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The 1976 West of England Grading List comprises 1848 names, 444 of which are from Hampshire. Next year, only the names of players who are registered with the B.C.F. will appear - a decision by the Union Council which is raising a good deal of controversy.

I declare myself fully in agreement with this ruling. The preparation of these statistics involves a great deal of work at County and Union level, bearing in mind that results have to be accumulated for everyone, whether or not their grades are published. Why then should a player who contributes nothing to County or Union finances have the benefit of all this work?

So strongly do I feel on this issue, I am anticipating next year's decision by publishing only those names of players in the Portsmouth area (including Isle of Wight) who are currently registered. Hereunder the first list containing those whose names begin with the letters A to G. (Previous year's grading number in brackets) :

G.F.Abercrombie (Cosham)	130 (130)	J. Craig (Fareham)	125 (126)
N.D. Argent (Polytech)	118 (-)	A.D. Crossin (Cosham)	158 (161)
M.J. Ashdown (Polytech)	140 (132)	A.R. Cullinane (Portsmouth)	169 (188)
A.F. Behmber (I. of W.)	156 (155)	H.E. Davies (Gosport)	151 (159)
T.D. Bell (Cosham)	122 (128)	S. Dean (Cosham)	170 (162)
A.F. Brameld (Fareham)	193 (194)	T.J. de Buriatte (Fareham)	142 (140)
C.W. Bryan (Cosham)	150 (146)	A. Driscoll (Portsmouth)	111 (109)
M.J. Cawston (Portsmouth)	120 (-)	P.J. Eales (Gosport)	130 (128)
A.J. Charlwood (Cosham)	98 (110)	P.B. Eastlake (Portsmouth)	159 (149)
J.F.T. Charvill (Gosport)	158 (150)	G.E. Feltham (Portsmouth)	150 (150)
R.C. Clark (Gosport)	141 (145)	D. Gibson (Cosham)	172 (173)
J.A. Coburn (Gosport)	136 (135)	R.A. Goldstone (Fareham)	106 (129)
B.V. Cochran (Portsmouth)	127 (126)	J.E.C. Grant (Fareham)	138 (137)
M. Cole (Fareham)	135 (143)	Miss C. Groves (Portsmouth)	118 (102)
B.C. Coppin (Cosham)	122 (135)	W.D. Groves (I. of W.)	121 (140)
W.D. Coward (Fareham)	106 (117)		

The County programme for 1976/77 is as follows :

Sept. 25	Senior Jamboree at Exeter
Oct. 23	Hampshire v. Dorset
Oct. 29/31	Southampton Open Tournament
Dec. 11	Somerset v. Hampshire
Jan. 22	Cornwall v. Hampshire
Feb. 12	Hampshire v. Devon
Feb. 26	Wiltshire v. Hampshire at Ilminster
March 5	Junior Jamboree
March 26	Gloucestershire v. Hampshire
April 8/11	W.E.C.U. Congress, Cheltenham

One of the best games to come out of the 1976 W.E.C.U. Congress was from the final round between the leaders of the Championship Tournament, D.M. Wise and L.P. Burnett. White's attack is from move 19 onwards and is worthy of the eventual Champion.

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1. P-K4, P-QB4; 2. N-KB3, N-QB3; 3. P-Q4, PXP; 4. NXP, P-KN3;
5. N-QB3, B-N2; 6. B-K3, N-B3; 7. B-QB4, Q-R4; 8. O-O, O-O; 9. N-N3,
Q-B2; 10. P-B4, P-Q3; 11. B-K2, P-QR4; 12. P-QR4, N-QN5; 13. B-B3,
B-K3; 14. R-B2, Q-B1; 15. P-R3, N-Q2; 16. N-Q4, B-B5; 17. R-Q2, R-Q1;
18. R-N1, N-B4; 19. B-N4, Q-B2; 20. P-B5, N-Q2; 21. PXP, RXP; 22. N(3)-N5,
Q-N1; 23. P-QN3, QBxN; 24. PxB, N-R7; 25. BxN, N-B6;
26. Q-N4, NxR (see diagram: Black is already the exchange up and can win
a further exchange after White's next move, but his position is in tatters)
27. B-K6: PxB; 28. QxNP, R-KB1; 29. NXP, R-B2; 30. R-B2, Q-KB1;
31. N-N5, P-N3; 32. Q-R7 mate.

J.E.C.G.

rqlr2kl; 1plBppbl; 3p2pl;pP6; 3NP1Q1; 1P2B2P; 2PR2P1; 1n4K1

D.M. Wise v. L.P. Burnett: Position after 26...NxR

M. Cole (2)

CHESS NOTES

13th September, 1976

It seems probable that we shall see 23 teams lined up for the coming season's play in the Portsmouth & District League (20 last season). New teams are entered from Emsworth, I.B.M. 'B', Leigh Park 'B' and Polytechnic 'C', but Portsmouth may be dropping their 'B' team from Division 1.

The League's A.G.M. is due to be held on Wednesday, 29th September, at Southsea Youth and Community Centre, at which a number of alterations to the rules will be proposed. One that is of particular interest is yet another attempt to reduce the number of adjudications. As things now stand, the two players concerned can continue the unfinished game at a later date if they both agree to do so. The new proposal is that the game shall be continued at a second session if either player wishes. Unfortunately, few players relish turning out to the opponent's venue on a winter's night for what may be quite a short session, but if this fact alone encourages some of them to agree a result which would otherwise have gone to the adjudicator, the new rule will have achieved something.

A couple of seasons ago, with the same objective in mind, it was suggested that unfinished games be completed on the 'sudden death' principle, but this proposal failed on the grounds that the result of such games would not count for grading. I now see that the B.C.F. Grading Committee has relented and an extract from their latest report says "tournaments in which games are finished at fast time limits may be graded . . . provided certain minimum conditions are met". Perhaps this way round the vexed question of adjudication is still open.

Hereunder a further 24 names of local players appearing in the 1976/77 Grading List (initial letters H - M) :

C.D. Harris (Portsmouth)	151 (135)	G.E.J. Lambert (Portsmouth)	205 (193)
R.E. Hartley (I.B.M.)	162 (-)	A.J. Lancashire (Fareham)	142 (132)
P.M. Hodgson (I. of W.)	149 (142)	A.F. Langley (Cosham)	136 (136)
T.E. Hollington (Portsmouth)	143 (155)	F.J. Lee (Portsmouth)	195 (196)
S.J. Hooker (Portsmouth)	177 (156)	A.P. Le Fevre (Leigh Park)	169 (174)
K. Irish (Fareham)	116 (113)	N.G. Le Fevre (Leigh Park)	146 (155)
N.E. Jackson (I.B.M.)	174 (-)	S.D. Le Fevre (Leigh Park)	133 (143)
G.D. Jeftha (I.B.M.)	144 (136)	A.W. Leggatt (Portsmouth)	142 (136)
B. Joyce (I. of W.)	117 (141)	T.P. Love (Portsmouth)	183 (171)
A.H. Judd (Cosham)	97 (115)	P.J. Markwell (Portsmouth)	147 (140)
E.N. Judd (Fareham)	117 (-)	B. Massey (Fareham)	113 (120)
I.P. Judd (Cosham)	149 (126)	P.W. Mottram (Polytech)	153 (138)

I derived much enjoyment in reading Bill Harston's amusing new book "How to Cheat at Chess" (£1.95) and published by Hutchinsons, which in any case makes a pleasant change from the steady flow of more serious publications on opening theory and middle game practice. The chapter on "How to be a Chess Journalist" was of particular interest to me as, amongst other things, this contains annotation notes after every move of a 12 move game every one of which the author swears has appeared in a chess journal during the past few years and every one of which could be used again in any other game for practically any move! (Examples : 'bther lines cause the defence little difficulty' and "the purpose of Black's opening dispositions is now clear"). I shall no doubt be drawing heavily on this material in future!

2.

The diagram published this week demonstrates a simple sacrificial mating combination: 1. R-R8+, KxR; 2. R-R1+, K-N1; 3. R-R8+, KxR; 4. Q-R1+ and mate next move on R7. (But would you or I have seen it under match conditions, particularly as we would have been much concerned with Black's mate on the move?)

3r1bk1; 2r2pp1; p3nlP1; lp6; 4P3; qPpB4; P1P2P2; 1KN1Q1RR

White to move: Mate in 5

J.E.C.G.

C H E S S N O T E S

20th September, 1976

The 26 names set out below show the Gradings of those registered local players whose names begin N-S. This controversial issue has now, I hope, been finally resolved, as the Executive Committee of the W.E.C.U. decided (in response to an appeal from the Hampshire Executive) to modify their previous ruling (that is, to publish the names but not the grading numbers of unregistered players in future Grading Lists) and to allow the gradings of unregistered Junior players to appear but for the first time only. The idea is to let Junior Organisers at least know of up-and-coming Juniors' existence; if the Junior concerned wishes to see both his name and grading number in the next list, he must be registered through his County.

One other doubt has been removed; the W.E.C.U. are to stick to their previous ruling that all games in all tournaments which allow 'sudden-death' endings will be excluded from the grading routine.

