

Portsmouth Now Have Clear Lead

WITH only two matches to play, Portsmouth Chess Club has established a half-point lead in the First Division of the Portsmouth and District Chess League.

Fareham "B" has re-established itself at the head

Chess Notes

of Division II, while Fareham "C" and St John's "B" now share first place in Division III.

Scores:
Division I: Portsmouth 3½, Gosport 1½ (W. H. Pratten 1, G. O. Pike 0; A. Carter ½, E. Taylor ½; H. C. Bailey 1, W. J. Eaton 0; J. P. Price 1; J. S. Perry 0; D. M. Heywood 0, H. W. Tripp 1).
Division II: St John's "A" 1½, Fareham "B" 3½ (Bro. Charles ½, E. G. Potter ½; T. Johnson 0, A. F. Garner 1; B. Cain 0, T. Saunders 1; F. Haskin 0, B. Hatcher 1; F. Wilcox 1, G. Ratter 0). College of Technology 3, R.N.P.L. 2 (T. Sliwinski 0, A. N. Dossett 1; M. Dyer 0, K. Harrison 1; A. Godfrey 1, H. Taylor 0; D. Rhoades 1, A. Clear 0; A. R. Godfrey 1, E. Mitchell 0).
Division III: Coll. Apps "B" 2, Comm. Ctre. "B" 3 (B. Bartle 0, E. Baker 1; C. Lee 0, R. Ross 1; N. Ling 0, C. L. Keefe 1; M. Smale 1, default 0; R. Warren 1, Miss S. White 0). Fareham "C" 3, Coll. Apps. "B" 2 (A. F. Garner 1, B. Bartle 0; T. Saunders 1, M. Smale 0; C. Brading 1, C. Lee 0; M. Gibson 0, N. Ling 1; A. Lines 0, R. Warren 1).

Division I					
	P	W	D	G	Pt
Portsmouth	6	4	0	18½	4
NALGO	6	3	1	16	3½
Comm. Ctre. A	6	3	0	12½	3
Fareham A	5	2	0	13	2
Gosport	5	1	1	10	1½

Division II					
	P	W	D	G	Pt
Fareham B	7	4	1	20	4½
Coll. App. A	7	3	2	18½	4
Coll. of Tech.	8	4	0	19	4
R.N.P.L.	8	3	1	20½	3½
Vesper	7	2	2	17	3
St John's A	7	2	2	15	3

Division III					
	P	W	D	G	Pt
Fareham C	6	5	0	19½	5
St John's B	6	5	0	19½	5
Comm. Ctre. B	7	4	1	20½	4½
Coll. App. B	7	3	1	16	2½
Westminster	7	1	2	14	2
Bridgemary	7	1	0	10½	1

Further sixth round Individual Championship results: Griffiths beat Ratter; Walmisley drew with Taylor.

SCHOOL GAMES

Portchester Secondary Modern School narrowly lost their return match against Bridgemary Community Centre, who fielded a team entirely made up of members of the McCaulder family.

Scores (Bridgemary first):
R. McCaulder 1, Geraldine Taylor 0; I. McCaulder 1, Anthony Jones 0; C. McCaulder 0, Barry Tining 1; Mrs. P. McCaulder 1, Angela Martin 0; B. McCaulder 0, David Williams 1.

NATIONAL WEEK

All over the country during the week ending March 23, chess clubs will be arranging sections of the mammoth Teenagers v. Old Stagers match. Fareham Chess Club's contribution to this event is a 15 board match to be held at their Club next Thursday. Contingents to make up the Teenagers' team have been invited from H.M.S. Collingwood, Price's School, and Portchester Secondary School.

COUNTY SUCCESS

It is now learned that the first 16 boards of the match, Hampshire v. Gloucestershire, reported in these notes last week, was for the semi-final of the Montague Jones Cup competition. Hampshire, therefore, pass into the final of this competition as well as winning the West of England championship.

As a change from quotations praising chess, here is one which is rather critical. It is only fair to mention, however, that Mr. Shaw did not play the game.