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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

25th Wessex Go Tournament:

Sunday 23rd October

108 players attended the venerable Wessex this year. The winner was John Rickard (4d Cambridge) with runner up Mark Hall (4d Bristol). Players with 4/4 were: Steve Brooker (5k West Surrey), Andrew Ketley (6k Cheltenham), and Paul Clarke (17k High Wycombe). Other winners with 3/4 were: Jo Hampton (1d West Wales), Jiri Keller (2k CLGC), Paul Margetts (2k Epsom Downs), Dave Mullen (7k Reading), Richard Dowling (20k Brakenhale), and Dave King (25k Swindon). The Team winner was Central London Go Club with 71%. The Fred Guyatt 13x13 trophy was won by Colin Williams (1k Bristol). Qualifiers for the 1995 Candidates' Tournament were J. Hobson and N. Wedd.

2nd Swindon Go Tournament:

Sunday 6th November

There were 68 players at this event, and the winner was Mark Hall (4d Bristol). Other winners with 3/3 were: Simon Goss (1d Bracknell), Jo Hampton (1d West Wales), David King (3k Brakenhale), Eric Hall (5k Swindon), Tom Widdicombe (7k Devon), David Byrne (9k NW London), Anna Griffiths (13k Furze Platt), Emma Marchant (21k Brakenhale), and Chris Downey (28k Brakenhale). The Team prize was won by 'The 3 Moosekateers' (Anna Griffiths, Simon Brooks, David King and Simon Goss). The 13x13 was won by Jonathan Chetwynd (2d SW London). Qualifiers for the 1995 Candidates' Tournament were: Bob Hitchens and Kevin Roger.

Birmingham Go Tournament:

Sunday 13th November

The winner was Simon Shiu (3d Teesside). Other prizes went to: Alistair Thompson (2d Monmouth), Gerry Mills (1d Monmouth), France Ellul (4k Brakenhale), Elinor Brooks (10k Swindon), and Graham Brooks (16k Swindon). Qualifiers for the 1995 Candidates' Tournament were: Clive Wright, Jia, and Graham Telfer.

2nd Three Peaks Tournament:

Weekend 26-27th November

25 players visited Ingleborough in the Yorkshire Dales for this tournament. There is some beautiful wild countryside in this area and some of the players took the opportunity for a walk on the Saturday morning. The tournament was won by an strong performance (5/5) by Toby Manning (2d Leamington) who despatched some higher graded opposition. Alistair Wall (4d Wanstead) was second with 4/5. Paul Barnard (1k Swindon) and Gary Quinn (4k Teesside) also won 4/5. Prizes were also awarded to the following players with 3/5: Francis Roads (4d Wanstead), Simon Shiu (3d Teesside), Jo Hampton (1d West Wales), Clive Wright (1d), Colin Adams (1k Preston), and Tim Moon (5k Bradford). Colin Adams Qualified for the 1995 Candidates' Tournament.

West Surrey Teach-in and Handicap Go Tournament:

Saturday 3rd December

Teaching Day: 18 pupils and 4 teachers (Tony Atkins, Jonathan Chetwynd, Mark Hall and Alison Jones) took part. Subjects covered were memorising games, openings, ladders, frameworks, and tesuji. The Pits Tournament winner was Charles Bocket-Pugh.

Handicap Tournament: 50 players attended, of whom the winner was Paul Margetts (1k Epsom Downs) and the runner up was Geoff Kaniuk (1k CLGC). Prize winners with 4/4 were George Haig (19k Swindon) and Simon Brooks (14k Swindon). Other winners with 3/4 were: Neil Hankey (19k Epsom Downs), Graham Brooks (15k Swindon), Paul Clarke (14k High Wycombe), Steve Ashing (13k Somerset), France Ellul (4k High Wycombe), James Hamilton (3k West Surrey), Paul Barnard (1k Swindon), Tony Atkins (2d Reading), and Jon Chetwynd (2d CLGC). Debra Jones (20k Maidenhead) won 3/3. James Hamilton was unlucky to be on the losing end of a jigo in the last round.

13x13 Tournament: Most wins (7) - Colin Williams (1k Bristol), Highest percentage (75%) - David Elsdon (2k Reading), Persistence (40) - Thomas Blockley (13k Worcester).

Photo caption contest: Alison Jones. Runner-up Tony Atkins.

