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RESULTS

London Open Toyota Tour 29/12/00-01/01/01

103 players took part in the London Open, held this year as a 7-round MacMahon tournament. 45 of them found time to play at least one game in the 9x9 event, though no prizes were awarded in the unpopular continuous handicap event. First at small board go was Jim Sadler (1d UK), second Natasha Regan (1k UK) and third Arnaud Knippel (1d France). The Lightning was held on the Saturday evening. First was Seong-June Kim (6d UK) and second was Malcolm Schonfield (1d France). Andrej Kralj (3d Slovenia) won the play-off for third against Tobias Klaus (9k Germany).

In the main tournament various special prizes were given out as indicated below and the top five players received the Toyota Tour prize money. On 5/7 were Lasse Jakobsen (best junior at 25k), Bettina Rehburg (best improver, German 9k), Joakim Strom (4k Sweden), Martin Gomilschak (4k Austria), Albert Fenech (2k France), Jim Sadler (1d UK), Malcolm Schonfield (1d France), Matthias Bahr (2d Germany) and Antoine Fenech (2d France 5/6). Parkpoom Lekhavat (12k Thailand) was the best novice. Top five were fifth Xiangdong Wang (4d UK), fourth Matti Siivola (5d Finland), third Matthew Macfadyen (6d UK on 5/7), second Masanori Tanaka (5d Switzerland on 6/7) and winner Seong-June Kim (6d UK) who was unbeaten. The only other player unbeaten was American 3 kyu Clay Smith who entered as a European 4 kyu and ended up beating three 1 kyu players, winning best kyu award.

Furze Platt 20/01/01

80 players took part at Hitachi's headquarters in Maidenhead. Seong-June Kim (6d Oxford) was the winner for the second year. On 3/3 were Tim Hunt (2d Milton Keynes), Kevin Drake (1k Bournemouth), David Denholm (6k Maidenhead), Dave Arun (10k Unattached), Phil Clark (12k Reading) and Mogens Jakobsen (15k Epsom Downs). On 2.5 were Malcolm Hagan (5k Winchester) and Paul Kersey (5k Unattached). Thanks to the sponsor all on 2/3 won a bottle of wine. The Mighty Milton Keynes won the team prize and Nicola Hurden (Berkshire Youth) won the 13x13.

British Youth 21/01/01

22 children took part at Fitzharrys School, Abingdon. Overall and under-16 winner was Jimmy Mao (1k Bristol). All the other age-group winners were from Cambridge: Under-18 Ben Morris (10k), Under-14 Tom Eckersley-Waites (11k), Under-12 William Brooks (8k), Under-10 Oscar John, Under-8 Ben Parker. Overall runner up was Tom Eckersley-Waites, Under-18 Peter Fisher (20k Fitzharrys), Under-16 Shawn Hearn and Under-14 Garry White (both Berks Youth), under-12 Lasse Jakobsen (Croydon) and under-10 Luise Wolf (Putney). Bloxham won the Castledine Trophy as the best school. In the 13x13 most wins were by William and best percentage by Garry. In the puzzle contest Alice White of Longwell scored 9/18 to win, being still below 30 kyu. A prize for 5 wins went to Oscar John, and for 4 wins to Lasse, Garry, Jimmy, Tom, Ian McAnally (11k Manchester), Simon Parker (35k Cambridge) and Paul Blockley (23k Worcester). Prizes for 3/5 went to Ben Hill-Tout and Matthew Burstein of Cambridge.

Grand Prix

The Stacey Tournament has suddenly got very close, with 4 or 5 Tournaments remaining before the final reckoning at the British. The position after Furze Platt is: 1st John Rickard with 21.5 pts, and equal 2nd with 21 pts Seong-June Kim and Francis Roads.

Gothenburg TT 04/11/00-05/11/00

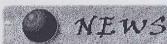
31 players took part at the Swedish Toyota Tour Tournament. Britain's own Matthew Macfadyen (6d) won first place yet again with 5/5. Second was Vladimir Danek (6d Czechia) with 4/5 and Li Xiangdong (3d Sweden) topped the group on 3/5 in third place.

Fujitsu Cup Amsterdam 08/12/00-10/12/00

24 top European players took part. Britain's Matthew Macfadyen beat Emil Nijhuis, Alex Dinerstein, Geert Groenen, but lost to Ion Florescu who had already beaten professional Catalin Taranu. The other semi-final was between Guo Juan who had beaten Christian Pop and Robert Mateescu who had beaten Rob van Zeijst. Guo won the final.

Nippon Club Monthly 28/01/01

Fourteen players from 6 dan to 20 kyu participated. Games were 30 minutes with even games, but komi to the weaker player and a double knockout system. Results: 1. David Ward (5/5), 2. Shigehiko Uno (6/8), 3. Jiri Keller (3/5), 4. Kiyohiko Tanaka (3/5).



BGA AGM will take place at 8.00 pm on Saturday 21st April, during the British Go Congress, Cardiff.

European Go Centre Award. 600 Euro are to be awarded for the best project on spreading Go, for example: teaching beginners, publicity, improving a Go club. Entries must be submitted by April 2001. For further information contact the BGA Secretary

"Japan 2001" Japanese Festival: The BGA is hoping to attend many Japanese festivals around the country. In the autumn there will be a visit by two professional go players with a team of amateurs.

<u>European 2001 - Help required</u> The BGA is helping to run the European Go Congress in Dublin The tournament runs 22/07/01-04/08/01 and volunteers are needed to help run tournaments and so on.

Mind Sports Olympiad: Volunteer(s) are wanted, to help plan and organise the BGA event at the MSO 2001 in London. Contact the BGA Secretary. Club Updates since the latest British Go Journal No. 121 Winter 2000

Edinburgh Guildford Arms (Gallery Bar - upstairs), 7.30 Weds. West Register St, between St Andrews Square and Balmoral Hotel.

