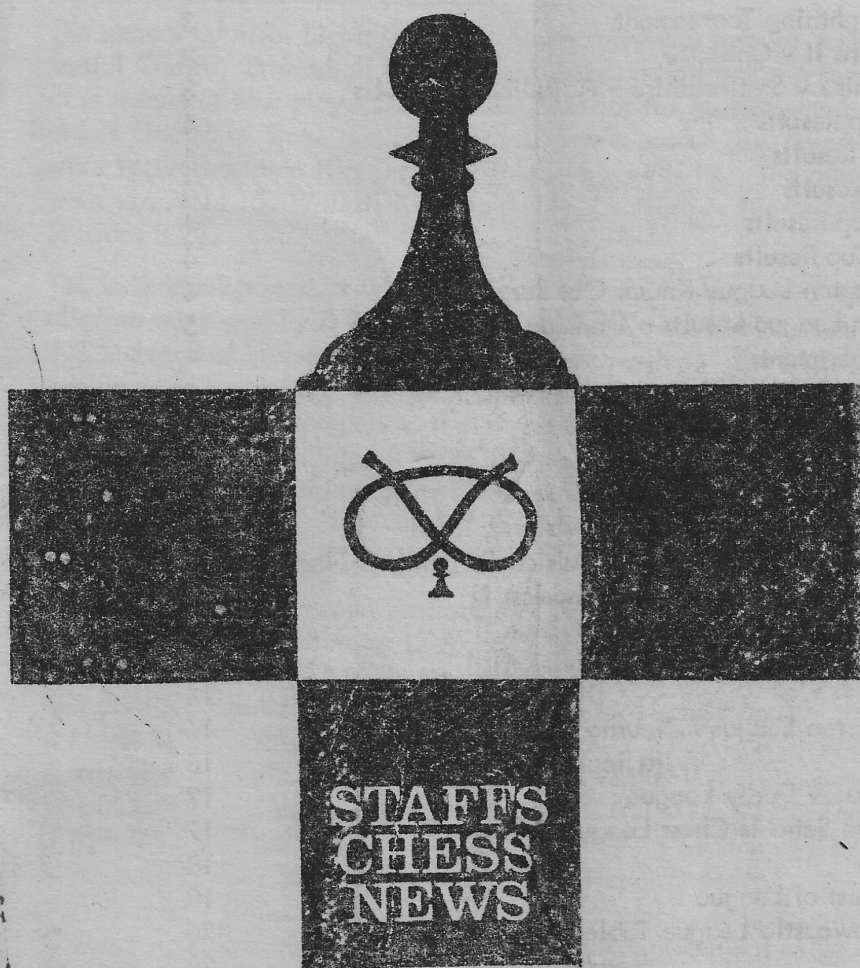


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BEATTIES LIGHTNING CHESS TOURNAMENT

The annual Beatties Lightning Chess Tournament was held at John Thompsons Social Centre, Ettingshall on Tuesday 8 May and attracted a record entry of 40 teams of four players each. The Beatties trophy was won by the holders Electra of Stoke on Trent with 22 points out of 28. Equal second were Wolverhampton Kipping and Stourbridge with 19. The other scores were Lichfield 15, Walsall Kipping A 14½, Stafford A 13, Stourbridge D 6½, Stafford B 2½.

The individual prizes for which members of the winning teams were not eligible were won by D R Johnson of Lichfield with 6, E W Lees and J C Sturrock of Walsall Kipping were second with 4. The Major Section was won by Stourbridge D with 20 and with Walsall Kipping B second with 18½. The individual prizes in the Major Section were won by K Francis of Mercaid with the maximum score of 7½, second were J Fellows of Wolverhampton and P French of Penn British Legion with 6½ points.

STAFFORDSHIRE II v CHESHIRE

The annual match between Staffordshire and Cheshire second teams was held at Alsager on Saturday 17 March. It was one of the closest for several seasons with Cheshire emerging as winners by the margin of 11-10.

The detailed results are as follows (Staffordshire names first) -

D Marshall 1 D Welch 0, I C R MacGillivray 1 E Harrison 0, W P Taylor 1 A Wheeler 0, E W Lees 0 J Annand 1, J W Withnall 0 P Thurstfield 1 W N Clayton 0 C Wentworth 1, R J Edwards 0 A Poval 1, C Tomlinson 0 J Poval 1, A T Leadbetter 0 M Lee 1, B Nagle ½ M Stone ½, D Tarbuck ½ R Brennan ½, R M Ewan ½ J Delbin ½, F Rowley ½ D Swift ½,

K A Francis 1 P C Thomas 0, J Futch 1 F Jaek 0, D G Edwards 1 C Jones 0, L C Hesbrook 1 S Wood 0, G Stokes-Roberts 0 M Clowes 1, Mrs M Lloyd 0 A Parkins 1, W D Cooper ½ S Nelson ½, Miss W Terry ½ J Scott ½.

LEICESTERSHIRE v STAFFORDSHIRE - ADJUDICATED RESULTS

Board 2. D W Anderton ½ v L A Edwards ½, 3. C S Darnard ½ J Robinson ½, 5. J M Quinn ½ W Tabakiernik ½, 12. I Fleury 0 G Carlin 1. The final result was Leicestershire 11 Staffordshire 6.

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FORREST CUP - West Midlands Section

Semi finals - D W Anderton 1 C C W Shepherd 0, A J Miles 1 B Cafferty 0. Finals - A J Miles 1 D W Anderton 0. A J Miles will meet O Hardy of Leicester in the Midlands final.

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North - Round 2 - G R Evans 1 R A Beach 0. South - Round 2 - K A J Francis ($\frac{1}{2}$) 0 J H Daines ($\frac{1}{2}$) 1, J Fellows ($\frac{1}{2}$) 0 L G Hesbrook ($\frac{1}{2}$) 1. Round 3 - W N Clayton 1 L G Hesbrook 0, K R Grainger ($\frac{1}{2}$) 0 J H Daines ($\frac{1}{2}$) 1. Semi Finals - W N Clayton $\frac{1}{2}$ J Montgomery $\frac{1}{2}$, J H Daines v G R Evans.

ROCK CUP

A Sadler 1 R E F Duncanson 0, L G Hesbrook 1 R M Ewan 0.
Final - A Sadler 1 L G Hesbrook 0.

BIDGOOD CUP

P G Jackson 1 F L Tatler 0, K A J Francis 1 Dr P O Morrill 0.
Final - K A J Francis 1 P G Jackson 0.

HICKMAN CUP - Round 1

Electra 6 v Burton on Trent 2 - R A Beach 1 R Martin 0, B Hopewell 1 T J Bould 0, C S Barnard 1 C Kirk 0, G R Evans $\frac{1}{2}$ S W Schofield $\frac{1}{2}$, J Hodgkinson $\frac{1}{2}$ D J Pickering $\frac{1}{2}$, J M Fitcher 1 R D Sutcliffe 0, R J Kiff 1 P R Moore 0, R R Irvine 0 K R Crisp 1. Round 2 - Stafford $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Electra $4\frac{1}{2}$ - J Montgomery 0 R A Beach 1, P G Jackson 0 B Hopewell 1, R V H Burrows 1 C S Barnard 0, D Picken $\frac{1}{2}$ G R Evans $\frac{1}{2}$, A T Leadbetter 0 M G Smith 1, R Wren 1 J Hodgkinson 0, R Ewan 0 R R Irving 1, P Greatbach 1 J Holden 0. Lichfield 7 Mercia 1 - B Milnes 1 G Stokes-Roberts 0, I C R MacGillivray 1 K A J Francis 0, D Tarbuck 1 B Smith 0, P Norris 1 G Sanders 0, B Nagle $\frac{1}{2}$ A Khan $\frac{1}{2}$, K Thompson $\frac{1}{2}$ Mrs M Lloyd $\frac{1}{2}$, J Trickett 1 K Nicholl 0, R Greening 1 F Lloyd 0.
Final between Lichfield and Electra.

WOLVERHAMPTON LEAGUE KNOCK-OUT - Round 2

Stafford $6\frac{1}{2}$ v Penn BL $1\frac{1}{2}$ - J Montgomery 1 D Smith 0, D Picken 1 B Cunningham 0, A A Smith 1 G Carless 0, A T Leadbetter 1 H Terry 0,

R M Ewan 1 F Marson 0, E Strad 1 P W French 1, G De Visme 1
 Miss W Terry 0, M Loughton 0 P J French 1. West Bromwich v East
 Springfield but no result has been submitted. Edm-Badm-West Bromwich
31 v Wolverhampton Kipping 4½ - G Hower ½ A Sadler ½, C Southall 1
 E H Goodwin 0, R Tarkowski ½ W P Taylor ½, M Raynolds ½ D Cheshire ½,
 W Winter 1 A A Roberts 0, T Jones 0 D J Pritchard 1, C Roberts 0
 P Chorrington 1, B Partridge 0 D G Edwards 1. Walsall Kipping 4½ v
Stafford 3½ - B Marshall ½ J Montgomery ½, P Maddocks ½ P Jackson ½,
 Dr N Young 0 R Picken 1, E W Lees 0 A A Smith 1, W N Clayton 1
 A T Leadbetter 0, C Tomlinson 1 R Ewan 0, R Jones ½ G O'Kane ½,
 T McFarlane 1 H De Visme 0. Final - between Wolverhampton Kipping
 and Walsall Kipping.

BIRMINGHAM LEAGUE RESULTS - Division I

Wolverhampton Kipping 4 v Golden Hillock 2 - D W Anderton ½
 M J Corden ½, D Lamb 1 P C Robertson 0, A Sadler 1 J Harte 0,
 E H Goodwin 1 B Nevin 0, I Fleury ½ C Corden ½, D Pritchard 0
 D Nicholls 1. Wolverhampton Kipping 2½ v Mutual 2½ - M Fleury ½
 W R Morry ½, D W Anderton 0 J D L Ball 1, D Lamb A C Hammersley A,
 A Sadler 1 W E Phipps 0, E H Goodwin 0, N Andrews 1, I Fleury 1
 P Klempner 0.

GAMES DEPARTMENT

White: M Bryant (Morris) v Black: B J Hitchins (Lanchester A) Sicilian:
 1. P-K4 P-QB4, 2. N-QB3 P-Q3 3. P-Q3 N-QB3 4. N-D3 P-KN3
 5. P-Q4(a) PxP 6. NxP B-N2 7. D-QN5(D) D-Q2 8. B-K3 N-B3 9. C-O
 O-O(c) 10. Q-Q2(d) R-K1(e) 11. P-B4 P-QR3 12. B-B4 P-QN4 13. D-Q5
 R-QB1 14. P-B5 P-N5 15. QN-K2 NxQ 16. PxN NxN 17. BxN? (f) D-N4?
 (g) 18. BxD BxN? (h) 19. D-Q4! R-B5 (i) 20. R-B2 B-R4 21. P-QN3 RxB(j)
 22. QxR PxP 23. RxP B-N3 24. Q-N4 Q-B1 25. QR-KB1 R-B1 26. P-KR4
 Q-B4ch 27. K-R1 K-R1 28. R(5)-B4? (k) QxQP 29. P-R5? (l) BxRP
 30. R-B5 BxQ 31. RxQ R-QB1 32. P-B4? (m) PxPep 33. R-QB1 P-B7
 34. R-Q2 B-B4 35. P-R4(n) R-D6 36. R-B2 B-N3 37. P-QN4 R-QN6 (o)
 38. R-B4(p) P-Q4 39. R-B2 K-N2(q) 40. K-N1 RxB 41. R-Q2 P-K3(r)
 42. Resigns.