NEWS FROM ABROAD

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

Fujitsu European Grand Prix Tournaments.

The tournament list for the 94/95 season is:
 Manchester (3-4 Sep), Copenhagen (17-18 Sep), Bucharest (30 Sep-2 Oct), Bratislava (14-16 Oct), Brussels (29-30 Oct), Gothenburg (12-13 Nov), Zurich (3-4 Dec), Prague (10-12 February), Kazan (RUS) (24-26 Feb), Linz (10-12 Mar), Dublin (17-19 Mar), Bled (7-9 Apr), Paris (15-17 Apr), Milan (29-30 Apr), Budapest (12-14 May), Amsterdam (25-28 May), Hamburg (3-5 Jun), Helsinki (10-12 Jun), Warsaw (16-18 Jun), European Go Congress @ Tuchola (PL) (22 Jul-5 Aug).

Our Korea correspondent Andy Finch sends some news:

There are no Korean Tournaments that are in a state of having been decided at present, except for the 11th Bacchus tournament [Sounds like a good idea -Ed]. Bacchus is a health drink that is very popular in Korea and available in drug stores where they are often bought and drunk in one go. The final was played between Yoo Chang-hyuk (6 dan) and Choi Gyoo-byong (6 dan). Yoo won 3:1 in a best-of-5 series and collects about £5000. Meanwhile in the final of the National Flag tournament Yang Jae-ho (9 dan) and Kim Soo-jang (9 dan) are playing with Kim leading 1:0. Here are the current top 5 players listed by number of wins: 1. Cho Hoon-hyun 9-dan (wins=44 : losses=22, = 66.7%), 2. Lee Chang-ho 7-dan (43:15 = 74%), 3. Yoo Chang-hyuk 6-dan (35:22 = 74.5%), 4. Yang Jae-ho 9-dan (34:22 = 61%), 5. Kim Dong-yop 6-dan (33:15 = 69%).

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Generally UK tournaments do not require entry on an entry form. Phone for details.

The 21st London Open Go Congress:

30th December to 2nd January

Sponsored by Hitachi. The London Open is one of Europe's leading Go events and is a good opportunity to meet players from abroad.

Location: (as last year) Highbury Roundhouse Community Centre, 71 Ronalds Road, London N5 1BX. Registration by 10 am on the 30th.

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Event: The format this year is an 8 round tournament with 2 rounds each day. Time limits 80 minutes plus overtime. Japanese rules.

Optional Lightning competition on Friday evening. Optional New Year's dinner on Saturday evening. Also a Youth Tournament (see below).

Accommodation: A limited amount has been arranged. Contact the organisers.

Fees: Main event £18, under 18 £8. Lightning £2, under 18 £1. New Year's dinner £5. Youth event £2. After 23rd December an extra £5.

Contact: Harold Lee, 42 Leicester road, New Barnet, Herts., EN5 5DB. ☎ 081-440 1001. Fax 081-449 9949.

Also: Geoff Kaniuk ☎ 081-874 7362 and Dave Ward ☎ 071-354 3285.

The Hitachi London Youth Tournament:

Monday 2nd January

This will take place alongside the London Open at the Highbury Roundhouse. It will be a fast-play competition for under 16s. The top prize is a Hitachi 28" colour TV for the winner's school. Entry fee £2. More details from Tony Atkins ☎ 01734-268143.

Furze Platt Go Tournament:

Saturday 21st January

Location: Hitachi Europe Ltd. (as last year), Whitebrook Park, Lower Cookham Road, Maidenhead. Registration by 10:00. 3 rounds. Also 13x13

Fees: BGA members and overseas £5, British non-members £6, under 18/unwaged/senior citizens £2. After 19th January extra £2.

Contact: Ben Beaton, 36 Oaken Grove, Maidenhead, Berks. SL6 6HH ☎ 0628-32295 or Anna Griffiths ☎ 0628-38847.

The British Schools Team Tournament:

Sunday 22nd January

This will be held at Brakenhale School. For more details contact Simon Goss ☎ 0344-777963.

Wanstead Go Tournament:

Saturday 4th February

Location: Friends meeting house (as last year), Bush Road, London E11 3AU. Registration by 10:15. 4 rounds. Also 13x13.

Fees: In advance £6, on the day £8, under 18 £3, non-BGA members extra £1. Entry by letter preferred.

