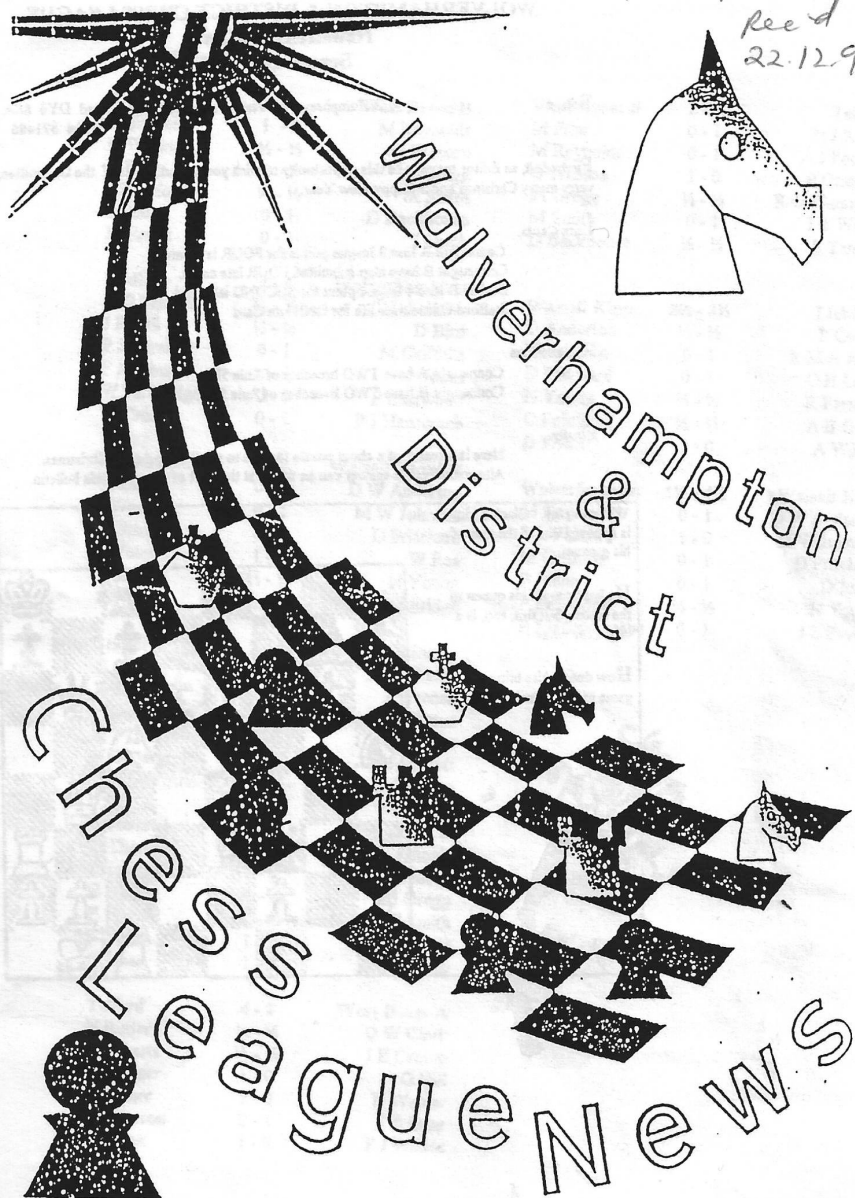
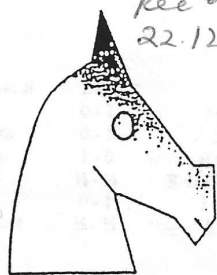


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WOLVERHAMPTON & DISTRICT CHESS LEAGUE
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First of all, as Editor may I take this opportunity to wish you all, on behalf of the Committee, a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Late Cards.

