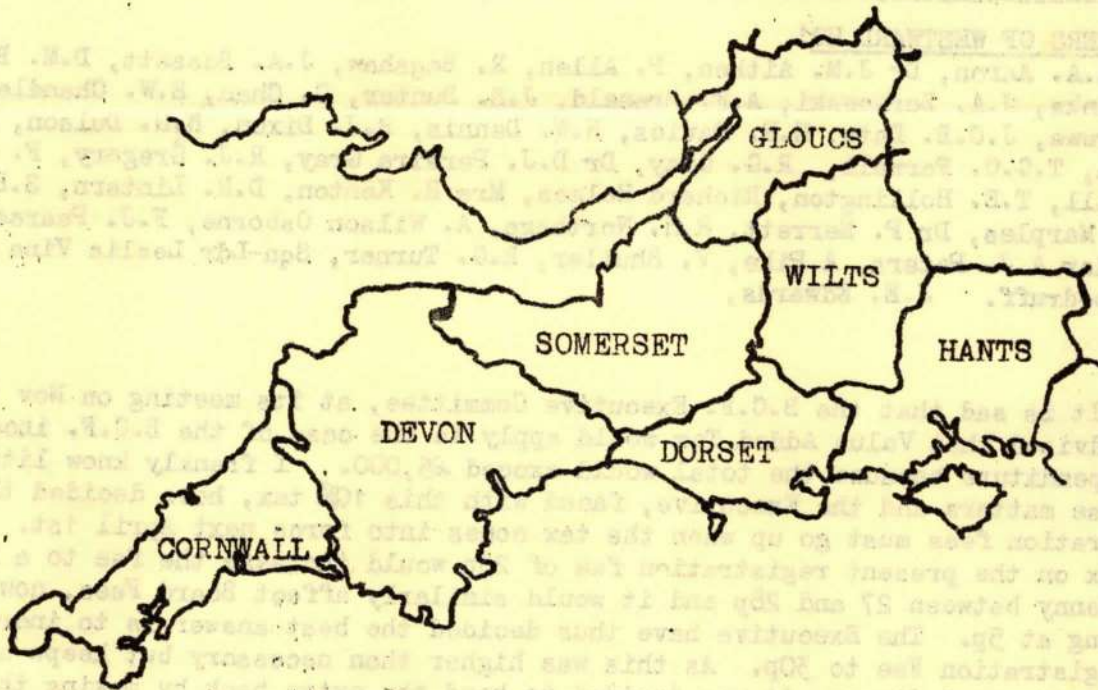


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V.A.T.

It is sad that the B.C.F. Executive Committee, at its meeting on Nov 18th,
were advised that Value Added Tax would apply in the case of the B.C.F. income
and expenditure because the total would exceed £5,000. I frankly know little
of these matters and the Executive, faced with this 10% tax, have decided that
registration fees must go up when the tax comes into force next April 1st.
The Tax on the present registration fee of 25p would increase the fee to a fraction
of a penny between 27 and 28p and it would similarly affect Board Fees, now
standing at 5p. The Executive have thus decided the best answer is to increase
the Registration Fee to 30p. As this was higher than necessary but keeps a
convenient round figure, it was decided to hand the extra back by making the
5p board fee inclusive of V.A.T. without any increase.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS OF B.C.F.

Following the W.E.C.U. application to the B.C.F. that they should be
allotted two places in the B.C.F. Counties Championship Section of this Tournament,
the B.C.F. Home Chess Committee considered this matter at their last meeting
with your Editor in attendance to put the W.E.C.U. case. I am pleased to report
that the B.C.F. Home Chess Committee approved this from the beginning of the
1973/4 season and I feel I must express thanks from the whole of W.E.C.U. for
the fairest of possible hearings. Subsequently, on Nov 18th, the B.C.F.
Executive Committee then approved the Home Chess Committee findings by
approving their Minutes. We now take our place equally beside the other Unions
and thus, Gentlemen of the West, it is up to us to do all we can to support and
further the cause of the B.C.F. equally with the other Unions on all levels.

A Merry Christmas to All and the most enjoyable and successful play for
the New Year. *G.W. Kilmister* Editor and Producer, 102 Riverway,
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BATH MONARCHY CELEBRATIONS

Bath is holding celebrations from May to September, 1973, to celebrate the 1,000 anniversary of the crowning of the first King-of-All-England, King Edgar, in the year 973 in that City.

As part of these celebration the Bath authorities have agreed to sponsor and use the Guild Hall for the playing of the final section of the European Chess Championships, which England won entry to for the first time this year.

The Teams in the final include the U.S.S.R., Yugoslavia, Hungary, Poland, Rumania, West Germany, England and the winner of the Spanish/Swiss match - thus virtually all the leading players of Europe will be gathered in the West at Bath for one of the most important Chess events ever held there. It is most fitting, therefore, that the Chairman of the B.C.F., Mr D.W. Andertain, should chair the committee for 'Chess' arrangements and I confidently hope he will be supported by prominent 'West' chess personalities plus local personalities who will supply the local knowledge.

Holland, knocked out of the competition by England last Summer, is the most likely Country to be asked to supply a Director.

ENGLAND BEATEN

England lost to Germany in their match at Attendorn, played on 18/19 November by 8½ to 11½. The British Champion, Brian Eley, M.F. Stean and A.J. Mestel all attained 75% scores for the two round event, whilst Hartston, Markland and Mrs Hartston achieved 50% results.

B.C.F. LIGHTNING CHAMPIONSHIPS

These were played at Norwich on 11th and 12th November, clashing with a date for county matches in the West. It was played as a 7 rounds Swiss and resulted:-

- 1st London Commercial L. 19½ points.
- 2nd Cambridge U and King's Head 18½ points.
- 4th King and King (Last year's winners) 17½ points.

The Individual section, played on the next day after the team event, resulted:

- 1st H.M. Horton 7½ points.
- 2nd W.R. Hartston, D.I. Patrick and A.J. Whiteley,
all with 7 points. This was a 9 Round Swiss.

B.G.C.C. 1972/3 RESULT:

1st F. Boyd 8; 2nd R.V.M. Hall 6½; J.E. Hawkes & M.R.B. Clarke 6.
The West's R.H.K. Mann finished 10th.

SOME NATIONAL CLUB RESULTS:

1st Round.	Southampton University	3½	Portsmouth	2½.
	Exeter	2	Plymouth	4.
	Bristol University	½	Cheltenham	5½.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Final. STROUD 5½. Downend & Fishponds 4½.

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The BCF Somerset/Gloucester Section has 6 entrants:-
J.A. Borkowski, Bristol University; J.A. Anstead, Cheltenham; M.E. Binks, Bristol; A.R.B. Thomas, Tiverton; R.A. Lee, Honiton and E.M. White, Cheltenham.

The Hants/Dorset Section has 7 entrants, including R.H.K. Mann, Parkstone; W.J.E. Yeeles, Gosport; G.H. Bennett, Bournemouth and R.A.E. Shaw, Parkstone.

There are 24 entries in the Dorset Championship but, unfortunately Dr I. Roebuck is not defending his title.

The Bristol and District Chess League's Individual Championship only has 23 entries this season, which, in common with similar events in other areas, shows a drop over past years.

UNDER-18 COUNTIES TEAMS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Twentynine Boys teams and 18 girls teams have been entered for these event. It is important to note the WEST leads the way here with 7 Boys and 6 Girls Teams - well done Junior Organisers for these will be, we hope, our future county players. Help County Associations to finance this by registering NOW. In the Junior CCC, Hants have a team in Div 1 and Cornwall, Somerset and Hants II in Div 2.

FURTHER V.A.T. NOTE

The B.C.F. becomes liable for V.A.T. on all receipts after 1st April next, although the B.C.F. Financial Year does not end until April 30th. The B.C.F. Executive Committee has decided to carry V.A.T. on all payments made during the month of April, but to minimise this loss, will all those who have payments to make of a known kind PLEASE make them before 1st April next and so avoid this loss. County Treasurers and Match Captains with board fees payments can help this way considerably. Knowing you will help, **THANK YOU.**

GRADING CORRECTIONS:

Very few Grading List corrections have been notified to me as yet, and whilst I do my best, I doubt that my typing is that accurate:-

I am informed that

142 Hiron, R.J. (Seaton) and 139 Hiron, R (Taunton) refer to the same player, who has apparently failed to notify the Graders of playing in 2 areas.

