BUCKINGHAMSHIRE DEFEATED HAMPSHIRE completed their IN LAST MATCH

season's programme in the Southern Counties Chess Union Championship competition with a comfortable win against Bucking-

hamshire by 14 games to six.

Local players taking part more than held their own, J. Borland beating his opponent, while W. H. Pratten and W. C. Martin both obtained draws.

the week.

Although there has been considerable activity in Division II of the Senior Section, there has been no change in the position of the teams in the table.

Fareham "B" came nearer to beating R.N.P.L. than the score of 11/2 - 31/2 suggests, and the high-

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light of the match was the win by 14-year-old Richard Hughes in his first game in this division. Portsmouth Grammar School have struck winning form and have beaten both College of Technology and A.S.R.E. within

In Division III, Bridgemary are in serious difficulties with an acute shortage of players, and R. McCaulder tackled Collingwood Apprentices all on his own rather than give away a walkover.

As Collingwood were also one short, he obtained 11/2 game |

points for his efforts, and Bridge-mary are still at the top of this division.

Results:

Senior Section

Portsmouth Grammar School "A" 3, College of Technology 2 (J. Venn 0, J. Rowe 1; A. Maber 1, J. Eddington 0; D. Harper 0, J. Ramsbottom 1; A. Jones 1, D. Shenton 0; J. Watson 1, J. Elbro 0).

A.S.R.E. 1½ Portsmouth Grammar School "A" 3½ (E. Underhill 1, D. Paul 6; A. E. Roberts 6, P. Collins 1; S. Smith 6, J. Watson 1; G. Ratter ½ D. Harper ½; G. Green 6, R. Cath 1). R.N.P.L. "A" 3½, Fareham "B' 1½ (J. M. Holford 1, A. F. Garner 6; A. N. Dossett ½. C. Brading ½; K. Harrison 1, C. H. West 6; H. J. Taylor 1, T. Bayliss 6; H. Hempleman 6, R. Hughes 1). Division III:

Bridgemary 1½, Collingwood Apprentices "B" 3½ (R. McCaulder I, D. Pyrke 0; Default 0, D. Arthur 1; Default 0, N. Ling 1; Default 0, R. Anderson 1, Default ½, Default ½).

Senior Section

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| R.N.P.L. "A" | P888888 | W755320 | D G P 1 26 77 2 24 6 0 23 5 0 181, 3 1 181, 2 0 10 0 | 1/2 |

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| St John's "B" | ******** | 6 2 | 0 14 2 |

COUNTY INDIVIDUAL

Ventham beat Borland in the third round of the Hampshire Individual Championship Tournament and the game Martin v. Davis stands adjourned.

Pairings for the fourth round, with scores, to date: Bratten (3) v. Ventham (2½), Cullinane (2) v. Thompson (2½), Henshaw (2) v. Samuels (1½), Vine (1½) v. West (1½), Borland (1) v. Russell (1½), Britton (1) v. Martin. Davis has a bye in this round.

Both Southampton teams won their matches in the Hampshire League and the championship issue looks like being in doubt right up to the last.

University have completed their fixtures but their rivals can still beat them on games average should they be successful in their final match against Woolston.

Basingstoke 1½, Southampton University 3½; Andover 0, Southampton 5.

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| Southampton 5 | 4 1 20 41/3 |
| Woolston 4 | 3 0 12 3 |
| Fareham 4 | 1 0 81/4 1 |
| Basingstoke 5 | 1 0 9% 1 |
| Pmo Community Centre 3 | 0 4" 0 |
| Andover 3 | |