Notes

(a) Inconsistent. Better 5. P-KN3, or earlier 3. N-KB3 and 4. P-Q4.

(c) I prefer 7.B-K3. The KB is better placed on K2, or on QD4 combined with P-KB3 and O-O-O, against the Dragon. In both cases, a later ... N-KN5 by Black is inhibited.

(c) An interesting line is 9... N-KN5! 10. NxN NxP! (better than 10... PxN 11. BxDP! NxD 12. BxBch) 11. NxQ NxQ 12. NxDP! (alternative moves lead to endings with slightly better chances for Black), NxN 13. BxBch KxD 14. NxR N-K7ch 15. K-R1 RxN.

(d) Better 10. P-KR3, to prevent ... N-KN5.

(e) Black could win bishop for knight by either 10... N-KN5 or 10... NxN 11. QxN (11. BxN? BxB and 11. BxB? NxDP! both lose a pawn), BxB 12. NxP N-N5.

(f) Offering a pawn unsoundly. Better 17. NxN, after which 17... BxN? 18. BxB BxDP? allows 19. RxB PxR 20. Q-N5ch.

(g) After 17... BxDP!, White cannot play 18. RxD PxR 19. Q-N5 because of 19... P-K4!

(h) 18... KxD was necessary.

(i) 19... DxR 20. Q-R6 gives White a winning attack after either 20... P-B3 21. PxP PxP 22. QxPch K-R1 (or 22... K-D1 23. B-K3) 23. RxD R-B5 24. R-B5 or 20... P-K4! 21. QPxPch P-B3 22. PxP and now

(A) 22... Q-K2 23. RxB R-D1 (or 23... PxP 24. RxP) 24. RxP! RxR (else 25. R-B7) 25. BxR Q-R2ch (or 25... QxB 26. PxPch) 26. K-R1 R-B2 27. P-K7, or

(B) 22... R-B2 23. BxP! Q-N1 24. PxPch RxP 25. Q-N6ch K-D1 26. QxR, or

(C) 22... Q-B2! 23. RxD RxP 24. BxP Q-R2ch (or 24... R-K7 25. D-Q4 Q-QN2 26. PxPch QxP 27. Q-N5ch or 24... QR-K1 or KD1 25. PxPch QxP 26. Q-N5ch K-B2 27. D-K7 dis ch) 25. K-R1 Q-Q2 (or 25... RxP 26. B-Q4! Q-K2 27. PxPch QxP 28. Q-B8 mate, or 25... Q-QN2 26. Q-R3! R(either)-K1 27. PxPch QxP 28. Q-N4ch K-D1 29. D-R4 dis ch) 26. Q-N5! R-B4 (or 26... K-D1 27. B-K7 dbl ch K-N2 28. PxP dis ch K-R1 - or 26... R-N3 29. D-B6ch - 29. D-B6ch KxP 30. Q-R5ch) 27. PxP dbl ch KxP 28. Q-R4ch K-N3 29. R-D4! R-K7 or 29... R-K6 30. R-N4ch K-D4 31. Q-N5ch (or 29... R-KR4 30. R-N4ch K-R3 31. D-N5ch K-N3 32. D-Q2 dis ch) 30. Q-N3ch K-B2 (or 30... K-R3 31. R-R4ch R-R4 32. Q-N5ch) 31. Q-N7ch K-K3 32. Q-N4ch.

(i) 21... R-QD1 loses to 22. Q-R6 P-B3 23. P-N4! BxP 24. PxP PxP 25. QxPch K-R1 26. R-N2 R-KN1 27. Q-R6 mate.

- (k) Losing a pawn. 30.R(2)-D2 is the solid move, but 28.R-N6 gives White a winning attack.
- (l) Losing a second pawn. 29.RxNP was necessary.
- (m) Losing a third pawn. Better 32.R-Q4 or 32.R-Q2, but not 32.RxBP? B-K3.
- (n) Weakening White's Q-side pawns, but he is lost anyway.
- (o) 37...R-B5 is more accurate.
- (p) White's last chance to make the win a bit more difficult for Black is 38.RxQBP! BxR 39.RxB RxNP 40.R-D7.
- (q) The quickest win is by 39...R-N8 40.R(2)-B1 P-Q5.
- (r) 41...R-N8 is still best.

White: R V H Butters v Black: C S Barnard (Ruy Lopez - Anderssen Variation)

1.P-K4 P-K4 2.N-KB3 N-QB3 3.D-N5 P-QR3 4.D-R4 N-B3 5.P-Q3
P-Q3 6.QN-Q2 D-K2 7.P-B3 O-O 8.N-B1 N-N1(a) 9.N-N3 D-Q2
10.D-B2 R-K1 11.O-O D-KD1 12.P-Q4(b) P-B4 13.P-KR3 N-B3 14.D-N5
DPxP 15.PxP P-R3 16.D-K3 R-B1 17.R-B1 N-QN5(c) 18.D-N1 D-N4
19.R-K1 P-QR4 20.P-R3 RxR 21.BxR(d) N-B3 22.Q-N3 D-R3 23.D-R2
Q-Q2(e) 24.PxP PxP(f) 25.R-Q1 Q-B2 26.B-K3 P-QN4? (g) 27.R-B1
Q-N2? (h) 28.RxN! (i) QxR 29.QxPch K-R2 30.N-R5! R-K2(j) 31.QxB
Q-K1(k) 32.NxNch Resigns.

Notes

- (a) This gives White time to carry out his plans. It would be better to take advantage of his rather slow opening by trying to force an early ...P-Q4.
- (b) Although this advance has taken two moves, White is a move or two ahead compared with the more usual variations, Black having lost time with his QN and QB.
- (c) It is not easy to determine the best plan for Black here. The Q-side activity initiated by this move turns out badly, but he must try to break White's hold on the centre sooner or later.
- (d) Of course not 21.QxR? N-Q6 destroying all White's advantage. After the text move White obtains a strong initiative.
- (e) 23...Q-B2 24.PxP would probably transpose into the game.
- (f) 24...NxP, forcing the exchange of Ns, might be somewhat better.
- (g) After this there seems to be no way of saving the game. However, if 26...N-Q5 (suggested by Black after the game) 27.BxN Px3

28. P-K5! is very strong. It is doubtful if there is a satisfactory continuation. The key factor is White's control of the R2-N8 diagonal.

- (h) This loses at once, but if 27... P-R5 28. QxPch. 27... R-K3 loses to 28. Q-B2 and 29. N-B5. This leaves only 27... D-N2 losing at least a pawn.
- (i) 28. QxPch also wins.
- (j) Relatively best. If 30... R-B1 31. NxNch QxN 32. Q-N8ch K-N3 33. B-B7ch QxB 34. NxPch. If 30... NxN 31. Q-N8ch K-N3 32. N-R4ch and 33. Q-B7 mate. If 30... NxP 31. Q-N8ch K-N3 32. B-B7 ch K-B4 33. N-R4mate.
- (k) Other moves also lose quickly, eg 31... R-Q2 32. NxNch QxN 33. B-N8ch K-N3 34. Q-K8ch etc or 31... NxN 32. B-N8ch and mate next move. Finally 31... Q-Q3 32. B-B5 (... QxB 33. NxNch forces mate).

NEWS IN BRIEF

Thursday 19 July - Stoke Festival Lightning Tournament.

Registrations with the DCF by Staffordshire - 184.

Midland Clubs Championship (Round 2) Electra 4 v Wigston 2 -

R A Beach $\frac{1}{2}$ A J Morley $\frac{1}{2}$, B Hopewell T I S McLean 0, C S Darnard 1
D G Chetwynd 0, M G Smith $\frac{1}{2}$ D A Foreman $\frac{1}{2}$, G R Evans 1 T O Marsden 0,
J Hodgkinson 0 D N Beasley 1.

Sinclair Trophy (correspondence chess) score stands at 12+2.

Darry Jolly of Rubery Owen Chess Club competed in the Royal Navy Chess Championship at HMS Collingwood, Portsmouth in March and came 14th out of 27.

LEAGUE TABLES - Division I

Club	P	W	D	L	Adj	P
Stafford A	11	9	2	0	0	20
West Bromwich A	11	8	1	2	0	17
Walsall Kipping A	10	8	1	1	0	17
Stourbridge A	10	5	3	2	0	13
Wolverhampton Kipping A	11	4	3	3	1	11
Shrewsbury	10	5	1	4	0	11
Walsall Kipping B	11	4	1	6	0	9
Dudley A	11	3	2	6	0	8
Wolverhampton A	11	4	0	6	1	8
Springvale A	11	3	0	8	0	6
Rubery Owen A	11	1	1	9	0	3
Mercia A	10	1	1	8	0	3

Division II	P	W	D	L	P
Penn British Legion A	11	9	1	1	19
Stafford B	11	9	1	1	19
Stourbridge B	11	7	1	3	15
Rugeley A	11	7	0	4	14
Cosford A	11	6	2	3	14
Walsall Kipping C	11	4	3	4	11
Wolverhampton B	11	4	3	4	11
Wolverhampton Kipping B	11	4	2	5	10
Penn British Legion B	11	3	2	6	8
GKN A	11	3	0	8	6
Dudley B	11	2	1	8	5
John Thompsons A	11	0	2	9	2

Division III	P	W	D	L	P
West Bromwich B	12	9	1	2	19
GKN B	12	7	3	2	17
Dudley C	12	7	1	4	15
Rubery Owen B	12	7	0	5	14
Mercia B	12	6	2	4	14
Springvale B	12	6	2	4	14
Penn British Legion C	11	6	1	4	13

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LEAGUE TABLES - Division III continued

Club		P	W	D	L	P
Rugeley B		12	6	1	5	13
John Thompsons D		12	3	2	7	8
Penn British Legion D		11	3	2	6	8
Bushbury		11	4	0	7	8
Wolverhampton C		12	3	1	8	7
Dudley College		11	1	0	10	2
Division IV South	Adj	P	W	D	L	P
Dudley D	1	6	5	0	0	10
Stourbridge C	0	6	4	0	2	8
Blandford Mere	1	6	3	0	2	6
West Bromwich C	0	5	2	1	2	5
John Thompsons C	0	6	2	0	4	4
Whittingham	0	6	1	1	4	3
Mercia have withdrawn						
Division IV North	Adj	P	W	D	L	P
Sutton Hill	0	4	4	0	0	8
Lichfield	0	3	1	0	2	2
Cosford B	0	2	1	0	1	2
Walsall Kipping D	1	3	1	0	0	2
Wolverhampton D	1	3	0	0	2	0
Wolverhampton Kipping C	0	1	0	0	1	0
Stafford C	0	0	0	0	0	0

WOLVERHAMPTON & DISTRICT CHESS LEAGUE RESULTS Division I

Springvale A $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Mercia A $2\frac{1}{2}$ - J Charles 0 G Stokes-Roberts 1;
 R Grainger $\frac{1}{2}$ K Francis $\frac{1}{2}$, J Holloway $\frac{1}{2}$ B Smith $\frac{1}{2}$, M Bacon $\frac{1}{2}$
 Mrs M Lloyd $\frac{1}{2}$, H New 1 A Khan 0, A Turner 1 F Lloyd 0.
 Wolverhampton Kipping A 4 v West Bromwich A 2 - A Sadler $\frac{1}{2}$ G Homer $\frac{1}{2}$,
 E Goodwin 1 C Southall 0, W Taylor 1 W Wiater 0, I Fleury 0 J Ault 1,
 J A Elliott 1 D Woodman 0, A Roberts $\frac{1}{2}$ B Partridge $\frac{1}{2}$, West Bromwich
 A $5\frac{1}{2}$ v Rubery Owen A $\frac{1}{2}$ - G Homer 1 B Nagle 0, C Southall 1
 H Lewis (Def) 0, R Tarkowski 1 M Anderton 0, J K Ault $\frac{1}{2}$ A Gilbert $\frac{1}{2}$,
 W Wiater 1 C C Winmill (Def) 0, C Roberts 1 T Jayes 0.