Connaught A lose 3 league points for FOUR late cards.
Connaught B have also submitted FOUR late cards.
Dudley B lose 1 league point for SECOND late card
Stafford C lose their life for ONE late Card

Registrations

Connaught A have TWO breaches of Rule 5H
Connaught B have TWO Breaches of Rule 5H

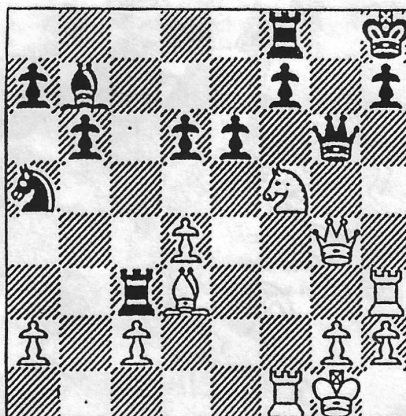
Finally

Here is a teaser of a chess puzzle for you to muse over during Christmas.
Alternatively, the answer can be found at the foot of page 7 of this bulletin.

White to play. Black's king is exposed due to the loss of his g-pawn.

He has brought his queen to the rescue, but this, too, is a target for white!

How does white bring the game to a conclusion?



Division One

Bushbury	2 - 4	West Brom B	West Brom B	2 - 4	Telford
L Grinsell	1 - 0	M Reynolds	M Friar	0 - 1	N J Rutter
G Wellings	½ - ½	G Wesson	M Reynolds	0 - 1	A J Footner
R Parry	0 - 1	M Gregg	G Wesson	1 - 0	P Cameron
J Staniforth	½ - ½	M Smith	M Gregg	½ - ½	R G Thompson
P Staley	0 - 1	D Backhouse	M Smith	0 - 1	I R Wilson
M Reece	0 - 1	J Smith	D Backhouse	½ - ½	S Tennant
Dudley	2 - 4	Wolverhampton	Walsall Kipp.	2½ - 3½	Lichfield
D G Tranter	½ - ½	T L Fellows	D Anderton	½ - ½	P Collins
J Foxall	½ - ½	D Bird	M Johnson	0 - 1	R M A Allen
P Sharratt	0 - 1	M Griffiths	D Pritchard	0 - 1	G H Lamb
P Maybury	1 - 0	P Jones	N Young	½ - ½	R Farmery
W Partridge	0 - 1	P Eastwood	C Pohribnyj	½ - ½	A B Grant
W Cross	0 - 1	P J Hanscomb	D Friend	1 - 0	A Wilson
Kidderminster	2 - 4	Walsall Kipping	Wolverhampton	1½ - 4½	Walsall Kipp
M Bissell	0 - 1	D W Anderton	M Townsend	0 - 1	D W Anderton
J Wrench	0 - 1	M W Johnson	T L Fellows	1 - 0	M W Johnson
J Gittus	0 - 1	D Pritchard	M Griffiths	0 - 1	D Pritchard
P Yates	1 - 0	W Rea	P Jones	0 - 1	D Jukes
G Link	½ - ½	N Young	P Eastwood	½ - ½	N Young
F Pickett	½ - ½	M Groombridge	P J Handscombe	0 - 1	J L Payton
Stafford	2 - 4	Kidderminster			
G Acey	½ - ½	M D Bissell			
D Morris	½ - ½	J Wrench			
P Ganeri	0 - 1	J F Gittus			
A T Leadbetter	0 - 1	P Yates			
R Gogerty	½ - ½	F Pickett			
G H DeVisme	½ - ½	P Thomas			
Stourbridge	5 - 1	West Brom B			
G Thomas	1 - 0	M Reynolds			
I Howarth	1 - 0	G Wesson			
B Dudley	½ - ½	M Gregg			
E Horwill	½ - ½	M Smith			
J Wilson	1 - 0	D Backhouse			
S Jukes	1 - 0	J Smith			
Telford	4 - 2	West Brom A			
N Rutter	½ - ½	D W Clark			
C Roberts	½ - ½	J E Crump			
A Footner	1 - 0	G Hill			
R Archer	1 - 0	N Walker			
P Cameron	0 - 1	J A Friar			
I Wilson	1 - 0	P J Wilkes			



