CHESS NOTES

18th July, 1977



Twenty-three players completed the Club's Tournament at Gosport which was run on an 8-round Swiss basis, with ties broken by the sum of opponents' scores:

1st. J.F.T. Charvill 7 pts; 2nd. I.A. Stenhouse, 3rd. P.J. Eales, 4th H.E. Davies, 5th. C.W.J. Trotter $5\frac{1}{2}$ pts; 6th. W.J.E. Yeeles, 7th. R.C. Clark, 8th. J.A. Coburn, 9th M. Day 5 pts; 10th. C.P. Smith, 11th. M.D. Smith $4\frac{1}{2}$ pts; 12th S. Nason, 13th. Mrs. M. Williams, 14th. P. Mallett 4 pts; 15th. W.E. Portman, 16th. R. Brierley, 17th P. Groth $3\frac{1}{2}$ pts; 18th. R. Ellis, 19th. H.S. White, 20th. T. Elbourn, 21st. T.H. Stephenson 3 pts; 22nd. S.R. Williams $2\frac{1}{2}$ pts; 23rd. L. Ward 1 pt.

Jane Seymour is this year's match captain of England's Faber Cup Team in the competition which takes place in Dublin.

The diagram published this week is an End-Game study by John Jones of Gosport Chess Club, which he maintains is strongly based on a position arising in a dream! He cannot recall from his nightmare whose turn it was to move so we have it both ways:

- A. Black to move and win:
 - 1...QxP4:; 2. KxQ Q-R5+; 3. K-N1 QxN+; (3. K-N2 QxN+; 4. K-R1 R-R3+ etc.) 4. Q-N2 R-B8 mate.
- B. White to move and win:
 - 1. Q-N7+1 (1. QxR? Q-R6+; 2. K any Q(6) x Q+)
 - 1...Q(5)-N4 (1...QxQ or 1...Q-N3 or 1...Q(3)-N4 are all answered by 2. Q-B5 mate)
 - 2. P-R3 + K-R5; 3. Q-R7 + Q(3) -R3; 4. Q-K4 + Q-B5;
 - 5. N-B5 K-R4 (5...K-N4; 6. Q(1) x Q+ PxQ; 7. NxQ RxN;
 - 8. Q-K5+etc.) 6. Q(1)-B3+ K-N3 (6...K-N4 and as previous note)
 - 7. QxR+! KxN; 8. QxQ is simplest.

J.E.C.G.

8; 1Q6; 2r2q2; p3p3; 6kq; 6N1; 4P1KP; 5Q2