Dudley A $2\frac{1}{2}$ v Wolverhampton Kipping A $3\frac{1}{2}$ - G Thomas $\frac{1}{2}$ A Sadler $\frac{1}{2}$,
 M Garbett 1 W P Taylor 0, C Siviter 0 I Fleury 1, J Mort 0 R Duncanson 1,
 J Tromans $\frac{1}{2}$ F Dasset 1, M Musty $\frac{1}{2}$ J A Elliott $\frac{1}{2}$. Shrewsbury $3\frac{1}{2}$ v
 Walsall Kipping B $2\frac{1}{2}$ - DEverington 1 W Cooper 0, J Jeggo 0
 J Freeman 1, D Mease $\frac{1}{2}$ A Willis $\frac{1}{2}$, R Cox $\frac{1}{2}$ T Hollington $\frac{1}{2}$, P Rans 1
 A Shrimpton 0, S Hicks $\frac{1}{2}$ R Jones $\frac{1}{2}$. Rubery Owen A 3 Dudley A 3 -
 B Nagle 0 T R D Grove 1, M Anderton $\frac{1}{2}$ G Thomas $\frac{1}{2}$, A Gilbert $\frac{1}{2}$
 M Garbett $\frac{1}{2}$, H Lewis 0 C Siviter 1, W Askey 1 J Mort 0, C Grove 1
 J Tromans 0. Wolverhampton A 3 v Mercia 3 - W P Taylor 1
 G Stokes-Roberts 0, I Fleury (Def) 0 K Francis 1, A A Roberts $\frac{1}{2}$
 D Smith $\frac{1}{2}$, R E F Duncanson $\frac{1}{2}$ Mrs M Lloyd $\frac{1}{2}$, N W Sims 1 J Rowley 0,
 F W Dasset 0 F Lloyd 1, Walsall Kipping A 5 v Wolverhampton 1 -
 B Marshall 1 L Hesbrook 0, Dr N Young 1 G Haynes 0, J Sturrock 1
 J Holt 0, W N Clayton 0 N Cook 1, E Lees 1 H Geher 1, C Tomlinson 1
 D Liester 0.

DIVISION II

Wolverhampton B 4 v Dudley B 2 - R G Stokes $\frac{1}{2}$ G Thomas $\frac{1}{2}$,
 L Hesbrook $\frac{1}{2}$ C Siviter $\frac{1}{2}$, G Haynes 1 W Cox 0, R Smith 1 A Cox 0,
 C F Dennett 1 D Mulligan 0, R A Harmer 0 J Blewitt 1.
 Wolverhampton Kipping B 3 v Cosford 3 - K G Humphreys 0 T Sweeney 1,
 D Pritchard 0 R Porter 1, D G Edwards 0 J Heckscher 1, R Quinton 1
 R Rowe 0, J V Dargery 1 L Sammut 0, B Tisdell 1 B Corbell 0.
 Penn BL A $4\frac{1}{2}$ v Wolverhampton B $1\frac{1}{2}$ - A Doxley $\frac{1}{2}$ G Stokes $\frac{1}{2}$,
 G Carless (Def) 0 L Hesbrook 1, J Grugulis 1 R Smith (Def) 0, H Terry 1
 G F Haynes 0, D Smith 1 R Harmer 0, F Marson 1 G Evens 0.
 GKN A $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Dudley B $2\frac{1}{2}$ - C Szentmihaly $\frac{1}{2}$ W E Cox $\frac{1}{2}$, K Tabner 1
 A Cox 0, R Evans $\frac{1}{2}$ J N Flatley $\frac{1}{2}$, R Bestwick 0 D Mulligan 1,
 J Doughty $\frac{1}{2}$ J Blewitt $\frac{1}{2}$, M Rees 1 A W Flatley 0. Stourbridge B $4\frac{1}{2}$ v
 Cosford A $1\frac{1}{2}$ - F Tatler 1 T Sweeney 0, G Moss 0 R Porter 1, J Soley 1
 J Heckscher 0, I Manley $\frac{1}{2}$ L Owen $\frac{1}{2}$, T E Aldworth 1 T Hall 0,
 R J Wray 1 R Rowe 0. Stafford B $4\frac{1}{2}$ v Wolverhampton Kipping B $1\frac{1}{2}$ -
 R M Ewan $\frac{1}{2}$ K G Humphreys $\frac{1}{2}$, R Wren 1 D G Edwards 0, E Shad 1
 D Cheshire (Def) 0, Dr De Visme $\frac{1}{2}$ R Quinton $\frac{1}{2}$, G O'Kane 1
 J V Dargery 0, P Greatbatch $\frac{1}{2}$ B Tisdell $\frac{1}{2}$, GKN A 4 v John Thompsons
 A 2 - C Szentmihaly 0 K Pittaway 1, K Tabner 1 G Lines 0, A Evans $\frac{1}{2}$
 R Evans $\frac{1}{2}$, R Bestwick 1 R Driscove 0, J Doughty 1 Mrs J Driscove 0,
 M Rees $\frac{1}{2}$ M Dixon $\frac{1}{2}$. Walsall Kipping C 4 v GKN A 2 - M Groombridge
 $\frac{1}{2}$ K Tabner $\frac{1}{2}$, R Jones 1 C Szentmihaly 0, S Dickens 1 A Evans 0,

S Golebicki 1 J Doughty 0, E Jones 0 W Hammond 1, A Powis $\frac{1}{2}$ C Hale $\frac{1}{2}$,
 Wolverhampton Kipping B 2 v Penn BL 4 - P Cherrington 0 G Carless 1,
 D Cheshire $\frac{1}{2}$ A Boxley $\frac{1}{2}$, D G Edwards $\frac{1}{2}$ D Cunningham $\frac{1}{2}$, R Quinton 1
 D Smith 0, J V Bargery 0 H Terry 1, B Tisdell 0 F Marson 1.
 Stafford B 6 v John Thompsons A 0 walk over.

DIVISION III

Springvale 3 v Bushbury 2 - A Turner 0 P Staley 1, D Conway 0 B Farr 1,
 H Payne 1 R Atkinson 0, L Singh 1 G Atkinson 0, L Scarrott 1 S Richards 0,
 Dudley C 5 v Dudley College 0 walk over. Rubery Owen B 2 v Spring-
 vale B 3 - C F Groves 0 H Payne 1, W Staite 1 A Turner 0, W Askey 0
 L Singh 1, L Terry 0 L Scarrott 1, J Williams 1 R Phillips 0. Merola B 3
 v John Thompsons B 2 - G Sanders 1 R Farmer 0, K Nicholls 0 J Blewitt 1,
 H Callow 1 A Carrier 0, N Salt 0 C Gower 1, J Rowley 1 W Owen 0.
 Dudley C 1 v West Bromwich B 4 - F W Slater 0 D Woodman 1, W Cross 0
 P Gregory 1, R Burton 0 P Cooper 1, N Hipwell 1 M Picken 0,
 A W Flatley 0 W Partridge 1. Wolverhampton C 2 v Penn BL C 2 -
 S J McDonald $\frac{1}{2}$ J Grugulis $\frac{1}{2}$, A McDonald 1 R Johnson 0, R Harmer $\frac{1}{2}$
 G Robb $\frac{1}{2}$, G Laughler 0 E Ireland 1, M Jarocki A G Sale A.
 West Bromwich B 5 v Wolverhampton C 0 walk over. Penn BL D 5 v
 Dudley College 0 walk over. Penn BL C 3 v Rugeley B 2 - J Grugulis 1
 G Leese 0, D Edwards 0 A Walker 1, A Black 0 T Hubery 1, G Robb 1
 J Lough 0, T Ireland 1 J Masters 0. GKN B 3 v Rubery Owen B 2 -
 W Hammond 1 C F Groves 0, H Hartshorn 0 W Staite 1, B Hammond 1
 T Jayes 0, G Oakley 0 L J Terry 1, S Atkinson 1 S Muttu 0.
 Springvale B 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ v Dudley C 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - H Payne 0 J Blewitt 1, D Conway $\frac{1}{2}$
 B Burton $\frac{1}{2}$, A Turner 1 N Hipwell 0, L Singh 1 B Cross 0, L Scarrott 1
 B Walton 0. Bushbury 2 v GKN B 3 - P Staley 1 R Hartshorne C,
 G K Hicks 1 M Rees 0, B Farr 0 S Atkinson 1, J Kenwick 0 G Joynes 1,
 R Atkinson 0 I Robinson 1. John Thompsons B 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ v Bushbury 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ -
 R Fanner 0 G K Hicks 1, J Gower 0 B Shuttleworth 1, J Blewitt $\frac{1}{2}$
 B Farr $\frac{1}{2}$, C Gower 0 R Atkinson 1, F Savage 1 K Jones 0. Rubery Owen
 B 4 v John Thompsons B 1 - C F Groves 1 R Farmer 0, W Staite 1
 J Blewitt 0, L Terry 1 W Owen 0, J Williams 1 G B Ralph 0, A Staite 0
 B Walters 1, West Bromwich B 2 v Penn BL C 1 - D Woodman 1
 E Ireland 0, P Gregory A G Robb A, W Partridge 1 D Hodson 0,
 P Cooper A A Black A, G Towns 0 G Safe 1. Penn BL D 2 v Dudley C 3
 - M Horrigan 1 J Blewitt 0, D Safe 1 F Slater 0, P Dowdler 0 R Jones 1,
 A Ash 0 N Hipwell 1, A Terry 0 A Flatley 1.