F. Northover (Fareham)	148 (-)	D.J. Scotney (Portsmouth)	157 (155)
P.J. Patience (Gosport)	190 (-)	Miss J.L.Scotney(Portsmouth)	94 (100)
A.J. Peters (Portsmouth)	166 (172)	Miss J.F. Seymour(Portsmouth)	149 (137)
E.G. Potter (Fareham)	118 (119)	W.H. Silber (Fareham)	164 (161)
C.J. Powell (Portsmouth)	102 (-)	Miss A. Smith (Portsmouth)	110 (-)
W.H. Pratten (Fareham)	165 (176)	D. Smith (Cosham)	166 (156)
A.J. Price (I. of W.)	169 (156)	F.J. Smith (I. of W.)	137 (147)
R.M. Prince (Portsmouth)	120 (124)	R.S. Smith (Cosham)	138 (119)
Miss S.M. Prince(Portsmouth)	133 (124)	M.C. Southwell (Fareham)	158 (156)
V.L. Prior (Fareham)	119 (-)	D.C.Spurgeon (Portsmouth)	151 (126)
J.W. Read (I. of W.)	131 (123)	I.A. Stenhouse (Gosport)	150 (165)
S.J.E. Read (I. of W.)	154 (144)	M.M. Street (Fareham)	149 (143)
I.C. Schreiber (Fareham)	150 (-)	D.R. Stringer (Gosport)	164 (161)

The following amusing skirmish was played in the Veterans' Section of the recent B.C.F. Congress in Portsmouth:

White: Alfred Milner (the former Lancashire Match-Captain)
Black: W.H. Pratten (the former Hampshire Match-Captain)

1. P-QB4, N-KB3; 2. N-QB3, P-Q4; 3. PxP, NxP; 4. P-KN3, P-K4; 5. B-N2, P-QB3; 6. N-B3, N-Q2; 7. 0-0, B-K2; 8. P-Q4, NxN; 9. PxN, PxP;
10. PxP, 0-0; 11. P-QR4, R-K1; 12. P-K3, B-B3; 13. Q-B2, N-N3; 14. B-QR3, B-N5; 15. P-R5, N-Q4; 16. KR-N1, NxP; 17. Q-R4, NxB; 18. KxN, BxN+;
19. KxB, Q-Q4+; 20. K-N4, Q-N7; 21. R-KB1, P-R4+; 22. K-B4, Q-K5 mate.

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* Mr. W.H. Pratten has retired from the active management of the two tournaments but remains a Trustee of the Girls' charity. He has been the Tournament Director and Chief Controller since 1946 - which is something of a record in chess administration.

The Trust founded by Miss Phyllis Loe during her Lord Mayoralty of Portsmouth has now been granted permanent charitable status. This means that together with the trust founded by the late Sir William Dupree in 1932 the entire school population of the City is eligible to compete in a perpetual annual chess tournament.

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It is believed that Portsmouth is the only city not only in Britain but in the world where the children are thus favoured.

Miss Loe's Trust, however, needs more power to its capital fund and donations should be sent to the City Treasurer, Civic Offices, Guildhall Square, Portsmouth.

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Quite a startling key-move in this week's 3-mover by Shinkman; don't read on if you wish to solve it the hard way - 1. N-R8 (followed by 1...K-Q3; 2. K-Q4, K-B3; 3. Q-Q5 mate).

J.E.C.G.

8; 2N2Q2; 8; 4k3; 8; 3K4; 8; 8.

White to move and mate in 3.

We are all familiar with sponsored walks and swims, but this is my first experience of sponsored chess.

A simultaneous display is to be given by Leonard Barden on Saturday, 9th October, in the Great Hall, Teachers' Training College, Milton, commencing at 12 noon. This event has been arranged by Portsmouth Polytechnic Chess Club, who are also meeting Mr. Barden's fees and expenses.

The indefatigable Terry Hollington now moves in with the following highly original ideas :-

- (a) There is no entry fee, but each player wishing to take part is asked to obtain sponsors.
- (b) Each sponsor will undertake to pay anything upward from $\frac{1}{2}p$ for every move that the player that he is sponsoring makes against Leonard Barden, up to a maximum of 30 moves.
- (c) The money raised in this way (which could, given an enthusiastic response, be a sizeable sum) will be donated to the Hampshire Chess Association, with particular emphasis on the furtherance of Junior activities.
- (d) If a player obtains 10 or more sponsors, his Club will receive a refund of the amount of his County registration fee.

All this seems to me to add up to an ingenious and praiseworthy effort to publicise the game locally and, at the same time, help the County, which is hard-pressed financially this year.

Enquiries and requests for entry forms to: T.E. Hollington, 27 Karen Avenue, Drayton, Portsmouth PO6 2HR (Tel. Cosham 87346).

I have for a long while maintained that a reliable measure of any organisation's keenness and success is the number of members that attend an Annual General Meeting when things are going right (when things go wrong, people turn up just to complain!). By this token, Fareham Chess Club must be the greatest in the district (perhaps even in the land) as they had a record attendance of 32 at their recent Annual Meeting at which ex-Hon. Secretary Alan Evans was appointed the new President.

Another successful A.G.M. (this time 21 members attending) was held at Gosport Chess Club, where no great changes took place except the raising of the annual subscription rate. Creeping inflation is beginning to affect the chess world generally, but what other activity can a player obtain these days for a total cost (including County and B.C.F. registration) of less than a pint of beer a week?

The remaining names of local Registered/Graded players are :

H.A. Tadevossian (Fareham)	141 (133)	S.R. Williams (Gosport)	104 (115)
G. Train (Cosham)	136 (124)	F. Wools (I. of W.)	143 (134)
C.W.J. Trotter (Gosport)	136 (134)	W.J.E. Yeeles (Gosport)	166 (171)
S. Wilkinson (Cosham)	113 (119)		

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The game Tehigorin v. Davydov shows a brilliant piece of combination play : 1. Q-Q4+K-B1; 2. B-K6+K-N1 (if 2...BxB, the queen is lost; if 2...PxB, white mates by 3. Q-Q7+); 3. N-Q7+K-B1; 4. N-B5 dis.+K-N1; 5. N-R6+ (a new diversion) 5...PxN; 6. Q-N4 mate.

4.

r2kr3; ppplnlp; 5N2; 4Q3; 2B3bq; 3P4; PPP5; 5RK1

Tehigorin v. Davydov: St. Petersburg 1874

Hampshire's players opened the season with a friendly match against Berkshire in which the score stands $13\frac{1}{2}-4\frac{1}{2}$ in our favour, with two for adjudication. Details of results of local players :-

- Board 2. S. Dean (Cosham 1, D. Stevenson 0;
- Board 4. W.H. Silber (Fareham) 0, J. Syner 1;
- Board 7. D.J. Scotney (Portsmouth) 1, C. Burrows 0;
- Board 11 I.A. Stenhouse (Gosport) 1, K. Wilkinson 0;
- Board 12 M.M. Street (Fareham) 1, G. Borrowdale 0;
- Board 19 C.W.J. Trotter (Gosport) 1, G. Langham 0.

It is hoped to arrange a return match with Berks at Portsmouth later in the season.

On the same Saturday, the County's strongest available players were competing in the West of England Senior Jamboree at Exeter, which saw Hampshire and Somerset finish equal first with 7 points and with one game, D.W. Bell (Hants) v. R.J. Gregory (Somerset) for adjudication. We are claiming a win (Bell is a pawn up) and if this claim is successful, Hampshire will be the outright winner of the Bristol Cup for the third successive season. Wins by G.E.J. Lambert (Bd.1), K.D.F. Gregory (Bd.3), S.P. Goodman (Bd.4), S.J. Hooker (Bd.5), A.J. Berry (Bd.6), B.P.A. Andrews (Bd.7) and D. Drew (Bd.12).

A.R. Cullinane, P.L. Marshall, D. Beer and L.C. Walters all lost.

There were no changes made to the playing rules of the team competition at the Annual General Meeting of the Portsmouth & District League held last week, although a minor amendment to the rules of the Individual Championship Competition was passed. All officers were returned unopposed and it was decided that the 25 teams (a record number) that have entered the coming League Championships will be arranged in four Divisions, as under :-

<u>Division 1</u>	<u>Division 2</u>	<u>Division 3</u>	<u>Division 4</u>
Community Centre A	Cosham B	Cosham C	Emsworth
Portsmouth A	Polytechnic A	Polytechnic B	Gosport C
Cosham A	Community Centre B	Fareham C	Schroder
Gosport A	Portsmouth B	Leigh Park B	Fareham D
Fareham A	Leigh Park A	Portsmouth C	Polytechnic C
I.B.M. A	Gosport B	Portsmouth D	I.B.M. B
	Fareham B		

The following remarkable game was between I. Pleci and L. Endzelius (Buenos Aires 1939) and is not one on which I would wish to be on the receiving end.

1. P-K4, P-K3; 2. P-Q4, P-Q4; 3. N-Q2, P-QB4; 4. KN-B3, QPxP; 5. NxP, N-Q2; 6. PxP, NxP; 7. QxQ+, KxQ; 8. B-N5+, P-B3; 9. 0-0-0+, K-K1;
10. B-N5+, K-B2 (if 10...B-Q2; 11. NxN, BxB; 12. NxKP wins) 11. R-Q8, B-K2 (11...PxB and 11...NxN both lose; see diagram) 12. N-K5+, PxN;
13. N-Q6+, K-N3 (13...BxN; 14. B-K8+, K-B1; 15. B-N6 mate) 14. BxB, NxB;
15. RxR, P-QR3; 16. B-K2, P-K5; 17. P-KB4, P-N4; 18. R-K8, K-B3;
19. R-B8+, K-N3; 20. P-KR4, B-N2; 21. P-R5+, K-R3; 22. N-B7 mate.

J.E.C.G.

rlbR2nr; pp2bkpp; 4pp2; lBn3B1; 4N3; 5N2; PPP2PPP; 2K4R

PLECI v. ENDZELIUS

Position after 11...B-K2

The fixture list for the coming season in the Hampshire League is in circulation with 11 teams grouped in two Divisions as under :-

<u>Division 1</u>	<u>Division 2</u>
Southampton	Salisbury
Isle of Wight A	Cosham
Gosport	A.M.F. Leggs
Kinson	Isle of Wight B
Portsmouth	Andover
	Portsmouth Polytechnic

A.M.F. Leggs is a new entry from Andover district, and it is still hoped that Southampton University will take part and so make the number of teams in Division 1 up to 6.

