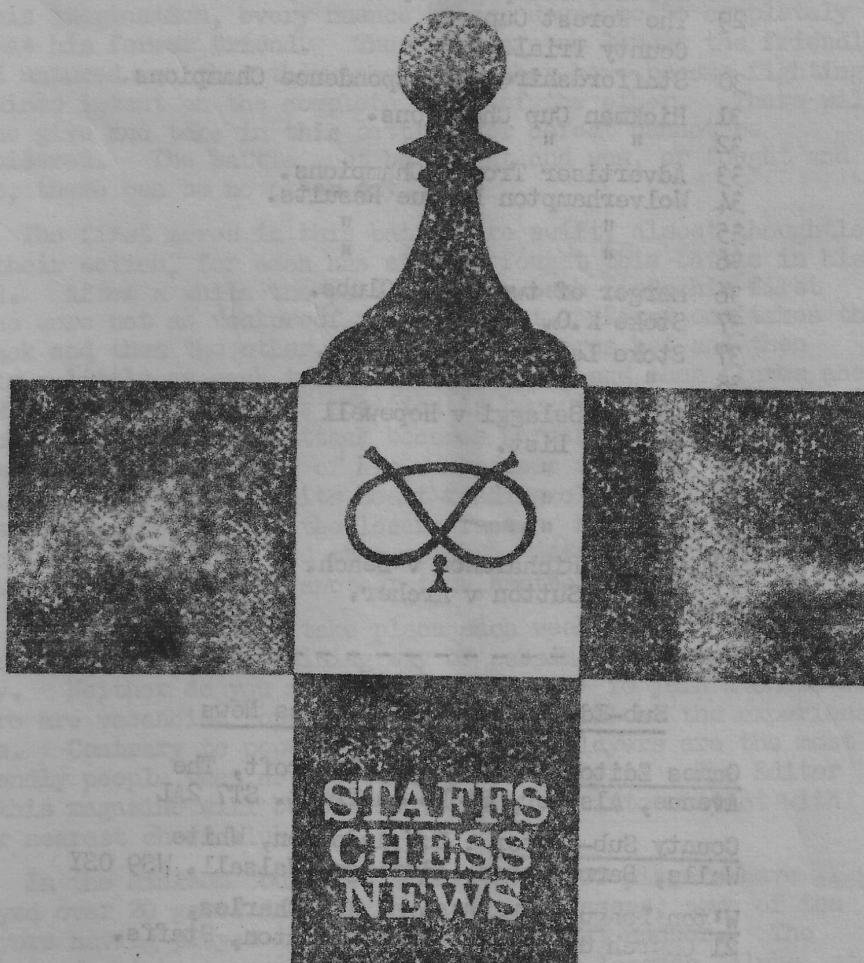


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THE BATTLE OF WITS

Two men face each other. Though previously friends they are now enemies. Each man is determined that in this battle he will be supreme. Each man will use every trick, every power of his imagination, every nuance he can develop to completely defeat his former friend. These men are no longer the friendly good natured men that they once were, they have become fighting machines intent on the complete route of the other. There will be no give and take in this battle, for defeat cannot be considered. The battle must be fought and won, or fought and lost, there can be no other way.

The first moves in this battle are swift, almost thoughtless in their action, for each has already fought this battle in his mind. After a while the pace slows as each finds his first plans were not as foolproof as he thought. First one takes the attack and then the other. The battle flares hot and then cools a little as each tries to consolidate and then flares anew. Slowly one finds that his position is becoming more and more precarious. Each new attack becomes harder to repulse as his attacker takes advantage of his weaknesses as this 'no punches pulled' contest reaches its heart-rending climax. Emotions chase each other across the losers face. Fear, despair, hatred momentarily take over and then relief. After all, this is only a game. There will be another time, another contest.

Contests like this take place each week at our chess clubs. There is no more entertaining way of passing a couple of hours away. Neither do you need to be a 'master' to join a chess club. There are vacancies for novice players as well as the experienced ones. Contrary to popular belief, chess players are the most friendly people when not actually playing chess! The Editor of this magazine will be pleased to put you into contact with your nearest chess club.

In the Midland Counties, alone, over 900 players have each played over 20 games during the last two seasons, some of the players having played two or three times that number. The number of matches arranged by the counties, leagues, clubs, etc., allows for everyone a chance to enjoy competitive chess.

THE COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP

At the meeting of the Midland Counties Chess Union on Saturday 26 September at Nottingham, radical changes were made in the arrangements for the County Championship. Hitherto the winner of the West Midlands Section comprising Warwickshire, Worcestershire, Staffordshire and Shropshire, has qualified for the quarter finals. The result has been that Staffordshire have only qualified for the quarter finals once in the last thirty years as they have never established an ascendancy over Warwickshire. The new rules provide that the winner and runner up of the Western Section will play off against the winner and runner up of the Eastern Section for two places in the British Championship quarter finals. This will give Staffordshire a far better chance of qualifying than beforehand and will create substantially more interest in the competition.

The dates for the additional fixtures are as follows:

Semi finals - Saturday 6 March 1971

Final (for MCCU title) - Saturday 27 March 1971

THE BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT

The British Championship Qualifying Tournament begins this month. The West Midlands is divided into three County sections from which five players will qualify for the Midland Zonal Section which commences early next year. The qualifiers from the Zonal will be eligible to play in the British Championship 1971.

The Staffordshire County Section comprises five players: D W Anderton, R A Beach, G J Dykes, B Marshall and W J Stirling. Only one of these competitors can qualify for the Zonal.

The Warwickshire, Herefordshire, Shropshire County section is divided into two groups. Two competitors will qualify from each group. Groups comprises: B Cafferty, B H Wood, D M H Everington and M B Squires. Group 2 comprises: F C Gibbs, C Burton, K R Ingram and H T Jones.

