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After three rounds in the Portsmouth & District Individual Championship Tournament only four players have maximum points - P. Littlewood, A.J. Peters, A.D. Crossin and S. Dean. Detailed scores (with points to date in brackets) Carey Groves 0 (2), Littlewood 1 (3); McEvoy 0 (2), Peters 1 (3); Scotney 0 (2), Crossin 1 (3); Wenman 0 (1½), Dean (S) 1 (3); Le Fevre 0 (1), Cullinane 1 (2); Coburn 0 (1), Smith 1 (2); Harris 0 (1), Jane Seymour 1 (2); Wells 1 (2), Young 0 (1); George 0 (1), Ruff (A) 1 (1); Hough ½ (1½), Prince ½ (1½); Vernon 0 (1), Hampton 1 (2); Cochran 0 (0), Adams 1 (1½); Baillie (J) 0 (0), Welch 1 (1); Dean (K) 0 (0), Dymel 1 (1); Judd 1 (1), Baillie (G) 0 (0). Riley (1) v. Ruff (T) (1) postponed.

The following match results are from the Portsmouth Middle and Junior Schools' League :

Under-12

NORTHCOTE 0, CUMBERLAND 5

(D. Monk 0, R. Walker 1; P. Newnham 0, S. Harrington 1; A. Eddles 0, Janette Lewis 1; P. Wheatcroft 0, I. Kendell 1; E. Ireland 0, A. Gilbert 1)

CUMBERLAND 3, LANCASTONE 2

(Janette Lewis 0, Tracey Phillips 1; S. Harrington 1, I. Robins 0; I. Kendell 1, S.R. Moore 0; A. Gilbert 0, L. Mellor 1; C. Thompson 1, S. Bowers 0)

PORTSMOUTH CHESS CLUB 4, CUMBERLAND 1

(P.M. Spurgeon 1, R. Walker 0; T.L. Ruff 1, S. Harrington 0; N. Ruff 0, Janette Lewis 1; B.C. Morris 1, I. Kendell 0; J. Foster 1, A. Gilbert 0)

WESTFIELD 0, CUMBERLAND 5

(T. Harthill 0, R. Walker 1; M. Burge 0, S. Harrington 1; D. Allen 0, I. Kendell 1; N. Weston 0, A. Gilbert 1; J. Simmons 0, Janette Lewis 1)

COURT LANE 0, CUMBERLAND 5

(A. Sanson 0, R. Walker 1; A. Glenney 0, S. Harrington 1; S. Parvin 0, Janette Lewis 1; Gregorie Robson 0, I. Kendell 1; Amanda Frazer 0, A. Gilbert 1)

NAPIER A 1, CUMBERLAND 4

(D. Lines 1, R. Walker 0; R. Champion 0, S. Harrington 1; Helen Mitchley 0, Janette Lewis 1; M. Walters 0, I. Kendell 1; Jane Gauntlett 0, A. Gilbert 1)

ST. SWITHUN'S 2, NAPIER A 3

(D.J. Sparkes 0, D. Lines 1; T. Sparkes 1, E. O'Hara 0; J. Gosling 1, Jane Gauntlett 0; A. Atanasio 0, M. Walters 1; J. Copestake 0, A. Lines 1)

ST. SWITHUN'S 1, NORTHCOTE 4

(D.J. Sparkes 1, R. Atkin 0; T. Sparkes 0, P. Newnham 1; J. Gosling 0, A. Eddles 1; M. Gosling 0, R. Churchill 1; A. Anastasio 0, E. Ireland 1)

WESTFIELD 2, NAPIER A 3

(T. Harthill 0, D. Lines 1; M. Burge 1, M. Walters 0; M. Wiseman 0, Clare C'Hare 1; N. Weston 0, P. Champion 1; J. Simmons 1, A. Lines 0)

COURT LANE 3½, WESTFIELD 1½

(A. Sanson 1, Michale Burge 0; S. Parvin ½, N. Weston ½; Gregorie Robson 1, D. Allen 0; A. Glenney 1, M. Wiseman 0; Amanda Frazer 0, J. Simmons 1)

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Under-11

COWPLAIN 1½, NAPIER B 3½

(A. Tucker 1, A. Thornhill 0; D. Elsan 0, M. Walters 1; D. Graham 0, A. Lines 1; A.R. Colthup 0, Helen Mitchley 1; J.C. Oldaker ½, M. Lawrence ½)

WAITE END 4, NAPIER B 1

(C. Rigelsford 0, A. Thornhill 1; S. Evans 1, M. Walters 0; Lindsey Knight 1, Helen Mitchley 0; T. Guit 1, K. Vaysey 0; N. Gardner 1, A. Lines 0)

WAITE END 2, PURBROOK 3

(C. Rigelsford 1, Gillian Morris 0; Lindsey Knight 0, D.C. Baxter 1; T. Guit 0, B.G. Morris 1; S. Evans 1, T.D. Nicholson 0; N. Gardner 0, F.J. Middleton 1)

HORNDEN 4, PURBROOK 0

(N. Blick 1, B. Baxter 0; N. Millard 1, Gillian Morris 0; C.J. Pink 0, B.G. Morris 1; K.D. McPhee 1, F.J. Middleton 0; N. Atha 1, T. Nicholson 0)

This week's published position is a composed end-game study by Troitzky and Korolkov; White to play and win. 1. R-QN4 R-R5; 2. P-QB4 RXP (pins the R); 3. B-N5 (pins the R which pins the R) 3...B-Q2 (pins the B which pins the R which pins the R); 4. R-Q8 (pins the B which pins the B which...etc) and White wins.

J.E.C.G.

R7; 8; 1pB3p1; 5blr; K4R2; P1Pk4; 1p3P2; 8

Hampshire beat Somerset by $9\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$ (with one game for adjudication) at Frome in the Counties Championship. Details

P. Littlewood 1, Moore 0; M.W.J. Thompson v Northage adj.; Bell 1, Whitcutt 0; A.R. Cullinane 1, Pool 0; Bower 0, Tuck 1; Corfield 1, C'Mahoney 0; Newbury 1, Hick 0; Andrews $\frac{1}{2}$, Stringer $\frac{1}{2}$; McDougall 0, Sellars 1; Keene 1, Chapman 0; Beer 1, Gregory 0; Sharman 0, Fielding 1; Dean 1, Borkowski 0; Walters 1, Crouner 0; Chivers 0, Neagle 1; Davies 0, Byron 1)

Other W.E.C.U. Championship match results : Wiltshire $9\frac{1}{2}$, Cornwall $6\frac{1}{2}$; Gloucestershire 12, Cornwall 4; Devon $9\frac{1}{2}$, Wiltshire $5\frac{1}{2}$.

Not many match results following the holiday period.

Portsmouth District League Senior Section :-

Division 1 : I.B.M. A $2\frac{1}{2}$, PORTSMOUTH A $3\frac{1}{2}$

(J.F. Wheeler 0, G.E.J. Lambert 1; W. McLougall 1, A.J. Peters 0; R.E. Hartley $\frac{1}{2}$, D.J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$; J.M. Morris 1, J.F. Seymour 0; C. Jeftha 0, L.C. Spurgeon 1; J. Liddell 0, M.J. Cawston 1)

Division 3 : FAREHAM C 4, I.B.M. B 2

(A.J. Lancashire 1, C. Jeftha 0; C. Fairall 0, S. Hicks 1; M. Cole 1, I. Upton 0; D.W. Coates 1, D. Ong 0; E.N. Judd 0, J. Liddell 1; R.A. Goldstone 1, H. Luton 0)

Division 4 : DALAWORK 0, PLESSEY 6

(G. Mairis 0, E. Azulay 1; R. Dyer 0, L. Foale 1; D. Richardson def. C. Wheatley 1; C. Potter 0, K. Armstrong 1; N. Johnson 0, T. Nazareth 1; D. Alexander 0, C. Thomas 1)

FAREHAM E 1, FAREHAM D 5

(J. Cope 0, P. Higdon 1; D. Sheppard 0, B. Massey 1; J. Craig 0, W.D. Coward 1; R. Warwick 0, D. Vail 1; W. Morgan 0, M.J. Hockey 1; C. Nunn 1, K. Irish 0)

Schools Section :-

Division 3A: PORTSMOUTH GR. B 1, ST. JOHN'S C 4

(P.C. Wren 0, P.K. Wells 1; L.C. Ledwith 0, M.D. Smith 1; I.D. Giles 0, M.E. Vernon 1; A.R. Smith 0, M.J.P. Hampton 1; C.D. Lennon 1, T.R. Vernon 0)

PORTSMOUTH GR. B 2, GT. SALTERNS C 3

(I.D. Giles 1, J.L. Malley 0; L.C. Ledwith 0, M.C. Collier 1; A.R. Smith 0, D.J. Alexander 1; G.D. Cameron 1, D.I. Smith 0; Default 0, A.R. Snook 1)

Division 3B: BROCKFIELD 2, ST. LUKE'S B 3

(P. O'Donoghue 0, R. Triggs 1; P. Jones 0, Julia L. Scotney 1; P. Carter 1, Sally Mark 0; T. Cox 0, K. Lush 1; A. Cakes 1, Heather Waring 0)

PORTSMOUTH C 2, GT. SALTERNS D 3

(P.C.R. Gurney 1, D.E. Wingham 0; D.I. Loten 0, L.F. Perkins 1; D. Christensen 0, G.M. Fitzgerald 1; M. Osmond-Smith 1, B.P. Wood 0; I.G. Lines 0, M.D. Banthorpe 1)

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The Portsmouth Chess Congress is this year being held at the Y.M.C.A., Penny Street, over the weekend 3rd, 4th and 5th February. There are two sections, Premier and Major, with first prizes of £120 and £100 respectively. The Major is restricted to players graded under 150. Entry fees (either tournament) £4.50 adults, £3.50 juniors. Entry forms from (and to) P. McEvoy, 77 Lime Grove, Paulsgrove, Portsmouth. Closing date 30th January.

The following game between M.L. Newbury and D. Gibson from the match Fareham A v Cosham A was recorded by another Fareham member who said that because he found it so exciting, he could not take his eyes off it.

1. P-Q4 N-KB3; 2. P-QB4 P-KN3; 3. N-QB3 P-Q4; 4. B-B4 B-N2; 5. P-K3 P-B4;
 6. QPxP Q-R4; 7. R-B1 N-K5; 8. PxP NxN; 9. Q-Q2 QxRP; 10. PxN Q-R4;
 11. B-B4 QxBP; 12. B-R2 0-0; 13. N-K2 R-Q1; 14. 0-0 N-Q2 (and I make
 White three tempi ahead in development) 15. P-K4 N-K4; 16. BxN BxB;
 17. N-Q4 P-QR4; 18. P-KB4 B-N2; 19. K-R1 P-QN4; 20. P-K5 B-QR3;
 21. P-B5 KR-QB1; 22. PxP RPxP; 23. Q-B4 R-B1; 24. P-Q6 P-K3; 25. QR-K1
 QxBP; 26. R-K3 Q-Q7; (see diagram) 27. NxKP PxN; 28. BxP+ K-R2;
 29. R-R3+ B-R3; 30. RxB+ K-N2 (white cannot take black's queen because of
 the threat of ...RxR mate) 31. RxP+ KxR; 32. B-B7+ RxB; 33. QxR+ K-N4;
 34. R-B5+ and black resigns.

J.E.C.G.

r4rk1; 5pbl; b2Pplpl; pp2P3; 3N1Q2; 4R3; B2q2PP; 5R1K

The following match results are from the Portsmouth & District Middle Schools Association's League :

Division 1 : ST. JOHN'S A 5, PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR A 0

(C.P. Smith 1, D.A. Hayward 0; P.K. Wells 1, A.J. Harris 0; M.D. Smith 1, D.J. Houghton 0; M.E. Vernon 1, T.R. Sparks 0; M.J.P. Hampton 1, S.D. Kneller 0)

PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR A 1½, MAYFIELD A 3½

(D.A. Hayward 0, I.C. Kemp 1; A.J. Harris ½, I.M. Whitcombe ½; D.J. Houghton 0, P. Welsh 1; S.D. Kneller 1, M. Fisher 0; C.J. Brimmer 0, D. Musken 1)

Division 3A : PRIORY 4, CITY OF PORTSMOUTH BOYS 1

(C. Smith 1, P.A. Hearn 0; T.Y. Man 1, R.T. Maguire 0; P. Chamberlain 0, M.P. Hamorak 1; J. Weaver 1, M.E. McCall 0; S. Rackett 1, G. Thomas 0)

ST. JOHN'S C 4½, CITY OF PORTSMOUTH BOYS ½

(P.K. Wells ½, I.A. Welch ½; M.D. Smith 1, P.A. Hearn 0; M.E. Vernon 1, R.T. McGuire 0; M.J.P. Hampton 1, M.P. Hamorak 0; T.R. Vernon 1, M.B. McCall 0)

Division 3B : BRCCOM FIELD 2, WATERLOOVILLE LIBRARY 3

(P. O'Donoghue 0, P.J. Hudson 1; P. Carter 0, N. Chevis 1; P. Jones 1, P. Watkins 0; A. Cakes 0, N. Lane 1; J. Stares 1, Karen Illidge 0)

County and local Junior Organiser, Terry Hollington, is still unhappy with the West of England (and now National) decision to withhold grading figures of any player who is not registered with the B.C.U., and thinks this is particularly hard on the Under-12's, who are very unlikely to be registered by anyone anyway. He has therefore gone to some trouble to keep his own records and make his own assessment of over 300 youngsters, some of whom he says have played 100 games already this season! He calculates the initial grade by the formula (10 x age) minus 40 (e.g. 12 year old = 80) and he has supplied me with a list of 54 gradings for 1977 ranging from grade 149 to minus 20. As a W.E.C.U. official who strongly supports the "no registration, no grading" rule, it is not for me to publish these junior grades; I just thought local juniors might like to know that the information is available.

Playing in a local League match last week I had hardly started my game when I discovered that the Fareham player on my left (Dave Goddard) had mated his opponent (M.J. Cawston) in six moves, as follows :

1. P-QB4 P-K4; 2. N-QB3 N-KB3; 3. N-B3 N-B3; 4. P-KN3 N-Q5; 5. NxP ?
 (I can see why White was reluctant to play 5. NxN; 5. B-N2 might be best. As it is the 'pawn snatch' has serious consequences) 5...Q-K2! 6. N-Q3?? (The only way to save the Knight seems to be 6. P-B4, although even this could leave White's King dangerously exposed) 6...N-B3 mate (which I assume White did not see coming).

This week's Problem is a "White to mate in 3" by Cito Wurzburg. The key move sets up a waiting move position. A further clue is that the theme is that of "echoed model mate" (in problemist language).

J.E.C.G.

8; 5p2; 5Q2; 8; 8; 5R2; 4K3; Bk5

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Polytechnic, I.B.M. and Plessey still lead in Divisions 2, 3 and 4 respectively of the Portsmouth District League.

Results :-

Division 2 : COMMUNITY CENTRE B 3½, COSHAM C 2½

(W.D. Muir 1, B.C. Coppin 0; P.A. Rayment 1, A. Judd 0; K. Reed ½, S. Wilkinson ½; J. Baker ½, A. Charlwood ½; N. Colter ½, I. Woodroffe ½; J. Samson 0, V. Phillips 1)

FAREHAM B 3½, PORTSMOUTH B 2½

(H.A. Tadevossian 0, Miss S. Prince 1; J.L.C. Grant 0, I.E. Hollington 1; D.C. Coddard 1, M.J. Lawston 0; A.J. Lancashire 1, R.M. Prince 0; C.E. Frazer ½, B.V. Cochrane ½; C.V. Fairall 1, A.J. Adams 0)

Division 3 : LEIGH PARK A 5½, COSPORT C 1

(N.G. Le Fevre 1, P. Croth 0; S.L. Le fevre 1, M. Smith 0; A.L. Harris 1, Default 0; K. Smith 1, P. Curson 0; J. Mortlock ½, S.R. Williams ½; J.D.J. Gatt 1, L. Ward 0)

LINSWORTH B, COSPORT C 3

(V.M. Lawrence 1, P. Croth 0; B. Turner 0, M. Smith 1; W. Knight 1, Default 0; P. Durkee 0, A. Elbourn 1; B. Blakely 0, P. Curson 1; B. Cook 1, L. Ward 0)

Division 4 : FAREHAM D 2, PLESSEY C

(P. Higdon 0, R.F.J. Williams 1; B. Massey 0, D.P. Toale 1; M.J. Hockey 1, E. Azulay 0; L. Vell 0, J. Heath 1; R. Burstow 1, C. Howells 0; K. Irish 0, C. Thomas 1)

PORTSMOUTH D 2½, LEIGH PARK B 3½

(A. Ruff 0, A.L. Harris 1; B.V. Cochrane ½, B. Smith ½; K. Riley 1, J. Mortlock 0; S. Young 0, D. Lymel 1; I. Wenman 0, J.D.J. Gatt 1; T. Bailey 1, I. Collins 0)

T A B L E S

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Division 2</u>						
Polytechnic A	5	4	1	19½	10½	9
Cosham B	4	4	0	17	7	8
Portsmouth B	6	4	0	23	13	8
Fareham B	7	3	0	20	22	6
Community Centre B	6	2	1	16	20	5
Gosport B	6	2	0	16	20	4
Cosham C	6	0	0	8½	27½	0
<u>Division 3</u>						
I.B.M. B	7	5	0	28	14	10
Portsmouth C	4	4	0	17	7	8
Fareham C	6	4	0	21½	14½	8
Cosport C	6	2	1	13½	22½	5
Leigh Park	5	2	0	17½	12½	4
Linsworth	6	0	2	9½	26½	2
Polytechnic B	4	0	1	7	17	1

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<u>Division 4</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Plessey	6	4	2	27	9	10
Leigh Park B	6	4	2	25½	10½	10
Fareham D	6	3	2	24	12	8
Portsmouth D	5	2	0	14	16	4
Fareham E	6	1	0	7½	28½	2
Datawork	5	0	0	4	26	0

Entry forms are now available for the West of England Chess Union's 33rd Annual Easter Congress, which will this year be held at the Great Western Hotel, Newquay, Cornwall. Entry fees range from £5.50 for the Championship to £2 for the Junior and Minor Championships. Closing dates for entries are 4th March for the Championship and 15th March for the other eight tournaments. Entries to E.C. Walker, 'Meadow Nook', 18 Homefield, Locking, Avon, BS24 8ED.