In the Schools Section of the Portsmouth & District League there are only 13 entries, of which only two are in Division 1. The actual arrangement is

Division 1 : Mayfield A and Great Salterns A

Division 2 : Ports. Grammar A, St. Luke's A, Mayfield B, Great Salterns B and St. John's A.

Division 3 : St. John's B, Ports. Grammar B, Mayfield C, St. Luke's D, Great Salterns C and Great Salterns D.

Entry forms are now available from the Hampshire Match Captain (Iain Stenhouse, 29 Woodside Court, Woodside Road, Southampton SO2 1GR) for the 1976 Southampton Open Tournament taking place 29/30/31 October at the College of Technology, Southampton. First prize is £120 as well as £225 in other prizes, and entry fee is £4.20 (£3 for Under-18's).

I recently suffered a humiliating defeat in a telephone game at the hands of an otherwise very pleasant Anglican priest living in Burnley, and am still wondering what went wrong. Perhaps readers would either offer their advice or at least their condolences.

White - Rev. J.K. Russon; Black - J.E.C. Grant

1. P-K4, P-K4; 2. N-KB3, N-KB3; 3. B-B4, NxP; 4. P-Q4, PxP; 5. QxP, N-KB3; 6. N-B3, P-B3; 7. B-KN5, B-K2; 8. 0-0-0, 0-0; 9. KR-K1, P-Q4; 10. Q-R4, QN-Q2; 11. B-Q3, P-KN3; 12. N-K5, NxN; (at which stage Black says to White "Quite an attack you have on"; White replies with a low chuckle "It is as a game played by Morphy") 13. RxN, B-Q2; 14. RxB! QxR; 15. BxN (and Black is not only down in material, but has a positional problem on his hands) 15...Q-K3; 16. P-KR3, P-KR3; 17. P-KN4, K-R2 whereupon Black says "I have the feeling of hanging on with my finger tips" and White gives another low chuckle); 18. R-R1, P-B4 (I had thoughts of driving White's Bishop away from its Q3 or at least allowing my Q an escape route) 19. P-KN5, P-KR4; 20. QxP+ Resigns. (Mate next move and I just did not see it coming).

The End Game study published this week is a composition by M.S. Liburkin and White proceeds as follows: 1. N-B1, RxNP; 2. P-B7, R-Q4+ (Black cannot play R-QB4 on account of 3. N-N3+) 3. N-Q3! RxN+; 4. K-B2, R-Q5; 5. P-B8=R! R-QR5; 7. K-N3! and wins, since the rook cannot move from R5 owing to the mating threat on B1.

J.E.C.G.

8; 8; 2P5; 1Pr5; 8; 8; N7; k2K4

White to play and win.

Hereunder the first of this season's match results from the Senior Section of the Portsmouth & District Chess League.

Division 2 : GOSPORT B 1½, COSHAM B 4½

(R.C. Clark ½, A.F. Langley ½; P.J. Eales 1, T.E. Hollington 0; P. Mallett 0, P.J. Markwell 1; I. Gouge 0, G.F. Abercrombie 1; S.R. Williams 0, G. Train 1; W.E. Portman 0, B.C. Coppin 1)

LEIGH PARK A 5, PORTSMOUTH B 1

M.C. Southwell 1, D.J. Scotney 0; N.G. Le Fevre ½, G.E. Feltham ½; A.D. Harris ½, Sharon M. Prince ½; S.D. Le Fevre 1, M.J. Cawston 0; J. Mortlock 1, B. Cochran 0; J.D.J. Gatt 1, R.M. Prince 0)

Division 3 : FAREHAM C 3½, PORTSMOUTH D 2½

(E.N. Judd ½, I.A. Welch ½; J. Dean 0, P.K. Wells 1; F. Nye 1, M.E. Vernon 0; M.J. Hockey 1, P.M. Spurgeon 0; K. Irish 0, G.D. Scotney 1; D. Coates 1, Julia Scotney 0)

I was present at Fareham Chess Club when the juvenile Portsmouth D team arrived to play Fareham C; a remarkable sight, reminiscent of the March of the Seven Dwarfs and with, I suspect, an average of around 9 years of age. On this showing, they should do quite well in Division 3 when they have had a chance to settle down.

The Hampshire Junior Championships are to take place at two separate venues this year; the Under-18 event (for the Bullows Trophy) at Southsea Community Centre over the weekend 20th and 21st November and the Under-16 event (for the Russell Trophy) at Southampton University on 27th and 28th November. In addition, there will be a tournament for the Under-18 girls on 15th and 16th January to determine the challenger of the reigning girl champion, Jane F. Seymour. Entry forms are obtainable from the County Junior Organiser - T.E. Hollington, 27 Karen Avenue, Portsmouth PO6 2HR.

Southampton University's entry into the Hampshire League has been received (two weeks late) but every effort will be made to accept them into the competition and so make it six teams in each Division.

No-one can accuse me of egocentricity seeing that I publish only the games that I lose. This one is quite an interesting Exchange variation of the French, where I had the black pieces against J.R. Webb of Portsmouth Community Centre.

1. P-K4 P-K3; 2. P-Q4 P-Q4; 3. PXP PXP; 4. N-KB3 N-KB3; 5. B-K3 B-KNS; 6. QN-Q2; B-Q3; 7. B-K2 QN-Q2; 8. O-O O-O; 9. P-B4 P-B3; 10. N-N5 BxB; 11. QxB R-K1; 12. P-KR3 B-B5; (the idea being to force a backward KP) 13. Q-Q3 BxB; 14. PxB P-KR3; 15. N(5)-B3 N-K5; 16. PXP PXP; 17. Q-N3 N-N3; 18. NxN RxN; 19. N-K5 P-B3; 20. N-N4 Q-Q3; 21. N-B2 (I wasted some valuable time on my clock at this stage contemplating R-R5 and Q-N6 and decided against it. Should I have had the courage of my convictions?) 21...R-K2; 22. N-N4 R(1)-K1; 23. R-B5 (a good move by white, as it turned out) 23...R-K5; 24. R(1)-KB1 N-B5; 25. QXP NxQP (black, having become obsessed by that backward KP, decides to remove it, but the ploy back-fires because white can now simplify by forced exchanges and remain a pawn up in the process) 26. NxN RxN; 27. QxQP+ QxQ; 28. RxQ R-K7; 29. R-B2 (with around 3 minutes to make the last two moves before

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the first time control, and suffering from shock at the way what I thought was a favourable position suddenly disappearing, I now throw in the sponge by retiring my Rook. Second question - would 29. R-K8+ have given me a draw by repetition?) 29...R(7)-K2; 30. P-QN4 K-B2; 31. R-QB5 R-K5; 32. R-Q2 and Black resigns.

In the game position published this week, White played 1. BxP? (Correct was 1. PxRP and if 1...PxBP; 2. K-K1 wins) 1...P-N6! (and now Black wins - 2. PxNP P-R7 or 2. PxRP PxP followed by queening).

J.E.C.G.

3k4; 8; 3P2B1; 2p2p2; 1p6; p1PP4; PP6; 5K2

VAN NÜSS v. SCHMIDT 1926

Further local match results :-

Portsmouth & District League

Division 1 : GOSPORT A 2, PORTSMOUTH A 4

(W.J.E. Yeeles $\frac{1}{2}$, G.E.J. Lambert $\frac{1}{2}$; J.F.T. Charvill 0, A.J. Peters 1;
C.E.J. Trotter $\frac{1}{2}$, C.D. Harris $\frac{1}{2}$; R.C. Clark $\frac{1}{2}$, D.J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$; J.A. Coburn $\frac{1}{2}$,
Jane F. Seymour $\frac{1}{2}$; I. Gouge 0, D.C. Spurgeon 1)

Division 2 : COMMUNITY CENTRE B $5\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM B $\frac{1}{2}$

(W.D. Muir 1, H.A. Tadevossian 0; J.R. Webb 1, J.E.C. Grant 0; K. Reed $\frac{1}{2}$,
M. Cole $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Downton 1, B. Massey 0; C.V. Fairall 1, J. Craig 0;
P.A. Rayment 1, E.G. Potter 0)

Hampshire League

Division 1 : PORTSMOUTH 5, KINSON 0

(G.E.J. Lambert 1, D.W. Lock 0; A.R. Cullinane 1, P.W. Anderson 0;
D.J. Scotney 1, E. Twamley 0; C.D. Harris 1, H.N. Dulson 0; G.E. Feltham 1,
R. Underhill 0)

Division 2 : SALISBURY 2, LEGGS 3

Receipt of the 1976-7 B.C.F. Year Book of Chess (£1.50 post free from the
General Secretary, Paul Buswell, 4 The Close, Norwich NR1 4DH) has reminded
me that I have not hitherto published last year's final tables of the West of England
Chess Union County Championship :

English County Championship and Harold Meek Trophy

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Hampshire	6	5	0	1	59 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	10
Gloucestershire	6	4	1	1	56	40	9
Dorset	6	4	1	1	51	45	9
Devon	6	4	0	2	53	43	8
Somerset	6	2	0	4	48	48	4
Wiltshire	6	1	0	5	38	58	2
Cornwall	6	0	0	6	35 $\frac{1}{2}$	60 $\frac{1}{2}$	0

Minor Counties Championship and Wayling Cup

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Devon	5	4	0	1	50 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$	8
Gloucestershire	5	3	1	1	43 $\frac{1}{2}$	36 $\frac{1}{2}$	7
Hampshire	5	3	0	2	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	34 $\frac{1}{2}$	6
Somerset	5	2	1	2	38	42	5
Dorset	5	1	0	4	38	42	2
Wiltshire	5	1	0	4	24 $\frac{1}{2}$	55 $\frac{1}{2}$	2

In the same publication, I note that only one Hampshire player, G.E.J. Lambert of
Portsmouth, has made the National Grading List (i.e. with grades of 200 or more)
but there are the following eight names appearing in the combined Association
and Union Lists :

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Grade 197	:	B.F. O'Sullivan (Southampton), L.A. Stritton (Ventnor)
Grade 195	:	P.J. Lee (Portsmouth)
Grade 194	:	M.W.J. Thompson (Woolston)
Grade 193	:	A.F. Brameld (Fareham), A.F.C. Carter (Portsmouth Community Centre)
Grade 192	:	D.W. Bell (Southampton)
Grade 190	:	P.J. Patience (Gosport)

Portsmouth and District is well represented amongst this elite band.