The Forest Cup

Another way of qualifying for the Championship is through the Midland Counties Union individual championship - the Forrest Cup. This is a knock out tournament which also begins this month. The Staffordshire County Stage comprises six players: D W Anderton, J E Jones, L G Hesbrook, D Lamb, J D Hughes and W P Taylor. Three will qualify for the West Midlands final pool of eight. The winner from that pool plays off against the winner of the East Midlands pool and the Midlands champion is entitled to play in the British Championship.

COUNTY TRIAL

The annual county trial was held at Evode Ltd, Stafford on Saturday 17 October and took the form of a match between the North and South of Staffordshire. The games were very evenly contested and the final result was a drawn match with $7\frac{1}{2}$ points each.

The detailed results were as follows:

<u>NORTH</u>		<u>SOUTH</u>		
1.	R A Beach	1	Dr V G Jenson	0
2.	C S Barnard	½	D Lamb	½
3.	H F Harte	1	J Fellows	0
4.	J Watson	½	J H Baines	½
5.	M G Smith	0	J D Hughes	1
6.	R J Edwards (Stafford)	0	S G Johnson	1
7.	P G Jackson	0	A Sadler	1
8.	P J Greatbach	½	A M J Hutchings	½
9.	J Hodgkinson	0	P Wojciechowski	1
10.	R J Edwards (Victory)	0	G R Link	1
11.	E Benton	½	W P Taylor	½
12.	M Hancock	1	C Tomlinson	0
13.	A Leadbetter	½	W Clayton	½
14.	R M Ewan	1	M Anderton	0
15.	W Armstrong	1	P Vohralik	0
		—		—
		7½		7½
		—		—

The match was to have been over 16 boards, but South Staffs only provided 13 players, so North Staffs players played on boards 8 and 15 of the South Staffs team.

STAFFORDSHIRE CHAMPIONS

Correspondence Champions

- 1963 A.L. Callow
- 1964 A. Archer
- 1965 S.L. Wiggin
- 1966 P.J. Gregory
- 1967 J.Fellows
- 1968 S.L. Wiggin
- 1969 S.L. Wiggin

Hickman Cup Champions

1899 Wolverhampton YMCA
 1900 Wolverhampton YMCA
 1901 Walsall Chess Club
 1902 Walsall Chess Club
 1903 Wolverhampton YMCA
 1904 No competition
 1905 No competition
 1906 Walsall Chess Club
 1907 Wolverhampton Chess Club
 1908 Hanley Chess Club
 1909 Wolverhampton Chess Club
 1910 Walsall Chess Club
 1911 Wolverhampton and Hanley - joint holders
 1912 Walsall Chess Club
 1913 Hanley Chess Club
 1914 Burton on Trent Chess Club
 1915 Hanley Chess Club
 1916 No competition
 1917 No competition
 1918 No competition
 1919 No competition
 1920 North Staffordshire Chess Club
 1921 Walsall Chess Club
 1922 North Staffordshire Chess Club
 1923 Hanley Chess Club
 1924 Wolverhampton and Hanley - joint holders
 1925 Wolverhampton
 1926 Walsall Chess Club
 1927 Wolverhampton
 1928 Wolverhampton
 1929 Wolverhampton
 1930 Wolverhampton
 1931 Wolverhampton
 1932 Wolverhampton
 1933 Wolverhampton

1934 Wolverhampton
 1935 Wolverhampton and Hanley - joint holders
 1936 Wolverhampton
 1937 Wolverhampton
 1938 West Bromwich and Hanley - joint holders
 1939 Walsall Chess Club
 1946 Wolverhampton
 1947 Wolverhampton Kipping
 1948 Victory Stoke
 1949 Wolverhampton Kipping
 1950 Victory Stoke
 1951 Victory Stoke
 1952 Victory Stoke
 1953 Cannock
 1954 Wolverhampton Kipping
 1955 West Bromwich
 1956 Victory Stoke
 1957 Wolverhampton Kipping
 1958 Victory Stoke & West Bromwich - jnt holders
 1959 West Bromwich
 1960 Victory Stoke
 1961 Victory Stoke
 1962 Wolverhampton Kipping
 1963 Wolverhampton Kipping
 1964 Burton on Trent
 1965 Wolverhampton Kipping
 1966 West Bromwich
 1967 Wolverhampton Kipping
 1968 Victory Stoke
 1969 Wolverhampton Kipping
 1970 Walsall Kipping

Staffordshire Champions - Advertiser Trophy

1928	J Bowden	1961	No result
1929	A J Butcher	1962	W S Powell
1930	W Barker	1963	W S Powell
1931	C Duffield	1964	M A Stevenson
1932	C Duffield	1965	M A Stevenson
1933	C Duffield	1966	D W Anderton
1934	A W Bowen	1967	M A Stevenson
1935	A W Bowen	1968	D W Anderton
1936	C Duffield	1969	R A Beach
1937	K Henn	1970	R A Beach
1938	T G A Farrell		
1939	T G A Farrell		
1940)			
to)	No competition		
1945)			
1946	N L Hughes		
1947	A Archer		
1948	G Harley		
1949	J E Jones		
1950	J E Jones		
1951	W Powell		
1952	A L Callow		
1953	A Schroeder		
1954	A L Callow		
1955	W Powell		
1956	J M Davies		
1957	J H Baines		
1958	A J Sutton		
1959	G Homer		
1960	G Homer		

W-ton Chess League. Results DIV I

<u>Walsall K B 2½</u>		<u>Walsall K A 3½</u>		<u>B.S.C. 3½</u>		<u>Walsall K B 2½</u>	
Cumberlidge ½	H. Baines ½	H. New 0	Cumberlidge 1	M. Bacon ½	G. Dykes ½	T. Hollington 0	
J. Sturrock 1	S. Johnson 0	D. Conway 1	T. Hollington 0	B. Marsh ½	W. Cooper ½		
G. Dykes ½	B. Marshall ½	B. Marsh ½	W. Cooper ½	J. Holloway 1	W. Shrimpton 0		
J. Withnall 0	Dr. Young 1	H. Payne ½	Groombridge ½				
F. Cooper 0	C. Tomlinson 1						
T. Hollington ½	E. Lees ½						

