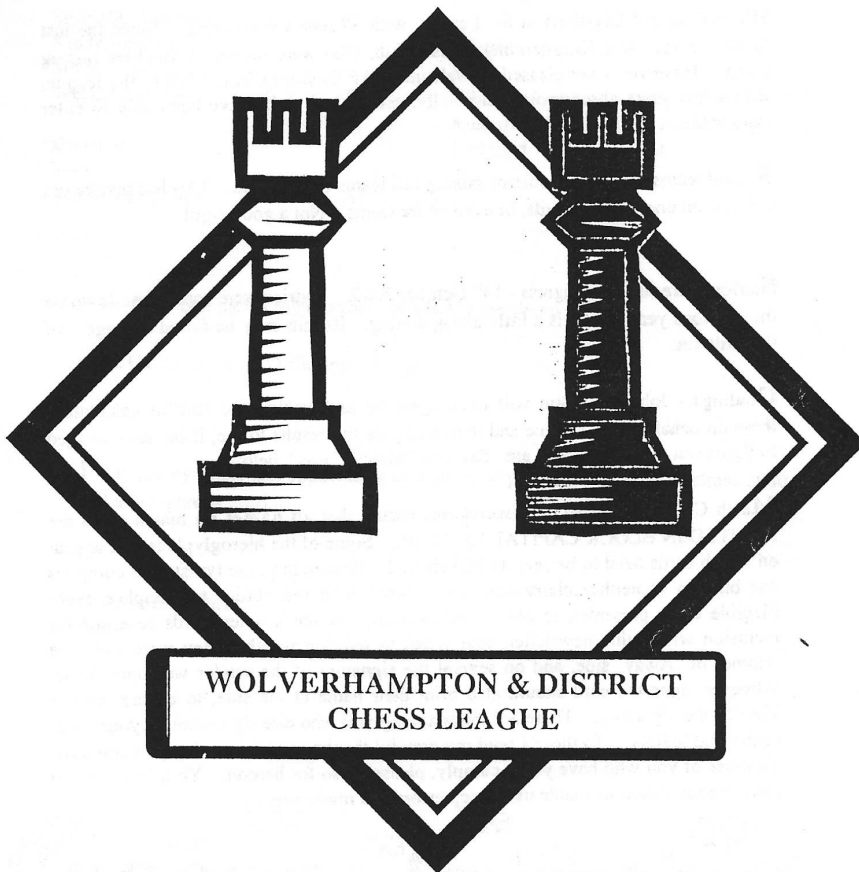


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WOLVERHAMPTON & DISTRICT CHESS LEAGUE

Newsletter No. One

Season 2000/2001

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Welcome to yet another season, my 26th as Records Secretary

We still have 4 Divisions in the League, with 37 teams competing. Since the last AGM we have lost Kingstanding Chess Club, who were having difficulties raising teams. However, I am pleased to welcome RAF Cosford Chess Club to the league, after a few years absence. Additionally, established clubs have been able to enter extra teams.

Several teams have had problems raising full teams for matches. This has resulted in defaults on one or two boards, or even entire teams. Not a good sign!

Staffordshire Junior Congress - 14th October 2000. Entries were somewhat down on the previous year, which is a little disappointing. Results may be found on page of this bulletin.

Gradings - John Robinson will once again be undertaking the task of calculating these on behalf of the League and then will pass the results to me, if he has managed to figure out what the entries are. See also "Match Cards", below.

Match Cards. Will all club secretaries ensure that **all names** on match cards are **PRINTED IN BLOCK CAPITAL LETTERS**. Some of the hieroglyphics that appear on match cards need to be seen to be believed. Regrettably, the typist who compiles our bulletin is neither clairvoyant nor blessed with the ability to decipher every illegible entry presented to him. Additionally, of the last ten cards received for inclusion within this newsletter, four failed to indicate whether they were from the 'Home' or 'Away' side, and on several the signature of the sender was unreadable. Whoever signs the card should also print their name at the side, to ensure we can identify the signatory. There are those among you who already complete your cards neatly and legibly. To those I send my grateful thanks and request that you continue. To those of you who have yet to comply, please do so for hereon. Your help will be greatly appreciated to enable us to keep errors to a minimum.