The following game between A. J. Griffiths (Southampton) and M. P. Townsend (Upton-by-Chester) won the best game prize by an Under-16 at the B.C.F. Congress at the Guildhall, Portsmouth; Judge's comment "The executions in this game were excellent...it's going to be a tough world in three or four years' time".

1. P-Q4 N-KB3; 2. P-QB4 P-QB4; 3. P-Q5 P-K4; 4. N-QB3 P-Q3;
5. P-K4 B-K2; 6. B-K2 O-O; 7. B-K3 P-QR3; 8. P-B3 N-R4; 9. Q-Q2 P-KN3;
10. P-KN4 B-R5+; 11. K-Q1 N-B5; 12. BxN PxB; 13. QxP, P-B4;
14. NPxP PxB; 15. B-Q3 PxB; 16. QxKP B-B4; 17. Q-K2 BxB; 18. QxB N-Q2;
19. K-B2 N-K4; 20. Q-K4 Q-B3; 21. R-KB1 QR-K1; 22. P-B4 N-N5;
23. Q-N2 Q-B4+; 24. K-N3 K-R1; 25. N-B3 B-B3; 26. Q-R3 P-N4;
27. N-Q2 PxB+; 28. NxP R-N1+; 29. K-R3 (see diagram) 29...N-K4;
30. PxB QxQ; 31. PxB Q-Q6; 32. R-B4 RxNP; 33. NxR QxN+;
34. K-R4 R-QN1 and Black wins.

lr3r1k; 7p; p2plb2; 2pPlq2; 2N2Pnl; K1N4Q; PP5P; 5R1R

Position after 29. K-R3 GRIFFITHS v. TOWNSEND (Portsmouth, 1976)

Dorset virtually secured the Championship of the West of England for Hampshire last season by taking a point off Gloucestershire. Since then, they have continued to build up their team with the result that they have rather spoiled Hampshire's chances of retaining the title by beating us in the opening match of the new season.

Scores : Championship : Hants $5\frac{1}{2}$, Dorset $7\frac{1}{2}$ (with 3 for adjudication)

Local players : Bd.2 A.F. Brameld (Fareham) 0, I. Roebuck 1;
 Bd. 7 S. Dean (Cosham) 1, P. Curtis 0;
 Bd. 9 A.R. Cullinane (Portsmouth) 1, D.W. Lock 0;
 Bd.10. W.J.E. Yeeles (Gosport) $\frac{1}{2}$, D.P. Lock $\frac{1}{2}$.

Minor Counties: Hants 9, Dorset 7

Local players: Bd.20 D.C. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$, E.W. Chandler $\frac{1}{2}$
 Bd. 22 M.M. Street (Fareham) 0, E. Wilson 1
 Bd. 23 I. Stenhouse (Gosport) 1, J. Kiraly 0
 Bd. 27 R.C. Clark (Gosport) $\frac{1}{2}$, H. Holmes $\frac{1}{2}$
 Bd. 30 J. Coburn (Gosport) 0, R. Underhill 1;
 Bd. 31 S. Le Fevre (Leigh Park) 1, W. Shutler 0.

The County Junior Organiser has arranged two further representative matches; on Saturday 13th November a friendly match against Berkshire Juniors and on Sunday, 14th November, a match for the girls against two other girl teams at Bristol.

Results from the Senior Section of the Portsmouth & District League :

Division 2 : FAREHAM B $1\frac{1}{2}$, GOSPORT B $4\frac{1}{2}$

(H.A. Tadevossian 0, R.C. Clark 1; J.E.C. Grant 1, J.A. Coburn 0; M. Cole 0, C.W.J. Trotter 1; B. Massey 0, P.J. Eales 1; J.R. Craig $\frac{1}{2}$, I. Gouge $\frac{1}{2}$; E.G. Potter 0, W.E. Portman 1)

PORTSMOUTH B 4, COSHAM B 2

(C.D. Harris 1, A.F. Langley 0; D.C. Spurgeon 1, T.E. Hollington 0; Sharon M. Prince 1, default 0; M.J. Cawston 0, G.F. Abercrombie 1; Carey Groves 0, G. Train 1; B.V. Cochran 1, B.C. Coppin 0)

Division 4 : EMSWORTH 1, I.B.M. B 5

(V.M. Lawrence 0, A. Breverton 1; O. Rogers 0, G.D. Jeftha 1; J. Miller 0, J. Liddell 1; B. Turner 0, J. Coghlan 1; P.J. Durkee 1, D. Garwood 0; W. Cook 0, H.I. Oakley 1)

I.B.M. B $3\frac{1}{2}$, SCHRODER $2\frac{1}{2}$

(P.E. Kilbey 0, A.J. Harrison 1; G.D. Jeftha 0, J. Roberts 1; J. Liddell $\frac{1}{2}$, A.R. Baldwin $\frac{1}{2}$; D. Garwood 1, S.C. Ashburn 0; C.L. Hoey 1, G. Waring 0; H.I. Oakley 1, G. Maycock 0)

GOSPORT C $4\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM D $1\frac{1}{2}$

(P.J. Eales 1, V. Windram 0; I. Gouge 1, R. Sankey 0; C.P. Smith 1, S. Gainey 0; S. Nason $\frac{1}{2}$, M. Gibbon $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Williams 1, D. Coates 0; Mrs. M. Williams 0, R. Burstow 1)

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The following game between J. Yound and V. Dawson in the match Boundstone v. Bognor 1976 won the B.C.F. Best Game award for grades under 121.

1. P-K4, P-QN3; 2. P-Q4, B-N2; 3. N-QB3, P-Q3; 4. N-B3, N-KB3;
5. B-Q3, QN-Q2; 6. O-O, P-K4; 7. R-K1, B-K2; 8. B-QB4, O-O;
9. KN-N5, P-Q4; 10. KPxP, NxP; 11. NxRP, R-K1; 12. NxN, KxN;
13. Q-R5+, K-N1; 14. NxBP, QxN; 15. QxP+, K-R1; 16. Q-R5 mate.

Judge's comment "a very neat and imaginative win, which could have been pre-prepared. Satisfying none-the-less.

This week's position is a composed End-Game study by H.G.M. Weenink, and the play goes 1. P-R7, R-N7+ (not 1...R-N1; 2. B-N3+!) 2. K-N1 (the White King must not move to his third rank. Can you see why?) 2...R-N8+; 3. B-K1 (luring the rook to the King's file) 3...RxB+ (what else?); 4. K-N2, R-K7+; 5. K-N3, R-K6+; 6. K-N4, R-K5+; 7. K-N5 and White wins.

J.E.C.G.

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8; 8; P7; 4k3; 7B; 8; 1K6; 6r1

WHITE TO MOVE AND WIN

The adjudicated result of the one unfinished game in Hampshire's opening event of the season (W.E.C.U. Senior Jamboree) was D. Bell (Hants) $\frac{1}{2}$, R.J. Gregory (Somerset) $\frac{1}{2}$. This left Hampshire and Somerset joint leaders with $7\frac{1}{2}$ points each but, according to the latest B.C.F. "News Flash", it means that Hampshire retains the Bristol Cup. Whether this is on the elimination of bottom board score or because another County has to score more points to take the Trophy away from us is not clear.

From the same source, I note that Stephen Kensett won the Portsmouth Under-8 Championship and his brother the Under-10; Carey Groves won the Under-16 title as well as the Girls Under-18.

I have recently received a letter from the provisional Honorary Secretary of the newly-formed Petersfield Community Centre Chess Club (Mr. P.P. Linn, Malpas, Reservoir Lane, Petersfield, GU32 2HZ) who is seeking friendly fixtures. I have passed to him names and addresses of several local Club Secretaries but as it must be a good thing to see a new Club born, I trust that all concerned will give them every encouragement.

Repeated attempts at successive League A.G.M.'s to solve the problem of the unfinished game in local match play have resulted in little improvement; of the 15 match scores from the Senior Section of the local League that I have so far received, the following five are incomplete pending adjudication :

Division 1 :	PORTSMOUTH A	2	, I.B.M. A	0
	COMMUNITY CENTRE A	$2\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM A	$2\frac{1}{2}$
	FAREHAM A	$1\frac{1}{2}$, I.B.M. A	$3\frac{1}{2}$
	COSHAM A	2	, COMMUNITY CENTRE A	2

Division 3 :	PORTSMOUTH D	4,	LEIGH PARK B	1
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One method which has been considered for completing unfinished games both in team play and in individual contests is the 10 minute play-off. An interesting article on this subject by Stewart Reuben appears in October's "Chess" and this method undoubtedly has shortcomings as anyone who has had a won game on adjournment only to lose it because he is not good at Lightning Chess will confirm. To quote from that magazine "...with the gamble of the quick play-off superimposed on the weaknesses of the Swiss System, there may be a reversion to 'normal' chess soon".

In this week's composed study by T.B. Gorgiev, white must exercise all his ingenuity to escape with a draw by stalemate - 1. K-N5 K-Q4; 2. P-B4+ K-Q3; 3. P-B5+ K-Q2; 4. P-B6+ K-Q3; 5. P-B7 R-KR1; 6. K-R6 K-Q2; 7. K-R7 K-B6! (if 7...K-B1; 8. K-R8!); 8. P-B8(Q)+ (if 8. P-N7 KxP wins or if 8. K-R6 R-R1 mate) 8...RxQ; 9. P-N7 R-B2; 10. K-R8 RxP stalemate!