Contact: Francis Roads, 61 Malmesbury Road, South Woodford, E18 2NL ☎ and fax 0181 505 4381.

International Team Tournament:

Sunday 5th March

This is one of the regular tournaments that take place between teams of British, Japanese and Chinese players. Possibly some club teams too, if they can raise suitable numbers. By invitation only, but if interested in playing contact David Ward ☎ 0171 354 3285.

Isle of Man Go Congress:

Sunday 20th to Friday 25th August

As in previous years, there are many events planned to enable you to combine Go and Holidaymaking in different proportions. Family needs have been taken into account. Contact Leo Austin & David Phillips, 4 Ivydene Avenue, Onchan, Isle of Man, IM3 3HD. ☎ 0624-612294.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: Note * = provisional (check nearer to time).

London Open (30 Dec-2 Jan), London Youth Tournament (2 Jan), Furze Platt (21 Jan), Schools Team Tournament (22 Jan), Wanstead (4 Feb), Cambridge *(26 Feb), International Teams (5 Mar), Irish Open @ Dublin (17-19 Mar), British Go Congress (somewhere around Easter), Coventry (Mar/Apr, depends on when British is), Candidates (29 Apr-1 May), Bracknell *(13 May), Scottish *(27-28 May), Challengers (27-29 May), Leicester (17 Jun), Natsu Matsuri Anglo-Japanese Teams (8 Jul), Isle of Man Go Congress (20-25 August).

Please let me know about any additions or changes.

NEWS

- ▶ Alison Cross who represented Britain in the Women's World Amateur Go Cup in Japan came 19th with 3 wins.
- ▶ Matthew Macfadyen is in Japan learning Go teaching. He helped as a game recorder at the WWAGC.
- ▶ Miss Shoji Kuzuko (professional 3 dan) visited the CLGC on the 14-15th October. Our thanks to Francis Roads and CLGC for looking after her.
- ▶ Gerry Mills has taken over from Bob Bagot as the Book Distributor. He plans to attend the following tournaments in 1995, provided the Tournament Organisers are willing to provide suitable facilities: London Open, Cambridge, Irish Open (if possible), British Go Congress, Bracknell, Scottish Open, Leicester, Northern, Shrewsbury, and Wessex. These have been chosen taking into account both geographical spread and popularity. Shrewsbury represents Wales as Gerry thinks Barmouth is too small and remote. Please respond directly to Gerry with comments.
- ▶ Canterbury games books (ie Games from the European Congress at Canterbury) have been sent free to all who attended whose addresses could be found by Alex Rix. If you attended but have not received one, contact Alex ☎ 0181-533 0899. Otherwise, copies are still available for purchase from the BGA, price £3.
- ▶ The 1995 British Go Congress venue has not yet been finalised (initialised?). Helpful suggestions are always welcome. (To Tony Atkins).
- ▶ The Stacey Cup is awarded to the player with most wins above the bar in a year's tournaments. The standings prior to 3 Peaks were: Alistair Wall (26), Francis Roads (22), John Rickard (15), Mark Hall (14), Des Cann (13.5), Andrew Jones (11), and Simon Shiu (10).
- ▶ Tournaments. I am trying to compile a tournament calendar for 1995, in connection with which: Does anyone know if an Oxford tournament is planned? Does the University Club still exist? Replies (in confidence) to Eddie Smithers ☎ 01664-69023.
- ▶ Edinburgh Go Club has a new Secretary: Stephen Tweedie, 10 Upper Grove Place, Edinburgh.
- ▶ CLGC and Reading Clubs will both be changing their venues soon. Check details if planning a visit.
- ▶ Wokingham Go Cub which meets some Sunday afternoons is planning a Gala Launch for 8th January. Contact Keith Osborne ☎ 0734-272396.
- ▶ France Ellul has a new address: 35 Sunny Croft, Downley, High Wycombe, Bucks, HP13 5UQ. ☎ 0494-452047.
- ▶ Feng Yun is through to the semi-finals of the Women's World Pro Tournament, beating the Korean number one. Getting to the final may delay her 1995 visit for a few weeks.
- ▶ Here's a topic that has been cropping up in conversations recently. Should players attending tournaments endeavour to attend all rounds of the tournament? Does it matter? If you have strong views why not express them in a 'Letter to the Journal'.

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