121 Parker, J. (Lynton) should read 130 Parker J. etc.

G.R. Richards, Parkstone should read C. Richards (No R initial)

I also am told that 152* Stone, D.J. (Bridgwater) in our list and 177 Stone D.J. (Kingston) in the SCCU List refer to the same player.

Finally my sincere apologies to Bridgwater for putting an extra E in several places. Thanks to my informants I am a little less 'green' now.

FIDE ANNUAL CONGRESS

Held at Skopje during the Opympaid for Teams, the meeting confirmed an International GrandMaster Title for Chess Compositions on Comins Mansfield. The same meeting also confirmed an International Master title for R.D. Keene.

GEORGE SIMMONS

The Executive Committee unanimously recommended to the B.C.F. Council Meeting for next June that George Simmons should be elected an Honorary Life Vice-President in token of the Federation's appreciation of his tremendous efforts on its behalf.

BRITISH CORRESPONDENCE CHESS LEAGUE

The National Association of Schoolmasters Correspondence Chess Club's First Team won the B.C.C.L. Championship this year and it is most pleasing to find four of the eight players in the team were from the WEST. They were J.H. Jones; Gosport, K.J. Bloodworth, Plymouth; R.O. Powis, Stroud and C. Hatch, Exeter. Well done Gentlemen.

R.O. Powis of Stroud, the Gloucestershire County Chess Association Secretary, even went one better and won the Correspondence Championship of the National Schoolmasters C.C.C. He beat C.W. Fallows of Newcastle-upon Tyne 2 - 0 in the final

BRISTOL AND DISTRICT CHESS LEAGUE TABLES at 30-11-72.

<u>DIVISION 1.</u>					<u>DIVISION 2.</u>				
	P	W	D	Pts		P	W	D	Pts
University A	4	4	0	8	Yatton A	4	4	0	8
Downend & Fishponds A	3	3	0	6	Downend & Fishponds C	6	4	0	8
N.A.L.G.O. A	4	1	1	5	University B	3	3	0	6
Downend & Fishponds B	5	2	1	5	Totterdown Y.M.C.A.	5	3	0	6
Bristol & Clifton A	3	1	2	4	University C	5	2	2	6
Hanham & Kingswood A	5	2	0	4	Pegasus A	6	2	1	5
Keynsham A	4	1	1	3	Bristol & Clifton D	4	1	2	4
Sea Mills A	4	0	1	1	Thornbury	7	1	2	4
Bristol & Clifton B	4	0	0	0	Bristol & Clifton C	5	1	1	3
					Horfield A	5	0	0	0

DIVISION 3.

Cabot A	4	4	0	8
Sea Mills B	5	3	2	8
Civil Service	6	2	2	6
Patchway	4	2	1	5
Wills Hall	6	2	1	5
St George	3	1	2	4
Downend & Fishponds D	5	1	1	3
Hanham & Kingswood B	6	1	1	3
University D	2	1	0	2
Yatton B	5	1	0	2

DIVISION 4.

Hanham & Kingswood C	6	3	2	8
Sea Mills C	6	3	2	8
Pegasus B	8	4	0	8
Downend & Fishponds E	5	3	1	7
Bristol & Clifton F	6	2	3	7
Central Y.M.C.A.	4	3	0	6
Bristol & Clifton E	5	2	1	5
Horfield B	5	2	1	5
Bristol Omnibus	6	1	3	5
Yatton C	5	1	0	2
Pegasus C	6	0	1	1

DIVISION 5 Leaders: Bristol Telephones 10. N.A.L.G.O. B & Hanham & Kingswood E 7.

(W.E.C.U. Players shown in capital letters.) *Indicates some 1970/1 results)

Grade No.	Players names
234	W.R. Hartston, Cambridge University.
231	R.D. Keene, Cambridge University.
230	G.S. Botterill, Oxford University.
228	R.G. Wade, Middlesex; A.H. Williams, Cambridge University, Wales.
226*	Dr J. Penrose, Essex.
225	L.W. Barden, Surrey and A.J. Whiteley, Cavendish, Essex.
220	J.E. Littlewood, Skelmersdale, Lancs; P.R. Markland, Bolton & Oxford U.
219	B. Cafferty, Birmingham; J.L. Moles, Oxford U, Ireland.
218.	J.J. Carlton, Birmingham; M.J. Gorden, Oxford U & Birmingham; A.S. Hollies, Oxford U; S. SAVERYMUTTU, Gosport & London.
217	A.J. Miles, Birmingham; S. Webb, Athenaeum, London.
216	M.J. Basman, East Grinstead; R.S. Bellin, Norfolk; M.J. Haygarth, Leeds; H. MacGrillen, Mushrooms, Ireland; M.F. Stean, Cambridge U & Richmond; K.B. Richardson, Athenaeum & Notts.
215	M.J. Franklin, Richmond; J. Horner, Bolton; V.W. Know, Manchester; J.D.M. Nunn, Oxford U & Kingston; A.H. Perkins, Sussex U & Leeds; D. Wright, Waltham Forest; P. WATERS, Barnstaple.
214	P.H. CLARKE, Holsworthy, Devon.
213	R.R. Smith, Mushrooms.
212	B. Eley (Reigning British Champion) Doncaster; J.C. Henshaw, Brighton; J.I.P. Simpole, Brighton.
211	P.N. Lee, Harrogate; F. Parr, Stock Exchange, Sutton & Cheam; R.W.L. Moberly, Oxford U and Waltham Forest.
210	C. CUBITT, Southampton U, Gt Yarmouth; R.G. Eales, Cambridge U & Chester; S.J. HUTCHINGS, Bristol & Clifton, Wales; M. MacDonald-Ross, Lewisham, Kent.
209	A.P. Law, Lewisham; M.V. Lampshire, Lewisham, Warwicks.
208	R.A. Harris, Athenaeum; N.J. HOLLOWAY, Plymouth & Cambridge U; P.F. Timson, Middlesex; R.B. Edwards, Harrogate; M.H. Horton, Players, Notts; D.J. Masters, Chertsey; J. Montgomery, Stafford; A. Phillips, Kent.
207	J.I. Century, Islington; G.N. Henderson, Oldham; A.J. Mestel, East Cheshire; M. Gavrilovic, Wales; A. Kanamori, Cambridge U; D.J. Walsh, Maidenhead.

UNION LISTS

206	C.G. Hilton, A.T. Ludgate, B.M. Rothbart and L. de Veauce.
205	A. Crombleholme; B.N. Green, R.C. Lemon, N.J. Patterson, D.B. Pritchard, K.D. Sales, J.S. Speelman and R. Webb.
204.	G.H. BENNETT, G.P. Burton, P.C. Griffiths, R.V.M. Hall, G.H. James, I.C. Jones, D. LEMOND and T.S. Wickens.
203	C.G. Burton, M.J. Conroy, L.A. Edwards, R de L. Holmes, M. Lexton, T.W. Robbins, D.J. Strauss and A.R.B. THOMAS.
202	G. Evans, M. Fleury, R.L. Johannes, P.S. Milner-Barry, J.N. Sugden, J. Toothill, J.E. Vickery.
201	D.W. Anderton, R.A. Beach, A. Bernegger, J.A. Burstow, Dr P.W. Hempson, G.D. Lee, J.E. O'Dell, M. Radoicic and F.N. Stephenson.
200	L.S. Blackstock, M. Blaine, M.J. Bulford, N.G. Hammond, D. Lees, R.S. McFarland, A.K. May, P.J. MEADE, K.M. Oliff, D. Sherman, A.C. Trangmar, S. WEERAMANTRY, M.W. Wills.
199	P.D. GAIT, G.T. Haigh, P.G. Henry, B. Hopewell, Dr A. Learner, R.M.R. O'Kelly, T.W. Pelling, A.H. Prizant, S. Reubin, D.J. Rogers, A.N. Walker, J. Wolstenholme and B.H. Wood.
198	R. Bailey, A.F. BRAMELD, L.P. BURNETT, W. Doubleday, R.F.A. Harman, G.A. Hollis, N.J. Kalton, P.A. Linnell, J.P. Sommerville, J.S. Walton and D.M. WISE.
197	G.S. Barnard, M.E. BRIGDEN, P.A.J. Brown, G.A. Dickson, P.C. Head, H. Lemb, M.J. O'Hara and P.N. Wallis.
196	J.B. Adams, J.W. Atkinson, J.R. Cooke, D.J. James, B.A. Jones, A.T. McDonald, Dr T.V. Maher, J.W. Naylor, M.A. Smith, M.W.J. THOMPSON, J.K. WHITCUTT.
195	S. Berry, A.C. Cooper, P.C. Doye, D. Ellis, J.T. Farrand, W.A. Linton, J.T. Pascoe, C.C.W. Sheppard and A.K. Swift.
194	A.R. Bracher, P.V. Byway, T.P.D. Chapman, J.S. Emaley, G.M. Hayes, N.A. HUTCHINSON, H. Israel, B. Kooiman, N.R. Oliver, J.F. RUDGE, C.J. Shaw, J.G.R. Stainton, P.V. Wade, K.M. Weinhold, W.A. Winsor.
193	Dr J.M. AITKEN. 192 M.E. BINKS, M.J. STAPLES, A.J. STEBBINGS.
191	R.H.K. Mann. 189 Dr I. Roebuck. 188 R.A. Lee, R.H. Northage.
187	C.M. Cooley. 186 J. Hutcheson. 185 P.F. Habershon, S. Mann, A. Masters.

