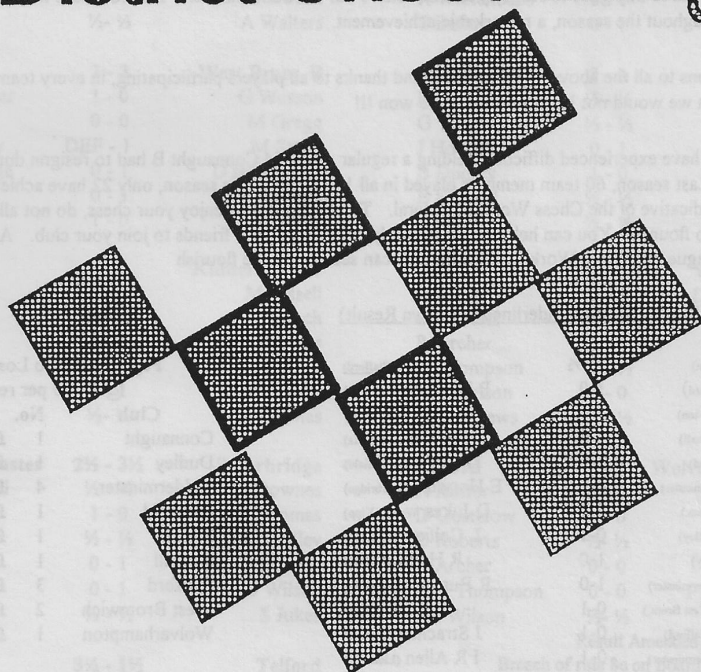


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Another season draws to a close.

Congratulations to Telford for retaining the Division One Title.

Kingstanding, a new entry to the league, take the Division Two title at the first attempt.

The Division Three title goes to Rugeley and Division Four to Kidderminster. Both of these teams were unbeaten throughout the season, a remarkable achievement.

Congratulations to all the above winning teams and thanks to all players participating, in every team, without whom we would not have a league to be won !!!

Several clubs have experienced difficulty fielding a regular side, and Connaught B had to resign during the season. Last season, 60 team members played in all 10 games. This season, only 22 have achieved this. This is indicative of the Chess World in general. To all of you who enjoy your chess, do not allow your league to flounder. You can help. Play regularly, encourage your friends to join your club. Attend for all your league matches. Working together, we can see our league flourish

Adjudication Results (Loser Underlined in Drawn Result)

P Porter (W/ton)	½-½	<u>G Acey</u> (Stafford)	Payment due to Lost Claims		
P Ganeri (Stafford)	1-0	P Hanscomb (W/ton)	@ £4.00 per result		
J Carleton (W/ton)	1-0	A Powis (Rushall)	Club	No.	Amount
N Parker (Rushall)	1-0	D Webb (Mercia)	Connaught	1	£4.00
G Acey (Stafford)	1-0	P Collins (Lichfield)	Dudley	1	£4.00
P Yates (Kidderminster)	0-1	E Horwill (Stourbridge)	Kidderminster	4	£16.00
G Hill (West Brom.)	0-1	D Jukes (Walsall Kipp)	Lichfield	1	£4.00
M Blythe (Dudley)	0-1	L Collier (Lucas BS)	Mercia	1	£4.00
J Foxall (Dudley)	1-0	R Hyde (Stafford)	Rushall	1	£4.00
I Deakin (Kidderminster)	1-0	R Button (Connaught)	Stafford	3	£12.00
G Wesson (West Brom.)	0-1	G Acey (Stafford)	West Bromwich	2	£8.00
G Gogerty (Stafford)	0-1	J Strachan (Rushall)	Wolverhampton	1	£4.00
M Bissell (Kidderminster)	0-1	I R Allen (Lichfield)			
P Yates (Kidderminster)	0-1	J Smith (Lichfield)			
M Maher (Lichfield)	1-0	G Link (Kidderminster)			

Division One

Dudley	4 - 2	Stafford	Stafford	3½ - 2½	Wolverhampton
D G Tranter	½- ½	D Morris	G Acey	½- ½	P Porter
J Foxall	1 - 0	R Hye	R V H Butters	1 - Def	T L Fellows
P Maybury	0 - 1	A T Leadbetter	D Morris	0 - 1	M F Griffiths
L Prescott	½- ½	R Whitehouse	P Ganeri	1 - 0	R J Handscomb
W Partridge	1 - 0	T Bailey	A T Leadbetter	0 - 1	G Rosser
W Cross	1 - 0	D Nesbitt	R Gogerty	1 - 0	F Wood