Division Two

Dudley	4½ - 1½	Goodyear	Stafford	2½ - 3½	Wolverhampton
P Maybury	0 - 1	Martin May	D Artt	1 - 0	D Bird
M Blythe	1 - 0	A Schroeder	J Carleton	1 - 0	P Eastwood
L Prescott	1 - 0	Mark May	R Gogerty	0 - 1	GG C Rosser
R Carrier	½ - ½	G Cooper	O F Hill	0 - 1	F Wood
J Preece	1 - 0	C Eddies	J Tuckley	0 - 1	M Wootton
J Blewitt	1 - 0	P O'Donoghue	D Nesbitt	½ - ½	A Ward
Goodyear	5 - 1	Wolverhampton	Thompson	1½ - 4½	Kingstanding
Martin May	1 - 0	P Eastwood	C Savage	0 - 1	K Thomas
A Schroeder	1 - 0	G Rosser	K G Humphreys	½ - ½	A Hickey
M Keady	1 - 0	M Wootton	K Pittaway	0 - 1	P Savage
J Cooper	½ - ½	R Ward	G Lines	1 - DEF	D Brown
C Eddies	½ - ½	P Atkiss	D Guest	0 - 1	D Brelsforth
N Nicholls	1 - 0	L Hesbrook	DEFAULT	0 - 1	G Barron
Kingstanding	3½ - 2½	Goodyear	Walsall Kipp	1½ - 4½	Rushall A
K Thomas	½ - ½	Martin May	M Groombridge	0 - 1	C J Styles
A Hickey	0 - 1	A Schroeder	C Pohribnyj	½ - ½	S R Wilcox
D Brown	DEF - 1	C Eddies	E W Lees	0 - 1	R Parker
K Kent	1 - 0	N Nicholls	S H Dickens	0 - 1	J G T Sadler
D Brelsforth	1 - 0	A Colabella	P J Jones	½ - ½	D Lambe
G Barron	1 - 0	S Jones	D Friend	½ - ½	S Allen
Mercia	3 - 3	Thompson	Wolverhampton	3 - 3	Mercia
M Share	0 - 1	C Savage	D Bird	½ - ½	M Share
K A J Francis	½ - ½	K G Humphreys	P Eastwood	½ - ½	K A J Francis
D W Perks	½ - ½	K Pittaway	G C Rosser	0 - 1	D W Perks
B R Smith	½ - ½	G Lines	F Wood	½ - ½	B R Smith
J Phillips	½ - ½	D T Guest	S Wilson	½ - ½	J Phillips
D Webb	1 - DEF	E Nicholson	M Wootton	1 - 0	D Webb
Rushall	4½ - 1½	Thompson	Wolverhampton	4 - 2	Thompson
C J Styles	½ - ½	C Savage	D Bird	½ - ½	C Savage
S R Wilcox	1 - 0	K G Humphreys	P Eastwood	0 - 1	K Pittaway
R E J Parker	1 - 0	K Pittaway	G Rosser	1 - 0	G Lines
N Parker	1 - 0	G Lines	F Wood	½ - ½	D Guest
D Lamb	1 - 0	D Guest	M Wootton	1 - DEF	E Nicholson
Miss C J Wilcox	0 - 1	Mrs J Briscoe	R Ward	1 - 0	Mrs J Briscoe
Stafford	4 - 2	Rushall A			
D Artt	1 - 0	C J Styles			
R Hyde	1 - 0	S R Wilcox			
T Bailey	½ - ½	R E J Parker			
J Carleton	1 - 0	A R Powis			
R Gogerty	0 - 1	J G T Sadler			
O F Hill	½ - ½	N Parker			



