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RESULTS

World Amateur Go Championship, 7th - 11th June

55 countries took part in Oita, Japan. Winner was Jae-sung Yoo of Korea (8/8) and second was Sakai of Japan (7/8). Top European was Diane Koszegi of Hungary who was 9th with 6/8. Britain's Matthew Macfadyen was 16th on tie-break scoring 5/8; he lost to Korea, South Africa (Victor Chow) and Romania (Sorin Gherman). Ireland's Noel Mitchell was 44th with 3/8.

Leicester Go Tournament, Saturday 12th June

54 players attended the Leicester Tournament, again held in its church hall venue. A change from recent years was that the trophy actually arrived, after a rescue from Matthew Macfadyen's trophy cupboard by Des Cann. Actually it was Des who took it away again as he was the winner. Playing at 4 dan, he did well to beat Seong June Kim (6 dan Cambridge) in the last round. Kim was second and David Ward (3 dan Cambridge) was third despite having to play two other Cambridge players including the 6 dan and beating the Bracknell winner Young Kim (5 dan London). Prizes of 3/3 went to Dan Micsa (1 dan Reading), Steve Bailey (2 kyu West Surrey), Malcolm Walker (9 kyu Worcester), Theo Elliott (14 kyu Brakenhale), Chris Jones (20 kyu Unattached) and Nick Calvelo (29 kyu Brakenhale). Dan Calvelo (the elder brother) won the continuous 13x13 ahead of school mate Shawn Hearn.

Warsaw GP, 19th - 20th June

Won by Radek Nechanicky (6 dan Czech Republic) with 5/5, 2nd Andrei Gomenyuk (5 dan Russia), and 3rd Dmitriy Yatsenko (5 dan Russia). 64 players.

The 7th Welsh Open Go Tournament @ Barmouth, Weekend 26th - 27th June

54 people also attended the Welsh Open at Barmouth. This was a record attendance possible caused by predictions of fine weather or by the events reputation for a fun atmosphere and the beautiful sea and hills around. As ever the winner was Matthew Macfadyen (6 dan Leamington). A creditable second place was Andrew Grant (2 dan Open University) who placed ahead of several 3 dans. Prize winners for 4/5 were Edward Blockley (2 kyu Worcester), Tom Blockley (3 kyu Worcester), Peter Fisher (5 kyu Leicester), Richard Moulds (8 kyu), Jill Segerman (12 kyu Manchester), Shawn Hearn (15 kyu Brakenhale) and Dan Calvelo (17 kyu Brakenhale).

Tchelyabinsk GP, 26th - 27th June

The winner by SOS was Alex Dinerstein (6 dan Russia) with 5/6, from 2nd Lee, Hyuk (7 dan Korea) and 3rd Viktor Bogdanov (6 dan Russia). 70 players.

The 1st Portsmouth Go Tournament, Sunday 4th July

The first ever Pompey Tournament was held in the small village of Southwick high on the Downs above the city. 46 players attended and despite a large number of Brakenhale children turning up none one prizes. May be this was caused by the distraction of football luring them away from the 13x13; Dan Micsa (1 dan Reading) won this event earning himself one of the new BGA Books tokens. Winner of the event was local member Alistair Wall (4 dan) who one a go cabinet. Runner up was Tony Atkins (2 dan Reading). Those winning engraved glasses for three wins were: Neil Moffatt (9 kyu Portsmouth); Greg Lane-Serf (10 kyu Winchester), Michael Davis (12 kyu Plymouth), Ian McNally (18 kyu Manchester) and Garry White (28 kyu Wildridings School Bracknell). Kevin Drake (1 kyu Bournemouth) also won a glass for 2 wins and a jigo. Portsmouth declined to win the fan that was the team prize and offered it to Winchester instead.

British Championship Match 1, Sunday 11th July

The Challenger's Tournament ended with a three way tie between Matthew Cocke, Des Cann and John Rickard. Matthew won the subsequent play-off to become this year's challenger to Matthew Macfadyen. The first match in the best-of-five championship series was won by Matthew Macfadyen. The second match will be played at the Milton Keynes Tournament.