<u>Mercia A ½</u>		<u>Stafford 5½</u>		<u>Dudley A ½</u>		<u>Walsall K A 5½</u>	
G.S.-Roberts 0	J. Quinn 1	T. Grove 0	H. Baines 1	G. Elwell 0	S. Johnson 1		
K. Francis 0	J. Watson 1	J. Johnson 0	B. Marshall 1	J. Johnson 0	C. Tomlinson 1		
B. Smith 0	P. Jackson 1	P. Morris 0	C. Tomlinson 1	W. Cox 0	E. Lees 1		
F. Lloyd ½	Ganeriwala ½	R. Colston ½	G. Dykes ½				
Mrs Lloyd 0	Leadbetter 1						
A. Khan 0	D. Pardoe 1						

<u>Rub Owen 3</u>		<u>Dudley A 3</u>		<u>W-ton A 3</u>		<u>B.S.C. A 3</u>	
C. Winmill ½	G. Elwell ½	H. Jones 1	J. Charles Def.	H. New ½			
B. Nagle 1	J. Johnson 0	N. Boyden ½	H. New ½	M. Bacon 1			
Mrs Anderton 0	W. Cox 1	P. Walkins 0	M. Bacon 1	D. Conway 0			
A. Gilbert 0	R. Colston 1	J. Holt 1	D. Conway 0	B. Marsh ½			
B. Jolly 1	J. Flatley 0	C. Bennett ½	B. Marsh ½	J. Holloway 1			
H. Lewis ½	J. Tromans ½	G. Haynes 0	J. Holloway 1				

<u>Walsall K A 2½</u>		<u>Wton Kip A 1½</u>		<u>DIV II.</u>			
H. Baines 1	D. Anderton 0			<u>Mercia B 1½</u>		<u>J. Thompson A 4½</u>	
S. Johnson ½	Dr. Jenson ½			K. Walton 0	R. Jones 1		
B. Marshall ½	A. D. Lamb A			D. Bryant 0	K. Pittaway 1		
Dr. Young 0	Wojciechowski			J. Clarkes 0	Mrs Briscoe 1		
C. Tomlinson 1	B. McDonough D			B. Burton ½	R. Briscoe ½		
E. Lees A	K. Humphreys A			D. Millard 0	R. Evans 1		
				J. Bates 1	R. Dunton 0		

<u>Sosford 2½</u>		<u>G.K.N. A 2½</u>		<u>W-ton B 2½</u>		<u>Bushbury B 2½</u>	
R. Porter ½	A. Evans ½			B. Priest ½	M. Swash ½		
G. Heckscher ½	C. Hale ½			L. Hesbrook 0	J. Kenwick 1		
M. Walker ½	R. Johns ½			G. Haynes 1	Shuttleworth 0		
M. Bush A	Szentmihaly A			S. Chahal 0	PJ. French 1		
B. Doherty 1	G. Oakley 0			J. Wyer 0	P. Trevor 1		
R. Vint 0	J. Doughty 1			P. Walkins ½	P. Gandy ½	X	

X Denotes ineligible player. Penalty points applied as per rules.

W-ton League Results. DIV II (cont)

<u>Stourbridge 3½</u>	<u>Rugeley 2½</u>	<u>W-ton Kip C 4</u>	<u>West Brom 2</u>
D.Fernihough 1	R.Ewan 0	B.McDonough 0	C.Southall 1
C.Proctor ½	D.Robinson ½	G.Edwards ½	A.Pickering ½
T.Aldworth ½	K.Morris ½	D.Pritchard 1	D.Woodman 0
G.Hull 0	R.Hughes 1	J.Bargery ½	P.Gregory ½
A.Phillips 1	G.Leese 0	C.John 1	S.Smith Def
L.Joyner ½	B.Baird ½	C.Nash 1	M.Donald 0
<u>Dudley B 2</u>	<u>Hobson A 4</u>	<u>Rugeley A 2½</u>	<u>W-ton K C 3½</u>
R.Colston 1	F.Whitehouse 0	R.Ewan 1	B.McDonough Def
A.Moore 0	K.Phillips 1	K.Morris 0	G.Link 1
J.Flatley 1	H.Terry 0	G.Leese 0	R.Stokes 1
J.Tromans 0	Miss Terry 1	D.Larden 0	J.Bargery 1
B.Shelton 0	G.Carless 1	D.Robinson 1	M.Hammer Def
A.Cox 0	G.Robb 1	J.Shaw ½	R.Quinton ½
<u>G.K.N. A 3½</u>	<u>Mercia B 2½</u>	<u>J.Thompson A 1</u>	<u>Stourbridge 5</u>
J.Foughty ½	R.Burton ½	R.Jones 0	J.Williams 1
K.Tabner 1	J.Bates 0	K.Pittaway ½	D.Fernihough ½
C.Hale 1	K.Walton 0	G.Lines ½	C.Proctor ½
R.Johns 0	J.Clarke 1	Mrs Briscoe 0	J.Humphries 1
N.McBroom 0	A.Khan 1	J.Briscoe 0	G.Burford 1
R.Bestwick 1	D.Millard 0	S.Davies 0	A.Phillips 1
<u>West Brom 4½</u>	<u>W-ton B 1½</u>	<u>Hobson A 4</u>	<u>Cosford 2</u>
R.Tarkowski 1	B.Priest 0	J.Grugulis ½	R.Porter ½
D.Woodman ½	L.Hesbrook ½	K.Phillips 1	R.Rowe 0
C.Roberts 1	F.Findlater 0	D.Powell 0	G.Heckscher 1
P.Gregory 1	G.Haynes 0	H.Terry ½	M.Walker ½
S.Smith 1	S.Chahal Def	F.Whitehouse 1	G.Salmon 0
M.Donald 0	M.Fabian 1	G.Carless 1	R.Gay 0

DIV III

<u>Hobson B 3½</u>	<u>Mercia C. 1½</u>	<u>G.K.N. B 3½</u>	<u>B.S.C. B 1½</u>
L.Watts 1	K.Nicholls 0	Szentmihaly 0	L.Scarrott 1
G.Carless 1	D.Kay 0	H.Hartshornel 1	A.Turner 0
Miss Terry ½	H.Callow ½	R.Bestwick 1	R.Kraushaar 0
P.Terry 1	M.Biddulph 0	G.Oakley ½	A.Joyce ½
J.Grugulis 0	A.Khan 1	G.Joynes 1	K.Watkinson 0

W-ton League Results. DIV III (cont).

