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RESULTS

SHREWSBURY, 2 October 2010. Charles Fisher and his brother Freddie won half of the prizes at Shrewsbury. Charles, 1 dan London, was the event winner, beating the organiser, Gerry Mills, in the final. Freddie, 10 kyu Shropshire, was one of two players on 2.5. The other was Pat Ridley, 11 kyu Chester. Pauline Bailey won a special prize for being Pauline. 32 players took part.

BELFAST OPEN, 25 - 26 September 2010. The Belfast Open saw a fair crowd of 18 players, and 1 ghost, turning out to do battle. The winner was David Phillips (1 dan) of the Isle of Man, who gracefully lost his last round game thus creating a four way tie for second. Claas Roever (1 kyu) and James Hutchinson (1 kyu) shared second place on SOS, just ahead of Daniel Paraschiv (1 dan) and then Colin MacSweeny (2 kyu). On 4 wins was Julian Dragomir (7 kyu), visiting from Romania, and Costin Camarasu (15 kyu).

SWINDON, 19 September 2010. Alistair Wall (3 dan Wanstead) won Swindon Tournament. The only other of the 28 players to win all three was Xinyi Lu (4 kyu Maidenhead). Two Swindon players, Aidan Putman (14 kyu) and Michael Fotheringham (30 kyu), got special prizes for their jigo.

CORNWALL, Penzance, 11 - 12 September 2010. The two BGA teachers from the Saturday morning teaching session were the winners in the Cornish Go weekend's two tournaments. In the 16-player Cornish Lightning Handicap on the Saturday afternoon, Tony Atkins (2 dan Reading) was the winner in the final against John Culmer (1 kyu, West Cornwall) despite having to give a four-stone start. On the Sunday, Toby Manning (2 dan Leicester) won the 20-player Cornish Open. Again, John Culmer was the player beaten in the last round. Toby collected the Devon and Cornwall Go Stone trophy, whilst Tony collected a new similar trophy (but serpentine and not wood) given in memory of a local player, Dominic Taylor, who had died recently.

NORTHERN, Stockport, 5 September 2010. Ivan Wong, a Chinese 1 dan research student at Manchester University, won the Northern Tournament. Unusually Ivan was the only player of the 24 there to win all three games and so was the only prize winner.

MIND SPORTS OLYMPIAD, London, 21 - 30 August 2010. The MSO was held at the Soho Theatre in the centre of London and had restricted space, meaning fewer events than normal. Six players played the 13x13 on the Friday afternoon, with Gold going to Spain's Paco Garcia de la Banda (3 dan). Silver went to Xinyi Lu (4 kyu) and silver to Vincent Frochot (8 kyu) from France. In the 12-player Open on the final Sunday, the Gold was won by Turkish 1 dan, Bulent Tuncel. Silver went to Paco and Bronze on tie-break to Alistair Wall (3 dan). Go players took part in other games too, throughout the event, with some awards, such as Natasha Regan's Silver at Hare and Tortoise and Matthew Hathrell's Golds at Lost Cities, Continuo and Poker.

ISLE OF MAN, Port Erin, 22 August 2010 - 26 August 2010 Oscar Selby, aged 7, became the youngest winner of a Manx Go event at the recent Isle of Man Go Week. He won the 13x13 and also the Rengo (doubles) with Matthew Cocke. Not much older was the winner of the Lightning Tournament, Barney Shiu. Matthew Cocke just missed out on a top spot, losing the Open on tie-break to Alex Selby. Winning 4 out of 5 was another young player, Danielle Ward. Toby Manning won the Afternoon tournament, in which Peter Collins, Elinor Brooks and Kathleen Timmins also won 3 out of 3. In the Handicap, the winner by tie-break was Peter Collins; also on 4 out of 5 were Luke Humphreys, Barney Shiu and Roella Smith (also a junior). The Sandcastle competition was won jointly by the Bexfield Castle and Selby-Regan Castle. Special awards went to Elinor Brooks and Francis Roads for attending all 10 Isle of Man weeks.

NEWS

EGM: There will be an Extraordinary General Meeting of the BGA on 27th November 1:30 pm at The National Space Centre, Exploration Drive, Leicester, LE4 5NS. The agenda consists of one item: Consideration and approval of the 2009 Accounts. Copies of these will be made available at the meeting and in advance, following approval by Council, by contacting the BGA Secretary.

