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NOTICE TO ALL BGA MEMBERS

The Annual General Meeting of the BGA will be held at Ashburne Hall, Old Hall Lane, Manchester M14 6HP on Saturday 14th April at 7.30 pm, during the British Go Congress. Agenda as follows:

- Minutes of last meeting

- Officers' reports

- Election of Officers and Ordinary Committee Members

- Proposal from the Committee to raise Student subscriptions from £2 to £2.50 and Club subscriptions from £4 to £4.50, leaving unattached and overseas rates the same.

- Any Other Business.

UNDER 18 GO PLAYERS please note the paragraph about the Susan Barnes Trust and events taking place on 1st April and 14th July.

News

46 players attended the Black Bull Tournament at Leigh Sinton on Dec. 11th, with its preceding Teach-in. Local player Richard Granville was overall winner; second was Quentin Mills (2-dan) from Monmouth.

The London Open Congress attracted 128 entrants at IVC, Covent Garden, (Dec. 31st - Jan. 3rd). Top three players with 6/7 wins were, on tie-break, Hosokawa (6-dan), Macfadyen (6-dan), both CLGC, and Moussa (4-dan) from Nantes respectively. Andre Moussa also won the Lightning Tournament. Prizes for 5½ or more wins also went to S. Brown (2-kyu, Oxford), C. Jutow, (7-kyu, Nantes), and P. Ryan (15-kyu, Cheltenham). Tom Goodey videotaped the Macmahon draw in the hope of introducing the system in Japan.

Choi Chee Kul (5-dan) from Manchester holds the NMW Computers Go Ban for winning the first Cheshire Tournament on January 28th. Other prizes went to Andy Benyon (2-kyu, Manchester), plus a place in the Candidates Tournament, S.R. Hinsley (4-kyu, Coventry), and P. Collins (20-kyu, Malvern). Attendance was 32.

The Acornsoft Computer Go Tournament was held at Acornsoft's premises in Henrietta St., London over the week-end of 7th-8th January. Richard Granville's machine code programme, with a response time of under a second, lost the final to a programme written in BASIC, with a 20 second response time, written by a 10-kyu entrant by the name of Przybyla. Acornsoft hope to market it. Mr. Przybyla wins £1000.

Ian Meiklejohn and Gavin Grant have been promoted to 2-dan, and Richard Hunter to 3-dan. Richard is resident in Tokyo, and this promotion brings his British grade into line with his Japanese one.

The Susan Barnes Trust has now been set up; trustees are David Barnes, Nick Webber and Francis Roads. Annual awards will be made to Under 18 Go players for the purchase of Go books and equipment or to cover the expenses of attending tournaments. Awards will be made on the basis of performance in tournaments, and the Trustees intend to look carefully at any U-18 results in the British Go Congress and those of the U-18 Championship. Further donations are still very welcome.

REMINDERS:

Subscriptions were due on 1st January; £2, £4, £6 and £7 for student, club, individual, and overseas members respectively. You risk missing Newsletter No. 14 if you don't pay up!

 Jeff Ansell again reminds tournament organisers to send him the BGA Levy as soon as possible after the tournament. Rates: 20p per person per game, but only the first three games in any one day to count.

3. The BGA needs more help. We probably need a new Tournament Coordinator, and two new Committee members. Help may also be needed with the BGJ and Grading. Offers of help to the President.

Forthcoming Events

February 18th: Oxford Go Tournament. Three round Macmahon, time limits 1 hour plus 15 secs. byo-yomi. Registration 10.00 am. Entries to Mike Albert, Magdalen College, Oxford, £2.00 before 11th February or £3.00 afterwards.

ENTRY FORMS ENCLOSED.

March 17th: Trigantius Tournament, Cambridge, 10.00 am, probably 3-round Macmahon with one hour time limits. Information about this tournament is scarce, but Charles Matthews of 119 Mawson Road, Cambridge CB1 2DZ will pass on entries/enquiries.

April 1st: BGS Schools Championship, Leeds Grammar School. Four rounds, 11 am to 6 pm. Teams of three; several teams from one school may enter. Contact Clive Fraser, 35 Linton Road, Leeds LS 17 (0532-683953).

April 13th-15th: 1984 Go Congress, Ashburne Hall, Old Hall Lane, Manchester, M14 6HP. 6-round Macmahon tournament, time limits 1 hour, lightning tournament on the Friday evening, and the BGA's Annual General Meeting. Clocks start 10.00 am Saturday. Tournament fee £8, Full Board accommodation £32, less if you don't have full board. Late fee £3. Entries to Peter Barton, 24 Beeston Mount, Bollington, Cheshire, SK10 5 QY (0625-73923) by 30th March. Cheques payable to "British Go Tournament 1984". ENTRY FORMS ENCLOSED.

May 5th-7th: (Provisional) Candidates Tournament, The Inter-Varsity Club, 3/5 The Piazza, Covent Garden, London WC2. Open to all 2-dans and stronger players plus qualifiers from other tournaments.

May 19th: Bracknell Go Tournament, 3-round Macmahon.

May 25th-29th: (Provisional) Challengers League and NOT The Challengers League; the latter open to all players. Vénue as above.

July 1st: Leicester Go Tournament, three round Macmahon.

July 14th: British Under 18 Go Championship, Furze Platt Comprehensive School, Maidenhead. Four rounds, 45 minutes plus ten seconds byo-yomi Three divisions, U-14, U-16, & U-18. Entry forms with next newsletter.

July 21-August 4th: European Go Congress, Porrentruy, Switzerland. Contact Marcel Schweizer, 12 Rue de la Chapelle, CH 2300, La Chaux de Fonds. Accommodation about £150.

October 28th: Wessex Tournament.

Overseas Events

I have received a very extensive list of Go events in Europe from the EGF secretary. The subjoined list is a selection. Anyone travelling in Europe who wants further details of any event listed, or of the many, mostly one-day, events that I have not listed should contact the Tournament Coordinator.

Very few British events appear on the list. Tournament organisers should make a point of sending details of any event to Anton Steiniger, Wienerstrasse 69, A 4020 Linz, Austria. You may not get people coming specially, but people visiting Britain in any case may like to turn up.

Especially recommended from the following list are the Paris and Amsterdam tournaments; these usually attract a strong British entry.

18-19.2.84:	Bremen	25-26.2.84:	Bonn/Lyon	
10-11.3.84:	Sprendlingen (D)	17-18.3.84:	Strasbourg/Zurich	
24-25.3.84:	Nijmegen (NL)	31.3-1.4.84:	Tuebingen (D)	
21-22.4.84:	Leiden (NL)	21-23.4.84:	PARIS	
14-15.4.84:	Hannover	21-23.4.84:	Plzen (CS)	
26-26.4.84:	Budapest	28.4-1.5.84:	Grenoble	
12-13.5.84:	Ingelheim (D)	19-20.5.84:	Nymburk (CS)	
31.5-3.6.84:	AMSTERDAM	9-10.6.84:	Nantes/Lausanne	
22-24.6.84:	Warsaw	7-8.7.84:	Kosice (CS)	
7-20.7.84:	St. Pierre de Chartreuse	21.7-4.8.84:	Porrentruy (CH)	
13-19.8.84:	Balaton (H)	15-16.9.84:	La Chaux de Fonds	(CH)
21-23.8.84:	Plzen (CS)	22-23.0.84:	Bremen (D)	
20-21.10.84:	Bonn	27-28.10.84:	Krems (A)	
3-4.11.84:	Berlin	10-11.11.84:	Toulouse	