BRITISH YOUTH GO CHAMPIONSHIPS 01/02/03 IN BIRMINGHAM A record 51 children attended this event at King Edward VI School, Aston. There were lots of locals, groups from Bloxham, Loughborough and others from around the country. Winners [runners up] were: Overall William Brooks (2k Cambridge) [Chao Gao (7k Bloxham)], Under 18 Chao Gao (7k Bloxham) [Chris Ellis (9k Aston)], Under 16 William Brooks (2k Cambridge) [Jonathan Englefield (9k High Wycombe)], Under 14 Paul Blockley (13k Worcester) [Rawinder Athwal (11k Aston)], Under 12 Costas Televantos (26k Aston) [Matthew Harris (30k Cambridge)], Under 10 Ken Dackombe (22k Bromley). Under 8 Not Contested. The Castledine Trophy was won by Aston. Prizes were also awarded for handicap games to William Brooks (2k Cambridge), Jemma Hole (18k West Cornwall), Greg Yates (25k Aston), Chao Gao (7k Bloxham), Ken Dackombe (22k Bromley), Charlene Chen (35k Bloxham), Matthew Harris (30k Cambridge), Savio Fong (24k Loughborough), Derek Chen (35k Bloxham), Kay Dackombe (20k Bromley) and William Hau (24k Loughborough). Top at puzzle solving was Antony Keen (30k High Wycombe). Some of the local lads won the Pool competition. In a demonstration game without komi, 12 years old Li Shen (5dan) beat British Champion Matthew Macfadyen (6dan) by 3 points.

MAIDENHEAD 17/01/04 86 players attended the HQ of HITACHI Europe Ltd for the 13th Maidenhead Tournament. Winner for second year running was Chinese boy Li Shen (4dan London), aged 12, who forced Young Kim to take second. Winning 3/3 were Chris Dawson (1dan Maidenhead), James Aspden (1dan Oxford), Matt Platts (2k Oxford), Xin Yi Lu (11k Maidenhead) and Matt Griffiths (12k Swindon). Mike Charles (2dan St Albans) won 2/3. Thanks to generous sponsorship from HITACHI all on 2/3 got prizes too. Team winners were Oxford (75 percent) and 9x9 winner was William Brooks (2kyu Cambridge) with 9/9 wins. A special prize went to young Matthew Knight who played 12 9x9 games during the day.

LONDON OPEN 28/12/03-31/12/03 127 players attended the 30th London Open, held again at ISH, Great Portland Street and successfully run by Geoff Kaniuk and the others from CLGC. The main tournament was again a major in the Toyota-Pandapel European Go Tour and had an exciting climax. After 7 rounds top players with 6 wins were Dutch student Eni Nikhuis and 12 year old Li Shen who lives in London. They had already played each other (Li beat Eni), but they were to play others on lower scores. If they lost it was a four-way tie. In fact they did. Emil to France's Lionel Fischer by a half point and Li to Chinese player Wenhao Li. So after SOS tie-break the order was: 1. Wenhao Li (5dan China), 2. Emil Nikhuis (6dan NL), 3. Rafeks Nechankis (6dan CZ), 4. Li Shen (5dan China) all on 6 wins; 5. Ng Li (6dan USA), 6. Benjamin Tauber (5dan DE) and Lionel Fischer (4dan FR). 7. Matthew Cocks (5dan UK), 9. T Mark Hall (4dan UK) all on 5 wins; 10. Young Kim (5dan UK). Players on 7 wins out of 8 were Dominic Schuhmacher (9kyu CH), Janne Jalkanen (4kyu SF) and with 6 wins: Michiel Akkoutse (12kyu FR), Thomas Potschtrig (6kyu DE), Uwe Glauch (4kyu DE), Esa Seuranen (2kyu SF), Pars Schachter (1dan DK). All winning 6 or more got a wooden go stone and all players on 5 wins got a certificate; from the UK: Tim Hunt (3dan), Jim Sadler (1dan), Mike Keneally (3kyu) and Ron Bell (4kyu). First prize went to David Frankel (1kyu) from the USA. Ken Dackombe got the youngest player prize.

There were 5 winners of the 24 player Pair Go (doubles) played on 29/12/03: Michael Marsh / Manuela Lindemeyer, Jasmin Grossmann / Tobias Klaus, Madeleine Roth / Benjamin Tauber, William Brooks / Michiel Akkoutse, Thomas Potschtrig / Dominic Schuhmacher. About 55 players played groups and then 16 played a knockout in the Lightning on 30/12/03. Jiri Keller and Jim Sadler made the last 16 for the UK. Ari Kauppi and Michiel Akkoutse made the semi-finals, but the Lightning winner was Emil Nikhuis (6dan NL), beating Rafeks Nechankis (6dan CZ) second by 1 point in an exciting game. In the continuous 9x9 three players dominated. Using the Leiden Squaredor Formula the winner was Michiel Akkoutse who won 27/35/6, second was Jiri Keller with 23/36 and third William Brooks with 21/35. Before the close Tim Hunt put his game up for public criticism, led by Rafeks (6dan) and was off to a Mediterranean restaurant or to various New Year parties/celebrations.

