

## CHESS NOTES by J.H.J.

DURING the week-end May 29 through 31, the County Association organized the BCF qualifying tournament at the behest of the W.E.C.U. The centralized venue at Southampton University attracted a massive entry of 51 with many players from other counties.

After the six rounds of the Swiss tournament a mere half point separated the leading group of six players.

Joint winners (£65 each plus prepaid entry to the British Championship at Swansea) were R. Lynn (Wiltshire) and G. Copeland (Gloucestershire) with 5/6.

Equal third with 4½ points (and £12 prize money) were D. C. Osborne (Bristol and the first alternate); F. Kwiatkowski (the top graded player at 214); K. D. F. Gregory (Manglers and P. D. L. Individual Champion) and O. Worsfold (Basingstoke who won the £25 prize for best score by a junior).

Local junior E. N. Holland (Manglers) won the £20 prize for best score by a player graded under 175 (165J) when he made 4/6.

S. Silver (University) won £20 for the best score by a first round loser when he amassed 4/6.

Two other good performances from juniors were 3½/6 by D. Kumaran (world U12 champion: 183) and M. Walker (Botley).

The scores by unplaced local players were, for Gosport, R. C. Noyce 4, S. P. Pezet 3½ and R. Marsh 3, for Portsmouth, G. Oswald 4 and, for Fareham, the junior players J. Poulton 2½ and J. Monk 2.

Thanks also should be expressed for Laurie Walker giving up his week-end to act as the controller, a function which he ably performed.

Played in round two of the B.C.F. tournament.

White: R. C. Noyce. Black: I. White.  
1. e4, e6; 2. d4, d5; 3. Nd2, Nf6; 4. e5,

Nfd7; 5. Bd3, c5; 6. c3, Nc6; 7. Ngf3, Qb6; (an exhibition game by Tal in Latvia 1970 went 7. ... cxd4; 8. cxd4, f6?; 9. Ng5!!, fxg5; 10. Qh5+, g6; 11. Bxg6+, Hxg6; 12. Qxg6+, Ke7; 13. Nc4!, Bh6; 14. Bxg5+, Bxg5; 15. Qg7+, Ke8; 16. Nd6++ (1:0) 8. 00, Cxd4; 9. cxd4, Nxd4; 10. Nxd4, Qxd4; 11. Nf3, Qb6; 12. Qc2, (more usual is 12. Qa4! with the threat of Qg4 — 12. ... Be7?; 13. Qg4!, g6; 14. Bh6, advantage to White — 12. ... Qb4!; 13. Qc2, Qc5!; trying to return the pawn 14. Qe2, with a slight edge to the White) 12. ... Qc5(!); 13. Qe2, f6?; (as in the Tal game this is suicidal) 14. exf6, Nxf6; 15. Ng5, Qd6; 16. Bb5+, Ke2; (16 ... Bd7?; 17. Nxe6 wins) 17. a4!, h6(?); 18. b3, (threat Ba3) 18. ... Nd7; 19. Qh5!, hxg5; 20. Bxg5+, Nf6; 21. Qe8++ (1:0) A game enjoyed by the player of white, but not by White (the player of black!)

During the week-end June 28/29 B.C.F. are holding a course for qualification as a regional coach, to be held at Gregg School, 13 Winin Road, Southampton from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day.

This course will cover the required syllabus, emphasise methods of presentation and will include written and practical tests. Those who reach the required standard will receive the B.C.F. Certificate of Regional Chess Coach.

John Littlewood (a British Master and the Chief National Coach) will be the examining tutor.

June 19 is the limit date for entrants (who should be over 21) and the course will be limited to 24. A cheque for £9.20 (to the B.C.F.) should be sent to Derek Evans, 47 Dalehouse Lane, Kenilworth, CV8 2EP. It would also be useful to indicate your grade, a telephone number for contact and a resume of chess performance and other relevant interest.