<u>Bushbury C 3</u>	<u>G.K.N. B 2</u>	<u>Walsall K C 3</u>	<u>J.Thompson 2</u>
W.Birch 1	H.Hartshorne 0	B.Tolley 1	R.Farmer 0
S.Carter 0	Szentmihaly 1	Groombridge 1	J.Gower 0
PW.French 0	M.Rees 1	W.Poxton 1	S.Davies 0
PJ.French 1	S.Atkinson 0	R.Allen 0	B.Walters 1
J.Kenwick 1	J.Cornford 0	S.Moorman 0	M.Jones 1
<u>W-ton C 1</u>	<u>Hobson B 4</u>	<u>Hobson B 3</u>	<u>B.S.C. B 2</u>
Findlater Def	L.Watts 1	Miss Terry 1	R.Kraushaar Def
C.Laughter 0	Miss Terry 1	D.Powell 1	A.Joyce 0
C.Bennett 1	D.Smith 0	G.Carless 0	L.Scarrott 1
W.Wright 0	G.Carless 1	P.Terry 0	A.Turner 1
K.Perry 0	P.Terry 1	J.Grugulis 1	D.Hamilton 0
<u>Mercia C 5</u>	<u>W-ton C 0</u>	<u>G.K.N. B 1</u>	<u>Walsall K C 2</u>
K.Nicholls	Default.	Szentmihaly A	Groombridge A
A.Cox	"	H.Hartshorne A	S.Glebochi A
C.Callow	"	R.Johnson 0	N.Chester 1
B.Callow.	"	T.Hollingworth 0	W.Poxton 1
H.Callow	"	S.Atkinson 1	R.Allen 0
<u>Bushbury C 4</u>	<u>Hobson B 4 1/2</u>	<u>J.Thompson 2</u>	<u>G.K.N. B 2</u>
D.Carter 1/2	L.Watts 1/2	R.Farmer A	H.Hartshorne A
J.Kenwick 0	Miss Terry 1	J.Gower 0	Szentmihaly 1
PJ.French D	G.Carless 1	R.Page 1	G.Oakley 0
P.Trevor 0	J.Grugulis 1	M.Dixon 1	S.Atkinson 0
S.Swinburne 0	G.Robb 1	B.Walters 0	G.Joyne 1

Merger of two Chess Clubs

Rationalisation is now taking place among the Chess Clubs !
 Stafford Chess Club and Stafford Chess Council have now merged
 to become the new Stafford Chess Club. The Secretary is Mr.
 R.V.H. Butters, 27A Crescent Road, Stafford. Dr. H. Simon is
 the President and R.J. Daly the Chairman.

Stoke K.O. Round One

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<u>Electra 'A'</u> $4\frac{1}{2}$	<u>Sneyd Grn'A'</u> $\frac{1}{2}$	<u>Electra 'B'</u> $4\frac{1}{2}$	<u>Willfield'B'</u> $\frac{1}{2}$
R.A.Beach 1	F.Rowley 0	B.Hopewell 1	L.Schwartz 0
C.S.Barnard 1	R.Edge 0	M.Smith 1	H.Deaville 0
H.F.Harte 1	L.Gee 0	D.Senior $\frac{1}{2}$	G.Morse $\frac{1}{2}$
P.Brackner 1	J.S.Reader 0	J.M.Futcher 1	R.Hammersley 0
D.Lancelott $\frac{1}{2}$	W.Landon $\frac{1}{2}$	P.Leslie-Read 1	P.Woodward 0
<u>Willfield'A'</u> 5	<u>Sm'thorne'A'</u> 0	<u>Sneyd Grn'B'</u> $4\frac{1}{2}$	<u>Sm'thorne'B'</u> $\frac{1}{2}$
P.Griffin 1	B.Hitchens 0	P.Paskin 1	T.Harp 0
M.Hancock 1	H.Cotton 0	F.Saunders $\frac{1}{2}$	F.Mountford $\frac{1}{2}$
W.Armstrong 1	R.Mayer 0	G.Key 1	J.Espley 0
W.Foley 1	A.Mayer 0	G.Toft 1	R.Gorman 0
S.Griffin 1	S.Newman 0	R.Sadler 1	R.Lewis 0