Mercia B 4½ v Penn BL D 1½ - R Nicholls 1 A Ash 0, M Eart 1
 J McNally 0, J Rowley 1 P Bowdler 0, J Pitt 1 A Terry 0, M Gount ½
 R Evans ½. Rugeley D 0 v West Bromwich B 5 - A Walker 0 D Woodman 1,
 G Leese 0 P Gregory 1, T Hubery 0 P Cooper 1, J Masters 0 W Partridge 1,
 H Wetkiss 0 G Towns 1. Dudley C 2 v GKN B 3 - J Blewitt 0
 H Hartshorne 1, R Burton 0 W Hammond 1, N Hipwell 1 G Williams 0,
 B Walton 0 G Joynes 1, R Jones 1 S Atkinson 0. Wolverhampton
 C 3½ v Springvale B 1½ - S Walker 1 H Payne 0, R Farmer 1 A Turner 0,
 A Wilkinson 1 D Conway 0, J McIlroy 0 L Singh 1, F O'Leary ½
 L Scarrott ½. West Bromwich B 3½ v Rubery Owen B 1½ - D Woodman 1
 C F Groves 0, P Gregory 1 W Staite 0, W Partridge 1 W Askey 0,
 P Cooper ½ L J Terry ½, G Towns 0 S Muttu 1. Dushbury 5 v Dudley
 College 0 walk over. Penn BL C 2 v Dudley C 3 - D Hodson 1 F Slater 0,
 D Edwards 0 M Halliday 1, G Safe 0 N Hipwell 1, A Black ½ W RCross ½,
 G Robb ½ R Jones ½. Springvale B 2½ v Rugeley B 3½ - A Turner 1
 D Ashton (Def) 0, H Payne 0 T Hubery 1, D Conway 0 G Leese 1,
 L Singh ½ A Walker ½, R Phillips 0 J Masters 1. GKN B 5 v
 Wolverhampton C 0 walk over. John Thompsons B 2½ v Dudley C 2½ -
 R Farmer 1 F Slater 0, J Gower 1 R Burton 0, J Blewitt ½ B Cross ½,
 C Gower 0 R Jones 1, W Owen 0 N Hipwell 1. Penn BL C 4 v
 Springvale B 1 - D Hodson 1 A Turner (Def) 0, T Ireland 1 H Payne 0,
 D Edwards 1 D Conway 0, G Robb 0 L Singh 1, A Black 1 R Shelley 0.
 Rubery Owen B 4 v Penn BL D 1 - A Russell 1 D Safe (Def) 0,
 C Groves 1 M Horrigan 0, W Staite 1 R Evans 0, L Terry 1 A Ash 0,
 S Muttu 0 J McNally 1. Rugeley D 1½ v GKN B 3½ - A Walker 0
 B Hammond 1, G Leese 0 W Hammond 1, T Hubery 0 H Hartshorne 1,
 J Masters ½ M Rees ½, W Hully 1 G Joynes 0. Dushbury 4 v Mercia B 1 -
 P Staley 1 K Nicholls 0, G Hicks 1 N Salt 0, B Farr 1 J Rowley 0,
 J Kenwrick 1 J Pitt 0, R Atkinson 0 S Rodgers 1. Wolverhampton C 2 v
 John Thompsons B 3 - C F Bennett 1 J Blewitt 0, A Meaton 0 M Dixon 1,
 A Wilkinson 0 A Carrier 1, A Wright 0 G J Ralph 1, F O'Leary 1
 C P Ralph 0. Dushbury 1 Dudley C 3 - P Staley 1 N Hipwell 0,
 G K Hicks A W Cross A, B Farr 0 J Blewitt 1, J Kenwrick 0 R Jones 1,
 E Sherrett 0 R Burton 1. Dudley College 5 v Wolverhampton C 0 walk
 over. John Thompsons B 0 v Rugeley B 5 - J Blewitt 0 E J Leese 1,
 G J Ralph 0 A Walker 1, R Farmer 0 T Hubery 1, J Gower 0 W Hully 1,
 C Gower 0 T Masters 1. Rubery Owen B 2 v Dushbury 3 - C Groves 0

G Hills 1, L Terry 0 P Staley 1, A Stalle 0 J A Knowlton 1, J Williams 1
 B Fern 0, S Morda 1 E Atkinson 0. Rugeley D 3 v Dudley C 0 walk
 over. Dudley C 2 v Merca D 3 - W Cross 2 J Knowlton 1, P W Slater 0
 J Platt 1, K Burton 1 H Callow 1, H Horwell 1 M Spill 0, B Coddins 0
 S Rogers 1. West Bromwich D 4 v GKN 1 1 - D Woodman 1 D Hammond 0,
 P Gregory 1 W Hammond 0, W Partridge 1 S Atkinson 0, P Cooper 1
 M Rees 0, N Sampays 1 G Joyner 1. Springvale D 4 v Penn BL D 1 1 -
 A Turner 1 A Ash 1, H Payne 0 A Clements 1, L Singh 1 Miss B Clements 0,
 D Conway 1 D Lilley 0, D Richards 1 A Terry 0. Penn BL C 4 v John
 Thompsons D 1 - D Edwards 1 R Farmer 0, D Hodson 0 G J Ralph 1,
 G Safe 1 C Gower 0, R Johnson 1 J Gower 0, G Robb 1 W Owen 0.
 Merca D 5 v Wolverhampton 0 walk over. GKN D 2 1/2 v Springvale D 2 1/2 -
 W Hammond 1 D Conway 0, B Hammond 1 A Turner 1, G Joyner 1
 H Payne 1, H Hartshorne 1 L Singh 1, M Rees 0 L Scarrott 1..
 Penn BL D 2 1/2 v Rugeley D 2 1/2 - M Horrigan 0 G Leese 1, D Safe 1
 A Walker 0, A Ash 1 T Hubery 1, A Clements 0 S Field 1, Miss B Clements
 1 W Hulley 0. John Thompsons D 1 v West Bromwich D 4 - R Farmer 1
 D Woodman 1, J Gower 0 P Gregory 1, M Dixon 1 P Cooper 1, C Gower
 0 W Partridge 1, J Blewitt 0 N Sampays 1.

DIVISION IV

Stourbridge C 2 v West Bromwich C 3 - C Timmins 1 R Whitley 0,
 F Pickett 0 N Sampays 1, C Major 0 D Towns 1, J Fox 1 J Churm 0,
 P Blomfield 0 J Crump 1. Walsall Kipping D 4 v Lichfield 1 - E A Thomas
 1 M Hood 1, H Brookes 1 T Grimes 0, T McFarlane 1 P Also 0,
 S Hasketh 1 D Fone 1, W Poxton 1 J Allen 0. Springvale C 3 v Blandford
 Mere 2 - S Koczy 0 P Guest 1, B Richards (def) T Default 0, G Singh 1
 W Holland 1, D Holloway 1 C Fenn 0, P Winmill 1 K Peters 1.
 West Bromwich C 2 v Whittingham 2 - K Clive 0 M Bissell 1, N Sampays
 (def) P Reynolds (def), G Towns 1 R Wootton 0, J Crump 1 A Rock 0,
 J Churm 0 J Ford 1. Merca C 0 v Stourbridge 5 - K Wheate 0
 C Timmins 1, N Perks 0 F Pickett 1, T Hale 0 C Major 1, K Haines 0
 J Fox 1, G Brassington 0 D Hancox 1. Dudley D 4 v Springvale C 1 -
 M Halliday 0 G Singh 1, I Tudor-Williams 1 R Phillips 0, S Jukes 1
 A Onions 0, J N Flatley 1 D Holloway 0, A W Faltley 1 C Scarrott 0.
 Whittingham 1 v Dudley D 4 - M Bissell 1 J Flatley 0, P Reynolds 0
 F Slater 1, A Rock 0 S Dukes 1, R Wootton 0 A Flatley 1, J Ford 0
 P McManus 1. Wolverhampton D 1 1/2 v Cosford B 3 1/2 - S Walker 1

E Harvey 1, C Dyer 1, F Kitchener 1, J Aldrich 0 C 0 v
 D Jones 0 A Rock 1, J Rowell 1 C 0 v 1, J Colchester 1, J 0 v 1, J
John Thompsons 1 - P Guest 1 J Walker 0, K Ralph 1 C 0 v 1
 A Widdowson 1 - C 0 v 1, J 0 v 1, J 0 v 1, J 0 v 1
 F Savage 0, Lichfield 1 v Wolverhampton 1, Kipping 1, J 0 v 1
 P Meaton 0, D Ford 1 M A Kain 0, F Allen 1 J 0 v 1
 T Garner 1 J 0 v 1, J Allen 0 J 0 v 1, J 0 v 1, C 0 v 1
Dlandford Mere 2 - C Timmins 1 P Guest 0, C Major 0 C 0 v 1
 D Hancox 1 A W Widdowson 0, J Fox 1 T White 0, P T 0 v 1
 K Peters 1, John Thompsons C 0 v Dudley D 5 - G J Ralph 0 F Slater 1,
 B Walters 0 M Haliday 1, G P Ralph 0 I Tudor-Williams 1, A Carrier 0
 S Jukes 1, F Savage 0 A Flatley 1, Walsall Kipping D 2 Wolverhampton
D 2 - E A Thomas A C Dloor A, H Brookes 0, S Walker 1,
 T McFarlane 1 J Wilkinson 0, W Oakley 1 M Constable 0, W Poxton 0
 A Meaton 1, Whittingham 3½ v Springvale C 1½ - M Bissell 1 S Koczy 0,
 B Baines 0 G Singh 1, D Connolly 0 A Onions 0, I Ford ½ D Holloway ½,
 R Wootton 1 C Scarrott 0, Dudley D 3 Stourbridge C 2 - F W Slater 0
 C Timmins 1, I Tudor-Williams 0 F Pickett 1, M Halliday 1 C Major 0,
 S Jukes 1 D Hancox 0, A W Flatley 1 J Grove 0, Mercia C 0 v
Whittingham 5 - K Wheale 0 M Bissell 1, T Hale 0 D Gadd 1,
 Default 0 A Rock 1, K Haines 0 P Reynolds 1, Default 0 R Wootton 1.
Dlandford Mere 3 v West Dromwich C 2 - P Guest 1 J Crump 0,
 K Peters 0 G Towns 1, W Hails 0 K Clive 1, W Holland 1 J Churm 0,
 G Parkes 1 R Withers 0, Springvale C 2 John Thompsons C 3 - G Singh 1
 B Walters 0, B Richards 0 G J Ralph 1, P Windmill 0 G Wellings 1,
 D Holloway 1 G P Ralph 0, C Scarrott 0 F Savage 1, Stourbridge C 5 v
Springvale C 0 - C Timmins 1 G Singh 0, F Pickett 1 B Richards 0,
 M Riley 1 R Phillips 0, C Major 1 P Windmill 0, D Hancox 1
 D Holloway 0, West Dromwich C 1½ v Dudley D 3½ - N Sampays ½
 S Jukes ½, G Towns 0 I Tudor-Williams 1, K Clive (Def) 0 P Harris 1,
 P Walker 0 A Flatley 1, J Churm 1 B Caddick 0, Whittingham 2 v
John Thompsons C 3 - M Bissell 0 G J Ralph 1, A Rock 0 G Wellings 1,
 P Reynolds 1 F Savage 0, J Ford 0 G P Ralph 1, R Wootton 1 A Stokes 0.
John Thompsons C 1½ v Stourbridge C 3½ - G J Ralph ½ C Timmins ½,
 G Wellings 0 F Pickett 1, G P Ralph 0 C Major 1, A Carrier ½
 D Hancox ½, F Savage ½ J Fox ½, Sutton Hill 3 v Lichfield 2 - A Stearn 0
 K J Thompson 1, J Tunks 1 M Hood 0, J Thornley 0 D Fone 1,

