

CLUB NEWS

The following article is the only Club News received at the time of going to print. Club Secretaries please note that it has, therefore, nearly a page to itself.

WESTMINSTER LUNCHTIME GO GROUP by John Pusey

A group of Go players of a wide range of strengths who are interested in meeting to play Go at lunch times in the Westminster area.

Meetings have been fixed for 1215 on the first working day (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and official holidays) of each month, in the 'Card Room', Civil Service Recreation Centre, Monck Street, London SW1 (beneath DOE headquarters building, 2 Marsham Street, entrance from rear).

Access to the Centre is possible only for members of the Centre (non-Civil Servants can become associate members) and up to three guests each. Visitors are welcome, but they (and non-members on the list below) will have to contact one of the members who is going to be present on a particular day to arrange in advance to be signed in.

Please bring a set with you if possible.

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* John Pusey	Room N19/11A, DOE, 2 Marsham Street	212 8588	6 Kyu
* E.Prockter	MOD, Whitehall	930 7022 x 6517	B
* Joe Parr	CBI, 21 Tothill Street	930 6711	16 Kyu
Richard Adams	Room 538, DOE, Queen Anne's Chambers, 28 Broadway	930 4300 x 316	12 Kyu
* Mark Hall	FCO, Clive House, Petty France	930 2323 x 1231	2 Dan
* Reg Sones	Room C11/02, DOE 2 Marsham Street	212 3257	B
* Denis Hardwick	Room 112, MAFF, Horseferry Road	834 8511 x 6591	17 Kyu
* Norman King	Room N19/05, DOE, 2 Marsham Street	212 4026	B
Jim Bates	Lands Tribunal	629 6006 x 21	1 Dan

(* Member or Associate member of the Civil Service Recreation Centre)

Answers to Crossword Issue 20. Summer Issue
Across

1. Francis Roads 6. Sheffield 8. Ever 9. Ko
10. Fair 12. Statue 14. Osae 15. Rin
16. Knits 19. Team 21. See 22. Ream
23. Ark 24. Meijin

First correct entry: Mr. John Deaton, Port Talbot, Glam., who will receive free entry to the 1973 Wessex Tournament.

Down

1. Fuseki 2. Area 3. Shell 4. Order
5. Derek Hunter 7. Furikawari 10. Front
11. Atekomi 13. Dream 17. Isa 18. Seki
20. Men

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NOTES FROM THE B.G.A. SECRETARY



As stated in the last British Go Journal, the B.G.A. is to publish a list of all members with strengths down to about 10th Kyu. Please will those Club Secretaries and unattached members who have not sent names and strengths of such members to the B.G.A. Secretary do so at once, if they are to be included.

The B.G.A. now has stocks of the new book from the Ishi Press, called "38 Basic Joseki". This is available for £1.30 and is a soft cover book in the same series as "Go for Beginners". It does not pretend to be an exhaustive dictionary of joseki, but successfully concentrates upon explaining the most common ones, and is very readable.

For those players who want a more extensive coverage of joseki and fuseki, the early Ishi Press books "Modern Joseki and Fuseki" are recommended; Volumes 1 and 2 are available for £2.00. However, the book is now out of print; the stock of the B.G.A. may be the last copies left unsold in the world. You are advised to order at once.

The stock of 7.5 mm glass stones has run out, but new supplies of stones have been ordered and should arrive soon. However, because of the dramatic increase of price, 5.0 mm stones have been ordered this time, and will probably sell for about £4.00; anybody interested should contact the Secretary.

Make a note now in your diary of the date of the Seventh British Go Congress; it is to be organised by Derek Hunter and Andrew Daly in Reading over the weekend 29/31st March, 1974. The main tournaments will take place on the Saturday and Sunday, but there will be other events on the Friday evening.

Subscriptions for 1974 are payable from the 1st January 1974, but anybody joining after 30th September 1973 will be registered for 1974. Club, unattached, and overseas subscriptions are 30p, 50p, 80p respectively.

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EDITORIAL

The plea for material, mentioned in the Editorial of the Summer issue, has become a matter of some concern. News from Hon. Secretaries has not been forthcoming, the stock of good recorded games is now down to nil. Also required, as space fillers, are short anecdotes. Can you, as a member of the B.G.A., help out?

