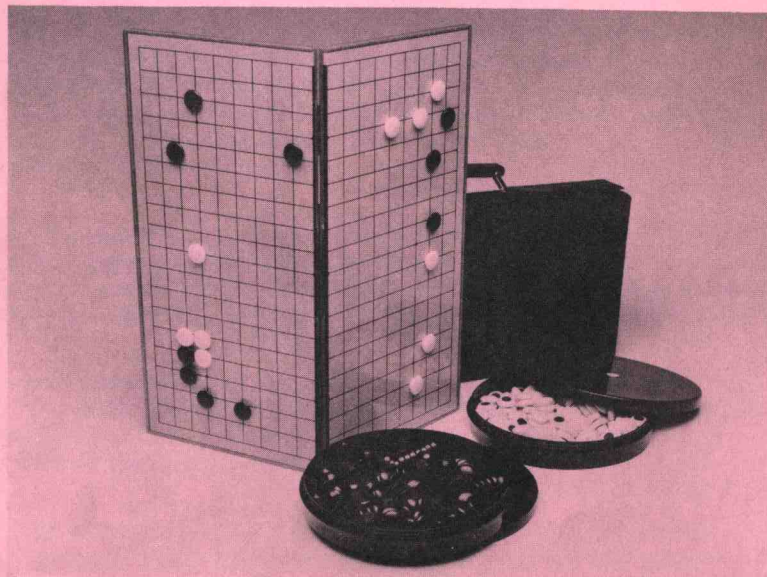


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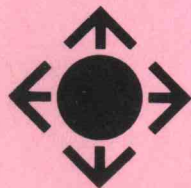


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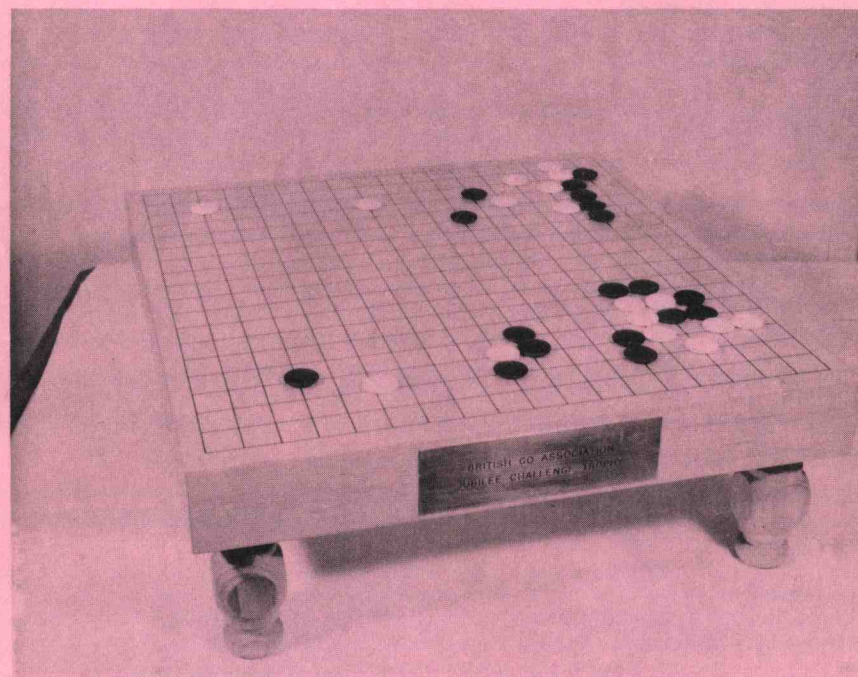


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## IMPORTANT NOTICE

At this years AGM John Allen gave notice of his intention to cease as the BGA's Book Distributor. John's service in this unglamorous but vital function warrants a sincere vote of thanks from all of us.

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## PRESIDENT'S NOTES

Andrew Daly

With my election this year as President of the BGA, I rejoined the Committee after an absence of two years. This absence has emphasised to me how difficult it is for the ordinary members of the Association to hear what is being done on their behalf by the Committee. In writing in the Journal, I am determined that the doings of the Committee shall be fairly reported and within reason made public.

One of the first tasks of the new Committee was to review the rules for the 1978 British Championship. We decided to retain the basic structure of the Championship, which has worked reasonably well for two years. Qualification for the Challenger's League will again be from a special Candidates' Tournament, but this will be enlarged and the qualifications for it enlarged slightly. The intention of these changes is to open the early stages of the Championship more widely to provincial players, and to reduce the problems imposed by the Championship on the qualifying tournaments.

Finance seems to be a permanent problem for every organisation. Through the efforts of Alison Cross and Bob Hitchens we have an improved grasp of our increasingly complicated finances, so that the Committee is able to plan new projects with better understanding of their financial impact. We have a reasonable accumulated reserve, but it is currently difficult to balance annual income and expenditure. The Committee is looking for ways to improve this balance immediately, and meanwhile we shall have to give preference to new projects that show good prospects of covering their costs.

Many of the projects set up in the past twelve months and before are being continued, chiefly through sub-committees. These include our information services: the Journal (which accounts for about half our spending) and the Ansafone; the promotion activities in libraries and in the Youth sub-committee; and the Gradings committee. We are also trying to establish a co-ordinated calendar of events. The BGA itself directly sponsors Northern and Southern Leagues, National Knock-out and Lightning tournaments, as well as the British Congress, but we now have five or six other regular tournaments scattered randomly throughout the country, and a similar number at the London Go Centre.

## SECRETARY'S NOTES

I am afraid that the time of year has come round again when new subscription rates are applicable; as a result of decisions taken at the last AGM, there are now even more rates than before. I should be grateful if you could all pay the new subscriptions NOW rather than wait until the 1st January.

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