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RESULTS

US Go Congress 1998 at Santa Fe in New Mexico, 1st - 9th August

3 Brits attended the 14th US Go Congress in Santa Fe, New Mexico. High altitude meant dry heat to accompany the beautiful views, but the lack of air did not dampen the Brit's results. Tony Atkins won the 2 dan section, Francis Roads came 3rd in the 4 dan section and Jim Clare came 3rd in the 5 dan section, despite being British 3 dan. Britain won the Team Tournament beating Canada in the final. Francis Roads was second in the lightning from Jie Li (China) who also won the Open, ahead of Martin Mueller. No less than 16 professionals were present. Francis Roads also won first prize in the Bob High Memorial Song contest. Joanne Phipps won the World Amateur Women's Championship place and also the Pair Go with husband Ned.

1st Norwich Biennial Go Tournament, Saturday 8th August

Only 16 people attended this new biennial event in East Anglia's premier city. The venue was an old city centre church, a cool venue on a hot day, a location hoped to be good at attracting passers by. Winner of the dan section was Paul Smith (2 dan Cambridge) on 3/3. Matthew Woodcraft (2 kyu Cambridge) won the kyu section with 3/3 and also on 3/3 was Philip Beck (4 kyu Cambridge).

British Championship game 2 of 5, Saturday 22nd August

The second game of this year's British Championship title match, was held at the Chess and Bridge Shop, Euston Road, near to Regent's Park in London. The outcome was that Matthew Macfadyen beat Challenger Edmund Shaw when Edmund resigned on move 145. Commentary on the game was provided by T.Mark Hall and the players. The third of the best of five series will be on the 26th September at the Milton Keynes Tournament.

Mind Sports Olympiad at London, 24th - 30th August

Web: <http://www.mindsports.co.uk/>

Held between 24/08/98 and 30/08/98 at the Novotel Hotel, Hammersmith London, some 2500 players from 45 countries took part in many and various games. Events ranged from the ever popular bridge, chess and crossword solving, to the less popular mind mapping, creative thinking and puzzle solving. Media event of the week was the Rummikub Champion insisting on defending his title whilst relaxed in a bath and sipping champagne. Go was of course featured with a sales and teaching stand, manned by Adam Atkinson and friends, all week, four different tournaments and as one of the written tests in the decamentathlon. Unfortunately, due to lack of publicity, the numbers in the go events were rather low: Main 14, 13x13 6 (4 at first), 9x9 18 and weekend 22. Winners of non-go medals were Piers Shepperson (mixed pairs bridge), Ezra Lutton (Continuo and Junior Pentamind), Josiah Lutton (Junior Pentamind), Demis Hassabis (Continuo and Pentamind) and Paul Smith (Puzzle Solving, Decamentathlon, IQ, Entropy and Pentamind). The Go medal winners were:

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Main	Shutai Zhang	Shoichi Sakagi	Vladimir Danek
Weekend	Migaku Hayashi	Shoichi Sakagi	Vladimir Danek
13x13	Vladimir Danek	Gerhardt Stettner	Reiko Monna
9x9	Migaku Hayashi	Des Cann	Francis Roads
9x9 Junior	Ezra Lutton	James Heppell	Josiah Lutton

Worthy of special mention were Pavel Spacek (18 kyu) with 6/6 and arbiter Seong-June Kim's second placing (medal exempt) in the weekend event.

Obayashi Cup, 5th to 6th September

Held at the European Go Centre in Amstelveen NL, the winner was Ben Malek (France) and in second place was Shutai Zhang.

24th Northern Go Tournament, Weekend 12th - 13th September

47 people attended the two-day Northern Tournament in Manchester. From these, Michael Zhang (3 dan CLGC) emerged the champion with 6/6 and John Rickard (4 dan Cambridge) took second place with 5/6. R. Moulds (12k Manchester) also scored a perfect 6/6. Prizes were given to the best of the 4/6 results: S. Jones (1 kyu Isle of Man), H. Segerman (1 kyu Manchester), F. Holroyd (2 kyu Manchester), B. Timmins (3 kyu Shrewsbury), A. Pitchford (6 kyu Chester), J. Edwards (6 kyu High Wycombe), G. Beman (17 kyu Leamington).

