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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Oxford Go Tournament:

Sunday 18th February

Freud's Cafe, a former Victorian classical church, provided a unique venue for the Oxford Tournament; entry included five pounds of food vouchers. Also unusual was the paired entry of Matthew Macfaadyen and Kirsty Healey and the use of the Handtalk Program to make an even number. Also unusual was the jigo in the final round between the top players Piers Shepperson (5d Slough) and Edmund Shaw (5d Reading); the organisers said this was not good enough for either of them to win and awarded the first prize to Andrew Jones (3d Reading) who started below the McMahon bar. The organiser later apologised for his slight error. The best of the 98 players were: Alan Thornton (2d Stevenage), Henny Groop-Lipman (1d Reading), qualifier Baron Allday (1k West Wales), Nick Allday (4k Oxford), Richard Mullens (6k Stevenage), Paul Rogers (8k CLGC), Francis Weaver (11k Brakenhale), Simon Brooks (12k Swindon), Andrea Smith (20k Cambridge), Richard Trefler (25k Oxford) and Henry Braun (25k Oxford). Paul Margetts and James Harrod won prizes for 13x13. [Report by Tony Atkins].

Cambridge 20th Trigantius Go Tournament:

Saturday 24th February

Two events were held on the same day at the University Centre. The first was a beginners' event with 16 players. David Vandy won 6/6, Patrick Ribbands 5/6, Frank Visser and David Good 4/6, but all of these were deemed too old to win prizes so these went to Jonathan Artus 4/6, Louise Good and Adam Eckersley-Waites 3/6, Carl Bate and Tom Eckersley-Waites 2/6. In the main event 64 players competed for the Trigantius title. Cambridge club cleaned up the prizes. The Cambridge Untouchables won the team prize; John Rickard (4d) won the title; Mark Dalgano (7k), Matthew Woodcraft(10k), Andrea Smith (18k), Sean McPhail (20k) and Ralph Beckett (20k) all won prizes. They did allow Simon Goss (1d Bracknell), Alan Williamson (4k Burgess Hill) and Richard Mullens (5k Stevenage) to win prizes, and awarded the kyu player prize to Gary Quinn (1k Teesside). 13x13 winner was Nick Wedd (1k Oxford) with 4 wins. [Report by Tony Atkins].

International Team Go Tournament:

Saturday 9th March

This was one of the regular matches between teams of British and Japanese players. The Central London club entered two teams and these tied as winners. Cambridge was 3rd, and the two teams from the Nippon Club came 4th and 5th.

Coventry Go Tournament:

Sunday 24th March

Coventry reverted to a traditional 3 round McMahon format this year. Matthew Macfadyen (6d Leamington) retained the title of his home tournament with 3/3. Other prize winners were: Jo Hampton (2d West Wales), Alan Thornton (2d Stevenage), Clive Wright (1d), Robin Upton (1k Leamington), Tony Warburton (1k Cambridge), Henry Segerman (11k Manchester), Gerrard Farrimond (15k Epsom Downs), James Harrod (15k Brakenhale), and David Grimster (17k Brakenhale). The Team prize was won jointly by 'Leamington A' and by the '3 Amigos, Brakenhale'. The 13x13 was won by David Bennett and Richard Helyer. Qualifiers for the 1996 Candidates' Tournament were Robin Upton and Clive Wright.

NEWS FROM ABROAD

For further details of overseas events contact Tony Atkins or me. EGP = Fujitsu European Grand Prix event.

Kisei Match in Amsterdam: Cho Chikun is re-challenging his vanquisher of the 1995 Kisei, Kobayashi Satoru. Game 1 was played in the Hotel Okura in Amsterdam in January with a video link to the European Go Centre in Amstelveen. With the help of professionals, including Iwamoto, the game could be analysed through a discussion and lectures. the title game was played very slowly - several hour-long thinks - and Cho resigned on move 85 shortly before entering overtime on day two. He was not obviously losing; perhaps he had the worse jet-lag. [Report by Tony Atkins]. European results: Prague was won by Christophe Gerlach (5d D). In Milan the winner was Viktor Bogdanov (6d RUS), with Andrew Jones (3d Wanstead) third. The Ing Cup was won by Guo Juan NL, second Rob van Zeijst NL, and third Shutail Zhang. Matthew Macfadyen won 4/6 and Matthew Cocke won 2/6. The Freiburg winner was Shutail Zhang who received a prize of DM 2700.