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Division Three

Brewood	3½ - 1½	Walsall Kipp. C	Stafford	3 - 2	Mercia
D Laight	½ - ½	M Savin	G DeVisme	½ - ½	R Price
R Grainger	1 - 0	S Beasley	J Tuckley	0 - 1	I Malpass
D Buckley	1 - 0	J Martin	D Nesbitt	½ - ½	C Lane
B Hall	0 - 1	B Davies	G Argent	1 - 0	J Rich
S Bird	1 - 0	A Shrimpton	K Dwight	1 - 0	A Jancis
Brewood	1½ - 3½	Rugeley	Walsall Kipp. D	1½ - 3½	Brewood
D Laight	0 - 1	W Hulley	C Y Billings	0 - 1	D Laight
R Grainger	0 - 1	R Crellin	Mrs D McIntosh	0 - 1	P Crozet
B Hall	0 - 1	M Page	P Jarvis	1 - 0	D Buckley
D Buckley	1 - 0	P Marklove	P Nixon	0 - 1	B Hall
J Fenby	½ - ½	J Montague	K Moore	½ - ½	P Allen
Bushbury	3½ - 1½	Walsall Kipp. C	Walsall Kipp D	2 - 3	Bushbury
M Reece	1 - 0	R Wilkinson	D McIntosh	0 - 1	W Pinfold
W Pinfold	½ - ½	M Savin	C Billings	0 - 1	R Brodie
K Booth	1 - 0	S Beasley	P Nixon	0 - 1	K Booth
M Hancox	1 - 0	A Shrimpton	K Moore	1 - 0	D Keates
DEFAULT	0 - 1	J Martin	D Jarvis	1 - 0	M Hancox
Mercia	2 - 3	Walsall Kipp. D	Walsall Kipp C	2 - 3	Lichfield
R Price	½ - ½	R Dolan	R Wilkinson	½ - ½	G Monks
I Malpass	½ - ½	Mrs D McIntosh	M Savin	0 - 1	A Mieleniewski
C Lane	½ - ½	D Jarvis	S Beasley	½ - ½	C Brown
J Rich	½ - ½	P Nixon	B Davies	0 - 1	C Ricketts
A Jancis	0 - 1	K Moore	A Shrimpton	1 - 0	P Fathers
Mercia	1 - 4	W/hampton D	W/hampton C	3½ - 1½	Mercia
R Price	0 - 1	G Sands	A Muir	½ - ½	B Price
I Malpass	½ - ½	S Wilson	J Wakelam	½ - ½	I Malpass
C Lane	0 - 1	P Hubbard	A Ward	1 - 0	C Lane
J Rich	½ - ½	A Hodges	P Atkiss	1 - 0	J Rich
A Jancis	0 - 1	B Priest	B Priest	½ - ½	A Jancis
Rugeley	3½ - 1½	Walsall Kipp. D	W/hampton C	1½ - 3½	Rushall
W Hulley	1 - 0	Mrs D McIntosh	A Muir	0 - 1	D Bell
M Page	0 - 1	A Dolan	J Wakenham	½ - ½	D Lambe
R Crellin	½ - ½	D Jarvis	P Atkiss	0 - 1	S Allen
P Marklove	1 - 0	P Nixon	L Hesbrook	1 - 0	S Cooksey
J Montague	1 - 0	K Moore	L Evans	DEF - 1	K Cooper
Rushall	1½ - 3½	W/hampton D	W/Hampton D	3 - 2	Stafford
D Bell	½ - ½	G Sands	G Sands	0 - 1	J Tuckley
S Cooksey	0 - 1	S Wilson	S Wilson	0 - 1	D Nesbitt
J Hills	1 - 0	P Hubbard	P Hubbard	1 - 0	P Evans
J Hennion	0 - 1	A Hodges	A Hodges	1 - 0	K Dwight
A Guest	0 - 1	L Evans	B Lewis	1 - 0	DEFAULT

