BGA NEWSLETTER NO. 198

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If you would prefer us to contact you on a different email address, please advise the Membership Secretary on mem@britgo.org.

NEWS

For the full set of recent news items see the BGA News Pages: www.britgo.org/views/newsletterfull. If you prefer to scan the headlines and pick and choose what to read, see www.britgo.org/views/news, which covers the last twelve months.

FUTURE EVENTS

For the next six months, the Tournament Calendar (www.britgo.org/tournaments) features:

Mind Sports Olympiad, London, Sunday 17th – Monday 25th August - MSO 9x9, Sunday 24th August - MSO Small Board, Sunday 24th August - MSO Open, Monday 25th August Belfast, Saturday 30th – Sunday 31st August Northern, Manchester, Sunday 7th September **Cornwall**, Penzance, Saturday 13th – Sunday 14th September Shropshire, Hinstock, Saturday 20th September Swindon, Sunday 28th September International Teams Match, London, Saturday 4th October East Midlands, Thorpe Astley, Saturday 11th October British Small Board, Cambridge, 19th October Wessex, Bath, Sunday 26th October Cardiff, CANCELLED Three Peaks, November (provisional) Coventry, November (provisional) Edinburgh Christmas, December (provisional) London Open, Sunday 28th – Wednesday 31st December Maidenhead-Hitachi, January (provisional)

Advance notices:

British Go Congress, Shrewsbury, Friday27th – Sunday 29th March 2015 **Isle of Man Go Festival**, Port Erin, Sunday 23rd – Friday 28th August 2015

CAN YOU HELP?

There are several vacancies for people to help with running the BGA. Links for details on some of these are given on www.britgo.org/positions/vacancies and some new vacancies are listed below. If you are interested in any of these please contact our President, Jon Diamond, or any member of Council.

- *Marketing Manager:* following the successes at various events this year and discussions in Council, we'd like someone to be in charge of all our marketing efforts, so we've created a Marketing Manager position. Roger Huyshe is temporarily holding the fort in this area, but we really need someone to undertake the role permanently. Is there anyone interested in this (non-Council) role?
- *BGJ Editor:* Pat Ridley has said that he want to retire as editor of the British Go Journal at the end of this year, so we're looking for someone who'd like to undertake the job. There are plenty of people who will continue to help with the BGJ, including Pat, but an Editor is needed to be responsible for putting it together. If you're interested please contact Pat, who will be more than happy to let you know what's involved; email journal@britgo.org.
- *British Championship Organiser:* since Jenny Radcliffe retired as British Championship organiser after many successful years, we've been struggling along with various people doing different jobs, but we really need someone to take overall charge and ensure better continuity. Is there a volunteer out there?
- *Council Member:* we failed to find a replacement for the retiring Fred Holroyd this year, so we're short of a member of Council. If you're interested in helping with managing and steering the organisation, you can join Council too, so please talk to me or one of the other Council members about what is involved.

CLUB CHANGES

A complete list of clubs was included in BGJ 166, and changes were noted in BGJ 167. Since then, the following changes have been reported:

Aberdeen: the club has restarted, meeting at 10:00 every second Saturday from 19th April 2014, but check the website http://aberdeengoclub.yolasite.com. Venue: "Wild Boar" (downstairs), 19 Belmont Street, City Centre, AB10 1JR, Aberdeen. Contact: Neil McLean

Oxford City: no longer meets Thursdays. The Tuesday start time has changed from 7:00 to 7:30pm. Always check web site www.britgo.org/clubs/oxford_c for changes.