1r6; 8; 1P6; 8; 1K1K4; 8; 2P5; 8.

Portsmouth & District League results :-

Senior Section:

Division 1 : C O S H A M A 3½, G O S P O R T A 2½

(S. Dean 0, W.J.E. Yeeles 1; A.D. Crossin 1, J.F.T. Charvill 0; C.W. Bryan 0, C.W.J. Trotter 1; D. Smith 1, R.C. Clark 0; A.F. Langley 1, J.A. Coburn 0; G.F. Abercrombie ½, P.J. Eales ½)

Division 2 : P O L Y T E C H N I C A 5½, F A R E H A M B ½

(A.P. Le Fevre 1, H.A. Tadevossian 0; P.W. Mottram 1, J.E.C. Grant 0; M.J. Ashdown ½, M. Cole ½; R.D. Whidbourne 1, B. Massey 0; R.J. Richardson 1, J.R. Craig 0; J. Lambert 1, E.N. Judd 0)

Division 3 : P O R T S M O U T H D 2½, P O L Y T E C H N I C B 3½

(P.K. Wells 0, C. O'Bee 1; I.A. Welch 1, J. Torrealba 0; P.M. Spurgeon ½, M.J. Langford ½; G.D. Scotney 0, R.J. Watson 1; M.E. Vernon 1, N.D. Argent 0; T. Ruff 0, B. Hunter 1)

P O R T S M O U T H D 5, L E I G H P A R K B 1

(I.A. Welch 1, R.S. Smith 0; P.K. Wells 1, P.H. Starkey 0; P.M. Spurgeon 1, default 0; G.D. Scotney 1, J. Gatt 0; Julia L. Scotney 0, - MacRoss 1; Pauline Wragg 1, T. Burden 0)

P O R T S M O U T H C 3, F A R E H A M C 3

(B.V. Cochran 1, J.R. Craig 0; R.M. Prince 0, E.N. Judd 1; A. Driscoll 0, K.J. Dean 1; C.J. Powell 1, R.A. Goldstone 0; D. Wenman 1, K. Irish 0; A. Ruff 0, D. Coates 1)

L E I G H P A R K B 1½, C O S H A M C 4½

(A.D. Harris 1, G. Train 0; P.H. Starkey 0, T.E. Hollington 1; R.S. Smith 0, B.C. Coppin 1; S. Dymel ½, S. Wilkinson ½; R.I. Ross 0, A.H. Judd 1; R.L. Bennett 0, T. Woodroffe 1)

Division 4 : P O L Y T E C H N I C C 4, E M S W O R T H 2

(S. Odeleye 0, V.M. Lawrence 1; M. Habens 1, R. Dumont 0; R. Hough 1, O. Rogers 0; M. Halim 1, J. Miller 0; R. Flewitt 0, W. Cook 1; D. Young 1, W. Knight 0)

Hampshire League - Division 2 :

P O L Y T E C H N I C 3, I S L E O F W I G H T B 3

(M.J. Ashdown ½, A.F. Behmber ½; R.D. Whidborne 0, P.M. Hodgson 1; J. Richardson 1, B.R. Joyce 0; J. Lambert 1, L. Warner 0; default ½, default ½)

Arthur Brameld of Fareham Chess Club has supplied me with several game scores which could bear the title "How to lose a won game or Now you have it, now you don't!" Let me say (to encourage other contributors) that I would far rather publish topical local play than search the archives for somewhat dusty examples from the remote past.

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The following is his game against Dr. I. Roebuck (White) on Board 2 in the recent County match Hants v. Dorset and we take up the score from the diagrammed position after 26 moves have been played.

27. BxP BxB; 28. RxB PxP; 29. Q-N5 P-B7; 30. R-Q8+ R-B1?? (30...K-N2;
 31. R-K7+ R-B2; 32. Q-K5+ K-R3; 33. Q-K3+ QR-B5; 34. Q-R3+ K-N2 and
 wins) 31. RxB+ KxR; 32. Q-Q8+ K-N2 (32...K-B2; 33. R-K7+ K-B3;
 34. Q-B8+ K-N4; 35. R-K5+ K-N5 36. P-R3+ KxP; 37. Q-R6+ R-KR5;
 38. Q-K3+ K-N5; 39. R-N5 Mate) 33. Q-K7+ K-R3?!?!?; 34. Q-KB8 Mate.

J.E.C.G.

6k1; pp4bp; 2q3p1; 4p3; 2rp4; 2P2rB1; PP1Q1P1P; 3RR1K1

ROEBUCK v. BRAMELD
 Position after Black's 26th move.

M.P.C. (12)

Much activity amongst our Juniors to report this week: on 13th November Portsmouth played a representative team from Berkshire at Southcote over 20 boards for Under-18 and 24 boards (double round) Under-11. Although soundly beaten in both matches with total scores of $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $15\frac{1}{2}$ for the U-18 and $6\frac{1}{2}$ - $41\frac{1}{2}$ for the U-11, most of the players in the U-18 match were in fact Under-12.

Rather better news from the Portsmouth girls event played on 14th November at Bristol. Here our team, comprising Jane Seymour, Sharon Prince, Carey Groves, Julia Scotney, Terri Ruff, Ruth Thompson, Tina Ruff, Lindsey Knight, Karen Brooks and Penelope Langford scored $13\frac{1}{2}$ points from a 2-round jamboree type competition against teams from Clifton High School (8 points) and Redmaids School ($2\frac{1}{2}$ points).

The following results are from the first two rounds of the Individual Championship of the Portsmouth and District League :

Round 1 : P.J. Sibley 0, C.D. Harris 1; A.R. Cullinane 1, R.M. Prince 0; S. Dymel 0, G.E.J. Lambert 1; A.D. Crossin 1, P.K. Wells 0; Carey Groves 1, D. Smith 0; G.E. Feltham 1, M.J. Cawston 0; I.A. Welch 0, P.J. McEvoy 1; A.D. Harris $\frac{1}{2}$, Sharon Prince $\frac{1}{2}$; D. Wenman 0, D.J. Scotney 1; T.E. Hollington 1, A. Ruff 0; P.H. Starkey 0, Jane Seymour 1.

Round 2 : G.E.J. Lambert $\frac{1}{2}$, A.D. Crossin $\frac{1}{2}$; C.D. Harris 0, A.R. Cullinane 1; D.J. Scotney 1, G.E. Feltham 0; Jane Seymour 0, T.E. Hollington 1; P.J. McEvoy 1, Carey Groves 0; A. Ruff 0, A.D. Harris 1; Sharon Prince 1, D. Wenman 0; D. Smith 0, P.J. Sibley 0; R.M. Prince 0, I.A. Welch 0; M.J. Cawston 0, S. Dymel 1; P.K. Wells 1, P.H. Starkey 0.

Portsmouth & District League team results :

Senior Section

Division 1 : FAREHAM A $1\frac{1}{2}$, I.B.M. A $4\frac{1}{2}$

(A.F. Brameld 0, N.E. Jackson 1; W.H. Pratten 0, W. McDougall 1; I. Rudgley 0, P.E. Kilbey 1; A.J. Lancashire 0, G.D. Jeftha 1; J.E.C. Grant $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Liddell $\frac{1}{2}$; H.A. Tadevossian 1, J. Coghlan 0)

Division 2 : FAREHAM B 3, COSHAM B 3

(H.A. Tadevossian 1, default 0; J.E.C. Grant 1, P.I. Markwell 0; A.J. Evans $\frac{1}{2}$, P.J. McEvoy $\frac{1}{2}$; B. Massey 0, T.E. Hollington 1; M. Cole $\frac{1}{2}$, G.F. Abercrombie $\frac{1}{2}$; J.R. Craig 0, B.C. Coppin 1)

Division 3 : POLYTECHNIC B 2, FAREHAM C 4

(C. O'Bee 1, C. Frazer 0; J. Torrealba 0, E.N. Judd 1; S.D. Griffiths 0, K.J. Dean 1; M.J. Langford 0, R.A. Goldstone 1; R.J. Watson 0, D. Coates 1; N.D. Argent 1, M.J. Hockey 0)

Schools' Section

Division 2 : PORTSMOUTH A 5, ST. LUKE'S A 0

(D.A. Hayward 1, A. Wursfold 0; P.D. Tusler 1, C. Wainwright 0; A.J. Harris 1, G. Mason 0; D.J. Houghton 1, M. Woodfield 0; S.D. Kneller 1, S. Lewis 0)

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Schools' Section (Continued)

Division 2 (Continued)

ST. LUKE'S A 3, MAYFIELD B 2

(D.B. Boothroyd 0, S. Miller 1; S. Lowater 0, J. Miller 1; S. Lewis 1, K. Austin 0; M. Woodfield 1, T. Rothstein 0; G. Mason 1, D. Hannan 0)

Division 3 :

ST. JOHN'S B 5, PORTSMOUTH B 0

(M.D. Smith 1, L.C. Ledwith 0; P.K. Wells 1, P.C. Wren 0; M.E. Vernon 1, I.D. Giles 0; M.R.B. Thompson 1, D. Christensen 0; T.R. Vernon 1, G.D. Cameron 0)

Hampshire League

Division 1 :

SOUTHAMPTON 2, PORTSMOUTH 3

(M.W.J. Thompson 0, G.E.J. Lambert 1; J. Corfield 1, A.R. Cullinane 0; D.E. Bower 0, D.J. Scotney 1; D. Beer 0, Jane F. Seymour 1; S.M. Chivers 1, D.C. Spurgeon 0)

A touch of drama in the above: in what must have been a tight time scramble, Jane's flag fell in a winning position. It was only later that it was found that she had just made the requisite number of moves.

KINSON 4, GOSPORT 1

(G.H. Bennett 1, W.J.E. Yeeles 0; M.R. Charter 1, J.F.T. Charvill 0; E.R. Twamley 1, R.C. Clark 0; H.N. Dulson 1, J.A. Coburn 0; R.S. Underhill 0, T. Ellis 1)

(Please insert *)

J.E.C.G.

