

Hampshire In Danger Of Losing

HAMPSHIRE are in danger of losing their Southern Counties Chess match against Berkshire, the score standing at 7½ games to 9½ with three games for adjudication.

W. C. Martin (Fareham) won his game against B. Jobbins on Board 12 but Capt. G. P. Britton (R.N.P.L.) lost on board 18. The game of A. Hayes (Portsmouth) on Board 9 was unfinished.

In the Portsmouth League, both Portsmouth and Fareham won their matches and are pulling away from the rest of the field, with Fareham only half a point behind the leaders. By an odd coincidence, both teams were a trifle lucky to scrape home by the odd game after receiving one win by default.

In the Schools Section, Gosport Grammar School had two good wins, the "under-15" team obtaining their fifth successive victory in Division 2. With only one more match to play (v. Portchester Secondary Modern School), they are now almost certain of the Championship of this Division.

Results—
Senior Section—Division I: Fareham "A" 3, Gosport 2 (W. C. Martin 0, W. J. Eaton 1; G. W. Farmer 1, E. Taylor 0; J. Grant 0, H. W. Tripp 1; A. F. Garner 1, default 0; M. Salt 1, G. Fayers 0); Portsmouth "A" 3, Community Centre 2 (A. Carter ½, B. Carter ½; Dr. B. G. Wells 0, R. W. Davis 1; H. C. Bailey ½, S. F. Adams ½; M. Dymond 1, R. I. Ross 0; G. L. Comben 1, default 0).

Schools Section—Division I: Gosport G.S. "A" 3½, St John's "D" 1½ (J. Jones 1, P. James 0; M. Carter 0, P. Bird 1; B. White 1, C. Green 0; D. Fryer 1, A. Miller 0; A. Titheridge ½, P. Miller ½). Division II: St John's "F" 1, Gosport G.S. "B" 4 (M. Willcocks 0, R. Jones 1; C. Dawes 0, A. Brameld 1; W. Markham 1, R. Buckland 0; B. Constable 0, R. McBeth 1; P. Beaumont 0, G. Williams 1).

SENIOR SECTION

Division I

	P	W	D	G	Pt
Portsmouth "A"	7	6	0	25½	6
Fareham "A"	7	5	1	22	5½
Community Ctr.	7	3	1	21½	3½
R.N.P.L.	6	3	1	14	2½
Cosham	6	1	0	9	1
Gosport	7	0	1	8	½

Division II

Portsmouth "B"	9	7	0	34	7
Ports. G.S. "A"	10	6	1	30	6½
Fareham "B"	8	6	0	24½	6
St John's "B"	7	4	0	15	4
A.S.R.E.	7	3	0	16½	3
St John's "A"	8	2	1	17	2½
Collingwood Apps.	9	0	0	8	0

SCHOOLS' SECTION

Division I

Ports. Grammar "B"	2	2	0	8	2
St John's "C"	1	1	0	4	1
Prices "A"	2	1	0	4	1
Gosport G.S. "A"	4	1	0	7½	1
St John's "D"	1	0	0	1½	0

Division II

Gosport G.S. "B"	5	5	0	21	5
Prices "B"	3	2	0	9	2
St John's "E"	3	2	0	7	2
St John's "F"	2	1	0	6	1
Ports. G.S. "C"	3	0	0	4	0
Portchester Mod.	1	0	0	1	0
Ports. G.S. "D"	3	0	0	2	0

Fifth round results so far received in the Portsmouth and District Individual Championship are: Richardson beat West; Noke beat Adams; Comben beat Makar; Grant beat Smith; and Farmer beat Brading. The game Watson v. Garner was drawn.