



HAMPSHIRE TEAM LOSE TO SURREY

HAMPSHIRE were overwhelmed by a strong Surrey team at Guildford on Saturday. The score on the first 20 boards for the S.C.C.U. Championship competition was 6½—13½, and on the full 50 boards for the Amboyna Shield competition Hampshire lost by 15½ to 34½.

Only eight Hampshire players won their games, and amongst these were L. West (Community Centre) on board 23 and Dr. B. G. Wells (Portsmouth) on board 28.

The proportion of local players taking part in these County matches is steadily increasing, there being 8 present on this occasion. Draws were obtained by J. Grant (Fareham) on board 26 and J. P. Price (Portsmouth) on board 35. W. C. Martin (Fareham)—Bd. 16, Capt. G. P. Britton (R.N.P.L.)—Bd. 17, R. W. Davis (Community Centre)—Bd. 25, and A. F. Garner (Fareham)—Bd. 29 all lost their games.

Hampshire's next match is against Sussex on January 10 and will again be on 50 boards.

SCHOOLS' COMPETITION

St John's College "B" team are through to the third round of the National Schools Knock-Out Tournament following a decisive win against Portchester Secondary Modern School.

Scores (St John's players first).—F. Aribag 1, A. Jones 0; P. Miller 0, R. Hughes 1; P. Cullinane 1, G. Taylor 0; C. Moore 1, A. Wrenn 0; B. Davis 1, G. Ware 0; C. Davis 1, W. Waller 0. (Total: St John's 5, Portchester Mod. 1).

PORTSMOUTH LEAGUE

Cosham, who have a potentially stronger team than last season, seem unable to strike winning form and lost by the odd game to R.N.P.L.

This brings R.N.P.L. up to third place and only game average separates the three leaders of Division 1.

In Division 2, Portsmouth Grammar School have obtained

two good wins whilst St John's "A" move away from the bottom of the table following a decisive victory over Collingwood Apprentices.

RESULTS

Division 1

Cosham 2, R.N.P.L. 3 (G. Richardson 0, Dr. J. M. Holford 1; S. C. Noke 1, Capt. G. P. Britton 0; C. F. Way 1, A. N. Dossett 0; R. Pett 0, K. W. Harrison 1; H. S. White 0, G. Mellows 1.)

Division 2

Portsmouth Grammar School 3½, Portsmouth "B" 1½ (G. Levy ½, D. M. Heywood ½; P. M. Collins 1, A. Bacon 0; J. F. Watson 0, W. Makar 1; R. G. Cath 1, Default 0; W. R. Wood-Roe 1, J. E. Smith 0.)

St John's "A" 4, Collingwood Apprentices 1 (P. Wilcox 0, J. Beardsmore-Hyde 1; E. Woo 1, R. Craig 0; F. Brown 1, J. Cooper 0; C. Thomas 1, F. Easton 0; D. Pensiton-Bird 1, J. Baxendale 0.)

St John's "B" 0, Portsmouth Grammar School "A" 5 (P. James 0, P. M. Collins 1; K. Harrison 0, J. F. Watson 1; C. Green 0, P. Mihalop 1; F. Aribag 0, W. Wood-Roe 1; P. Miller 0, R. Cath 1.)

TABLES

Division 1

	P	W	D	G	Pt
Fareham "A"	2	1	1	7½	1½
Comm. Centre	2	1	1	6	1½
R.N.P.L.	2	1	1	5½	1½
Port. "A"	2	1	0	5½	1
Gosport	2	0	1	2½	½
Cosham	2	0	0	3	0

Division 2

	P	W	D	G	Pt
Fareham "B"	3	3	0	11½	3
Portsmouth "B"	3	2	0	11	2
Port. Grammar A. ...	4	2	0	11	2
St John's "B"	3	2	0	6½	2
A.S.R.E.	2	1	0	4½	1
St John's "A"	3	1	0	6	1
Coll. Apps.	4	0	0	4½	0