(193 downwards only W.E.C.U. Players quoted due to lack of space).

WHY ARE SOME PLAYERS NOT IN THE GRADING LIST??

Following a number of people expressing surprise, or disappointment that 'so and so' was not in the Grading List, I have endeavoured to investigate the position.

Firstly, the B.C.F. Grading regulations require that each player must have returned to the Graders 30 results, preferably all in that year but not less than 10 with the other 20 in the year before.

Union Graders are permitted to somewhat lower these standards for players graded Under 185 for the purposes of making the Union List more representative of the players and I understand most Graders at Union level will pass something between 15 and 20 results in the last season for a Union Grade, hence the necessity in the Union List of an asterisk or other mark to show when a player meets the higher B.C.F. Standard of 30 games graded.

Next it must be remembered that all seriously played games count for grading, including Club Championships, League Matches, County Matches and Congress games. However Handicap Chess, Lightning Chess, Five Minute Chess and all casual games do not count.

Thus it should be the aim of each player wishing for a grading to ensure that some 20 games for grading are notified to your County Grader. This is not easy to achieve when your Club Championship is a 'Knockout' type even if one is lucky enough to get 6 or 7 League Matches plus 2 or 3 County games. However if your Club Championship is based on the American 'All play All' type and played out even when one has lost all chance of winning the Championship, such play will give one a start of 10 or 12 games or more if it is a largish club - small clubs could possibly play a double round to build up the number whilst very big clubs could split strong and weaker players into a Major and Minor Championship.

Then the CRUNCH. Each Club should appoint, or ensure some keen official of the Club DOES SEND THESE RESULTS TO THE COUNTY GRADER, preferably at the end of March with a second short list covering play to the end of April, which is the end of the Grading Year. How many clubs have an officer whose duty it definitely is to see the serious CLUB games are reported?

I strongly suggest that each Club sees to it they appoint such an officer who will undertake to report the results of Club games - time is short because he must be fully operative by the end of March, or you may well miss out again in next year's list. He has to do NO actual grading, just report the Club Match results, being sure names and initials are right with a clear indication of win, draw or lost for each player, with opponent's name and initials.

Turning to figures kindly supplied me by Mr K.C. Cleak, Hon. Secretary of the Bristol and District Chess League, probably the biggest Chess Organisation in the Union Area, one sees remarkable differences in the ratio of the figures for Grading and Registration. He quotes:-

County	REGISTERED	GRADED
Cornwall	137	47
Devonshire	225	157
Dorset	74	76
Hampshire	241	280 (Adults)
Wilts	106	70
Somerset	202	148
Gloucestershire	155	376

(Somerset Graded includes 44 from Bristol League and Gloucestershire figures are 259 Bristol League and North Gloucestershire 117.)

Grading-wise this shows Cornwall with the poorest ratio, or the highest Registration Ratio whichever way one sees it. I have checked out Cornwall's grading returns with Mr Kingdon and learn that the Cornwall Grader submitted to the Union Grader some 49 names. Thirtysix of those names met B.C.F. Grading requirements and a further 11 were brought up to an acceptable W.E.C.U. standard after adding Congress games results. Two names with only 4 and 6 results against their names were rejected as ungradeable.

This suggests that some Cornish Clubs do not send in their 'All Play All' results, or possibly players do not play off their games when there is no chance of winning the title, with, possibly, (I do not know the position accurately) some League officials not returning League results to the County Grader.

The County Grader grades the Club and League results, then sends them on to the Union Grader who adds County Match results and the Congress results he receives from the All England Congress Grader, Mr H.G. Felce. Congress Directors should send all Congress results to Mr Felce, not to County or Union Graders. The results then go to the BCF for final adjustment and approval.

Conclusion on Grading - MAKE SURE YOUR OFFICIALS SEND IN THE RESULTS AT THE END OF MARCH WITH FINAL FIGURES AT THE END OF APRIL. Send in results March and April helps the Grader to get his work done on time.

REGISTRATION VIEWPOINT

Considering the figures on the previous page, only Gloucestershire and Hampshire have more Graded than Registered players with there being a big difference in the former county.

It will be further observed that the two counties with the poorest ratio Registration-wise do have really good Leagues with more players taking part in Chess generally. The Bristol and District Chess League, probably the largest and most efficient of all the Leagues in the Union area, quite obviously satisfies the playing needs of its local members, or they would soon revolt and seek greener pastures.

This, unfortunately, leaves the County Associations short and results in reduced training facilities for juniors in general and also causes horrible decisions to be made like failing to enter a West of England county's side in the English Minor Counties Championship.

One can understand Cornwall and Wiltshire not wishing to loose their Championship matches, but I do believe Devonshire, Gloucestershire, Hampshire and probably Somerset are quite capable of fielding a second 16 or 20 a-side teams to fight out who should go forward in the Minor Counties competition from the WEST. Such must give many more players a chance of playing for their counties and step up Registrations as a side-line.

I know Mr K.C. Cleak has circularised all Bristol and District Chess League Clubs on this matter and his 'Lead' might well be followed by Southampton and Portsmouth Leagues.

The Hampshire League demands full Registration and the Bournemouth League rules require all 1st Division players, who play in more than 2 matches per season, to be Registered. Since this rule was introduced, the Bournemouth 1st Division play has advanced markedly both in quality and quantity - possibly this is not co-incidence and play in standards demanding Registration bringing out that little something in players to add to their will to win.

It means individually 50p a year - chicken-feed these days - and it surprises me that clubs do not just add 50p a year to their subs and register members automatically - easily the least painful way.

Leagues in South Somerset, Cornwall, Devon and Dorset have that difficulty of travelling distance, not easy on Winter nights, but I listen hopefully to hear of the first club to lead the way by including automatic registration as a part of membership for adults.

CONGRESS RESULTS:-

PAIGNTON This Congress was won by A.P. Law of Lewisham and D. Wright of Kenton, both with $5\frac{1}{2}$ points. P.S. Milner-Barry, President of the B.C.F., was in the lead until he lost his last round to A.P. Law to finish 3rd with 5.

BARNSTAPLE This Congress resulted in another tie, N.J. Argyris and R. Bellin both scoring 5, or 100% score. L.J. Foster of Torquay, S. Weeramantry of Southampton University, M.E. Binks, Downend and Fishponds were among those to score $4\frac{1}{2}$ points. On 4 points were G.H. Bennett, Bournemouth, J.R. Boyce of Bristol and R. Heaseman of Exeter University in company with well-known players like L.W. Barden and M.J. Basman. Excellently directed by P.H. Clarke with quite, unseen efficiency, prompt draws and an up-to-date scoreboard never far behind play. The Hotel did well when it is born in mind that their main diningroom was used for play and the use of auxiliary rooms for meals.

SOUTHAMPTON This Open Congress, held at Southampton University, was won by D. Rumens of Surrey and D. Wright of Kenton, this pair agreeing a draw in their last round match with scores of $5\frac{1}{2}$ points. There 108 entries and sharing third place were the Hampshire Joint-Champion, M.W.J. Thompson and the Hampshire President, P.L. Marshall with others, including David Parr. A.C. Barton, Totton, won a share in the Under-170 Grade prize and H.G. Thomas a share in the Under-155 prize. Late applicants to play, of which there were a number, were firmly rejected. The unusual rule of 'Finish all moves in ten minutes after the time check' worked quite well.