Division Four

Bushbury	½ - 4½	Connaught A	Connaught B	2 - 3	Bushbury
D Keates	0 - 1	A Snell	D Deeming	0 - 1	D Keates
P Crombleholme	0 - 1	J E Button	S Ellis	1 - 0	Jeremy head
M Hancock	½ - ½	M Fitzwilliam	R Taylor	1 - 0	M Hancock
DEFAULT	0 - 1	G Hopwood	R Button	1 - 0	A Staniforth
DEFAULT	0 - 1	T Cooper	DEFAULT	0 - 1	M Staniforth

** Result amended Breach of rule 5H

Board Three, Connaught**

Bushbury	1½ - 3½	Goodyear	Goodyear	5 - 0	Connaught B
P Scott	½ - ½	P O'Donoghue	P O'Donoghue	1 - 0	D Deeming
D Keates	0 - 1	A Colabella	Mike May	½ - ½	G Hopwood
J Whitehead	1 - 0	K Keady	K Keady	1 - 0	M Fitzwilliam
DEFAULT	0 - 1	J Grugulis	J Grugulis	1 - 0	S Ellis
DEFAULT	0 - 1	S Jones	S Jones	1 - 0	R Button

** Result amended Breach of rule 5H

Board Three, Connaught**

Connaught A	2½ - 1½	Connaught B	Kidderminster	4 - 1	Brewood
J E Button	1 - 0	N Collings	D Digger	½ - ½	C Buxton
M Fitzwilliam	1 - 0	L Prosser	T Pountney	1 - 0	P Allan
S Goodyear	0 - 1	D Deeming	K Brant	½ - ½	S Bird
T Cooper	½ - ½	R Button	I Deakin	1 - 0	J Fenby
DEFAULT	0 - 0	DEFAULT	P Kitchen	1 - 0	C Spencer

Connaught A	0 - 5	Rushall
J E Button	1 - 0	P Turner
M Fitzwilliam	½ - ½	R Gant
D Deeming	0 - 1	J Hennion
S Ellis	0 - 1	K Cooper
R Button	0 - 1	Miss C Wilcox

** Result Amended - Breach of rule 5H by
Connaught on Boards 3,4, & 5 **

Connaught A	0 - 5	Goodyear
J E Button	0 - 1	P O'Donoghue
M Fitzwilliam	½ - ½	A Colabella
A N OTHER	0 - 1	K Keady
S Ellis	0 - 1	J Grugulis
R Button	0 - 1	S Jones

** When the two cards arrived for this match a different name was recoded for Connaught (Board 3) on each card. Would the secretary for Connaught please confirm in writing by 5 January 1998 the name of the person who played on Board 3 against K Keady**

** Result Amended - Breach of rule 5H by
Connaught on Boards 3,4, & 5 **

MCCU Open

Shropshire	6 - 10	Staffordshire
N Rutter	0 - 1	D Wheeler
T Brotherton	0 - 1	P Wallace
N Ferrington	½ - ½	L Cooper
D Gostelow	½ - ½	D Anderton
C Roberts	0 - 1	L Grinsell
G Pugh	0 - 1	G Acey
A Footner	0 - 1	A Crombleholme
R Archer	½ - ½	C Hibbard
D Bryan	0 - 1	R Allen
J Bashall	1 - 0	M Johnson
C Portman	0 - 1	G Hughes
D Steele	0 - 1	D Morris
P Cameron	1 - DEF	L Fellows
K Tabner	1 - 0	S Hill
K Hubbick	½ - ½	A B Grant
N Allen	1 - 0	J Payton

MCCU Under 125

South		North
Staffordshire	13 - 3	Staffordshire
M Reece	1 - 0	R Gogerty
S Wilcox	½ - ½	T Galla
J Sadler	½ - ½	N Davies
G Rosser	½ - ½	A McFadden
R Parker	½ - ½	T Kessell
F Wood	0 - 1	P Smelley
P Broomhall	1 - 0	C Burns
M Savin	1 - 0	C Capewell
R Wilkinson	1 - 0	R Hawkes
M Wootton	1 - 0	A Dawson
R Ward	1 - 0	M Hankey
B Payne	1 - 0	G Valentine
P Atkiss	1 - 0	S Bruce
D Buckley	1 - 0	J Parton
B Hall	1 - 0	G Parton
R Fletcher	1 - 0	L Nixon

