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DEADLINE for next Issue, Saturday 11th December 2004

RESULTS

WANSTEAD 09/10/04 71 players attended Wanstead. Winner was again Young Kim (5 dan Central London). Also winning 4/4 were Paul Maidowski (1 kyu Cambridge), Steve Bailey (3 kyu West Surrey) and Simon Mader (5 kyu Cambridge). The following won for 3/4: Alex Webb (19 kyu Oxford), Pauline Bailey (16 kyu West Surrey), Rasa Norinkeviciute (12 kyu Eastbourne), Nicola Hurden (9 kyu Bracknell), Xinyi Lu (9kyu Maidenhead), Andy Marden (8 kyu), Mark Todkill (6 kyu North London), Patrick Donovan (6 kyu Eastbourne), Tuong Nguyen (5 kyu CLGC), Chris Goldsmith (5 kyu Cambridge), Philippe Bourrez (4 kyu West Surrey), Martin Harvey (3 kyu Manchester), Simon Goss (2 dan Bracknell), Alistair Wall (4 dan Wanstead) and Joonghoon Jo (3 dan).

MILTON KEYNES 19/09/04 48 players attended the Open University for the 16th Milton Keynes Tournament. Unbeaten winner was Alex Rix (4 dan CLGC). Also on 3/3 were Matthew Reid (1 kyu Cambridge), Greg Pallis (8 kyu Oxford) and Stuart Patterson (16 kyu Leamington). The Team Prize was jointly won by the Oxford and Leamington teams, both winning 2/3 of their games. The Milton Keynes Go Board event was won by William Brooks with 8.5/9 and second was Jonathan Englefield with 6.5/8.

CORNWALL TOURNAMENTS 04/09/04 - 05/09/04 13 players took part in the Cornish Handicap Tournament on the Saturday in Penzance. Winner of the Go Bowls trophy on 5/5 was young Jonathan Englefield (9 kyu High Wycombe). He beat Elinor Brooks (6 kyu Swindon) in the final. 18 players took part in the Cornwall Tournament on the Sunday. Winner of the Devon Go Stone for the first time was Toby Manning (3 dan) from Leicester who beat Bracknell player Ian Marsh (1 dan) in the final. The players who each won a wooden stone for 3/3 were Mark Todkill (6 kyu North London) and Peter Fisher (5 kyu Leicester).

NORTHERN 28/08/04-29/08/04 20 players attended the Northern at Renold Building, UMIST, in Manchester. It was held as part of the MSO. Gold medal winner was Carl-Johan Ragnarsson, a 3 dan from Lund in Sweden, who was unbeaten. Second was local Manchester player Erik Yangran Zhang (3 dan) on 5/6 and third was Tim Hunt (3 dan Milton Keynes) on 4/6. Ian Davis (4 kyu Belfast) put in a noteworthy 4/6 result and John Nicholas (7 kyu Manchester) won a very creditable 5/6.

MIND SPORTS OLYMPIAD 21/08/04-30/08/04 Held at the Renold Building at UMIST in Manchester the 8th MSO had Go events over four days of the last weekend. The main event of the weekend was the Northern. Matthew Macfadyen (6 dan Leamington) won games 2 and 3 of the British Championship during the same weekend against David Ward. The day before the Northern had the 13x13 followed by the Lightning. The Bank Holiday Monday had the Rapid to finish the weekend. Top player was Carl-Johan Ragnarsson from Sweden who took home two golds and a silver.

Rapidplay on 30/08/04 was won by Xiaoming Xie (3 dan Manchester) on tie break from Tim Hunt (3 dan Milton Keynes), both on 4/5. Taking bronze was Kunio Kashiwagi (1 dan Manchester) on tie-break from Simon Goss (2 dan Bracknell) on 3/5. 8 players took part.

Lightning on evening of 27/08/04 was won as last year by Piers Shepperson (5 dan Slough) with 6/6. Second was Carl-Johan Ragnarsson (3 dan Sweden) on 5/6. Third on 4/6 was Paco Garcia de la Banda (4 dan Spain). 12 players took part.

The 10-player 13x13 was won by Carl-Johan Ragnarsson (3 dan Sweden) with 6/6. Silver went to Tim Hunt (3 dan Milton Keynes) with 5/6. Bronze went to Ian Davis (4 kyu Belfast) who won 3/6 and stayed in the even group longest before elimination to the handicap group.

ISLE OF MAN GO WEEK 15/08/04-19/08/04 More than 45 Go players and family attended the 7th Isle of Man Go Week at the Cherry Orchard in Port Erin, and enjoyed a fun week of Go, seaside, sunshine and friendship. First in the 43-player Championship event was the defending champion, Piers Shepperson (5 dan Slough) with 5/5. Second was Matthew Cocks (5 dan Norwich) and third Francis Roads (4 dan Wanstead), both on 4/5. Also on 4/5 were David M. King (1 kyu Swindon) who was fourth, and two 5 kyus, Bill Streeten (Wanstead) and Tom Blockley (Worcester). Jonathan Englefield (9 kyu Bracknell) won 3.5.