Glasgow Meets 20:00 Wed (was 19:00 Wed) Contact John O'Donnell's 🗃 0141 330 5458 (work), 0141 339 0458 (home)

Nippon Meets Sun 12:00-18:00 (was Fri 18:00-22.30).

Oxford University Wed 19.30-23.00, in termtime only. [as before] The Seminar room (which is easy to find) in Corpus Christi college. All are welcome whether from the university or not. Contact Niall Cardin niall.cardin@ccc.ox.ac.uk

New Clubs:

Lincoln Thurs 19.30 Dr Tristan Jones tristan d jones@hotmail.com @ 07752 681 042 and 01522 519 413

Queen Anne High School, Dunfermline Contact Greg Reid home: ☎ 01383 730083 greid@reidg9.fsnet.co.uk work: ☎ 01383 312620

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Internet Club for Children We hope to organize a regular time when children can meet on-line, and play go with other children. Information is on the BGA website, via the Site Index under 'Intersection', or contact the Webmaster.

Go Tuition National Trainer Matthew Macfadyen (Matthew@jklmn.demon.co.uk) is running private seminar days, and a scheme to teach by email or post.

Monthly Tournaments, Nippon Club, London: Contact K. Tanaka, Email: gokichi@tanaka.co.uk 2020-8693-7782



Oxford, Saturday 17th February

Location: St. Edmund Hall, Queen's Lane, Oxford

A three round McMahon with 50 minute time limits Event:

Details: http://users.ox.ac.uk/~joseki/

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25th Trigantius Tournament, Cambridge, Sunday 4th March

Location: The University Centre, Granta Place, Mill Lane, Cambridge

3 round MacMahon with continuous 13x13. Beginners (to 20 kyu), NEW INFORMATION: Beginners starting at 1.30 pm Event:

Details: http://www.cam.ac.uk/societies/cugos/compete/trigant.htm

Contacts: Main: Alex Selby, 67 Woodhead Drive, Cambridge, CB4 1YY Email: Alex@archduke.demon.co.uk □ 01223 512013 Beginners': Paul Smith Email: andreapaul@andrea-paul.freeserve.co.uk **1** 01223 563932

2001 Irish Open Go Championship, Saturday 31st March - Sunday 1st April

Location: Teachers Club, 36 Parnell Square, Dublin 1 5 round MacMahon, 60 minutes plus 15/5 **Event:**

John Gibson, 30 Lakelands Park, Dublin, 6W, Ireland. Email: john@mhg.ie Contact: ** +353-1-4908779 (home), +353-1-2843486 (work)

Coventry Tournament, Sunday 8th April

Location: Midland Sports Centre, Tile Hill, Coventry (next to Tile Hill Station)

3 round MacMahon, 55 minutes plus 30/5 **Event:**

Mike Lynn, Hillcroft, Barston Lane, Barston, Solihull, West Midlands, B92 0JZ Contact: Email: mikelynn@barston.freeserve.co.uk

a 01675 442753, Mobile (on the day) 07949 225352

The British Go Congress, Cardiff, Friday 20th - Sunday 22nd April

Location: The Chapter Arts Centre, Cardiff

Friday evening Lightning, Saturday and Sunday Main Tournament, Saturday evening BGA AGM Event:

Contact: Gerry Mills, 10 Vine Acre, Monmouth, Gwent, NP25 3HW Email: bgabooks@btinternet.com **2** 01600 712934

Cambridge Bar-Low Tournament, Sunday 6th May

The University Centre, Granta Place, Mill Lane, Cambridge Location:

5 round MacMahon, 35 minutes no overtime Event:

Contacts: Konrad Scheffler, St. John's College, Cambridge, CB2 1TP Email: khs@eng.cam.ac.uk Charles Matthews 2 01223 350096

Bracknell, Saturday 12th May

Location: Woosehill Community Centre, Wokingham

3 round MacMahon Event:

Contact: Clive Hendrie Email: clive.hendrie@freenet.co.uk **2** 01344 422502

Leicester, Saturday 9th June

Location: Church of all the Martyrs, off Narborough Road, Leicester.

3 round McMahon, 60 minutes plus 30/5, 13x13 **Event:**

via BGA website, or Peter Fisher **2** 0116 2871 362. Contact:

Scottish Open, Saturday 7th - Sunday 8th July

Location: Pollock Halls of Residence (Lee House), University of Edinburgh

Event: 5 round MacMahon, 60 minutes + overtime. Lightning.

Donald Macleod, 38 Buckstone Crescent, Edinburgh, EH10 6PR Email: donald@sandwood.demon.co.uk Contact: **2** 0131445 4489

45th European Go Championship, Dublin 21st July – 4th August

Location: Teachers Club, 36 Parnell Square, Dublin 1

10 round McMahon, 5-round Weekend tournament, Side events including Irish Rapid-play and Handicap Tournaments **Event:**

Details: http://ireland.european-go.org

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Candidates' (17-18 Mar), International Spring Match (15 Apr), Challengers' (4-7 May), Barmouth (23-24 Jun), Mind Sports Olympiad London (18-27 Aug)

OVERSEAS TOURNAMENTS Approximate Dates

European Youth Poland (3 Mar), Toyota Tour Velden Austria (23 - 25 Mar), Paris Toyota Tour (14-15 Apr), Fujitsu Qualification Milan (21 Apr), Fujitsu Qualification Bled (27 Apr), Toyota Tour Budapest (12 May), Toyota Tour Zagreb (19 May), Toyota Tour Amsterdam (24 May), European Teams Russia (7 Jul), US Open Baltimore (4-12 Aug) email hlime@clark.net



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