Dudley	1 - 5	Telford	Stafford	3½ - 2½	West Brom B
D G Tranter	DEF - 1	N Rutter	G Acey	1 - 0	G Wesson
M Blythe	½- ½	D Gostelow	R V H Butters	½- ½	M Reynolds
L Prescott	DEF - 1	C Roberts	D Morris	1 - 0	M Gregg
W Partridge	0 - 1	R Archer	A T Leadbetter	1 - 0	M Smith
W Cross	0 - 1	I Wilson	R Whitehouse	0 - 1	D Backhouse
R Carrier	½- ½	A Walters	T Bailey	0 - 1	J Smith

Dudley	2 - 3	West Brom. B	Stourbridge	3 - 3	Lichfield
D G Tranter	1 - 0	G Wesson	D Downes	½- ½	P Collins
J Foxall	0 - 0	M Gregg	G Thomas	½- ½	RMA Allen
P Maybury	DEF - 1	M Smith	J Howarth	0 - 1	C P Hibbard
W Partridge	0 - 1	D Backhouse	B Dudley	1 - 0	J Smith
L Prescott	0 - 1	J Smith	E Horwill	½- ½	S Evans
W Cross	1 - 0	K Butler	S Jukes	½- ½	A B Grant

Lichfield	4 - 2	Kidderminster	Telford	3½ - 2½	Walsall Kipp.
R Allen	1 - 0	M Bissell	N Rutter	0 - 1	D W Anderton
P Collins	½- ½	J Wrench	C Roberts	½- ½	D Pritchard
J Smith	1 - 0	P Yates	R Archer	1 - 0	N Young
M Maher	1 - 0	G Link	R Thompson	½- ½	P J Jones
A Wilson	0 - 1	F Pickett	J Wilkinson	1 - 0	J L Payton
J Lakin	½- ½	P Thomas	G Matthews	½- ½	M Savin

Kidderminster	2½ - 3½	Stourbridge	Telford	2 - 1	Wolverhampton A
M D Bissell	½- ½	D Downes	N Rutter	0 - 0	M Townsend
J Wrench	1 - 0	G Thomas	D Gostelow	1 - 0	P Porter
J F Gittus	½- ½	B G Dudley	C Roberts	½- ½	T L Fellows
P Yates	0 - 1	E Horwill	R Archer	0 - 0	P Jones
T Yates	0 - 1	J Wilson	R G Thompson	0 - 0	P J Handscomb
P Thomas	½- ½	S Jukes	I R Wilson	½- ½	F Wood

Lichfield	3½ - 1½	Telford
P Collins	½- ½	N J Rutter
R Allen	½- ½	C J Roberts
J Smith	½- ½	R Archer
R Farmery	1 - 0	R G Thompson
M Maher	1 - 0	I Wilson
A Wilson	0 - 0	D L Roberts

Result Amended -
Breach of rule 8c on Board 6 -
Both Teams

Result Amended -
Breach of rule 8c on Boards 1,4, & 5 -
Both Teams

Walsall Kipp. 2½ - 3½
 D W Anderton ½ - ½
 M Denny 0 - 1
 D Pritchard ½ - ½
 W Rea ½ - ½
 D Jukes ½ - ½
 N Young ½ - ½

Walsall Kipp. 2½ - 3½
 D W Anderton ½ - ½
 D Pritchard 0 - 1
 D Jukes 1 - 0
 N Young 0 - 1
 J Payton 0 - 1
 C Southall 1 - DEF

West Brom.B 2 - 4
 G Wesson 0 - 1
 M Reynolds 0 - 1
 D Davies ½ - ½
 M Gregg 0 - 1
 M Smith ½ - ½
 D Backhouse 1 - 0

Bushbury
 G Buckley
 L Grinsell
 G Wellings
 P Staley
 J Staniforth
 R Brodie

West Brom. A
 D W Clark
 J E Crump
 G Hill
 N Walker
 P J Wilkes
 J A Friar

Kidderminster
 M D Bissell
 J Wrench
 G C Link
 F Pickett
 P Thomas
 M Riley

West Brom. B 3 - 3
 G Wesson ½ - ½
 M Reynolds 0 - 1
 D Davies 1 - 0
 M Gregg ½ - ½
 M Smith ½ - ½
 D Backhouse ½ - ½