10th Milton Keynes Go Tournament, Saturday 19th September

Whilst the British Championship was being decided in an adjacent room, 64 players competed in this year's Milton Keynes tournament which was won by Des Cann (6 dan Leamington). Prize winners with 3/3 were Frank Visser (4 kyu Cambridge), Alex Bell (4 kyu Portsmouth), and Shaun Hearn (29 kyu Brakenhale). Additional prizes were awarded to the best of the 2/3 results: Yvonne Margetts (10 kyu Epsom Downs), Gary Beman (14 kyu Leamington), and Nicola Hurden (16 kyu Brakenhale).

British Championship game 3 of 5, Saturday 24th September

The third game of this year's British Championship title match, was held in a separate room at the Milton Keynes Tournament. The result was a ½ point win for Matthew Macfadyen over challenger Edmund Shaw. With that, Matthew retains his title 3-0.

Copenhagen GP, 19th - 20th September

Vesa Laatikainen the 5 dan from Finland won with 5/5. Second was Vladimir Danek (6 dan Czech Republic) 4/5. 19 players.

Bucharest GP, 3rd - 4th October

The winner from 81 entrants was Dragos Bajenaru (5 dan Romania) 6/6, and second was Ion Florescu (6 dan Romania) 5/6.

Shrewsbury Go Tournament, Sunday 4th October

The Shrewsbury go-ban trophy which usually arrives and departs with Matthew Macfadyen (6 dan Leamington) was destined to go elsewhere this year when Simon Shiu (4 dan Bristol) managed to beat Matthew in the first round. However, when Des Cann (4 dan Leamington) beat Simon in the final round to win the tournament, the trophy did at least return to the same club. Other prize winners with 3/3 were: Nicolae Mandache (1 dan Bristol), Henry Segerman (1 kyu Manchester), Paula Manegia (17 kyu Birmingham), Darren Fairbrother (27 kyu Brakenhale), and Shaun Hearn (27 kyu Brakenhale). The team prize was shared by BrumGo and Brakenhale. A final prize went to Ian Sharpe for being the first paid entrant.

NEWS

- **Promotions** :- The Council has approved the following promotions: Michael Zhang to 3 dan and Steve Jones to 1 dan.
- **European Go Federation**: Eric Puyt is now the EGF President and Zoran Mutabzija is a Vice-president instead of Oleg Gavrilov. The 1999 EGC will be in Slovakia, 2000 is confirmed for Berlin, 2001 will be in Dublin.

FORTHCOMING

29th Wessex Go Tournament, Sunday 25th October

Location: Marlborough Town Hall. Registration by 9:45. **Event:** This will be a 4 round even game tournament. Also a 13 x 13 and Teams.
Food: Coffee, lunch afternoon tea and high tea are included in the entry fee. Please notify if Vegetarian meal is required.
Contact: Terry Wright, 65 South Road, Portishead, Avon BS20 9DY. ☎ 01275 842258 (before 10 pm).

Brussels GP, 31st October – 1st November. Contact: Jan Bogaerts ☎ 00-32-2-267 9897, jan_bogaerts@ccmail.bms.com

6th Three Peaks Go Tournament, Weekend 7th – 8th November

Location: The Marton Arms Hotel, Thornton-in-Lonsdale, Carnforth, Lancashire LA6 3PB.
Event: This will be a 5 round event. Registration by 13:00 on the Saturday, allowing the morning for travelling or exploring the local scenery. Toby Manning will be leading a short walk on that morning to explore some of the spectacular limestone scenery of North Yorkshire.
Contact: Toby Manning, 7 Oak Tree Close, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, CV32 5YT. ☎ 01926 886739.
Accommodation: This can be arranged by contacting Colin Elsdon at the Marton Arms. ☎ 015242 41281.

