

Chess Notes

WOOLSTON have regained the Hampshire League Championship title which they lost to Southampton last year. With six wins from six matches, they have swept all before them.

Portsmouth Chess Club (with one more match to play against Bournemouth) have an excellent chance of becoming runners-up in this strong competition.

Results:

Bournemouth 2, University 3 (P. A. Ursell ½, T. O. Read ½; D. K. Bevis ½, P. L. Eastwood ½; E. W. Chandler 1, A. Hocking 0; G. Knott 0, G. R. Smith 1; G. Goggin 0, D. Blackman 1).

Southampton 2, Bournemouth 3 (P. Marshall 0, P. A. Ursell 1; A. C. Burton ½, D. K. Bevis ½; G. L. Pritchard 1, E. W. Chandler 0; J. Valler 0, S. H. C. Lucas 1; C. Newby ½, G. Goggin ½).

Andover 1, Woolston 4 (C. H. Henshaw 0, R. F. Pezet 1; S. L. Russell ½, M. Thompson ½, R. Robertson 0, G. Daw 1; G. D. Young ½, D. Drew ½; W. A. Howard 0, R. Krause 1).

Woolston 4, Bournemouth 1 (M. Thompson 1, A. Caplin 0; D. Drew 0, D. K. Bevis 1; G. Daw 1, E. W. Chandler 0; R. S. Learmouth 1, G. Goggin 0; T. Ciupek 1, S. H. C. Lucas 0).

	P	W	D	G	P
Woolston	6	6	0	20½	6
Portsmouth	5	3	1	16½	3½
Bournemouth	5	3	0	14½	3
University	6	3	0	14	3
Southampton	5	2	1	13	2½
Fareham	6	1	0	11	1
Andover	5	0	0	5½	0

HAMPSHIRE DRAW

The results of the eight unfinished games in the Hampshire v. Buckinghamshire match gave Hampshire a draw over the full 50 boards in the Amboyna Shield contest, but they lost the S.C.C.U. match by 9½ games to 10½.

H. C. Bailey and A. J. Cooper were both awarded wins and J. P. Price obtained a draw.

PORTSMOUTH LEAGUE

A.S.W.E. wound up their programme with a win against Collingwood Apprentices and finish in fourth place in the Second Division of the Senior Section. The Apprentices were

unable to win a match this season and as they will be losing their top board and match captain (J. Beardsmore-Hyde), it is rather doubtful if they will be taking part next season.

MAY AMALGAMATE

Gosport Chess Club and R.N.P.L. are considering amalgamating before the new season commences. They are both suffering from a shortage of players, but by joining forces hope to be able to continue to turn out two teams.

Results:—

Division II (Senior Section)—Collingwood Apprentices ½, A.S.W.E. 4½ (J. Beardsmore-Hyde 0, E. Underhill 1; R. Craig 0, A. E. Roberts 1; Default 0, G. Ratter 1; D. Hanscombe 0, R. Attwood 1; P. Mindenhall ½, R. Knight ½).

SENIOR SECTION

	Division I					P
	P	W	D	G	P	
Portsmouth "A"	9	8	0	24½	8	
Fareham "A"	9	7	1	24½	7½	
Community Centre	8	4	1	25	4½	
R.N.P.L.	9	3	1	18½	2½	
Cosham	8	2	0	12½	2	
Gosport	9	0	1	10	½	

	Division II					P
	P	W	D	G	P	
Portsmouth "B"	12	10	0	46½	10	
Fareham "B"	12	9	0	35½	9	
Ports. Gramm. "A"	12	8	1	37	8½	
A.S.W.E.	12	5	1	28½	5½	
St John's "B"	12	5	1	25½	5½	
St John's "A"	12	3	1	26	3½	
Collingwood Apps.	12	0	0	11	0	

There will be no play in the Schools' Section until the new term starts. In the meantime, negotiations are taking place for our "under-15" champions (Gosport Grammar School) to meet Itchen Grammar School (this year's "under-15" champions of the Southampton League) in a match for the Speden Lewis Trophy. This trophy is for the "under-15" championship of Hampshire.

It is hoped that a friendly match may also be possible between our senior school champions (Portsmouth Grammar School) and their counterparts in the Southampton League.