The End-game position is by Kozlowski and White is to play and win. It goes 1. BxB PxP; 2. B-K7! P-R7; 3. N-K2 P-K8 = Q (otherwise 4. N-N3 stops the pawn) 4. N-B3+ K-R4; 5. K-N3! P-N4 (otherwise 6. B-N4 mate; the Q is quite helpless to help) 6. B-Q8 mate.

J.E.C.G.

8; 8; pp6; 8; Kb3Npl; 7P; 1K6; 4B3

Hampshire leads Cornwall by 8 games to 7 with one for adjudication in the Counties Championship match played on 21st January. Full details (Hampshire names first) :

- Bd.1. P. Littlewood $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Clarke $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.2. M. Thompson $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Kneebone $\frac{1}{2}$;
 Bd.3. J. Corfield 1, D. Saqui 0; Bd.4. M. Newbury 0, J. Anstead 1;
 Bd.5. N. Keene 1, R. Grime 0; Bd.6. D. Beer 1, M. Prettejohn 0;
 Bd.7. I. Stenhouse 1, D. McFarlane 0; Bd.8. I. Sharman 1, K. Gunnell 0;
 Bd.9. L. Walters 0, K. Gay 1; Bd.10. P.L. Marshall $\frac{1}{2}$, M. Clarke $\frac{1}{2}$;
 Bd.11. S. Chivers 0, P. Williams 1; Bd.12. R. Noyce 0, A. Barkhuysen 1;
 Bd.13. S. Cool v. D. Merry adj.; Bd.14. M. Buckmaster 0, J. Menadue 1;
 Bd.15. K. Hancock $\frac{1}{2}$, N. Cummings $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.16. P. Eales 1, J. Nicholas 0.

The score in the Minor Counties match played before Xmas is still Hants $7\frac{1}{2}$, Somerset $7\frac{1}{2}$ with one game for adjudication. Details (Hants names first) :

- M. Meaton 1, D. White 0; R. Noyce $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Woodruff $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Cool 1, D. Gough 0;
 M. Buckmaster 0, D. Wood 1; S. Perry 1, J. Fewkes 0; R. Hartley 1, C. Hill 0;
 M. Jackson 1, R. Cray 0; T. Joslin 0, R. Hirons 1; K. Hancock 0, C. Brooks 1;
 D. Drew 1, R. Bowden 0; S. Bell 0, G. Jepps 1; C. Trotter $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Farndon $\frac{1}{2}$;
 C. O'Bea 0, K. Hillier 1; C. Rice v. R. Maishman adj.; J. Evans $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Holmes $\frac{1}{2}$;
 E. Engert 0, J. Dagnell 1.

The following match results from Division 1 of the Portsmouth & District League, which stem from a number of adjudications now agreed, make it possible to present an up-to-date Table :

FAREHAM A 4, GOSPORT A 2

- (A.F. Brameld $\frac{1}{2}$, J.F.T. Charvill $\frac{1}{2}$; M.L. Newbury 1, J. Coburn 0; M.M. Street $\frac{1}{2}$, P.J. Eales $\frac{1}{2}$; W.H. Silber 1, P. Groth 0; H.A. Tadevossian 0, H.E. Davies 1; D.C. Goddard 1, S.R. Williams 0)

FAREHAM A 3, I.B.M. A 3

- (A.F. Brameld 1, J.F. Wheeler 0; M.L. Newbury $\frac{1}{2}$, W. McDougall $\frac{1}{2}$;
 M.M. Street $\frac{1}{2}$, R.E. Hartley $\frac{1}{2}$; W.H. Silber 0, J.M. Morris 1; R.C. Clark 0,
 C. Mann 1; H.A. Tadevossian 1, I. Upton 0)

GOSPORT A $3\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM A $2\frac{1}{2}$

- (I.A. Stenhouse 1, A.F. Brameld 0; J.F.T. Charvill $\frac{1}{2}$, M.L. Newbury $\frac{1}{2}$;
 J.F. Coles $\frac{1}{2}$, M.M. Street $\frac{1}{2}$; J. Coburn 0, W.H. Silber 1; H.E. Davies 1,
 R.C. Clark 0; C.W. Trotter $\frac{1}{2}$, T.J. de Buriatte $\frac{1}{2}$)

PORTSMOUTH A $4\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM A $1\frac{1}{2}$

- (P. Littlewood 0, A.F. Brameld 1; G.E.J. Lambert 1, M.M. Street 0;
 A.J. Peters 1, W.H. Silber 0; D.J. Scotney 1, T.J. de Buriatte 0; D. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$,
 H.A. Tadevossian $\frac{1}{2}$; M. Cawston 1, D.C. Goddard 0)

FAREHAM A $3\frac{1}{2}$, COMMUNITY CENTRE A $2\frac{1}{2}$

- (A.F. Brameld 1, K.D.F. Gregory 0; M.L. Newbury 1, A.F.C. Carter 0;
 M.M. Street 0, A.R. Cullinane 1; W.H. Silber 1, R.R. Carter 0; D.C. Goddard $\frac{1}{2}$,
 W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$; H.A. Tadevossian 0, P.A. Rayment 1)

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PORTSMOUTH A $4\frac{1}{2}$, COSHAM A $1\frac{1}{2}$

(P. Littlewood 1, A.D. Crossin 0; G.E.J. Lambert 1, I.P. Judd 0;
T.P. Love 1, D. Gibson 0; A.J. Peters 1, S. Dean 0; D.J. Scotney 0,
C.W. Bryan 1; D.C. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$)

TABLE

<u>Division 1</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Portsmouth A	6	6	0	28	8	12
Fareham A	7	3	2	$21\frac{1}{2}$	$20\frac{1}{2}$	8
I.B.M. A	5	3	1	17	13	7
Cosham A	6	1	2	16	20	4
Gosport A	6	1	1	$11\frac{1}{2}$	$24\frac{1}{2}$	3
Community Centre A	6	0	2	14	22	2

The End-game study is by Troitzky and White is to play and win, as follows :-

1. N-K5+ K-Q3 (...K-N3 loses by 2. Q-Q4+ etc; ... K-N2 is answered by
2. Q-B8+; if...K-B4 2. N-Q7+ etc.) 2. N-Q3 Q-B2 (to prevent 3. Q-Q7 mate);
3. Q-Q4+ Q-Q4; 4. Q-B6+ Q-K3; 5. Q-N7 Q-B4; 6. N-B4! (threatening
7. Q-B7 mate) 6...K-B4; 7. Q-B3+ K-N3; 8. Q-B7 mate. A series of weighty waiting moves!

J.E.C.G.

3K4; 8; plk3N1; lp6; 6Q1; lq6; 8; 8

The Portsmouth Chess Congress attracted 146 entries, and by common consent was agreed to be one of the most enjoyable (and certainly the biggest) Congress event organised locally for many years. Leaders in the two sections :

Premier Tournament : Equal first/second - A.J. Whiteley and C.S. Crouch
(with 5½ points from 6 games)

Equal third/fourth - P.E. Littlewood and S. Berry
(5 from 6)

Major Tournament : First - I.A. Welch (5½ from 6)

Equal second/third/fourth - B.A. Jacobs, C.J. Mason
and K. Robbins (5 from 6)

Ian Welch is only 12 years old (which makes his win a remarkable achievement) and Paul Littlewood (himself ranking as a Candidate Master) is the son of British Master J.E. Littlewood.

Match results and current tables in the two middle Divisions of the Portsmouth & District League :

Division 2 : POLYTECHNIC A 2, COSHAM B 4

(J. Lambert 0, D. Smith 1; P. Colwill 1, P.J. Markwell 0; C. O'Bee ½,
A.J. Langley ½; A.C. Grant 0, P.J. McEvoy 1; R.D. Hough ½, T.D. Bell ½;
D. Pennells 0, F. Abercrombie 1)

COSHAM B 3, PORTSMOUTH B 3

(D. Smith 1, T.E. Hollington 0; P.J. McEvoy 0, M.J. Cawston 1; A.J. Langley ½,
R.M. Prince ½; I. Kemp 1, A. Adams 0; P.J. Markwell 0, B. Cochran 1;
T.D. Bell ½, C.J. Powell ½)

COSHAM B 3½, COSHAM C 2½

(D. Smith 1, S. Dean 0; P. McEvoy ½, G. Train ½; A.F. Langley 1, B. Williams 0;
I. Kemp ½, A. Judd ½; P.J. Markwell ½, B. Coppin ½; T.D. Bell 0, A. Bowden 1)

GOSPORT B 2, COMMUNITY CENTRE B 4

(J. Coburn ½, W.D. Muir ½; P. Eales 0, P.A. Rayment 1; P. Groth ½, N. Colter ½;
I. Brewerton 1, K. Reed 0; L. Ward 0, J. Baker 1; W. Portman 0, R. Davis 1)

COSHAM C 3½, COMMUNITY CENTRE B 2½

(S. Dean ½, P.A. Rayment ½; B.C. Coppin 0, K. Reed 1; A. Bowden 0, N. Colter 1;
A. Judd 1, J.G. Hindle 0; G. Train 1, J. Baker 0; S. Wilkinson 1, J. Samson 0)

Division 3 : FAREHAM C 4, POLYTECHNIC B 2

(A.J. Lancaster 0, M. Buckley 1; D.W. Coates 0, P. Sargeant 1; E.N. Judd 1,
R.D. Hough 0; R.A. Kane 1, N. Argent 0; J. Craig 1, P. Hunter 0;
R.A. Goldstone 1, J. Telfer 0)

POLYTECHNIC B 2, LEIGH PARK A 4

(M. Buckley 1, N.G. Le Fevre 0; A. Grant 0, S.D. Le Fevre 1; P. Sargeant 1,
A.D. Harris 0; R.D. Hough 0, R. Smith 1; J. Telfer 0, J. Mortlock 1;
S. Sheehan 0, J.D.J. Gatt 1)

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Division 3 (Continued)GOSPORT C $\frac{1}{2}$, PORTSMOUTH C $5\frac{1}{2}$ (P.J. Groth $\frac{1}{2}$, I.A. Welch $\frac{1}{2}$; M. Smith 0, P.K. Wells 1; P. Curson 0, P. Spurgeon 1; A. Elbourn 0, M. Vernon 1; Mrs. M. Williams 0, G.D. Scotney 1; L. Ward 0, Julia Scotney 1)PORTSMOUTH C $5\frac{1}{2}$, EMSWORTH $\frac{1}{2}$ (C rey Groves 1, V.M. Lawrence 0; P. Spurgeon 1, B. Turner 0; G. Scotney 1, M. Chalmers 0; J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$, B. Cook $\frac{1}{2}$; Terri Ruff 1, T. Barron 0; Tina Ruff 1, W. Knight 0)

GOSPORT C 1, LEIGH PARK A 5

(M. Smith 0, N.G. Le Fevre 1; A. Elbourn 1, S.D. Le Fevre 0; P. Curson 0, A.D. Harris 1; R. Brierly 0, R. Smith 1; L. Ward 0, J. Mortlock 1; J. Hurley 0, J.D.J. Gatt 1)

FAREHAM C 3, PORTSMOUTH C 3

(D.W. Coates 0, P.K. Wells 1; C.V. Fairall 1, I.A. Welch 0; M. Cole 1, P. Spurgeon 0; R.A. Kane 1, M. Vernon 0; E.N. Judd 0, M. Hampton 1; R.A. Goldstone 0, T. Ruff 1)

TABLES

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Division 2</u>						
Cosham B	7	6	1	$27\frac{1}{2}$	$14\frac{1}{2}$	13
Portsmouth B	7	4	1	26	16	9
Polytechnic A	6	4	1	$21\frac{1}{2}$	$14\frac{1}{2}$	9
Community Ctr. B	8	3	1	$22\frac{1}{2}$	$25\frac{1}{2}$	7
Fareham B	7	3	0	20	22	6
Gosport B	7	2	0	18	24	4
Cosham C	8	1	0	$14\frac{1}{2}$	$33\frac{1}{2}$	2
<u>Division 3</u>						
Portsmouth C	7	6	1	31	11	13
Fareham C	8	5	1	$28\frac{1}{2}$	$19\frac{1}{2}$	11
I.B.M. B	7	5	0	28	14	10
Leigh Park A	7	4	0	$26\frac{1}{2}$	$15\frac{1}{2}$	8
Gosport C	8	2	1	15	33	3
Emsworth	7	0	2	10	32	2
Polytechnic B	6	0	1	11	25	1

The Problem this week is a brain-tickler by Gilbert Dobbs. White (to move) mates in four moves. Solution next week.

J.E.C.G.

8; 8; 8; 2Nk4; 4N3; 3p2p1; 8; 3K2Q1

The scores in Hampshire's latest County match stand -

Championship: Hants 6, Devon 6 (with 4 adjudications)
 Minor Counties: Hants 4½, Devon 11½

Local players' individual scores :-

Bd.1. A.F. Brameld (Fareham) v. A.R.B. Thomas, adj.;
 Bd.4. A.R. Cullinane (Portsmouth) 1, D. Richardson 0;
 Bd.8. M.L. Newbury (Fareham) ½, C. Bellers ½;
 Bd.10. I.A. Stenhouse (Gosport) 1, K. Schofield 0;
 Bd.19. R.E. Hartley (I.B.M.) 0, G. Lawrence 1;
 Bd.24. G. Jeftha (I.B.M.) 0, R. Lingham 1.

Isle of Wight play Isle of Man in their second "inter-island" telephone match on 8 boards on Sunday, 5th March. The first match against Shetland Islands was won by 5 games to 2.

Portsmouth Schools League

Match results :-

Division 3A : CITY BOYS A 5, MAYFIELD C 0

(I.A. Welch 1, I.P. Parkin 0; P.A. Hearn 1, J. Bailey 0; R.T. McGuire 1, P. Lemin 0; M.P. Hamorak 1, D. Driscoll 0; M.B. McCall 1, M. Mullin 0)

Division 3B : GREAT SALTERNS D 4½, CITY BOYS B ½

(G.M. Fitzgerald 1, M. Lewry 0; D.L. Wingham 1, P. Clarke 0; L.F. Perkins 1, K. Orchard 0; M.D. Banthorpe ½, N. Haysom ½; P. Creamer 1, I. Whitely 0)

CITY BOYS B 0, ST. LUKE'S B 5
 (No details)

Portsmouth & District League

Results and latest Table in Division 4 :

FAREHAM D 2, PORTSMOUTH D 4

(P. Higdon 0, B.V. Cochran 1; B. Massey 1, A. Ruff 0; R.A. Kane 0, S. Young 1; D. Vail 0, D. Wenman 1; M.J. Hockey 0, Terri Ruff 1; K. Irish 1, T. Baillie 0)

LEIGH PARK B 6, FAREHAM E 0

(A.D. Harris 1, D. Vella 0; R. Smith 1, W.R. Morgan 0; J.D.J. Gatt 1, D. Sheppard 0; S. Dymel 1, J.F. Cope 0; A. Oakes 1, C. Nunn 0; R. Collins 1, Linda Bradbury 0)

PLESSEY 5, DATAWORK 1

(D.G. Foale 1, H. Jones 0; J. Heath 1, G. Mairis 0; R. Armstrong 0, T. Atkinson 1; G. Howells 1, R.G. Dyer 0; C. Thomas 1, D. Alexander 0; D. Bailey 1, D. Richardson 0)

FAREHAM E 4, PORTSMOUTH D 2

(D. Vella 1, R. Riley 0; W.R. Morgan 0, A. Ruff 1; C. Nunn 0, S. Young 1; J.F. Cope 1, D. Wenman 0; T. Birks 1, T. Baillie 0; G. Stent 1, J. Drumond 0)

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TABLE (Division 4)

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Plessey	7	5	2	32	10	12
Leigh Park B	7	5	2	31½	10½	12
Fareham D	7	3	2	26	16	8
Portsmouth D	7	3	0	20	22	6
Fareham E	8	2	0	11½	36½	4
Datawork	6	0	0	5	31	0

This week's diagram shows a composed End Game study by A. S. Seletsky which ends in a spectacular smothered mate on the lines of the well known "Philidor's Legacy". White to move and win as follows :-

1. Q-N5 K-K3+; 2. K-N1 KxP; 3. N-B5+ K-B1; 4. B-R6+ K-N1; 5. Q-N3+ K-R1;
6. B-N7+ BxB; 7. N-Q7 Q-Q1; 8. Q-N8+! QxQ; 9. N-N6 mate.

Solution to last week's "White to move and mate in 4" problem :

1. QxP
 - if 1... Kd4; 2. QxP+ Ke5; 3. Qd2 Kf5; 4. Qg5
 - if 1... Pd2; 2. Qd6+ Kc4; 3. Qd7 Kb4; 4. Qa4
 - if 1... Kc4; 2. Qd6
 - if 1... Kc6; 2. Qd6+

J.E.C.G.

5q2; n2P1k2; 2b5; 8; 8; 3N4; 4BK2; 6Q1

Simon Macaulay defeated M. Read in both games in the play-off to decide the winner of the Hampshire Individual Championship Tournament, and thereby becomes the new County Champion.

