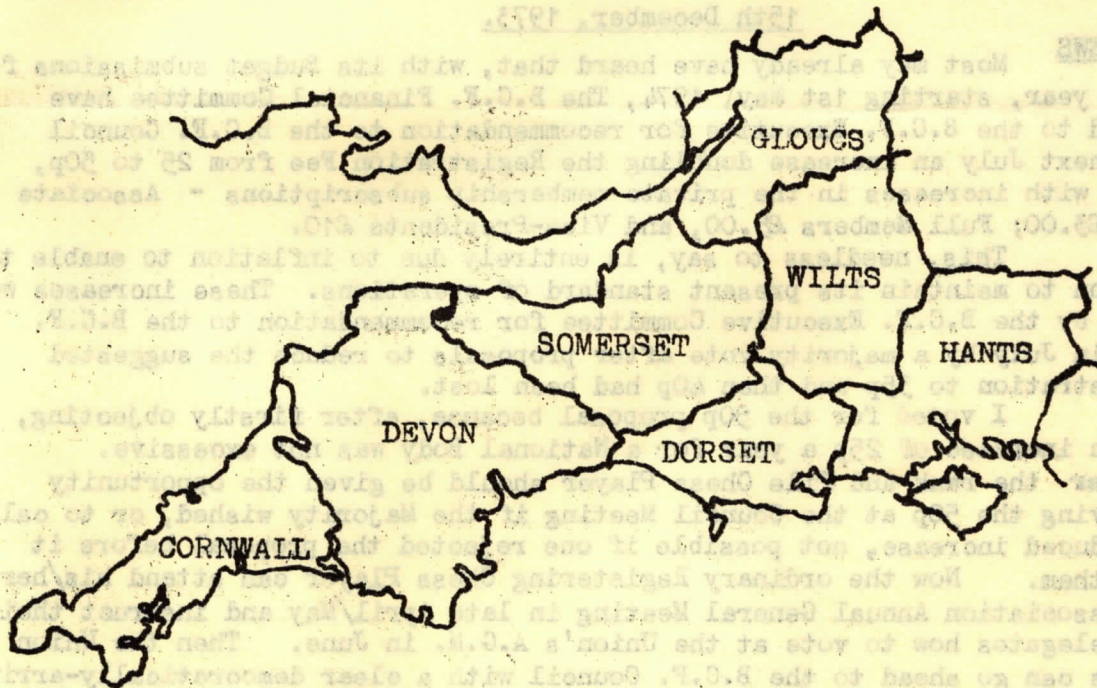


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15th December, 1973.

B.C.F. NEWS

Most may already have heard that, with its Budget submissions for the next year, starting 1st May, 1974, The B.C.F. Financial Committee have submitted to the B.C.F. Executive for recommendation to the B.C.F. Council Meeting next July an increase doubling the Registration Fee from 25 to 50p, together with increases in the private membership subscriptions - Associate Members £3.00; Full Members £5.00, and Vice-Presidents £10.

This, needless to say, is entirely due to inflation to enable the Federation to maintain its present standard of operations. These increases were APPROVED by the B.C.F. Executive Committee for recommendation to the B.C.F. Council in July by a majority vote after proposals to reduce the suggested 50p registration to 35p and then 40p had been lost.

I voted for the 50p proposal because, after firstly objecting, I felt an increase of 25p a year for a National Body was not excessive.

Further the rank and file Chess Player should be given the opportunity of approving the 50p at the Council Meeting if the Majority wished, or to call for a reduced increase, not possible if one rejected the proposal before it reached them. Now the ordinary Registering Chess Player can attend his/her county Association Annual General Meeting in late April/May and instruct their county delegates how to vote at the Union's A.G.M. in June. Then the Union Delegates can go ahead to the B.C.F. Council with a clear democratically-arrived-at decision as to how to vote - one of the first good results of a Chess Calendar.

To those who say 'What good is the B.C.F. to THE WEST', I would recall just this last year with the BATH Team event and the Hanham and Kingswood B.C.F. Lightning. In both cases space was at a premium and thus not perfect, but quiet a lot of good play and experience MUST HAVE rubbed off in The West, to say nothing of the Publicity with its consequent popularising of the game, thereby increasing players numbers to share local burdens. Few realising the hidden benefits does not mean they are not there. Heard of that new Chess Club not far away? Has your Chess Club's numbers grown? What bigger help than important events near-by? Lets be like Spaasky and gentlemanly accept the smooth and the rough in honesty and fairness.

The Bucks Chess Association proposal that new registrations in the last three months of each year should count for that 3 months and the subsequent year was accepted by the Executive for recommendation to the B.C.F. Council - a nice point cutting out a lot of County worries of 2 registrations for new players in one season.

PLEASE LET YOUR FRIENDS SEE YOUR COPY OF "WESTWARD HO!" Thank you.

Among those awarded the Title of B.C.F. Judge were three West players, P.H. Clarke, R.O. Powis and W.H. Pratten. All told 25 titles were bestowed.

The British Championships Congress 1974 will be at Clacton and due to the somewhat shortage of accommodation available, those intending to take part are recommended to book accommodation very early.

The 1975 Championships will be held at Morecombe and the 1976 at Bridlington.

(& M.J. Basman)

The play-off for this Title between W.R. Hartston will take place at the Heathrow Hotel, London on January 28th to Feb 3rd. Six games will be played, irrespective of whether a decisive result is achieved earlier. Spectators £1 Entrance.

BRITISH LIGHTNING CHAMPIONSHIPS

This event was held by the Hanham and Kingswood Chess Club at Bristol during the weekend of 10th and 11th November. Somewhat sadly space was again at a premium and Teams had to be limited to forty for the Teams event. Apart from this, it was excellently run by D.C. Jarrett, the Union's Junior Organiser.

There was a triple tie for 1st place between M.H. Horton of Nottingham, B. Cafferty and D. Wright, all scoring $7\frac{1}{2}$ points. This was resolved by sum of opponents method to give the order quoted.

The Team Championship was won by London Commercial (M. MacDonald-Ross, D. Sherman, R. Payne and J.I. Century). Second were King and King (D. Wright, A.J. Whiteley, J.B. Howson, K. Harman and R. Harman). Equal third were Brighton and Speed Stars (S. Hutchings, G.H. Bennett, L.P. Burnett and S. Weeramantry)

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP:

The Candidates matches, scheduled for 1974, are as follows:-

- (a) Spassky, U.S.S.R. v. Byrne, U.S.A. at Puerto Rico.
- (b) Mecking, Brazil v. Korchnoi, U.S.S.R. in the U.S.A.
- (c) Petrosian, U.S.S.R. v. Portish in Spain.
- (d) Karpov v. Polugajevski, both U.S.S.R., in the U.S.S.R.

The winners of these matches will be pairs a v. d and b v. c. 3 wins necessary in 16 games for $\frac{1}{4}$ finals and 4 wins in 20 games for Semi-finals and the final will be 5 wins out of 24 games.