Stoke & Newcastle League Results - Division One

<u>Electra 'A'</u> 3	<u>Electra 'B'</u> 2	<u>Leek</u> $2\frac{1}{2}$	<u>Sneyd Grn'A'</u> $2\frac{1}{2}$
R.A.Beach 1	B.Hopewell 0	A.Wood $\frac{1}{2}$	F.Rowley $\frac{1}{2}$
C.S.Barnard $\frac{1}{2}$	H.F.Harte $\frac{1}{2}$	W.Isbell 0	L.Gee 1
P.Brackner $\frac{1}{2}$	M.G.Smith $\frac{1}{2}$	E.G.Harris 1	J.S.Reader 0
D.Lancelott 1	J.M.Futcher 0	G.Price 1	W.Landon 0
A.R.Harris 0	P.Leslie-Read 1	J.Nicholas 0	G.Key 1
<u>Leek</u> $1\frac{1}{2}$	<u>Victory</u> $3\frac{1}{2}$	<u>Electra 'B'</u> 2	<u>Willfield'A'</u> 3
A.Wood 0	F.Cooper 1	B.Hopewell $\frac{1}{2}$	P.Griffin $\frac{1}{2}$
W.Isbell 0	T.Galla 1	M.Smith 1	M.Hancock 0
E.G.Harris 1	L.A.Landon 0	J.M.Futcher 0	W.Armstrong 1
G.Price 0	A.C.Finney 1	J.Sandhu 0	S.Griffin 1
J.Nicholas $\frac{1}{2}$	M.Paffard $\frac{1}{2}$	A.Doust $\frac{1}{2}$	L.Schwartz $\frac{1}{2}$
<u>Penkhull</u> 3	<u>Leek</u> 2	<u>M.E.S.G.</u> 3	<u>Victory</u> 2
D.Ward 1	A.Wood 0	J.Hodgkinson $\frac{1}{2}$	J.Ridgeway $\frac{1}{2}$
P.Engel 0	E.G.Harris 1	W.G.Booth 0	A.C.Finney 1
M.Wilder 0	J.Nicholas 1	D.Walton $\frac{1}{2}$	L.A.Landon $\frac{1}{2}$
T.E.Swain 1	G.Gunia 0	J.B.Adkins 1	P.Donahoe 0
B.Wagstaff 1	T.Jacklin 0	R.Hodgkinson 1	A.J.Wilshaw 0
<u>Leek</u> 2	<u>Willfield'A'</u> 3	<u>Keele</u> 1	<u>Sneyd Grn'A'</u> 4
A.Wood 0	P.Griffin 1	default 0	F.Rowley 1
default 0	M.Hancock 1	G.Turvey 1	L.Gee 0
E.G.Harris 1	S.Griffin 0	J.Bowers 0	R.Edge 1
G.Price 0	L.Schwartz 1	default 0	J.S.Reader 1
J.Nicholas 1	E.Hancock 0	A.Rees 0	W.Landon 1

Stoke & Newcastle League Results - Division Two

Kidsgrove 2½	Sneyd Grn'B' 2½	Electra 'D' 2½	Electra 'C' 2½
P.Malbon 0	F.Saunders 1	J.J.Wood 1	J.Sandhu 0
A.Archer 1	G.Toft 0	P.Rhodes 1	A.Doust 0
W.Dale 1	R.Edge 0	R.Kinnersley 0	G.Romanski 1
J.Chadwick 0	P.Paskin 1	R.Goode ½	J.Ludlam ½
A.Lippai ½	P.Rawlins ½	R.Mountford 0	A.Bennett 1
Sneyd Grn'B' 3	Electra 'D' 2	Electra 'C' 3½	Blind S.C. 1½
P.Paskin 1	J.J.Wood 0	S.Elliott 1	J.Scott 0
G.Toft 0	R.Goode 1	A.Doust ½	B.Foxall ½
R.Edge 1	R.Kinnersley 0	J.Ludlam 1	W.Rees 0
R.Sadler 0	R.Mossanen 1	G.Romanski 1	J.K.Mobley 0
A.Humphries 1	R.Mountford 0	A.Coales 0	J.Pickford 1
Sm'thorne'A' 1	Kidsgrove 4	Sm'thorne'B' 2	Sm'thorne'A' 3
B.Hitchins 0	P.Malbon 1	A.Mayer 1	B.Hitchins 0
H.Cotton 0	W.Dale 1	F.Mountford 1	H.Cotton 0
F.Armit 1	J.Chadwick 0	J.Glaze 0	F.Armit 1
R.Horne 0	A.Sandbach 1	W.Bailey 0	S.Newman 1
S.Newman 0	A.Lippai 1	default 0	R.Mayer 1
Sm'thorne'A' 1½	Sneyd Grn'B' 3½	Electra 'C' 3	Electra 'D' 2
B.Hitchins 0	P.Paskin 1	A.Doust 1	J.J.Wood 0
H.Cotton 0	F.Saunders 1	G.Romanski 1	B.Mossanen 0
F.Armit ½	G.Toft ½	J.R.Ludlam 0	P.Rhodes 1
R.Mayer 0	F.Daniels 1	P.Dasgupta 1	R.Goode 0
S.Newman 1	R.Sadler 0	R.Mountford 0	A.Harris 1

Played in the match B.C.C.A. v Debrecon (Hungary)

White : S. Selaggi

Black : B. Hopewell

Sicilian Defence

- | | | | | | |
|---------|-------|----------|------|-------------|--------|
| 1 P-K4 | P-QB4 | 7 P-KB3 | P-Q4 | 13 B-Q2 | R-K1 |
| 2 N-KB3 | N-QB3 | 8 KPxP | PxP | 14 B-K2 | B-QB4 |
| 3 P-Q4 | FxP | 9 B-KN5 | O-O | 15 K-B1 | B-R3 ! |
| 4 NxP | P-K3 | 10 P-QR3 | B-K2 | 16 Resigns. | |
| 5 P-QB4 | N-B3 | 11 NxN | NPxN | | |
| 6 N-QB3 | B-N5 | 12 PxP ? | NxP | | |
- 16.BxB (orQ-B2), Q-R5 and 16.P-KN3 (orQ-B1), NxN and 16.N-K4 BxBch all win for Black. White has been effectively punished for leaving his king exposed in the centre in this postal brevity.

GRADING LIST FOR 1970

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The following names have been extracted from the Full Midlands List as being of interest to Staffordshire players. They are in two columns, one in order of grades and the other alphabetical. The conversion table is as follows :-

3b	201 - 208	4a	193 - 200	4b	185 - 192
5a	177 - 184	5b	169 - 176	6a	161 - 168
6b	153 - 160	7a	145 - 152	7b	137 - 144

and thereafter down in 8 points per grade.