Something I had not seen before - the shortest game in which White obtains a stalemate without any piece being captured by either side (i.e. in the opinion of the famous Problemist, Sam Lloyd)

1. P-Q4 P-Q3; 2. Q-Q2 P-K4; 3. P-QR4 P-K5; 4. Q-B4 P-KB4;
5. P-R3 B-K2; 6. Q-R2 B-K3; 7. R-R3 P-B4; 8. R-KN3 Q-R4+; 9. N-Q2
B-R5; 10. P-KB3 B-N6; 11. P-Q5 P-K6; 12. P-QB4 P-KB5 Stalemate

Match results from the Portsmouth & District League :

Division 1 : PORTSMOUTH A 4, I.B.M. A 2

(G.E.J. Lambert $\frac{1}{2}$, W. McDougall $\frac{1}{2}$; A.J. Peters 1, J.M. Morris 0; D.J. Scotney 0, R.E. Hartley 1; D.C. Spurgeon 1, J. Liddell 0; Jane F. Seymour 1, D. Ong 0; M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$, I. Upton $\frac{1}{2}$)

I.B.M. A $4\frac{1}{2}$, COSHAM A $1\frac{1}{2}$

(J.F. Wheeler 1, D. Gibson 0; W. McDougall 1, I.P. Judd 0; J.M. Morris 1, A.D. Crossin 0; R.E. Hartley 1, C.W. Bryan 0; C. Mann 0, D. Smith 1; S. Hicks $\frac{1}{2}$, S. Dean $\frac{1}{2}$)

FAREHAM A 2, PORTSMOUTH A 4

(A.F. Brameld 0, P. Littlewood 1; M.L. Newbury $\frac{1}{2}$, G.E.J. Lambert $\frac{1}{2}$;
W.H. Silber $\frac{1}{2}$, A.J. Peters $\frac{1}{2}$; M.M. Street $\frac{1}{2}$, D.J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$; D.C. Goddard 0,
M.J. Cawston 1, H.A. Tadevossian $\frac{1}{2}$, P.M. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$)

COSHAM A 3, GOSPORT A 3

(A.D. Crossin 0, J.F.T. Charvill 1; D. Smith 1, I.A. Stenhouse 0; S. Dean 0,
J. Coles 1; D. Gibson 0, J. Coburn 1; C. Bryan 1, P.J. Eales 0;
P. McEvoy 1, C.W. Trotter 0)

Division 2 : COSHAM B $3\frac{1}{2}$, POLYTECHNIC A $2\frac{1}{2}$

(D. Smith 0, J. Lambert 1; P. McEvoy $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Colwill $\frac{1}{2}$; A.J. Langley $\frac{1}{2}$,
C. O'Bee $\frac{1}{2}$; I. Kemp 1, S.D. Griffiths 0; P.J. Markwell $\frac{1}{2}$, A.C. Grant $\frac{1}{2}$;
F. Abercrombie 1, R.D. Hough 0)

POLYTECHNIC A 4, PORTSMOUTH B 2

(J.H. Lambert 1, D.J. Scotney 0; P.J. Colwill 1, Sharon Prince 0;
C. O'Bee $\frac{1}{2}$, M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$; A.C. Grant $\frac{1}{2}$, R.M. Prince $\frac{1}{2}$; R. Hough 0,
B.V. Cochran 1; P. Sargeunt 1, S. Young 0)

COSHAM C $2\frac{1}{2}$, GOSPORT B $3\frac{1}{2}$

(B.C. Coppin $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Coles $\frac{1}{2}$; A. Judd 0, J. Coburn 1; G. Train 0, P. Eales 1;
S. Wilkinson 1, C. Smith 0; B. Williams 0, S. Nason 1; T. Woodroffe 1,
S.R. Williams 0)

COMMUNITY CENTRE B $1\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM B $4\frac{1}{2}$

(W.D. Muir 0, M.M. Street 1; P.A. Rayment $\frac{1}{2}$, H.A. Tadevossian $\frac{1}{2}$;
K. Reed 0, D.C. Goddard 1; J.E. Baker 1, A.J. Lancashire 0; N. Colter 0,
C.E. Frazer 1; Default 0, C.V. Fairall 1)

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TABLES

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Division 1 :</u>						
Portsmouth A	8	8	0	36	12	16
I.B.M. A	7	4	1	23½	18½	9
Fareham A	8	3	2	23½	24½	8
Cosham A	8	1	3	20½	27½	5
Gosport A	7	1	2	14½	27½	4
Comm. Ctr. A	6	0	2	14	22	2
<u>Division 2 :</u>						
Cosham B	8	7	1	31	17	15
Polytech. A	8	5	1	28	20	11
Portsmouth B	8	4	1	28	20	9
Fareham B	8	4	0	24½	23½	8
Comm. Ctr. B	9	3	1	24	30	7
Gosport B	8	3	0	21½	26½	6
Cosham B	9	1	0	17	37	2

The following sharp and exciting game is between A.R. Cullinane (Comm.Ctr.) and M.M. Street (Fareham) :

1. P-QB4 N-KB3; 2. N-QB3 P-K3; 3. N-KB3 P-QN3; 4. P-K4 B-N2;
5. P-K5 N-K5; 6. B-Q3 P-KB4; 7. P x P e.p. N x P; 8. N-KN5 B-B4; 9. B x P N x B;
10. Q-R5+ K-K2; 11. Q-B7+ K-Q3; 12. N-N5+ K-B3; 13. Q-B3+ P-Q4;
14. N-B7 Q-B3 (to prevent a Two-Knight mate); 15. Q x Q P x Q; 16. N x R P x P;
17. N-B3 N-Q2; 18. N-N6 R-KN1; 19. N-B4 P-K4; 20. N-Q5 R x NP;
21. N-K3 R-N1; 22. N x BP N(Q2) - B1; 23. K-B1 B-R3; 24. P-Q3 P-N4;
25. N-R5+ K-N3; 26. N-N3 (see diagram) 26...P-N5? 27. N-R4+Resigns.

J.E.C.G.

5 nrl; plp4n; bk3p2; lpblp3; 8; lNNP4; PP3P1P; R1B2K1R

Hampshire has won its Counties Championship match against Wiltshire, as the score stands $9\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$ in our favour with one game for adjudication. Scores of local players taking part :

Bd.1. P. Littlewood (Portsmouth) 1, P. Timson 0; Bd.3. A.R. Cullinane (Comm. Ctr.) $\frac{1}{2}$, A. Millington $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.5. M. Newbury (Fareham) 1, W. Lowe 0; Bd.8. I.A. Stenhouse (Gosport) $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Bradley $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.9. S. Dean (Cosham) 0, N. Freebury 1.

Hampshire could not raise a team and defaulted in the Minor Counties match scheduled to take place the same day.

Portsmouth Chess Club have won the Championship of Division 1 in the Portsmouth & District League and, had not Community Centre snatched a solitary match point from them, they would have completed their programme with the maximum possible.

Cosham B (with 15 points from 9 matches) cannot now be overtaken by their two nearest challengers, Polytechnic A and Portsmouth B, and must therefore be Champions of Division 2.

Results :-

Division 1 : COMMUNITY CENTRE A 4, GOSPORT A 2

(A.F.C. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$, I.A. Stenhouse $\frac{1}{2}$; A.R. Cullinane 0, J.F.T. Charvill 1; W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Coburn $\frac{1}{2}$; R.R. Carter 1, C.W.J. Trotter 0; P.A. Rayment 1, P.J. Eales 0; K. Reed 1, W. Portman 0)

COMMUNITY CENTRE A 3, PORTSMOUTH A 3

(A.R. Cullinane 0, P. Littlewood 1; A.F.C. Carter 1, A.J. Peters 0; W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$, D.J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$; R.R. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$, D.C. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$; P.A. Rayment 1, G.E. Feltham 0; K. Reed 0, P.M. Spurgeon 1)

I.B.M. A $2\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM A $3\frac{1}{2}$

(J.F. Wheeler 0, A.F. Brameld 1; W. McDougal $\frac{1}{2}$, M.L. Newbury $\frac{1}{2}$; J.M. Morris 1, M.M. Street 0; R.E. Hartley 0, W.H. Silber 1; S. Hicks $\frac{1}{2}$, D.C. Goddard $\frac{1}{2}$; A. Mackie $\frac{1}{2}$, H.A. Tadevossian $\frac{1}{2}$)

COSHAM A 4, COMMUNITY CENTRE A 2

(A.D. Crossin 1, A.F.C. Carter 0; D. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$, A.R. Cullinane $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Dean $\frac{1}{2}$, W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$; D. Gibson $\frac{1}{2}$, R.R. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$; I.P. Judd $\frac{1}{2}$, P.A. Rayment $\frac{1}{2}$; P.J. McEvoy 1, N. Colter 0)

GOSPORT A $2\frac{1}{2}$, PORTSMOUTH A $3\frac{1}{2}$

(I.A. Stenhouse 1, A.J. Peters 0; J.F.T. Charvill $\frac{1}{2}$, D.J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$; J. Coles 0, D.C. Spurgeon 1; J. Coburn $\frac{1}{2}$, P.K. Wells $\frac{1}{2}$; C.W. Trotter $\frac{1}{2}$, I.A. Welch $\frac{1}{2}$; H.E. Davies 0, P.M. Spurgeon 1)

Division 2 : COMMUNITY CENTRE A 4, POLYTECHNIC A 2

(W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$, J.H. Lambert $\frac{1}{2}$; P.A. Rayment $\frac{1}{2}$, P.J. Colwill $\frac{1}{2}$; K. Reed 1, C. O'Bee 0; J. Baker 1, A.C. Grant 0; D. Smith 0, J. Torrealba 1; N. Colter 1, N.D. Argent 0)

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GOSPORT B 2, FAREHAM B 4

(J. Coburn 1, H.A. Tadevossian 0; P. Groth 0, J.E.C. Grant 1; M. Smith 1, D.C. Goddard 0; H.S. White 0, R.C. Clark 1; P. Curson 0, A.J. Lancashire 1; A. Elbourne 0, M. Cole 1)

POLYTECHNIC A 3, COSHAM C 3

(J.H. Lambert 1, B.C. Coppin 0; P.J. Colwill 0, A. Bowden 1; C. O'Bee 0, A. Judd 1; A.C. Grant 1, G. Train 0; R. Hough 0, S. Wilkinson 1; P. Sargeant 1, T. Woodroffe 0)

PORTSMOUTH B 3, GOSPORT B 3

(G.E. Feltham 0, J. Coburn 1; M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$, P.J. Eales $\frac{1}{2}$; R.M. Prince $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Groth $\frac{1}{2}$; P.M. Spurgeon 1, S. Williams 0; B.V. Cochran 0, P. Curson 1; C.J. Powell 1, A. Elbourne 0)

PORTSMOUTH B 3 $\frac{1}{2}$, COSHAM B 2 $\frac{1}{2}$

(G.E. Feltham 1, D. Smith 0; D.J. Scotney 1, T.D. Bell 0; M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$, I. Kemp $\frac{1}{2}$; R.M. Prince 0, A.F. Langley 1; B.V. Cochran 0, P. Markwell 1; D. Harold 1, F. Abercrombie 0).

Paul Littlewood of Portsmouth Chess Club (Grade 215) and Arthur Brameld of Fareham (Grade 191) have now met twice at top board of their respective 'A' teams and the score stands 1-1. Here is the first game which Arthur won :

1. P-K4 P-QB4; 2. N-KB3 N-QB3; 3. P-Q4 PxP; 4. NxP N-B3; 5. N-QB3 P-K4;
 6. N(4)-N5 P-Q3; 7. B-N5 P-QR3; 8. BxN PxB; 9. N-R3 P-QN4; 10. N-Q5 P-B4;
 11. B-Q3 B-K3; 12. P-QB4 NPxP; 13. NxP BxN; 14. PxB N-Q5; 15. Q-R4+ K-K2;
 16. 0-0 B-N2; 17. KR-K1 KR-N1; 18. NxKP PxN; 19. QxN P-K5; 20. Q-B5+?
 Q-Q3; 21. Q-R5 B-K4; 22. QR-B1 KR-Q1?; 23. R-B6 BxP+; 24. K-R1 Q-N1;
 25. Q-R3+ B-Q3; 26. Q-B3 P-B3; 27. P-B3 B-K4; 28. Q-B5+ B-Q3; 29. Q-B4 K-B1;
 30. PxP QxP and with '30 moves on the clock', Black resigns - see diagram.
 A Battle of the Giants!

J.E.C.G.

r2rlk2; 7p; plRblp2; 3Plp2; 2Q1P3; 3B4; Pq 4P1; 4R2K

Full details are not yet available, but it would appear that whereas Hampshire's Girls' team retained their title as West of England Champions in the Union Junior Jamboree held at Ilminster, the Boys (subject to adjudication) look likely to lose for the first time for a number of years.

Portsmouth C have won the Third Division title in the Portsmouth & District League but any one of three teams could be runners-up.

Results :

PORTSMOUTH C 3½, I.B.M. B 2½

(P.K. Wells 0, S. Hicks 1; I.A. Welch 1, G. Jeftha 0; P. Spurgeon ½, I. Upton ½; M. Vernon 1, D. Ong 0; G. Scotney 1, C. Mann 0; M. Hampton 0, J. Liddell 1)

GOSPORT C 2, I.B.M. B 4

(P. Groth 0, I. Upton 1; M. Smith 0, G. Jeftha 1; A. Elbourne 0, J. Liddell 1; P. Curson 1, D. Ong 0; S. Williams 1, S. Hicks 0; T. Stephenson 0, B. Pratt 1)

POLYTECHNIC B 3½, FAREHAM C 2½

(M. Buckley 0, C.V. Fairall 1; A.C. Grant ½, M. Cole ½; P. Sargeaunt 1, D. Coates 0; R. Hough 1, R.A. Kane 0; D. Pennells 1, R.A. Goldstone 0; N.D. Argent 0, J. Craig 1)

FAREHAM C 4½, GOSPORT C 1½

(M. Cole 0, P. Groth 1; C.V. Fairall 1, M. Smith 0; D. Coates 1, A. Elbourne 0; R. Kane 1, P. Curson 0; J. Craig ½, S. Williams ½; K.J. Dean 1, L. Ward 0)

PORTSMOUTH C 3½, LEIGH PARK A 2½

(P.K. Wells ½, N.C. Le Fevre ½; I.A. Welch 1, S.D. Le Fevre 0; P. Spurgeon 0, A.D. Harris 1; M. Vernon 1, R. Smith 0; G. Scotney 0, J. Mortlock 1; M. Hampton 1, J.D.J. Gatt 0)

POLYTECHNIC B 1, PORTSMOUTH C 5

(M. Buckley 0, P.K. Wells 1; P. Sargeaunt 0; I.A. Welch 1; R. Hough 0, P. Spurgeon 1; D. Pennells ½, M. Vernon ½; N.D. Argent ½, G. Scotney ½; J. Telfer 0, Julia Scotney 1)

LEIGH PARK A 6, EMSWORTH 0

(N.C. Le Fevre 1, V.M. Lawrence 0; S.D. Le Fevre 1, B. Turner 0; A.D. Harris 1, P. Durkee 0; R. Smith 1, T. Barrow 0; J. Mortlock 1, M. Chalmers 0; J.D.J. Gatt 1, P. Popes 0)

LEIGH PARK A 4½, POLYTECHNIC B 1½

(N.C. Le Fevre ½, M. Buckley ½; A.D. Harris ½, P. Sargeaunt ½; R. Smith 1, D. Pennells 0; J. Mortlock ½, N. Argent ½; J.D.J. Gatt 1, S. Sheehan 0; S. Dymel 1, J. Telfer 0)

I.B.M. B 4½, POLYTECHNIC B 1½

(S. Hicks ½, M. Buckley ½; G. Jeftha 0, P. Sargeaunt 1; J. Liddell 1, D. Pennells 0; C. Mann 1, N.D. Argent 0; H. Oakley 1, P. Hunter 0; D. Garwood 1, J. Telfer 0)

EMSWORTH 1½, PORTSMOUTH C 4½

(V.M. Lawrence ½, I.A. Welch ½; R. Dumont 0, P. Spurgeon 1; P. Durkee 0, G. Scotney 1; B. Cook 0, M. Vernon 1; P. Pope 0, M. Hampton 1; T. Russell 1, C. Smith 0)

TABLE (Division 3)

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Portsmouth C	11	10	1	47½	18½	21
I. B. M. B	10	7	0	39	21	14
Fareham C	10	6	1	35½	24½	13
Leigh Park A	10	6	0	39½	20½	12
Gosport C	10	2	1	18½	41½	5
Polytechnic B	10	1	1	18½	41½	3
Emsworth	9	0	2	11½	42½	2

Note to Match Captains of teams in the National Club Championships; if you were to send me detailed scores, I would be glad to publish them. Meanwhile, here are the match scores obtained from the B.C.F. Newsletter :

Round 2: Parkstone 2½, Portsmouth 3½

Round 3: Portsmouth 5, Cosham 1

Round 4: Oxford University II 3½, Portsmouth 2½

Plate Tournament : Round 1: Fareham 1½, R.A.E. Farnborough 4½

The following are the final five moves from the classic game between Zukertort and Blackburne, starting from the diagrammed position :

28. Q-N4! (Steinitz says "Really a glorious move")

28...R(B1) - B4 (the acceptance of the Queen would have led to a forced mate in 7 moves!)

29. R-B8+! KxP; (29...QxR also leads to mate by White)

30. QxP+ K-N2; 31. BxP+ KxR; 32. B-N7+ Resigns.

J.E.C.G.