Gothenburg GP, 7th – 8th November Contact: Per Kristensen ☎ +46-31-191 631, ulf@distinct.se (Ulf Olsson)

Ing World Computer Go Championship, 21st - 22nd November

Contact: Nick Wedd ☎ 01223-350096 E-mail: nick@maproom.demon.co.uk

Swindon Go Tournament, Sunday 22nd November

Location: Even Swindon Community Centre, Jennings Street. **Event:** 3 round McMahon and 13 x 13.
Contact: Paul Barnard, 16 Braemar Close, Swindon, Wilts. ☎ 01793 432856 (before 10pm). E-mail: paul.barnard@natpower.com

British 13x13 Go Championship at Cambridge, Sunday 15th November

Location: Milton Community Center, Coles Road, Milton near Cambridge. Registration to 9:45, check with organisers about a bye for a later start.
Event: For Adults & children. This is part of a chess and go event organised by the Cambridge Junior Chess & Go Club, with a concurrent junior chess competition. Please let the organisers know if you could help with some go teaching in the lunch break.
Contact: Paul & Andrea Smith, 2 Townsend Close, Milton, Cambridge, CB4 6DN. ☎ 01223 563932. E-mail: paul@mpaul.cix.co.uk

European Team Championships, 4th to 6th December

Belgrade, Yugoslavia. Contact Tony Atkins if interested in being part of the team (dan level).

West Surrey Teach-in, Saturday 5th December

Location: Burpham Village Hall, (North of Guildford). **Event:** Instruction by several dan players. Suitable for all players from beginner to 1 kyu.

West Surrey Handicap Go Tournament, Sunday 6th December

Location: Burpham Village Hall, (North of Guildford) Registration by 10:30.
Event: 4 round swiss tournament. The draw aims for handicaps of about 4 stones. Also a 13 x 13 competition.
Contact: Pauline Bailey, 27 Dagle Farm, Shalford, Guildford, Surrey, GU4 8DE. ☎ 01483-561027. E-mail: pab27@compuserve.com

25th London Open Go Congress (EGP) sponsored by Hitachi, 31st December to 3rd January

Location: Highbury Roundhouse Community Centre, 71 Ronalds Road, London N5. Registration by 10:00 on Thursday 31st.
Event: 8 round McMahon main tournament and lightning tournament. The London Open is Britain's representative in the European Grand Prix.
Contact: Geoff Kaniuk, 35 Clonmore Street, London SW18 5EU. ☎ and fax 0181-874 7362 (that's +44 181 874 7362 from abroad).
E-mail: geoff@kaniuk.demon.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wessex (25 Oct), 3 Peaks (7-8 Nov), Ing World Computer Go Championships (21-22 Nov), Swindon (22 Nov), West Surrey (5-6 Dec), London Open (31 Dec - 3 Jan), Oxford (* 13 Feb), Cambridge (7 Mar), British Go Congress @ Abingdon (9-11 Apr), Bar Low (2 May), Leicester (12 Jun), Barmouth (26-27 Jun), Isle of Man Go Week (Aug), Mind Sports Olympiad (21-29 Aug). * = provisional.

FUJITSU EUROPEAN GRAND PRIX TOURNAMENTS FOR THE 98/99 SEASON

Copenhagen (19-20 Sep), Bucharest (3-4 Oct), Bratislava (10-11 Oct), Belgrade (16-18 Oct), Brussels (31 Oct-1 Nov), Gothenburg (7-8 Nov), Kiev (27-29 Nov), London (31 Dec-3 Jan), Prague (13-14 Feb), Barcelona (20-21 Feb), Dublin (20-21 Mar), Vienna (27-28 Mar), Paris (3-5 Apr), Milan (17-18 Apr), Bled (24-25 Apr), Budapest (8-9 May), Amsterdam (13-16 May), Hamburg (22-23 May), Zagreb (29-30 May), Warsaw (19-20 Jun), Tshelyabinsk (26-27 Jun), Helsinki (3-4 Jul), European Go Congress @ Podbanske, Slovakia (24 Jul-7 Aug).

For European GP events see: <http://www.xs4all.nl/~egcc/egf/gptour.html>
For European Calendar see: <http://www.win.tue.nl/cs/fm/engels/go/tourn.html>

BRITISH GO ASSOCIATION

BGA Membership

In the last journal it was erroneously stated that membership rates for 1999 are unchanged. In fact the AGM approved the following rates from January 1st 1999: UK £11, Concessions £5, Family £16, Europe £13, World £16.

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BGA Books

Now available: The Carlton Go Pack. This well presented pack comprises a compact sized cardboard 19x19 go board with 9x9 on the reverse, plastic stones, and instruction book by Matthew Macfadyen. An excellent introductory set. £16 from BGA Books or £20 in the shops.

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