A most unusual game between one of the winners, D. Rumens, and S. Reuben, the well-known London Congress organiser, went as follows:- Rumens White pieces.

1 e4 o5; 2 f4 Nc6; 3 Nf3 d6; 4 Bc4 Nf6; 5 Nc3 e6; 6 Qe2 Be7; 7 O-O O-O; 8 d3 d5; 9 Bb3 Na5; 10 e5 Nd7; 11 f5 Nxb3; 12 axb3 d4; 13 fxe6 dxc3; 14 exd7 cxb2; 15 dxc8=Q bxa1=Q; 16 Qg4 Qa6; 17 Q2e4 Qc8; 18 Ng5 Bxg5; 19 Qxg5 Qg6; 20 Rf5 Q8e6; 21 Q5f4 Rae8; 22 h4 Qc6; 23 Qe2 f6; 24 h5 Qf7; 25 Bb2 fxe5; 26 Rxf7 exf4; 27 Rxc7+ Kh8; 28 Re7+ Kg8; 29 Qg4+ Qg6; 30 Rg7+ Kh8; 31 Rxc6+ and Black resigns. (x = Takes. + = Check). Delightful chess, Ed.

W.E.C.U. CONGRESS MATTERS

During the 1972 Congress, a questionnaire was given to each Championship section contestant. A sub-committee, consisting of the Union Congress Secretary, The Union Treasurer, the Union Match Captain and the Union immediate Past-President, met to consider the replies on Nov 12th last.

The Questionnaire answers showed a small majority in favour of 'No Change' in the present rules, although some questionnaires were not returned by the players. Whilst a number of Hampshire players must find the rules surprisingly and markedly different from the S.C.C.U. rules to which they have been used, this must clearly indicate the rules work generally well.

After three hours discussion, the sub-committee decided it was better to leave matters substantially unchanged for 1973 when the impact of Hampshire will be known.

The idea of any other competition than a Swiss was rejected. It was decided that the 1st round play should be 'seeded' and that the last round on Easter Monday should be timed for at least 5 hours play. All competitors this year will be asked if they would be prepared to stay a further day (to Easter Tuesday) in future years.

This year's W.E.C.U. Congress will be held at Newquay, Cornwall, starting after a Civic Tea reception at 5.15 PM and prize-giving will be at approximately 3.30 PM Easter Monday. Mr M. Shirley of Cornwall is the Congress Director. Players wishing to enter any of the sections of the Congress should write to the Congress Secretary, Mr E.G. Walker, Meadow Nook, 18 Homefield, Locking, Nr Weston-Super-Mare. Telephone Banwell 2149. Write, or phone, early in January next when full details will be available.

CHESS CALENDER

Representatives of the four Unions met in London on Nov 18th to consider how well Union activities could be co-ordinated to build an All-England Chess Calender, embodying B.C.F., Union and County activities, together with provision for well-known Congresses.

Under the Chairmanship of Mr J. Rushton, your Editor was agreeably surprised at the very considerable progress made with a hope that the B.C.F. and all Unions, including S.C.C.U. with its very heavy match programme, and their counties could accept.

For W.E.C.U. it is correct to add that the periods of Paignton and the Hexagon were safeguarded generally, but the W.E.C.U. Congress at Easter unavoidably clashes with the S.C.C.U. Championships at Southend, the large prize Congress at Hammersmith and the pleasant one at Folkestone. I believe all will appreciate such is unavoidable.

I am hopeful that next year might see the start of such a Calender if the B.C.F. Development Committee and Union Executives can deal with it in time.

BATTLE OF BRITAIN TOURNAMENT

This next tournament is the Silver Jubilee of this Chess Competition which has, as its main object, the raising of funds for the R.A.F. Benevolent Fund. Whilst I know Hants players do take part, I wonder if the Bristol Area does, or could form their own section. Full particulars from Mr J. Kennedy, 70 Meadway, Bromley, Kent. Entry fee 50p (Juniors 25p) A worthy cause indeed.

SPAASKY-FISCHER BOOKS

Having had the pleasure of receiving and reading both Gligoric's and Clarke's versions of this Match of the Century, the former gives a true Grandmaster account with detailed knowledgeable accuracy whilst the latter presents a more English outlook view. The great value of these two books at only 50p each is that one compliments the other, giving the English reader a truly English understanding when both books are read jointly together, game by game. A unique opportunity at little cost by modern standards.

OBITUARY

It is with deep regret that we hear of the death of Miss M. Lander of Gillingham. Well-known for many years, she often competed in the British Ladies Championship and took in the Blind Olympiad at Weymouth some years ago.
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DARTMOUTH CONGRESS

This Congress was played between 1st and 3rd December at the Raleigh Hotel, Dartmouth with the kind permission of the Hotel owner, Mr H. Baguley. This year's winner was H.C. Thomas with 5/6 score, winning on a tie-break from J.L. Foster - this player scoring 4 1/2 / 5 at the Hexagon's Woolacombe Congress. The 3rd prize went to Seton Ash of Totness. Alan Cooper of Torquay Grammar School won the grading prize and a second grading prize for those below 115 went to E. Cooper of Totness. 25 players actually took part, flue, etc taking in its toll on entrants. Next 30th Nov to 2nd Dec, 1973.

THE SENIOR JAMBOREE

This was played at Exeter on 7th October and again resulted in a win for Gloucestershire with a substantial lead of a clear 4 points and a total of 9. Devon were second with 5 points and Dorset 3rd with $4\frac{1}{2}$ points. Hampshire found that this early date in October too early to raise a representative side.

Results were as follows:-

1 S. Mann, Devon	1 P.J. Meade, Glos	0	13 M.J. Roth, Dorset	0	M.E. Poolake, Glos	1.
2 JK Whitcutt, Som.	1 AW Busby, Cornwall	0	14 AJ Gunn, Cornwall	0	JA Borkowski, Som	1.
3 ME Binks, Glos	1 Dr I Roebuck, Dor	0	15 D Osborne, Glos	1	GB Hatch, Devon	0.
4 RHK Mann, Dorset	$\frac{1}{2}$ R. Hardy, Som.	$\frac{1}{2}$	16 RAE Shaw, Dorset	$\frac{1}{2}$	R Heasman, Devon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
5 BH Turner, Crnwll	0 GW Wheeler, Devon	1.	17 AM Hurman, Glos	1	RJ Grime, Cornwall	0.
6 J Anderson, Dorset	$\frac{1}{2}$ P Breach, Crnwll	$\frac{1}{2}$	18 K Schofield, Devn	1	BJ Crouter, Som.	0.
7 ME Bridgen, Glos	1 B Honnor, Som.	0.	19 RJ Ferrin, Crnwll	1	JJ Soesan, Dorset	0.
8 NJ Webber, Som.	$\frac{1}{2}$ DJ Sewall, Devon	$\frac{1}{2}$	20 MI Davis, Glos	1	DG Woodruff, Som.	0.
9 RM Bruce, Devon	0 Dr P Merrett, Dor	1.	21 MA Cartwright, Dv	0	IR Pickup, Glos	1.
10 DL O'Byrne, Crnwll	0 RO Powis, Glos	1.	22 RG Gray, Som.	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.P. Fry, Crnwll	$\frac{1}{2}$.
11 R Delnon, Devon	1 JR Read, Crnwll	0.	23 EM White, Glos	1	RTF Williams Dor	0.
12 HG Thomas, Som.	0 FG Kingdon, Dor	1.	24 R Burton, Dorset	1	AJ Powell, Som	0.
	25 WH Peek, Crnwll	1	MW Wood, Devon	0.		

Gloucestershire 9; Devonshire 5; Dorset $4\frac{1}{2}$; Somerset $3\frac{1}{2}$; Cornwall 3.

Average Grading Gloucestershire 180; Devonshire 176; Dorset 171; Somerset 159 and Cornwall 144. (Ungraded players omitted from consideration.)