MAN-MACHINE GO CHALLENGE: Tuesday 28 – Friday 31 December. This event is being held in parallel with the London Open at the same premises. It is a 7 game man-machine match between John Tromp 2 dan and Darren Cook's computer.

BRITS OVERSEAS: The EUROPEAN STUDENT TOURNAMENT was held in Darmstadt on 10 - 12 September 2010. Will Brooks, the student from Cambridge, was equal third in the European Student Go Championship in Darmstadt, Germany. He only lost to the top rated player Benjamin Teuber and to the eventual winner Matthias Terwey. 22 students from 8 countries took part.

BGA BOOKSHOP New books: OR32 The Best Game Records of 2009 and ZFBF 21st Century Baduk for Beginners. Contact Gerry Mills, 7 Belan Fields, Guilsfield, Welshpool, SY21 9NW, tel. 01938 556484, bga-books@britgo.org

NEW BOOKSELLER NEEDED Gerry Mills has indicated that he will be resigning at the end of November, after a period of 16 years and at the age of 80. We appreciate that it will be difficult to replace him, but we encourage people who would like to do all or part of what he does to contact Simon Mader. mader.simon@gmail.com 01223 240636 The new job will be constructed around what the volunteer or volunteers are prepared to undertake.

YOUTH GRAND PRIX The current top ten are: Roella Smith 13k Milton School 548 points, Barney Shiu 12k Bristol 468, Jamie Taylor 5k Leeds 411, Kelda Smith 20k Milton School 410, Owen Walker 13k Cambridge 364, Peran Truscott 14k Cambridge 343, Langdon Truscott 19k Cambridge 332, Jack Drury 8k Aston 222, Tom Meehan 18k Solihull 211 and Tian Ren Chen 1k Loughborough 200.

STACEY POINTS Current standing (after Shrewsbury) is: 14 points Yohei Negi, 13 Toby Manning, 10 Francis Roads, 9 Alistair Wall, 8 Matthew Crosby and Sandy Taylor, 7.5 Gerry Mills, and 7 Matthew Scott and David Phillips and Tony Atkins.

CLUB CHANGES

BELFAST Mobile contact 07597070201

BIRMINGHAM Saturday: 13:30 within Birmingham City Centre. Temporary new venue: Costa Coffee, New St. (Located opposite Café Rouge which used to be a Pizza Hut, near Victoria Square). Contact: Mark Winters, contact at veedo.co.uk Club website: <http://brumgo.proforums.org>

DURHAM Meeting twice a week all year round; venues vary, website for more information. Open to all, in or out of the university.

LONDON CENTRAL Website now <http://londongo.org.uk/clgc/aboutus.php> Annual Membership is £10 as of January 2010. Friday meetings have now ceased and merged with The City Go Club.

READING website <http://britgo.org/clubs/reading>

FORTHCOMING

Further details of forthcoming tournaments are on the webpage <http://www.britgo.org/tournaments/> for. Early entries are greatly appreciated by tournament organisers, even if you are not sure that you will attend. This helps the organisers with getting the right number of go boards and prizes, and saves them from too many sleepless nights wondering whether the entry fees will cover the room hire. Many tournaments accept (and prefer) on-line entry, which is accessed via the "More Info" boxes on the webpage.

WESSEX Sunday 31st October. Registration by 09:45

Location St. Mark's Community Centre, St. Mark's Road, Bath BA2 4PA. A few minutes walk from Bath Railway Station

Event 3-round McMahon tournament. 60 minutes per round plus overtime

Contact David King 01225 336369 davidking68@yahoo.com <http://www.bathgo.org/wessextournament.html>

COVENTRY Saturday 6th November. Registration by 10:30 Prize-giving by 19:00

Location B2.07 Science Concourse, University of Warwick, Coventry, CV4 7AL.

Event 3 round McMahon tournament.

Contact Wissen Lau: go@uwcs.co.uk 07771 640857 <http://warwickgo.co.uk/tournament/2010/>

THREE PEAKS Saturday 13th - Sunday 14th November. Registration by 12:45 Saturday.

