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TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Ladies Championship:

Saturday 1st June

Seven of the best British women players and the girls' champion met for a three round swiss tournament at the Nippon Club and played alongside the monthly Japanese Tournament. Winner was Alison Cross, the artist from London, who beat top graded player Alison Jones in the last round.

Challenger's Tournament:

Weekend 8-9th June

Sixteen players met at the Nippon Club in London for the new style seeded swiss tournament. Winner was Matthew Macfadyen who will have a chance to challenge Shutai Zhang for the British Championship again. On three wins were Matthew Cocke, John Rickard, Charles Matthews and Des Cann. Best on two were Francis Roads, Piers Shepperson and T. Mark Hall.

Leicester Go Tournament:

Saturday 15th June

58 players attended Leicester this year. The second annual quiz was won this year by the AJAx team that was mostly Tony Atkins. Des Cann (4d Leamington) collected a paper replica of the trophy and first prize. Players getting prizes for three wins were: Baron Allday (1k West Wales), John Gardner (8k Culcheth), Chris McConkey (10k Birmingham), Tom Summerscales (10k Culcheth), Dave Grimster (15k Brakenhale) and Dave Knight (20k Epsom Downs). Not surprisingly Culcheth won the team prize with a score of about 90 percent.

Pair Go Tournament:

Sunday 23rd June

25 male-female pairs of all ages attended the British Pair Go Championships at the Crossroads Hotel in Weedon Northamptonshire. The top eight British Pairs played for the title. Winners were Alison Jones and Tony Atkins, playing together at short notice because Edmund Shaw had flu. Alison Cross and John McLeod currently have the most points towards winning the next British place in the World Pairs. It was a good day for Alisons as Alison Ewers and David Woodnutt gained three wins in the handicap section, as did Yvonne Mao and Paul Margetts. Best dressed couples were Anna Griffiths/Simon Rudd, Emma Gale/Paul Hyman (juniors), Jennifer Healey/Matthew Macfadyen (mixed age). A special prize for most coordination went to Elinor Brooks/France Ellul. The most compatible couple based on a questionnaire were Teruko Taguchi/Simon Bexfield. Chocolate Hearts were awarded to those who drove kids there and to those with witty questionnaire answers: Des Cann, Sally Prime, Alison Cross, James Harrod, Paul Margetts and France Ellul.

The 4th Welsh Open Go Tournament @ Barmouth:

Weekend 29-30th June

42 players were in Barmouth for the fourth Welsh Open. As before the winner was Matthew Macfadyen (6d Leamington) winning all five. Second was Simon Shiu (3d Teesside) with four wins. Prize winners were, for 5/5: Sean McPhail (15k Cambridge) and Yvonne Mao (28k Epsom Downs); for 4/5: Francis Weaver (10k Brakenhale), France Ellul (3k Brakenhale), Steve Jones (3k Isle of Man); for 3.5/5: Martin Harvey (2k Chester). Richard Thompson (6k Leicester) won the continuous Lightning. Best team were Leamington. Other prizes went to France Ellul and John Herman for managing a triple ko, Brian Timmins for the first entry, Charles Leedham-Green for not entering, Graham Brooks for playing early so someone could leave, Sue Pitchford for helping the organiser, Bob Brooks for "being" Francis Roads and Paul Margetts and Yvonne Mao for getting engaged. Neil Ings (20k Brakenhale) and Ed Blockley (2k Worcester) also got prizes for making their opponents happy.

NEWS FROM ABROAD

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

World Amateur Go Championship

46 countries took part in the Championship held in Omachi, Japan.

1. Jun Liu (China) 8/8, 2. Hirata Hironori (Japan) 6/8, 3. Yong Man Lee (Korea) 6/8, 4. Ying Kan (Hong Kong) 6/8,
 5. Thomas Ko (USA) 6/8, 6. Hsiang Jen Huang (Taiwan) 6/8, 7. Myong Choe (DPR Korea) 5/8, 8. Viktor Bogdanov (Russia) 5/8.
 Britain's Matthew Macfadyen was 19th on 4/8 due to a tough draw system that penalised a high SOS. His results were: +Turkey +Germany (von Arnim) -Romania (Bisca) +Taiwan +Singapore -Canada -Hong Kong -DPR Korea.