G.	<u>WILTSHIRE</u>	28-10-72.	<u>CORNWALL</u>	Played at Exeter.	G.
1	135	M.M. Spindler, Swindon	0	P. Breach (Unknown)	1. ---
2	174	A. Kendry, Bristol U.	$\frac{1}{2}$	B.H. Turner, Truro	$\frac{1}{2}$. 162
3	187	G. Cooley, Swindon (default)	0	O.L. O'Byrne, Truro	1. 153
4	158	R.C. Baker, Swindon (default)	0	J.R. Read, Canborne & Redruth	1. 150
5	153	C. Sowden, Swindon	A	R.J. Ferrin, Halston	A. 152
6	155	Maj. W.E. Bruges, Salisbury	$\frac{1}{2}$	N.R. Provia, Halston	$\frac{1}{2}$. 142
7	137	D. Hale, Lynsham	1	M. Beech, Liskard	0. 124
8	143	A. Rier, Malmesbury	1	A.H. Knight, Liskard	0. 144
9	138	P.R. Manning, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.P. Fry, Liskard	$\frac{1}{2}$. 127
10	112	L. White, Thornbury	1	W.H. Peek, Halston	0. 119
11	142	M.A. Spindler, Swindon	1	E. Clark, St Austell	0. 130
12	---	R. Allen (Unknown)	0	L.G. Shroll, St Austell	1. 120
13	123	T. Dodson, Malmesbury	$\frac{1}{2}$	R. Provia, (Halston ??)	$\frac{1}{2}$. ---
14	133	J. Ball, Swindon	1	F.N. Bassett, Halston	0. 105
15	117	Mrs E. Hartford, Salisbury	1	N. Patterson, St Austell	0. 109
16	97	C. Farrar, Swindon (default)	0	T. Gurnon (Unknown)	1. ---
Av.	133		$\frac{8}{2}$		$\frac{7}{2}$ 131

A pity three Cornwall players travelled over 200 miles for no game. Best win to J.R. Read, Canborne and Redruth, otherwise an even match generally.

	<u>WILTSHIRE</u>	11-11-72.	<u>DEVON</u>	Played at Wincanton.	
1	165	R.F. Bradley, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$	S. Mann, Exeter	$\frac{1}{2}$. 185
2	135	M.M. Spindler, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$	Geo.W. Wheeler (Unknown)	$\frac{1}{2}$. 184
3	187	G. Cooley, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.M. Bruce, Plymouth	$\frac{1}{2}$. 177
4	186	J. Hutoheason (Cheltenham??)	0	K. Schofield, Exmouth	1. 171
5	158	E.C. Baker, Marlborough	0	R. Heasman, Exeter U.	1. 173
6	153	C. Sowden, Swindon	0	C.B. Hatch, Exeter U	1. 171
7	137	D. Hale, Lynsham	1	M.A. Cartwright (Ex Hants)	0. 173
8	---	F. Haynes, Lynsham	0	M.J. Gilheapy, Exeter	1. 165
9	155	Major W.E. Bruges, Salisbury	0	M.W. Wood, Exeter	1. 171
10	142	M.A. Spindler, Swindon	0	J.K. Gross, Plymouth	1. 169
11	138	P.R. Manning, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$	B.W. Clapp, Exeter	$\frac{1}{2}$. 169
12	---	P.A. Sturgess, Chippenham	1	K.J. Bloodworth, Plymouth	0. 158
13	125	F. Nixon, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.H.T. Newman, Barnstaple	$\frac{1}{2}$. 152
14	135	M.G. Lovell, Shrivenham	$\frac{1}{2}$	-. Ditmaa. (?)	$\frac{1}{2}$. ---
15	112	L. White, Thornbury	1	J. Thorley (Unknown).	0. ---
16	135	J. Ball, Swindon	0	G. Hodgkiss, Taveratock	1. 157
Av.	148		6		10. 170

Wiltshire, despite being heavily outgunned in grading weight, give a fair account of themselves, the draw on Board 2 and the win on Board 7 being good Wilts efforts. Had Wiltshire players watched their clocks more closely and not lost four games on TIME, it might have been the upset of the season. Anyway, a good try.

COUNTY MATCH RESULTS:-

<u>DEVONSHIRE.</u>		28th Oct, 1972	<u>SOMERSET.</u>	Grade	
1	214	P.H. Clarke, Holsworthy	$\frac{1}{2}$	J.K. Whitcutt (Unknown)	$\frac{1}{2}$ ---
2	185	S. Mann, Exeter	0	R.H. Northage, Bath	1 188
3	182	Dr J.P. Gray, Exeter	1	C.C. Parsons, Yatton	0 172
4	184?	G.W. Wheeler, Unknown	1	C.R. Chambers, Yatton	0 169
5	175	D.J. Sewall, Exeter U.	$\frac{1}{2}$	R. Hardy, E.M.I., Wells	$\frac{1}{2}$ 174
6	177	R.M. Bruce, Plymouth	1	N.J. Webber, Street	0 166
7	171	K. Schofield, Exmouth	1	B. Honnor, Taunton	0 160
8	173	R. Heasman, Exeter U.	1	H.C. Thomas, Weston-S-Mare (Def)	0 ---
9	171	G.B. Hatch, Exeter U.	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.W. Gregory, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$ 154
10	189	R. Delnon, Plymouth College	$\frac{1}{2}$	P.K. Trussler, Hanham Kingswood	$\frac{1}{2}$ 156
11	165	M.J. Gilheapy, Exeter	$\frac{1}{2}$	G.J.A. Lasper, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$ 150
12	171	M.W. Wood, Exeter	1	R.M. Morgan, Weston-S-Mare	0 150
13	163	C.A.S. Damant, Teignmouth	$\frac{1}{2}$	H.R. Holmes, Ilminster	$\frac{1}{2}$ 144
14	169	J.K. Gross, Plymouth	1	P.D. Jenner, Bristol+Clifton	0 149
15	169	B.W. Clapp, Exeter	1	B. Grouter, Weston-S-Mare	0 153
16	164	Mrs R.M. Bruce, Plymouth	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.J. Gregory, Bristol Bus	$\frac{1}{2}$ 154
Av.G. 175.5		Totals	$11\frac{1}{2}$		$4\frac{1}{2}$ 160
17	172	M.A. Cartwright (Unknown)	1	R.G. Gray, Winoanton	0 136
18	158	K.J. Bloodworth, Plymouth	0	S.H. Brooklesby, Bath/Keynsham	1 147
19	152	R.H.T. Newman, Barnstaple	1	I. Furber, Headley Park	0 144
20	---	Mrs P.H. Clarke, Holsworthy	$\frac{1}{2}$	C.A.B. Lake, Wells C.S.	$\frac{1}{2}$ 140
21	159	J.J. Griffiths, Exeter	$\frac{1}{2}$	B.T. King, Weston-S-Mare	$\frac{1}{2}$ 144
22	157	G. Hadgkiss, Tavistock	0	D.G. Woodruff, Keynsham	1 141
23	142	W.A. Frost, Teignmouth	1	D.S. Hutchfield, Winoanton	0 140
24	146	E.G. Sparke, Exmouth	0	F.J. Tennant, Chard	1 129
25	145	R. Liggitt, Paignton	0	R. Garland, Unknown	1 ---
26	135	R.H. Jones, Teignmouth	$\frac{1}{2}$	M. Sellars, Headley Park	$\frac{1}{2}$ 134
27	---	T.G.C. Ward (Unknown)	$\frac{1}{2}$	J.W. Collins, Portishead	$\frac{1}{2}$ 124
28	139	Rev K.S. Proctor, Teignmouth	1	D.G. Adams (Unknown)	0 ---
29	141	C.J. Meadows, Paignton	1	R. Fursman, Yatton	0 117
30	131	Dr R.W. Hitchcock, Exeter	$\frac{1}{2}$	M. Dean, (Unsure)	$\frac{1}{2}$ ---
164		Totals:-	19		11 143

Best 'on Paper' Win by F.J. Tennant of Chard, winning with a grade difference of 17 points, closely followed by D.G. Woodruff of Keynsham, with a 16 points win. The Match was played at Exeter.