* In the position published below, Black has just played 28...R-B8. White replies with the devastating 29. B-K6+! Q-B2; 30. RxQ RxR; 31. BxR+ K-R1; (not 31...K-B1; 32. QxB+!) 32. Q-R4 RxR+; 33. K-R2! R-B6!; (not 33...R-R8+; 34. KxR P-N8(=Q)+ 34. PxR P-N8(=Q); 35. B-N6!: Resigns.

2b2rkl; 2q3pp; 8; 1plpPB1P; p2P1R2; P3P2Q; 1p4P1; 2r2RK1

HAVLICEK v. SCHMITT (Prague, 1909)

CHESS NOTES

29th November, 1976

A growing number of match results from the Portsmouth & District League are still held up for one reason or another; hereunder the few received this week:

Division 2 : GOSPORT B 2½, COMMUNITY CENTRE B 3½
(J.A. Coburn ½, W.D. Muir ½; C.W.J. Trotter 0, S.C. Downton 1; P.J. Eales ½, C.V. Fairall ½; S.R. Williams 0, K. Reed 1; W.E. Portman 1, J.R. Webb 0; R. Ellis ½, A.E. Baker ½)

Division 3 : PORTSMOUTH C 2½, PORTSMOUTH D 3½
(B.V. Cochran ½, P.K. Wells ½; R.M. Prince 0, I.A. Welch 1; C.J. Powell 0, P.M. Spurgeon 1; A. Ruff 1, G.D. Scotney 0; D. Wenman 0, Miss J.L. Scotney 1; S. Young 1, Miss T. Ruff 0)

Division 4 : GOSPORT C 4½, EMSWORTH 1½
(I. Gouge 1, V.M. Lawrence 0; C.P. Smith 1, R. Dumont 0; S. Nason ½, J. Miller ½; M.D. Smith 0, P.J. Durkee 1; S.R. Williams 1, B. Boutwood 0; P. Mallett 1, W. Knight 0)

I learned of a trap in the Cambridge Springs variation of the QGD from a book by the late Willie Winter entitled "Chess for Match Players", which I probably read before my opponent (Stephen Le Fevre) in last week's match game was born.

The game went :

1. P-Q4, N-KB3; 2. P-QB4, P-K3; 3. N-KB3, P-Q4; 4. N-B3, P-B3;
5. B-N5, QN-Q2; 6. P-K3, Q-R4; (reaching the classic Cambridge Springs position by inversion of moves) 7. Q-B2? (White can play 7. N-Q2, B-N5 and then 8. Q-B2, or he can play 7. BxN, Nx B and then B-Q3. He also has 7. Pxp, NxP; but 7. Q-B2? is definitely not the move) 7...B-N5; 8. B-Q3, N-K5; 9. QR-B1 (9. BxN is not much better) 9...Nx B! 10. NxN, Pxp and White has lost a minor piece!

In fairness to my young opponent, I still had difficulty in winning this game; in fact, he eventually lost on time.

It has been quite a good week for me with the Black pieces. The following correspondence game (which I won) has a similarity to the one above in that my opponent's fundamental mistake was playing 6. P-K5 before 7. B-Q3. 6. B-Q3 is playable and 6. P-K5 is playable, but not both in successive moves:

1. P-K4, P-K4; 2. P-KB4, Pxp; 3. N-KB3, B-K2; 4. N-B3, N-KB3;
5. P-Q4, P-Q4; 6. P-K5 (6. B-Q3, Pxp; 7. NxP, N-Q4 => 6...N-K5;
7. B-Q3?? (7. Bxp, P-QB4; 8. B-N5+, B-Q2 => 7...B-R5+; 8. Nx B, QxN+;
9. K-K2, Q-B7 mate.

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Hereunder the second game, sent to me by Arthur Brameld on the general theme of how to lose a won game. He has the White pieces against Glen Lambert of Portsmouth Chess Club and we take up the struggle from the diagrammed position :

18. P-KN4, N5-K4; 19. PxN, PxP; 20. N-KN5? (20. NxP, NxN; 21. BxN, BxB; 22. PxB, R-N1+; 23. B-N4 etc. or 20. NxP, BxN; 21. BxB, NxB; 22. Q-Q4, Q-Q3; 23. QR-K1, etc.) 20...PxB; 21. BxP? (21. QR-K1, N-K4; 22. RxN, BxR; 23. PxB, R-KN1; 24. B-N6, Q-KB1; 25. N-B7+, K-N2; 26. P-R6+, K-B3; 27. Q-B5 Mate or 21. QR-K1, B-K1; 22. BxP, threatening B-N8; mating, e.g. 22...B-Q5+; 23. K-R1, K-N2; 24. B-N8, RxB; 25. Q-R7+, K-B1; 26. RxP+, B-B3; 27. RxB+, PxR; 28. P-K7+, etc.) 21...N-K4 (preventing B-N8)
 22. QxP, B-B3; 23. PxB, QxQ; 24. NxQ, BxN; 25. B-K4, P-B3; 26. N-B3, P-N3; 27. QR-Q1, QR-Q1; 28. RxR, RxR; 29. R-B2? R-Q5; 30. K-N2?, R-B5 (0-1)

J.E.C.G.

r2qlrlk; ppplplbp; 2nlPp2; 3plBlb; 2nP1B2; 2NQ1R1P; P1P3P1;
 1R3RK1

Position BRAMELD v. LAMBERT after Black's 17th move.

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 $5\frac{1}{2}$, I.B.M. A $\frac{1}{2}$
 (G.E.J. Lambert 1, N.E. Jackson 0; A.J. Peters 1, J.F. Wheeler 0;
 D.J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Liddell $\frac{1}{2}$; M.J. Cawston 1, G.D. Jefftha 0; Jane F. Seymour 1,
 J. Coghlan 0; D.C. Spurgeon 1, P. Savage 0)

 PORTSMOUTH A $3\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM A $2\frac{1}{2}$
 (G.E.J. Lambert 1, A.F. Brameld 0; A.J. Peters 0, W.H. Silber 1; D.J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$,
 W.H. Pratten $\frac{1}{2}$; C.D. Harris $\frac{1}{2}$, M.M. Street $\frac{1}{2}$; Jane F. Seymour 1,
 I.R. Rudgley 0; D.C. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$, T.J. de Buriatte $\frac{1}{2}$)

 COMMUNITY CENTRE A $4\frac{1}{2}$, GOSPORT A $1\frac{1}{2}$
 (A.R. Cullinane 1, J.F.T. Charvill 0; A.F.C. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$, I.A. Stenhouse $\frac{1}{2}$;
 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 $\frac{1}{2}$, W.H. Silber $\frac{1}{2}$; W.D. Muir 1, M.M. Street 0; R.R. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$,
 I. Rudgley $\frac{1}{2}$; 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 $\frac{1}{2}$, B. Massey $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Dymel $\frac{1}{2}$,
 J.R. Craig $\frac{1}{2}$; R. Smith 0, M. Cole 1)

	P	W	D	L	A	Pts
<u>Division 1</u>						
Portsmouth A	3	3	0	13	5	6
Community Centre A	2	1	1	$7\frac{1}{2}$	$4\frac{1}{2}$	3
Cosham A	1	1	0	$3\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$	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	$9\frac{1}{2}$	$8\frac{1}{2}$	3
Leigh Park A	2	1	1	8	4	3
Polytechnic A	1	1	0	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	2
Portsmouth B	2	1	0	5	7	2
Gosport B	3	1	0	$8\frac{1}{2}$	$9\frac{1}{2}$	2
Fareham B	5	0	2	$8\frac{1}{2}$	$21\frac{1}{2}$	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.

Portsmouth Schools lost the main annual match against Southampton Schools by 7½ games to 10½ with two for adjudication, but won the double-round Under-12 event by 23 to 21. Details:

Unrestricted (Southampton names first):

A.J. Griffiths 1, S.J. Hooker 0; R.C. Noyce 0, C.D. Harris 1; K.J. Hancock 0, Jane F. Seymour 1; K.J. Carroll v. D.C. Spurgeon adj.; A.J. Payne 0, I.C. Kemp 1; S.D. Bell ½, Sharon M. Prince ½; M.E. Buckmaster 1, I.A. Welch 0; T.M. Joslin 0, P.I. Wells 1; M.C. Jackson 1, S.J. George 0; A.K. Sharma 0, Carey A. Groves 1; D. Holland 1, M.D. Smith 0; N.S. Cross 1, R.S. Husselby 0; N.P. Woodward 1, S. Lowater 0; T.J. Smith 1, D.A. Hayward 0; P.J. Rogers 0, P.D. Tusler 1; D.K. Price 1, C.T. Rowe 0; T. Wright v. M.R.B. Thompson adj.; D. Furnell 1, P.J. Wolstencroft 0; D. Osman 1, B. Dent 0; P.A. Robinson 0, M.J.P. Hampton 1;

Under-12 (Southampton names first)

Round 1 : A.G.H. Kluth 0, P.M. Spurgeon 1; R. Cross 0, G.D. Scotney 1; D. Trillo 0, Julia L. Scotney 1; M. Taylor 0, M.E. Vernon 1; M.J. Smith 0, Pauline Wragg 1; E. McMahon 1, Terri Ruff 0; J. Goodman 0, T.R. Vernon 1; Z. Gregson 0, P. Dent 1; J. Montuccio 0, P. Cooper 1; P. Sleigh 1, R. Walker 0; A. Wyatt 1, D. Kensett 0; R. Davey 1, N. Bray 0; S. Witt 0, R. Burton 1; J. Doyle 1, Tina Ruff 0; T. Tonks 1, Lindsey Knight 0; J. Trillo 0, A. Dunks 1; N. Duggan ½, S. Kensett ½; I. Piegrum 1, Karen Brooks 0; S. Hellyar 1, G.J. Waters 0; A. Milford 0, Rachel Butchers 1; B. Dunford 1, A. Kensett 0; D. Hunt 1, M. Nichols 0;

Round 2 : R. Cross 0, P.M. Spurgeon 1; A.G.H. Kluth 1, G.D. Scotney 0; M. Taylor 0, Julia L. Scotney 1; D. Trillo 0, M.E. Vernon 1; E. McMahon 0, Pauline Wragg 1; M.J. Smith 0, Terri Ruff 1; Z. Gregan 0, T.R. Vernon 1; J. Goodman 0, P. Dent 1; P. Sleigh 1, P. Cooper 0; J. Montuccio 1, R. Walker 0; R. Davey 1, D. Kensett 0; A. Wyatt 1, N. Bray 0; J. Doyle 1, R. Burton 0; S. Witt 1, Tina Ruff 0; J. Trillo ½, Lindsey Knight ½; T. Tonks 0, A. Dunks 1; I. Piegrum 1, S. Kensett 0; N. Duggan 1, Karen Brooks 0; A. Milford 0, G.J. Waters 1; S. Hellyar 0, Rachel Butchers 1; D. Hunt 1, Sharon Nichols 0; B. Dunford 0, M. Nichols 1.