2nd SCOTTISH BARLOW 13/12/03 16 players 1kyu to 20kyu from Edinburgh, Dunfermline, Newcastle and Strathallan School Perthshire attended the Scottish Barlow in Edinburgh. Professor lwashita (5dan) was on hand to play people in between rounds. Nobody won 4/4, so winner on 3/4 was Clas Rooser (4kyu Newcastle) on tie-break from Edinburgh's Shinnepo Tanaka (1kyu) and Jim Cook (2kyu). Jim Cook, Allan Crossman, Donald Macleod and Colin Robertson qualified for the Scottish Championship semi-finals.

WEST SUSSEX HANDICAP 07/12/03 Only 32 players plus the organiser Steve Bailey took part. Alan Thornton (2dan St Albans) won the Tournament. On 4/4 for a second year was Kay Dackombe (25kyu Bromley). Bill Streeten (4kyu Wanstead) and Erwin Bomsa (4kyu Ipswich) were the losing finalists. Also on 3/4 were Brian Brunswick (1dan Epsom), Geoff Kaniuk (1kyu London), Malcolm Hagan (4kyu Winchester), Jonathan Lord and 2nd William Brooks 3kyu Cambridge, 33rd Paul Blockley 13kyu Worcester.

GO PLAYERS ON TV Congratulations go to Cambridge Club member, Chris Cummins. He won the Autumn 2003 series of Channel 4's Countdown. He scored 11 wins and won the final 122-86. Also from Cambridge Club, Andrew Walkingshaw is a member of the Jesus College team in BBC2's University Challenge. His second appearance in the second round is expected in February. It is understood that a production company is interested in making a 7 minute programme on Go for Channel 4.

CLUB UPDATES
EXETER (DEVON) Meetings by arrangement - no fixed time or place. Call Tom Widdicombe on 01364 661470. NOTE: this occurred some time ago, but the Journal missed it.

LEICESTER Dornant.


LONDON: T.WICKENHAM Contact now Colin Macclellan; Tel: 020 8941 1607; colin.macclellan@btopenworld.com The club meets in the Pope's Grotto Hotel on Wednesdays at 6pm

NOTTINGHAM Old Info obsolete. Meets now by arrangement. Contact go-club@printnet.net

NORWICH AND NORFOLK Now at The Sir Ganet Wolsey, Bethel St. (By St Peter Mancroft Church). Central Norwich Other details unchanged.

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CENTRAL LONDON GO CLUB PROGRAMME OF EVENTS  
Puzzle competitions 14 February, 7 March; 3 April, 1 May 
Teaching days for kyu players, level and topic to be decided 21 February, 21 March, 17 April, 15 May 
Friendly tournaments 28 February, 28 March, 24 April 
Club matches 14 March, 10 April, 8 May. Further details on the website http://www.bexfield.com/dgclgc.htm or contact Keith Rapley, 1494-575066.

FORTHCOMING

TRIGANTIUS, CAMBRIDGE, Sunday 29th February. Registration closes 10:30 
Location University Centre, Granta Place, Mill Lane, Cambridge CB2 1RU. 
Event 3 round McMahon with 1 hour time limits and 50 moves in 5 minutes overtime. Continuous 13x13, team competition, novice tournamenet 
Contact Alex Selby, 67 Woodhead Drive, Cambridge, CB4 1YY. Telephone: 01223 512013 (eve.s) trigant2004@pobox.com

IRISH GO CONGRESS, DUBLIN Friday 5th—Sunday 7th March. Contact John Gibson, 30 Lakelands Pl, Dublin 6W, Ireland. john@mhg.ie

LEAMINGHAM Sunday 21st March Round 1 begins 10:00 
Location The Oddfellows Hall, 6 Clarence Terrace, Leamingham Spa 
Event 4 rounds, 30 minutes and sudden death. The schedule will enable participants to watch some of the play in the Candidates’ tournament, and 
Matthew Macfadyen (6 dan) will give a commentary on one or two of the more interesting games. 
Contact Mike Lynn, Hillcroft, Barston Lane, Barston, Solihull, West Midlands B92 0JZ. Tel. 01675 442753 mikelynn@barston92.freeserve.co.uk