T Darmanin 1 P Allso 0, L Roberts 1 T Grimes 0, Blandford Mere 3½ v
 Whittingham 1½ - P Guest 1 M Bissell 0, K Peters 1 T O'Grady 0,
 W Wallis 1 T Brownsmith (def) 0, C Fenn 0 P Reynolds 1, G Parkes ½
 P Phillips ½. West Bromwich C 3½ v John Thompsons C 1½ - G Towns 1
 B Walters 0, J Crump ½ G J Ralph ½, K Clive 0 G Wellings 1, P Allen 1
 G P Ralph 0, J Churn 1 F Savage 0. Sutton Hill 5 v Wolverhampton 0 -
 A Stearn 1 S Walker 0, J Tunks 1 A Meaton 0, P Wright 1 S Wilkinson 0,
 T Darmanin 1 R Whittingham 0, L Roberts 1 I Lister 0. Corford B 0 v
 Sutton Hill 5 - E Harvey 0 A Stearn 1, L Sammut 0 J Tunks 1,
 R Harvey 0 J Thornley 1, M Harrison 0 T Darmanin 1, Default 0 P Wright 1.
 Blandford Mere 2½ v Dudley D 1½ - P Guest ½ S Jukes ½, K Peters 0
 K Fradgley 1, B Kemp 1 T Tudor-Williams A, C Fenn 1 A Flatley 0,
 G Parkes 1 B Caddick 0. Sutton Hill 3½ v Walsall Kipping D ½ -
 A Stearn A E A Thomas A, J Tunks ½ T McFarlane ½, J Thornley 1
 W Poxton 0, L Roberts 1 P Plant 0, F Horne 1 M Savin 0. Whittingham 0
 v Stourbridge 5 - M Bissell 0 C Timmins 1, R Wootton 0 F Pickett 1,
 P Phillips 0 M Riley 1, A Rock 0 C Greaves 1, J Ford 0 J Fox 1.

ADJOURNED GAME RESULTS

R Tarkowski 1 R Grainger 0, J H Charles 0 B Marshall 1, J H Charles ½
 T R D Groves ½, R Grainger 1 J Johnson 0, H New ½ M Garbett ½,
 R Grainger ½ J Duckworth ½, H New 1 C Proctor 0, M Garbett 1
 N Young 0, G Thomas ½ A Sadler ½, J Tromans ½ F W Dasset ½,
 J Fellows 1 D Everington 0, A Schroeder ½ A Glaze ½, A Gilbert ½
 M Garbett ½, G Thomas ½ M Anderton ½, B G Dudley ½ B Nagle ½,
 C Southall ½ J Freeman ½, W Wiater 1 T J Hollington 0, P Maddocks ½
 T R D Grove ½, A Willis 0 M Garbett 1.

ADJUDICATED GAME RESULTS

E Heap 0 K Tabner 1, M Page 1 R Bestwick 0, P Terry 1 A Duxley 0,
 J Soley ½ R Smith ½, P J French ½ J Soley ½, C Szentmihaly 0
 D Pritchard 1, E Shad 1 K Phillips 0, E Ireland ½ T E Aldworth ½,
 R J Wray ½ W Cross ½, P J French 0 M Page 1, A Walker 1 R J Wray 0,
 R Jones 1 C Szentmihaly 0, R Shrimpton 1 R Rowe 0, E Jones ½
 M Leighton ½, T A Sweeney 1 K G Humphreys 0.

STOKE LEAGUE v DERBY LEAGUE

12.

This match was played on Saturday 14 April at Meir. Stoke League won by 11½ to 9½. This is the fourth match between these two leagues, and the Stoke League have won all four. The detailed results are as follows

(Stoke League names appear first): R A Deach (Electra) 1 R J Gamble 0, G R Evans (Electra) ½ M J Hill ½, T E Swain (Penkhull) 0 R G Monk 1, W Armstrong (Meir) ½ M C Bullock ½, J Hodgkinson (Electra) 0 P C Clark 1, P Paskin (Sneyd Green) 1 S Walker 0, R J Edwards (Victory) ½ D J Meadows ½, W Dale (Kidsgrove) ½ B B Barratt ½, B Liebeck (Victory) 1 P Oldfield 0, R R Irvine (Electra) ½ A E Hall ½, B J Hitchins (Smallthorne) 1 I Licietis 0, L Grdanovich (Michelin) 1 M D Kelman 0, S Griffin (Meir) 1 R Welbey 0, A Lippai (Kidsgrove) ½ M T Hulland ½, G Morse (Meir) ½ W W Grace ½, H Deaville (Meir) ½ R Trifunovich ½, J A Scott (Blind) ½ P Hudson ½, R Mayer (Smallthorne) 0 S Mould 1, J S Reader (Michelin) 0 G Bowes 1, R Willis (Smallthorne) 0 G N Gilmore 1, F Rowley (Sneyd Green) 1 F H Duckley 0.

STAFFORDSHIRE SCHOOLS CHESS LEAGUE

Tables

Seniors	P	W	D	L	P
King Edward, Lichfield	6	6	0	0	6
King Edward, Stafford	6	5	0	1	5
Alleyes, Stone	6	3	0	3	3
Newcastle High	6	2	1	3	2½
Aldridge Grammar	6	2	1	3	2½
St Josephs	6	1	0	5	1
Hagely Park, Rugeley	6	0	2	4	1
Juniors	P	W	D	L	P
Aldridge Grammar	6	5	0	1	5
St Josephs	6	4	0	2	4
Hagely Park, Rugeley	6	4	0	2	4
Stafford	6	3	1	2	3½
Lichfield	6	3	1	2	3½
Alleyes	6	1	0	5	1
Newcastle	6	0	0	6	0

STAFFORDSHIRE SCHOOLS CHESS LEAGUE Results

Juniors: Newcastle High 0 v Alleynes 4 - A Broadhurst 0 S Hodge 1, Boyd 0 I Morris 1, N Cheney 0 Jackson 1, C Green 0 Cooke-Martin 1, last two boards were defaults on both sides. Hagely Park 1 St Josephs 5 - W Hulley $\frac{1}{2}$ Quinn $\frac{1}{2}$, G Heath $\frac{1}{2}$ Wallace $\frac{1}{2}$, P Harvey 0 Pringle 1, N Williams-Jones 0 Kontch 1, N Savic 0 Murphy 1, P Ashley 0 O'Neil 1. W Aldridge Grammar 4 v KE Lichfield 2 - M Harding 1 P Kenn 0, J Sheath 1 S Pretty 0, N Day 1 Oakes 0, N Attwood 0 Pritchard 1, N Southern 0 Griffin 1, D Chapman 1 D Owen 0. Newcastle High 0 v Hagely Park 6 - C Green 0 W Hulley 1, A Broadhurst 0 C Heath 1, N Cheney 0 P Harvey 1, M Wilson 0 N Williams 1, Def 0 N Savic 1, Def 0 P Ashley 1. KE Stafford 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ v Aldridge Grammar 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ - A Kawecki 0 M Harding 1, C Gant $\frac{1}{2}$ J Sheath $\frac{1}{2}$, I Dale 1 M Day 0, W Wilson 1 R Beech 0, P Rice 0 D Chapman 1, M Duckworth 0 N Southern 1. St Josephs 4 v Alleynes 2 - Quinn 0 S Hodge 1, John 0 I Morris 1, Wallace 1 Cooke-Martin 0, Pringle 1 M Lawton 0, Kontch 1 S Cornes 0, Forrester 1 N Connell 0. KE Lichfield 2 v St Josephs 4 - Oakes 0 Quinn 1, Nott 1 Kontch 0, McLeod 1 Wallace 0, Handley 0 Pringle 1, Damen 0 Forrester 1, Griffin 0 Harris 1. Aldridge Grammar 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ v Alleynes 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - M Harding $\frac{1}{2}$ S Hodge $\frac{1}{2}$, J Sheath 0 I Morris 1, M Day 1 M Lawton 0, M Attwood 1 S Cornes 0, R Beech 1 D Hodge 0, D Chapman 0 N Connell 1. Aldridge Grammar 5 v Hagely Park 1 - M Harding 1 N Savic 0, J Sheath 1 P Ashley 0, M Day 1 N Williams-Jones 0, R Beech 1 A Kiley 0, D Chapman 0 C Lowe 1, N Southern 1 C Crothers 0. KE Lichfield 4 v Alleynes 2 - P Keen 0 S Hodge 1, N Griffin 1 I Morris 0, B Doren 0 M Lawton 1, P Williams 1 C Brookman 0, P Winter 1 D Hodge 0, P Handley 1 P Marsden 0. Aldridge Grammar 6 v Newcastle High 0 - M Harding 1 S Ellis 0, J Sheath 1 S Boyd 0, M Day 1 A Broadhurst 0, R Beech 1 S Birch 0, D Chapman 1 N Cheney 0, M Attwood 1 Def 0. Newcastle High 1 v KE Stafford 5 - A Broadhurst 0 A Kawecki 1, S Birch 0 I Dale 1, H Kennerley 0 C Gant 1, R Horton 0 W Wilson 1, S Ellis 0 P Rice 1, A Maude 1 D Spenceley 1.

Seniors: Newcastle High 4 v Alleynes, Stone 2 - Liebeck $\frac{1}{2}$ J Lewis $\frac{1}{2}$, Stafford $\frac{1}{2}$ R Jones $\frac{1}{2}$, Skitt 1 M Pick 0, D Lovatt 1 G Hewitt 0, N Daws 1 Halliday 0, N Nussbaum 0 Barnes 1. Hagely Park $\frac{1}{2}$ v St Josephs 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ - Pierpoint 0 Palmer 1, L Bilous 0 Smith 1, A Jones 0 Sweeney 1,

