

Chess Notes

Holding Their Own In County League

PORTSMOUTH, Fareham, and Cosham Community Centre continue to hold their own in the strong Hampshire League competition, although Bournemouth and Woolston are both moving right away from the rest of the field.

Fareham shared a point with Woolston but unfortunately had to let the Bournemouth match go by default, because of team-raising difficulties.

The combined Cosham/Community Centre team crushed Andover, while Portsmouth drew against a strong Southampton team.

Results: Woolston 2½, Fareham 2½ (M. Thompson ½, N. C. Taylor ½; E. Learmouth ½, P. Cartmell 1; C. Newby 1, F. Johnson ½; T. Cupek ½, J. Grant ½; D. Drew ½, R. Tyack ½). Bournemouth 5, Fareham 0 (by default). Southampton 2½, Portsmouth 2½ (A. C. Barton ½, Dr. A. J. Pointon ½; P. L. Marshall ½, Dr. B. G. Wells ½; J. Valler ½, G. L. Comben 1; G. L. Pritchard ½, W. Makar ½; D. A. Rawden 1, D. M. Heywood ½). Cosham Comm. Ctr. 5, Andover 0 (G. Richardson 1, C. Henshaw ½; P. M. Collins 1, G. D. Young ½; S. F. Adams 1, W. A. Howard ½; A. D. Crossin 1, James Haynes ½; R. I. Ross 1, Rev. N. Robertson ½).

TABLE

	P	W	D	G	P
Bournemouth	5	5	0	20½	5
Woolston	5	4	1	13	4½
Southampton	5	2	1	12	2½
Fareham	5	2	1	12½	2½
Cosham Comm. Ctr.	5	2	0	12½	2
Portsmouth	4	1	2	10	2
University	4	0	1	5½	½
Andover	4	0	0	4	0

Further results of local players in the recent county match against Surrey were: Bd. 14, A. S. La Lond (Southsea) lost to B. Lyons; Bd. 27, D. M. Heywood (Portsmouth) lost to J. Bell; Bd. 10, Lieut. D. K. Butler (Portsmouth) drew with G. Hogg; Bd. 21, G. Richardson (Cosham) drew with M. Ridgwell; Bd. 23, A. F. Garner (Fareham) lost to H. G. Richards; Bd. 24, G. L. Comben (Portsmouth) beat J. Honlon; Bd. 26, P. M. Collins (Portsmouth Grammar) drew with R. Briggs; Bd. 28, R. I. Ross (Comm. Ctr.) beat J. MacGregor.

PORTSMOUTH LEAGUE

Both Portsmouth Chess Club teams gained comfortable wins, but it is becoming increasingly unlikely that either team will now be able to overtake the leaders of their respective divisions in the Portsmouth League.

There has been no play in the Schools Section during the week.

SENIOR SECTION

Division I. — Portsmouth 4, Comm. Ctr. 1 (Dr. A. J. Pointon 1, R. W. Davis ½; Dr. B. G. Wells 1, R. Carter ½; C. I. Comben 1, S. F. Adams ½; W. Makar ½, L. West 1; D. M. Heywood 1, R. I. Ross ½).

Division II. — Portsmouth "B" 4, St John's "B" 1 (W. Makar 1, G. Green ½; J. E. Smith 1, C. Green ½; A. Bacon 1, F. Arisberg ½; P. Campion 1, P. Cullinane ½; J. Canty ½, M. Willcocks 1).

DIVISION I

	P	W	D	G	P
Fareham "A"	5	4	1	17	4½
Portsmouth "A"	4	4	0	17½	4
Cosham	5	2	0	10½	2
R.N.P.L.	6	1	2	11½	2
Comm. Ctr.	4	1	1	13½	1½

DIVISION II

	P	W	D	G	P
Fareham "B"	5	3	1	22½	5½
Gosport	7	5	2	28	4
Portsmouth "B"	5	3	2	26½	4
Ports. Gramm. "A"	7	2	0	17½	3
St John's "A"	5	2	1	15	2½
St John's "B"	5	1	0	14	1
Cyanamid	5	0	0	2½	0

In the local Individual Championship, sixth-round results so far are: Grant ½, Pointon 1; Brameld 1, Crossin ½; Lee ½, La Lond 1; Smith (J.) ½, Smith (H.) 1.

INTER-LEAGUE MATCH

It is hoped to field a strong and fully representative team in the annual match, Portsmouth and District League v. Southampton Chess League which is being held at Taunton's School, Southampton on Saturday, March 12.

Local players who have already promised to take part are G. L. Comben (Portsmouth), W. J. Eaton (Gosport), A. S. La Lond (Southsea), W. Makar (Portsmouth), Dr. A. J. Pointon (Portsmouth), J. P. Price (Portsmouth), G. Richardson (Cosham), and Dr. B. G. Wells (Portsmouth). A. F. Brameld (Gosport), R. I. Ross (Comm. Ctr.), J. Grant (Fareham), A. D. Crossin (Cosham), E. Taylor (Gosport), and A. F. Garner (Fareham).