2r4k; pb2q2P; 1p6; 3Pp3; 4p3; 1P2R3; PBrQ2PP; 5RK1

We have a triple-tie at the end of the 7th and final round of the Portsmouth & District Individual Championship, between P.E. Littlewood, D. Smith and P.K. Wells (all with 6 points) and a play-off will be necessary. It was unfortunate that Paul Littlewood was forced to default in this round due to serious illness in his fiancée's family.

Winner of the Under-16 Hampshire Championship (Russell Trophy) was also P.K. Wells (5/6), with 4½ points from I.A. Welch, S.D. Bell, Carey Groves and I.J. Upton, and 3½ points from P.M. Spurgeon, J.A. Forder, M.E. Vernon and C. Smith. The Under-14 Girls County Championship (Jane Seymour Cup) was won by Julia Scotney (5½), followed by Terri Ruff (4½), Karen Illidge (4) and Emma Dove and Rachel Rutter (3½).

More news from the Juniors; Great Salterns are through to the final section of the Sunday Times National Schools Tournament, as although they lost the match against Godalming College by 2½ - 3½, they won on handicap (difference of three years in the average ages of the players). Detailed scores (Gt. Salterns names first) :

D.C. Spurgeon ½, T. Williams ½; S.J. George ½, N. Bowley ½; R.S. Hasselby 0, J. Shipley 1; J.L. Malley 1, T. Christmas 0; M.G. Collier 0, C. Hall 1; G.M. Fitzgerald ½, J. Hibbert ½)

Two match results from the Portsmouth Schools' League :

Division 3A : GREAT SALTERNS C 1, ST. JOHN'S C 4

(D.I. Smith 0, P.K. Wells 1; J.L. Malley 0, M.D. Smith 1; M.G. Collier 0, M.E. Vernon 1; G.M. Fitzgerald 0, M.J.P. Hampton 1; D.J. Alexander 1, T.R. Vernon 0)

Division 3B : GREAT SALTERNS D 2, WATERLOCVILLE LIBRARY 3

(G.M. Fitzgerald 0, Tina Ruff 1; D.L. Wingham 0, Trevor Ruff 1; L.F. Perkins 0, Nathan Ruff 1; B. Turner 1, P.M. Watkins 0; P. Stephens 1, Karen Illidge 0)

Results and latest Table from Division 4 of the Portsmouth League are as under.

Discerning readers will observe that John Jones, who has for some years been lost by Chess to the world of Bridge, has returned at top board for Datawork.

DATAWORK 2, LEIGH PARK B 4

(J.H. Jones 1, A.D. Harris 0; T. Atkinson 0, J. Mortlock 1; G. Mairis 0, J.D.J. Gatt 1; G. Potter 0, R. Smith 1; A. Frost 0, S. Dymel 1; M. Keating 1, R. Collins 0)

FAREHAM D 1½, LEIGH PARK B 4½

(P. Higdon 1, A.D. Harris 0; B. Massey 0, R. Smith 1; M.J. Hockey 0, J. Mortlock 1; R. Burstow ½, S. Dymel ½; D. Vail 0, J.D.J. Gatt 1; K. Irish 0, E. Poliszczuk 1)

PORTSMOUTH D 1½, PLESSEY 4½

(S. Young 0, E. Azulay 1; J. Drummond 0, D.G. Foale 1; D. Wenman ½, J. Heath ½; H. McDonald 1, R. Armstrong 0; R. Hopkinson 0, C. Thomas 1; T. Blewdon 0, G. Howells 1)

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PORTSMOUTH D $3\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM D $2\frac{1}{2}$

(N. Purchase $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Higdon $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Young 1, B. Massey 0; N. Miller 1, D. Coward 0; D. Wenham 0, D. Vail 1; J. Drummond 1, R. Burstow 0; - Tozer 0, J. Bennett 1)

TABLE
(Division 4)

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Leigh Park B	9	7	2	40	14	16
Plessey	8	6	2	$36\frac{1}{2}$	$11\frac{1}{2}$	14
Fareham D	9	3	2	30	24	8
Portsmouth D	9	4	0	25	29	8
Fareham E	8	2	0	$11\frac{1}{2}$	$36\frac{1}{2}$	4
Data work	7	0	0	7	35	0

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J.E.C.G.

2kq2r1; 1plr1p2; p7; 2p2N1p; P1Q1PP2; 2P5; 8; RR5K

C H E S S N O T E S

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Hampshire lost both its final inter-County matches of the season against Gloucestershire by $4\frac{1}{2} - 8\frac{1}{2}$ (+ 3 A) Championship and $5\frac{1}{2} - 8\frac{1}{2}$ (+ 2 A) Minor Counties. Scores of local players :-

- Bd.1. P. Littlewood (Portsmouth v. M.E. Binks adj.);
- Bd.2. A.F. Brameld (Fareham) $\frac{1}{2}$, J.M. Aitken $\frac{1}{2}$;
- Bd.5. A.R. Cullinane (Portsmouth) $\frac{1}{2}$, M.E. Brigdon $\frac{1}{2}$;
- Bd.9. M. Newbury (Fareham) 0, J.M. Will 1;
- Bd.22. J.F.T. Charvill (Gosport) 0, K.W. Derrick 1;
- Bd.26. C. O'Bee (Polytechnic) v. P. Dodwell adj.;
- Bd.27. C.W.J. Trotter (Gosport) 1, R. Cleaver 0;
- Bd.29. J.A. Coburn (Gosport) 1, C. Bowley 0;
- Bd.32 S. Le Fevre (Leigh Park) 1, D. Spencer 0.

The following match results are from the Portsmouth Middle Schools Under-12 League Tournament :

COPNOR 4, LANGSTONE 1

(R. Wilson 1, T. Phillips 0; C. Hall 1, L. Mellor 0; G. Conlon 0, S. Moore 1; P. Baker 1, R. Wimbleton 0; R. McCormick 1, S. Bowers 0)

COPNOR 2, CUMBERLAND 3

(R. Wilson 0, R. Walker 1; C. Hall 0, S. Harrington 1; G. Conlon 1, Jeanette Lewis 0; P. Baker 0, I. Kendall 1; R. McCormick 1, G. Thompson 0)

CUMBERLAND 3, LANGSTONE 2

(Janette Lewis 0, T. Phillips 1; S. Harrington 1, I. Robins 0; I. Kendall 1, S. Moore 0; A. Gilbert 0, L. Mellor 1; G. Thompson 1, S. Bowers 0)

COPNOR $1\frac{1}{2}$, NORTHGATE $3\frac{1}{2}$

(R. Wilson $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Churchill $\frac{1}{2}$; C. Hall 0, P. Newnham 1; G. Conlon 0, A. Eddles 1; P. Baker 0, P. Wheatcroft 1; R. McCormick 1, P. Turner 0)

ST. SWITHUN'S $4\frac{1}{2}$, WESTFIELD $\frac{1}{2}$

(D. Sparkes 1, A. Butcher 0; J. Gosling 1, M. Burge 0; T. Sparkes 1, M. Wiseman 0; M. Gosling $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Barratt $\frac{1}{2}$; J. Murray 1, J. Simmons 0)

NORTHGATE 5, LANGSTONE 0

(D. Monk 1, T. Phillips 0; R. Atkin 1, K. Brooks 0; P. Newnham 1, S. Moore 0; A. Eddles 1, L. Mellor 0; R. Churchill 1, D. Savage 0)

GROVE 3, COURT LANE 2

(G.D. Scotney 1, A. Sanson 0; S. Billcliffe 0, A. Glenny 1; R. Jones 1, G. Robson 0; J. Taw 1, J. Swindell 0; M. Browd 0, A. Frazer 1)

WESTFIELD 0, NORTHGATE 5

(T. Harthill 0, D. Monk 1; M. Burge 0, R. Atkin 1; M. Wiseman 0, P. Newnham 1; N. Weston 0, A. Eddles 1; J. Simmons 0, R. Churchill 1)

LANGSTONE 2, ST. SWITHUN'S 3

(T. Phillips 0, D. Sparkes 1; Karen Brooks 0, T. Sparkes 1; S. Moore 1, J. Gosling 0; L. Mellor 1, A. Atanasio 0; S. Bowers 0, M. Gosling 1)

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Details of Portsmouth Chess Club's matches in the National Club Championship :-

Round 2 : PORTSMOUTH $3\frac{1}{2}$, PARKSTONE $2\frac{1}{2}$

(P. Littlewood 1, S. Street 0; G. Lambert 1, R. Mann 0; A. Cullinane 1, Dr. P. Merritt 0; D. Scotney 0, -Shutzer 1; D. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$, M.J. Roth $\frac{1}{2}$; J. Adams 0, W. Wilson 1)

Round 3 : PORTSMOUTH 5, COSHAM 1

(P. Littlewood 1, D. Gibson 0; G. Lambert 1, I. Judd 0; A. Cullinane 1, A.D. Crossin 0; A.J. Peters 1, D. Smith 0; D. Scotney 0, S. Dean 1; D. Spurgeon 1, C. Bryan 0)

Round 4 : PORTSMOUTH $2\frac{1}{2}$, OXFORD UNIVERSITY II $3\frac{1}{2}$

(G. Lambert 1, P. Varley 0; A. Cullinane 0, S. Finn 1; D. Spurgeon 1, B. Andrews 0; D. Scotney 0, M. Watson 1; M. Cawston 0, D. Lawson 1; J. Seymour $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Botham $\frac{1}{2}$)

It was unfortunate that Portsmouth were without Paul Littlewood and A.J. Peters in that fourth round match, otherwise they might have gone further in this strong competition.

The Junior Dupree Boys' Tournament has been completed, with Philip Spurgeon gaining first prize with $5\frac{1}{2}$ points from 6 games. Equal second were Peter Wells, Gary Scotney, Jeffrey Baillie and Robert Wilson.

Special prizes were won by Michael Vernon (Under-12), Trevor Ruff (Under-11) and James Langford, Andrew Dale and John Foster sharing in the Under-10. 55 competitors took part.

The diagrammed position is a Two-move Problem by E. Palkoska which has a startling key-move and four unexpected model mates. Solution next week.

J.E.C.G.

4Q3; 4PPp1; p3k3; 2K2pP1; 5p2; 1b6; 8; 8.

CHESS NOTES

17th April, 1978

Final scores by the Counties taking part in the W.E.C.U. Junior Jamboree were

1st	Somerset	8½ points
2nd	Devon	7 points
3rd	Hants	6½ points
4th	Dorset	6 points
5th	Cornwall	5½ points
6th	Glos.	6 points
7th	Wilts	3½ points

In the girls' tournament, scores were

1st	Hants	4 points
2nd	Glos.	3 points
3rd	Dorset	2 points

Apart from the match result Cosham B v Fareham B, which is still subject to the adjudication of one game, the programme in Divisions 1 and 2 of the Portsmouth & District League is now complete. Match results and Tables :

Division 1 : COMMUNITY CENTRE A 2½, I.B.M. A 3½

(A.F.C. Carter 0, W. McDougall 1; A.R. Cullinane 1, J.F. Wheeler 0; K.D.F. Gregory ½, J.M. Morris ½; W.D. Muir 0, R.E. Hartley 1; R.R. Carter 0, C. Mann 1; P.A. Rayment 1, A. Mackie 0)

COSHAM A 4½, FAREHAM A 1½

(A.D. Crossin 1, A.F. Brameld 0; D. Smith 1, M.L. Newbury 0; C.W. Bryan 0, M.M. Street 1; S. Dean 1, W.H. Silber 0; D. Gibson ½, D.C. Goddard ½; I.P. Judd 1, H.A. Tadevossian 0)

GOSPORT A 4, I.B.M. A 2

(J.F.T. Charvill 0, W. McDougall 1; J. Coburn 1, J.F. Wheeler 0; P. Groth 0, J.M. Morris 1; C. Trotter 1, S. Hicks 0; W.J.E. Yeeles 1, J. Liddell 0; F.C. Leech 1, A. Mackie 0)

This last result sees the welcome re-appearance of Jim Yeeles in his first match this season after a serious operation.

Division 2 : FAREHAM B 3½, POLYTECHNIC A 2½

(W.H. Silber 1, J.H. Lambert 0; M.M. Street 1, P.J. Colwill 0; J.E.C. Grant 0, C. O'Bee 1; H.A. Tadevossian ½, P. Sargeaunt ½; R.C. Clark 0, N.D. Argent 1; D.C. Goddard 1, default 0)

COMMUNITY CENTRE B 2, COSHAM B 4

(W.D. Muir ½, D. Smith ½; P.A. Rayment ½, P. McEvoy ½; N. Colter 0, I. Kemp 1; J. Baker ½, A.F. Langley ½; J. Samson 0, P. Markwell 1; K. Reed ½, T.D. Bell ½)

COSHAM C 3, PORTSMOUTH B 3

(S. Dean 1, R. Prince 0; B.C. Coppin 1, B. Cochran 0; A. Bowden 0, P. Spurgeon 1; A. Judd 0, C.J. Powell 1; G. Train 1, S. Young 0; S. Wilkinson 0, N. Miller 1)

POLYTECHNIC A 1, GOSPORT B 5

(J.H. Lambert 0, J. Coburn 1; P.J. Colwill 0, P.J. Eales 1; C. O'Bee 0, P. Groth 1; A.C. Grant ½, S. Nason ½; P. Sargeaunt ½, M. Smith ½; Default 0, P.F. Curson 1)

Division 2 (Continued) :

GOSPORT B 2, COSHAM B 4

(J. Coburn 0, P. McEvoy 1; P.J. Eales 1, A.J. Langley 0; P. Groth 0, P.J. Markwell 1; P.F. Curson 0, I. Kemp 1; F. Leach 1, T.D. Bell 0; A. Elbourne 0, F. Abercrombie 1)

PORTSMOUTH B 3, COMMUNITY CENTRE B 3

(D.J. Scotney 1, W.D. Muir 0; Sharon Prince $\frac{1}{2}$, P.A. Rayment $\frac{1}{2}$; M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$, G. Hindle $\frac{1}{2}$; P.M. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$, K. Reed $\frac{1}{2}$; N. Miller $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$; B.V. Cochran 0, N. Colter 1)

FAREHAM B 2, COSHAM C 4

(J.E.C. Grant 0, S. Dean 1; H.A. Tadevossian 0, B.C. Coppin 1; D.C. Goddard $\frac{1}{2}$, A. Bowden $\frac{1}{2}$; A.J. Lancashire 1, A. Judd 0; C. Pairall 0, G. Train 1; C. Frazer $\frac{1}{2}$, T. Woodroffe $\frac{1}{2}$)

TABLES

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I.B.M. A	10	5	1	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	11
Fareham A	10	4	2	28 $\frac{1}{2}$	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	10
Cosham A	10	3	3	29	31	9
Gosport A	10	2	2	23	37	6
Community Centre A	10	1	3	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	5
Division 2 :						
Cosham B	11	9	1	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	19
Portsmouth B	12	5	4	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	14
Fareham B	11	6	0	34	32	12
Polytechnic A	12	5	2	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	12
Community Centre B	12	4	2	33	39	10
Gosport B	12	4	1	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	9
Cosham C	12	2	2	27	45	6

Solution to last week's "White to move and mate in 2" problem : 1. Q-N5 (key)

if 1...PxQ; 2. P-K8 = Q

if 1...KxKP; 2. Q-K8

if 1...KxBP; 2. P-K8 = Q

if 1...K-K4; 2. Q-K2

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2kq2rl; lplrlp2; p7; 2p2N1p; PlQ1PP2; 2P5; 8; RR5K

M. Cole

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Play in Division 4 of the Portsmouth & District League is complete, with Plessey worthy winners in their first competitive season. Two matches in Division 3 (Leigh Park A v I.B.M. B and I.B.M. B v Emsworth) await the Adjudicator's decision.