<u>GLOUCESTERSHIRE</u>		28th Oct, 1972.	<u>DORSET</u>		
1	193	Dr J.M. Aitken, Cheltenham	$\frac{1}{2}$	Dr I. Roebuck, Weymouth	$\frac{1}{2}$ 189
2	200	P.J. Meade, Cheltenham	1	R.H.K. Mann, Parkstone	0 191
3	197	M.E. Bridgen, Downend+Fishpds	1	J. Anderson, Weymouth	0 182
4	182	R.O. Powis, Stroud	$\frac{1}{2}$	Dr P. Merrett, Parkstone	$\frac{1}{2}$ 177
5	182	J.R. Boyce, Bristol+Clifton	0	F.C. Kingdon, Weymouth	1 179
6	178	E. Freeman, Bristol+Clifton	$\frac{1}{2}$	M.J. Roth, Winfrith	$\frac{1}{2}$ 170
7	176	M.I. Davis, Gloucester	1	R.A.E. Shaw, Parkstone	0 164
8	195	S. Berry, Bristol U. (Hull)	0	J.E. Crewe, Bournemouth Knights	1 162
9	173	J.K. Fawcett, Downend+Fishpds	a	J.J. Soeson, Parkstone	a 160
10	169	B.J. Little, Gloucester	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.T.F. Williams, Wincanton	$\frac{1}{2}$ 155
11	162	I.R. Pickup, Downend+Fishpds	1	R. Burton, Weymouth	0 151
12	--	M. Mashayeth (Unknown)	1	P. Dearlove, Weymouth	0 152
13	176	D. Jarrett, Hanham+Kingswood	1	G. Richards, Parkstone	0 148
14	185	A. Masters, Bristol+Clifton	1	E.J. Clark, Weymouth	0 147
15	168	K.W. Derrick, Sea Mills	1	H.E. Barnett, Bournemouth Knights	0 146
16	163	I.P. Legg, Gloucester	a	R.C. Murphy (Unknown)	a ---
178			10		4 144
17		Default	0	H.E.J. Stay, Parkstone	1 144
18	156	W.M. Hamlin, Dowty	a	D.A. Hyde (Unknown)	a ---
19	164	T. Sinkinson, Stroud	$\frac{1}{2}$	K. Spackman, Weymouth	$\frac{1}{2}$ 138
20	163	C. Hutchings, Bristol+Clifton	1	R. Owen, Winfrith	0 135
21	151	R.J. Dixon, Gloucester	$\frac{1}{2}$	B.J. Broadhouse, Winfrith	$\frac{1}{2}$ 133
22	145	A. Dean, Bristol+Clifton	1	H.C. Bailey (Unknown)	0 ---
23	127	Mrs R.O. Powis, Stroud	1	L.P. Deeth, Weymouth	0 124
24	125	Capt J. Parsloe, Bristol+Clf	0	S.J. Shutler, Parkstone	1 124
169		Totals:-	14	(Plus 3 for Adjudication)	7 156

Easily the best win 'on Paper' goes to Jack Crewe, who modestly said 'Lucky'; (Perhaps but it does not alter the fact of being the best win. Ed.) Sorry I have no advice where the match was played.

HAMPSHIRE

11.11.72

SOMERSET

played at Corsley.

1	196	M.W.J. Thompson, Woolston	1	J.K. Whitcutt, Wellington	0.	196
2	198	A.F. Brameld, Portsmouth	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.H. Northage, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$.	188
3	196	P.M. Collins, Barton Peveril	$\frac{1}{2}$	D.P. Bonner, E.M.I., Wells	$\frac{1}{2}$.	177
4	184	J.H. Jones, Gosport	$\frac{1}{2}$	G.C. Parsons, Yatton	$\frac{1}{2}$.	172
5	180	D.W. Bell, Southampton	$\frac{1}{2}$	R. Hardy, E.M.I. Wells	$\frac{1}{2}$.	174
6	184	Comdr A.J. Peters, Portsmouth	1	G. Krimer, Bath	0.	181
7	175	D.E. Bower, Southampton	0	R.W. Gregory, Bath	1.	154
8	174	P. Mitchell, Southampton	$\frac{1}{2}$	A. Ash, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$.	-
9	174	W.J.E. Yeeles, Gosport	1	J.A. Borkowski, Keynsham	0.	-
10	161	T.I. Cowling, I.B.M., Hursley	$\frac{1}{2}$	C.J.R. Lasper, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$.	150
11	172	I. Stenhouse, Southampton	1	H.R. Holmes, Ilminster	0.	144
12	171	D.K. Bevis, Bournemouth Knights	1	D.C. Stockford (Unknown)	0.	-
13	171	L.C. Walters, Southampton	0	A.J. Powell, Wells G.S.	1.	150
14	165	R.M. Ellison, Christchurch	$\frac{1}{2}$	M.J. Patterson, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$.	150
15	-	default	0	R.J. Gregory, Bristol Bus	1.	154
16	161	P.L. Marshall, Southampton	1	B.T. Crouter, Weston-S-Mare	0.	153
Av.	177	Championship scores:-	$\frac{9}{2}$		$\frac{6}{2}$	165
17	153	E.W. Chandler, B'mouth Knights	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.M. Morgan, Weston-S-Mare	$\frac{1}{2}$.	150
18	160	D.C. Goddard, Fareham	0	P.D. Jenner, Bristol & Clifton	1.	144
19	160	J.A. Bassett, Kinson	1	C.A.B. Lake, Wells	0.	140
20	-	A.J. Sobey, Haslemere	$\frac{1}{2}$	D.G. Woodruff, Keynsham	$\frac{1}{2}$.	141
21	159	G.E.J. Lambert, Southern G.S.	1	R.G. Gray, Wincanton	0.	136
22	158	D. Drew, Southampton	0	B. King, Weston-S-Mare	1.	144
23	158	R. Willey, Andover	0	I. Furber, Headley Park	1.	144
24	150	P.J. Lee, Southern G.S. P'mouth	1	J.A. Dixon, Bath	0.	147
25	151	M.W. Stone, Southampton	$\frac{1}{2}$	H.G. Thomas, Yatton	$\frac{1}{2}$.	144
26	151	A.B. Perks, Southampton	1	D.S. Hutchfield, Wincanton	0.	140
27	151	H.L. Parsons, Southampton	$\frac{1}{2}$	D.T. Byron, Downside	$\frac{1}{2}$.	-
28	139	R.F. Gallop, Southampton	$\frac{1}{2}$	K. Hillier, Totterdown	$\frac{1}{2}$.	135
29	145	S. Goodman, Barton Peveril	0	M. Sellers, Headley Park	1.	134
30	148	R.C. Clark, Gosport	$\frac{1}{2}$	P. Hunt, Frome	$\frac{1}{2}$.	124
Av	165		$\frac{16}{2}$		$\frac{13}{2}$	162

Looking at this result any way, Somerset's Championship side were outgraded by an average of 12 points and thus the score must be a really good effort - special mention must be made of Bath's R.W. Gregory and Wells G.S's A.J. Powell, the latter beating one of Hampshire's steadiest players in County Championship play. Further, the Somerset side actually drew the last 14 boards part of the match, although the total out-grading was not so marked.

Hampshire were minus their top boards, mainly away at the clashing British Lightning Championships, of Cubitt, Bennett, Orchard and Weeramantny, all graded 200 plus and thus were pleased to win with such a weak side out from their viewpoint.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

11.11.72

CORNWALL

1	193	Dr J.M. Aitken, Cheltenham	$\frac{1}{2}$	P. Breach, (Unknown)	$\frac{1}{2}$.	-
2	200	P.J. Meade, Cheltenham	1	B.H. Turner, Truro	0.	162
3	182	R.O. Pavis, Stroud	1	D.L. O'Byrne, Truro	0.	153
4	171	M.E. Poolake, Bristol & Clifton	1	A.J. Gunn, Liskard	0.	145
5	173	J.K. Fawcett, Downend & Fishpds	1	R.J. Perrin, Helston	0.	152
6	-	M. Mashayekh (Unknown)	$\frac{1}{2}$	W. Mewton, Liskard	$\frac{1}{2}$.	148
7	-	D. Osborne (Unknown)	0	W.R. Provis, Helston	1.	152
8	169	B.J. Little, Gloucester	0	S. Lucas, Liskard	1.	138
9	171	C. Sullivan, Downend & Fishpds	1	M.J. Beech, Liskard	1.	138
10	169	R.A. Kendall, Downend & Fishpds	$\frac{1}{2}$	S.N. Gegg, Truro School	$\frac{1}{2}$.	117
11	161	J.R. Verling, Bristol & Clifton	A	R.P. Try, Liskard	A.	127
12	154	H.J. Draisey, Horfield	1	I.G. Shroll, St Austell	0.	120
13	164	T. Sinkinson, Stroud	1	R. Provis (Helston??)	0.	-
14	155	E.W. Joce, Bristol & Clifton	1	R. Truscott, St Austell	0.	122
15	163	C.J. Hutchings, Bristol+Clftn	1	N.P. Luke (Unknown)	0.	-
16	151	R.J. Dixon, Gloucester	1	E. Clark, St Austell	0.	-
Av	169	Championship result:-	$\frac{11}{2}$		$\frac{3}{2}$	140
17	151	J.C.B. Date, Cheltenham	1	A.R.J. Horn (Unknown)	0.	-
18	145	A. Dean, Bristol & Clifton	$\frac{1}{2}$	Rev E. Lee-Dodds, (Unknown)	$\frac{1}{2}$.	-
19	152	J. Anstead, Cheltenham	A	N. Patterson, St Austell	A.	109
20	147	A.W. Champion, Bristol Cabot	1	F.N. Bassett, Helston	0.	105
21	139	P. Ashworth, Gloucester	1	I.K. Pilling (Unknown)	0.	-
22	-	A. Hilbig, Unknown	0	T. Gurrán (Unknown)	1.	-
23	-	J. Ovide, Unknown	1	P. Horn, Unknown	0.	-
24	-	R. Joyce, Unknown	$\frac{1}{2}$	M.F. Smith, Unknown	$\frac{1}{2}$.	-
±	160	Totals:-	$\frac{16}{2}$		$\frac{5}{2}$	± 120

