

The match results (and tables) from the bottom two Divisions of the Portsmouth & District League show that competition is no less fierce than amongst the stronger players.

The following game is also an indication that there is no shortage of adventurous ideas in Division 5. It arose from the recent match Co op C v Emsworth B and the players are Tina Ruff (11 years of age), who had the white pieces and W. Knight. Who says that girls lack the spirit of aggression in chess?

1. P - Q4 P - Q4; 2. P - K3 N - KB3; 3. B - Q3 N - B3; 4. P - KB4 P - K3;
5. P - B3 B - Q3; 6. N - Q2 P - QR3; 7. KN - B3 P - R3; 8. N - K5 O - 0;
9. O - 0 B - Q2; 10. R - B3 P - QN4; 11. R - R3 P - N5; 12. Q - K1 B x N;
13. BP x B N - N5; 14. Q - N3 Q - N4; 15. N - B3 Q - Q1; 16. Q x N N - K2;
17. P - K4 N - N3; 18. N - R4 K - R2; 19. KP x P P - KB4; 20. Q x N+ K - R1;
21. B x RP KR - N1; 22. B x P+ R x B; 23. N x BP+ K - N1; 24. Q x R mate.)

Division 4 : Plessey B 4, Portsmouth D 2

(C. Thomas $\frac{1}{2}$, S. Hampton $\frac{1}{2}$; A. Nazareth 0, C. Smith 1; G. Howells $\frac{1}{2}$, S. Young $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Naim 1, S. Phillips 0; R. Armstrong 1, B. Maund 0; P. Rowson 1, C. Hodgkins 0.)

Emsworth A 3, Fareham D 3

(V. Lawrence 1, P. Higdon 0; P. Durkee 0, B. Massey 1; B. Turner 0, R. Goldstone 1; M. Chalmers 1, D. Vella 0; C. Coldbreath 0, J. Craig 1; B. Cook 1, J. Bennett 0.)

Fareham D 3, Leigh Park B 3

(P. Higdon $\frac{1}{2}$, S. Willey $\frac{1}{2}$; B. Massey $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$; E. Judd $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Mortlock $\frac{1}{2}$; D. Vella 1, K. Hepple 0; J. Craig 0, R. Callim 1; S. Gainey $\frac{1}{2}$, B. Mellor $\frac{1}{2}$.)

Portsmouth D 4, Emsworth A 2

(C. Smith 1, V.M. Lawrence 0; M. Hampton 1, R. Dumont 0; S.F. Young $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Robinson $\frac{1}{2}$; C. Hodgson 0, P. Durkee 1; S.F. Phillips $\frac{1}{2}$, M. Chalmers $\frac{1}{2}$; W. Laxton 1, W. Knight 0.)

Co op A $4\frac{1}{2}$, Plessey B $1\frac{1}{2}$

(J. Baillie 0, C. Wheatley 1; T.E. Hollington 1, C. Thomas 0; A. Ruff 1, S. Naim 0; R. Riley 1, A. Nazareth 0; S. Russell $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Armstrong $\frac{1}{2}$; T. Ruff 1, P. Rowson 0.)

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Division 5 : Co op C $3\frac{1}{2}$, Co op B $2\frac{1}{2}$

(A. Ruff 1, J. Baillie 0; S. Russell 1, Terri Ruff 0; C. Tullett 0, K. McPhee 1; G.T. Baillie 1, C. Pink 0; Karen Illidge $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Rossiter $\frac{1}{2}$; Sue Johnston 0, Emma Dove 1.)

Fareham F $3\frac{1}{2}$, Emsworth B $2\frac{1}{2}$

(B. Lomas $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Robinson $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Gainey 1, B. Turner 0; Sue Bradberry 0, B. Cooke 1; G. Cawte 0, C. Coldbreath 1; P. Webb 1, N. Knight 0; Lynda Bradbury 1, D. Fowle 0.)

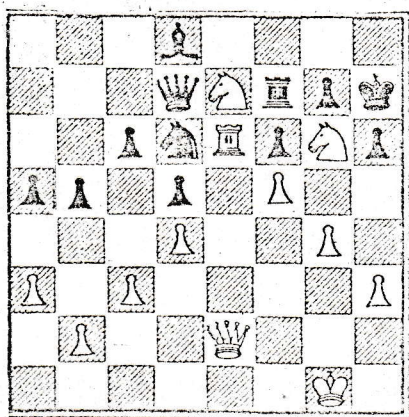
Co op B 3, Petersfield 3

(J. Baillie 1, W. Hazelton 0; Terri Ruff 0, G. Gardner 1; K. McPhee 1, G. Strouts 0; C. Pink 0, B. Chambers 1; N. Ruff 0, J. Harris 1; Jacqueline Ruff 1, P. Dodd 0.)

Tables

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Division 4 :						
Co op A	7	7	0	$31\frac{1}{2}$	$10\frac{1}{2}$	14
Plessey B	9	6	1	32	22	13
Portsmouth D	8	5	1	27	21	11
Leigh Park B	8	3	2	23	25	8
Fareham D	8	3	1	24	24	7
Fareham E	8	1	0	17	31	2
Emsworth A	8	0	1	$13\frac{1}{2}$	$34\frac{1}{2}$	1
Division 5 :						
IBM C	7	5	1	26	16	11
Co op B	8	5	1	$29\frac{1}{2}$	$18\frac{1}{2}$	11
Petersfield	7	4	1	$28\frac{1}{2}$	$13\frac{1}{2}$	9
Co op C	8	3	1	24	24	7
Fareham F	6	1	1	$8\frac{1}{2}$	$27\frac{1}{2}$	3
Emsworth B	6	0	1	$9\frac{1}{2}$	$26\frac{1}{2}$	1

I do not know how the players concerned reached the tangled position shown in the diagram, but, through a double sacrifice, the Black Q is enticed away from the defence - 41. K-N2! B-N3; 42. NxQP! P x N; 43. R x N Q x R; 44. Q-K8! Q-Q1; 45. Q x R and Black resigns. It will be noticed that 41. K-N2 was necessary so as to prevent Q-N6 + later on.



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