

M. Thompson Keeps Hampshire Title

M. THOMPSON (Woolston and Bramtoco, Southampton) has won the Hampshire Individual Championship for the second year running.

Runner-up is the County Match Captain, L. E. Vine of Eastleigh. B. D. Harding of Southampton University takes third prize.

It was a clear-cut grouping among the leaders, who obtained 6pt., 5½pt., and 5pt. respectively.

In fourth place was A. M. Edmonds (4½pt.), with Dr. B. G. Wells (Portsmouth) and A. F. Brameld (Gosport) sharing fifth place with 4pt. each.

There is one game still to be played, which although it does not affect the scores and placings mentioned above, prevents a full list of names and final scores being published at the moment.

In the Hampshire League team competition, all fixtures have now been completed and Bournemouth take fourth place (above Cosham) following their win against Andover.

Scores — Bournemouth 4, Andover 1. (D. K. Bevis ½, C. H. Henshaw ½, E. W. Chandler ½, S. L. Russell ½, S. H. C. Lucas 1, M. C. Jarvis 0; W. G. Poulton 1, G. D. Young 0; A. Pke 1, Mrs. M. Watts 0).

FINAL TABLE

	P	W	D	G	P
Young Pompeians ...	8	6	1	29	6½
Fareham	8	6	0	23	6
Portsmouth	8	5	0	25½	5
Bournemouth	8	5	0	20	5
Cosham	8	4	1	21½	4½
Southampton	8	3	1	18	3½
Salisbury	8	2	1	17½	2½
Woolston	8	2	0	16½	2
Andover	8	1	0	9	1

PORTSMOUTH LEAGUE

The Schools are now catching up on their fixture arrears and two results have been reported during the week. Purbrook "A" completed their programme in fine style with a 5-0 win against Gosport Grammar, while Technical High become runners-up in Section B of Division I.

RESULTS

School Section: Division I (Section "A"). — Purbrook "A" 5, Gosport Grammar "A" 0. (S. Rook 1, G. Williams 0; A. Leadbetter 1, G. Kegg 0, R. Warren 1, I. Wood 0; D. Nicholson 1, P. Wood 0; A. Renouf 1, J. Chaplin 0).

Division I (Section "B"). — Technical High "A" 4, Gosport Grammar "B" 1. (I. Hill 1, default 0; G. Arnold 1, L. Stubbington 0; E. Gander 1, R. Crowe 0; M. Poling 0, R. Stubbington 1; R. Tringham 1, S. Goldewicht 0).

DIVISION I

(Section "A")

	P	W	D	G	P
St John's "C"	7	6	1	24½	6½
Prices "A"	6	5	1	21½	5½
P'mouth Gramm. "B"	5	4	0	21½	4
Gosport Gramm. "A"	7	1	0	11½	1
Purbrook "A"	8	1	0	11	1

(Section "B")

	P	W	D	G	P
St John's "D"	8	7	0	31½	7
Tech. High "A"	8	5	1	24	5½
Portchester Mod.	8	4	1	19½	4½
Gosport Gramm. "B"	7	2	0	13	2
Purbrook "B"	7	0	0	7	0

DIVISION II

	P	W	D	G	P
St John's "E"	7	7	0	31	7
St John's "F"	7	5	0	26½	5
P'mouth Gramm. "C"	5	3	0	13½	3
Tech. High "B"	5	3	0	12	3

Gosport Gramm. "C"	6	2	0	11	2
Purbrook "C"	6	1	1	9½	1½
Fareham Sec.	4	1	0	4	1
Prices "B"	6	0	1	7½	½

INTER-LEAGUE MATCH

The annual inter-league match between Bournemouth and Southampton over 50 boards for the "Echo Bowl" resulted in a win by Southampton League by 30 games to 20. Bournemouth were leading 17-13 on the top 30 boards at the end, but their very weak "tail" could only manage three points from 20 games.

Next year an attempt will be made to make it a three-corner contest between the three Leagues, Portsmouth, Southampton and Bournemouth.

Scores on the first ten boards were (Southampton names first). — M. Thompson-0, D. O'D. Newbury 1; L. E. Vine 0, D. K. Bevis 1; G. Daw 0, S. J. Leigh 1; A. Hocking 1, C. Mansfield 0; A. C. Barton 1, E. W. Chandler 0; P. L. Marshall ½, D. E. Papworth ½; J. E. C. Hobbs ½, H. J. Collins ½; G. L. Pritchard 1, R. A. Eades 0; J. Shepherd ½, D. D. Marples ½; T. Ciupek 0, S. B. Baker 1.

SUMMER CHESS

Fareham Chess Club are holding weekly sessions on Friday evenings at the Red Lion Hotel, Fareham, at which Mr. W. H. Pratten will give talks on opening theory. There will no doubt be time after the talks for a game.

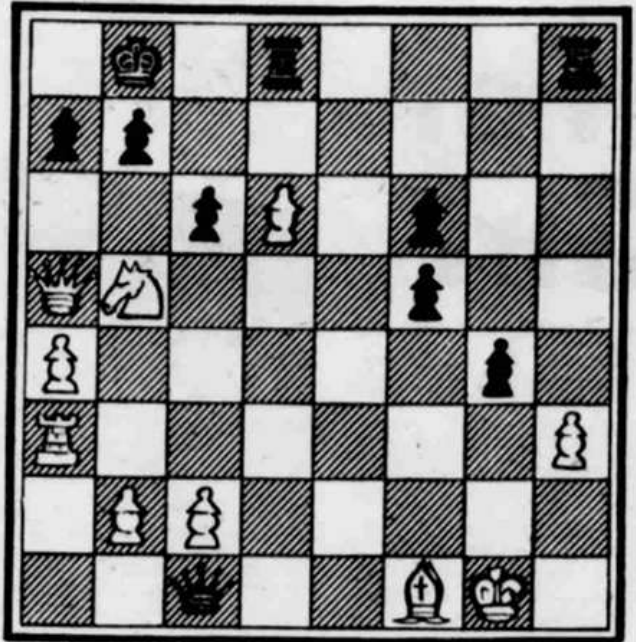
This is, not just for the benefit of Fareham players — anyone is cordially invited. The first session is at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, June 9 and it is hoped that the new venture will be well supported.

PROBLEM

The key move in last week's problem was R-R5. Mr. Holwill of Paulsgrove writes to say (quite correctly) that the key move to the problem published on May 3 should have read Q-N5 (and



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not Q-B5 as given on May 10).

This week we are publishing the position in the County Correspondence game between A. F. Brameld (Gosport) and G. W. Henlea (Surrey),

at which point Brameld (White) announced mate in 7 (commencing with Q x P+).

Apparently this was so, as his opponent resigned without making another move.