M Perfett $\frac{1}{2}$ Taryna $\frac{1}{2}$, M Reed 0 Ryan 1, S Mulrooney 0 Forrester 1,
 Aldridge Grammar $\frac{1}{2}$ v KE Lichfield $5\frac{1}{2}$ - M A Sheath 0 P A Morris 1,
 R A Phillips 0 A Yates 1, J M Owen 0 R W Greening 1, A T Spencer 0
 P A Jefferson 1, P K Rowe 0 N J Innocent 1, I Stanley $\frac{1}{2}$ J Jefferson $\frac{1}{2}$.
 Newcastle High 4 v Hageley Park 2 - D Lovatt 1 D Pierpoint 0,
 N Daws 1 L Dilous 0, D Nussbaum 1 A Jones 0, P Robertson 1 M Perfett 0,
 C Lower 0 M Reed 1, Def 0 C Lowe 1. KE Stafford 5 v Aldridge
 Grammar 1 - C Shelbourn $\frac{1}{2}$ J France $\frac{1}{2}$, R Wren 1 K Phillips 0,
 J M Bland $\frac{1}{2}$ A Spencer $\frac{1}{2}$, D Shelley 1 P Rowe 0, P Crossley 1 D Clarke 0,
 J Wheatley 1 I Stanley 0. St Josephs $2\frac{1}{2}$ v Alleynes $3\frac{1}{2}$ - Palmer $\frac{1}{2}$ R Jones $\frac{1}{2}$,
 Smith $\frac{1}{2}$ J Lewis $\frac{1}{2}$, Jones 0 M Pick 1, Murphy $\frac{1}{2}$ G Hewitt $\frac{1}{2}$, Austin 0
 D Halliday 1, Harris 1 Barnes 0. KE Lichfield $4\frac{1}{2}$ v St Josephs $1\frac{1}{2}$ -
 P Norris 1 Palmer 0, R Greening 1 Smith 0, P Jefferson 1 Sweeney 0,
 N Innocent 1 Ryan 0, J Jefferson $\frac{1}{2}$ Murphy $\frac{1}{2}$, Everard 0 Austin 1.
 Aldridge Grammar 2 v Alleynes 4 - J France 1 R Jones 0, A Spencer 0
 J Lewis 1, P Rowe 0 M Pick 1, S Craig 0 G Hewitt 1, D Clarke 0
 D Halliday 1, I Stanley 1 Def 0. Aldridge Grammar 3 v Hageley Park 3 -
 M A Sheath 1 D Pierpoint 0, J M France 0 L Dilous 1, J Owen 0
 M Perfett 1, K Phillips 1 W Hulley 0, D Clarke 0 G Heath 1, I Stanley 1
 D Harvey 0. KE Lichfield $4\frac{1}{2}$ v Alleynes $1\frac{1}{2}$ - P Norris 1 R Jones 0,
 R Greening $\frac{1}{2}$ J Lewis $\frac{1}{2}$, P Jefferson 0 M Pick 1, J Jefferson 1 Def 0,
 M Geffen 1 Def 0, M How 1 P Hull 0. Aldridge Grammar 4 v Newcastle 2
 - M A Sheath $\frac{1}{2}$ S Griffiths $\frac{1}{2}$, J M France 1 R Harrison 0,
 A T Spencer $\frac{1}{2}$ D Nussbaum $\frac{1}{2}$, P K Roe 0 N Tucker-Feltham 1, D C
 Clark 1 Def 0, I Stanley 1 Def 0. Newcastle $\frac{1}{2}$ v KE Stafford $5\frac{1}{2}$ -
 M Paffard $\frac{1}{2}$ C Shelbourn $\frac{1}{2}$, R Harrison 0 R Wren 1, D Nussbaum 0
 J M Bland 1, J Wilson 0 P Crossley 1, S Griffiths 0 J Giles 1, I Wise 0
 D Shelley 1.

ELECTRA v REST OF THE LEAGUE (Electra $10\frac{1}{2}$ Rest $7\frac{1}{2}$)

Electra, being short of players, were lent three players by the Rest.
 These three all won, thus deciding the match. On Board 1, Barnard is
 claiming a draw and Morley is claiming a win. Detailed results with
 Electra names first: C S Barnard A A J Morley (Keele) A, H F Harte 1
 J Cassin (Keele) 0, G R Evans 1 P Griffin (Meir) 0, J Hodgkinson 0
 M Hancock (Meir) 1, J M Fletcher 0 J Youdell (Keele) 1, D Senior 1
 W Armstrong (Meir) 0, D K Meesham 1 R J Edwards (Victory) 0,

R J Kiff 0 D J Ward (Penkhull) 1, R Lakin 1 T E Swain (Penkhull) 0,
 R Irvin ½ W Dale (Kiddsgrove) ½, J Holden ½ F Saunders (Sneyd Green) ½,
 J Romanski 0 L Grdanovich (Michelin) 1, P Paskin (Sneyd Green) 1
 A Lippai (Kiddsgrove) 0, A Doust 1 J Nicholas (Leek) 0, A Hargreaves ½
 J A Scott (Blind SC) ½, W C Jones (Michelin) 1 R Mayer (Smallthorne) 0,
 W G Boulton (Penkhull) 1 J S Reader (Michelin) 0, Mrs P Kiff 0 R Willis
 (Smallthorne) 1, Miss McGowan 0 F Rowley (Sneyd Green) 1.

STOKE & NEWCASTLE CHESS LEAGUE - TABLES Division I

Club	P	W	D	L	Pts
1. Electra A	16	16	0	0	32
2. Electra B	16	12	0	4	24
3. Meir A	15	11	1	3	23
4. Victory	16	9	1	6	19
5. Sneyd Green A	16	5	2	9	12
6. Penkhull A	16	5	1	10	11
7. Leek	15	2	3	10	7
8. Kiddsgrove	16	2	3	11	7
9. Michelin A	16	3	1	12	7

Division II	P	W	D	L	Pts
1. Keele University	16	15	0	1	30
2. Electra C	17	14	0	3	28
3. Meir B	17	10	2	5	22
4. Penkhull B	18	10	1	7	21
5. Smallthorne A	17	9	1	7	21
6. Michelin C	18	8	2	8	18
7. Sneyd Green B	16	7	1	8	15
8. Blind Social Club	18	3	2	13	8
9. Michelin B	18	4	0	14	8
10. Smallthorne B	17	1	1	15	3

STOKE LEAGUE RESULTS - Division I

Sneyd Green A 1½ v Electra A 3½ - P Paskin 0 R A Beach 1, F Rowley 1
 G R Evans 0, F Saunders 0 J Hodgkinson 1, R Edge ½ D K Messham ½,
 P Pawlins 0 R J Kiff 1. Electra A 5 v Penkhull A 0 - R A Beach 1
 A Wilder 0, C S Darnard 1 T E Swain 0, J Hodgkinson 1 M Williams 0,

M C Wright 1 W G Boulton 0, J M Fletcher 1 G A Butler 0. Michelin A 1 v
Electra B 3 - L Grdanovich A M G Smith A, W C Jones $\frac{1}{2}$ M C Wright $\frac{1}{2}$,
J S Reader 0 J M Fletcher 1, P Knipe $\frac{1}{2}$ R J Kiff $\frac{1}{2}$, F Rose 0 M R McGowran 1.
Victory 2 Meir A 3 - T Galla 0 P Griffin 1, F Cooper 0 M Hancock 1,
R J Edwards $\frac{1}{2}$ W Armstrong $\frac{1}{2}$, M W Liebeck $\frac{1}{2}$ G Morse $\frac{1}{2}$, N Bell 1
K Paylor 0. Leek 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ Kidsgrove 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ - W F Isbell 0 W Dale 1, J Nicholas 1
Def 0, E G Harris $\frac{1}{2}$ J Chadwick $\frac{1}{2}$, G Price 0 A Lippai 1, F Bruce 1
H Taylor 0. Michelin A 3 v Leek 2 - L Grdanovich 0 W F Isbell 1,
W C Jones 1 J Nicholas 0, R Bell 0 E G Harris 1, F Rose 1 G Price 0,
M Sowden 1 F Bruce 0. Electra B 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ v Sneyd Green A $\frac{1}{2}$ - B Hopewell 1
P Paskin 0, M G Smith $\frac{1}{2}$ F Rowley $\frac{1}{2}$, J M Fletcher 1 F Saunders 0, R J
Kiff 1 R Edge 0, A Doust 1 P Rawlins 0. Sneyd Green A 5 v Kidsgrove 0
walk over. Meir A 3 v Leek 2 - P Griffin 1 W F Isbell 0, M Hancock 1
J Nicholas 0, G Morse 0 E G Harris 1, S Griffin 1 F Bruce 0, W Perry 0
I Edge 1. Electra B 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ v Michelin A $\frac{1}{2}$ - B Hopewell 1 L Grdanovich 0,
M G Smith 1 W C Jones 0, R Kiff $\frac{1}{2}$ J S Reader $\frac{1}{2}$, P Adams 1 T Haywood 0,
A Merrill A F Rose A. Leek 1 v Electra A 4 - W F Isbell $\frac{1}{2}$ R A Beach $\frac{1}{2}$,
J Nicholas 0 C S Barnard 1, E G Harris 0 G R Evans 1, S Ash $\frac{1}{2}$
D K Messham $\frac{1}{2}$, F Bruce 0 A Hargreaves 1. Kidsgrove 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ v Leek 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -
W Dale 0 W F Isbell 1, S Elliott $\frac{1}{2}$ J Nicholas $\frac{1}{2}$, A Lippai 1 I Edge 0,
J Chadwick $\frac{1}{2}$ E G Harris $\frac{1}{2}$, W Shaw $\frac{1}{2}$ F Bruce $\frac{1}{2}$. Meir A 3 v Victory 2 -
P Griffin 1 R J Edwards 0, M Hancock 0 F Cooper 1, W Armstrong 1
B Jones 0, S Griffin 1 K T Greatbatch 0, E Hancock 0 M Paffard 1.
Electra B 2 v Penkhull A 3 - J M Fletcher 1 M Willder 0, R J Kiff 1
T E Swain 0, Def 0 M Williams 1, M McGowran 0 W G Boulton 1,
P A Kiff 0 I McMillan 1. Electra A 4 v Sneyd Green A 1 - R A Beach 1
P Paskin 0, G R Evans 1 F Rowley 0, J Hodgkinson 0 F Saunders 1, D K
Messham 1 R Edge 0, R N Drogan 1 P Rawlins 0. Leek $\frac{1}{2}$ v Electra B 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ -
J Nicholas 0 M G Smith 1, E G Harris 0 J M Fletcher 1, M Hargreaves 0
R J Kiff 1, F Bruce 0 A Hargreaves 1, A Ash $\frac{1}{2}$ A Merrill $\frac{1}{2}$. Penkhull A 2
v Meir A 3 - A S Egerton 0 G Morse 1, T E Swain 0 H Deaville 1,
M Willder 0 C Keeling 1, D H O Pollard 1 R Lightfoot 0, W G Boulton 1
Def 0.

Division II

Michelin B 1 v Sneyd Green B 4 - R Sanger-Davies 0 W Landon 1,
M Sowden 1 G Key 0, T Haywood 0 A Humphreys 1, J Heilier 0 G Bates 1,
D Moore 0 S Key 1. Electra C 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ v Smallthorne A 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ - R Lakin 1