Change of Club Name-Telford Chess Club has amalgamated with Shifnal Chess Club and is now known as Shifnal and Telford

Full league tables will appear in the next bulletin. Early positions are as follows

	Points	from a possible		Points	from a possible
Division One			Division Three		
Lichfield	4	4	Stourbridge	8	8
West Bromwich	4	4	St Marys	4	6
Shifnal & Telford	4	6			
Kidderminster	4	6	Division Four		
Stourbridge	4	6	RAF Cosford	6	8
Walsall Kipping	4	8	Rushall	7	10
			Lichfield	4	4
Division Two					
Wolverhampton A	6	6			

N B - Only completed matches are included in the above

Late Cards- Mercia C Life Lost - 1 Card

Finally, may I take this opportunity to wish all of you a very happy Christmas 2000 and a prosperous 2001

Graham Humphreys
Editor

       Seasons Greetings

Division One

Bushbury	1½ - 4½	Walsall Kipping A	Lichfield	4 - 2	Mercia
P Pinfold	0 - 1	D Anderton	P Collins	0 - 1	A McCumiskey
J Staniforth	0 - 1	D Pritchard	R A Allen	½ - ½	M Share
P Staley	½ - ½	W Rea	J Smith	1 - 0	B R Smith
R Parry	1 - 0	C Pohribnyj	M Maher	1 - 0	D W Perks
A Schroeder	0 - 1	D Friend	R Farmery	½ - ½	J Phillips
R Brodie	0 - 1	P Jones	A Grant	1 - 0	R Carrier
Mercia	2 - 4	Kidderminster	Rugeley	1½ - 4½	Lichfield
A McCumiskey	½ - ½	M Bissell	W Hulley	0 - 1	P Collins
K A J Francis	½ - ½	J Wrench	R Crellin	0 - 1	J Keaveney
M Share	½ - ½	F Pickett	C Ashton	0 - 1	J Smith
B R Smith	0 - 1	G Link	J Montague	½ - ½	G Hackett
D W Perks	0 - 1	M Riley	R Fell	0 - 1	R Farmery
D Webb	½ - ½	P Thomas	M Page	1 - 0	P Griffiths
Mercia	4 - 2	Rugeley	Rugeley	2½ - 3½	Stourbridge
A McCumiskey	1 - 0	W Hulley	W Hulley	½ - ½	B Dudley
M Share	½ - ½	R Crellin	R Crellin	½ - ½	J Wilson
K A J Francis	½ - ½	C Ashton	C Ashton	½ - ½	R Branford
B R Smith	1 - 0	J Montague	S Montague	½ - ½	K Durnell
D W Perks	1 - 0	R Fell	R Fell	½ - ½	C Caldwell
J Phillips	0 - 1	M Page	M Page	0 - 1	F Tatler
Kidderminster	5 - 1	Rugeley	Stourbridge	4½ - 1½	Walsall Kipping A
M Bissell	1 - 0	B Hulley	B Dudley	½ - ½	D Anderton
J Wrench	1 - 0	R Crellin	G Thomas	1 - 0	D Pritchard
F Pickett	1 - 0	J Montague	I Howarth	1 - 0	W Rea
G Link	1 - 0	R Fell	S Jukes	½ - ½	C Pohribnyj
J Gittus	½ - ½	M Page	E Horwill	1 - 0	D Friend
P Thomas	½ - ½	T Meakin	J Wilson	½ - ½	P Jones