Wolverhampton 1½ - 4½
 M Townsend 0 - 1
 P Porter 0 - 1
 M Griffiths 0 - 1
 P Jones 0 - 1
 P Eastwood ½ - ½
 P J Handscomb 1 - 0

Wolverhampton 2½ - 3½
 T L Fellows Def - 1
 D Bird 0 - 1
 M Griffiths 1 - 0
 P Jones 1 - 0
 P J Handscomb ½ - ½
 G Rossier 0 - 1

Walsall Kipp.
 D Pritchard
 W Rea
 D Jukes
 N Young
 M Groombridge
 D Friend

Bushbury
 G Buckley
 L Grinsell
 R Parry
 P Staley
 J Staniforth
 R Brodie

Stourbridge
 D Downes
 G Thomas
 E Horwill
 J Wilson
 S Jukes
 G Moss

Division Two

Dudley	0 - 6	Walsall Kipp	Rushall A	1 - 5	Kingstanding
M Blythe	0 - 1	S H Dickens	R E J Parker	0 - 1	K Thomas
G Tuck	0 - 1	M Groombridge	S R Wilcox	0 - 1	A Hickey
R Carrier	0 - 1	D Friend	A R Powis	½ - ½	P Savage
J Blewitt	0 - 1	P J Jones	N Parker	½ - ½	D Brown
DEFAULT	0 - 1	R Wilkinson	D Kirk	0 - 1	K Kent
DEFAULT	0 - 1	Mrs D McIntosh	P Turner	0 - 1	G Barron
Goodyear	2½ - 3½	Lucas B S	Rushall B	1½ - 4½	Walsall Kipp.
Martin May	½ - ½	L E Collier	J Horne	½ - ½	W Rea
A Schroeder	0 - 1	M Tallis	R Hancox	0 - 1	C Pohribnyj
J Cooper	0 - 1	D Stockhall	N Sims	½ - ½	S H Dickens
C Eddies	0 - 1	L Johnson	J Strachan	½ - ½	E W Lees
N Nicholls	1 - 0	H Hughes	J Hills	0 - 1	P J Jones
J Grugulis	1 - 0	A Johnston	P Spencer	0 - 1	D Friend
Goodyear	3 - 3	Mercia	Rushall B	1½ - 4½	Wolverhampton
Martin May	½ - ½	M Share	J Horne	0 - 1	P Eastwood
A Schroeder	½ - ½	K A J Francis	R Hancox	1 - 0	G Rosser
J Cooper	½ - ½	D W Perks	J Strachan	0 - 1	F Wood
N Nicholls	1 - 0	B R Smith	D Lambe	½ - ½	M Wootton
C Eddies	½ - ½	J Phillips	S Cooksey	0 - 1	R Ward
A Colabella	0 - 1	D Webb	J Hennion	0 - 1	G Sands
Lucas B S	4 - 1	Dudley	Stafford	1 - 5	Goodyear
L E Collier	1 - 0	M Blythe	T Bailey	½ - ½	Martin May
Mark Tallic	½ - ½	G Tuck	R Gogerty	½ - ½	A Schroeder
L Johnson	1 - 0	R Carrier	A F Hill	0 - 1	Mark May
H Hughes	½ - ½	J Blewitt	E Bailey	0 - 1	J Cooper
R Gough	1 - 0	DEFAULT	J Tuckley	0 - 1	N Nicholls
DEFAULT	0 - 0	DEFAULT	S Keley	0 - 1	C Eddies
Lucas BS	3 - 3	Kingstanding	Thompson	2 - 4	Stafford
M Tallis	½ - ½	K Thomas	C Savage	0 - 1	R Hyde
L Johnson	½ - ½	A Hickey	K G Humphreys	½ - ½	J Carlton
D Stockhall	1 - 0	D Brown	K Pittaway	0 - 1	T Bailey
E P Elkington	0 - 1	K Kent	G Lines	1 - 0	R Gogerty
R T Gough	½ - ½	D Brelsforth	D T Guest	½ - ½	O F Hill
A Johnston	½ - ½	G Barron	G J Ralph	0 - 1	E Bailey
Mercia	3 - 3	Dudley	Wolverhampton	3 - 3	Lucas B S
M Share	½ - ½	P Maybbury	D Bird	0 - 1	M Tallis
K Francis	0 - 1	M Blythe	P Eastwood	1 - 0	P Stockhall
D Perks	0 - 1	J Lee	G Rosser	0 - 1	L Johnson
B Smith	½ - ½	J Blewitt	F Wood	1 - 0	H Hughes
J Phillips	1 - 0	M Brayne	F Wootton	½ - ½	R Gough
D Webb	1 - 0	P Callard	P Atkiss	½ - ½	P Elkington