R Willis 0, J Holden 1 R Mayer 0, A Doust 1 F Armit 0, A Merrill 0
D Hulse 1, P Adams $\frac{1}{2}$ P Hancock $\frac{1}{2}$. Michelin C 1 Meir B 4 - J Erlah 1
G Fowell 0, C Hurley 0 H Deaville 1, S Hull 0 E Hancock 1, K Hull 0
P Woodward 1, D Jenkins 0 F Spicer 1. Blind Social Club $1\frac{1}{2}$ v Michelin
B $3\frac{1}{2}$ - J Scott 0 R Sanger-Davies 1, R G Hammersley 1 J Hellier 0,
D Foxall 0 T Haywood 1, P Arrowsmith 0 J Wood 1, J Pickford $\frac{1}{2}$ D Moore $\frac{1}{2}$.
Smallthorne B 3 v Michelin C 2 - A Mayer 1 J Erlah 0, H Cotton 1
C Hurley 0, R Williams 1 S Hull 0, E Pitchford 0 K Hull 1, J Bates 0
C Armstrong 1. Keel Univ. 4 v Penkhill B 1 - A J Morley 1 A Hodson 0,
J Youdell 1 A Egerton 0, Def 0 D H Pollard 1, A Ingram 1 G A Rutter 0,
J Richardson 1 M Wright 0. Blind Social 2 v Electra C 3 - J Scott 1
RR Irvine 0, R G Hammersley 0 R Lakin 1, B Foxall 1 A Doust 0,
P Langston 0 A Hargreaves 1, N Webb 0 A Merrill 1. Sneyd Green B $3\frac{1}{2}$ v
Smallthorne A $1\frac{1}{2}$ - W Landon 1 R Willis 0, G Toft 1 R Mayer 0, G Key $\frac{1}{2}$
F Armit $\frac{1}{2}$, A Humphreys 0 P Hancock 1, S Key 1 D Hulse 0. Meir B 1 v
Keel Univ. 4 - G Fowell 0 A J Morley 1, H Deaville 0 J Youdell 1,
E Hancock 0 R Greenall 1, P Woodward 0 D Rodney 1, F Spicer 1 Def 0.
Electra C 4 v Michelin B 1 - D Senior 1 R Sanger-Davies 0, J Holden $\frac{1}{2}$
M Sowden $\frac{1}{2}$, R R Irvine 1 T Haywood 0, A Doust $\frac{1}{2}$ R Willshire $\frac{1}{2}$,
P Adams 1 J Hellier 0. Meir B 1 v Smallthorne A 4 - G Fowell 0
R Willis 1, E Hancock 1 H Cotton 0, G Massey 0 R Mayer 1, P Woodward
0 v F Armit 1, F Spicer 0 D Hulse 1. Sneyd Green B $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Blind SC $1\frac{1}{2}$ -
W Landon $\frac{1}{2}$ J Scott $\frac{1}{2}$, G Toft 1 R G Hammersley 0, G Key 1 Def 0,
G Bates 0 N Webb 1, S Key 1 P Arrowsmith 0. Penkhill B 4 v Meir B 1 -
A Hodson 1 E Hancock 0, A S Egerton 1 G Fowell 0, G Rutter 1
F Spicer 0, B Wagstaff 1 Def 0, D Rothwell 0 M C Hancock 1. Michelin
C $1\frac{1}{2}$ v Keel Univ $3\frac{1}{2}$ - J Erlah $\frac{1}{2}$ A Morely $\frac{1}{2}$, C Hurley 1 J Youdell 0,
K Hull 0 R Greenall 1, S Hull 0 A Green 1, D Moore 0 A Ingram 1.
Penkhill B 4 v Smallthorne B 1 - A Hodson 1 E Pitchford 0, A S Egerton 1
R Williams 0, B Wagstaff 1 F Henson 0, J R Barabosz 0 R Brock 1, J Twigg
1 J Bates 0. Electra C $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Sneyd Green B $1\frac{1}{2}$ - J Holden 1 W Landon 0,
RR Irvine 1 G Key 0, A Doust 1 Def 0, A Merrill $\frac{1}{2}$ G Bates $\frac{1}{2}$, P Adams 0
S Key 1. Michelin B $1\frac{1}{2}$ v Smallthorne A $3\frac{1}{2}$ - R Sanger-Davies 0
R Willis 1, M Sowden 0 R Mayer 1, T Haywood $\frac{1}{2}$ F Armit $\frac{1}{2}$, R Willshire 1
P Hancock 0, J Hellier 0 D Hulse 1. Michelin C 4 v Penkhill B 1 -
P Knipe 0 P T Burnett 1, J Erlah 1 A Hodson 0, C Hurley 1 S Humphrey 0,
S Hull 1 J Twigg 0, K Hull 1 S Boulton 0. Smallthorne B 2 v Meir B 3 -
A Mayer 1 G Fowell 0, E Fitchford 0 E Hancock 1, R Williams 1

P Woodward O, J Bates O F Spicer 1, F Henson O M C Hancock 1.
 Smallthorne B $\frac{1}{2}$ v Keele Univ $4\frac{1}{2}$ - A Mayer O A J Morley 1, H Cotton O
 R J Greenall 1, R Horne O C Hampton 1, R Williams $\frac{1}{2}$ A J Green $\frac{1}{2}$,
 E Vernon O A Paling 1. Electra C 5 v Keele Univ O walk over.
 Keele Univ 5 v Blind SC O - A J Morley 1 P Langston O, R J Greenall 1
 R G Hammersley O, J Youdell 1 S Jackson O, K Fradgley 1 J Pickford O,
 A R Ingram 1 N Jackson O. Smallthorne A 4 v Sneyd Green B 1 - R Willis 1
 W Landon O, P Hancock 1 W Simcock O, R Mayer O G Key 1, F Armitt 1
 S Key O, D Hulse 1 R Wilshaw O. Meir B 3 v Michelin B 2 - G Fowell O
 R Sanger-Davies 1, E Hancock $\frac{1}{2}$ M Sowden $\frac{1}{2}$, H Deaville $\frac{1}{2}$ T Haywood $\frac{1}{2}$,
 F Spicer 1 R Willshire O, M C Hancock 1 N Davies O. Smallthorne A $1\frac{1}{2}$ v
 Keele Univ $3\frac{1}{2}$ - R Willis O A J Morley 1, R Mayer O R J Greenall 1,
 D Hulse $\frac{1}{2}$ K Simmons $\frac{1}{2}$, P Hancock 1 K Fradgley O, F Armitt O A Ingram 1.
 Blind SC $1\frac{1}{2}$ v Meir B $3\frac{1}{2}$ - J A Scott $\frac{1}{2}$ E Hancock $\frac{1}{2}$, R G Hammersley 1
 F Spicer O, S Jackson O G Keeling 1, N Jackson O M C Hancock 1,
 J Pickford O G Fowell 1. Smallthorne A $1\frac{1}{2}$ v Penkhull B $3\frac{1}{2}$ - R Willis $\frac{1}{2}$
 G A Rutter $\frac{1}{2}$, D Hulse $\frac{1}{2}$ D H Pollard $\frac{1}{2}$, F Armitt O P T Burnett 1,
 P Hancock $\frac{1}{2}$ A Hodson $\frac{1}{2}$, R Mayer O J W Twigg 1. Penkhull B $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Blind
 SC $1\frac{1}{2}$ - R J Day $\frac{1}{2}$ R G Hammersley $\frac{1}{2}$, J W Twigg 1 B Foxall O,
 I McMillan O S Jackson 1, D Atkin 1 P Arrowsmith O, A Hodson 1 Def O.
 Electra C $\frac{1}{2}$ v Keele Univ $4\frac{1}{2}$ - R Lakin O A J Morley 1, A Hargreaves O
 J Cassin 1, J K Romanski O R J Greenall 1, A Doust O L Harrison 1,
 P Adams $\frac{1}{2}$ J C Youdell $\frac{1}{2}$. Michelin B 2 v Penkhull B 3 - R Sanger-Davies
 O D Pollard 1, M Sowden 1 A Hodson O, T Haywood O G Mills 1,
 R Willshire O S Humphries 1, R Dell 1 J Twigg O. Electra C $3\frac{1}{2}$ v
 Michelin C $1\frac{1}{2}$ - J Holden $\frac{1}{2}$ J Erlah $\frac{1}{2}$, A Hargreaves 1 Def O, A Doust O
 S Hull 1, P Adams 1 K Hull O, R Brogan 1 C Leatherbarrow O.
 Penkhull B 2 v Sneyd Green B 3 - A Hodson O W Landon 1, P S Humphries O
 G Key 1, P Burnett 1 S Key O, B Wagstaff 1 W Simcock O, D Pollard O
 R Willshaw 1. Penkhull B $1\frac{1}{2}$ v Electra C $3\frac{1}{2}$ - P Burnett O R Lakin 1,
 B Wagstaff O A Hargreaves 1, D Pollard O P Adams 1, A Egerton $\frac{1}{2}$
 A Morrill $\frac{1}{2}$, D Atkin 1 Def O. Blind SC $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Smallthorne B $\frac{1}{2}$ - J A Scott A
 A Mayer A, R G Hammersley 1 R Horne O, S Jackson $\frac{1}{2}$ R Williams $\frac{1}{2}$,
 P Langston 1 F Henson O, P Arrowsmith 1 R Brock O. Smallthorne B $1\frac{1}{2}$ v
 Michelin B $3\frac{1}{2}$ - R Tidswell O R Sanger-Davies 1, R Williams O
 T Haywood 1, F Henson O R Willshire 1, R Brock 1 C Armstrong O,
 J Maddock $\frac{1}{2}$ C Leatherbarrow $\frac{1}{2}$. Michelin C 3 v Sneyd Green B 2 -
 J Erlah 1 W Landon O, Def O G Toft 1, S Hull O G Key 1, J Maxwell 1

W Glascock 0, C Leatherbarrow 1 S Key 0.

NORTH STAFFS LEAGUE

	Club	P	W	D	L	Pts
1.	Stafford B	4	4	0	0	8
2.	Crewe A	5	3	1	1	7
3.	Victory A	6	3	1	2	7
4.	Victory B	5	1	3	1	5
5.	Stafford A	3	2	0	1	4
6.	Crewe B	4	1	1	2	3
7.	Stafford Polytechnic	5	0	2	3	2
8.	Stoke Polytechnic	4	0	0	4	0

NORTH STAFFS LEAGUE - RESULTS

Victory A $2\frac{1}{2}$ v Victory B $2\frac{1}{2}$ - R J Edwards $\frac{1}{2}$ F Cooper $\frac{1}{2}$, N Bell 0 M W Liebeck 1, D Jones 0 J A Scott 1, K T Greatbatch 1 M Edge 0, R Kirkland 1 W Wild 0. Victory A 4 v Staffs Poly 1 - R J Edwards 1 D Pardoe 0, N Bell 0 S V L Price 1, K T Greatbatch 1 Z Ziemski 0, D Jones 1 A Fallows 0, R Kirkland 1 B Corroza 0. Crewe A $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Stoke Poly $1\frac{1}{2}$ - G Nicholson $\frac{1}{2}$ R Hall $\frac{1}{2}$, R Willoughby 0 A Bishop 1, A Davies 1 S Tonks 0, M Siewarga 1 C Darkins 0, J Cunningham 1 A Skudra 0. Stoke Poly 0 v Victory A 5 - R Hall 0 R J Edwards 1, A Bishop 0 T Galla 1, S Tonks 0 N Bell 1, I Harvey 0 B Jones 1, C Darkins 0 R Kirkland 1. Stafford B $4\frac{1}{2}$ v Stoke Poly $1\frac{1}{2}$ - A Leadbetter $\frac{1}{2}$ R Hall $\frac{1}{2}$, E Shad 1 S Tonks 0, G De Visme 1 J Roberts 0, C Lowe 0 A Bishop 1, R M Ewan 1 C Darkins 0, R Wren 1 I Harvey 0. Stafford B $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Staffs Poly $2\frac{1}{2}$ - A Leadbetter 0 D Pardoe 1, R J Daly 0 A A Smith 1, R Wren 1 A M C Walters 0, G De Visme $\frac{1}{2}$ S V L Price $\frac{1}{2}$, G O'Kane 1 W Minnett 0, R M Ewan 1 A Fallows 0. Crewe A $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Staffs Poly $1\frac{1}{2}$ - J Dixon $\frac{1}{2}$ D Pardoe $\frac{1}{2}$, G Nicholson 1 A A Smith 0, M Siewarga 0 A M C Walters 1, A Davies 1 P Burnham 0, J Cunningham 1 S V L Price 0. Stafford A $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Victory A $1\frac{1}{2}$ - J Montgomery 1 T Galla 0, R Duttons $\frac{1}{2}$ R J Edwards $\frac{1}{2}$, D Picken 1 F Rowley 0, P Greatbatch 1 B Jones 0, W Wilson 0 R Kirkland 1. Stafford B $3\frac{1}{2}$ v Victory B $1\frac{1}{2}$ - R M Ewan $\frac{1}{2}$ P Taskin $\frac{1}{2}$, R Wren $\frac{1}{2}$ M W Liebeck $\frac{1}{2}$, G O'Kane $\frac{1}{2}$ J A Scott $\frac{1}{2}$, G De Visme 1 M Paffard 0, J Grant 1 E Evans 0. Victory A $\frac{1}{2}$ v Crewe A $4\frac{1}{2}$ - R J Edwards 0 J Dixon 1, T Galla 0 G Nicholson 1, N Bell 0