Results and latest Tables of these two lower Divisions :-

Division 3 : LEIGH PARK A 5, FAREHAM C 1

(N.G. Le Fevre 1, C. Fairall 0; S.D. Le Fevre 1, M. Cole 0; A.D. Harris 1, D. Coates 0; R. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Kane $\frac{1}{2}$; J. Mortlock 1, R. Goldstone 0; J.D.J. Gatt $\frac{1}{2}$, K. Dean $\frac{1}{2}$)

GOSPORT C 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, POLYTECHNIC B 3 $\frac{1}{2}$

(P. Groth 0, M. Buckley 1; M. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Sargeaunt $\frac{1}{2}$; P. Curson 0, P. Hunter 1; A. Elbourne 0, J. Telfer 1; S. Williams 1, default 0; L. Ward 1, default 0)

PORTSMOUTH C 5 $\frac{1}{2}$, GOSPORT C $\frac{1}{2}$

(P. Wells 1, P. Groth 0; P. Spurgeon 1, M. Smith 0; M. Vernon 1, P. Curson 0; G. Scotney 1, A. Elbourne 0; M. Hampton $\frac{1}{2}$, S. Williams $\frac{1}{2}$; C. Smith 1, L. Ward 0)

POLYTECHNIC B 4 $\frac{1}{2}$, EMSWORTH 1 $\frac{1}{2}$

(M. Buckley 1, V.M. Lawrence 0; Default $\frac{1}{2}$, Default $\frac{1}{2}$; P. Sargeaunt 0, B. Turner 1; R. Hough 1, P. Durkee 0; N. Argent 1, T. Russell 0; J. Telfer 1, W. Knight 0)

EMSWORTH 1, FAREHAM C 5

(V.M. Lawrence 1, R. Kane 0; B. Turner 0, M. Cole 1; P. Durkee 0, D. Coates 1; M. Chalmers 0, C. Fairall 1; T. Russell 0, J. Craig 1; W. Knight 0, K. Dean 1)

Division 4 : FAREHAM E 4, DATAWORK 2

(D. Vella 1, G.V. Mairis 0; Carol Mitchell 1, R. Barnett 0; C. Nunn 1, T. Atkinson 0; G. Stent 1, D. Alexander 0; Susan Bradberry 0, G. Potter 1; G. Cawte 0, A. Frost 1)

DATAWORK 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM D 3 $\frac{1}{2}$

(G.V. Mairis 0, P. Higdon 1; R. Barnett 0, B. Massey 1; G. Potter 1, R. Burstow 0; T. Atkinson $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Vail $\frac{1}{2}$; D. Alexander 0, T. Marsh 1; D. Richardson 1, J. Bennett 0)

PLESSEY 6, FAREHAM E 0

(E. Azulay 1, D. Vella 0; D. Foale 1, W. Morgan 0; J. Heath 1, Carol Mitchell 0; G. Howells 1, J. Cope 0; R. Armstrong 1, D. Shepherd 0; C. Thomas 1, C. Nunn 0)

LEIGH PARK B 2 $\frac{1}{2}$, PLESSEY 3 $\frac{1}{2}$

(A.D. Harris $\frac{1}{2}$, F. Dingwall $\frac{1}{2}$; R. Smith 1, R.T.F. Williams 0; J. Mortlock 0, E. Azulay 1; J.D.J. Gatt 0, D.G. Foale 1; S. Dymel 1, J. Heath 0; E. Poliszczuk 0, G. Howells 1)

DATAWORK 3, PORTSMOUTH D 3

(J.H. Jones 1, J. Drummond 0; G. Potter 0, H. McDonald 1; G. Mairis 0, S. Young 1; T. Atkinson 1, T. Blewdon 0; D.R. Richardson 1, G. Brown 0; D. Alexander 0, N. Moody 1)

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The three remaining match results in the Portsmouth and District League were :

Division 2 : COSHAM B 3, FAREHAM B 3

(P. McEvoy 0, W.H. Silber 1; I. Kemp 1, J.E.C. Grant 0; A.F. Langley $\frac{1}{2}$, D.C. Goddard $\frac{1}{2}$; P. Markwell $\frac{1}{2}$, H.A. Tadevossian $\frac{1}{2}$; T.D. Bell 0, A.J. Lancashire 1; F. Abercrombie 1, C. Frazer 0)

Division 3 : I.B.M. B $5\frac{1}{2}$, EMSWORTH $\frac{1}{2}$

(I. Upton 1, L.M. Lawrence 0; G. Jeftha 1, P. Durkee 0; J. Liddell 1, B. Cook 0; A. Mackie 1, M. Chalmers 0; H. Oakley $\frac{1}{2}$, T. Russell $\frac{1}{2}$; D. Garwood 1, W. Knight 0)

I.B.M. B 4, LEIGH PARK A 2

(S. Hicks $\frac{1}{2}$, N.G. Le Fevre $\frac{1}{2}$; A. Mackie 1, S.D. Le Fevre 0; I. Upton 1, A.D. Harris 0; G. Jeftha 0, R. Smith 1; J. Liddell $\frac{1}{2}$, J.R. Mortlock $\frac{1}{2}$; H. Oakley 1, J.D.J. Gatt 0)

FINAL TABLES

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Division 2</u>						
Cosham B	12	9	2	44 $\frac{1}{2}$	27 $\frac{1}{2}$	20
Portsmouth B	12	5	4	40 $\frac{1}{2}$	31 $\frac{1}{2}$	14
Fareham B	12	6	1	37	35	13
Polytechnic A	12	5	2	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	12
Community Centre B	12	4	2	33	39	10
Gosport B	12	4	1	33 $\frac{1}{2}$	38 $\frac{1}{2}$	9
Cosham C	12	2	2	27	45	6
<u>Division 3</u>						
Portsmouth C	12	11	1	53	19	23
I.B.M. B	12	9	0	48 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	18
Fareham C	12	7	1	41 $\frac{1}{2}$	30 $\frac{1}{2}$	15
Leigh Park A	12	7	0	46 $\frac{1}{2}$	25 $\frac{1}{2}$	14
Polytechnic B	12	3	1	26 $\frac{1}{2}$	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	7
Gosport C	12	2	1	21 $\frac{1}{2}$	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	5
Emsworth	12	0	2	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	57 $\frac{1}{2}$	2

The following game is the second by Warwick Silber against the Computer Chessplayer, this time with the machine set on Grade 3. The first 10 moves were identical with the game published last week, as Warwick wished to see when the machine would deviate. This was on move 11, when it sensed danger and retreated the Bishop.

1. P-K4 P-K4; 2. N-KB3 N-QB3; 3. P-QR3 N-B3; 4. P-Q4 P-Q3; 5. P-Q5 N-K2;
6. N-B3 B-Q2; 7. B-KN5 P-KR3; 8. BxN PxB; 9. B-Q3 R-KN1; 10. N-KR4 B-N5;
11. P-B3 B-Q2; 12. Q-Q2 Q-B1; 13. O-O-O N-N3; 14. NxN RxN (a difficult decision for the machine!); 15. KR-B1 B-K2; 16. P-B4 B-N5; 17. QR-K1 P-N3;
18. PxP QPxP?; 19. B-N5+ K-B1; 20. B-B6 QR-N1; 21. N-N5 P-R3;
22. N-R7 Q-Q1; 23. P-R3 B-Q2; 24. R-K3 B-QB4! (24...BxB would have allowed

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the N fork); 25. QR-KB3 P-N4!; 26. BxB BxN; 27. B-B5 R-N5; 28. P-KR4 R-R5 (the machine obviously lacks positional knowledge); 29. P-KN3 Q-K2 (see diagram); 30. B-N4 R-N4; 31. PxR RPxP; 32. Q-R2 Q-Q3 (the only move); 33. B-K6 PxB; 34. RxP+ K-K2; 35. R-B7+ K-Q1; 36. Q-R8+ Q-B1; 37. QxQ mate.

Because the Annual General Meeting of the Hampshire Chess Association is being held at Fareham Chess Club on Tuesday, 23rd May, the Portsmouth & District League Lightning Team Tournament due to be held on that night has been postponed until Tuesday, 6th June.

J.E.C.G.

lr3k2; blplqp2; p4plp; lplPpBlr; 4P2P; P4RP1; 1PPQ4; 2K2R2

C H E S S N O T E S

8th May, 1978

Hampshire's Girls team missed what was probably their best chance ever of becoming National Junior Champions in the B.C.F. Finals played at Birmingham. Both Surrey and Warwick were without their regular top boards and our number one board made an uncharacteristic blunder to lose her game. Lancs were then successful in their claim on an adjudication against Surrey and Hants eventually were beaten into second place on board count. A sad little story, indeed. Detailed scores :

Bd.1. Jane Seymour 0, Angela Eagle (Lancs) 1; Bd.2. Carey Groves 1, Sarah Churchill (Surrey) 0; Bd.3. Sharon Prince 1, Sarah Coupe (Warwick) 0; Bd.4. Julia Scotney 0, Mina Eaves (Warwick) 1; Bd.5. Terri Ruff 1, Caroline Lane (Surrey) 0; Bd.6. Tina Ruff 1, Elizabeth Lee (Lancs) 0.

In the play-off for the Individual Championship of the Portsmouth & District League the results were Littlewood 2, Wells 0; Littlewood 2, Smith 0; Smith 1½, Wells ½. Paul Littlewood thus deservedly becomes the 1977/78 Champion.

A Friendly match between Fareham Chess Club and the newly formed Co-op Chess Club resulted in a decisive win for the visitors by 9 games to 5. Fareham fielded a weak team made up of ungraded players but Co-op's performance was nevertheless praiseworthy. Scores :

Bd.1	D. Coates	0	P. McEvoy	1
Bd.2	S. Gainey	0	T.E. Hollington	1
Bd.3	R. Burstow	½	A. Ruff	½
Bd.4	J.F. Cope	½	S. Russell	½
Bd.5	J.M. Bennett	0	H. Hills	1
Bd.6	N. Bradbury	0	Terri Ruff	1
Bd.7	P. Webb	0	D. Wenman	1
Bd.8	E.N. Judd	1	Tina Ruff	0
Bd.9	G. Cawte	0	T. Baillie	1
Bd.10	S. Bradberry	0	C. Tullett	1
Bd.11	T. Hill	1	J. Barr	0
Bd.12	A. Cripps	0	R. Colliss	1
Bd.13	L. Bradberry	1	P. Gonnella	0
Bd.14	D. Thorne	1	D. Embling	0
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Match results from the Under-11 section of the Portsmouth Middle Schools League :-

PURBROOK JUNIOR 4, HART PLAIN 1

(B. Morris 1, A. Tucker 0; D. Baxter 0, D. Elson 1; Gillian Morris 1, A. Cikthup 0; F. Middleton 1, D. Clark 0; T. Nicholson 1, J. Summers 0)

NAPIER 1, PURBROOK JUNIOR 4

(A. Thornhill 0, B. Morris 1; Helen Mitchley 0, Gillian Morris 1; K. Vasey 1, D. Baxter 0; P. French 0, F. Middleton 1; J. Scammells 0, T. Nicholson 1)

HART PLAIN 3, ST. JOHN'S 2

(A. Tucker 1, A. Daly 0; D. Elson 1, S. Johnson 0; A. Colthup 0, W. Houseley 1; D. Clark 0, J. Brading 1; J. Oldaker 1, J. Cook 0)

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HORNDDEAN 3, WAITE END 2

(N. Blick 0, S. Evans 1; N. Millard 1, Lindsay Knight 0; C. Pink 1, N. Gardner 0;
K. McPhee 1, C. Rigelsford 0; N. Atha 0, T. Guit 1)

HORNDDEAN 4, PURBROOK JUNIOR 1

(N. Blick 1, D. Baxter 0; N. Millard 1, Gillian Morris 0; C. Pink 0, B. Morris 1;
K. McPhee 1, F. Middleton 0; N. Atha 1, T. Nicholson 0)

PURBROOK JUNIOR 4, ST. JOHN'S 1

(D. Baxter 0, A. Daley 1; B. Morris 1, S. Johnson 0; Gillian Morris 1,
W. Houseley 0; F. Middleton 1, D. Golden 0; T. Nicholson 1, J. Cooke 0)

White can win in the position shown in the diagram by 1. P-N4+ (1...QxP;
2. QxQ+ and Black loses the Bishop). Instead he plays 1. QxRP+?? no doubt
thinking he can win the Bishop next move. Only after 1...K-N5 did White see
that either 2. RxB or 2. Q-N6+ would be simply met by 2...K-R6 threatening
unpreventable mate; so White had to resign.

J.E.C.G.

6Q1; 1bR4p; 4pp2; p4k2; 7P; 4PqP1; P4P2; 6K1.

C H E S S N O T E S

15th May, 1978

A team of 10 Portsmouth youngsters recently took part in a contest with five other teams from Southampton, N.E Hants 'A', N.E. Hants 'B', Basingstoke 'A' and Basingstoke 'B' and came up against a very unusual method of scoring. 10 points were awarded for a win on board 1, 9 points for a win on board 2, down to a meagre 1 point for a win on board 10.

Our team's actual scores were :

	<u>v. N.E. Hants B</u>	<u>v. N.E. Hants A</u>	<u>v. Basingstoke B</u>
M. Vernon	1	0	1
P. Spurgeon	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
G. Scotney	1	1	1
J. Baillie	1	1	1
K. McPhee	0	0	1
S. Evans	1	1	1
C. Pink	1	0	1
N. Ruff	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	1
T. Guit	1	1	1
A. Tucker	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u>7</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>
Points score	45	26	55

The total points score of N.E. Hants A was $126\frac{1}{2}$, so they were declared the winners; but as their actual game scores totalled only 21, Portsmouth were a trifle unlucky to be beaten into second place. Perhaps hardest to bear was the adjudication of an unfinished game between M. Vernon (Portsmouth) with the White pieces and the move, and S. Chittenden, which is shown in the diagram. The adjudicator is alleged to have said "This position is clearly a win for black and requires no analysis". On the face of it, Michael Vernon was robbed and Portsmouth should have won. Or have I missed some devastating play by black?

The line up of Western Union Counties for the national stages is now known, and Gloucestershire plays Greater Manchester at Birmingham in the Quarter Finals. Devon II play Yorkshire II in the Minor Counties Semi-finals.

J.E.C.G.

8; 5pk1; pp4pp; r7; 5P1P; 2P2PK1; P3R3; 8.

The return friendly match between Fareham Chess Club and the newly-formed Co-op Chess Club resulted in a win by Fareham by $8\frac{1}{2}$ games to $6\frac{1}{2}$; detailed scores (Fareham names first) :-

R.C. Clark $\frac{1}{2}$, A. Evans $\frac{1}{2}$; A. Wykes 0, B. O'Neill 1; M. Cole 1, S. Russell 0; K. Dean 0, J. Baillie 1; P. Higdon 1, R. Collis 0; T. Hill 0, S. Young 1; J. Bennett 1, I. Baillie 0; K. Irish 1, S. Johnson 0; P. Webb 1, D. Embling 0; N. Bradberry 1, N. Ruff 0; Susan Bradberry 0, Terri Ruff 1; A. Leach 1, D. Spoor 0; Linda Bradberry 0, T. Hollington 1; G. Cawte 1, Trevor Ruff 0; T. Babey 0, D. Wenman 1)

The final placings in the West of England inter-County competitions for season 1977/78 are as under; Hampshire achieved a respectable third place in the Championship but hold the 'wooden spoon' in the Minor Counties competitions.

English Counties Championship

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Gloucestershire	6	5	0	5
Devonshire	6	4	1	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Hampshire	6	4	0	4
Dorset	6	2	2	3
Wiltshire	6	2	0	2
Somerset	6	1	1	$1\frac{1}{2}$
Cornwall	6	1	0	1

Minor Counties Championship

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Devonshire	5	4	1	$4\frac{1}{2}$
Gloucestershire	5	3	2	4
Dorset	5	2	1	$2\frac{1}{2}$
Somerset	5	2	1	$2\frac{1}{2}$
Wiltshire	5	1	0	1
Hampshire	5	0	1	$\frac{1}{2}$

Full details of County match results, Junior Jamboree scores and some vital information regarding the new organisation of the British Chess Federation are contained in the latest issue of the W.E.C.U. quarterly magazine "Westward Ho!" At the recent Union Council Meeting it was agreed that the annual subscription of this excellent publication should be maintained at £1.50 (post free), including the Grading Issue, but that a big increase in circulation was essential if it were to continue in its present form after next season. Send your money now to either the Editor, Mr. R.H. Newman, Rock Lodge, Lynton, Devon, to to the General Secretary, Mrs. J. Parker, The School House, Barbrook, Lynton, Devon.

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The reason for this is that the position is not a simple one and the only way to win is by a sacrifice of the king.

1. N-K7+? RxN; 2. QxR QxP+; and Black wins. The pretty "mate in 2" line is (and not so obvious at first glance) 1. Q-B8+!

4r1k1; 1p3ppl; plb3q1; 5N2; 1Q2P3; 2P5; PP3P2; 1K5R

Another winning chance lost; from the diagrammed position White played 1. N-K7+? RxN; 2. QxR QxP+; and Black wins. The pretty "mate in 2" line is (and not so obvious at first glance) 1. Q-B8+!

M. Cole

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C H E S S N O T E S

10th July, 1978

What purported to be the final Tables of the Portsmouth & District League contained several errors due to adjustment of match scores following successful appeals. The corrected versions are as follows :

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Division 1</u>							
1. Portsmouth A	10	9	1	0	42½	17½	19
2. I.B.M. A	10	5	1	4	31½	28½	11
3. Fareham A	10	4	2	4	28½	31½	10
4. Cosham A	10	3	3	4	29	31	9
5. Gosport A	10	2	2	6	23	37	6
6. Community Ctr. A	10	1	3	6	25½	34½	5

<u>Division 2</u>							
1. Cosham B	12	9	3	0	45	27	21
2. Portsmouth B	12	4	5	3	40	32	13
3. Fareham B	12	6	1	5	37	35	13
4. Polytechnic A	12	5	2	5	36½	35½	12
5. Community Ctr. B	12	4	2	6	33	39	10
6. Gosport B	12	4	1	7	33½	38½	9
7. Cosham C	12	2	2	8	27	45	6

<u>Division 3</u>							
1. Portsmouth C	12	11	1	0	53	19	23
2. I.B.M. B	12	9	0	3	48½	23½	18
3. Fareham C	12	7	1	4	41½	30½	15
4. Leigh Park A	12	7	0	5	46½	25½	14
5. Polytechnic B	12	3	1	8	26½	45½	7
6. Gosport C	12	2	1	9	21½	50½	5
7. Emsworth	12	0	2	10	14½	57½	2

<u>Division 4</u>							
1. Plessey	10	8	2	0	46	14	18
2. Leigh Park B	10	7	2	1	42½	17½	16
3. Fareham D	10	4	2	4	33½	26½	10
4. Portsmouth D	10	4	1	5	28	32	9
5. Fareham E	10	3	0	7	15½	44½	6
6. Datawork	10	0	1	9	14½	45½	1

Southampton Chess Club did well to reach the semi-finals in the National Club Plate Tournament (a competition for those teams who were knocked out in the first round of the National Club Championship proper), when they were eliminated on board count; detailed scores -

Quarter-finals : ASHFORD 2½, SOUTHAMPTON 3½

(Brown 0, Thompson 1; Powell 1, Bell 0; Ady ½, Berry ½; Brown 0, Keene 1; Ingram 1, Bower 0; Luckhurst 0, Beer 1)

Semi-finals : SOUTHAMPTON 3, SOUTH MANCHESTER 3

(Thompson ½, Stuttard ½; Bell ½, Smith ½; Bower ½, Beaumont ½; Beer 0, Ralston 1; Buckmaster ½, Smith ½; Bell 1, Woodhead 0)

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From the diagrammed position, White finds a winning line by putting Black in a Zugzwang position; 1. RxB! R-N1 (obviously Black cannot capture the rook); 2. R-B4! R-N4+; 3. K-K6 RxB; 4. P-R4! and wins.

