

British Go Association Newsletter #31 - February 1987

Editor Bob Cannard, 23 Milne Pastures, Newtown, Tewkesbury,
Glos. GL20 8SG. Tel. Tewkesbury (0684) 299551

Copy dates #32: 28 March; #33: 30 May

A Mr Furuyama, who has had training as an Insei (i.e. he should be around 6/7 dan by our standards) wishes to come to London to learn English and teach Go for at least 6 months. His visit should be good publicity for the BGA, and should benefit our stronger players. Could anyone who can offer cheap or free accommodation in the London area please contact Norman Tobin (address overleaf).

1987 BGA Annual General Meeting

This year's AGM will be held on Saturday 11 April, during the British Go Congress (see below for details). Agenda:

- 1) Election of tellers.
- 2) Minutes of AGM of 5/4/86 and EGM of 27/9/86.
- 3) Matters arising.
- 4) Officers' reports.
- 5) Election of President, Treasurer, Secretary, Auditor.
- 6) Election of 5 Council members. At least 2 new Council members will be needed.
- 7) Proposals, including a motion to change the number of membership categories.
- 8) Any other business.

Tournament Results

Late news: The Wessex tournament (reported in issue #30) has produced an additional qualifier, namely S Goss.

Computer Go: In the 1986 International Wei-ch'i congress at Taipei, the 9x9 tournament was won by Wang Jo Hsi of China, while the 19x19 tournament was won by Tu Kuei Ch'ung, also of China. Allan Scarff's "Microgo 2" took 7th and 10th place respectively, in spite of a slight handicap: the Wei-ch'i rules meant that it lost a point every time it passed, having been designed for Japanese rules.

The Nottingham Go Tournament held on 8th November was attended by 54 players. Overall prizewinner was J Y Lee (5 dan, Notts) with 4/4. Other prizewinners with 4/4 were E Smithers (3 kyu, Leics), M Shiono (4 kyu, York) and M Carr (10 kyu, Furze Platt). Qualifier was M Harvey (1 kyu, Swindon).

In the 1986 Schools Championship, Furze Platt beat Woodroffe by 2 games to 1.

The British Championship, held over 3 weekends during 6-20 December at the Inter Varsity Club, Covent Garden, was won by Terry Stacey, beating Matthew Macfadyen by 2 games to 1.

The 5th Black Bull Handicap Tournament, held as usual at the Somers Arms, Leigh Sinton, attracted 68 players. The tournament winner was A Thompson with 4/4. Other prizewinners with 4/4 were P Margetts, T Horsfield, W Bignell, and A Braithwaite. Prizewinners with 3/4 were F Roads, G Clemow, R Hitchens, S Draper, W Connolley, E Smithers, B Cannard, A Hornbuckle, A Beadle, R Piercy, J Benjamin, S Flucker, M Carr, P Frost, F Mitchell, and L Ashman.

The 13th London Open Go Congress, held on 1-4 January at the Inter Varsity Club, Covent Garden, attracted 112 players including 13 from France, 8 from Germany and 14 from other countries. Overall winner, and the only player with 8/8, was M Macfadyen (6 dan, CLGC). Equal second with 6/8 were T Stacey (5 dan, CLGC), J Barty (4 dan, Melior) and R Hunter (3 dan). Other prizewinners were: R Polak (1 dan, Tilburg) with 7/8; P Godin (6 kyu, Calais) with 6.5/8; R Altena (7 kyu, Alkmar) with 7/8; and P Crepy (8 kyu, Lille) with 6/8. The prize for the best young player went to T Harvet-Clarke (20 kyu) with 5/8. The lightning tournament was won by B Chandler (2 dan, Manchester). Qualifiers were A Wall and J Dawson.

Forthcoming Events

Saturday 21 February Oxford Go Tournament, to be held at Rhodes House, South Parks Road, Oxford. Registration 10:00, clocks start 10:30 prompt, prizegiving 18:00. 3 round MacMahon, time limits 50 minutes + 15 seconds byoyomi. Entry fee £3-00; non-BGA members £4-00; late fee £1-00 for entries received after 14 February. Fee includes refreshments but not lunch. Cheques should be made payable to **Oxford University Go Society** and sent to Ching-Yin Watt, The Queen's College, Oxford, OX1 4AW. **Entry forms enclosed.**

Saturday 7 March Trigantius Tournament, to be held in the Exhibition Hall, Churchill College, Storey's Way, Cambridge. Registration 09:45, first round 10:30. 3 round MacMahon, time limits 1 hour + 10 seconds byoyomi. Entry fee £2-50 (£1-50 for entrants who are at school or unemployed); £1-00 non-BGA member surcharge; £1-00 late fee for entries received after 2 March. Make cheques payable to **Cambridge University Go Society** and send to: Pete Hutchison, 130 Gwydir Street, Cambridge CB1 2LL. **Entry forms enclosed.**

10-12 April The ICL British Go Congress, to be held at Wells Hall, University of Reading. Accommodation: 2 nights £35-50. Friday 19:30 British Lightning Tournament. Saturday 19:30 AGM. Prizes in various categories. Travel bursaries for under 18's. Contact Tony Atkins (address below).

Saturday 16 May Bracknell Go Tournament. 3 round MacMahon, time limits 70 minutes + 5 seconds byoyomi. Full details to follow. Contact Bob Lyon, 27 Welbeck, Bracknell, Berks RG12 4UQ.

Sunday 21 June Leicester. 3 round MacMahon.

Saturday 7 November Nottingham.

Selected Contact Addresses

President Norman Tobin, 10 Westcommon Road, Uxbridge, Mdx. (089-30511)

Secretary Tony Atkins, 58 Watmore Lane, Winnersh, Wokingham, Berks. (0734-782276)

Treasurer T. Mark Hall, 21 Terrapin Road, Balham, London, SW17 8QW (office 01-210-6803)

Membership Secretary Brian Timmins, The Hollies, Wollerton, Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 3LY (Hodnet (063084) 292)

Tournament Co-ordinator Mark Cumper, 5 Spence Avenue, Byfleet, Surrey KT14 7DG ((09323) 53962)

BGJ Editor Ian Meiklejohn, 172 Strathyre Avenue, Norbury, London SW16. (01-679-5853)

Book Distributor Clive Wright, 4 The Crescent, Skegby, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts, NG17 3FN.

Analysis Service Brian Chandler, 10 Simmondley Grove, Glossop, Derbyshire, SK13 9NQ (04574-61906)