

CHESS NOTES

6th December, 1976

The Tables for the top two Divisions of the Senior Section of the Portsmouth & District League show Portsmouth A well in the lead in Division 1 and Community Centre B leading, but not quite so strongly placed, in Division 2.

Division 1 : PORTSMOUTH A 5½, I.B.M. A ½

(G.E.J. Lambert 1, N.E. Jackson 0; A.J. Peters 1, J.F. Wheeler 0; D.J. Scotney ½, J. Liddell ½; M.J. Cawston 1, G.D. Jefftha 0; Jane F. Seymour 1, J. Coghlan 0; D.C. Spurgeon 1, P. Savage 0)

PORTSMOUTH A 3½, FAREHAM A 2½

(G.E.J. Lambert 1, A.F. Brameld 0; A.J. Peters 0, W.H. Silber 1; D.J. Scotney ½, W.H. Pratten ½; C.D. Harris ½, M.M. Street ½; Jane F. Seymour 1, I.R. Rudgley 0; D.C. Spurgeon ½, T.J. de Buriatte ½)

COMMUNITY CENTRE A 4½, GOSPORT A 1½

(A.R. Cullinane 1, J.F.T. Charvill 0; A.F.C. Carter ½, I.A. Stenhouse ½; W.D. Muir 1, H.E. Davies 0; P.A. Rayment 1, C.W.J. Trotter 0; J.R. Webb 0, J.A. Coburn 1; C.V. Fairall 1, R. Ellis 0)

COMMUNITY CENTRE A 3, FAREHAM A 3

(A.F.C. Carter 0, A.F. Brameld 1; A.R. Cullinane 1, W.H. Pratten 0; P.A. Rayment ½, W.H. Silber ½; W.D. Muir 1, M.M. Street 0; R.R. Carter ½, I. Rudgley ½; J.R. Webb 0, T.J. de Buriatte 1)

Division 2 : LEIGH PARK A 3, FAREHAM B 3

(M.C. Southwell 1, H.A. Tadevossian 0; S.D. Le Fevre 0, J.E.C. Grant 1; N.G. Le Fevre 1, A.J. Lancashire 0; J. Mortlock ½, B. Massey ½; S. Dymel ½, J.R. Craig ½; R. Smith 0, M. Cole 1)

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Division 1</u>						
Portsmouth A	3	3	0	13	5	6
Community Centre A	2	1	1	7½	4½	3
Cosham A	1	1	0	3½	2½	2
I.B.M. A	2	1	0	5	7	2
Fareham A	3	0	1	7	11	1
Gosport A	3	0	0	6	12	0
<u>Division 2</u>						
Community Centre B	2	2	0	9	3	4
Cosham B	3	1	1	9½	8½	3
Leigh Park A	2	1	1	8	4	3
Polytechnic A	1	1	0	5½	½	2
Portsmouth B	2	1	0	5	7	2
Gosport B	3	1	0	8½	9½	2
Fareham B	5	0	2	8½	21½	2

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With 2½ hours playing sessions in local match play, it is not often that we are able to indulge in End Game practice.

Playing with the black pieces in a Fareham Club Championship game last week, I reached the following position after my 33rd move :

8; p4plp; 3kplpl; lp6; 8; P1PK2P1; 1P3P1P; 8

The game then went 1. K-Q4 P-K4+; 2. K-K4 P-B4+; 3. K-Q3 K-Q4; 4. P-QN3 P-K5+; 5. K-K3 P-N4; 6. P-R3 P-KR3; 7. P-B3 PxP; 8. KxP P-QR4; and I found that I had a won End Game. Neither my opponent or I could see at the time where White had gone wrong; looking at it afterwards, it seems that this was on the very first move (1. K-Q4?). Although no doubt working on the usually sound principle that it is 'good to seize the opposition', White should not have allowed Black the chance of driving back the King with the two pawn checks. 1. P-QB4! would have forced an exchange of pawns on Black's weaker Queen side and could well have enabled White to win.

The following game, commencing from the diagrammed position, is between A.F. Brameld (Fareham) who had the White pieces, and A.F.C. Carter (Community Centre) on Board 1 of a League match reported above. In this one, White does not let victory slip from his grasp.

11. P-K5 BxN? 12. PxB 0-0-0; 13. BxN PxB; 14. PxBP Q-KN4+; 15. P-B4! QxP; 16. QxRP QxP+; 17. K-N1 Q-QN5?; 18. N-Q5 Q-KR5; 19. R-Q4! (threatening N-N6+ K-B2; R-QB4 Mate, if the Queen moves) 19...PxN; 20. RxQ BxR; 21. R-K3 B-B3; 22. R-QN3 (1-0).

Having now exhausted my supply of games and positions from local play, can I please renew my appeal to other players? I feel sure that all the interesting things cannot be happening just to Arthur Brameld and myself!

r3k2r; pp2bppp; 2bppn2; q5B1; 3QP3; 2N2N2; PPP2PPP; 2KRR3

Position BRAMELD v. CARTER, after Black's 10th move.