SPALDING CONGRESS

This Congress was won by G.E.J. Lambert of Portsmouth with $5\frac{1}{6}$. Equal second were P.V. Byway, Royston; V. Homolka, Birmingham; J.E. Horner, Chorlton cum Hardy. 89 Entries.

SOUTHAMPTON CONGRESS

Won by K. Petschar of Bristol and A.R. Goldsmith of Southampton, equal with $5\frac{1}{6}$ each. Equal 3rd S. Weeramantry and M.R. Mahdavi with $5/6$. 112 Entries.

CHELMSFORD CONGRESS

Won by M. Woodhams of Australia with $5\frac{1}{6}$. 2nd G.H. Bennett, Bournemouth; H. Bohm, Holland; P.C. Griffiths, Solihull and B. Kurajica, Yugo-Slavia. 180E.

GUTTY SARK INVITATION KNOCKOUT MASTERS

1st Round W.R. Hartston beat P.H. Clarke
M.J. Basman beat B. Eley.
A.J. Miles beat Jana Hartston.
A.H. Williams beat D. Levy.

Semi-finals:- W.R. Hartston beat M.J. Basman.
A.H. Williams beat A.J. Miles.

Final W.R. Hartston beat A.H. Williams to take 1st prize.

The West's P.H. Clarke was somewhat unlucky in drawing the strongest English player in the first round. It was notable that there was not a single drawn game - the threat of a sudden death finish possibly led to more positive attacking play.

THE HEXAGON's 3rd NORTH DEVON CONGRESS

The International Section was won by R.D. Keene with $6/9$. Half a point behind were P.R. Markland and A.H. Williams. Foreign opposition was probably not as strong as hoped for.

The Barnstaple Open was shared with 4 equal 1st - H. Bohm, Netherlands; L.P. Burnett, Weston-S-Mare; J. Horner, Manchester and S. Weeramantry, Southampton University.

The 1st Prize of the Golden Coast 155 Maximum Grade Tournament was shared by 7 players - P.A. Aston, Dorchester; D.K. Butler, Plymouth; A.B. Berokman, Mrs H. Brunker, R.A. Norton, P. Rooney and A.H. MacDonald, all $4\frac{1}{5}$.

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HIDEFORD QUICK PLAY TOURNAMENT:

26 players took part in this tournament on 10th November at the Town Hall - mostly players coming from the North Devon Area. P.H. Clarke won the first prize of £50, D.K. Butler of Plymouth winning the 2nd prize of £40, these two with $6\frac{1}{2}$ and 6 points respectively. G. Kidd, Holsworthy and J. Parker, Lynton, shared 3rd and 4th prizes, receiving £25 each. The fifth prize of £10 was shared between R. Addison, R. Beattie and T. Parker. Excellent prizes indeed.

CHARFIELD CHESS CLUB

This Club entertained Worcester Chess Club on Oct 20th in a 12 board match, the visitors winning 8-4.

ANGLO-DUTCH MATCH

The match was held at Manchester on the weekend of Saturday, 20th Oct and resulted in a narrow win for Holland $10\frac{1}{2}$ - $9\frac{1}{2}$. All the English players achieved a 50% score bar one on which the result of the match depended. No West players were engaged in this match.

NATIONAL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

West results known to date in this competition are as follows:-

Cheltenham	$2\frac{1}{2}$	Bristol & Clifton	$3\frac{1}{2}$
Bath	4	Downend & Fishponds	5.
R.A.E. Farnborough	$3\frac{1}{2}$	Southampton	$2\frac{1}{2}$
Southampton Univ.	2	Portsmouth	4.
Torquay	0	Barnstaple	6.
Exeter	$\frac{1}{2}$	Plymouth	$5\frac{1}{2}$

B.C.Q.C. (Glos, Dorset & Hants Section)

The two players to qualify for the British Championships from the above area are G.H. Bennett of Bournemouth and M.E. Binks if current expectations materialise - as seems likely. Bennett beat Binks in their individual encounter.

LADIES VISIT GUERNSEY

Mrs M.E.E. Clarke of Bude, Cornwall and a former Under-18 British Girls Champion, led a Team of Ladies against the Island players. For the Ladies Mrs Clarke scored $2/3$, Mrs J. Rogers, London $3/3$; Mrs O. Chataway, Harrow $2/3$; Mrs M. Powis, Gloucestershire and Stroud $2\frac{1}{2}/3$; Mrs K. Hindle, Norfolk $2/3$, Mrs Galtsmith-Clarke, London $2\frac{1}{2}/3$ and Miss Alcock, Bristol $2/3$ - 3 of the 7 coming from the West. They beat Guernsey Ladies comfortable but lost to a Men's 7.

Whilst on the subject of Ladies, it is Grand to see Mrs R.M. Bruce of Plymouth and Devon and many times British Ladies Champion, back playing again after a severe illness.

FROM OUR UNION GRADER, MR F.C. KINGDON

I wish to thank all those people who have sent me comments about the W.E.C.U. Grading List. I welcome such feedback from our members and whilst I cannot act upon all, certain errors have been brought to light and the following corrections should be made to the List:-

J.D.A. Dixon, Bath/Corsham should read	155*
M.C. Southwell, Leigh Park, Portsmouth	135
D.J. Stone, Bridgwater and Kingston	170*
C. Trobridge, Plymouth College	101J
A.J.L. Wade, Torquay	110*

J = Junior. * = Full B.C.F. Grade.

B.C.F. GRADING COMMITTEE

The B.C.F. Grading Committee at its last meeting requested that, due to difficulties of identification, All games for grading should include FULL name and FULL INITIALS plus the name of their Club and County of origin, the latter especially for Congresses, etc. This is likely to become increasingly more important, especially with the new Cutty Sark proposals. (Ed)

Regretfully many initials are omitted in match result reports even for this season and may I suggest all players take a look at the match result sheet, drawing attention to any omissions or actual errors.

Whilst all Chess Officials do their best, a typical example of errors is in the results of the Senior Jamboree at Exeter. In the report reaching me I have had to correct no less than 19 initials and three name spellings, if the Grading List spelling and initials are right. If the Grading List is wrong, then please tell me so that I stop such errors. Thank you.

From the 29 Schools in Zone 28, the following matches are outstanding and the schools named have reached the $\frac{1}{4}$ finals and the winners of the paired Schools will pass on to the semi-finals:-

Gillingham School v Bryanston School; Hardyes School, Dorchester v Bournemouth Boys School; St John's College v Southern Grammar School Both Portsmouth; St George School v. King Edward VI School, Southampton.

PETROL RATIONING, IF IT COMES.

The W.E.C.U. General Secretary, Mr D.M. Bond, has sent me the views of all Match Captains, bar Cornwall, on what is feasible in their views.

