotel, Bridson Street, Port Erin, Isle of Man, IM9 6AN.
Event: Main tournament 5 rounds McMahon 90 minutes. Side tournaments and social events.
Contact: Leo Phillips 4 l Yadene Avenue, Onchan, Isle of Man, IM3 3HD. Phone: 01624 5192294 leo@lomgo.org.uk www.lomgo.org.uk;

MINDSPORTS OLYMPIAD, MANCHESTER, Saturday 21st-Monday 30th August. Tim Hunt, 20th North Row, Milton Keynes, MK9 3LQ. Phone 01908 695778. tim@tihumt.net.uk

OVERSEAS
IRISH GO CONGRESS, DUBLIN Friday 5th-7th March. Friday: Irish Rapid Play. Saturday and Sunday: Irish Open, 5 round McMahon tournament. 60 minutes time limit with 15 moves in 5 minutes overtime. 5½ komi. Contact John Gibson. john@mgm.ie
EUROPEAN YOUTH GOE CHAMPIONSHIP, Cologne, 29 April to 2 May. Contact Horst Timm, Ginterweg 37, 44577 Castrop-Rauxel, x49-2305-24619, mobile 0172-9281805 horst-timm@t-online.de Provisional web-site: http://www.dgob.de/index.html?kiju-goki/ju-pokali/eygc04.htm

BRITISH GO ASSOCIATION

WEBSITE: http://www.brigto.org/
MOBILE PHONE: For emergency calls to tournament organizers on the day of tournaments: 07951 140433