It is a pleasure to announce that Mike Cumpstey has accepted the invitation to act on the Journal Sub-committee, due to the resignation of John Prosser. Mike has been very active during the past years with Go activities. He assisted Derek Hunter during the 15th European Congress at Bristol, and for two years has arranged the match games for the Wessex Tournament. Therefore it is felt that with Mike's vast experience, he is going to be an extreme asset towards the publication of the Journal. It is planned that he will act as Editor for the Spring 74 Edition.

THE B.G.A. GREET MR. TAKAGAWA

The Japan Air Lines sponsored and staged a most entertaining and educational Go session. This was held at the Hanover Grand Hotel Banqueting Rooms, Hanover Street, London, on Wednesday, August 1st.

Place of honour was given to the greatest of all modern Go players, Mr. Takagawa. Mr. Takagawa gave comments on a game between his fellow countryman, Mr. Nakaoka, a 7th Dan Professional, and the British Champion, John Diamond. Translation was given by Mr. Akiyama of the Japanese Community in London.

There were approximately 100 people in attendance, representing 10 of the major Go Clubs in this country, and a couple of overseas visitors from Amsterdam.

The B.G.A. was represented by Bob Hitchens and Derek Hunter.

It is hoped to publish a full report of this meeting, with details of the game, in the Winter Issue of the Journal.

Many thanks must be extended to the Japan Air Lines for arranging this outstanding event.

BASIC PRINCIPLES OF GO by John Tilley

Recently at the London Go Club I have seen two common mistakes in strategy. One of them is concerned with the width of a pincer, the other with the use of the one-skip reply in a handicap game. This latter is often misused and it is this which I now propose to deal with.

All Go players must be aware of the essential difference between the third and fourth lines. On the third line a stone communicates with the edge of the board. On the fourth line a stone can communicate with the centre. The fourth line is the line of potential and influence. The third line is the line of territory. This is the second basic principle of Go. (The first principle concerns the order - corner, edge and finally centre.)

Now consider diagram 1. If Black is to reply to White's move 1 with a play around F3, he has three choices (there are other plays): a - a small knight's move, b - a large knight's move, and c - a one-skip move.

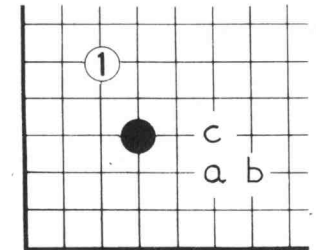


Diagram 1

In responses a and b, Black plays on the third line, placing emphasis on territory. In response c, on the fourth line, Black places emphasis on potential, c is an aggressive play.

In attacking, White will still play at a, b, or c against the Black position in diagram 2, nine times out of ten. Here I will deal only with c. Note that Black's position is open, i.e. White can play as in diagram 3, sliding into Black's corner. As Black cannot defend his open position on both sides, then he must continue to play aggressively.

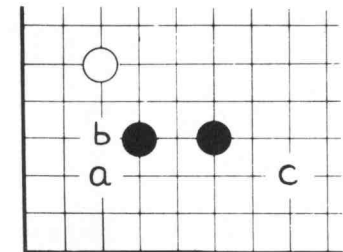


Diagram 2

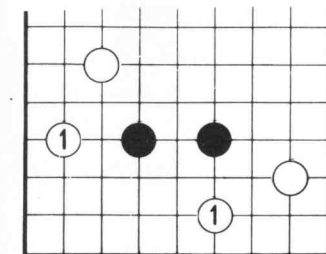
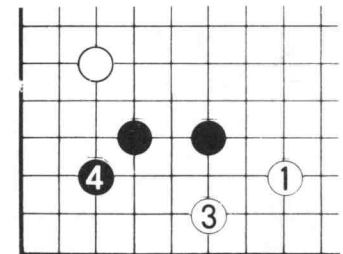


Diagram 3

Suppose Black plays tenuki? Look at diagram 4. Black's position is now apparently weak. However, a careful play at 4 assures Black of one eye in the corner. He keeps the White stones separated.



2 tenuki

Diagram 4

In fact the one-skip reply is a fairly easy position to defend. For a fuller discussion see "Go Review, February 1966"