Generally most Captains do not want Telephoned matches - even with reduced numbers of boards. Nearly all agree that there will be travel difficulties and most favour hiring buses for long distance matches although few seem to have realised that it is the bus and lorry fuels in shortest supply and so buses could well be unavailable. However a further over-riding view is that we should wait and see before trying to arrange anything - probably the most sensible view as one can only plan when one knows the actual position. However it is worth reading the Hampshire section re buses, etc.

B.C.F. CONGRESS WEYMOUTH 1977 (??)

Investigations are being conducted, to see if it is possible to arrange the B.C.F. Congress at Weymouth in 1977. However, at the moment, there are quite a number of difficulties to be overcome and this should be viewed only as an advance possibility. However it is hoped that all in a position to help will do so at the appropriate time, if matters develop favourably.

B.C.F. CERTIFICATES OF MERIT:

Whilst most schools and clubs know of the first and second Class Certificates, it is pleasing to know that the advanced Class 3 Certificates are now available and indeed the first Class 3 Certificate has been won by P.J. Lee of Portsmouth. I believe all will join me in congratulating this young person on his very high standard achievement and also spare a thought of appreciation for those in the Portsmouth area who were responsible for his basic and subsequent development. Looking back through old Grading Lists, he is listed as playing for Southern Grammar School, Portsmouth area in 1970 with a grade of 87 - excellent progress in some 4 years indeed.

CORNWALL

Regretfully little news has come in from this area, except for the Gloucestershire Minor Counties event in which, despite grading figures being much more even than previously, Cornwall did not do as well as the grading would lead one to expect - an off-day - sad. However there is one bright side, the new Cornish Captain, Mr W.H. Peek, has begun with an excellent example in that to date he has not lost a game in County matches, Jamborees etc this season.

DEVON

Devon continues in its winning ways to date and it is pleasing to see both Mrs Bruce and Mrs Clarke back in the county side. The North Devon League continues to prosper and expand. They are organising a Spring North Devon Chess League Congress during 19th/21st April, 1974 in two sections, The Tav Tournament for players graded under 140 and the Torridge Tournament for players graded under 120. The prizes in each section will be £75, £50 and £25 plus several £10 prizes - really attractive tournaments for weak to moderate players.

The Congress will be held at the Barnstaple Motel where accommodation is available and the entry fee is £2. Entry forms from R.H. Beattie, 7 Chanters Road, Bideford.

Mr R.M. Bruce, the Devon Match Captain, is not in favour of telephoned matches because of the technical difficulties and the distance players would have to travel to the centre with petrol rationing and he thus favours bus travel. This will be expensive if a bus can be hired but certainly is the best if available. He advises Match Captains to explore the possibilities if and when rationing is introduced.

DORSET

Little news has been received from this area with the Dorset League apparently running normally. Mr R.C. Murphy has discussed the implications of petrol rationing and they can see no real alternative to playing by phone, if necessary for simplification by reducing teams to half the number of boards. This county is against matches being cancelled, and next to Hampshire, probably has the most difficult cross-country journeys to matches.

HAMPSHIRE

The Hampshire Senior Individual Championship was played over two weekends in October at Southampton University in conjunction with the University Championships. First place was shared by 4 players, D.E. Bower, Southampton; A.R. Cullinane, Portsmouth; M.W.J. Thompson, Woolston and H.D. Varadarajan of I.B.M., Hursley. A play-off for the title is to be arranged later. 16 players took part but unfortunately there were notable absentees of G.H. Bennett and S. Weeramantry - mainly due to the event clashing with the British Lightning Championships at Bath. Following close behind the 4 leaders was A.C. Barton with $5\frac{1}{2}/8$, $\frac{1}{2}$ a point behind the leaders.

Hampshire used a bus for the Somerset Match at Corsley and made a financial loss thereby of over £20 - the actual bus costing for this, the shortest of the 3 Senior matches, some £33. With this type of price prevailing, the Hampshire Match Captain was unable to raise a team for the match against Cornwall at Exeter on Dec 8th and so conceded the match to Cornwall 16-0. It appears that Hampshire players were unwilling to pay something approaching £3 each to participate in the Exeter match, whilst the Match Captain thinks it will be difficult to get sides for the Frome and Ilminster matches at an economical price of something approaching £2.50 each. On the other side, the Hampshire C.A. Hon. Secretary requests me to call for more enthusiasm and loyalty on the thought that this kind of cost should not be prohibitive to players, at today's prevailing prices and earnings. Can any Portsmouth player find a bus company in their area at more competitive prices? The bus must start from your area unless Portsmouth area players come to Southampton by train - not really satisfactory.

The Match Captain of Hampshire states telephone matches are O.K. for 6 to 8 players and was prepared to try a 16 board match against Cornwall but is certain 32 boards would be out of the question. He continues, "If players cannot use their cars I feel the whole inter-county programme to be impracticable, at least so far as Hampshire is concerned!" He concludes he would be delighted to hear of any bright ideas from other counties.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Mr Binks, Gloucestershire's Match Captain states he sees little difficulty for Gloucestershire bar the Devon match at Ilminster, for which there is no rail or bus service. He says that, if a bus is available for hire, this would probably meet the case by running from either Cheltenham or Gloucester. Failing this, use the telephone but this would entail two halls with suitable telephone connections - not easy to find. His final outlook is one of making such arrangements as are practical when conditions become known.

The Bristol League positions to Nov 23rd, my latest information, is as follows:?

Division 1.	P.	Pts.	Division 2.	P.	Pts.	Division 3	P.Pts.	Division 4.	P.	Pts.
Downd A	5	10	Unic C	7	11	YMCA	6	NALGO B	6	11
Univ A	4	6	Pegasus A	7	10	Thornby A	6	Wills H	6	8
Cliftn A	4	4	Sea Mills	4	8	Downd D	5	Cliftn F	5	6
Univ B	4	4	Horfield A	4	6	Yatton B	5	St Geo	6	6
Yatton A	4	4	Totterdown	5	5	Kwood B	4	Univ E	3	5
Downd B	1	0	Keynshn A	3	4	Kwood C	6	Yatton C	5	4
NALGO A	1	0	Clifton C	6	4	Univ D	6	Downd E	6	3
Kwood A	2	0	SeaMills B	3	2	Civil Sce	5	Pegasus B	2	2
Cliftn B	3	0	Clifton D	5	2	Cabot A	4	Kwod D	4	2
			Patchway	6	2	Horfield B	5	Keyn B	4	2
			Downd C	4	0	SeaMills C	6	Cliftn E	3	1

Only 2 clubs still have maximum points - Downend & Fishponds Division 1 side; Sea Mills A, Division 2. NALGO B in Division 4 and Debenhams in Division 5 have conceded draws, but are still unbeaten.

The North Gloucestershire Championship attracted ten entries, including R.O. Powis of Stroud and among others B.J. Little of Gloucester. It is being played as a 6 round Swiss Tournament. No results yet.