Irish Open Championship in Dublin: (EGP)

Weekend 16-17th March

The winner was Shutai Zhang (7d). Stefan Budig (4d D) was 2nd, Des Cann (4d) was joint 3rd with Liu Si-Feng (4d CHI), Tony Atkins (2d) was 5th and Noel Mitchell (2d IRL) was 6th. The Rengo competition was won by Stephen Flinter, Paul Donnelly and Colin Adams. The International Team match, was won by "The Rest of the World" 4-2. The Irish Rapid Play Chasmpionship was won by Colin Adams (1k Preston) with 5 wins, to earn himself a Pint of Guinness. Noel Mitchell was second with 4 wins.

Fujitsu European Grand Prix Tournaments for the 95/96 season:

Copenhagen (16-17 Sep), Bucharest (29 Sep-1 Oct), Bratislava (14-15 Oct), Belgrade (20-22 Oct), Brussels (28-29 Oct), Kharkov UKR (3-5 Nov), Gothenburg (11-12 Nov), Zurich (2-3 Dec), London (29 Dec-1 Jan), Prague (9-11 February), Milan (24-25 Feb), Vienna (8-10 Mar), Dublin (15-17 Mar), Paris (6-8 Apr), Bled (12-14 Apr), Budapest (3-5 May), Amsterdam (16-19 May), Hamburg (25-27 May), Helsinki (8-10 Jun), Warsaw (15-16 Jun), Kaliningrad RUS (5-7 Jul), European Go Congress @ Abano Terme (20 Jul-3 Aug).

European Go Congress: at Abano Terme in Italy on 20 July-3 August. Email: gionico@mbox.vol.it

US Go Congress: The site for this year's US Go Congress is John Carroll University, Cleveland, Ohio. July 20-27. Lots of side events. Contacts: Duane Burns (US) 216 7295251 or Harold Lloyd (US) 216 3820752. Email: HAROLDLLOYD@DELPHI.COM

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

29th British Go Congress:

Weekend12-14thApril

Location: Conference Centre, Van Mildert College, Durham. Registration 10:00 on Sat. First round at 10:30.

Lightning: The British Lightning Championship will be held on Friday evening. Registration 19:00.

Event: The Main Tournament will be a 6 round McMahon. The AGM of the BGA will be held on Saturday evening.

Fees: Discounted all-inclusive package £68, concessions £64. NB Friday dinner was unintentionally omitted from earlier information.

Alternatively, select from: Lightning £1 (conc 50p), Main tournament £8 (conc £4). Friday Dinner £7.50. B&B Friday night £17.50.

Saturday Lunch £6. Saturday Dinner £7.50. B&B Saturday night £17.50. Sunday Lunch £6. Late entry surcharge after 12 March.

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Sunday 5th and Bank Holiday Moday 6th May

CLGC Spring Tournament:

Location: The IVC in Covent Garden, London WC1 (1-4 The Piazza, entrance in Cubitt's Yard).

Event: 6 round McMahon, with 3 rounds per day. Time limits of of 75 minutes plus overtime.

Fees: BGA members £5 per day, students/unwaged £2. After 3rd May the fee is double.

Selection: Alternatively, you can enter for any selection of rounds that you wish, at the rate of £2 per round (£1 for students/unwaged).

Contact: Geoff Kaniuk, 35 Clonmore Street, London SW18 5EU. 20181-874 7362. Or David Ward 20171-354 3285.

Bracknell Go Tournament:

Saturday 11th May

Location: Bracknell Rugby Club. Registration to 10:00. 3 rounds of 60 minutes + overtime. Also a 13x13 competition.

Fees: BGA members £3, 16 or under £1. British non-BGA +£1. After 5th May +£2.

Contact: Bob Lyon, 28 Welbeck, Bracknell, Berks RG12 8UQ. 2 01344 55615

Scottish Open Go Tournament at Edinburgh:

Weekend25-26thMay

Location: PAMS House, 22 Buccleuch Place, Behind George Square, Edinburgh. Registration to 10:30 on 25th.

Note: the 27th is an English bank holiday.

Fees: BGA members £8, British non-BGA £10, after 24th May +£2. Students and unwaged fee is half the appropriate full fee.

Accommodation: A limited amount of private accommodation is available, phone for details. Edinburgh Tourist Information 2 0131 557 1700.

Contact: Stephen Tweedie, 10 Upper Grove Place, Edinburgh, EH3 8AU. 2 0131 228 3170 (evenings & weekends).

World Women's Amateur Championship Selection Tournament:

Weekend 1st-2nd June

Location: Leamington Spa. Fees: £5

Event: Japan Qualification tournament by invitation only. Teaching session open to all (either sex) on Sunday 2nd June.

Contact: Kirsty Healey, 29 Milverton Crescent, Learnington Spa, Warwicks, CV32 5NJ. Tel 01926-337919. Email: Kirsty@jklmn.demon.co.uk Saturday 17th June Leicester Go Tournament:

Location: Church Hall, Church of the Martyrs, Shaftesbury Rd, Leicester. Registration by 10:15. 3 rounds. Also small board.