J.E.C.G.

3kr3; 2b2R2; 7p; p4K1B; P7; 7P; 8; 8.

M. Cole
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C H E S S N O T E S

7th August, 1978

Gosport Chess Club's Championship has recently been completed, with the following leading final scores :-

- 1st. J.F.T. Charvill 8 pts.; 2nd. F.C. Leach 6 pts.; 3rd. C.W.J. Trotter 6 pts.;
- 4th. P. Groth 6 pts.; 5th. J.A. Coburn 5 pts.; 6th. M.D. Smith 5 pts.;
- 7th. I.A. Stenhouse 4½ pts.; 8th. R. Brierley 4½ pts.; 9th. H.E. Davies 4½ pts.;
- 10th. H.S. White 4 pts.; 11th. L. Ward 4 pts.

25 players took part in this 8-round Swiss event and ties were broken by the "sum of opponents' scores" method. Two names not appearing in the "first eleven" are those of Jim Yeeles and Tony Elbourn. The former played only in the first round and then had to withdraw through illness (all local players will be glad to hear that he has now fully recovered) and the latter, who is blind, did very well to score three wins.

Fareham Chess Club hold their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 5th September, at their headquarters in the Fareham Working Men's Club, Mill Road (8 p.m.). They currently have 61 members but are looking for more! Anyone interested in joining will be very welcome.

The following game won a 'Best Game' prize for my opponent in one of the sections of the British Correspondence Chess Association's competitions. I am not too sure how much of the credit reflects on me!

J.E.C. Grant (White) v. A. Elder

- 1. P-QB4 P-K4; 2. N-QB3 N-KB3; 3. N-B3 N-QB3; 4. P-Q4 PxP; 5. NxP B-QN5;
- 6. NxN QPxN; 7. Q-B2 B-K3; 8. P-K3 Q-Q2; 9. B-K2 0-0-0; 10. 0-0 P-KR4;
- 11. P-QR3 B-Q3; 12. R-Q1 N-KN5; 13. P-KN3 P-KR5; 14. P-B5 NxBP;
- 15. PxB NxR; 16. BxN PxNP; 17. RPxP QxQP; 18. Q-KB2 R-R6; 19. K-N2
- QR-KR1; 20. Q-B4 R-R7+; 21. K-B3 B-Q4+; 22. P-K4 B-K3; 23. B-K2 Q-QB4;
- 24. B-K3 Q-KR4+; 25. P-KN5 Q-R6+; 26. Q-N3 BxP+; 27. K-B4 P-KN4+;
- 28. K moves QxQ; 29. Resigns.

J.E.C.G.

1k6; 1p3pQ1; 2r3p1; q6p; p6P; 4P1P1; P4P2; 1KR5.

From the diagrammed position Black (to move) finds a simple but effective way of winning :-

- 1...Q-KB4+; 2. K-N2 Q-QN4+

A. Cole
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C H E S S N O T E S

21st August, 1978

Fareham Chess Club, which does everything on a large scale these days, had 50 members taking part in their annual Club Championship. This was a 7-round Swiss competition and ties were split where possible by the 'Sonneborn' system.

Scores and placings of the first 12 players :

1st. M.L. Newbury 6½; 2nd. A.F. Brameld 6; 3rd. T.J. de Buriatte 5½;
4th J.E.C. Grant 5; Equal 5th/6th A.J. Lancashire and C.E. Frazer 5;
7th. B. Massey 5; 8th J.F. Cope 5; 9th. R.A.M. Kane 4½;
10th. D. Coates 4½; 11th. D.C. Goddard 4½; 12th J.R. Craig 4.

Apart from the Championship title won by M.L. Newbury, A.J. Lancashire and C.E. Frazer jointly won the Cordery Trophy for the best performance by a player who did not play for the 'A' team during the season, and D. Vail (who finished in equal 15th/16th place with 4 points) is the new Junior Club Champion.

The results of the two Invitation Training Tournaments organised by the new Chilworth Chess Club have already been reported, but I believe that the Club itself deserves a mention. The founder members are Mrs. M. Kluth, "Beggars Roost", Winchester Road, Southampton (where first Training Tournament was held), T.E. Hollington, A. Ruff and P.J. McEvoy.

The sole purpose of the Club is to improve the strength of junior chess in Hampshire and to promote and sponsor Hampshire juniors of national and international potential. Further information on tournaments to come can be obtained from any of the above founder members, who, in any case, would be pleased to hear of any so far undiscovered potential chess talent.

The following game is from the 1978 Danish Junior International - Jorgensen (Denmark) v. Cummings (England). Jorgensen had the white pieces and must still be wondering where he went wrong.

1. P-QN4 P-K4; 2. P-N5 P-Q4; 3. B-N2 B-Q3; 4. N-KB3 Q-K2;
5. P-K3 B-KN5; 6. B-K2 N-Q2; 7. P-Q4 KN-B3; 8. O-O P-K5;
9. KN-Q2 P-KR4; 10. P-KR3 BxP!; 11. PxB Q-K3; 12. P-KB3 QxP;
13. R-B2 N-N5!; 14. PxN PxP; 15. R-N2 QxP+!; 16. K-B1 R-R8+;
17. R-N1 QxR mate.

From the diagrammed position, the game went 17...QxN!; 18. PxQ B-R6+;
19. K-N1 QR-K1; 20 Resigns, for the threat QR-K3-N3 is not parried by
20. QxP. If 20. Q-B1 BxQ; 21. KxB P-Q7 wins. If 20. P-B4 QR-K3;
21. P-KB5 QR-K5; 22. P-B3 R-N7+ etc.

J.E.C.G.

rlb3kl; pp3ppp; 5q2; 8; 1PP5; 3plN2; 1P2rPPP; ~~1P2rPPP~~; R2Q1K1R

Caption: Black (to play) finds a clever winning combination.

The usual signs of a new Season are becoming evident.

The Annual General Meeting of the Portsmouth & District League is being held at the Fareham Working Men's Club, Mill Road, Fareham, on Tuesday, 26th September, when there will be another grand debate on the rate of play during matches.

On Wednesday, 20th September, the Annual Meeting of the Schools Sub-Committee of the same League will be held at Mayfield School. Rumour has it that Crofton School, Stubbington, is showing interest in participating.

Junior Clubs already meet at 3 p.m. on Sundays at Southsea Youth & Community Centre, at the Co-operative Chess Club, Fratton, and at Waterlooville Library Chess Club.

The Grading Issue of the West of England Chess Union's official Bulletin (Westward Ho!) is now available and contains 1945 Hampshire names. For the second year running, the grade numbers of unregistered players are not shown; and there are 411 such, with "U" (standing for "Unregistered") against them. This is an improvement on the previous season's list, when 528 out of a total of 1848 players were unregistered, indicating that the policy is having its intended effect.

The B.C.F. is holding a Coach's Training Weekend (6th/8th October), in Birmingham and under the supervision of Bob Wade, to advise and instruct those seeking to improve their own ability in developing local junior chess talent.

A short but unusually bright game between C.W. Baker (White) and M.J. Basman, from the National Bank of Dubai Open Tournament, 1978 :

1. P-K4 P-QB4; 2. P-QB3 (my own currently favourite move against the Sicilian Defence) 2...N-KB3; 3. P-K5 (which I would not have thought of!) 3...N-Q4; 4. P-Q4 PxP; 5. QxP P-K3; 6. N-B3 N-QB3; 7. Q-K4 P-B4; 8. Q-K2 P-QN3; 9. P-KN3 Q-B2; 10. B-N2 N(3)-N5; 11. Q-Q2 B-R3; 12. PxN BxP; 13. N-B3 NxN; 14. P-QR3 N-N8; 15. PxB NxQ; 16. BxN Q-B5; 17. N-Q4 QxN; 18. RxB QxKP+; 19. B-K3 Q-N4 and White resigns.

In the diagrammed position (which arose in the game Alekhine v. Colle, Paris 1925) White takes advantage of Black's weak pawn formation around the King - 30. QxR! Resigns, for if 30...RxQ; 31. R-K8+ K-R2; 32. R(B1)-B8 forces mate or wins the Black Queen.

J.E.C.G.

3r2k1; p2r1pp1; lpQ3p1; 3P2q1; P7; 6P1; 5P1P; 2R1R1K1

Caption: White to move and win.

The entry for the coming Portsmouth & District League team competition sets yet another record, and it was decided at the recent Annual General Meeting that the 32 teams taking part will be arranged in five Divisions, as under :-

Division 1 : Portsmouth A, I.B.M. A, Fareham A, Cosham A, Gosport A and Cosham B.

Division 2: Community Ctr. A, Portsmouth B, Fareham B, Polytechnic A, Gosport B and Portsmouth C.

Division 3 : Cosham C, I.B.M. B, Fareham C, Leigh Park A, Polytechnic B and Plessey A.

Division 4 : Emsworth A, Leigh Park B, Fareham D, Portsmouth D, Co-op A, Plessey B and Fareham E.

Division 5 : Datawork, Co-op B, Petersfield, I.B.M. C, Co-op C, Emsworth B and Fareham F.

Teams from Co-op and Petersfield are participating for the first time.

A proposal that the rate of play in matches be increased was defeated and the rules remain very much as in last season.

Entries received to date for the Schools' Section include two new names - Crofton School, Stubbington, and Priory School, Southsea, and will be arranged :-

Division 1 : St. John's A, Mayfield A, Portsmouth Grammar A.

Division 2 : St. John's B, Broom Field A, Crofton A, Portsmouth Grammar B, Great Salterns A, Waterlooville A, Priory A.

Division 3 : Section A : Great Salterns B, Priory B, St. John's C, Waterlooville B.

Section B : City of Portsmouth Boys A, Portsmouth Grammar B, St. Luke's A, Mayfield B.

More good news for Juniors : a Junior Chess Tournament, sponsored by the Fareham Chess Club, and organised by Wilf Pratten will be held in the Library, Fareham, on 20th and 21st April next. It will be limited to boys and girls under the age of 14 on that date and whose permanent home is in the Borough of Fareham. Entry fee 50p; entry forms from W.H. Pratten, 49 Thorni Avenue, Fareham PO15 6NX.

The position this week is from another brilliancy from Dr. Alekhine (v. Kussman, New York, 1924). The game went: 16. Q-N5+! (Black cannot play 16...QxQ because of 17. N-B6+ mate!) 16...N-Q2; 17. KR-K1 B-N5; 18. N-B6 dbl.+ K-B1; 19. NxN+ RxN; 20. Q-K5! and Black resigns.

3rkblr; pp3plp; lq4pl; 4nN2; 4N3; 8; PP2QPPP; R4RK1

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The final results of last season's Hampshire League competition have been much delayed because of difficulties experienced by the Tournament Conductor - not least of which was in endeavouring to persuade certain teams in the top Division to complete their programme.

The problem has been resolved by awarding a number of match wins by default. Fortunately, none of these affect the position of Southampton Chess Club as clear champions of Division 1, but the "games for and against" figures in this section were rendered meaningless and have been omitted in the Tables shown below.

Division 2 had no such troubles and Andover C.C. emerged narrow winners over Cosham.

Final Tables 1977/78

<u>Division 1</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Southampton	10	10	0	0	20
Portsmouth	10	6	0	4	12
I. O. W. A	10	5	1	4	11
Gosport	8	3	0	5	6
University	7	1	1	5	3
Polytechnic	7	0	0	7	0

<u>Division 2</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Games Average</u>	<u>Pts.</u>
Andover	10	8	1	1	36	14	3.6	17
Cosham	10	8	1	1	33	17	3.3	17
Salisbury	10	5	2	3	27	23	2.7	12
Fareham	10	2	3	5	24	26	2.4	7
I. O. W. B	10	1	2	7	16	34	1.6	4
A. M. F. Leggs	10	1	1	8	14	36	1.4	3

Entry forms have now been sent to clubs for the new season, with the limit date for entry extended to 31st October.

Fareham Chess Club has a new General Secretary : R (Roger) A. Goldstone, 21 Morley Road, Portsmouth (Tel. 736473).

A good example of a win by means of forcing one or more remote passed pawns comes from the game Kotov v. Botvinnik (U.S.S.R. Championship 1955). From the diagrammed position Black plays 59...P-N4; 60. BPxP (if 60. RPxP P-R5; 61. B-Q6 B-B4; 62. P-N6 BxP; 63. P-B5 BxP; 64. KxP K-N7 and White is forced to give up his Bishop for the RP) 60...P-Q5+; 61. Pxp K-N6; 62. B-R3 KxP; 63. K-Q3 KxP; 64. K-K4 P-R5; 65. K-B3 B-Q4+ and White resigned.

J.E.C.G.

8; 8; 4b1p1; 2Bp3p; 5P1P; 1pK1Pk2; 8; 8.

Petersfield Chess Club, participating for the first time in the Portsmouth & District League this season, required some competitive practice and Fareham Chess Club obliged with a team of six players.

The result was a 3 - 3 draw and so that the Petersfield players can assess the strength of their opponents, the current gradings of the Fareham players (named first) are shown below in brackets.

Details :

Bd. 1. C. Fairall (144) 0, W. Hazelton 1; Bd. 2. R. Kane (133) 1, B. Chambers 0;
Bd. 3. K. Irish (109) 1, G. Strouts 0; Bd. 4. E. Judd (115) 0, J. Harris 1;
Bd. 5. M. Hockey (108) 1, D. Ainslie 0; Bd. 6. Susan Bradberry (-) 0, P. Dodds 1

The only two other results so far are from Division 2 of the Portsmouth & District League :-

GOSPORT B $1\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM B $4\frac{1}{2}$

(P. Groth $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Perrin $\frac{1}{2}$; M. Smith 0, R.C. Clark 1; A. Elbourne 0, J.E.C. Grant 1;
P. Przybycin 1, A.J. Lancashire 0; H. White 0, C.E. Frazer 1; W.E. Portman 0,
M. Cole 1)

COMMUNITY CENTRE $5\frac{1}{2}$, PORTSMOUTH B $\frac{1}{2}$

(A.F.C. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$, M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$; K. Gregory 1, G. Waring 0; W.D. Muir 1,
B.V. Cochran 0; R.R. Carter 1, R. Prince 0; P.A. Rayment 1, S. Young 0;
N. Colter 1, S. Phillips 0)

There has been recently pointed out to me a comparatively new rule in this League which had completely escaped my notice; perhaps there are others who are unaware, and so

"Rule 14 (b) (ii) : Except for a club whose first team plays in Division 3, no player whose grade is 160 or more shall play in a lower Division than Division 2"

From the position shown, White forces a win by some very clever pawn play (Smyslov v. Penrose, Amsterdam 1954).

36. P-B5 PxP+; 37. KxP N-K3; 38. P-R5 (threatening P-N6); 38...N-Q5+;
39. K-K4 N-K3; 40. P-R6+ K-N1; 41. P-N6! N-Q1 (41...PxP; 42. P-R7+
K-R1; 43. NxP mate); 42. N-Q7 R-K1+; 43. K-Q5 and Black resigns.

I am sure that readers much prefer to see something from local play than the cleverest chess artistry from the past. Can I therefore make my usual pre-season appeal to all local players to send me anything they think will be of interest? Game scores, interesting positions or even anecdotes from 'around the Clubs' will be most welcome.

J.E.C.G.

5r2; R4pk1; p5p1; 2n1N1P1; 5PKP; 8; 8; 8.

CHESS NOTES

23rd October, 1978

W.W. (Bill) Rose of Cosham, who has been a well-known name in Hampshire Chess for a good number of years, has presented a Trophy to the Portsmouth & District League which will be called the "Ruth Rose Cup" in memory of his late wife. This Trophy will be presented each year to any player over 60 years of age at the commencement of the season who obtains the highest percentage of individual game points whilst taking part in the season's team contest. There is only one other proviso - the trophy can only be won once by the same player!