Stourbridge	2 - 4	West Bromwich	Walsall Kipping A	2½ - 3½	Shifnal & Telford
I Howarth	0 - 1	J E Crump	D Pritchard	0 - 1	N J Rutter
E Horwill	0 - 1	N A Walker	W Rea	½ - ½	D W Gostelow
S Jukes	½ - ½	J A Friar	V Pohribnyj	½ - ½	C J Roberts
J Wilson	½ - ½	G Hill	D Friend	1 - 0	R G Thompson
R Branford	½ - ½	M Gregg	A Perry	½ - ½	W Peck
F Tatler	½ - ½	D M Davies	M Savin	0 - 1	S Tennant
Shifnal & Telford	4 - 2	Stafford	Walsall Kipping A	3½ - 2½	Walsall Kipping B
N Rutter	1 - 0	G Acey	D Anderton	1 - 0	S Dickens
C Roberts	0 - 1	P Morris	D Pritchard	0 - 1	D Whitmore
R Thompson	½ - ½	S Pedder	C Pohribnyj	½ - ½	N Young
A Wilson	½ - ½	R Carleton	D Friend	1 - 0	M Groombridge
W Peck	1 - 0	R Gogerty	C Southall	0 - 1	J Payton
S Tennant	1 - 0	DEFAULT	P Jones	1 - 0	S Beasley
Walsall Kipping B	2 - 4	Bushbury	West Bromwich	4½ - 1½	Kidderminster
D Whitmore	0 - 1	L Grinnell	J E Crump	1 - 0	M Bissell
M Groombridge	1 - 0	P Pinfold	N A Walker	½ - ½	J Wrench
P Jones	0 - 1	J Staniforth	G Hill	½ - ½	F Pickett
J Payton	½ - ½	P Staley	M Gregg	1 - 0	G Link
S Beasley	½ - ½	R Parry	D Backhouse	½ - ½	M Riley
K Moore	0 - 1	J Whitehead	D Davies	1 - 0	P Thomas
Walsall Kipping B	6 - 0 ^A	Rugeley			
S Dickens	0 - 1	W Hulley			
D Whitmore	0 - 1	R Crellin			
N Young	½ - ½	C Ashton			
M Groombridge	1 - 0	J Montague			
C Southall	1 - 0	R Fell			
S Beasley	0 - 1	M Page			

Division Two

Brewood	½ - 5½	Lichfield	Walsall Kipping	3 - 3	Lichfield
R Grainger	½ - ½	A Grant	A Perry	0 - 1	D Abell
P Crozet	0 - 1	D Abell	P Jones	½ - ½	A Mieliewski
B Hall	0 - 1	J Lakin	M Savin	½ - ½	A D Wilson
J Fenby	0 - 1	A Smith	A Shrimpton	0 - 1	P Griffiths
C Buxton	0 - 1	P Griffiths	B Davies	1 - 0	J Lakin
G Hancock	0 - 1	B Homewood	P Gavin	1 - 0	B Homewood
Lucas B S	3½ - 2½	Walsall Kipping	Walsall Kipping	2½ - 3½	Stafford
D Stockhall	1 - 0	P Jones	P Jones	½ - ½	D Carter
M Talis	0 - 1	C Southall	A Perry	½ - ½	R T Gogerty
L Johnson	1 - 0	A Perry	M Savin	½ - ½	O F Hill
G Clyde	1 - 0	M Savin	A Shrimpton	0 - 1	P F Evans
H Hughes	0 - 1	A Shrimpton	B Davies	0 - 1	I McTighe
M Rees	½ - ½	B Davies	P Gavin	1 - 0	DEFAULT
Lucas B S	2½ - 3½	Wolverhampton A	Wolverhampton A	4½ - 1½	Wolverhampton C
M E Tallis	0 - 1	D Daniels	M Townsend	1 - 0	P Atkiss
L J Johnson	0 - 1	M Wootton	D Daniels	½ - ½	J Button
G R Clyde	1 - 0	M Griffiths	M Griffiths	½ - ½	S Wilson
H Hughes	1 - 0	F Wood	M Wootton	1 - 0	K Jones
E P Elkington	0 - 1	D Bird	F Wood	1 - 0	P Hubbard
M J Rees	½ - ½	P Eastwood	P Eastwood	½ - ½	M Fitzwilliam
Mercia	1½ - 4½	Rushall	Wolverhampton B	4½ - 1½	Lucas B S
J Phillips	0 - 1	K Hadley	P Broomhall	½ - ½	L Johnson
R Carrier	0 - 1	C Bell	R Wilkinson	0 - 1	H Hughes
R Price	0 - 1	S Wilcox	G Rosser	1 - 0	G Clyde
J Rich	½ - ½	R Parker	A Hodges	1 - 0	M Rees
C Lane	0 - 1	S Colwell	C Haughton	1 - 0	A Johnston
C Bateson	1 - 0	G Sanders	P Price	1 - 0	A Crump
Rushall	4½ - 1½	Brewood	Wolverhampton B	1½ - 4½	Wolverhampton A
K Hadley	0 - 1	D Laight	P Sanghera	0 - 1	M Townsend
S Wilcox	1 - 0	P Crozet	R Wilkinson	½ - ½	M Griffiths
R Parker	1 - 0	B Hall	G Rosser	0 - 1	M Wootton
N Parker	½ - ½	J Fenby	P Broomhall	0 - 1	F Wood
D Bell	1 - 0	C Buxton	P Price	½ - ½	P Eastwood
P Spencer	1 - 0	D Buckley	A Hodges	½ - ½	C A Davis
Rushall	5 - 1	Walsall Kipping	Wolverhampton C	4½ - 1½	Wolverhampton B
K Hadley	1 - 0	P Jones	P Sanghera	1 - 0	G Rosser
S Wilcox	1 - 0	M Savin	P Atkiss	½ - ½	R Ward
J Sadler	1 - 0	A Shrimpton	J Button	1 - 0	P Broomhall
N Parker	½ - ½	B Davies	S Wilson	0 - 1	P Price
D Bell	½ - ½	P Gavin	K Jones	1 - 0	A Hodges
S Allen	1 - 0	K J Moore	M Fitzwilliam	1 - 0	A Robinson
Stafford	4 - 2	Mercia			
D Carter	½ - ½	J Phillips			
R T Gogerty	1 - 0	DEFAULT			
O F Hill	1 - 0	C Lane			
P F Evans	½ - ½	R Carrier			
I McTighe	0 - 1	J Rich			
D Nesbitt	1 - 0	C Bateson			