Bristol and Clifton Chess Club, after beating the strong Cheltenham Club in the first round of the National Club Championship, have now beaten Hereford by $4\frac{1}{2}$ to $1\frac{1}{2}$ and so move on to the next round.

BOURNEMOUTH LEAGUE LEADERS:

Division 1. Knights 'A', followed by Kinson and Parkstone A.

Division 2. Equal 1st leaders Christchurch and Plessey A.

Division 3 (East) St Peter's School and Christchurch 3B.

(West) Oakmead School 3A, followed by Parkstone and Bournemouth School.

SOMERSET

The Somerset Match Captain writes that he does not think any decision on county matches can be taken yet but adds that the Cornwall-Somerset match at Okehampton is clearly a problem whether rationing is introduced or not. He says I am sure that it would be best if this match were played by phone, whilst adding he has no experience of such matches.

The Charles Marsh Cup competition is being run this season in two sections with 14 clubs in the Eastern section and 8 in the Western longer travelling area. No results have reached me to date.

Bath, in the National Club Championship went down to the strong Downend and Fishponds Club 1-6, Bath failing to score a win, however R.H. Northage, a former Somerset Match Captain, and G. More on boards 1 and 2 held their strong opponents to draws.

Somerset Correspondence Chess have regained Division 1 status in the Ward-Higgs Trophy under the leadership of Peter Keffler. One cannot help saying 'Well done, Sir' after others have had difficulty in raising a side at all. One suspects that Somerset chess is improving in recent years after a period in the Duldrims.

Seven players are contesting the Somerset Individual Championship. They are D.P. Bonner, J.A. Borkowski (Current Match Captain), J.D. Cheetham, B.T. King, T.G.A. Farrell, J.K. Whitoutt and D.G. Woodruff. No results to date known.

Mr D. Pike, 155 Stoddens Road, Burnham-on-Sea is trying (? done it?) to establish a Chess Club in the town. One hopes he was successful and news would be welcome.

There were 24 entries for the Somerset Junior (Major) Section and 35 for the Minor Section which shows a keen rising generation.

WILTSHIRE

The Wiltshire Match Captain states their position as regards transport seems to be very good as the three remaining matches are more or less at home - Swindon one and Salisbury 2. He states he is not keen on Telephone matches bearing in mind the consequences of their encounters with Cornwall a few years ago. He hopes matches of 16 boards will be arrangeable even with petrol rationing. I regret no other Wiltshire news is to hand.

GENERAL

Most counties seem to favour bus travel if available should rationing occur and few, if any, really like the thought of Telephone matches. I personally find it difficult to understand this, except that possibly attempts in the past have not been mainly happy ones. May I say that one of the first acquisitions a county would want is a good young Lady used to switchboard work with NO CHESS KNOWLEDGE. I suggest such persons will happily pass and write down each board, and move no, and the move in quick succession on one single board, divided out with 16 Divisions perpendicularly with a second person copying the move from the phone board to the Match score sheet and giving it to players, one person handling the match score sheets of not more than 4 or 3 boards. One item however is important, board numbers should be given by Letters, Board 1 being Board A to avoid possible number switching. However, try and use Chess Players on the phone and one is lost for they look for the meaning, not the fact of what is said. Dont let Chess be beaten if driven to necessities.

ISLINGTON CONGRESS

The London Evening Standard Congress attracted some 1,500 odd players, which is easily a record for Britain. There were 214 entries for the Open Championship with G.M. and I.M. Chess players from many countries attending. Surprisingly a comparatively lowly rated Yugo-Slavian Student, B. Vujakic, won outright with a score of $5\frac{1}{2}/6$. He was a Yugo-Slavia Junior Champion in 1967. Two other Yugo-Slavs, Hulak and Kurajic shared second place together with the West's N.J. Holloway, Simon Webb, Sherman and Littlewood, all scoring $5/6$ points. Fifteen players scored $4\frac{1}{2}$ points, including Seth Saverymuttu, Benko, Hecht, Foremanik and the new American Champion Grefe. Also in this score were A.J. Mestel, D. Wright, A.P. Law and Botterill.

A very real success to Mr S. Reuben, coming immediately after he was awarded the title of British Judge.

Next year this congress could well be even bigger with the added attraction of a Tenfold score count for the new Cutty Sark £1,000 Grand Prix.

Chess players could do well to help those who help chess - TRY CUTTY SARK THEN, LIKING IT, DEMAND IT IN FUTURE. The whiskey for those who support Chess.

W.E.C.U. SENIOR JAMBOREE

Played at Exeter University on Saturday, 6th October.