In the 30 player Afternoon Tournament the winner was Tony Atkins (3 dan Bracknell) on SOS tie-break from Francis Roads (4 dan Wanstead), both on 2.5/3. The only player on 3/3 was Andy Price (11 kyu Leamington).

In the 27 player Handicap event, Bill Streeten (5 kyu Wanstead) won on tie-break from Paul Barnard (1 dan Swindon), both on 5/6. Doubles winners were mother and son, Pauline and Steve Bailey (West Surrey). Tim Hunt (3 dan Milton Keynes) beat organiser Steve Jones (1 dan Man) to win the 24 player 13x13 event. William Brooks (1 kyu Cambridge) held on to the lightning title, by beating Jil Segerman (7 kyu Brighton) in the final between the top two players of the continuous stage.

NEWS

PROMOTION Jonathan Chin was promoted to 2 dan on 26 September 2004

BRITISH GO ASSOCIATION EGM 19/09/04 20 members approved the audited accounts for 2003 at an EGM during the Milton Keynes Tournament. The accounts had not been ready in time for the AGM, also in Milton Keynes last April.

BRITISH GO CHAMPIONSHIP Congratulations to Matthew Macfadyen who defeated David Ward 3-1 in the Title Match to retain the British Go Championship. This is the 20th time that Matthew has been British Champion, and in recognition of this the BGA Council has awarded him Honorary life membership of the Association.

WOMENS' TRAINING WEEKEND Guo Juan's teaching this year was based on the participants' own games, recoded during the weekend by a team of male volunteers. Participants ranged from beginners to dan players, so were split into two groups. Winner of the high-fliers the "Eagles" was Eleanor Brookes winning 5/5 games. Outright winner was the best of the "Swans" group, Nicola Hurden who won 6/7 games.

YOUTH GRAND PRIX These are the current Grand Prix Scores for 2004, up to and including the Milton Keynes tournament. First William Brooks 1-kyu Cambridge on 1023, second Jonathan Englefield 9-kyu High Wycombe on 940 and third Paul Blockley 13-kyu Worcester on 404.

STACEY POINTS After Wanstead:- 1st Francis Roads 22.5 pts, 2nd Alistair Wall 17, 3rd Simon Goss 15.5 and 4th Gerry Mills 9

CLUB CHANGES

BOLTON Attempts are being made to set up the Bolton Go Club again. Meetings will include other games such as Shogi and Mancala. Tuesday evenings at The Gypsy's Tent pub (corner of Moor Lane and Deansgate. Contact Tony McFadden Chancegardener@aol.com

LEICESTER From 1 October 2004 until Easter 2005 meeting on Wednesdays (not Thursdays).

NOTTINGHAM Now meeting regularly on Wednesdays, 7pm onwards in the Crown Inn, Beeston. Please check with the club secretary first.

SHEFFIELD contact now Phil Barker Home: 0114 2551440, pdbarker@clara.co.uk Work: 01709 826868, philip.barker@corusgroup.com.

SWANSEA secretary now Sam Woodward, sensei_sam@hotmail.com, 01792 470071.

WEST SURREY web site: Now <http://www.stocon.org/go.htm>

FORTHCOMING

WESSEX, Marlborough, Sunday 31st October. Registration 9:15 to 9:45

Location The Town Hall, High Street, Marlborough, SN8 1AA

Event 4 round McMahon tournament with 50 minutes time limits and 30, then 60 stones in 5 minutes overtime.

Contact Bob Hitchens, Thistledown, Wells Road, Hallatrow, Bristol BS39 6EN. Phone 01761 453496 wessex-go-2004@joseki.org

MARTINI CUP, Groningen, Saturday 6th to Sunday 7th November. <http://goclubgroningen.nl/>

BRITISH 13X13 GO, Cambridge, Sunday 7th November. Registration starts 9:30

Location Meadows Community Centre, 1 St Catharine's Road, Cambridge CB4 3XY

Event At least 7 rounds, 15 minutes sudden death.

Contact Paul Smith, 2 Townsend Close, Milton, Cambridge CB4 6DN. Phone 01223 563932. junclub@chessgo.org.uk

THREE PEAKS, Thornton in Lonsdale, North Yorkshire, Saturday 13th–Sunday 14th November. Registration ends 13:00 Saturday

Location The Marton Arms, Thornton in Lonsdale, near Ingleton, North Yorkshire.

Event 5 round McMahon, 3 rounds on Saturday including one in the evening, and 2 rounds on the Sunday. The tournament should finish about 15.30 on Sunday. A short walk will be organised starting from the Marton Arms on Saturday morning.