Division Three

Brewood	2½ - 2½	Rushall	Rugeley	1½ - 3½	St Marys,
R Fletcher	½ - ½	D Bell	T Meakin	½ - ½	R Dolan
P Allan	1 - 0	K Butler	S Heath	0 - 1	R Lewis
J Grugulis	0 - 1	P Spencer	P Marklove	0 - 1	R Westwood
T Colabella	0 - 1	R Turner	J Westwood	0 - 1	M Job
J Irons	0 - 1	S Allen	D Lindley	1 - 0	B Lynam
Bushbury	2 - 3	Kidderminster	Rushall	2½ - 2½	Bushbury
R Brodie	½ - ½	D Digger	D Bell	0 - 1	R Brodie
P Scott	0 - 1	J Varilone	K Butler	½ - ½	W Pinfold
J Whitehead	½ - ½	T Pountney	P Spencer	0 - 1	J Whitehead
K Booth	½ - ½	K Brant	R Turner	1 - 0	P Scott
D Keates	½ - ½	M Kitchen	S Allen	1 - 0	S Jones
Kidderminster	1½ - 3½	Brewood	Rushall	4½ - ½	Walsall Kipping
J Varilone	½ - ½	D Buckley	D Bell	1 - 0	C Billings
T Pountney	0 - 1	R Fletcher	S Allen	1 - 0	P Nixon
P Kitchen	0 - 1	P Allan	P Spencer	½ - ½	K Moore
K Brant	½ - ½	J Grugulis	J Hills	1 - 0	L Hayes
M Kitchen	½ - ½	S Wagg	R Turner	1 - 0	DEFAULT
Kidderminster	2½ - 2½	Rushall	Stafford	1½ - 3½	Stourbridge
P Thomas	½ - ½	D Bell	O F Hill	1 - 0	R Branford
T Pountney	1 - 0	P Spencer	G deVisme	½ - ½	K Durnell
P Kitchen	0 - 1	K Butler	I McTighe	0 - 1	M Poplesak
K Brant	1 - 0	R Turner	G Argent	0 - 1	F Tatler
M Kitchen	0 - 1	S Cooksey	K Dwight	0 - 1	M Wood
Kidderminster	2 - 3	Stourbridge	Stafford	2½ - 2½	Wolverhampton
B Pugh	½ - ½	R Branford	F Hill	½ - ½	B Lewis
J Varilone	0 - 1	M Poplesak	G deVisme	0 - 1	M Holway
T Pountney	½ - ½	K Durnell	G Argent	0 - 1	C Haughton
K Brant	0 - 1	F Tatler	I McTighe	1 - 0	M Steed
M Kitchen	1 - 0	M Wood	K Dwight	1 - 0	DEFAULT

St Marys 3½ - 1½
 R Lewis ½ - ½
 R Westwood 1 - 0
 M Job 0 - 1
 R Mayne 1 - 0
 B Lynam 1 - 0