1. M.C. Cooley, Wilts.	1. P. Breach, Falmouth/Cornwall	0.
2. P.J. Meade, Cheltenham/Glous.	$\frac{1}{2}$. J. Whitcutt, Wellington/Somerset	$\frac{1}{2}$.
3. R.H.K. Mann, Wareham/Dorset	$\frac{1}{2}$. A.R.B. Thomas, Tiverton/Devon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
4. R.P. Fry, Liskard/Cornwall	$\frac{1}{2}$. Dr J.M. Aitken, Cheltenham/Glous	$\frac{1}{2}$.
5. J.D. Cheetham, Bridgwater/Somerset	$\frac{1}{2}$. Dr P. Merrett, Wareham/Dorset	$\frac{1}{2}$.
6. G.W. Wheeler, ?/Devon	1. R.F. Brafley, Libraries/Swindon Wilts	0.
7. S. Taulbot, Malmesbury/Wilts	$\frac{1}{2}$. M.E. Bridgen, Downend & Fishpds/Glos	$\frac{1}{2}$.
8. F.C. Kingdon, Weymouth/Dorset	1. A.W. Busby, Camborne/Cornwall	0.
9. R.W. Gregory, Bath/Somerset	1. K. Schofield, Exmouth/Devon	0.
10. M.E. Binks, Downend & Fishpds, Gloucs	1. J. Anderson, Weymouth/Dorset	0.
11. P. Bissicks, Keynsham/Somerset	$\frac{1}{2}$. G. Tyrrell, Bradford-on-Avon/Wilts	0.
12. R.M. Bruce, Plymouth/Devon	$\frac{1}{2}$. W. Newton, Liskard/Cornwall	$\frac{1}{2}$.
13. M. Beech, Liskard/Cornwall	0. H.C. Thomas, Weston-S-Mare/Somerset	1.
14. J.K. Fawcett, Downend & Fishpds/Glos	1. C.A.S. Damant, Barnstaple/Devon	0.
15. M.A. Spindler, Swindon/Wilts	1. H.D. Needham, Parkstone/Dorset	0.
16. J.R. Read, Camborne/Cornwall	0. G.E. Wolfarth, Gloucester/Glous	1.
17. M.J. Roth, Winfrith/Dorset	0. JA. Borkowski, Keynsham/Somerset	1.
18. R. Heaseman, Exeter U/Devon	1. D. Hale, Lyneham/Wilts	0.
19. E.C. Sowden, Swindon/Wilts	0. C. Tylor, St Austell/Cornwall	1.
20. R.O. Powis, Stroud/Glous	0. M. Truran, Kingswood/Somerset	1.
21. R.A.E. Shaw, Parkstone/Dorset	$\frac{1}{2}$. B.W. Clapp, Exeter/Devon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
22. E. Clarke, St Austell/Cornwall	0. M.I. Davis, Gloucester/Glous	1.
23. B. Crouter, Weston-S-Mare/Somerset	0. R.C. Murphy, Plessey/Dorset	1.
24. R.S. Thynne, Teignmouth/Devon	1. E.C. Baker, LAWN Swindon/Wilts	0.
25. A. Rier, Malmesbury/Wilts	0. D. Osborne, Bristol & Clftn/Glous	1.
26. D.A. Hyde, Parkstone/Dorset	1. A.J. Gunn, Liskeard/Cornwall	0.
27. H.G. Thomas, Yatton/Somerset	0. M.J. Gilhespy, Exeter/Devon	1.
28. M.E. Poolake, Bristol & Clftn/Glos	$\frac{1}{2}$. J.J. Soesan, Parkstone/Dorset	$\frac{1}{2}$.
29. D.G. Woodruff, Keynsham/Somerset	1. T. Denning, C.B.B.S./Wilts	0.
30. D.M. Hill, Exeter U/Devon	1. S.P. Lucas, Liskeard/Cornwall	0.
31. A. Knight, Liskeard/Cornwall	0. J.A. Hornby, Keynsham/Somerset	1.
32. I.R. Pickup, Downend & Fishpds/Glos	1. I.T. Sifton, ?/Devon	0.
33. P.R. Manning, Swindon/Wilts	0. H.R. Holmes, Parkstone/Dorset	1.
34. W.H. Peek, Helston/Cornwall	$\frac{1}{2}$. R.A. Garraway, Swindon/Wilts	$\frac{1}{2}$.
35. Mrs R.M. Bruce, Plymouth/Devon	1. A. Dakin, Keynsham/Somerset	0.
36. R. Burton, Weymouth/Dorset	0. R.J. Dixon, Gloucester/Glos	1.

County scores:

GLOUCESTERSHIRE	9.	Cornwall and Liskeard's R.P. Fry
DEVON		did well to hold the strong Dr
SOMERSET)	$7\frac{1}{2}$	J.M. Aitken of Gloucestershire
DORSET	6	to a draw.
WILTSHIRE	$3\frac{1}{2}$	
CORNWALL	$2\frac{1}{2}$	

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP

CORNWALL	24-11-73	GLOUCESTERSHIRE	
1 J.A. Flood, Torquay??	$\frac{1}{2}$ 183-165	N. Davey, Cheltenham G.S.	$\frac{1}{2}$.
2 P. Breach, Falmouth	1 172-158	M.J. Passmore, Downend & Fishpds	0.
3 R.P. Fry, Liskeard	0 154- ?	M.J. Passmore, Downend & Fishpds	1.
4 default	0 - -140	L.A. Dorrington, Sea Mills	1.
5 M. Newton, Liskeard	0 152-153	E.W. Joce, Bristol & Clftn	1.
6 R.J. Grime, Helston	$\frac{1}{2}$ 148-149	H. Draisey, Horfield	$\frac{1}{2}$.
7 C. Tylor, St Austell	0 138-144	J.C.B. Date, Cheltenham	1.
8 M. J. Beech, Liskeard	0 143-143	A. Champion, Cabot, Bristol	1.
9 J. R. Read, Camborne & Redruth	0 141-137	T.R. Hicks, Downend & Fishpds	1.
10 E. Clark, St Austell	0 137-136	S.E. Hampton, Gloucester	1.
11 A.J. Gunn, Liskeard	1 136-135	S. Rice, Crypt School	0.
12 S.P. Lucas, Liskeard	0 136-134	R. Campbell, Cheltenham G.S.	1.
13 L.G. Shroll, St Austell	1 126-129	P. Ashworth, Gloucester	0.
14 A.H. Knight, Liskeard	0 131-121	C. Powney, Downend & Fishponds	1.
15 W.H. Peek, Helston	$\frac{1}{2}$ 125-123	T. Tate, Downend & Fishponds	$\frac{1}{2}$.
16 N. Patterson, St Austell	0 117-118	J. Beasant, Hanham & Kingswood	1.
	$4\frac{1}{2}$		$11\frac{1}{2}$.

A surprising result for Cornwall were not out-graded by any means. However it is to be noted that the Cornish Match Captain in his first three matches, including the Jamboree, has not lost a match himself - a good effort.

SOMERSET v. DEVON, ENGLISH COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP:

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<u>SOMERSET</u>		27-10-73.	<u>DEVON</u>	
1. R.H. Northage, Bath	1/2	190-200	A.R.B. Thomas, Tiverton	1/2
2. G. Moore, Bath	0	181-207	P. Waters, Barnstaple	1/2
3. A. Ash, Bath	0	172-189	G.W. Wheeler, Plymouth	1.
4. R.W. Gregory, Bath	1	170-179	K. Schofield, Exmouth	0.
5. J. Cheetham, Bridgwater	1/2	175-178	R.M. Bruce, Plymouth	1/2
6. D.J. Stone, Bridgwater	0	170- ?	D. Richardson, (?)	1.
7. B. Honnor, Taunton	0	162-175	R. Heaseman, Exeter U.	1.
8. P. Bissicks, Keynsham	1/2	162-167	C.A.S. Damant, Barnstaple	1/2
9. J.A. Borkowski, Keynsham	1/2	156-172	B.W. Clapp, Exeter	1/2
10. C. Chapman, Wellington	1/2	? -165	M.J. Gilheapy, Exeter	1/2
11. B.T. Crouter, Weston-S-Mare	1	161-158	R.H. Newman, Lynton	0.
12. S.H. Brocklesby, Bath	1	151-161	Mrs R.M. Bruce, Plymouth	0.
13. H.G. Thomas, Yatton	0	160-158	D.M. Hill, Exeter U.	1.
14. B.T. King, Weston-S-Mare	1/2	157-157	M.W. Wood, Exeter	1/2
15. C.J.A. Lasper, Bath	0	143-156	Mrs M.E.E. Clarke, Bude	.
16. T.G. Farrell, Bath	0	154-130	J.K. Gross, Plymouth	1.
Somerset White odd number boards.	7			9.

MINOR COUNTIES MATCH.