	<u>1970</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>1969</u>	
4a	Anderton D.W.	114	9a Adkins J.B.	M.E.S.C.	119
	Barnard C.S.	196	4a Anderton D.W.	W'hampton Kippg.	204
	Beach R.A.	123	8b Anderton M.Mrs	Rubery Owen	121
	Fleury M.	137	7b Archer A.	Kidsgrove	139
	Sutton A.J.	161	6a Ault J.K.	West Bromwich	168
4b	Clunie R.J.	149	7a Backhouse D.	West Bromwich	152
	Jenson V.G.	139	7b Bacon M.T.	Stewarts & L.	144
	Stevenson M.A.	172	5b Baines J.H.	West Bromwich	172
5a	Gee G.J.	197	4a Barnard C.S.	Electra	193
	Gregory P.J.	196	4a Beach R.A.	Electra	192
	Homer G.	170	5b Beesley J.	W'hampton Kippg.	172
	Hopewell B.	136	8a Bowers J.	Keele Univ.	125
	Keely R.	132	8a Boydon W.N.	Wolverhampton	138
	Lamb D.	139	7b Brackner P.	Electra	128
	Lister D.I.	118	9a Briscoe J. Mrs	J.Thompsons	114
	Russell H.	109	9b Briscoe J.P.	J.Thompsons	107
	Walker R.F.	108	9b Briscoe R.	J.Thompsons	116
	Dudley B.G.	141	7b Buck M.W.	Electra	138
5b	Baines J.H.	108	9b Burton R.J.	Electra	102
	Beesley J.	165	6a Butters R.V.H.	Stafford	162
	Deaville T.M.	95	10b Carter S.	Bushbury	98
	Fellows J.	143	7b Charles J.H.	Stewart & L.	145
	Griffin P.S.	137	8a Chataway T.E.L.	Stourbridge	137
	Grove T.R.D.	155	6b Christie M.R.	Walsall Kippg.	150
	Johnson S.G.	135	8a Clayton W.	Walsall Kippg.	135
	Jones J.E.	158	6b Clough P.W.	Uttoxeter	140
	Pickering A.	189	4b Clunie R.J.	West Bromwich	193
	Quinn J.M.	135	8a Cooper F.	Stoke Victory	130
	Sadler A.	131	8a Cox W.E.	Dudley	130
	Turner J.M.	133	8a Crawley D.E.L.	Stoke Victory	140
6a	Ault J.K.	167	6a Cumberlidge B.S.	Walsall Kippg.	165
	Butters R.V.H.	117	9a Dean I.B.	Penkhull	123
	Cumberlidge B.S.	117	9a Deaville H.	Willfield	123

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	1970	Name	Club	1969
6a Foulds E.V.	175	5b Deaville T.M.	Stoke Victory	178
Holdford A.E.	177	5a Dudley B.G.	Stourbridge	181
Kermeen R.W.	115	9a Edge R.	Sneyd Green	118
Marshall B.	120	9a Edwards D.G.	W'hampton Kippg.	140
Reynolds M.	160	6b Edwards R.J.	Stafford	166
Rix C.	141	7b Edwards R.J.	Stoke Victory	143
Whitehouse B.	133	8a Elwell G.	Bushbury	134
Whiteside R.W.	105	9b Evans R.	J.Thompsons	108
Wright M.C.	103	10a Farmer R.	J.Thompsons	103
6b Christie M.R.	174	5b Fellows J.	Wolverhampton	160
Clough P.W.	148	7a Fernihough D.F.	Stourbridge	126
Edwards R.J.	115	9a Findlater F.J.	Wolverhampton	-
Horwill E.	127	8b Finney A.C.	Stoke Victory	135
Jackson P.G.	131	8a Fleury I.W.	W'hampton Kippg.	140
Kent A.V.	198	4a Fleury M.	W'hampton Kippg.	182
Link G.R.	128	8b Foley W.J.	Willfield	120
Nicholson M.L.	169	6a Foulds E.V.	Stafford	168
Picken D.R.	126	8b Francis K.	Mercia	117
Smith M.G.	144	7b Galla T.	Leek	151
Staley P.F.	177	5a Gee G.J.	Stoke Victory	184
Sturrock J.C.	133	8a Gothard S.	Burton	138
Taylor P.R.	94	10b Gower J.S.	J.Thompsons	84
Ward D.	181	5a Gregory P.J.	Stoke Victory	177
Wiater W.	173	5b Griffin P.S.	Willfield	153
Wojciechowski P.	121	8b Griffin S.	Willfield	114
7a Backhouse D.	174	5b Grove T.R.D.	Dudley	173
Fernihough D.F.	77	11b Grugulis J.	Hobsons	70
Hatton J.S.	107	9b Hammersley R.	Willfield	-
Tomlinson C.	139	7b Hancock M.	Willfield	131
Withnall J.W.	141	7b Harris E.G.	Leek	142
Woodall C.	150	7a Hatton J.S.	West Bromwich	151
7b Archer A	114	9a Hesbrook L.G.	Wolverhampton	119
Bacon M.T.	115	9a Hodgkinson R.	M.E.S.C.	110
Brackner P.	168	6a Holdford A.E.	Stoke Victory	166
Buck M.W.	127	8b Hollington T.J.	Walsall Kippg.	119
Charles J.H.	138	7b Holloway J.	West Bromwich	135
Edwards R.J.	119	9a Holt J.	Wolverhampton	109
Galla T.	179	5a Homer G.	West Bromwich	186
Hancock M.	184	5a Hopewell B.	Electra	190
Harris E.G.	155	6b Horwill E.	Stourbridge	154
Holloway J.	136	8a Hutchings A.M.J.	Electra	146
Jones H.H.	157	6b Jackson P.G.	Stafford	157