MCCU Under 150

Worcestershire	7 - 9	Staffordshire
D Challenor	½ - ½	D Morris
J Gittus	0 - 1	C Hankey
Dr R Collett	1 - 0	W Rea
P Yates	0 - 1	P D Porter
D Jackson	½ - ½	R G Jones
E A Copeman	½ - ½	N Young
M Riley	0 - 1	M Groombridge
A Boyle	½ - ½	C Pohribnyj
B G Foord	1 - 0	M Hoare
J Bingham	0 - 1	A B Grant
B McLoughlin	0 - 1	K A J Francis
P Thomas	½ - ½	D W Perks
P Banks	½ - ½	S Wilcox
F L Tatler	½ - ½	J Sadler
T Pountney	0 - 1	D Mercer
P Kitchen	1 - 0	K J Moore

Rock/Bidgood Cups - Round One

R Fletcher	v	M Fitzwilliam
J Button	v	P Crozet
P Atkiss	v	D Bell
D Buckley	v	A Snell
F Wood	v	B Hall
M Shone	v	A Powis
G Rosser	v	R Button
D Deeming	v	K A J Francis
M Groombridge	v	M Steed
A P Davies	v	L E Collier

LEAGUE TABLES

Division One	P	W	D	L	Pts	Division Two	P	W	D	L	Pts
Kidderminster (A)	4	3	0	1	6	Kingstanding	4	3	0	1	6
Stourbridge	3	3	0	0	6	Mercia (A)	5	2	2	1	6
Telford (A)	3	3	0	0	6	Rushall (A)	4	3	0	1	6
Walsall Kipping (A)	5	3	0	2	6	Wolverhampton (B)	5	2	2	1	6
Lichfield	3	2	0	1	4	Walsall Kipping (B)	4	2	1	1	5
Wolverhampton (A)	4	2	0	2	4	Goodyear (A)	4	2	0	2	4
Bushbury (A)	3	1	0	2	2	Stafford (B)	3	2	0	1	4
Stafford (A)	4	1	0	3	2	Thompson	6	1	1	4	3
Dudley (A)	4	0	0	4	0	Lucas BS	3	1	0	2	2
WEST BROMWICH A2B HAVE 2 POINTS EACH						Dudley (B)	3	1	0	2	1
						Rushall (B)	3	0	0	3	0
Division Three	P	W	D	L	Pts	Division Four	P	W	D	L	Pts
Bushbury (B)	6	4	2	0	8	Kidderminster (B)	4	3	1	0	7
Rugeley	4	4	0	0	8	Goodyear (B)	3	3	0	0	6
Wolverhampton (D)	5	3	1	1	7	Rushall (D)	4	2	0	2	4
Wolverhampton (C)	4	3	0	1	6	Wolverhampton (E)	3	2	0	1	4
Brewood (A)	4	2	1	1	5	Telford (B)	2	1	1	0	3
Lichfield (B)	4	2	1	1	5	Bushbury (C)	4	1	0	3	2
Stafford (C)	5	2	1	2	5	Connaught (A)	4	2	0	2	1
Rushall (C)	7	2	2	3	6	Brewood (B)	2	0	0	2	0
Walsall Kipping (C)	5	1	0	4	2	Connaught (B)	4	0	0	4	0
Walsall Kipping (D)	6	1	0	5	2	Connaught B hav withdrawn from Division Four. Their secretary is required to notify opponents of the fact. Having played half of their fixtures, Rule 10 (C) will be applied to the remaining matches.					
Mercia (B)	6	0	0	6	0						

Notes:

Division Two - Dudley (B) Lose 1 point for breach of rule 6F

Division Four Connaught (A) lose 3 points for breach of rule 6F

Solution to our Page One Puzzle:

1. Ne7 for if black replies Q xg4, then
2. Rxd7 Mate!