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Gosport Chess Club's Championship has recently been completed, with the following leading final scores :-

1st. J.F.T. Charvill 8 pts.; 2nd. F.C. Leach 6 pts.; 3rd. C.W.J. Trotter 6 pts.;
4th. P. Groth 6 pts.; 5th. J.A. Coburn 5 pts.; 6th. M.D. Smith 5 pts.;
7th. I.A. Stenhouse 4½ pts.; 8th. R. Brierley 4½ pts.; 9th. H.E. Davies 4½ pts.;
10th. H.S. White 4 pts.; 11th. L. Ward 4 pts.

25 players took part in this 8-round Swiss event and ties were broken by the "sum of opponents' scores" method. Two names not appearing in the "first eleven" are those of Jim Yeeles and Tony Elbourn. The former played only in the first round and then had to withdraw through illness (all local players will be glad to hear that he has now fully recovered) and the latter, who is blind, did very well to score three wins.

Fareham Chess Club hold their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday, 5th September, at their headquarters in the Fareham Working Men's Club, Mill Road (8 p.m.). They currently have 61 members but are looking for more! Anyone interested in joining will be very welcome.

The following game won a 'Best Game' prize for my opponent in one of the sections of the British Correspondence Chess Association's competitions. I am not too sure how much of the credit reflects on me!

J.E.C. Grant (White) v. A. Elder

1. P-QB4 P-K4; 2. N-QB3 N-KB3; 3. N-B3 N-QB3; 4. P-Q4 PxP; 5. NxP B-QN5;
6. NxN QPxN; 7. Q-B2 B-K3; 8. P-K3 Q-Q2; 9. B-K2 0-0-0; 10. 0-0 P-KR4;
11. P-QR3 B-Q3; 12. R-Q1 N-KN5; 13. P-KN3 P-KR5; 14. P-B5 NxBP;
15. PxR NxR; 16. BxN PxNP; 17. RPxP QxQP; 18. Q-KB2 R-R6; 19. K-N2
QR-KR1; 20. Q-B4 R-R7+; 21. K-B3 B-Q4+; 22. P-K4 B-K3; 23. B-K2 Q-QB4;
24. B-K3 Q-KR4+; 25. P-KN5 Q-R6+; 26. Q-N3 BxP+; 27. K-B4 P-KN4+;
28. K moves QxQ; 29. Resigns.

J.E.C.G.

1k6; 1p3pQ1; 2r3p1; q6p; p6P; 4P1P1; P4P2; 1KR5.

From the diagrammed position Black (to move) finds a simple but effective way of winning :-

1...Q-KB4+; 2. K-N2 Q-QN4+