BRITISH GO CONGRESS, MILTON KEYNES Friday 2nd April—Sunday 4th April. Main registration 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Saturday 
Location The Holiday Inn, 500 Saxon Gate West, Central Milton Keynes, MK9 2HQ. 
Event British Lightning Tournament Friday evening; British Open Championship Saturday and Sunday; 6 round McMahon, 60 minutes time limit with 
25 moves in 5 minutes overtime. Annual General Meeting of the BGA Saturday evening 
Contact Tim Hunt, 208f North Row, Milton Keynes, MK9 3LQ. Tel. 01908 695778 tim@timhunt.me.uk

DURHAM Saturday 17th to Sunday 18th April. Saturday registration ends 12:45. Sunday play begins 9:30 (to be confirmed) 
Location Vane Tempest Hall, Dunelm House, New Elvet, Durham 
Event 6-round McMahon tournament (45 minutes each plus 30 stones in 5 minutes). A coffee shop will be open in the hall throughout the event. 
Entry fee: £10 BGA members; £12 BGA non-members; £9 concessions. 
Contact gradsoc.go-club@dur.ac.uk Edwin Brady: 0191 334 1709. Jenny Radcliffe, 62 Albert St, Durham, DH1 4RJ

EUROPEAN YOUTH GO CHAMPIONSHIP, COLOGNE, 29 April to 2 May. Contact Horst Timm, Ginstwerweg 37, 44577 Castrop-Rauxel, 
Tel: 05442-24419, mobile 0172-9201805; horst-timm@t-online.de; http://www.dgob.de/kiyu-go/kiyu-pokaliygc/news_english.php

BAR-LOW, CAMBRIDGE Sunday 2nd May Registration 9:30, first round 10:00 
Location Parkside Community College, CB1 1EH at the North corner of Parkers Piece 
Event For kyu players only: 5 rounds, 25 minutes no overtime. The invitation-only Challengers League will be taking place at the same time 
Contact Charles Matthwes, 60 Gisson Road, Cambridge, CB1 2HF, phone 01223 350986, or Nick Krempeil nkd24@cam.ac.uk

BRACKNELL Sunday 9th May Registration by 10:00 
Location Wooseld Community Centre, off the A329 (not the A329(M)), between Wokingham and Winnersh 
Event 3 round McMahon tournament with 30 moves in 5 minutes overtime. 
Contact Enquiries to Clive Hendie, 01344-422502, Clive.Hendie@freenet.co.uk Entries to Ian Marsh, 47 Hope Avenue, Bracknell, Berks, RG12 
0WD phone 01344 422296

PAIR GO, BOARS HILL, OXFORD, Sunday 23 May, Foxcombe Lodge Hotel, Boars Hill, Oxford. A tournament for teams of one male and one female. Contact: Francis Roads, 61 Malmesbury Road, London E12 2NL. 020 8505 4381 francis@frroads.demon.co.uk

LEICESTER, Saturday 12 June 
Location Church of all the Martyrs, off Narborough Road, Leicester. 
Event 3 round McMahon tournament. 60 minutes time limit with 30 moves in 5 minutes overtime. 
Contact Peter Fisher. tel. 0116 2871 362

WELSH OPEN, BARMOUTH, Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 June. Contact: Tony Pitchford, Meadow Brook, Tanporley Road, Whitley, WARRINGTON, WA4 4DS Tel: Work/Days 01925 730264 Home/Eve 01925 730583 Email: tony@towbarsdirect.co.uk


EPSOM Saturday 7th August epsomgo@yahoo.co.uk


ISLE OF MAN Sunday 16th to Thursday 19th August 
Location The Cherry Orchard Hotel, Bridson Street, Port Erin, Isle of Man. Main tournament: 
Event 5 round McMahon, 90 minutes plus 20 moves in 5 minutes. 3 round McMahon, 60 minutes plus 20 moves in 5 minutes. Handicap tournament: 
Contact Leo Phillips, 4 Ivydene Avenue, Birch Hill Park, Onchan, Isle of Man, IM3 3HD, British Isles. tel. 01624 612294 leo@omgo.org.uk

BRITISH GO ASSOCIATION

MIND SPORTS OLYMPIAD, MANCHESTER, Saturday 21st to Monday 30th August Contact: Tim Hunt 208f North Row, Milton Keynes, MK9 3LQ Tel. 01908 695778 secretary@britgo.org

WEBSITE: http://www.britgo.org/ 
MEMBERSHIP: Annual Rates UK £15, Concessions £8, Family £20, Europe £17, World £20. 
Kathleen Timmins, Membership Secretary, The Hollies, Wollerton, Market Drayton, Salop, TF9 3LY. Phone 01630 685262

MOBILE PHONE: For emergency calls to tournament organizers on the day of tournaments: 07851140463