Good wins for Lucas and Beech of Liskard, giving +30 points.

WILTSHIRE

2-12-72

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

1. 165	R.F. Bradley, Swindon	0	M.E. Binks, Downend & Fishponds	1. 192
2. 174	A. Kendry, Bristol U.	A	Dr J.M. Aitken, Cheltenham	A. 193
3. 187	C. Cooley, Swindon (J)	$\frac{1}{2}$	P.J. Meade, Cheltenham	$\frac{1}{2}$. 200
4. 186	J. Hutcheson, (Cheltenham??)	$\frac{1}{2}$	M.E. Brigden, Bristol & Clifton	$\frac{1}{2}$. 197
5. 162	P.R. Watson, Lyneham	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.O. Powis, Stroud	$\frac{1}{2}$. 182
6. -	F. Haynes, Lyneham	$\frac{1}{2}$	M.I. Davis, Gloucester	$\frac{1}{2}$. 176
7. 158	E.C. Baker, Marlborough	A	J.K. Fawcett, Downend & Fishponds	A. 173
8. 155	Maj W.E. Bruges, Salisbury	0	N. MacLoed (Unknown)	1. -
9. 153	C. Sowden, Swindon	0	I.R. Pickup, Downend & Fishponds	1. 162
10. -	P.A. Sturgess (Unknown)	0	D.C. Jarrett, Hanham & Kingswood	1. 176
11. 152	S. Taulbot, Marlborough G.S. (J)	1	D. Osborne (Unknown)	0. -
12. 137	W.L. White, Salisbury	$\frac{1}{2}$	T. Sinkinson, Stroud	$\frac{1}{2}$. 164
13. 142	M.A. Spindler, Swindon (J)	1	G.J. Hutchings, Bristol & Clifton	0. 163
14. 138	P.R. Manning, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.J. Dixon, Gloucester	$\frac{1}{2}$. 151
15. 135	M.C. Lovell, Shrivenham	0	E.W. Joce, Bristol & Clifton	1. 155
16. 117	Mrs E. Hartford, Salisbury	0	J.C.B. Date, Cheltenham	1. 151
Av. 155		5		9. 173.

Once again Juniors show they have a sting scoring $2\frac{1}{2}$ out of 3 scattered throughout the Wilts Team. Let others beware! Played at Malmesbury.

DORSET

2-12-72

SOMERSET

1. 191	R.H.K. Mann, Parkstone	$\frac{1}{2}$	D.P. Bonner, EMI, Wells	$\frac{1}{2}$. 180
2. 182	J. Anderson, Weymouth	0	J.K. Whitoutt, Wellington	1. 196
3. 177	Dr P. Merrett, Parkstone	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.H. Northage, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$. 188
4. 179	F.C. Kingdon, Weymouth	1	C.C. Parsons, Yatton	0. 172
5. 170	M.J. Roth, Winfrith	$\frac{1}{2}$	L. Graham, (Unknown)	$\frac{1}{2}$. -
6. 173	H.D. Needham, Parkstone	0	R. Hardy, EMI, Wells	1. 174
7. 162	J.E. Crewe, Bmth Knights	0	J.D. Cheetham, (Hampstead)	1. 171
8. 164	R.A.E. Shaw, Parkstone	A	R.W. Gregory, Bath	A. 154
9. 155	R.T.F. Williams, Wincanton	0	P.K. Trussler, Hanham & Kingswd.	1. 156
10. 151	R. Burton, Weymouth	$\frac{1}{2}$	G. Krimer, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$. 181
11. 152	P. Dearlove, Weymouth	0	A. Ash (Unknown)	1. -
12. 160	J.J. Soesan, Parkstone	0	J.A. Borkowski, Keynsham	1. 149
13. -	R.C. Murphy (Unknown)	1	C.J.A. Lasper, Bath	0. 150
14. -	D.A. Hyde (Unknown)	$\frac{1}{2}$	T.G.A. Farrell, Bath/Totterdown	$\frac{1}{2}$. 156
15. 148	C. Richards, Parkstone	$\frac{1}{2}$	A.J. Powell, Wells G.S.	$\frac{1}{2}$. 150
16. 146	H.E. Marnett, Bmth Knights	$\frac{1}{2}$	M.G. Patterson, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$. 150
Av. 165	Championship:-	5		10. 166
17. 144	H.E.J. Stay, Parkstone	$\frac{1}{2}$	H.R. Holmes, Ilminster	$\frac{1}{2}$. 144
18. 132	J.S. Bunter, Sherbourne	0	R.J. Gregory, Bristol Bus	1. 154
19. 138	K. Spackman, Weymouth	0	D.C. Stockford, (Unknown)	1. -
20. 133	B.J. Broadhouse, Winfrith	$\frac{1}{2}$	P.D. Jenner, Bristol & Clifton	$\frac{1}{2}$. 149
21. -	H.C. Bailey (Unknown)	0	R.M. Morgan, Weston-S-Mare	1. 150
22. 124	L.P. Deeth, Weymouth	$\frac{1}{2}$	B.T. Crouter, Weston-S-Mare	$\frac{1}{2}$. 153
23. 124	S.J. Shutler, Parkstone	0	D.G. Woodruff, Keynsham	1. 141
24. 121	C.G. Button, Bryanston Sch	1	R.G. Gray, Wincanton	0. 136
Av. 153		$7\frac{1}{2}$		$15\frac{1}{2}$. 159

Dorset sadly went astray in what should have been a drawish Championship.

A good win by J.A. Borkowski of Bristol University and by Bryanston Schoolboy C.G. Button. A good win by Somerset. Played at Yeovil.

HAMPSHIRECORNWALL

1. 200	S. Weeramantry, S'ton U.	1	D. O'Byrne, Truro	0. 151
2. 196	M.W.J. Thompson, Woolston C.	$\frac{1}{2}$	R.J. Ferrin, Helston	$\frac{1}{2}$. 152
3. 198	A.F. Brameld, Fareham	1	A.J. Quan (Unknown)	0. -
4. 184	J.H. Jones, Gosport	1	A.H. Knight, Liskeard	0. 144
5. 180	D.W. Bell, Southampton	A	W.R. Provis, Helston	A. 142
6. 174	B.A.M. Piggott, Farnborough	1	M.J. Beech, Liskeard	0. 127
7. 172	I. Stenhouse, Southampton	1	L.G. Shroll, St Austell	0. 120
8. 175	D.E. Bower, Southampton	A	E. Clark, St Austell	A. 130
9. 171	L.C. Walters, Southampton	1	W.H. Peel, Helston	0. 119
10. 168	A.C. Barton, Totton	1	N. Patterson, St Austell	0. 109
11. 161	P.L. Marshall, Southampton	1	A.J. Horn (Unknown)	0. -
12. 161	S. Dean, P'mth Community C	1	T. Curnow (Unknown)	0. -
13. 160	D.C. Goddard, Fareham	0	Dr Tyler (Unknown)	1. -
14. 148	R.C. Clark, Gosport	0	W. Moore (Unknown)	1. -
15. 144	D.L. Hawles, Woolston	1	H. Spencer-Smith (Unknown)	0. -
16. 151	H.L. Parsons, Southampton	1	Default	0. -
Av. 161	Totals:-	$11\frac{1}{2}$		$2\frac{1}{2}$. 133.