Division Three

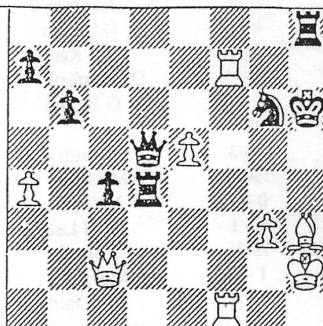
Lichfield	3 - 2	Wolverhampton C	Stafford	2½ - 2½	Rugeley
G Monks	1 - 0	C Holdcroft	M Wells	½ - ½	W Hulley
A Mieleniewski	½ - ½	J Wakelam	G deVisme	½ - ½	A Dobson
C Brown	1 - 0	P Atkiss	E Bailey	½ - ½	M Page
C Ricketts	0 - 1	A Ward	D Nesbitt	0 - 1	J Montague
P Fathers	½ - ½	L Hesbrook	G Argent	1 - 0	S Heath
Mercia	4 - 1	Brewood	Stafford	2 - 3	Walsall Kipp. C
T Dawes	1 - 0	D Laight	M Wells	½ - ½	C Southall
R Price	1 - 0	P Crozet	G deVisme	0 - 1	S Beasley
I Malpass	1 - 0	C Buxton	K McNulty	1 - 0	R Wilkinson
C Lane	½ - ½	B Hall	E Bailey	½ - ½	M Savin
J Rich	½ - ½	D Buckley	G Argent	0 - 1	A Shrimpton
Rugeley	4 - 1	Mercia	Walsall Kipp. D	2 - 3	Stafford C
R Crellin	1 - 0	R Price	P Gavin	0 - 1	J Tuckley
A Dobson	½ - ½	I Malpass	J Evans	1 - 0	S Keley
J Montague	½ - ½	C Lane	D Jarvis	½ - ½	D Nesbitt
R Fell	1 - 0	J Rich	P Nixon	0 - 1	P Evans
P Marklove	1 - 0	L Scarrott	K Moore	½ - ½	K Dwight
Rushall	1½ - ½	Walsall Kipp D	Walsall Kipp. C	3 - 2	Wolverhampton C
S Allen	0 - 0	P Gavin	S Beasley	0 - 1	C Holdcroft
D Bell	1 - 0	Mrs D McIntosh	R Wilkinson	½ - ½	P Atkiss
S Cooksey	0 - 1	R Dolan	M Savin	1 - 0	L Hesbrook
R Gant	½ - ½	P Nixon	B Davies	½ - ½	M Dakin
P Spencer	0 - 0	K Moore	A Shrimpton	1 - 0	M Satterthwaite

Result Amended -

Breach of rule 8c on Boards 1, 3, & 5 -
Both Teams

For those of you still pondering over over last issue's puzzle, the solution is- N - N5 !, leaving black without a decent reply. Apologies that this was not included in newsletter No 3 - Gremlins at the printers !!!

A further puzzle for you this month- Can you see how White, to move forces checkmate ?
Solution, page 8