1. G. Billett, Taunton	0	? -151	R. Liggitt, Paignton	1.
2. R.F. Langstone, Weston-S-Mare	0	149-148	K.J. Bloodworth, Plymouth	1.
3. R.M. Morgan, Weston-S-Mare	0	133-150	Lt/Comdr D.K. Butler, Plymouth	1.
4. C.E. Winch, Yeovil	1/2	152-150	J.J. Griffiths, Exeter	1/2
5. R.G. Gray, Wincanton	1/2	147-149	D. Jiles, Exeter	1/2
6. D.G. Woodruff, Keynsham	1/2	136-153	E.G. Spake, Exmouth	1/2
7. K. Hillier, Totterdown	1/2	136-148	C.J. Meadows, Paignton	1/2
8. J.A. Hornby, Keynsham	1/2	128-139	W.A. Frost, Teignmouth	1/2
9. R. Garland, Taunton	1	? -138	Dr R.W. Hitchcock, Exeter	0.
10. R.J. Bagshaw, Totterdown	1	145-133	Rev K.S. Proctor, Teignmouth	0.
11. A. Chambers, Wells	1/2	? -142	J. Parter, Lynton	1/2
12. P.B. Hunt, Bath	1	130-135	R.H. Jones, Exmouth	0.
13. D. Bagshaw, Totterdown	1/2	129-140	S. Ash, Totness	1/2
14. D.S. Hutchfield, Wincanton	0	133- ?	T.G.C. Ward, ?	1.
15. J.W. Collins, Yatton	0	139-153	S.R. Boniface, Exeter	1.
16. R. Maishman, Weston-S-Mare	0	133-138	P. Walden, Paignton	1.
	6 1/2			9 1/2

DORSET v. GLOUCESTERSHIRE, ENGLISH COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP.

<u>GLOUCESTERSHIRE</u>		27-10-73	<u>DORSET</u>	
1 Dr J.M. Aitken, Cheltenham	1	187-190	R.H.K. Mann, Wareham	0.
2 P.J. Meade, Cheltenham	0	193-185	Dr I. Roebuck, Weymouth	1.
3 M.E. Bridgen, Downend & Fishpds	0	197-185	Dr P. Merrett, Wareham	1.
4 M.E. Binks, Downend & Fishpds	1/2	199-181	F.C. Kingdon, Weymouth	1/2
5 J.K. Fawcett, Downend & Fishpds	1/2	182-173	J. Anderson, Weymouth	1/2
6 M.I. Davis, Gloucester	1	181-181	N. Line, Parkstone	0.
7 D.C. Jarrett, Hanham & Kingswd	1/2	179-172	R.C. Murphy, Plessey	1/2
8 M. Mashayekh, Bristol & Clftn	1/2	178-170	D.A. Hyde, Parkstone	1/2
9 R.O. Powis, Stroud	1/2	177-166	H.D. Needham, Plessey	1/2
10 D. Osborne, Bristol & Clftn	1	171-165	R. Valentine, Oakmead School	0.
11 I.R. Pickup, Downend & Fishpds	1/2	169-156	R.H. Holmes, Parkstone	1/2
12 M.E. Poolake, Bristol & Clftn	1	165-153	H.G. Ditmas, ?	0.
13 N. Davey, Cheltenham G.S.	1	165-154	P. Dearlove, Weymouth	0.
14 I.P. Legg, Gloucester	0	164-152	R. Burton, Weymouth	1.
15 R.A. Kendall, Downend & Fishpds	1	164-132	S.J. Shutler, Parkstone	0.
16 E. Freeman, Bristol & Clftn	1	163-146	J.S. Bunter, Wincanton	0.
Played at Frome.	10			6.

FRIENDLY

1 M.J. Passmore, Downend & Fishpds	1/2	158-138	P.A. Aston, Hardys S. Dorchester	1/2
2 D. Herbert, Marling School	1	152-148	Cannon A.F. McKenzie, Dorchester	0.
3 R.J. Dixon, Gloucester/NALGO	1	152-144	K. Spakeman, Weymouth	0.
4 J.C.B. Date, Cheltenham	0	144-135	H.E. Stay, Parkstone	1.
5 L.A. Dorrington, Sea Mills	0	140-122	W.A. Shutler, Parkstone	1.
6 I. Tate, Downend & Fishpds	1	123- ?	J. Kiraly, Plessey	0.
7 C. Pavney, Downend & Fishpds	1	121-111	R.A.G. Marples, Parkstone	0.
88 F. Guyatt, Downend & Fishpds	0	104-128	L.P. Deeth, Weymouth	1.
	4 1/2			3 1/2

News Flash states Somerset is adopting the 4 terms school year instead of 3 terms. This must entail The West looking very closely at the timing of Junior events of importance to avoid clashing with school terms, or if this proves almost impossible, then to find a way around the difficulties.

9. HAMPSHIRE v SOMERSET, ENGLISH COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP:

<u>HAMPSHIRE.</u>		24-11-73.	<u>SOMERSET.</u>		
1.	A. Goldsmith, Woolston	1	193-175	D.P. Bonner	0.
2.	M.W.J. Thompson, Southampton	1	189-181	G. Moore, Bath	0.
3.	M.L. Newbury, Sarisbury	1	175-176	J. Whitcutt, Wellington	0.
4.	A.C. Barton, Romsey	1	175-170	R.W. Gregory, Bath	0.
5.	D.E. Bower, Southampton	$\frac{1}{2}$	170-175	J.D. Cheetham, Bridgwater	$\frac{1}{2}$.
6.	H.A. Killick, King Edward Sch.	0	170-169	P.K. Trussler, Hanham & Kingswood	1.
7.	I.J. Myall, King Edward Sch.	1	168-172	A. Ash, Bath	0.
8.	L.C. Walters, Southampton	1	167-170	D.J. Stone, Bridgwater	0.
9.	P.L. Marshall, Southampton	0	164-162	P.K. Bissioks, Keynsham	1.
10.	P.R. Davies, Bournemouth School	$\frac{1}{2}$	164-156	A.J. Borkowski, Keynsham	$\frac{1}{2}$.
11.	J.A. Bassett, Kinson	0	161-163	M.C. Truan, Kingswood School	1.
12.	J.F. Coles, Gosport	0	161- ?	C. Chapman, Wellington	1.
13.	Miss G. Moore, Woolston	$\frac{1}{2}$	160-151	S.H. Brooklesby, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$.
14.	S. Goodman, Old Tauntonians S'ton		155-153	E.G. Walker, Weston-S-Mare	.
15.	A. Le Fevre, Leigh Park, P'mth	1	159-161	B.T. Crouter, Weston-S-Mare	0.
16.	P.H.W. Freeman, Southampton	$\frac{1}{2}$	160-143	C.J.A. Casper, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$.
		<u>9 ±</u>			<u>6+</u>