Results from this year's team contest to date :

Division 1 : PORTSMOUTH A $3\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM A $2\frac{1}{2}$

(G. Lambert 1, M.L. Newbury 0; A. Cullinane $\frac{1}{2}$, W.H. Pratten $\frac{1}{2}$; D. Scotney 0, M.M. Street 1; M.J. Cawston 1, W.H. Silber 0; P.K. Wells 0, D.C. Goddard 1; I.A. Welch 1, R.C. Clark 0)

Division 2 : PORTSMOUTH C $4\frac{1}{2}$, POLYTECHNIC A $1\frac{1}{2}$

(P.K. Wells $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Colwill $\frac{1}{2}$; I.A. Welch 1, A.C. Grant 0; M. Vernon 1, J. Torrealba 0; P. Spurgeon 0, P. Sargeant 1; M. Hampton 1, G. Adley 0; C. Smith 1, E. Rivas 0)

Division 3 : PLESSEY A $5\frac{1}{2}$, LEIGH PARK A $\frac{1}{2}$

(F.G. Dingwall 1, S.D. Le Fevre 0; R.F.T. Williams 1, N.G. Le Fevre 0; J. Heath 1, S. Dymel 0; D.G. Foale 1, R. Smith 0; E. Azulay 1, A. Oakes 0; A. Ball $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Collins $\frac{1}{2}$)

POLYTECHNIC B $\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM C $5\frac{1}{2}$

(K. Clements 0, A. Wykes 1; N.D. Argent $\frac{1}{2}$, M. Cole $\frac{1}{2}$; R.E. Hough 0, C.V. Fairall 1; P. Housdens 0, K. Reed 1; P. Holsman 0, D.C. Coates 1; R. Poole 0, E.N. Judd 1)

Division 4 : PLESSEY B $3\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM L $2\frac{1}{2}$

(C. Wheatley $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Higdon $\frac{1}{2}$; G. Howells 1, R.A. Goldstone 0; C. Thomas 0, S. Gainey 1; A. Nazareth 1, M. Hockey 0; P. Rowson 0, D. Vella 1; S. Naim 1, K. Irish 0)

FAREHAM E 2, PORTSMOUTH D 4

(K. Reed 1, G. Waring 0; N. Bradberry 1, S. Phillips 0; R.C. Warwick 0, S. Young 1; J.F. Cope 0, C. Hodgson 1; A. Leach 0, M. Legg 1; D. Thorne 0, T. Atkinson 1)

EMSWORTH A $1\frac{1}{2}$, LEIGH PARK B $4\frac{1}{2}$

(V.M. Lawrence $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$; M. Danks 1, S. Dymel 0; R. Ross 0, R. Collins 1; B. Turner 0, A.D. Harris 1; M. Chalmers 0, L. Price 1; P. Durkee 0, M. Arnold 1)

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Division 5 : FAREHAM F 0, CO-OP C 6

(G. Cawte 0, S. Russell 1; Susan Bradberry 0, G.T. Baillie 1; Linda Bradberry 0, D. Wenman 1; M. Wareham 0, H. Hills 1; L. Feast 0, Sue Johnston 1; A. Parker 0, C. Tullett 1)

I.B.M. C 4, PETERSFIELD 2

(A. Mackie 0, W. Hazelton 1; M. Dillistone 1, B. Chambers 0; F. Savage $\frac{1}{2}$, G. Strouts $\frac{1}{2}$; B. Pratt 1, J. Harris 0; H. Oakley $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Dodd $\frac{1}{2}$; D. Myers 1, D. Ainsie 0)

The position arose from the game Pillsbury v. Wolf in a Blindfold Display in 1902. White (to move) plays. 43. Q-K5 Q-B1; 44. Q-Q6! and Black resigns because the threat R-R8+ and Q-B6+ can only be parried by 44...B-Q2; and then 45. R-N8+ QxR; 46. QxP+

J.E.C.G.

k7; p4p2; Plqlblpl; 3p3p; 3Q4; 7P; 5PP1; 1R4K1

H. Cole

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The first round of the Individual Championship of the Portsmouth & District League takes place on Sunday, 12th November. Anyone wishing to take part who has not already entered should get in touch with the Tournament Conductor, M.J. Cawston of 18 Livingstone Road, Southsea, immediately (published closing date 5th November, but late entries will be accepted provided they are received 48 hours before the tournament starts)

The likely line-up of teams in this year's Hampshire League Competition are

Division 1 : Southampton, Portsmouth, Wight A, Southampton University and Andover.

Division 2 : Polytechnic, Salisbury, Fareham, Wight B, A.M.F. Leggs (Andover), and Cosham.

Last date for entry was extended to 31st October.

Team results from the Schools' Section of the Portsmouth & District League :

Division 2 : BROOM FIELD A 1, PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR B 4

(A. Oakes 1, J.R. Jenkins 0; P. O'Donoghue 0, P.C. Wren 1; P. Carter 0, I.D. Giles 1; A. Stonebridge 0, G.D. Cameron 1; J. Stares 0, A.L. Jeram 1)

Division 3A : PRIORY B 5, GREAT SALTERNS B 0

(D. Lines 1, D. Ireland 0; J. Weaver 1, G.M. Fitzgerald 0; T. Man 1, C. Garrard 0; D. Wainwright 1, P. Simon 0; S. Harrington 1, J. Lock 0)

Division 3B : CITY OF PORTSMOUTH BOYS A 3, PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR C 2

(I.A. Welch 1, M. Osmond-Smith 0; P. Clarke 1, P.C.R. Gurney 0; M.P. Hamorak 0, A.J. Tucker 1; R.G. Maguire 1, D.I. Loten 0; S. Grainger 0, T. Gingell 1)

The position diagrammed is a composition by F.J. Prokop and White is to play and draw. Notice that to accomplish this, the Queen must offer herself as a sacrifice in three different ways :

1. QxP (N2) P-K7+; 2. K-N8 B-R7+ (if 2...P-K8 = Q; 3. Q-B3+ QxQ stalemate)
3. K-B8 B-B4+ (if 3...P-K8 = Q; 4. Q-Q2+ QxQ stalemate) 4. K-Q8 P-K8 = Q;
5. QxP+ KxQ stalemate.

J.E.C.G.

8; Q7; 8; kp6; 4b3; 4p3; 1p2Q3; 6b1

Waterlooville Community Centre has formed a Chess Club that meets every Wednesday at 7.30 p.m. 8 to 12 players are turning up on a regular basis, but new members will be most welcome. If sufficient interest is expressed, the Club is hopeful of entering a team in the League next season.

Match results from the Portsmouth & District League :

Division 2 : POLYTECHNIC A $3\frac{1}{2}$, GOSPORT B $2\frac{1}{2}$

(P. Collwill 0, P.J. Eales 1; P. Sargeaunt $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Coburn $\frac{1}{2}$; A.C. Grant 0, P. Groth 1; G. Adley 1, P. Przybycin 0; R.D. Hough 1, E. Elbourne 0, K. Clements 1, L. Ward 0)

FAREHAM B 2, COMMUNITY CENTRE 4

(R. Perrin 0, A.F.C. Carter 1; D.C. Goddard 0, K.D.F. Gregory 1; R.C. Clark $\frac{1}{2}$, W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$; J.E.C. Grant 1, R. Carter 0; C.E. Frazer 0, P.A. Rayment 1; M. Cole $\frac{1}{2}$, J.E. Baker $\frac{1}{2}$)

Consulting the records after my game against Roy Carter reported above, I found that I first played against him in the P. & D. Individual Championship over 25 years ago. Since then, we have met 7 times and my score now stands P.7, W.1, D.2, L.4. In the next 25 years, I hope to make it more even.

Division 4 : CO-OP A 5, FAREHAM E 1

(T.E. Hollington 1, K. Reed 0; A. Evans 1, N. Bradberry 0; R. Riley 0, R.G. Warwick 1; A. Ruff 1, J.F. Cope 0; B. O'Neil 1, T. Griffin 0; S. Russell 1, P. Webb 0)

Division 5 : CO-OP B 5, EMSWORTH B 1

(J. Baillie 1, A. Lush 0; Terri Ruff 0, P. Robinson 1; E. Dove 1, C. Coldbreath 0; J. Foster 1, B. Self 0; K. McPhee 1, W. Knight 0; N. Ruff 1, P. Pope 0)

The Hampshire Senior Individual Championship Tournament is this year being played at the Mathematics Building, Southampton University, over the two weekends 25/26 November and 2/3 December. Entry forms from the Controller, A.C. Barton, 8 Portal Road, Totton, SO4 3GB.

I have already had a good response to my appeal for material from local players; please keep it up. The following End Game starts from the diagrammed position and arose from the game M.A. Vidler v. M.J. Cawston in the 1978 Evening Standard Congress.

1. R-N4 R-K5; 2. R-N5 P-Q5; 3. R-N4 K-B3; 4. R \times RP? K-K4 (White's R is now badly placed and Black's K has been given the time it needs to move towards the centre) 5. K-N2 R-B5 (cutting off the White K) 6. K-N3 R-B3 (6...K-K5?; 7. R \times P+ wins for White); 7. R-R8 P-Q6; 8. R-Q8 K-K5 9. R-K8+ K-Q5; 10. R-Q8+ K-B6; 11. R-B8+ K-N7; 12. R-Q8 (at this stage, White made to move 13. K-B8??; luckily for him, he discovered his error before he removed his hand from the piece and was able to recover his winning line) 12...K-B7; 13. R-B8+ K-Q8; 14. R-Q8 P-Q7; 15. R-K8 R-B3!; 16. K-B2 K-B3; 17. R-Q8 P-Q8 = Q; 18. R \times Q K \times R and although the actual game went on for a further 32 moves, White was eventually mated.

Some accurate end-game play from the new Secretary of Portsmouth Chess Club.

8; 6k1; 7p; 1R1pr3; p7; P7; P6P; 7K

J.E.C.G.

The first round draw in the Hampshire League, for matches which are due to be played by 25th November, is

Division 1 : Southampton University v. Portsmouth and Southampton v. Andover; Isle of Wight A have the bye.

Division 2 : Fareham v. Cosham, Polytechnic v. A.M.F. Legg and Salisbury v. Isle of Wight B.

Results from the Portsmouth & District League :

Division 3 : LEIGH PARK A 3½, POLYTECHNIC B 2½

(N.G. Le Fevre ½, R.D. Hough ½; J. Mortlock 0, N.D. Argent 1; S.D. Le Fevre 1, J. May 0; M. Arnold 0, P. Holsman 1; R. Smith 1, H. Lindsay 0; R. Collins 1, B. Poole 0)

 COSHAM C 1½, I.B.M. B 4½

(B. Coppin ½, S. Hicks ½; G. Train 0, A. Mackie 1; B. Williams 0, I. Upton 1; A. Judd 0, J. Liddell 1; T. Woodroffe 1, H. Oakley 0; B. Wilkinson 0, W. Kelly 1)

Division 5 : PETERSFIELD 2½, CO-OP B 3½

(W. Hazelton ½, J. Baillie ½; B. Chambers 1, Terri Ruff 0; G. Strouts 1, J. Foster 0; Default 0, K. McPhee 1; P. Dodd 0, C. Pink 1; D. Ainsie 0, P. Rossiter 1)

Polytechnic's four nominated players for their A team are P. Colwill, A.C. Grant, P. Sargeant and J. Torrealba.

Disaster struck me very recently in a Correspondence game with a Mr. R. Carter of Birmingham (who had the White pieces), which went as follows :-

1. P-K4 P-K4; 2. N-KB3 N-QB3; 3. P-Q4 PxP; 4. B-QB4 N-B3;
5. 0-0 NxP; 6. R-K1 P-Q4; 7. BxP QxB; 8. N-QB Q-KR4; 9. NxN B-KN5?? (9...B-K3 is the only possible correct move); 10. N-B6 dbl.+k-Q1 (Even at this stage I was so upset at the thought of losing my Q, I quite overlooked the mate next move) 11. R-K8 mate.

Last week, I recorded my surprise at discovering that I first played Roy Carter, of Community Centre, over 25 years ago. The position shown arose from the game between A.F. Langley (who had the White pieces) and myself in the match Cosham B v. Fareham on 11th March 1952. It is interesting that we are still playing for the same Clubs after all this time.

From the position reached, I played 28...R(B1)-B6?, giving myself the question mark and a note "the obvious move is 28...NxP! After 28 years, I can only think that I overlooked the fact that my QR was en prise, so the agreed draw that resulted after the following 6 more moves was probably fair -

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29. N-N5 R-N6; 30. P-R4 N-K2; 31. B-B7 N-Q2; 32. KR-K1 N-QB3;
33. KR-QB1 N-R4; 34. B-K5 N-B5.

This was all before grading was thought of, so whether or not we are better players now is open to question. What is certain is that it is well worth keeping (and indexing) all one's games.

J.E.C.G.

2r3k1; N4ppp; 1p3nn1; 3p4; 3P2P1; P3rPB1; 6P1; R4RK1

C H E S S N O T E S

20th November, 1978

The Individual Championship of the Portsmouth & District League got away to a smooth start with 32 players participating in round one. Detailed results :

S.F. Phillips 0, M.J. Cawston 1; A. Daley 1, P. Thompson 0; I.A. Welch $\frac{1}{2}$, Carey Groves $\frac{1}{2}$; A.D. Crossin 1, P. Rossiter 0; G.T. Baillie 0, G.E.J. Lambert 1; C. Pink 0, D. Smith 1; N. Colter 1, P.A. Rayment 0; A.R. Cullinane 1, S.F. Young 0; M.J.P. Hampton 0, D.J. Scotney 1; B.V. Cochran $\frac{1}{2}$, Julia Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$; Jane Seymour 1, H. Hills 0; M.G. Arnold 0, Terri Ruff 1; S. Russell 1, Katie Vasey 0; K.D.F. Gregory 1, G. Scotney 0; P.K. Wells v. A.J. Peters adjourned.

Match results :

Division 1 : COSHAM A $4\frac{1}{2}$, GOSPORT $1\frac{1}{2}$

(A.F. Brameld 1, J.F.C. Charvill 0; D. Smith 1, J. Coburn 0; C.W. Bryan $\frac{1}{2}$, W.J.E. Yeeles $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Dean 1, C. Trotter 0; A.D. Crossin 0, P.J. Eales 1; P. McEvoy 1, P. Groth 0)

 COSHAM B $2\frac{1}{2}$, I.B.M. A $3\frac{1}{2}$

(D. Gibson $\frac{1}{2}$, W. McDougall $\frac{1}{2}$; A.F. Langley $\frac{1}{2}$, J.F. Wheeler $\frac{1}{2}$; C.F. Abercrombie 0, R.E. Hartley 1; V. Harrison 1, S. Hicks 0; B.C. Coppin 0, I. Upton 1; G. Train $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Liddell $\frac{1}{2}$)

 GOSPORT A 2, PORTSMOUTH A 4

(J.F.T. Charvill 0, C. Zuidema 1; W.J.E. Yeeles 0, G. Lambert 1; J. Coburn 1, A. Cullinane 0; P.J. Eales 0, M.J. Cawston 1; C. Trotter 1, P. Wells 0; W.E. Portman 0, I. Welch 1)

Division 4 : FAREHAM D $4\frac{1}{2}$, EMSWORTH A $1\frac{1}{2}$

(P. Higdon 1, V.M. Lawrence 0; S. Gainey 1, M. Danks 0; R.A. Goldstone 1, B. Turner 0; D. Vella 1, M. Chalmers 0; M.J. Hockey 0, P. Durkee 1; J. Craig $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Robinson $\frac{1}{2}$)

 PORTSMOUTH D $1\frac{1}{2}$, PLESSEY B $3\frac{1}{2}$

(C. Hodgson 0, D. Foale 0; T. Cook 0, C. Wheatley 1; S. Phillips 0, G. Howells 1; T. Atkinson $\frac{1}{2}$, A. Ball $\frac{1}{2}$; N. Miller 1, S. Nairn 0; M. Curley 0, C. Thomas 1 - the game Hodgson v. Foale being recorded 0-0 because the latter, who won, becomes the first to be penalised under the new rule 14b(3).)

 EMSWORTH A $2\frac{1}{2}$, LEIGH PARK B $3\frac{1}{2}$

This is a correction of the result previously recorded as a win for Leigh Park $1\frac{1}{2} - 4\frac{1}{2}$. The game B. Turner v. A.D. Harris was awarded as a win for Turner, as Harris is registered for play only in the A team.

Division 5 : CO-OP C $2\frac{1}{2}$, I.B.M. C $3\frac{1}{2}$

(S. Russell 0, P. Burns 1; H. Hills $\frac{1}{2}$, H. Cakley $\frac{1}{2}$; C. Tullett 0, B. Pratt 1; Sue Johnson 0, F. Savage 1; Karen Illidge 1, D. Myers 0; Catherine Vasey 1, A. Simmons 0)

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Entry forms and full details are now available from the County Junior Organiser, Terry Hollington, for the following Junior Championship Tournaments, which are to be held at John Hansons School, Croye Close, Andover, as under :

Under-16 Open (for the Russell Trophy) - Saturday and Sunday,
9/10 December

Under-14 Girls (for the Jane Seymour Cup) and the
Under-18 Open (for the Bullows Trophy) - both on Saturday and Sunday,
13/14 January.

This week's position has been sent to me by Harold Davies of Gosport Chess Club and arose from one of his recent local games. Black, a pawn down, is to move and wishes to avoid the exchange of rooks, especially as his bishop has far less scope than White's knight. Moreover, the bishop can soon be driven from its present square, and has no flight unless the Black rook moves. If it goes from the back rank, then White's R-Q8 compels its return. The question is, therefore, has Black a better move than the one he now plays ?

39...R-KR1; 40. K-K4 P-KR4; 41. PxP PxP; 42. P-KB5 B-B1; 43. P-KR4 K-R3;
44. R-KN2 P-N4; 45. R-KN5 B-N2+; 46. K-B4 P-N5; 47. RxP+ K-N2;
48. RxR and Black resigns.

J.E.C.G.

2r5; 1p3pk1; p3bNpp; 4P3; 5PP1; 1P2K3; P2R3P; 8.

M. Cole

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Match results received from the Schools Section of the local League :-

Division 1 : MAYFIELD A 2½, PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR A 2½

(B. Scoffin 0, D.A. Hayward 1; S. McGuigan 0, A.J. Harris 1; D. Hannam ½, D.J. Houghton ½; K. Hammond 1, M.R. Russell 0; S. Symonds 1, A.J. Selby 0)

Division 2 : PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR B 1½, WATERLOOVILLE A 3½

(L.C. Ledwith ½, K.D. McPhee ½; P.C. Wren 0, C. Pink 1; I.D. Giles 0, P. Rossiter 1; G.D. Cameron 0, Caroline Hallett 1; A.J. Jeram 1, A. Merryman 0)

Division 3B: MAYFIELD B 0, ST. LUKE'S 5

(J. Russell 0, Julia Scotney 1; R. Edwards 0, G.D. Scotney 1; P. Baker 0, M. Newman 1; P. White 0, J. McKean 1; I. Partridge 0, Heather Waring 1)

The coming Dupree/Loe competitions will be staged in three separate age groups for boys and girls aged:

Under-12 on 1. 9. 78.