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	1970	Name	Club	1969
7b Lees E.W.	186	4b Jenson V.G.	W'hampton Kippg.	188
New H.	169	5b Johnson S.G.	W'hampton Kippg.	162
Paskin P.	119	9a Jolly B.	Rubery Owen	-
Pittaway K.	139	7b Jones H.H.	Wolverhampton	142
Ridgeway J.	175	5b Jones J.E.	W'hampton Kippg.	198
Southall C.	136	8a Jones T.	West Bromwich	125
Williams L.D.	136	8a Jones R.	J.Thompsons	129
8a Bowers J.	180	5a Keely R.	W'hampton Kippg.	189
Boydson W.N.	101	10a Kenrick J.	Bushbury	114
Chataway T.E.L.	159	6b Kent A.V.	Dudley	162
Clayton W.	161	6a Kermeen R.W.	Bushbury	167
Cooper F.	93	10b Key G.	Sneyd Green	88
Cox W.E.	182	5a Lamb D.	W'hampton Kippg.	201
Crawley D.E.L.	141	7b Lees E.W.	Walsall Kippg.	152
Elwell G.	126	8b Lines G.	J.Thompsons	123
Fleury I.W.	160	6b Link G.R.	W'hampton Kippg.	152
Gothard S.	179	5a Lister D.I.	Keele Univ.	185
Hutchings A.M.J.	120	9a Lloyd F.	Mercia	102
Jones R.	114	9a Lloyd M. Mrs	Mercia	115
Jones T.	131	8a Marsh B.	Stewarts & L.	128
Marsh B.	164	6a Marshall B.	Walsall Kippg.	150
Nagle B.	131	8a Nagle B.	Rubery Owen	113
Saunders F.	140	7b New H.	Stewarts & L.	143
Wood A.J.	103	10a Nicholas J.	Leek	103
8b Anderton M. Mrs	158	6b Nicholson M.L.	Stourbridge	161
Finney A.C.	117	9a Nixon W.	Hobsons	112
Foley W.J.	138	7b Paskin P.	Sneyd Green	145
Francis K.	121	8b Phillips K.	Hobsons	115
Griffin S.	159	6b Picken D.R.	Stafford	160
Hollington T.J.	172	5b Pickering A.	West Bromwich	202
Lines G.	139	7b Pittaway K.	J.Thompsons	150
Phillips K.	100	10a Powell D.	Hobsons	-
Priest B.	122	8b Priest B.	Wolverhampton	132
Rowe R.J.	114	9a Proctor C.L.	Stourbridge	-
Rowley F.	175	5b Quinn J.M.	Stafford	168
Swash M.C.	111	9b Rawlins P.	Sneyd Green	102
Whitehouse F.	120	9a Reader J.S.	Sneyd Green	106
Willder M.	80	11b Reece W.	B.S.C. - Staffs.	100
Woodman D.	162	6a Reynolds M.	West Bromwich	166
9a Adkins J.B.	143	7b Ridgeway J.	Stoke Victory	-
Briscoe J. Mrs	161	6a Rix C.	Bushbury	156

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	1970	Name	Club	1969
9a Dean I.B.	78	11b Robb G.	Hobsons	80
Deaville H.	115	9a Roberts G.	Stokes Mercia	108
Edge R.	128	8b Rowe R.J.	Bushbury	127
Edwards D.G.	123	8b Rowley F.	Sneyd Green	133
Findlater F.J.	182	5a Russell H.	Stoke Victory	134
Hesbrook L.G.	169	5b Sadler A.	W'hampton Kippg.	173
Hodgkinson R.	132	8a Saunders F.	Sneyd Green	135
Holt J.	110	9b Scott J.A.	B.S.C. - Staffs.	108
Jolly B.	111	9b Smith B.	Dudley	96
Lloyd F.	159	6b Smith M.G.	Electra	150
Lloyd M. Mrs	140	7b Southall C.	Mercia	134
Nixon W.	157	6b Staley P.F.	Bushbury	157
Proctor C.L.	192	4b Stevenson M.A.	W'hampton Kippg.	192
Reader J.S.	157	6b Sturrock J.C.	Walsall	149
Roberts G.Stokes	198	4a Sutton A.J.	Stafford	179
Tromans J.	123	8b Swash M.C.	Stafford	126
9b Briscoe J.P.	153	6b Taylor P.R.	Stoke Victory	156
Briscoe R.	94	10b Terry H.	Hobsons	77
Burton R.J.	87	11a Terry P.	Hobsons	84
Evans R.	108	9b Terry W. Miss	Hobsons	108
Hammersley R.	90	10b Thomas D.	Walsall Kippg.	90
Rawlins P.	95	10b Toft G.	Sneyd Green	99
Scott J.A.	145	7a Tomlinson C.	Walsall Kippg.	146
Smith B.	120	9a Tromans J.	Dudley	123
Terry W. Miss	171	5b Turner J.M.	Stafford/Rugby	177
Windmill C.C.	179	5a Walker R.F.	W'hampton Kippg.	169
10a Farmer R.	93	10b Walkins P.S.	Wolverhampton	110
Kenrick J.	158	6b Ward D.	Penkhull	155
Nicholas J.	94	10b Watts L.	Hobsons	89
Powell D.	165	6a Whitehouse B.	Dudley	155
10b Carter S.	124	8b Whitehouse F.	Hobsons	124
Gower J.S.	165	6a Whiteside R.W.	Stoke Victory	162
Key G.	154	6b Wiater W.	West Bromwich	154
Terry H.	122	8b Willder M.	Penkhull	112
Thomas D.	138	7b Williams L.D.	Wolverhampton	134
Toft G.	107	9b Windmill C.C.	Rubery Owen	103
Walkins P.S.	149	7a Withnall J.W.	Walsall Kippng.	143
Watts L.	159	6b Wojciechowski P.	W'hampton Kippg.	142
11a Terry P.	136	8a Wood A.J.	Leek	120
11b Grugulis	149	7a Woodall C.	Dudley	150
Reece W.	122	8b Woodman D.	West Bromwich	127
Robb G.	166	6a Wright M.C.	Stoke Victory	167

Played in the Sinclair Trophy

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White : K.B. Richardson (Notts) Black : R.A. Beach (Staffs)

1 P-K4	P-Q3	14 P-R4 !	P-R3 !	27 N-N8	R-Q1 !
2 P-Q4	N-KB3	15 N(5)-B3	N-QB5	28 NxP	R-Q7
3 N-QB3	P-KN3	16 P-K5 ?!	Q-N5	29 N-B4	NxN
4 B-N5	QN-Q2	17 N-Q5 !?	QxB	30 RxN	K-Q2
5 P-B4	P-KR3	18 Q-Q3 !	BxKP	31 N-N4	NxN
6 B-R4	N-R4	19 PxB	NxKP	32 RxN	RxBP
7 P-B5	B-N2	20 Q-QN3	R-QN1 !	33 RxP	R-B5
8 PxP	PxP	21 Q-N6	R-KB1	34 P-R5	R-QR5
9 B-B4	P-QB4	22 P-QN4 !	R-B4 !	35 K-B2	RxP
10 KN-K2	N-N3	23 PxP	Q-QB5	36 K-K3	R-R8
11 B-N5 ch	B-Q2	24 NxKP !	RxR ch	37 P-R4	P-R4
12 O-O	BxB	25 RxR	QxP ch	38 P-R5	P-R5
13 NxB	Q-Q2	26 QxQ	PxQ	39 Resigns	