MINOR COUNTIES MATCH

1.	M.W. Stone, Old Tauntonians S'tn	1	156-160	H.G. Thomas, Yatton	0.
2.	B.P.A. Andrews, King Edward Sch	1	154-157	B.T. King, Weston-S-Mare	0.
3.	A.J. Berry, King Edward Sch	$\frac{1}{2}$	151-152	D. Adams, Yatton	$\frac{1}{2}$.
4.	D. Drew, Ordnance, Southampton	$\frac{1}{2}$	152-152	C..E. Winch, Yeovil	$\frac{1}{2}$.
5.	M. Green, Ordnance, Southampton	0	147-147	R.G. Grey, Wincanton	1.
6.	E.W. Engert, Eastleigh B.R.	$\frac{1}{2}$	145-149	P. F. Langstone, Weston-S-Mare	$\frac{1}{2}$.
7.	S.M. Perry, King Edward Sch	$\frac{1}{2}$	149-136	D.G. Woodruff, Keynsham	$\frac{1}{2}$.
8.	M. Comben, Sarisbury		142-128	J.A. Hornby, Keynsham	.
9.	G.L. Pritchard, Hospitals S'ton	1	168-133	R.M. Morgan, Weston-S-Mare	0.
10.	P. Bishop, Twynham, Christchurch	$\frac{1}{2}$	139-130	P.B. Hunt, Bath	$\frac{1}{2}$.
11.	S. Le Fevre, Leigh Park	1	138-136	K.Hillier, Totterdown	0.
12.	R.C. Clark, Gosport	1	132-145	R.J. Bagshaw, Totterdown	0.
13.	M.J. Eaton, Gosport	$\frac{1}{2}$	129- ?	A. Chambers, Wells	$\frac{1}{2}$.
14.	J. Coburn, Gosport	0	129- ?	D. Wyron, Downside	1.
15.	C. Darley, Cosham	0	106-121	D.J. Bruce, Downside	1.
16.	H.L. Parsons, Southampton	1	159-129	D. Bagshaw, Totterdown	0.
		<u>9 ±</u>			<u>6+</u>

DEVON v. WILTSHIRE, ENGLISH COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP:

1.	A.R.B. Thomas, Tiverton	1	200-169	P.R. Watson, R.A.F., Lyneham	0.
2.	G.W. Wheeler, Plymouth	1	189-168	A. Kendry, Bristol U.	0.
3.	K.S. Schofield, Exmouth	$\frac{1}{2}$	179-168	S. Taulbut, Malmesbury	$\frac{1}{2}$.
4.	R.M. Bruce, Plymouth	$\frac{1}{2}$	178-164	R.F. Bradley, Libraries, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
5.	R. Heaseman, Exeter U	1	175-165	G. Tyrrell, Bradford On Avon	0.
6.	C.A.S. Damant, Barnstaple	$\frac{1}{2}$	167-156	F. Haynes, R.A.F., Lyneham	$\frac{1}{2}$.
7.	B.W. Clapp, Exeter	$\frac{1}{2}$	172- ?	J. Neale, Bradford on Avon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
8.	M.J. Gilhespy, Exeter	1	165-155	R. Wardell, Salisbury	0.
9.	R.H. Newman, Barnstaple	1	158-156	R. Lane, Corsham	0.
10.	Mrs R.M. Bruce, Plymouth	$\frac{1}{2}$	161-157	C. Sowden, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
11.	D.M. Hill, Exeter U	$\frac{1}{2}$	158-151	E.C. Baker, LAWN, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
12.	M.W. Wood, Exeter	$\frac{1}{2}$	157-152	W. Lowe, Corsham	$\frac{1}{2}$.
13.	Mrs M.E.E. Clarke, Bude	1	156-140	W.L. White, Salisbury	0.
14.	J.K. Gross, Plymouth	1	152- ?	P. Edgington, Libraries, Swindon	0.
15.	K.J. Bloodworth, Plymouth	1	148-144	Maj. W.E. Bruges, Salisbury	0.
16.	S.M. Owen, Exeter	$\frac{1}{2}$? -146	C.A.B. Lake, Libraries, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
Played at Ilminster.		<u>12</u>			<u>4.</u>

FRIENDLY 9 BOARDS MATCH

1.	J. Parker, Lynton	$\frac{1}{2}$	142-148	V. Auston, Malmesbury	$\frac{1}{2}$.
2.	E.H. Jones, Barnstaple	$\frac{1}{2}$	135-135	P.R. Manning, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
3.	R.H. Stacey, Barnstaple	$\frac{1}{2}$	122-132	R. Garraway	$\frac{1}{2}$.
4.	T. Parker, Lynton	0	114-132	T. Higgs, St Joseph's Swindon	1.
5.	F.V. Pye, Barnstaple	0	120- ?	K. Cardis, LAWN, Swindon	1.
6.	G. Kidd, ?	0	106-126	C. Bradley, Malmesbury	1.
7.	M. Dewdney, AMP, Barnstaple	0	127-114	B. Walker, Malmesbury	1.
8.	R. Beattie, Bideford	$\frac{1}{2}$	129-132	T. Dodson, LAWN, Swindon	$\frac{1}{2}$.
9.	J. Bryan, ?	1	116-118	Mrs E. Hartford, Salisbury	0.
		<u>3.</u>			<u>6.</u>

(above) DEVON

24-11-73

WILTSHIRE.

CUTTY SARK GRAND PRIX

THE FIRST £1,000 PRIZE TO BE OFFERED TO AN OPEN-TO-ALL EVENT OUTSIDE
 THE U.S.A.

On December 10th Cutty Sark announced a new points competition to run throughout 1974 based on results of all the major tournaments to be held in Britain between now and the end of 1974. Cutty Sark's announcement of the Rules are as follows:-

- (1). All British competitors in open chess tournaments between now and the Evening Standard 1974 Congress, played in Britain, and with a first prize of at least £50, and a total prize fund of at least £100, will qualify. The British Championship and major national and international individual tournaments held in Britain will also be included.
- (2). Points scored in tournaments with a first prize of at least £100, and a total prize fund of at least £200 will count double for the Grand Prix. Points scored in tournaments with a first prize of at least £150, and a total prize money of at least £300 will count triple for the Grand Prix. Double and triple will also be awarded for other high status tournaments.
 The London Open at the 1974 Evening Standard Congress will count **TENFOLD** points.
 In single point tournaments, only scores of 50% or better will count towards the Grand Prix. In double, triple or tenfold point events, all scores will count.
- (3). The qualifying Congresses are asked to announce the Cutty Sark Grand Prix in their programme, and to display the current leader board and details of the rules and handicap bonuses. Where players' individual totals are not published in the chess magazines, the organisers must supply these totals to Leonard Barden within one month of the end of the tournament for the event to qualify for the Grand Prix.
- (4). Players will receive a handicap bonus according to their published ratings at the start of 1974. Players rated 220 or above (masters) have 0 points bonus; 200-219 (National players) - 5; 180-199 (strong county players) - 10; 166-179 (strong club players) - 15; 130-159 (average club players) - 20; 100-129 (weak club players) - 25; below 100 (novices) - 30.
- (4). The Prizes are: First £1,000 and a Cutty Sark Grand Prix Trophy and whiskey.
 Second £100 plus a half gallon of whiskey.
 Third £50 plus a bottle of whiskey.
- (6). Probable qualifying events, based on 1973 fixtures and prizes, and on tournaments announced so far for 1974, are:

Dec, 1973	GRE Masters (triple pts), GRE Masters Reserves (Double Pts)
Jan, 1974	Hastings International (Triple) Hastings Challengers (Double) Hastings Main A, London U-21, London U-18.
Feb, 1974	West Wales, East Glamorgan.
Mar, 1974	Mid Wales, Keele University, London Chess Club.
Apr, 1974	Hammersmith (double), Southend, Birmingham (double), Birmingham International (Triple), Wirral, Folkestone, Hove, Bury, Welsh Championships.
May, 1974	Ilford, Rhyl, Wolverhampton, St Helier, Stroud, Southorpe.
June, 1974	Manchester (double), London Chess Club.
July, 1974	Hereford, Charlton, Skegness, 'Chess' Festival (triple) Scottish Championships.
Aug, 1974	British Championships (triple), BCF Major Open (double), British U-21, British U-18, Preston.
Sept, 1974	Enfield Open (triple), Ramsgate, London Chess Club, London Chess Club Invitation (triple), Paignton (double), Glasgow International (double), Glasgow Junior International, Hull, Chelmsford, Leicester, Kettering.
Oct, 1974	Luton (double), Southampton, Barnstaple (double), Spalding.
Nov, 1974	Hereford, Evening Standard London Open (Tenfold)
- (7). A player must score a minimum of 10 points in actual play (including double or triple bonus points, but excluding handicap points) before his overall score can be included on the Cutty Sark Grand Prix leader board.
- (8). The decision of Cutty Sark shall be final on any matter pertaining to these rules and their interpretation.

I hope and believe the above to be a good copy and what a boost it must give to Major Tournaments.

GRADED JAMBOREE Played at Exeter on 6th Oct, 1973.

1. J.Pardoe, Glos.	0	T Parker N.Dev	1.	19	F Guyatt, Glos	0	G. Bond, N.Dev	1.
2. D.Williams, Som	1/2	FR Hodge, Exeter	1/2.	20	A.Hughes, Som	0	C Morley, Exeter	1.
3. M Roberts, Torquay	1	JW Feldbacher Ds	0.	21	AJL Wade, Torquay	0	R Wisdom, Dorset	1.
4. FV Pye N. Devon	1/2	E Brunoch, Som	1/2.	22	M Champion, N.Dev	1/2	J Drummond, Som	1/2.
5. S Landon, Exeter	2	GFJ Fisher, Tquay	2.	23	P Sparke, Exeter	1	T O'Conner, Torbay	0.
6. RAG Marples Dst	1	J Beasant, Glos	0.	24	Default, Dorset	0	Default, Glos	0.
7. MG Powis, Glos	0	Dr Dyer, Som	1.	25	E Ackerman, Glos	1	Dr Peters, Som	0.
8. J Midgley, Torbay	0	D Evans, N.Devon	1.	26	P Rooke, Torbay	0	F Morton, N.Devon	1.
9. J Ashford, Exeter	0	M Rees, Dorset	1.	27	S Cheeseman, Extr	0	J Miedema, Dorset	1.
10. M Dean, Som	1	G Williams, Tbay	0.	28	J Geary, Som	0	A Tyrall, Torbay	1.
11. L Pidsley, Exeter	1	M Greenstreet, Gls	0.	29	D Barton, Exeter	0	TMG Acton, Glos	1.
12. S Carpenter, Dorst	1/2	W.K.Jones, N.Dev	1/2.	30	R.Bartholomew, Ds	0	N Johnson N.Dev	1.
13. J Bryan, N.Devon	1	B Landon, Exeter	0.	31	B Worner, N.Devon	1/2	D Tongue, Exeter	1/2.
14. N Brent, Som	1	J Kiraly, Dorset	0.	32	M Wheeler, Som	2	J Kingdon, Dorset	1/2.
15. J Marks, Glos	1/2	A Mariott, Tbay	1/2.	33	W Biesley, Glos	0	R Fletcher, Tbay	1.
16. RJ Smith, N.Dev	2	T Wheeler, Som	2.	34	A Churchill, N.Dev	1	Default, Som	0.
17. A Brusey, Torbay	1	P Rogers, Exeter	0.	35	K Roberts, Torbay	1	W Hodge, Exeter	0.
18. R Kummer, Dorset	1/2	DW Harper, Glos	1/2.	36	P Hannifaw, Dorset	1/2	A Wilkes, Glos	1/2.

Totals:

North Devon	9 1/2
Dorset	6
Somerset	5 1/4
Torbay League	5 1/2
Exeter League	5
Gloucester	3 1/2

(I regret any name errors, unable to check most of them. Ed.)

PORTSMOUTH LEAGUE

Division 1.	P.	Pts	Division 2.	P.	Pts	Division 3.	P.	Pts	Schools Division 1.		
Comm.Centre	4	8	Cosham A	2	4	Comm.Centre	3	6	Southern A	3	4.
Fareham A	5	6	St Johns A	3	3	Polytech B	5	4	Portsmouth A	5	2
Gosport A	3	4	Fareham B	2	2	Cosham B	3	3	Churchers	1	2
Portsmouth B	3	4	Gosport B	2	2	Fareham C	3	3	Northern A	1	2
Portsmouth A	3	2	Leigh Park B	3	1	Gosport C	3	2	St Johns A	1	0
Polytech A	4	2				Portsmouth C	1	0	Prices A	2	0
Leigh Park	4	0							Palmgrove A	1	0

Schools Division 2 leaders: Southsea Youth Centre P3 Pts6.

PORTSMOUTH INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP

*=postponed game.

A.P. Le Fevre 4, AFC Carter 3*, KDF Gregory, SD Le Fevre 3, N. Mitas 2 1/2*, A.D. Crossin 2 1/2, J. Oelze 2*, A.R. Cullinane, A.J. Peters, D.J. Scotney 2.

COUNTY MATCH RESULTS, SATURDAY 8th Dec.

Cornwall	16	w.o.	Hampshire	0.
Gloucestershire	14	beat	Wiltshire	2.
Somerset	9 1/2	beat	Dorset	6 1/2.

The West of England Congress Secretary, Mr E.G. Walker, states he will be sending out the West's Congress forms immediately after the Christmas postal rush is over. The Championship is a 7 round Swiss this year.

With this issue, the circulation of Westward Ho exceeds 100 regular subscribers, whilst the Grading List issue is over 400 copies issued to date.

Wishing all Chess players a happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year and that the effects of the various strikes will not make matters too bad, whatever area you are in.