Note: Smoking and alcoholic drinks are not allowed on the premises.

Fees: In advance: BGA members and Overseas £5, non-members £6, juniors/unwaged/OAPs £2. On the day: £7.

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Sunday 23rd June Pair Go Tournament:

Location: To be announced, probably a hotel somewhere in the Thames Valley depending on sponsorship.

Event: Teams of two, one of each sex. Three sections; Japan qualification for UK nationals only; Open section; Beginners' section.

Fees: Depends on sponsorship. Special prizes: Many, including best dressed couple.

Contact: Alison Jones, 11 Briarview Court, Handsworth Avenue, London E4 9PQ. Tel: 0181-527 9846. Email: alison@acjamj.demon.co.uk The 4th Welsh Open Go Tournament @ Barmouth: Weekend 29-30th June

Location: Barmouth Youth Centre. Registration by 1:30 on Saturday. 5 rounds (3 on Saturday to about 8:30 and 2 on Sunday to about 3pm). Fees: £8. Check for concessions. After 22nd June add £2.

Accommodation: This is cheap and plentiful in Barmouth. Contact Jo for details. Check with Jo if you wish to arrive earlier.

Contact: Jo Hampton, 5 Handlith Terrace, Barmouth, Gwynedd, LL42 1RD. 201341-281425.

The 2nd Devon Go Tournament:

For those planning their summer breaks: Spend a few days on Dartmoor with plenty of opportunity to play Go.

Thursday 11th 8pm: Devon Go Club. Friday 12th 8pm: Devon Go Club Tournament Extra. Saturday 13th 10am: Devon Go Tournament. Accommodation: available at tournament venue, or for the more intrepid, free camping 400 yards away in Tom's field (no hot showers).

Contact: Tom Widdicombe 01364-643343 or 661470. Email: tom@mail.zynet.co.uk

The Bank of China Cup:

Sunday 22nd September

This new tournament is being sponsored by the Bank of China, and hopefully will become an annual event. More details in next Newsletter. Location: The Bank of China building, 90 Cannon Street, London EC4. Contact: Alex Rix, address below.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

British Go Congress @ Durham (12-14 Apr), Anglo-Japanese 'B' (28 Apr), Candidates' Tournament @ Cambridge(4-6 May), CLGC Spring Tournament (5-6 May), Bracknell (11 May), Scottish Open @ Edinburgh (25-26 May), Ladies Championship (1-2 Jun), Challengers' League (8-9 Jun), Leicester (15 Jun), Anglo-Japanese (22 Jun), Pair Go (23 Jun), Barmouth (29-30 Jun), Devon (13 Jul), Northern (Probably 7-8 Sep), Milton Keynes (14 Sep), Bank of China Cup (22 Sep), Shrewsbury (6 Oct), International Teams (13 Oct), Wessex (27 Oct), 3 Peaks (9-10 Nov), Swindon (24 Nov), West Surrey Teach-in (7 Dec), West Surrey Handicap (8 Dec), Anglo-Japanese (14 Dec), London Open (29 Dec - 1 Jan).

NEWS

- News about books: A new book in a beautifully presented series "Learn To Play Go, Vol 2" (£8) is now available. Arriving very soon from Yutopian is "The 36 Stratagems Applied to Go" (£10), which looks their best book yet (both prices post paid).
- The CLGC will be leaving its current location at the IVC, Covent Garden on the 20th May. More information will be given nearer the time, but contact Dave Ward 0171-354 3285 if more details are needed.
- BGJ Index: The index for editions 0 to 100 of the British Go Journal is now available from the Book Distributor at tournaments (paper version) or from the Secretary (paper or disk version). Price £4.
- Publicity material: BGA book markers, fliers, A5, A3 & A2 posters, all available from the Secretary free of charge for use in promoting Go. A Go leaflet is also available but in short supply awaiting reprint.
- Children's Go leaflet: Jonathan Chetwynd is preparing a Go leaflet for under-10s. Ralph Freeman has drawn some Go stone-person cartoons and Jonathan has ideas about the contents. However, help is needed to put the finished leaflet together in a style that will appeal to the age group. Contact: Jonathan Chetwynd, 105 Mysore Road, London SW11 5RZ. tel 0171-735 1545.
- Teachers' day: Date: 21st April. Location: Learnington Spa. Anyone interested in becoming a BGA trainer can attend and learn the new material from the EGCC's Frank Janssen. Contact Matthew Macfadyen for more information.
- A New School Club: St. Edwards at Leek, Staffs has been given help with Go equipment. Any teacher planning to play Go in school should approach the BGA or the Castledine Trust for a grant.

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