R Willoughby 1, K T Greatbatch 0 M Siewarga 1, R Bell $\frac{1}{2}$ J Cunningham $\frac{1}{2}$.
 Victory B 3 v Crewe B 2 - M W Liebeck 0 D Bourne 1, M Paffard 1
 A Princep 0, J A Scott 1 B Johnson 0, A E Marritt 1 J Douth 0, E Evans 0
 F Wood 1. Staffs Poly $2\frac{1}{2}$ v Victory B $2\frac{1}{2}$ - A A Smith 1 P Paskin 0,
 D Pardoe 0 F Cooper 1, A M C Walters 0 M W Liebeck 1, S V L Price $\frac{1}{2}$
 M Paffard $\frac{1}{2}$, J Castellino 1 E Evans 0. Crewe B 3 v Stafford A 2 -
 J K O'Grady $\frac{1}{2}$ J Montgomery $\frac{1}{2}$, D Bourne 1 P Jackson 0, A Princep $\frac{1}{2}$
 R Butters $\frac{1}{2}$, R Bruce $\frac{1}{2}$ D Picken $\frac{1}{2}$, T Walton $\frac{1}{2}$ M Dinad $\frac{1}{2}$. Crewe A 2 v
 Stafford B 3 - J Dixon $\frac{1}{2}$ A Leadbetter $\frac{1}{2}$, G Nicholson $\frac{1}{2}$ R Ewan $\frac{1}{2}$, M Cox
 0 R Wren 1, R Willoughby 1 G De Visme 0, M Siewarga 0 G O'Kane 1.
 Crewe B $2\frac{1}{2}$ v Staffs Poly $2\frac{1}{2}$ - D Bourne $\frac{1}{2}$ A A Smith $\frac{1}{2}$, R Bruce 0 D Pardoe
 1, T Walton 1 A M C Walters 0, S Cox 1 S V L Price 0, H Nottingham 0
 J Castellino 1. Stoke Poly $\frac{1}{2}$ v Stafford A $3\frac{1}{2}$ - M R Harrison $\frac{1}{2}$
 P G Jackson $\frac{1}{2}$, D Marshall 0 R D Picken 1, A Bishop A J M Bland A,
 I Harvey 0 A Hill 1, G Roberts 0 W Wilson 1. Crewe A $2\frac{1}{2}$ v Victory B $2\frac{1}{2}$ -
 G Nicholson 0 P Paskin 1, M Cox 1 J S Reader 0, M R Siewarga 0
 J A Scott 1, R Willoughby $\frac{1}{2}$ P Knipe $\frac{1}{2}$, A Davies 1 E Evans 0. Crewe B
 2 v Victory A 3 - J K O'Grady 1 R J Edwards 0, D Bourne 0 T Galla 1,
 R Bruce 0 N Bell 1, T Walton 0 D Jones 1, S Cox 1 R Kirkland 0.

STOKE & NEWCASTLE LEAGUE - KNOCK OUT FINAL

Victory 2 v Electra A 3 - R J Edwards 0 R A Beach 1, F Cooper 0
 G R Evans 1, T Galla 0 J Hodgkinson 1, D Pardoe 1 D K Messham 0,
 M W Liebeck 1 R Lakin 0.
 Subs Knock Out Final: J M Fletcher 0 D J Ward 1, R J Kiff 1 T E Swain 0,
 R R Irvine 0 M Williams 1, J Holden 1 M Willder 0, P Kiff 0 W G
 Boulton 1.

BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING ZONAL

	W	E	A	C	M	L	Total
D H Wood	-	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	1	$3\frac{1}{2}$
L A Edwards	$\frac{1}{2}$	-	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	3
D W Anderton	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	-	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$2\frac{1}{2}$
B Cafferty	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	-	0	1	$2\frac{1}{2}$
R S McFarland	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	-	0	2
D Lamb	0	0	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1	-	$1\frac{1}{2}$

Wood and Edwards qualify for the Championships at Eastbourne in August

STOKE ON TRENT INDIVIDUAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

Section A

	Player	Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1.	A Doust	Electra	X	0		1	1	1d	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	$4\frac{1}{2}/6$
2.	J M Fletcher	Electra	1	X	1	1	1				$4/4$
3.	N Bell	Victory			0	X	1	0	1	1	$3/5$
4.	B Jones	Victory	0	0	0		X	1	1	1d	$3/6$
5.	R G Hammersley	Blind SC	0	0	1			X		$\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{1}{2}/4$
6.	R Drogan	Electra	0d		0	0		X		1	$1\frac{1}{4}$
7.	A Mayer	Smallthorne	$\frac{1}{2}$		0	0			X		$\frac{1}{2}/3$
8.	H Deaville	Meir	0			0d	$\frac{1}{2}$	0		X	$\frac{1}{2}/4$

Section B

	Player	Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1.	R J Edwards	Victory	X	1	1	1	0	1			$4/5$
2.	R Lakin	Electra	0	X	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	1				$2\frac{1}{2}/4$
3.	R Willis	Smallthorne	0	0	X			1	1d		$2/4$
4.	L A Woodward	Victory	0	$\frac{1}{2}$		X	1				$1\frac{1}{2}/3$
5.	W G Boulton	Penkhull	1	0		0	X				$1/3$
6.	P T Burnett	Penkhull	0		0			X	1		$1/3$
7.	A Merrill	Electra			0d			0	X		$0/2$

Section C

	Player	Club	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1.	T Galla	Victory	X		1	1	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	1		$3\frac{1}{2}/5$
2.	T E Swain	Penkhull		X	1	0	1	1			$3/4$
3.	R Kirkland	Victory	0	0	X	1	1		1		$3/5$
4.	J A Scott	Blind SC	0	1	0	X			1		$2/4$
5.	R R Irvine	Electra	$\frac{1}{2}$	0	0		X	1			$1\frac{1}{2}/4$
6.	P Adams	Electra	1	0			0	X			$1/3$
7.	P Hancock	Smallthorne	0		0	0			X		$0/3$

White: G Murray, Black: M G Smith (BCCA Major E, 1972/3)

1. P-Q4 N-KL3, 2. P-QB4 P-K3, 3. N-QB3 D-N5 4. P-K3 O-O 5. B-Q2(a)
 P-QN3 6. B-Q3 D-N2 7. P-B3 N-R4(b) 8. P-KR4 P-KB4 9. Q-B2(c) B-K2(d)
 10. O-O-C(e) P-KR3(f) 11. D-K1(g) P-B4(h) 12. KN-K2(i) N-QB3 13. P-R3
 D-B3(j) 14. D-D2 P-B5?(k) 15. B-R7ch(l) K-R1 16. D-N6 PxKP 17. D-K1(m)
 PxP 18. N-N5 P-Q4(n) 19. DxN(o) PxP 20. QxBP(p) N-R4 21. QxKP(q)
 D-Q4 22. Q-Q6 N-N6ch 23. K-N1 D-B5(r) 24. QxQ KRxQ 25. N(c)-B3
 PxN(s) 26. RxRch RxR 27. NxP D-Q6ch 28. K-R2 N-B6ch 29. K-R1 P-N3(t)
 30. B-N4 P-KR4 31. B-K6 D-B7(u) 32. N-Q5 P-K7(v) 33. D-B3?(w) BxB
 34. NxB(x) R-Q3 35. RxR BxR 36. NxP NxN 37. Resigns.

Notes

- (a) Unusual and rather slow, but not necessarily bad.
- (b) White's sound looking centre is under steady pressure from now on. Possibilities in different lines are P-QB4, P-KB4, N-QB3 and P-Q4. Possibly best for White here in 8. Q-K2, as the line played opens the king side too much.
- (c) White has the strategy of breaking open the centre and launching a king side attack. If he had the aim of keeping the centre closed for the time being the queen would have gone to K2.
- (d) Aiming for the better diagonal KR1-QR8, and using the threat to the KRP to gain the time.
- (e) There is now not time to take the KRP and block the king's wing with pieces.
- (f) This appears necessary to keep the defences in front of the black king adequate. The threat was P-KN4. White seems to be almost fully developed, having made ten moves with different pieces, and all aimed at the centre and black king. Black, on the other hand, has moved only eight pieces, and some of those hardly seem relevant. What is holding the position is the semi-pin on the long diagonal, and the weakness of White's king side pawns arising from this. This suggests that White should play P-Q5 as soon as possible, despite the fact that this opens the QB file in front of his king.
- (g) Preventing BxRP and N-N6, but eliminating the indirect attack on my KRP which was worrying me.
- (h) Starting the counter-attack.
- (i) Better was P-Q5.

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- (i) This leads to the trapping of my knight, but puts still more pressure on the white centre.
- (k) This gives up the knight in the variation played.
- (l) This check should probably be reserved, and B-N46 be played in this line. The alternative line is 15. KPxP QxQP 16. BxQ KxQ 17. NxN PxN 18. N-K2 NxDP, and Black seems to be slightly better because of the weakness of the white pawns. (Two other alternative lines are 15. QPxP which probably opens too many queen side files for Black, and 15. P-Q5! which still appears strong - RAD).
- (m) Better looks 17. BxP BxKP 18. BxB PxQ 19. NxP NxN 20. RxN N-N3, and the game looks to be heading for a draw, but White, with the knight in the locker, is looking for a win.
- (n) It is now going to be important to give up the weak advanced centre at the right time, otherwise the piece less will lose the game. It is also required that the QB file be opened to make us of the tactical possibilities, and here the threat is to strengthen the weak centre.
- (c) I guess that if he cannot afford to take this, the whole strategy is wrong.
- (p) Otherwise P-Q6 must win for Black.
- (q) Overlooking the following combination, but White will be very cramped if he withdraws. Even so, something like 21. Q-Q3 B-Q4 22. BxN should be better.
- (r) Regains the piece and retains the KP, which has a restricting effect on white.
- (s) The alternative, P-Q6, looks as though it might break through, but does not achieve any more.
- (t) The purpose of his move is to get the bishop off the Q1-KR5 diagonal. The potential threat of R-Q8 is the main black idea at present, and if White can get P-KB4 in, black will probably be forced to take the draw by perpetual check.
- (u) Black's strategy must be to force the KP home, but against best play cannot manage it.
- (v) The alternative is to take the draw by perpetual, again.
- (w) This is a bad error. If White plays 33. NxB, and black gets in 33... R-Q8, the game could continue 34. B-B3 RxR 35. K-K4disch, K-R2 36. N-N5ch K-R3 37. N-B7ch, and white has a perpetual check. Black can attempt to escape this by (33. NxB) K-N2, but then 34. N-Q5 forces black to take the perpetual.