

The Association's Annual General Meeting was held on 1st July, was well attended and there were 14 affiliated Clubs and other Chess Organisations represented.

There was only one dismal note, namely a deficiency for the year and a somewhat parlous financial future.

So as to remedy this situation and at the same time to relieve Mr. Russell of some of his burden, it was decided to elect a separate Hon. Treasurer.

This little job came my way, and as my primary responsibility is to increase revenue, you will learn as you read on how I propose to do it.

### Bulletins

Some of you will already know that I am a firm believer in the "dissemination of information", I therefore propose to issue a bi-monthly bulletin from now on which will, when the season proper starts, contain full County Match scores, progress reports on County Correspondence play, latest Individual results and other items of general interest.

### Vice Presidents

Those of you who read the Annual Report will have noted the miserable total of 9 Vice Presidents. AS AN INTERIM TARGET, I AIM TO INCREASE THIS NUMBER TO 100 (repeat one hundred) during this current season.

This costs 10/6 per annum, which is not much in all conscience these days.

I do most earnestly appeal to all Club Secretaries (and others with the interest of the Association at heart) to personally canvas all Chess players within their own circle and to persuade as many as possible to subscribe (a supply of forms are enclosed for this purpose).

For my part, and to encourage this recruiting campaign, I will undertake to:-

- (a) Send a free copy of my Bulletin to the private address of each Vice President.
- (b) Use all the influence that I have to see that V.P's receive priority in selection for all County Matches (both O.T.B. and postal).
- (c) See that they receive individual copies of all other County publications (Grading Lists, fixture cards, etc.)

(Incidentally your Club will save 2/6d. if you become a V.P., as there is no need to include your name on the list of Club Members when they affiliate.)

If you are already a private member and have paid your 5/- subscriptions, I will 'elevate' you upon receipt of the additional 5/6.

Finally, if the 10/6 is too much (and I realise that there are some to whom it might be) then do please enrol as a private member (5/- per annum). As 1/- of this goes straight on to the S.C.C.U., however, I cannot undertake to send Bulletins, etc. to P.M's - the 4/- margin would barely cover postage and stationery!

Those who have become Vice Presidents so far this season are:-

Mrs. W. Pond, A. White, H.C. Bailey and L. West.

Others joining as the season progresses will be mentioned in succeeding bulletins.

Officers for Season now commencing

The following persons were elected for the season 1961/62:-

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| President                          | - J. Spedan-Lewis             |
| Hon. Secretary                     | - S.L. Russell                |
| Hon. Treasurer                     | - J.E.C. Grant                |
| Match Captain                      | - L.E. Vine                   |
| Match Vice Captain                 | - H.L. Parson                 |
| Correspondence Chess Conductor     | - J.E.C. Grant                |
| Individual Championship Conductor  | - K. Robinson                 |
| Hants. League Conductor.           | - S.H.C. Lucas                |
| Hants. League Adjudicator          | - L.E. Vine                   |
| Junior Organisers: Portsmouth Area | - P.M. Collins                |
| Southampton Area                   | - B. Harding                  |
| Bournemouth Area                   | - E.W. Seagrott               |
| Delegates to S.C.C.U.              |                               |
|                                    | - Messrs. S.L. Russell        |
|                                    | H.L. Parsons and J.E.C. Grant |

J.E.C. Grant  
Hon. Treasurer.

- (a) Send a free copy of my Bulletin to the private address of each Vice President.
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