Division Four

Brewood	1½ - 3½	Telford		
C Buxton	½ - ½	S Tennant		Connaught
P Allen	0 - 1	A Walters		A Snell
S Bird	0 - 1	G Matthews		J Button
J Feney	1 - 0	M Watson		M Fitzwilliam
J Irons	0 - 1	A Jones		T Cooper
				N Collings
Connaught	2 - 2	Wolverhampton		
J Button	1 - 0	B Lewis		Goodyear
N Collings	1 - 0	B Price		P O'Donoghue
D Deeming	0 - 1	P Sangera		A Colabella
R Button	1 - 0	S O'Shea		K Keady
M Khalid	½ - ½	M Steed		J Grugulis
				S Jones
Result Amended -				
Breach of rule 5H on Board 5-				
Connaught				
		Kidderminster	2½ - 2½	
		T Pountney	0 - 1	
		I Deakin	1 - 0	
		K Brant	1 - 0	
		P Kitchen	0 - 1	
		M Kitchen	½ - ½	
		Kidderminster	4 - 1	
		D Digger	1 - 0	
		K Brant	½ - ½	
		I Deakin	½ - ½	
		P Kitchen	1 - 0	
		M Kitchen	1 - 0	
		Wolverhampton	4 - 1	
		B Lewis	1 - 0	Bushbury
		P Sangera	1 - 0	P Scott
		P Price	1 - 0	D Keates
		M Steed	1 - 0	J Whitehead
		S O'Shea	0 - 1	M Staniforth
				R Chacksfield

M C C U open

Staffordshire		7½ - 8½	Leicestershire	
1	L Cooper	0 - 1		M Hebden
2	D Wheeler	0 - 1		G Lawton
3	D Anderton	0 - 1		A Hadzimoalds
4	L Grinsell	0 - 1		A Morley
5	G Acey	½ - ½		J Allison
6	A Richardson	½ - ½		V Cicmil
7	S Edwards	1 - 0		J Mitchell
8	A Crombleholme	1 - 0		R Burgess
9	C Hibbard	1 - 0		G Sharpe
10	R Allen	1 - 0		P Davies
11	M Handley	½ - ½		S Calderwood
12	G Hughes	1 - 0		J Robinson
13	D Morris	0 - 1		P Horspool
14	P Porter	½ - ½		O Hardy
15	S Hill	½ - ½		T Reynolds
16	A Grant	0 - 1		P C Gibbs

M C C U Under 150 : Semi Final

Leicestershire		8 - 8	Staffordshire	
1	G Ward	1 - 0		D Morris
2	S Ward	0 - 1		W Rea
3	B A Foreman	0 - 1		S R Hill
4	M J Tate	½ - ½		K R Grainger
5	P Hogan	0 - 1		N Young
6	J G Glover	½ - ½		C Pohribnyj
7	I Dodds	½ - ½		P J Jones
8	A Dilley	1 - DEF		A Perez
9	S P Payne	0 - 1		J Blackburn
10	G Booley	1 - 0		M W A Hoare
11	S Wylie	½ - ½		A Grant
12	I Murray	0 - 1		K A J Francis
13	B Denton	1 - 0		D W Perks
14	C Norton	1 - 0		R Parker
15	P K Harrison	½ - ½		D Mercer
16	D Pearson	½ - ½		J Cooper

Staffordshire win on Board Count

M C C U UNDER 150 : FINAL

Staffordshire		7 - 9	Warwickshire	
1	D Morris	½ - ½		I Fishe
2	J L Payton	0 - 1		M Fox
3	W Rea	½ - ½		Rob Reynolds
4	P Porter	½ - ½		K P Jones
5	C Bell	0 - 1		A Russell
6	J Staniforth	½ - ½		L Collier
7	S R Hill	0 - 1		D Reeves
8	K Grainger	½ - ½		W Archibald
9	C Pohribnyj	0 - 1		W Harwood
10	J Blackburn	1 - 0		G Windows
11	A Grant	1 - 0		M Soszynski
12	J Ferando	0 - 1		T Walker
13	K A J Francis	1 - 0		R Briscoe
14	D W Perks	1 - 0		R Woodcock
15	R Parker	½ - ½		A F Kent
16	J Cooper	0 - 1		C Lund-Yates

M C C U UNDER 125

South		3½ - 12½	South	
Staffordshire			Nottinghamshire	
1	M Reece	0 - 1		A Carlton
2	J Sadler	0 - 1		M Radford
3	G Rosser	0 - 1		R Stansfield
4	A Powis	½ - ½		M Nailard
5	R Parker	1 - 0		T Gallett
6	S Colwell	0 - 1		S Philp
7	S Beasley	½ - ½		M Goddard
8	M Wootton	½ - ½		P Rees
9	R Wilkinson	0 - 1		M Harper
10	P Broomhall	1 - 0		J Buttery
11	M Savin	0 - 1		G Gibson
12	B Payne	0 - 1		A Thorsen
13	C Buxton	0 - 1		M Hewitt
14	B Hall	0 - 1		D Crowshaw
15	D Buckley	0 - 1		D Blampied
16	R Fletcher	0 - 1		M Mann

