

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. Curtiss 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