- 8.PxP; Improving on Ostojic - Benko (Monaco 69), which continued 8.B-B4,N-B5; 9.Q-B3,P-KN4; 10.B-B2,P-QB4 with advantage to Black.
- 14....P-R3; 14....NxRP? loses against 15.Q-Q3!,N-N3; 16.P-K5
- 16....Q-N5; 16....N-K6?; 17.Q-Q3,NxR; 18.QxPch,K-Q1; 19.RxN,Q-K1; 20.QxQPch and 16....NxNP?; 17.Q-N1,N-QB5; 18.N-Q5!, N-Q7; 19.Q-N6 (or 18....P-K3; 19.P-QB3!) both lose for black, but 16....BPxP is perhaps also playable, eg 17.N-Q5,QPxP; 18.NxKP,N-K6; 19.Q-Q3,Q-K3 etc.
- 17.N-Q5; A double-edged move; 17.B-B2,BPxP; 18.N-Q5,R-QB1; 19.KPxP gives equal chances.
- 18.Q-Q3; Or 18.N-B7ch,K-Q2; 19.NxR,N-K6!; 20.Q-Q3,NxR; 21.N-N6ch,K-B3; 22.QPxP,BxKP! and Black wins.
- 19.PxB; 19.QxPch leads to exchange of queens after 19.... K-Q1; 20.PxB,NxKP; 21.Q-B5,N-N2, and 19.N-B7ch? loses quickly after 19....K-Q2; 20.P-KN3,BxQPch
- 20....R-QN1; Forced, since 20....O-O? loses to 21.Q-N6,K-N1; 22.Q-B7ch,K-R2; 23.N(2)-B3!,N-Q2 (or 23....N-QB5; 24.P-QN3,R-QB1; 25.N-N5ch,K-R1; 26.N-N6ch,NxN; 27.QxN,PxN; 28.PxP dis.ch,K-N1; 29.R-R4,Q-N4; 30.KR-R1); 24.R-B7,N(4)-B3 (or 24....KR-B1; 25.N-N5ch,K-R1; 26.QxN!); 25.N-N5ch,K-R1; 26.NxKP etc.
- 22.P-QN4; Or 22.N-B7ch,K-Q2; 23.RxR?,RxR; 24.QxNP,Q-B7ch; 25.K-R1,QxN
- 22....R-B4; Making space for Black's K and KN behind his KR. Not 22....PxP; 23.N-Q4,N-QB5 (or 23....Q-K5; 24.N-K6!); 24.Q-R7,R-QB1; 25.QxNP!,QxNch; 26.K-R1 and White wins.

- 23.PxP; Or 23.Q-B7,N-Q2; 24.N-N6,N(4)-B3; 25.RxR,PxR;
26.PxP,PxP; 27.R-Q1,R-Q1; 28.QxNP,N-N5 !
- 25.RxR; Not 25.KxR ?, Q-B2ch
- 25....QxPch; 25....QxN; 26.P-B6 !! gives White too much counterplay,
e.g. 26....KxN; 27.Q-B7ch,K-K3; 28.QxR, PxP; 29.
Q-N3ch, K-Q2; 30.Q-R7ch with draw by perpetual check.
Or 26....N-Q2? !; 27.Q-B7!, R-Q1; 28.N-B8, PxP; 29.
NxPch, K-K2; 30.N-N7, R-KN1; 31.Q-Q6ch, K-K1; 32.Q-B7etc.
- 27....R-Q1; Better than 27....N-N5; 28.N-B4! or 27....N-B2?;
28.P-N4
- 28.NxP; Black also wins after 28.N-B3, R-Q7!; 29.R-K1, RxBP;
30.RxNch, K-B1
- 35.K-B2; Or 35.R-N7ch, K-B3; 36.R-N6ch, K-Q4; 37.R-N7, P-B5;
38.RxNP, P-B6; 39.R-N1, K-Q5
- 36.K-K3; Or 36.P-R4, P-B5; 37.K-K2, R-Q4!
- 39.Resigns; In the long run, Black's pawns cannot be stopped,
whereas White's can. White can force the exchange
of KRP for QRP, but only in positions in which
Black's K, R and two Ps will then win against
White's K, R and one P.

Played in the Staffs Postal Championship

White : A. J. Sutton

Black : A. Archer

Sicilian Defence

1 P-K4	P-QB4	9 Q-Q2	N-B2	17 B-B5	R-B2
2 N-KB3	N-QB3	10 O-O-O	NxN	18 B-Q6	QR-N2
3 P-Q4	PxP	11 BxN	P-K3	19 Q-B5	N-B3
4 NxP	P-KN3	12 B-K3	Q-R4	20 P-K5	B-B1
5 N-QB3	B-N2	13 K-N1	P-QR3 ?	21 BxN	FxB
6 B-K3	N-R3 !?	14 P-B4	P-QN4	22 N-K4	Resigns

- 6....N-R3!?; A new move to White. This is not mentioned by
M.C.O. or Pachman's Semi-Open games although it
has been played against 5.P-QB4
- 8.P-KN4; To prevent P-KB4 as well as to threaten the N.
8.Q-Q2 is answered by NxN
- 11....P-K3; P-Q3 is perhaps better to give the QB more air.
- 12....Q-R4; Now P-Q3 loses a pawn to 13.N-N5
- 13.K-N1; So that N-Q5 is a possibility.
- 13....P-QR3?; This weakens the Q side black squares but 13....
P-Q3 still loses a pawn after 14.N-N5.
13....R-Q1 or P-B4! are better chances.
- 17....R-B2; Sacrificing the exchange is probably the only hope.
(Notes by the winner)