Contact R.Bagot, The Grange, Ravenstonedale, Cumbria, CA17 4NG. Phone 01539 623679. lesbag@tiscali.co.uk

Entries Please enter early as numbers may have to be limited. £10-00.(Concessions - £5-00). Cheques to R.Bagot. The proceeds will go to support the local church in memory of Tim Hazelden 2 Dan, the former publican at the Marton Arms, who died tragically in a road accident in 1995.

Accom. There may be rooms at the Marton Arms - Tel.015242 41281. Other accommodation can be found via the tourist information office at Ingleton.

WEST SURREY TEACH-IN and HANDICAP, Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th December. Registration: Saturday 10:00-10:30, Sunday 09:45-10:15

Location Burpham Village Hall, near Sainsbury's, North of Guildford. Grid reference TQ013523.

Events Saturday Teach-in, given by several dan players, suitable for any level of player from total beginner to 1 kyu. Sunday Handicap Tournament, a Swiss tournament, where opposing players normally have the same number of wins. The draw will aim for 4-stone handicap games.

Contact Pauline Bailey, 27 Dagley Farm, Shalford, Guildford, Surrey, GU4 8DE. Phone 01483 561027. pab27@compuserve.com

SCOTTISH BARLOW, Edinburgh, Saturday 11th December. Registration ends 9:45

Location UCW Club, 15 Brunswick Street (off London Road). Postcode EH7 5JB.

Event 4 rounds MacMahon; 45 mins each + 30 stones/5 mins overtime

Contact Donald Macleod, 26 Preston Crescent, Inverkeithing, KY11 1DR. Phone 01383 410405. donald.macleod284@virgin.net

LONDON OPEN, Tuesday 28th December–Friday 31st December 2004. Registration 12:00

Location International Students House, 229 Great Portland Street, London, W1W 5PN

Event Main tournament: eight round McMahon, 90 minutes if either player is 19 kyu or stronger, 60 minutes otherwise. Overtime 20 moves in 5 minutes. Pair-go and Lightning tournaments.

Contact Geoff Kaniuk, 35 Clonmore Street, London SW18 5EU. Phone/fax: +44 20 8874 7362 kui@kangeo.plus.com

MAIDENHEAD – FURZE PLATT, Saturday 22nd January 2005 Registration by 10:00

Location Hitachi Europe Head Office at Whitebrook Park, Lower Cookham Road, Maidenhead

Event Three round McMahon, 60 minutes plus 30 stones in 5 minutes. Flexible komi, with players bidding to play black.

Contact Eddie Best, 33 Dedmere Road, Marlow, Bucks. SL7 1PE. Phone 01628 483967 eddy.best@virgin.net

BRITISH YOUTH GO TOURNAMENT, Birmingham, Sunday 23rd January 2005. Registration ends 9:45

Location King Edward VI (Aston) School, Frederick Road, Birmingham B6 6DJ

Event A tournament for young players of all ages and strengths, beginners will be particularly welcome. Youth titles for age groups U8, U10, U12, U14, U16 and U18 will be contested in addition to the titles of overall British Youth Champion and British Schools Team Champions.

Contact Mike Lynn, Hillcroft, Barston Lane, Barston, Solihull, West Midlands, B92 0JZ. Tel. 01675 442753. mikelynn@barston92.freeserve.co.uk

IRISH GO CONGRESS, Dublin, Friday 4th–Sunday 6th March 2005. Contact john@mhg.ie

BRITISH GO CONGRESS, Leicester Friday 8th–Sunday 10th April 2005. Contact toby.manning@ntlworld.com

EUROPEAN PAIR GO CHAMPIONSHIPS, Maidenhead, Saturday 23rd to Sunday 24th April 2005. Contact Anna Griffiths, epgc@britgo.org.

WELSH OPEN, Barmouth, Saturday 18th–Sunday 19th June 2005. Contact tony@towbarsdirect.co.uk

EUROPEAN GO CONGRESS, Prague, 23rd July to 6th August 2005. <http://www.goweb.cz/egc2005>

BRITISH GO ASSOCIATION

WEBSITE: <http://www.britgo.org/>

MEMBERSHIP: Annual Rates: UK £15, Concessions £6, Family £20, Europe £17, World £20. Members receive one years subscription to the British Go Journal and BGA Newsletter, can buy books and equipment, and get reduced tournament entry fees. BGA members are entitled to receive weekly copies of the American Go Association's email newsletter. Subscribe via <http://www.britgo.org/aga-ejournal/>. Kathleen Timmins, Membership Secretary, The Hollies, Wollerton, Market Drayton, Salop, TF9 3LY. Phone 01630 685292

MOBILE: For emergency phone calls to tournament organizers on the day of tournaments: 07951140433