European Go Congress @ Abano Terme in Italy:

20th July - 3rd August

Some 500 players including 34 Brits attended the congress. The winner of the Main event was Guo Juan (7d NL) with 10/10. Other places were: 2: Rob van Zeijst (7d NL), 3: Lee Hyuk (6d KOR). Piers Shepperson (5d) was the top British player at 34 with 6/10. Jim Clare (3d Reading) won 7/10. Other names mentioned in dispatches were: Francis Weaver (10k), Andrea Smith (17k), Neil Ings (20k) and Clare Boxall (20k) who all won 6/10. The Weekend tournament was won by Lee Hyuk (6d KOR). Joint second were Miyakawa Wataru (6d F) and Pierre Colmez (5d F). At least Des Cann is the new Euro Go Liar Dice Champion. Francis Weaver was in the team that came second in the Rengo tournament. The Grand Prix Champion for 95/96 was, as last year, Guo Juan.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

22nd Northern Go Tournament:

Weekend 2-3th September

Location: The Allen Hall, Wilmslow Road, Manchester. Registration by 10:00 on Saturday.

Event: This will be a six round McMahon tournament. Closing date for entries is Saturday August 31st. Late entries +£5.

Fees: £10. Under 18 £5. Not Go Association members +£3. Various B&B and lunch options available for Friday/Saturday/Sunday, extra.

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Milton Keynes Go Tournament:

Saturday 14th September

Location: Lecture Theatre of the Open University, Walton Hall, Milton Keynes. Registration by 10:20.

Event: This will be a 3 round McMahon tournament. No smoking in the tournament hall.

Lunch: A Buffet lunch (including vegetarian dishes) is included in the standard fee.

Fees: £7 (incl. lunch). Under 18, OAP or UB40 £2 (not including lunch which is available for extra £4). On the day +£2 and possible byes.

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Bank of China Cup:

Sunday 22nd September

Location: The Bank of China, 90 Cannon Street, London EC4N 6HA. Registration by 9.30. Byes for latecomers.

Event: The Bank of China is sponsoring a new Go tournament to be held at their offices. It will be a 3 round McMahon. Entry is limited to 100 players and places will be reserved in the order that entries are received. Please do not turn up without making contact beforehand as there may not be a place. There will be a £100 first prize and many other prizes.

Lunch: A Buffet lunch is included in the entry fee.

Fees: £5, concessions £2.50. +£2 for non BGA. Free entry for anyone playing in their first tournament.

Contact: Alex Rix, 6 Meynell Crescent, Hackney, London E9 7AS ☎ 0181-533 0899. **E-mail:** alexander.rix@sgw.com

Shrewsbury Go Tournament:

Sunday 6th October

Location: The Gateway, Chester Street, Shrewsbury. Registration 10:00, first round at 10:30.

Event: This will be a 3 round McMahon tournament.

Fees: BGA adult members £2, Non members £4, Under 18s FREE.

Contact: Brian Timmins, The Hollies, Wollerton, Market Drayton, Shropshire TF9 3LY. ☎ 01630 685292.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Northern (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

- ▶ **Promotions:-)** The Council has approved the following promotions recommended by the Grading Committee:
Baron Allday and Colin Adams to 1 dan. Congratulations to them.
- ▶ **CLGC:** The CLGC home will be the Nippon Club (Sampson House, 6 St. Alban's Street, SW1) from 18.00 to 22.30 on Fridays (smart dress) and on Sunday afternoons at Rosemary Branch Pub, Southgate Road/Baring Street, N1.
- ▶ **BGA membership:** New rates based on the AGM discussions will be introduced on 1st October. Club rates are to be abolished and everyone will receive direct mailings of Journals and Newsletters instead of via the club secretaries. The rates also correct the problem where some classes were operating at a loss. The new rates are: UK member £9, Family £14, Europe £10, World £12. A 50% discount will be given to students, OAPs and unemployed.
- ▶ **West Surrey Club** has a new secretary: Pauline Bailey ☎ 01483-561027. The club meets in Guildford on Mondays 7.30 to 10.
- ▶ **Software:** Shareware Go software is available via the BGA WWW Home Page: <http://www.eng.ox.ac.uk/people/Harry.Fearnley/go/BGA.html>
It is also available by ftp from: <ftp://ftp.eng.ox.ac.uk/pub/go/BGA/software>

BGA BOOKS LTD.

- ▶ An old favourite, "Lessons in the Fundamentals of Go" is now available at £10.
- ▶ Leatherette go boards are back in stock: 9 x 9 @ £1.50, 13 x 13 @ £2.50, 19 X 19 @ £4.00.

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