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The recent Hampshire Senior Individual Championship tournament was again run in conjunction with Southampton University's annual Championship, with the result that there was a very satisfactory entry of 26 players.

The outcome of the County Tournament was a triple-tie for first place between S. MacAulay (last year's winner), M. Read and A.D. Crossin (Cosham Chess Club), all with 6 points. A play-off for the title will take place during the period February to April.

It is encouraging to see a local player in with a chance for the first time for several years.

Other Scores: $5\frac{1}{2}$ pts. D. Beer, K.D.F. Gregory, M.L. Newbury and A.K. Reeve; $4\frac{1}{2}$ pts. A.R. Cullinane, P.L. Hackman, M.W.J. Thompson and R.L. Trow; 4 pts. M. Buckley, J. Coburn, G. Hall and R.E. Walmisley; $3\frac{1}{2}$ pts. A.C. Barton, T. Joslin and G.L. Pritchard; 3 pts. A. Chan, P.D. Coles and K. Day; $2\frac{1}{2}$ pts. N.D.M. Evans and D.M. Owen; 2 pts. A.K. Blades, J.D. King; $1\frac{1}{2}$ pts. M.G. Arnold.

Further W.E.C.U. results:

Championship: Gloucester $13\frac{1}{2}$, Wilts. $2\frac{1}{2}$
Dorset 10, Somerset 4 (2 Adj.)

Minor Counties: Dorset 7, Somerset 8 (1 Adj.)

Match results from the Hampshire League Competition to date:

Division 1: Southampton 4, Andover 1

(D. Bell 1, F.C. Field 0; J. Corfield 1, S. Knox 0; D. Bower 1, K. Willoughby 0; M. Buckmaster 1, S. Wallbank 0; H.L. Parsons 0, M. Dinkele 1.)

Portsmouth $1\frac{1}{2}$, Southampton $3\frac{1}{2}$

(A.R. Cullinane 0, N. Keene 1; P. Wells 1, A. Berry 0; P. Spurgeon 0, B. Andrews 1; M. Hampton $\frac{1}{2}$, D. Bower $\frac{1}{2}$; C. Smith 0, D. Beer 1.)

Division 2: Cosham 5, Polytechnic 0

(D. Smith 1, P. Sargeaunt 0; S. Dean 1, A. Grant 0; A.F. Langley 1, R. Poole 0; B. Coppin 1, S. Walsh 0; G. Train 1, default 0.)

Salisbury $1\frac{1}{2}$, I.O. Wight 'B' $3\frac{1}{2}$

(D.E. Ward $\frac{1}{2}$, A.J. Price $\frac{1}{2}$; W.L. White 0, F.J. Smith 1; Maj. J. Bruges 1, F. Wools 0; Mrs. E.A. Hartfold 0, B. Joyce 1; S. Khosca 0, A.F. Behmber 1.)

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I.O. Wight 'B' 4, Fareham 1

(B. Joyce 0, M. Newbury 1; A.F. Behmber 1, default 0; F. Wools 1, W. Lancashire 0; W.D. Groves 1, default 0; K. Whyley 1, T.R. Marsh 0.)

The final score in the Inter-League Schools' match was:

Portsmouth Schools 5, Southampton Schools 16,

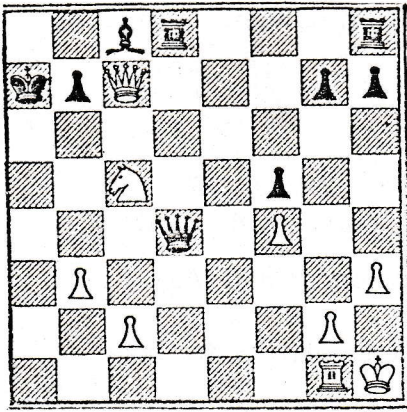
1. A. Welch losing on adjudication to A.K. Sharma.

One result only from the Secondary Schools' League:

Division 2: Crofton $\frac{1}{2}$, Portsmouth Grammar B $4\frac{1}{2}$

(N.C. Pain $\frac{1}{2}$, L.C. Ledwith $\frac{1}{2}$; S. D. Phillips 0, P.C. Wren 1; P.W. Little 0, A.J. Jeram 1; G.E. Coates 0, I.D. Giles 1; G.A.S. Wingate 0, G. D. Cameron 1.)

The position (Nimzovitch-Anon, 1922) shows white, a rook down for a pawn in material, apparently unable to deliver the obvious and crushing check on his QR1. How many of us would have thought of his next move? 1. P-B3! Q x P; 2. N-Q7! Q x Q; 3. R-R1 + Q-R4; 4. R x Q mate.



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