



# Chess Notes

## Dr. B. G. WELLS IS 1960 CHAMPION

**D**R. B. G. Wells, of Portsmouth Chess Club is the 1960 individual champion of Portsmouth and District Chess League. Dr. Wells and Dr. A. J. Pointon (also of Portsmouth Chess Club) were equal with  $6\frac{1}{2}$  points at the end of the contest, but Dr. Wells took first place by a narrow margin on "Sonneborne-Berger" count.

Third place was shared by G. Richardson (Cosham) and P. M. Collins (Portsmouth Grammar School) with six points.

Other placings were: A. S. La Lond, A. D. Crossin and W. Makar, 5 points; R. Carter, N. C. Taylor and A. F. Brameld,  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; S. C. Noke, V. Lee, D. M. Heywood and J. Grant, 4; A. F. Garner, R. W. Davis, G. Farmer and S. F. Adams,  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ; J. E. Smith and C. Brading 3; H. Smith  $2\frac{1}{2}$ ; E. G. Potter 2; D. A. Bloxham and B. J. Press, 1.

### COUNTY CHESS

M. Thompson (Southampton) has won the Hampshire individual championsip title with six points from seven rounds. Second prize will be shared by W. Makar (Portsmouth), J. Valler (Southampton) and C. H. Henshaw (Basingstoke), who scored five points each.

Other scores were: Dr. B. G. Wells, D. K. Bevis, A. S. La Lond and S. L. Russell  $3\frac{1}{2}$ ; N. C. Taylor, G. Richardson, G. W. S.

Goggin and A. C. Barton, 3; J. E. Smith  $2\frac{1}{2}$ .

### GRADING LIST

The Hampshire Grading List has just been issued, giving 152 players in approximate order of strength.

Local players are graded as follows:

Grade 4a: W. H. Pratten (Fareham).  
 Grade 4b: Dr. J. M. Holford (Gosport/R.N.P.L.).  
 Grade 5b: A. Carter (Portsmouth).  
 Dr. A. J. Pointon (Portsmouth).  
 Grade 6a: N. C. Taylor (Fareham).  
 Grade 6b: B. S. Carter (Comm. Ctr.), P. Cartmell (Fareham), G. L. Comben (Portsmouth).  
 Grade 7a: G. Richardson (Cosham), Dr. B. G. Wells (Portsmouth).  
 Grade 7b: H. C. Bailey (Portsmouth), Lt. B. K. Butler (Portsmouth), D. M. Heywood (Portsmouth), F. Johnson (Fareham), A. S. La Lond (Southsea), W. Makar (Portsmouth), W. C. Martin (Fareham), S. C. Noke (Cosham), J. P. Price (Portsmouth), C. F. Way (Cosham), L. West (Comm. Ctr.).  
 Grade 8a: R. Carter (Comm. Ctr.), R. W. Davis (Comm. Ctr.), W. J. Eaton (Gosport/R.N.P.L.), R. I. Ross (Comm. Ctr.), E. Taylor (Gosport/R.N.P.L.).  
 Grade 8b: S. F. Adams (Comm. Ctr.), A. F. Brameld (Gosport/R.N.P.L.), P. M. Collins (Portsmouth Grammar School), A. D. Crossin (Cosham), G. W. Farmer (Fareham), J. Grant (Fareham), T. Hollington (Cosham), H. W. Tripp (Gosport/R.N.P.L.).