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### BGA Subscriptions

Many thanks to the 73 people who have beaten the Christmas rush and paid their subscriptions for 1986. I hope that the remaining subscriptions can be paid soon; It makes the task of the Membership Secretary much easier if this is not left to the last minute. The rates are \$6-50 for an unattached member, \$5-00 for a club member (or unattached student), \$3-00 for a student club member.

### News

The Wessex Go Tournament was held on October 27th and attracted 92 players, a significant increase from last year. The overall winner was Jim Barty (4-dan). Other divisional winners were J Rastall (1-dan), W Aldred (1-kyu), R Bagot (2-kyu), S Chapman (4-kyu), A Jones (9-kyu), A McCurrach (12-kyu) and R Cannings (15-kyu). T Barker (1-dan) and R Bagot qualified for the Candidates Tournament.

48 players turned up for the Nottingham Go Tournament on November 9th; this was also more than in 1984. J.Y.Lee, a Korean 5-dan currently living in Nottingham, won the tournament with 4/4. A Cornah (2-kyu, Sheffield) also did well, achieving 3.5 wins. Other prize winners with 3/4 were R Granville (3-dan), S Perlo-Freeman (1-kyu), C Wright (3-kyu), I Docherty (9-kyu), T Roberts (10-kyu), M Skinner (11-kyu), R Taillefer (13-kyu), D Gilmore (15-kyu), M Gibbs (20-kyu) and R Thearke (20-kyu). The qualifiers for the Candidates Tournament were M Lorimer-Roberts (1-dan) and A Cornah.

The Edinburgh Go Tournament, held on November 23-24, was won by H.Washita (5-dan) with 4/6. Other prize winners with 5/6 were A Thompson (1-dan), K.Rogers (6-kyu) and M McKissock (9-kyu). S Welch (1-kyu) qualified for the Candidates Tournament. Although the total attendance of 26 was a little disappointing, the organisers were encouraged by the 9 people who travelled from England and by the 9 people for whom it was their first tournament.

Also at Edinburgh, the first Scotland-Wales International Go match was held. The result was a 3-1 win for Wales.

The Thames Valley Go League contains 7 teams from Reading, Bracknell and the Three Counties Go Club. Although a few matches have yet to be played, it is clear that the winning team will be Reading Rebels, with a score of 19/24. Second at the moment are Bracknell with 11/20.

Terry Stacey beat Matthew Macfadyen in the first game of the final of the British Championship.

### Forthcoming Events

December 7-8: Teach-in (7th) and Black Bull Handicap Go Tournament (8th) at the Somer's Arms, Leigh Sinton, Worcs. Last-minute entries to Paul Manning, Malvern (06845) 2990.

December 28-31: London Open Go Tournament, IVC, Covent Garden, London. 8 rounds; time limits 90 minutes and 45 seconds byoyomi. Contact David Andrews, 263 Mile End Road, Colchester, Essex, CO4 5DZ (0206-852338). ENTRY FORMS MAY BE ENCLOSED (not received at time of writing).

February 22nd: Oxford Go Tournament, at Rhodes House (corner of Parks Road and South Parks Road). Registration 1015, Round 1 1030, prizegiving 1900. 3 rounds, Macmahon system, time limits 70 minutes with 5 seconds byoyomi. Entry fee \$2-50 before Feb 20th; late fee \$1. Contact Chris Wright, St Anne's College, Oxford, OX2 6HS. ENTRY FORMS ENCLOSED.

March 8th: Trigantius Go Tournament, Cambridge. Contact P.Dorey, Queens College Cambridge.

April 4-6 : British Go Congress, Crewe. Contact Brian Timmins (address below).

April 20th: East Anglian Go Tournament, Ipswich. Contact Verrill Baldwin (0473-79045). Sponsored by Cymbal Cars.

May 17th (provisional): Bracknell Go Congress. Contact Simon Goss, ICL, Lovelace Road, Bracknell, Berks.

July 19 - August 2: European Go Congress, Budapest, Hungary.

October 5th (provisional): Cheshire Go Tournament. Contact Brian Timmins (address below).

#### A Plea from the provinces

by Brian Timmins

The 1986 British Go Congress will be held at Crewe & Alsager College on April 4-6. Although the venue is barely 0.5 mile from the railway station, it is outside the town and pleasantly quiet.

In recent years the Congress has continued to flourish, despite the falling membership of the BGA. However, the number of London players attending has steadily declined. What about reversing this trend?

#### The BGA Tournament Levy

Although the BGA collects most of its money through annual subscriptions, it requires other sources of income in order to survive. One of these is a modest surplus on the sales of books and equipment. The other is a levy on tournaments. This is easily justified by the fact that the BGA possesses at least 40 sets and clocks, which are always available for use at tournaments.

The current BGA tournament levy is 25p per person per game. Only the first three games in each day count. Concessions for students or young people result in a corresponding reduction in the levy (eg if the student entry fee is 60% of the standard entry fee, the levy is 15p per game for each student).

The money should be sent to the BGA Treasurer within 3 weeks of the end of the tournament. Organisers of future tournament are reminded to include the BGA levy in their budgetting - the rates are not expected to change in 1986.

#### Selected Contact Addresses

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