

Hampshire has won its Counties Championship match against Wiltshire, as the score stands $9\frac{1}{2}$ - $5\frac{1}{2}$ in our favour with one game for adjudication. Scores of local players taking part :

Bd.1. P. Littlewood (Portsmouth) 1, P. Timson 0; Bd.3. A.R. Cullinane (Comm. Ctr.) $\frac{1}{2}$, A. Millington $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.5. M. Newbury (Fareham) 1, W. Lowe 0; Bd.8. I.A. Stenhouse (Gosport) $\frac{1}{2}$, R. Bradley $\frac{1}{2}$; Bd.9. S. Dean (Cosham) 0, N. Freebury 1.

Hampshire could not raise a team and defaulted in the Minor Counties match scheduled to take place the same day.

Portsmouth Chess Club have won the Championship of Division 1 in the Portsmouth & District League and, had not Community Centre snatched a solitary match point from them, they would have completed their programme with the maximum possible.

Cosham B (with 15 points from 9 matches) cannot now be overtaken by their two nearest challengers, Polytechnic A and Portsmouth B, and must therefore be Champions of Division 2.

Results :-

Division 1 : COMMUNITY CENTRE A 4, GOSPORT A 2

(A.F.C. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$, I.A. Stenhouse $\frac{1}{2}$; A.R. Cullinane 0, J.F.T. Charvill 1; W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$, J. Coburn $\frac{1}{2}$; R.R. Carter 1, C.W.J. Trotter 0; P.A. Rayment 1, P.J. Eales 0; K. Reed 1, W. Portman 0)

 COMMUNITY CENTRE A 3, PORTSMOUTH A 3

(A.R. Cullinane 0, P. Littlewood 1; A.F.C. Carter 1, A.J. Peters 0; W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$, D.J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$; R.R. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$, D.C. Spurgeon $\frac{1}{2}$; P.A. Rayment 1, G.E. Feltham 0; K. Reed 0, P.M. Spurgeon 1)

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

(J.F. Wheeler 0, A.F. Brameld 1; W. McDougal $\frac{1}{2}$, M.L. Newbury $\frac{1}{2}$; J.M. Morris 1, M.M. Street 0; R.E. Hartley 0, W.H. Silber 1; S. Hicks $\frac{1}{2}$, D.C. Goddard $\frac{1}{2}$; A. Mackie $\frac{1}{2}$, H.A. Tadevossian $\frac{1}{2}$)

 COSHAM A 4, COMMUNITY CENTRE A 2

(A.D. Crossin 1, A.F.C. Carter 0; D. Smith $\frac{1}{2}$, A.R. Cullinane $\frac{1}{2}$; S. Dean $\frac{1}{2}$, W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$; D. Gibson $\frac{1}{2}$, R.R. Carter $\frac{1}{2}$; I.P. Judd $\frac{1}{2}$, P.A. Rayment $\frac{1}{2}$; P.J. McEvoy 1, N. Colter 0)

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

(I.A. Stenhouse 1, A.J. Peters 0; J.F.T. Charvill $\frac{1}{2}$, D.J. Scotney $\frac{1}{2}$; J. Coles 0, D.C. Spurgeon 1; J. Coburn $\frac{1}{2}$, P.K. Wells $\frac{1}{2}$; C.W. Trotter $\frac{1}{2}$, I.A. Welch $\frac{1}{2}$; H.E. Davies 0, P.M. Spurgeon 1)

Division 2 : COMMUNITY CENTRE A 4, POLYTECHNIC A 2

(W.D. Muir $\frac{1}{2}$, J.H. Lambert $\frac{1}{2}$; P.A. Rayment $\frac{1}{2}$, P.J. Colwill $\frac{1}{2}$; K. Reed 1, C. O'Bee 0; J. Baker 1, A.C. Grant 0; D. Smith 0, J. Torrealba 1; N. Colter 1, N.D. Argent 0)

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GOSPORT B 2, FAREHAM B 4

(J. Coburn 1, H.A. Tadevossian 0; P. Groth 0, J.E.C. Grant 1; M. Smith 1, D.C. Goddard 0; H.S. White 0, R.C. Clark 1; P. Curson 0, A.J. Lancashire 1; A. Elbourne 0, M. Cole 1)

POLYTECHNIC A 3, COSHAM C 3

(J.H. Lambert 1, B.C. Coppin 0; P.J. Colwill 0, A. Bowden 1; C. O'Bee 0, A. Judd 1; A.C. Grant 1, G. Train 0; R. Hough 0, S. Wilkinson 1; P. Sargeant 1, T. Woodroffe 0)

PORTSMOUTH B 3, GOSPORT B 3

(G.E. Feltham 0, J. Coburn 1; M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$, P.J. Eales $\frac{1}{2}$; R.M. Prince $\frac{1}{2}$, P. Groth $\frac{1}{2}$; P.M. Spurgeon 1, S. Williams 0; B.V. Cochran 0, P. Curson 1; C.J. Powell 1, A. Elbourne 0)

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

(G.E. Feltham 1, D. Smith 0; D.J. Scotney 1, T.D. Bell 0; M.J. Cawston $\frac{1}{2}$, I. Kemp $\frac{1}{2}$; R.M. Prince 0, A.F. Langley 1; B.V. Cochran 0, P. Markwell 1; D. Harold 1, F. Abercrombie 0).

Paul Littlewood of Portsmouth Chess Club (Grade 215) and Arthur Brameld of Fareham (Grade 191) have now met twice at top board of their respective 'A' teams and the score stands 1-1. Here is the first game which Arthur won :

1. P-K4 P-QB4; 2. N-KB3 N-QB3; 3. P-Q4 PxP; 4. NxP N-B3; 5. N-QB3 P-K4;
 6. N(4)-N5 P-Q3; 7. B-N5 P-QR3; 8. BxN PxB; 9. N-R3 P-QN4; 10. N-Q5 P-B4;
 11. B-Q3 B-K3; 12. P-QB4 NPxP; 13. NxP BxN; 14. PxB N-Q5; 15. Q-R4+ K-K2;
 16. 0-0 B-N2; 17. KR-K1 KR-N1; 18. NxKP PxN; 19. QxN P-K5; 20. Q-B5+?
 Q-Q3; 21. Q-R5 B-K4; 22. QR-B1 KR-Q1?; 23. R-B6 BxP+; 24. K-R1 Q-N1;
 25. Q-R3+ B-Q3; 26. Q-B3 P-B3; 27. P-B3 B-K4; 28. Q-B5+ B-Q3; 29. Q-B4 K-B1;
 30. PxP QxP and with '30 moves on the clock', Black resigns - see diagram.
 A Battle of the Giants!

J.E.C.G.

r2r1k2; 7p; p1Rb1p2; 3P1p2; 2Q1P3; 3B4; Pq 4P1; 4R2K