St Marys 1 - 4
 R Lewis 0 - 1
 M Job 0 - 1
 R Mayne ½ - ½
 B Lynam 0 - 1
 L Greaves ½ - ½

Stourbridge 4 - 1
 R Branford ½ - ½
 M Poplesak ½ - ½
 F Tatler 1 - 0
 C Caldwell 1 - 0
 M Wood 1 - 0

Stafford
 G de Visme
 D Nesbitt
 I McTighe
 K Dwight
 DEFAULT

Stourbridge
 R Branford
 M Poplesak
 F Tatler
 M Wood
 D Scriven

Rugeley
 T Meakin
 S Heath
 J Westwood
 D Tindley
 DEFAULT

Wolverhampton 5 - 0
 C Adams 1 - 0
 C Haughton 1 - 0
 A Robinson 1 - 0
 L Hesbrook 1 - 0
 R Whittingham 1 - 0

Wolverhampton 2 - 3
 C Adams 1 - 0
 M Halway 0 - 1
 C Haughton 0 - 1
 B Lewis ½ - ½
 R Whittingham ½ - ½

Walsall Kipping
 P Nixon
 K Moore
 L Hayes
 DEFAULT
 DEFAULT

Rugeley
 T Meakin
 A Dobson
 J Westwood
 S Heath
 D Tindley

Division Four

Brewood	0 - 4	Lichfield		Rushall	½ - 3½	Lichfield
S Bird	0 - 1	B Homewood		P Turner	0 - 1	B Homewood
G Hancock	0 - 1	I Smitton		G Sanders	0 - 1	C Brown
C Spencer	0 - 1	C Ricketts		S Cooksey	0 - 1	I Smitton
DEFAULT	0 - 1	S Smitton		J Hennion	½ - ½	S Smitton
Brewood	1½ - 2½	St Marys		Rushall	3 - 1	Brewood
C Spencer	½ - ½	R Mayne		G Sanders	0 - 1	S Bird
A Davies	0 - 1	B Lynam		C Wilcox	1 - 0	G Hancock
S Wagg	1 - 0	L Greaves		J Hennion	1 - 0	A Davies
DEFAULT	0 - 1	M Zubacz		C Perrygrove	1 - 0	J Irons
Lichfield	4 - 0	Mercia		Rushall	2 - 2	RAF Cosford
B Homewood	1 - 0	A Jancis		P Turner	0 - 1	H O'Harney
C Brown	1 - 0	C Heathcock		S Cooksey	1 - 0	P Denner
I Smitton	1 - 0	P W Nicholls		C Wilcox	0 - 1	P Tosney
S Smitton	1 - 0	S Pallant		J Hennion	1 - 0	P Denner
Mercia	0 - 4	RAF Cosford		St Marys	1 - 4	Mercia
C Heathcock	0 - 1	H O'Harney		M Zubacz	1 - 0	A Jancis
S Pallant	0 - 1	P Denner		L Greaves	0 - 1	C Heathcock
P W Nicholls	0 - 1	P Tosney		DEFAULT	0 - 1	P W Nicholls
W Fletcher	0 - 1	I Brady		DEFAULT	0 - 1	S Pallant
Mercia	1 - 3	Rushall		St Marys	½ - 3½	Rushall
A Jancis	1 - 0	S Cooksey		R Mayne	0 - 1	P Turner
C Heathcock	0 - 1	C Wilcox		L Greaves	½ - ½	S Cooksey
P W Nicholls	0 - 1	J Hennion		S Westwood	0 - 1	C Wilcox
S Pallant	0 - 1	M Staniforth		D Roberts	0 - 1	J Hennion
RAF Cosford	2 - 2	Brewood				
H O'Harney	0 - 1	S Bird				
P Denner	1 - 0	C Spencer				
P Tosney	0 - 1	A Davies				
C Murray	1 - 0	S Wagg				

RESULTS OF THE STAFFORDSHIRE JUNIOR CHESS CONGRESS, HELD
14 OCTOBER 2000
WESTON HIGH SCHOOL, STAFFORD

U18	2 Players Competed	5 Rounds	Score
1st	Thomas Pym	Oswestry CC	4
2nd	Andrew Moore	Stourbridge	1½

U16	4 Players competed	5 Rounds	Score
1st	Conrad Westmorland	Cheddleton CC	4
2nd	Melanie Corbishley	Cheddleton CC	2½
1st Girl	Melanie Corbishley	Cheddleton CC	2½