Good wins to Dr Tyler and W. Moore.

Disregarding certain adjudications which have not reached me, the County Championship table reads:-

	P	W	D	F	A	Pts
Gloucestershire	3	3	-	31	13	6.
Hampshire	2	2	-	21	9	4.
Devonshire	2	2	-	21½	10½	4.
Somerset	3	1	-	21	26	2.
Wiltshire	3	1	-	19½	26½	2.
Dorset	2	0	-	9	20	0.
Cornwall	3	0	-	14	32	0.

Despite having sent an offer of a free copy of Westward Ho to all County Captains who send me details of their matches, I regret to say only two County Captains have sent me details of EACH match. This, in turn, has forced me into considerable use of the word 'Unknown' for player's clubs and I have no doubt that numerous names have wrong, incomplete Initials as few Captains manage to get opposing side's names correct, hence the wish for a report from each Captain.

NEWS FLASH

The latest News Flash gives more news than ever and included in it is the FIDE International Ranking List for English players. The FIDE 'Grading system' varies in relation to the British System in that it is only based on 'Rated' Tournament Results with other casual serious play being ignored plus the fact that it is kept continuously up to date after each tournament with an official rating. The British System accepts all types of serious play of an O.T.B. nature. News Flash is now 70p per annum, ordered direct from Mrs A. Hopton, General Secretary, B.C.F., at Juniper Cottage, South Park Crescent, Gerrards Cross. SL9 8HJ.

I repeat the British List for West readers:- List A.

Basman 2385	Corden 2275	Littlewood J 2340	Saverymuttu 2250
Bellin 2315	Franklin 2335	Markland 2420	Stean 2275
Botterill 2410	Griffiths 2255	Miles 2285	Wade 2375
Gafferty 2370	Hartston 2420	Moles 2270	Whiteley 2310
Carleton 2285	Keene 2435	Patterson 2340	Williams A.H. 2390
Clarke 2360	Lee 2390	Penrose 2450	

The above players all meet the Vancouver FIDE Congress standard, whilst those below have been rated on Tournaments which do not meet the standard.

Barden 2350	Gibbs 2350	Perkins A.H. 2305	Webb S. 2330
Eales 2290	Hollis 2350	Phillips A 2320	Wright D. 2340
Eley 2345	Know 2310	Richardson K.B. 2320.	

BOURNEMOUTH LEAGUE TABLES

<u>Division 1</u>								<u>Division 2</u>							
	P	W	D	F	A	Pts		P	W	D	F	A	Pts		
Parkstone A	2	2	0	8½	1	4	Bournemouth School	3	3	-	10½	4½	6		
Knights A	2	2	0	6½	3½	4	Telephones	3	2	1	9½	5½	5		
Christchurch A	2	1	1	5½	4½	3	Kinson B	3	2	-	8	7	4		
Oakmead School	2	1	-	5½	4½	2	Parkstone	3	1	1	7½	7½	3		
Kinson	2	0	1	4½	5½	1	Winfrith	3	1	1	6½	8½	3		
Parkstone B	2	0	1	4	6	1	Kinson A	3	1	-	7½	7½	2		
Knights B	2	0	1	2½	7½	1	DeVilbis	3	0	2	7	8	2		
Telephones	1	0	0	2	3	0	St Petera School	3	1	-	7	8	2		
St Peters School	1	0	0	1	4	0	Christchurch	3	1	0	6	9	2		
							Canford Heath	3	0	1	5½	9½	1		

PORTSMOUTH LEAGUE TABLES

<u>Division 1.</u>								<u>Division 2.</u>							
	P	W	D	F	A	Pts		P	W	D	F	A	Pts		
Community Centre	4	4	-	15½	8½	8	Cosham A	3	3	-	14	4	6		
Portsmouth A	3	3	-	13	5	6	St John's B	4	2	-	12½	11½	4		
Leigh Park A	2	1	1	7	5	3	Gosport B	4	2	-	9½	14½	4		
Fareham A	3	1	-	7	11	2	Leigh Park B	4	1	-	9½	14½	2		
Gosport A	3	0	1	7½	10½	1	Fareham B	3	1	-	8½	9½	2		
St John's A	3	0	-	6	12	0	Portsmouth B	2	1	-	6½	5½	2		
Polytechnic A	2	0	-	4	8	0	I.B.M. A	2	1	-	5½	6½	2		

JUNIOR MATCH

In the Annual Junior Match between Southampton and Portsmouth Schools, the latter trounced Southampton by 13½ to 5½ with 5 games for adjudication. In the Under 12 section, the result depends on the adjudication of one game, present scores being Southampton 10, Portsmouth 9.

SOUTHAMPTON CHESS LEAGUE

It is with regret I am unable to include the Southampton Chess League results or tables as they will not be available in time for my publishing date. This is especially unfortunate as this League is celebrating its Golden Jubilee this year.

HAMPSHIRE LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

	P	W	D	F	A	Pts.
SOUTHAMPTON 'A'	3	2	1	9½	5½	5
Southampton University 'A'	2	2	0	8½	1½	4
Portsmouth 'A'	3	2	0	6½	9½	4
Kinson	4	1	1	8½	11½	3
Totton	2	1	0	5½	4½	2
Gosport	3	1	0	7½	7½	2
Bournemouth Knights	3	1	0	6½	8½	2
Leigh Park (North of P'mouth)	2	0	1	4½	5½	1
Polytechnic, Portsmouth	2	0	1	3	7	1

DEVONSHIRE TEAM COMPETITIONS

BREM RIDGE

Only 3 matches reported to date as follows:-

Exeter	1	Plymouth	1	Pts.
Exmouth	2	Teignmouth	0	"
Barnstaple	0	Exeter University	2	"

Torquay not played yet.

MAMHEAD A.

Exeter Civil S.	0	Barnstaple	2	"
Exeter II	2	Torquay II	0	"

B.

Exeter University II	2	Paignton	0	Pts.
Exeter University II	2	Plymouth II	0	"
Taverstock I	2	Totnes I	0	"

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Totnes II	2	Tavistock II	0	Pts.
Holsworthy	2	Paignton II	0	"
Plymouth III	2	Lynton	0	"
Paignton II	0	Plymouth III	2	"

Exeter II not played yet.

NORTH DEVON CHESS LEAGUE

This League now has 9 teams entered, which are A.M.P. Ltd, Bideford; Barnstaple III; Bideford: Holsworthy 'A' & 'B'; Lynton, Park School 'A' & 'B' and R.A.F., Chivenor. Play is limited to players graded under 110. First round results show Holsworthy B 3½, Bideford 2½; AMP 3, Park School A 3; and a second round match Holsworthy B 4, Lynton 2. No runaways despite the low grading limit.

PLYMOUTH JUNIOR CONGRESS, ALL OPEN SECTIONS.

This Congress will be held at Plymouth College from 1st to 5th Jan, 1973. Entrants from outside Devon are asked to supply their age on Sept 1, 1972 and details of their playing strengths. There are Under-21, Under-18, Under-15, and Under-11 (Primary School pupils) Tournaments. Entry fees for the 1st two are 40p and the latter two 30p. The Congress opens at 2 PM on Monday, 1st Jan and play to finish from 9 AM on the Friday, 5th Jan. Unfortunately the closing date for entries is Tuesday, 5th Dec and those not entered can only attend as spectators. Donations towards the cost of the Congress are still invited and should be sent to the Congress Treasurer, F.E. Willett, care of the Congress Secretary, T.D. Waldoock, Colson House, Ford Park, Plymouth.

(The training of Juniors is a worthy cause and all should note that the Devon Chess Association does not limit entries to Devon Boys and Girls, thus I do appeal for help Union wide. Ed.)

NEXT WESTWARD HO!

The next issue of Westward Ho! will be posted on April 11th, 1973. I have chosen this date so that any notices concerning the W.E.C.U. Congress at Easter will reach readers before they leave home for the Congress. Will all please send me material they would like published by March 31st please.

FURTHER NATIONAL CLUB RESULTS:

Bristol and Clifton	4	Hereford	2.
Plymouth	4	Exeter	2.

MRS R.M. BRUCE

Latest reports indicate this Grand Chess Player is making steady progress towards recovery and all await better and better news in due course.