Hickman Trophy - Open

Lichfield	3½ - 2½	Stafford
P Wallace	1 - 0	G acey
P Collins	0 - 1	A Richardson
R Allen	0 - 1	D Morris
C Hibbard	½ - ½	R Hyde
J Smith	1 - 0	P Ganeri
G Hackett	1 - 0	D Wall

Gothard Trophy : Under 150

Trentham	3 - 2	Lichfield
J Bourne	1 - 0	G Lamb
S R Hill	½ - ½	M Maher
J Campbell	½ - ½	A Grant
A Perez	½ - ½	J Lakin
P Sargeant	½ - ½	D Fone

Withnall Trophy: Under 100

Walsall Kipping	1½ - 3½	Tamworth
C Billings	0 - 1	E Golightly
Mrs D McIntosh	0 - 1	R Griffiths
Mrs J Evans	0 - 1	G Baker
K Moore	½ - ½	B Cunningham
P Nixon	1 - 0	J Palmer

Jackson Trophy

Walsall Kipping	v	Wolverhampton
Walsall Kipping win by default		

Solution to this month's puzzle.

- 1) ..Q x N +! K x Q ; 2) R(B1) - B6 + K - N4; 3) R - B5 + Q - N3; 4) R(B7) - B6 + K - R2
 5) R - R5 + K - N2; 6) R - N5 + K - R2; 7) B - B5 (mate)

LEAGUE TABLES

Division One	P	W	D	L	Pts	Division Two	P	W	D	L	Pts
Telford (A)	10	9	0	1	18	Kingstanding	10	8	1	1	17
West Bromwich A	10	8	0	2	16	Walsall Kipping (B)	10	7	2	1	16
Stourbridge	10	6	2	2	14	Stafford (B)	10	5	2	3	12
Lichfield A	10	5	3	2	13	Rushall (A)	10	5	1	4	11
Bushbury (A)	10	5	2	3	12	Goodyear (A)	10	4	2	4	10
Kidderminster (A)	10	4	0	6	8	Wolverhampton (B)	10	3	4	3	10
Walsall Kipping (A)	10	3	2	5	8	Lucas BS	10	4	2	4	10
West Bromwich B	10	3	1	6	7	Dudley (B)	10	4	1	5	9
Stafford (A)	10	3	2	5	6	Mercia (A)	10	2	4	4	8
Wolverhampton(A)	10	2	0	8	4	Thompson	10	2	1	7	5
Dudley (A)	10	1	0	9	2	Rushall (B)	10	0	2	8	2

Stafford lose 2 points for breach of rule 5E[1]

Division Three	P	W	D	L	Pts	Division Four	P	W	D	L	Pts
Rugeley	10	9	1	0	19	Kidderminster (B)	8	6	2	0	14
Bushbury (B)	10	6	2	2	14	Telford (B)	7	5	2	1	12
Brewood (A)	10	6	1	3	13	Goodyear (B)	8	4	3	1	11
Walsall Kipping (C)	10	6	0	4	12	Wolverhampton (E)	8	4	1	3	9
Wolverhampton (D)	10	5	1	4	11	Brewood (B)	8	4	1	3	9
Stafford (C)	10	4	2	4	10	Rushall (D)	8	3	1	4	7
Lichfield (B)	10	4	1	5	9	Bushbury (C)	8	1	0	7	2
Wolverhampton (C)	10	4	0	6	8	Connaught (A)	7	2	2	4	1
Rushall (C)	10	3	2	5	8						
Mercia (B)	10	2	0	8	4						
Walsall Kipping (D)	10	1	0	9	2						

Connaught A lose 5 points for breaches of Rule 6F

Defaulted Matches

Division One		
Walsall Kipping	6 - 0	Dudley
West Bromwich	6 - 0	Dudley

Division Two		
Stafford	6 - 0	Lucas BS
Walsall Kipping	6 - 0	Lucas BS
Kingstanding	6 - 0	Rushall B
Mercia	6 - 0	Rushall B
Thompson	6 - 0	Rushall B
Rushall A	0 - 6	Dudley
Lucas Bs	6 - 0	Thompson

Division Three		
Wolverhampton C	5 - 0	Lichfield

Division Four		
Kidderminster	5 - 0	Rushall
Telford	0 - 0	Connaught