Results from the Senior Section of the Portsmouth & District League with Tables for Divisions 3 and 4 :-

Division 1 : COSHAM A 3½, COMMUNITY CENTRE A 2½

(D. Gibson ½, A.F.C. Carter ½; S. Dean 1, K.D.F. Gregory 0; A.D. Crossin 0, A.R. Cullinane 1; C.W. Bryan 0, W.D. Muir 1; P.J. McEvoy 1, R.R. Carter 0; A.F. Langley 1, C.V. Fairall 0)

I.B.M. A 3, COMMUNITY CENTRE A 3

(N.E. Jackson 0, A.R. Cullinane 1; J.F. Wheeler 1, W.D. Muir 0; W.F. McDougall 0, R.R. Carter 1; R.E. Hartley 1, P.A. Rayment 0; J. Liddell 1, C.V. Fairall 0; G.D. Jeftha 0, J.R. Webb 1)

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Division 3 : POLYTECHNIC B $2\frac{1}{2}$, PORTSMOUTH C $3\frac{1}{2}$

(J. Lambert 0, M.J. Cawston 1; J. Torrealba 0, R.M. Prince 1;
M.J. Langford $\frac{1}{2}$, C. Powell $\frac{1}{2}$; R.J. Watson 1, D. Wenman 0; N.D. Argent 0,
A. Ruff 1; M. Halim 1, S. Young 0)

Division 4 : FAREHAM D 2, EMSWORTH 4

(R. Sankey 0, V.M. Lawrence 1; V. Windram 0, R. Dumont 1; M. Gibbon 0,
O. Rogers 1; S. Gainey 1, B. Turner 0; R. Burstow 1, P. Durkee 0;
J. Bennett 0, S. Sanson 1)

	P	W	D	E	A	Pts
<u>Division 3</u>						
Fareham C	4	2	2	$13\frac{1}{2}$	$10\frac{1}{2}$	6
Portsmouth D	5	2	0	16	14	4
Cosham C	1	1	0	$4\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	2
Portsmouth C	3	1	1	9	9	2
Polytechnic B	3	1	0	8	10	2
Leigh Park B	3	0	1	$5\frac{1}{2}$	$12\frac{1}{2}$	1
<u>Division 4</u>						
Gosport C	2	2	0	9	3	4
I.B.M. B	2	2	0	$8\frac{1}{2}$	$3\frac{1}{2}$	4
Polytechnic C	1	1	0	4	2	2
Emsworth	4	1	0	$8\frac{1}{2}$	$15\frac{1}{2}$	2
Schroder	1	0	0	$2\frac{1}{2}$	$3\frac{1}{2}$	0
Fareham D	2	0	0	$3\frac{1}{2}$	$8\frac{1}{2}$	0

The B.C.F. has negotiated an arrangement with British Rail whereby registered Juniors up to age 18 travelling to a Chess Congress will be able to claim 'child-rate' (normally limited to those under 14 years). Application forms to obtain the necessary certificate will be available from the B.C.F. Secretary shortly.

The problem published this week is by the late Prof. B.J. da C. Andrade :
Solution next week.

k6r; pr1PPKpl; 8; 1N1B4; 8; 3Q4; 8; 8.

WHITE TO MOVE AND MATE IN TWO

The result of Hampshire's second County Championship match of the season is delicately poised with Hants $7\frac{1}{2}$ Somerset $7\frac{1}{2}$, and one game for adjudication, but Hants won the Minor Counties match on boards 17-32 by 8-6 with two for adjudication. Only five local players took part: Bd.4. A.R. Cullinane $\frac{1}{2}$, A. Roberts $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.7. S. Dean 1, K. Shipton 0; Bd.15. W.H. Silber $\frac{1}{2}$, H. Brocklesby $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.24. D.C. Spurgeon 1, D. Byron 0; Bd.27. M.M. Street 1, D. Woodruff 0.

Results from the 3rd round of the Portsmouth & District Individual Championship Tournament (with scores to date in brackets) :

T.E. Hollington (2) 0, P. McEvoy (3) 1; A.D. Crossin ($2\frac{1}{2}$) 1, Sharon Prince ($1\frac{1}{2}$) 0; I.A. Welch (2) 1, P.K. Wells (1) 0; G.E. Feltham (1) 0, D. Smith (2) 1; A.R. Cullinane ($2\frac{1}{2}$) $\frac{1}{2}$, D.J. Scotney ($2\frac{1}{2}$) $\frac{1}{2}$; A. Harris ($2\frac{1}{2}$) 1, G.E.J. Lambert 0; S. Dymel (1) 0, Jane Seymour (2) 1; Carey Groves ($1\frac{1}{2}$) $\frac{1}{2}$, C.D. Harris ($1\frac{1}{2}$) $\frac{1}{2}$; R.M. Prince (1) 1, P.H. Starkey (0) 0; M.J. Cawston (1) 1, Wenman (0) 0; P.J. Sibley (1) 1, A. Ruff (0) 0. Lambert lost his game by default and has withdrawn from the tournament.

The game between Ian Welch and Peter Wells (both only 11 years of age) is set out below, as, and in the words of the Tournament Conductor. "the class of this game has to be seen to be believed".

1. P-K4, P-QB4; 2. N-KB3 P-Q3; 3. P-Q4 PxP; 4. NxP N-KB3; 5. N-QB3 P-QR3; 6. B-N5 P-K3; 7. P-B4 B-K2; 8. Q-B3 Q-B2; 9. 0-0-0 QN-Q2; 10. B-Q3 P-QN4; 11. KR-K1 B-N2; 12. Q-N3 P-R3; 13. BxN BxB; 14. BxP PxB?; 15. N(4)xP Q-N1; 16. NxP+ K-B1; 17. NxBP KxN; 18. RxN+ B-K2; 19. RxB+ KxR; 20. QxP+ K-Q3; 21. R-Q1+ K-B3; 22. Q-Q7+ K-N3; 23. R-Q6+ K-B4; 24. P-QN4+ Resigns. To which I add my own comment "How about that for a sustained attack?"

Bob Cullinane has sent me the following game which he won in the recent Southampton 'Open' Tournament and which demonstrates a sharp refutation of the currently popular Benko Gambit.

1. P-Q4 N-KB3; 2. P-QB4 P-B4; 3. P-Q5 P-QN4; 4. PxP P-QR3; 5. N-QB3 (this is the latest counter to the gambit) 5...PxP; 6. P-K4 P-N5; 7. N-N5 P-Q3; 8. B-KB4 Q-R4 (8...QN-Q2 is perhaps better); 9. P-K5 B-Q2? (Black is never out of trouble from here on) 10. NxP+: PxN; 11. PxN PxP; 12. B-Q3 N-R3; 13. Q-K2+ K-Q1; 14. N-B3 N-B2; 15. B-B4 R-KN1; 16. 0-0 R-N5?; 17. P-KN3 K-B1; 18. N-Q2 K-N2; 19. N-K4 N-K1 (19...R-K1; 20. Q-Q3 B-B4; 21. NxP+ BxN; 22. QxB RxB; 23. PxR R-N1+; 24. K-R1 wins) 20. P-QR3 P-B4; 21. N-Q2 N-B3; 22. N-N3 Q-N3; 23. PxP (breaking open Black's Queen side - see diagram) 23...QxP; 24. RxR KxR; 25. P-B3 RxB (short of time, Black seeks complications in exchange sacrifice); 26. R-R1+ K-N1; 27. PxR N-R4; 28. Q-N2! QxB (28...NxP; 29. Q-N8 N-N3; 30. QxBP QxB; 31. QxB QxN; 32. Q-Q8+ wins); 29. Q-N8 QxN; 30. QxB+ B-B1; 31. QxP+ K-N2; 32. Q-B6+ K-N1; 33. R-R8 mate.

The key move in last week's 2-mover problem was 1. Q-R7 (1...R-QN1; 2. N-B7 or 1...R-B1, K1 or Q1; 2. PxR(Q) or 1...any other, 2 QxR).

