

This week we take a close look at the current situation in Divisions 3 and 4 of the Portsmouth District League team competition. In the former, Portsmouth C are best placed with two matches in hand over the leaders; in the bottom section, it looks like developing into a keen contest between the three leaders.

**Results :**

Division 3 : LEIGH PARK A 2<sup>1</sup>, I.B.M. B 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

(N.G. Le Fevre 0, S. Hicks 1; A.D. Harris 1, G. Jeftha 0; J. Mortlock 0, C. Mann 1; J.D.J. Catt <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, H. Oakley <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; S. Dymel 1, D. Garwood 0; P. Starkey 0, F. Savage 1)

PORTSMOUTH C 5, POLYTECHNIC B 1

(P.K. Wells 1, P.B. Sargeant 0; I.A. Welch 0, D. Pennells 1; P. Spurgeon 1, N. Argent 0; Julia Scotney 1, P. Hunter 0; T. Ruff 1, J.A. Torrealba 0; N. Miller 1, K. Herrington 0)

I.B.M. B 5, FAREHAM C 1

(I. Upton 1, M. Cole 0; J. Liddell <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, D.W. Coates <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; S. Hicks 1, E.N. Judd 0; C. Mann <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, R.A. Kane <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; D. Ong 1, R.A. Coldstone 0; H. Oakley 1, J.R. Craig 0)

GOSPORT C 5, EMSWORTH 1

(P. Groth 1, V.M. Lawrence 0; M. Smith <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, R. Dumont <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; P. Curzon <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, R. Ross <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; A. Elbourn 1, P. Durkee 0; Mrs. M. Williams 1, M. Chalmers 0; R.J. Brierly 1, B. Cook 0)

EMSWORTH 1, I.B.M. B 5

(R. Ross 0, G. Jeftha 1; R. Lumont 0, S. Hicks 1; P. Durkee 0, J. Liddell 1; W. Turner 0, C. Mann 1; M. Chalmer 0, H. Oakley 1; B. Cook 1, Mrs. H. Dutton 0)

Division 4 : LEIGH PARK B 5, LATAWORK 1

(J.D.J. Catt 1, L. Alexander 0; J. Mortlock 1, L. Richardson 0; S. Dymel 1, G. Mairis 0; P. Starkey 0, G. Potter 1; R. Smith 1, Default 0; A.D. Harris 1, Default 0)

PLESSEY 3, FAREHAM D 3

(D.G. Foale 1, W.L. Coward 0; E. Azulay 1, E. Vail 0; J. Heath 0, P. Higdon 1; C. Wheatley 0, B. Massey 1; R. Armstrong 1, T. Marsh 0; C. Thomas 0, K. Irish 1)

FAREHAM E 1, LEIGH PARK B 5

(R. Warwick 0, A.D. Harris 1; N. Bradbury 0, R. Smith 1; Miss S. Bradbury 0, J.D.J. Catt 1; L. Vella 1, J. Mortlock 0; J. Cope 0, S. Dymel 1; W. Morgan 0, R. Collins 1)

TABLES

	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
<u>Division 3 :</u>						
I.B.M. B	6	5	0	26	10	10
Portsmouth C	4	4	0	17	7	8
Fareham C	5	3	0	17 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	12 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	6
Cosport C	4	2	0	10	14	4
Leigh Park A	4	1	0	12	12	2
Polytechnic B	4	0	1	7	17	1
Emsworth	5	0	1	6 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	23 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	1

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<u>Division 4 :</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>Pts</u>
Leigh Park B	5	3	2	22	8	8
Fareham E	4	2	2	17	7	6
Plessey	4	2	2	17	7	6
Portsmouth E	4	2	0	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	4
Fareham E	5	1	0	6 $\frac{1}{2}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$	2
Datawork	4	0	0	4	20	0

I do not know the source of the published position, but it is not often one sees the triple sacrifice of Queen, Bishop and Rook for the sake of gaining a mere pawn. From the diagram, 1. QxB R PxQ; 2. BxP+ RxB; 3. R-R8+ KxR; 4. NxR dbl + (picking up both Rook and Queen) and leaving Black with an awkward doubled pawn. White should win.

J.E.C.G.

r4rkl; pp3ppp; 2pqlnb1; 6N1; 2BP4; 7R; PPQ2PPP; 4R1K1