U14	18 Players Competed	6 Rounds	Score
1st	Richard Westwood	St Marys CC	6
2nd	Steve Bruce	Pavilion CC	5
Jt 3rd	Charlotte Wilcox	Rushall CC	4
Jt 3rd	Paul Cobham	Derby	4
Jt 3rd	Callum Gordon	Birmingham	4
1st Girl	Charlotte Wilcox	Rushall CC	4

U12	8 Players Competed	6 Rounds	Score
1st	Carl Cotterill	Tamworth	5½
Jt 2nd	Robbie Bellin	Walsall	4½
Jt 2nd	Yangshi Yu	Pavilion CC	4½
1st Girl	Yangshi Yan	Pavilion CC	3½

****Event Information****

Total Number of entries - 70 from 28 schools - U18, U16 Run as an All-Play-All; U14 Run as a separate section; U12 Run as a separate section;

U11 Run as a separate section; U10, U9, & U8 run as one section

Next year's event will be held at the same venue. The date is likely to be 6 October, or 13 October 2001. (To be confirmed nearer the event)

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U11	15 Players Competed	6 Rounds	Score
1st	Michael Christie	Cheshire	5½
2nd	Molly Moruzzi	Cheddleton CC	5
Jt 3rd	Peter Hallen	Cheddleton CC	4
Jt 3rd	Martin Gee	Cheddleton CC	4
Jt 3rd	William Brotherton	Cheddleton CC	4
Jt 1st	Sarah Westwood	St Marys CC	3
Girl	Amy Sutton	Irlam	3
Jt 1st	Amy Sutton	Irlam	3
Girl	Amy Sutton	Irlam	3

U10	12 Players Competed	6 Rounds	Score
Jt 1st	Christopher Bellin	Walsall	5½
Jt 1st	Victoria Crompton	Cheshire	5½
Jt 3rd	Andrew Bucknell	Cheshire	4
Jt 3rd	Tyler Robinson	Stoke on Trent	4
1st Girl	Katie Smith	Cheddleton	3½

U9	10 Players Competed	6 Rounds	Score
Jt 1st	Megan Moruzzi	Cheddleton	4
Jt 1st	Marcus Atherton	Cheshire	4
3rd	Daniel Tatton	Stoke on Trent	3
1st Girl	Charlotte Heaney	Stoke on Trent	2

U8	1 Entry Only	Score
1st	George Cloake	Cheshire
		3

It was disappointing to see the drop in the number of entries. However, we did have 15 new players who had not previously played in this event - A good sign!
In closing this report I wish to thank all those people who have helped me in running the event. Especial thanks go to Ray Dolan, who organised a presentation which was made to my wife and I in recognition of my 50 years as Junior Chess Secretary for Staffordshire

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Worcestershire	7½ - 8½	Staffordshire
1 G M Boyle	½ - ½	D M Wheeler
2 J Edge	½ - ½	D W Anderton
3 P Kitson	½ - ½	L Grinsell
4 M Bethel	0 - 1	R Allen
5 M Bissell	0 - 1	C Hibbard
6 K Hurney	½ - ½	P Porter
7 I Truscott	1 - def	D Morris
8 E Horwill	0 - 1	P Pinfold
9 J Wrench	½ - ½	J Staniforth
10 D Jackson	0 - 1	M Gregg
11 J Heath	½ - ½	C Simpson
12 A Copeman	½ - ½	C Pohribnyj
13 S Jukes	1 - 0	N G Burne
14 M Riley	½ - ½	N Young
15 P Thomas	½ - ½	M Hoare
16 C Billinge	1 - 0	D McIntosh

U100

Warwickshire	8½ - 3½	Staffordshire
1 M Humphries	½ - ½	P Spencer
2 P Woodward	0 - 1	R Westwood
3 M Measham	½ - ½	P Gavin
4 J Packenham	1 - 0	P Evans
5 D Walsh	0 - 1	A Meakin
6 P Ball	0 - 1	P Allan
7 D McCarty	1 - 0	P Nixon
8 D Rowe	1 - 0	K Moore
9 R Turner	1 - 0	R Mayne
10 A Fowles	1 - 0	S Heath
11 P Ash	1 - 0	B Lynam
12 J Fahy	½ - ½	L Greaves