Location Commodore Inn, Main Street, Grange-over-Sands, LA11 6DY Grange over Sands was a favourite seaside resort in earlier times. It is on the north side of Morecambe Bay and retains many features - impressive gardens, large hotels, and promenade - from its heyday. There are many walks in the area. It is on the edge of the Lake District and is only 2 miles from the famous Cartmel Priory. The Commodore Inn is in the centre of town overlooking the Bay.

Event 5-round McMahon tournament. Early entries welcome (£10 + concessions). A lightning or small board event may be organised for the Saturday evening depending on demand.

Contact Bob Bagot lesbag@tiscali.co.uk 35, Kirkhead Road, Kents Bank, Cumbria, LA11 7DB

EAST MIDLANDS Saturday 27th November. Registration by 09:45. Prize giving by 18:15.

Location The National Space Centre, Exploration Drive, Leicester, LE4 5NS.

Event 3-round McMahon Tournament. 60 minutes time limit with overtime.

Contact Peter Fisher 0116 2871362 emgo2010@gmail.com

EDINBURGH CHRISTMAS OPEN Saturday 4th December. Registration by 09:45. Prize giving 18:00.

Location Quaker Meeting House, 7 Victoria Terrace, Edinburgh, EH1 2JL.

Event 4-round McMahon tournament. 45 minutes time limit with 30 moves in 5 minutes overtime. Includes qualifying for Scottish Championship.

Contact Donald MacLeod donald.macleod284@virgin.net 0141 8806169

WEST SURREY HANDICAP Saturday 4th December. Registration by 10:15. Prize giving 18:55.

Location Burpham Village Hall, Burpham Lane, Guildford, GU4 7LP

Event 4-round Handicap tournament.

Contact Pauline Bailey 01483 561027 pab27@stocton.org.

LONDON OPEN Tuesday 28th – Friday 31st December. Registration 12:00 -14:00 on 28th December; closing ceremony 14:30 on 31st December

Location International Students House, Great Portland Street, London. This is in central of London, next door to Great Portland Street underground station. You will be able to take a crisp walk in nearby Regent's Park, or you can be in the hustle and bustle of Oxford Street shopping within a 10 minute walk. Low-cost accommodation is available in a variety of formats. Players (and even their family!) are able to stay on site, and enjoy all the facilities provided including bar, internet access and restaurant.

Event McMahon tournament with 7 rounds, 90 minutes if either player is 19 kyu or stronger, 60 minutes otherwise; Canadian overtime of 20 moves in 5 minute. A Pandanet Major in the Pandanet Go European Cup. Sponsored by Winton Capital Management. Events include: Pair Go and Lightning competitions, professional teaching by Guo Juan, a 7-game match between Man and Machine. After the closing ceremony, there will be a Rengo tournament for those who are staying for the New Year celebrations. There will also be an evening meal arranged at a local venue on 31st.

Contact On-line entry preferred; link on: <http://www.britgo.org/tournaments/2010/logc> london-open@britgo.org Geoff Kaniuk 33 Ashbury Close, Cambridge CB1 3RW, United Kingdom. +44 (0)1223 710 582

MAIDENHEAD Saturday 22nd January 2011

OXFORD, Saturday 12th February 2011 (provisional).

CHESHIRE, Frodsham, Saturday 12th February 2011.

IRISH OPEN, 4th - 6th March 2011.

BRITISH GO CONGRESS, Malmesbury, 8th - 10th April 2011.

WELWYN GARDEN CITY Saturday 16th April 2011.

SCOTTISH OPEN Saturday 28th May - Sunday 29th May 2011 (provisional).

WELSH OPEN, Barmouth, Saturday 25th–Sunday 26th June 2011.

BRITISH GO ASSOCIATION

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Members receive one year's subscription to the British Go Journal and BGA Newsletter, can buy books and equipment, and get reduced tournament entry fees. Further details www.britgo.org/membership

Membership Secretary: Phil Beck, 41 Kingston Street, Cambridge, CB1 2NU. 01223 367022 mem@britgo.org

AGA BGA members are entitled to receive the American Go Association's email newsletter. www.britgo.org/aga-ejournal/

BGA MOBILE: For emergency calls to tournament organisers on the day of most tournaments: **07506 555366**