Match results from the Schools' Section of the local League :

Division 1 : MAYFIELD A $2\frac{1}{2}$, GREAT SALTERNS A $2\frac{1}{2}$

(Jane F. Seymour $\frac{1}{2}$, D.C. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$; I.C. Kemp 1, M. Hobson 0; P. Welsh 0, S.J. George 1; I. Witcombe 1, P.J. Wolstencroft 0; K. Griggs 0, R.S. Husselby 1)

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Division 2 : MAYFIELD B 2, PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR A 3
 (S. Miller 1, D.A. Hayward 0; D. Hannam 0, P.D. Tusler 1; M. Fisher 0,
 A.J. Harris 1; I.D. Pitts 0, D.J. Houghton 1; S. Symonds 1, S.D. Kneller 0)

ST. JOHN'S A 5, MAYFIELD B 0

(C.P. Smith 1, S. Miller 0; P.K. Wells 1, K. Austin 0; M.D. Smith 1, M. Fisher 0;
 M.E. Vernon 1, S. Symonds 0; M.J.P. Hampton 1, K. Hammond 0)

Division 3 : GREAT SALTERNS C 4, MAYFIELD C 1

(R.S. Husselby $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Welsh $\frac{1}{2}$; P.J. Wolstencroft $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Miller $\frac{1}{2}$; S. New 1, T. Fisher 0;
 M.G. Collier 1, D. Musker 0; J.L. Malley 1, default 0)

MAYFIELD C 1, ST. JOHN'S B 4

(P. Welsh 1, M.D. Smith 0; J. Miller 0, P.K. Wells 1; K. Richards 0, M.E. Vernon 1;
 L. Zeffert 0, M.R.B. Thompson 1; D. Musker 0, T.R. Vernon 1)

PORTSMOUTH GRAMMAR B 3, GREATSALTERNS D 2

(L.C. Ledwith 1, D.H. Morton 0; P.C. Wren 0, S. New 1; I.D. Giles 0, M.G.
 Collier 1; D. Christensen 1, N.P. Strange 0; G.D. Cameron 1, R.J. Dobson 0)

r4b2; 1k1blplp; 1qlpln2; 2p1p2; 1PB2Br1; 1N4P1; 1P2QP1P; R4RK1

CULLINANE v. BENNETT

position after 23. PxP

M. Cole

(19)

Cosham's commendable 5-1 win against Portsmouth puts them at the top of Division 1 in the Senior Section of the Portsmouth & District League, equal with 6 match points with Community Centre and Portsmouth, but with a match in hand. Portsmouth B, Portsmouth D and Gosport C are the respective leaders in Divisions 2, 3 and 4.

Detailed scores :-

Division 1 : GOSPORT A 3, FAREHAM A 3

(W.J.E. Yeeles 0, A.F. Brameld 1; J.F.T. Charvill 1, W.H. Silber 0;
H.E. Davies $\frac{1}{2}$, T.J. de Buriatte $\frac{1}{2}$; C.W.J. Trotter $\frac{1}{2}$; H.A. Tadevossian $\frac{1}{2}$;
J.A. Coburn 0, M.M. Street 1; P.J. Eales 1, I.R. Rudgley 0)

COMMUNITY CENTRE A $3\frac{1}{2}$, PORTSMOUTH A $2\frac{1}{2}$

(A.R. Cullinane $\frac{1}{2}$; G.E.J. Lambert $\frac{1}{2}$; A.F.C. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$, A.J. Peters $\frac{1}{2}$;
P.A. Rayment 0, D.J. Scotney 1; W.D. Muir 1, Jane F. Seymour 0; R.R. Carter 1,
D.C. Spurgeon 0; S.C. Downton $\frac{1}{2}$, G.E. Feltham $\frac{1}{2}$)

PORTSMOUTH A 1, COSHAM A 5

(G.E.J. Lambert $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Gibson $\frac{1}{2}$; A.J. Peters 0, S. Dean 1; S.J. Hooker 0,
A.D. Crossin 1; D.J. Scotney 0, D. Smith 1; Jane F. Seymour 0, C.W. Bryan 1;
D.C. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$, A.F. Langley $\frac{1}{2}$)

FAREHAM A $4\frac{1}{2}$, COSHAM A $1\frac{1}{2}$

(A.F. Brameld 1, D. Gibson 0; W.H. Silber 1, S. Dean 0; W.H. Pratten 1,
A.D. Crossin 0; M.M. Street 1, D. Smith 0; T.J. de Buriatte $\frac{1}{2}$, C.W. Bryan $\frac{1}{2}$;
H.A. Tadevossian 0, A.F. Langley 1)

Division 2 : COSHAM B $3\frac{1}{2}$, LEIGH PARK A $2\frac{1}{2}$

(P.J. Markwell 1, M.C. Southwell 0; P.J. McEvoy $\frac{1}{2}$, N.G. Le Fevre $\frac{1}{2}$;
T.E. Hollington 0, S.D. Le Fevre 1; G. Train 1, A.D. Harris 0; G.F. Abercrombie $\frac{1}{2}$,
J. Mortlock $\frac{1}{2}$; B.C. Coppin $\frac{1}{2}$, R.S. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$).

COMMUNITY CENTRE B 3, POLYTECHNIC A 3

(W.D. Muir 1, P.W. Mottram 0; P.A. Rayment 1, R.D. Whidborne 0; K. Reed 0,
M.J. Ashdown 1; C.V. Fairall 1, D. Goddard 0; J.R. Webb 0, R.J. Richardson 1;
S. Downton 0, J. Lambert 1)

PORTSMOUTH B 4, COMMUNITY CENTRE B 2

(G.E. Feltham 1, W.D. Muir 0; C.D. Harris 1, J.R. Webb 0; D.J. Scotney 1,
C.V. Fairall 0; Sharon M. Prince 1, P.A. Rayment 0; M.J. Cawston 0, S.C.
Downton 1; B.V. Cochran 0, K. Reed 1)

GOSPORT B $2\frac{1}{2}$, PORTSMOUTH B $3\frac{1}{2}$

(R.C. Clark 0, D.J. Scotney 1; P.J. Eales 1, default 0; C.W.J. Trotter 0,
Sharon M. Prince 1; J.A. Coburn 0, M.J. Cawston 1; M. Day $\frac{1}{2}$, R.M. Prince $\frac{1}{2}$;
W.E. Portman 1, B.V. Cochran 0)

POLYTECHNIC A 2, LEIGH PARK A 4

(A.P. Le Fevre 0, M.C. Southwell 1; J. Lambert 0, N.G. Le Fevre 1;
M.J. Ashdown $\frac{1}{2}$, S.D. Le Fevre $\frac{1}{2}$; R.D. Whidborne 1, R.C.T. Roots 0;
R. Flewitt 0, J. Mortlock 1; R.J. Richardson $\frac{1}{2}$, S. Dymel $\frac{1}{2}$)

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Division 3 : LEIGH PARK B $1\frac{1}{2}$, POLYTECHNIC B $4\frac{1}{2}$

(J. Mortlock 0, C. O'Bee 1; R.S. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Torrealba $\frac{1}{2}$; P.H. Starkey 0, M.J. Langford 1; S. Dymel 1, R.J. Watson 0; R.L. Bennett 0, N.D. Argent 1; Default 0, P. Hunter 1)

LEIGH PARK B $3\frac{1}{2}$, PORTSMOUTH C $2\frac{1}{2}$

(A.D. Harris $\frac{1}{2}$, M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$; J. Mortlock 0, A. Driscoll 1; R.S. Smith 0, C.J. Powell 1; S. Dymel 1, A. Ruff 0; Ross-Mac 1, S. Young 0; J.D.J. Gatt 1, D. Harper 0)

COSHAM C $4\frac{1}{2}$, FAREHAM C $1\frac{1}{2}$

(G. Train 1, J.R. Craig 0; T.E. Hollington $\frac{1}{2}$, R.A. Goldstone $\frac{1}{2}$; B.C. Coppin 1, K.J. Dean 0; A.H. Judd 1, M.J. Hockey 0; A.J. Charlwood 0, D. Coates 1; T. Woodroofe 1, D. Matthews 0)

PORTSMOUTH D $3\frac{1}{2}$, COSHAM C $2\frac{1}{2}$

(I.A. Welch 0, G. Train 1; P.I. Wells 1, T.E. Hollington 0; P.M. Spurgeon 1, S. Wilkinson 0; G.D. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$, B.C. Coppin $\frac{1}{2}$; M.E. Vernon 1, A.J. Charlwood 0; Terri Ruff 0, T. Woodroofe 1)

Division 4 : GOSPORT C $3\frac{1}{2}$, POLYTECHNIC C $2\frac{1}{2}$

(P.J. Eales 0, M. Holim 1; I. Gouge $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Hough $\frac{1}{2}$; C.P. Smith 1, M. Habens 0; S. Nason 1, S. Afsharj 0; S.R. Williams 0, R. Flewitt 1; M.D. Smith 1, D. Young 0)

SCHRODER 0, GOSPORT C 6

(A.J. Harrison 0, P.J. Eales 1; G. Waring 0, I. Gouge 1; S.C. Ashburn 0, C.P. Smith 1; S. Jetha 0, S. Nason 1; D. Sheraton 0, R. Ellis 1; Default 0, M.D. Smith 1)

EMSWORTH 5, SCHRODER 1

(V.M. Lawrence 1, A.J. Harrison 0; R. Dumont 1, A.R. Baldwin 0; O. Rogers 0, G. Waring 1; W. Turner 1, S.C. Ashburn 0; J. Miller 1, G. Maycock 0; P.J. Durkee 1, S. Jetha 0)

I.B.M. B 4, GOSPORT C 2

(G.D. Jeftha 1, P.J. Eales 0; J. Coghlan 1, I. Gouge 0; D. Garwood 0, C.P. Smith 1; F. Savage 1, S.R. Williams 0; H.I. Oakley 1, M.D. Smith 0; C.L. Hoey 0, R. Ellis 1)

Rather in the seasonal spirit, this week's position is a "Help-mate" problem. Instead of resisting, Black co-operates with and helps his opponent to do the mating! Solution next week.

J.E.C.G.

1K1n4; PP6; 8; 8; 6k1; 8; 8; 8.

Black to play and help White to mate in four moves.

Note to Associate Editor -

- (1) In the interest of space saving, there is no need to print the words "Black" and "White" with the diagram.
- (2) Although dated 27th December, in view of the holidays I am delivering this by hand on the 24th.

J.E.C.G.