Under-15 on 23. 4.79.

Under-21 on 23. 4.79.

The first four rounds of the Under-12 competition will be played in separate centres. Thereafter, there will be three rounds in a single centre, enabling up to 32 boys and 32 girls to qualify for a final on 19th/20th April. The Under-15's and Under 21's will be held on 23rd/27th April, with the best Under-12's qualifying to play in the Under-15's.

All rather complicated; the matter of immediate importance is that entries for the Under-12's (no entrance fee) should be made to Mr. Adrian J. Slade, 9 Brenchley Close, Portchester PO16 9DQ by 15th December.

Results and Tables of Divisions 2 and 4 of the Portsmouth & District League are set out below :-

Division 2 : PORTSMOUTH B 2½, PORTSMOUTH C 3½

(M.J. Cawston 0, P. Wells 1; D. Scotney 1, I. Welch 0; B. Cochran 1, M. Vernon 0; R. Prince ½, P. Spurgeon ½; S. Young 0, M. Hampton 1; G. Waring 0, C. Smith 1)

PORTSMOUTH C 4½, COSPORT B 1½

(P. Wells 1, J. Coburn 0; I. Welch ½, P. Groth ½; M. Vernon 0, P. Przybycin 1; P. Spurgeon 1, A. Elbourn 0; M. Hampton 1, Mrs. M. Williams 0; G. Scotney 1, S. Williams 0)

PORTSMOUTH B 2, FAREHAM B 4

(M.J. Cawston 0, T.J. de Buriatte 1; D.J. Scotney ½, D.C. Goddard ½; N. Miller ½, R. Perrin ½; B.V. Cochran 0, J.E.C. Grant 1; R.M. Prince ½, C.E. Frazer ½; S.F. Young ½, M. Cole ½)

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Division 4 : PLESSEY B 2, CO-OP A 4

(E. Azulay 0, T. Hollington 1; C. Wheatley $\frac{1}{2}$, B. O'Neil $\frac{1}{2}$; A. Nazareth 0, R. Riley 1; R. Armstrong 0, A. Ruff 1; A. Ball 1, S. Russell 0; P. Rowson $\frac{1}{2}$, G.T. Baillie $\frac{1}{2}$)

EMSWORTH A 4, PORTSMOUTH D 3

(V.M. Lawrence 1, M. Hampton 0; M. Danks 0, C. Smith 1; R. Ross 0, S. Young 1; B. Turner 0, S. Phillips 1; P. Durkee 1, T. Atkinson 0; P. Robinson 1, T.A. Cooke 0)

LEIGH PARK B $2\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM D $3\frac{1}{2}$

(R. Smith 0, P. Higdon 1; J.R. Mortlock $\frac{1}{2}$, S. Gainey $\frac{1}{2}$; R. Collins 0, B. Massey 1; K. Hepple 1, R.A. Coldstone 0; L. Price 0, D. Vella 1; A. Oakes 1, J. Craig 0)

TABLES

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Division 2 :</u>						
Portsmouth C	3	3	0	$12\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	6
Community Ctr.	2	2	0	$9\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	4
Fareham B	3	2	0	$10\frac{1}{2}$	$7\frac{1}{2}$	4
Polytechnic A	2	1	0	5	7	2
Gosport B	3	0	0	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$12\frac{1}{2}$	0
Portsmouth B	3	0	0	5	13	0
<u>Division 4 :</u>						
Co-op A	2	2	0	9	3	4
Fareham D	3	2	0	$10\frac{1}{2}$	$7\frac{1}{2}$	4
Plessey B	3	2	0	9	8	4
Portsmouth D	3	1	1	$8\frac{1}{2}$	$8\frac{1}{2}$	3
Leigh Park B	2	1	0	6	6	2
Emsworth A	3	0	1	7	11	1
Fareham E	2	0	0	3	9	0

B.V. Cochran, my opponent in the match game reported above, played 32. NxKP? from the diagrammed position, thinking that he could regain his piece with the Queen-check, overlooking that Black's Bishop could safely interpose on B2. This blunder was enough to lose him the game six moves later.

I have been busily analysing ever since (and so, I expect, has he) and I believe that he might have good winning chances with his two central passed pawns had he continued 32. Q-K7+ R-B2 (virtually forced); 33. Q-B5 P-R3; 34. NxB PxN; 35. QxQP etc.

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r4r2; $\sqrt{6}k$; 4plpn; 1plbPp2; 2pP1N1Q; 2P5; PP4PP; 6K1

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Portsmouth Schools, heavily out-gunned on gradings below board 6, lost to Southampton Schools by 5 games to 15 (with 1 for Adjudication) in the Annual Senior Inter-League match played at Southampton. Details (Southampton names first):

Bd.1. S.D. Bell $\frac{1}{2}$, D.C. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.2. M.C. Jackson 1, P.K. Wells 0;
 Bd.3. A.K. Sharma Adj., I.A. Welch Adj.; Bd.4. A.G.H. Kluth 0, Carey
 A Groves 1; Bd.5. P.J. Rogers 0, Jane F. Seymour 1; Bd.6. J.A. Forder 0,
 P.M. Spurgeon 1; Bd.7. D. Price $\frac{1}{2}$, M.E. Vernon $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.8. N. Woodward 1,
 M.J.P. Hampton 0; Bd.9. J. Hilbroune 1, Terri C. Ruff 0; Bd.10. D. Furnell $\frac{1}{2}$,
 Emma Dove $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.11. P. Johnson 1, default 0; Bd.12. J. Tilley 1, J.L. Malley 0;
 Bd.13. J. King 1, D.I. Smith 0; Bd.14. P. Fung 1, I.D. Giles 0; Bd.15.
 H.F. Walters 1, R. Triggs 0; Bd.16. A. Fuller 1, A. Merriman 0; Bd.17. G. Garside 1,
 P.C. Wren 0; Bd.18. P. Finch 1, P. Clark 0; Bd.19. B. Samuels 1, D. Ireland 0;
 Bd.20. N.A. Pegrum 1, D. Lawrence 0; Bd.21. P.A. Robinson $\frac{1}{2}$, P.C. Wren $\frac{1}{2}$;

In the double-round Under 12 match on 20 boards, Portsmouth Schools did much better and finished with a win by $28\frac{1}{2}$ games to $11\frac{1}{2}$. Of the 20 Southampton players, 15 were competing for the first time in this event. Details :

Round 1 :

Bd.1. P. Stevenson 0, J.P. Baillie 1; Bd.2. E. Valera 0, C.J. Pink 1; Bd.3.
 A. Wicken 0, K.D. McPhee 1; Bd.4. J. Trillo 0, A. Daley 1; Bd.5. T. Robertson 1,
 P. Rossiter 0; Bd.6. N. Coffey 1, J. Foster 0; Bd.7. R. Hansford $\frac{1}{2}$, A. Tucker $\frac{1}{2}$;
 Bd.8. A. Valera 0, N. Ruff 1; Bd.9. J. Stevens 1, S.C.R. Evans 0; Bd.10.
 P. Carpenter 0, D.J. Kensett 1; Bd.11. D. Gardner 0, F.J. Middleton 1;
 Bd.12. Angela Haffery 0, Caroline Hallett 1; Bd.13. J. Andrews 0, Catherine Vasey 1;
 Bd.14. H. Monson 0, T.L. Ruff 1; Bd.15. I.D'Mello 0, Janette Lewis 1;
 Bd.16. M. Lake 0, G. Rees 1; Bd.17. S. White 0, Gillian Morris 1;
 Bd.18. B. Wilson 1, B.G. Morris 0; Bd.19. M. Stickland 0, D. Millard 1;
 Bd.20. P. Shah 0, A.P. Kensett 1;

Round 2 :

Bd.1. Valera 0, Baillie 1; Bd.2. Stevenson 1, Pink 0; Bd.3. Trillo 0, McPhee 1;
 Bd.4. Wicken 0, Daley 1; Bd.5. Coffey 1, Rossiter 0; Bd.6. Robertson 1,
 Foster 0; Bd.7. Valera 0, Tucker 1; Bd.8. Hansford 1, Ruff 0; Bd.9. Carpenter 0,
 Evans 1; Bd.10. Stevens 1, Kensett 0; Bd.11. Angela Haffey 0, Middleton 1;
 Bd.12. Gardner 0, Caroline Hallett 1; Bd.13. Monson 0, Catherine Vasey 1;
 Bd.14. Andrews 0, Ruff 1; Bd.15. Lake 0, Janette Lewis 1; Bd.16. D'Mello 0,
 Rees 1; Bd.17. Wilson 1, Gillian Morris 0; Bd.18. White 0, Morris 1;
 Bd.19. Shah 1, Millard 0; Bd.20. Stickland 0, Kensett 1;

Latest results and tables from Divisions 1, 3 and 5 from the Portsmouth & District League:-

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Division 1 : FAREHAM A 3, COSHAM B 3

(M.L. Newbury $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Gibson $\frac{1}{2}$; W.H. Pratton 1, A. Flangley 0; M.M. Street $\frac{1}{2}$, P.J. Markwell $\frac{1}{2}$; W.H. Silber 0, G.F. Abercrombie 1; T.J. de Buriatte $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Abercrombie $\frac{1}{2}$; D.C. Goddard $\frac{1}{2}$, G. Train $\frac{1}{2}$)

I B M A $2\frac{1}{2}$, COSHAM A $3\frac{1}{2}$

(W. McDougall 0, A.F. Bramell 1; J.F. Wheeler 1, D. Smith 0; R.E. Hartley 1, C.W. Bryan 0; S. Hicks 0, S. Dean 1; J. Liddell 0, A.D. Crossin 1; M. Dillistone $\frac{1}{2}$, P.J. McEvoy $\frac{1}{2}$).

Division 3 : I B M B 2 PLESSEY A 4

(S. Hicks 0, F.G. Dingwall 1; L. Upton 0, R.T.F. Williams 1; A. Mackie $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Heath $\frac{1}{2}$; M. Dillistone 1, D.G. Foale 0; J. Liddell $\frac{1}{2}$, E. Azulay $\frac{1}{2}$, H. Oakley 0, G. Howells 1)

Division 5 : EMSWORTH B 0, PETERSFIELD 6

(M. Danks 0, W. Hazelton 1; P. Robinson 0, B. Chambers 1; A. Lamb 0, S. Strouts 1; B. Turner 0, J. Harris 1; C. Coldbreath 0, P. Dodd 1; W. Knight 0, J. Benstead 1)

CO OP B 4, CO OP C 2

(Terri Ruff 0, G.T. Baillie 1; J. Baillie 1, H. Hills 0; C. Pink 1, D. Wenman 0; Emma Dove 1, Sue Johnson 0; J. Foster 0, Karen Illidge 1; Trevor Ruff 1, C. Tullett 0)

TABLES

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Division 1 :						
Cosham A	2	2	0	8	4	4
Portsmouth A	2	2	0	$7\frac{1}{2}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	4
IBM A	2	1	0	6	6	2
Cosham B	2	0	1	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$6\frac{1}{2}$	1
Fareham A	2	0	1	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$6\frac{1}{2}$	1
Gosport A	2	0	0	$3\frac{1}{2}$	$8\frac{1}{2}$	0
Division 3 :						
Plessey A	2	2	0	$9\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	4
IBM B	2	1	0	$6\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	2
Fareham C	1	1	0	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	2
Leigh Park A	2	1	0	4	8	2
Polytechnic B	2	0	0	3	9	0
Cosham C	1	0	0	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	0
Division 5 :						
Co op B	3	3	0	$12\frac{1}{2}$	$5\frac{1}{2}$	6
IBM C	2	2	0	$7\frac{1}{2}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	4
Petersfield	3	1	0	$10\frac{1}{2}$	$7\frac{1}{2}$	2
Co op C	3	1	0	$10\frac{1}{2}$	$7\frac{1}{2}$	2
Emsworth B	2	0	0	1	11	0
Fareham F	1	0	0	0	6	0

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Results of local Clubs in the first round of the National Club Championship (no details as yet):

Portsmouth 4, Parkstone 2
 Fareham 2, Southampton University 4
 Cosham 4, Chichester 2

Fareham, the only local Club to be knocked out in round 1, will now participate in the B.C.F. Plate Competition.

Counties' Championship results from the West of England Chess Union:

Wiltshire 7, Cornwall 9
 Dorset 5, Gloucester 11
 Devon 9, Somerset 7
 Gloucester 13½, Cornwall 2½
 Devon 9½, Wiltshire 3½

Minor Counties:

Dorset 2 5½, Gloucester 2 10½
 Devon 2 11, Somerset 2 5
 Gloucester 2 11½ Cornwall 2 3½

I understand that Hampshire lost the Championship match v. Somerset, but won their minor Counties match. We also won the more recent Championship match v. Cornwall but details are not yet available.

Match results from the Schools' Section of the Portsmouth & District League:

Division 2: Broomfield 2, Gt. Salterns A 3

(A. Oakes 0, D.C. Spurgeon 1; A. Stonebridge 0, J.L. Malley 1; P. Carter 0, M.G. Collier 1; J. Stares 1, D. Watson 0; P. O'Donoghue 1, D. Ireland 0.)

St. John's B 4, Priory 1

(No details).

Division 3 A: Gt. Salterns B 0, Waterlooville B 5

(D. Ireland 0, P. Rossiter 1; P.M. Simon 0, Caroline Hallett 1; Tracey Phillips 0, G. Rees 1; C. Garrard 0, F.J. Middleton 1; J. Lock 0, P.M. Watkins 1).

Division 3 B: Portsmouth Grammar C 3½, St. Luke's 1½

(P.C.R. Gurney 0, Julia Scotney 1; M. Osmond-Smith ½, Heather Waring ½; A.J. Tucker 1, H. Newman 0; D.I. Loten 1, J. McKeen 0; D. Sutton 1, J. Byles 0).

Portsmouth & District Senior Section

Division 1: Cosham B 1½, Cosham A 4½

(D. Gibson 0, A.F. Brameld 1; D. Harold ½, D. Smith ½; A.F. Langley 0, C.W. Bryan 1; V. Harrison 0, S. Dean 1; G.F. Abercrombie 0, P.J. McEvoy 1; G. Train 1, S. Wilkinson 0).

Arthur Langley was pleased and surprised to see details of our game 1952 appearing in these Notes and has produced to me a photocopy of the actual score sheet which I see bears my signature. He has also sent me details of the 1978 Cosham Chess Club Championship which was left hanging in a triple tie between C.W. Bryan, I.P. Judd and P.J. McEvoy with 6 points from 7 rounds, a play off was arranged and Colin Bryan has emerged the clear winner - C.W. Bryan 1, I.P. Judd 0; P.J. McEvoy 0, C.W. Bryan 1; I.P. Judd 1, P.J. McEvoy 0.

Cosham A $1\frac{1}{2}$, Portsmouth A $4\frac{1}{2}$

(A.F. Brameld 1, A. J. Peters 0; D. Smith 0, A.R. Cullinane 1; S. Dean $\frac{1}{2}$, M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$; A.D. Crossin 0, P. Wells 1; P.J. McEvoy 0, Cary Groves 1; M. Sales 0, I.A. Welch 1.).

Gosport A 4, Cosham B 2

(J.F.T. Charvill 0, D. Gibson 1; W.J.E. Yeeles 1, D. Harold 0; P. Groth $\frac{1}{2}$, A.F. Langley $\frac{1}{2}$; J. Coles 1, V. Harrison 0; C.W. Trotter 1, G.F. Abercrombie 0; H.E. Davies $\frac{1}{2}$, B.C. Coppin $\frac{1}{2}$.).

Fareham A $2\frac{1}{2}$, Gosport A $3\frac{1}{2}$

(M. Newbury 0, J.F.T. Charvill 1; W.H. Pratten $\frac{1}{2}$, W.J.E. Yeeles $\frac{1}{2}$; M.M. Street $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Coburn $\frac{1}{2}$; D.C. Goddard $\frac{1}{2}$, C. Trotter $\frac{1}{2}$; W.H. Silber $\frac{1}{2}$, P.J. Eales $\frac{1}{2}$; T.J. de Buriatte $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Groth $\frac{1}{2}$.).

Portsmouth A $2\frac{1}{2}$, I.B.M. A $3\frac{1}{2}$

(G. Lambert 1, W. McDougal 0; A.J. Peters 0, J.F. Wheeler 1; A.R. Cullinane $\frac{1}{2}$, J.M. Morris $\frac{1}{2}$; M.J. Cawston 0, R.E. Hartley 1; D. Scotney 1, I. Upton 0; P. Wells 0, S. Hicks 1.).

Table (Division 1)

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Portsmouth A	4	3	0	$14\frac{1}{2}$	$9\frac{1}{2}$	6
Cosham A	4	3	0	14	10	6
IBM A	3	2	0	$9\frac{1}{2}$	$8\frac{1}{2}$	4
Gosport A	4	2	0	11	13	4
Fareham A	3	0	1	8	10	1
Cosham B	4	0	1	9	15	1

This week's position has been sent to me by Harold Davies of Gosport Chess Club and arose from one of his recent local games. Black, a pawn down, is to move and wishes to avoid the exchange of rooks, especially as his bishop has far less scope than White's knight. Moreover, the bishop can soon be driven from its present square, and has no flight unless the Black rook moves. If it goes from the back rank, then White's R-Q8 compels its return. The question is, therefore, has Black a better move than the one he now plays? The game proceeded 39...R-KR1; 40. K-K4 P-KR4; 41. PxP PxP; 42. P-KB5 B-B1; 43. P-KR4 K-R3; 44. R-KN2 P-N4; 45. R-KN5 B-N2+; 46. K-B4 P-N5; 47. RxP K-N2; 48. RxR and Black resigns.