Helsinki GP, 3rd - 4th July

The winner was Viktor Bogdanov (6 dan Russia) with 5/5, and 2nd was Matti Siivola (5 dan Finland) with 4/5. 30 players.

European Go Congress at Podbanske Slovakia, 24th July - 7th August

Championship: 1st Alexander Dinerstein (6 dan Russia) 10/10 (has studied go in Korea). 2nd Ion Florescu (6 dan Romania), 3rd Dmitriy Surin (5 dan Russia) 8/10; 4th Lee Hyuk (7 dan Russia); 5th Leszek Soldan (6 dan Poland) 7/10. Weekend: 1. Lee Hyuk 5/5; 2. A. Dinerstein, 3. Ion Florescu 4/5. 349 players. 10 UK players took part (there were no UK prize winners).

US Go Congress 1999 @ San Francisco State University, 31st July - 8th August

About 300 players took part, including about 50 in the children's tournament. Three British players took part, including one resident in the US. Simon Butler was 3rd equal in the shodan band, and Francis Roads won the Bob High Memorial Song Competition.

NEWS

- **Promotions** ☺ The Council has approved the following promotions: Dan Micsa and Granville Wright to 2 dan.
- **Team Championship in Guilin, China.** Last year Liu Yajie, a 2 dan lady professional from the beautiful city of Guilin in southern China, came to the UK for 3 months, taught a lot of go and travelled around a lot. She is requesting that the UK sends a "London" team (a team is 2 plus a non-playing "leader"). There will be 10 to 16 cities invited from around the world. Accommodation is provided but travel is up to the participants. Dates are November 25-29. If you are a strong player based in London, please let Tony Atkins know asap if you are interested.
- **The Fujitsu European Grand Prix** will not be continued next year. The final placings for the last one are:
1. Viktor Bogdanov 84.5; 2. Vladimir Danek 63; 3. Ion Florescu 63.5; 4. Chrisoph Gerlach 61; 5. Guo Juan 60; Matthew Macfadyen was 24th.
- **The new Toyota European Go Tour** starts January 2000, and selected major tournaments will be Tour events.
- **The status of the Stacey Competition is currently:-**
1st Tony Atkins with 10 points, 2nd Alison Jones with 7, 3rd= Francis Roads, Simon Shiu and David Ward with 6.
- Yuki Shigeno a 3 dan lady professional from Japan is planning to spend 10 days touring south-east England teaching children in the autumn. She plans to visit from 15-25/10/99. For those interested in developing youth go, Yuki will be 'teaching the teachers' at a session in the Wanstead area on Sunday 17th October. Contact Tony Atkins for details.

FORTHCOMING

25th Northern Go Tournament, Weekend 4th - 5th September

Location: The Allen Hall, Wilmslow Road, Manchester. Registration by 10:00 on Saturday. 6 rounds.
Event: This will be a six round McMahon Tournament. Various B&B and lunch options available for Friday/Saturday/Sunday.
Contact: John Smith, 21 Gwynant Place, Wilmslow Road, Manchester M20 4AE. ☎ 0161 445 5012 (home), 0161 275 4756 (work)
Email: J.H.Smith@man.ac.uk

11th Milton Keynes Go Tournament, Saturday 18th September

Location: The Refectory of the Open University, Walton Hall, Milton Keynes. 3 rounds. Registration by 10:20. No smoking in the tournament hall.
Lunch: A Buffet lunch (including vegetarian dishes) is included in the standard fee.
Contact: Andrew Grant, 34 Martingale Place, Downs Barn, Milton Keynes, Bucks. MK14 7QN ☎ 01908 669883
or Fred Holroyd ☎ 01908 315342. **E-mail:** ajg@honinbo.freemove.co.uk

Shrewsbury Go Tournament, Sunday 3rd October

Location: The Gateway Center, Chester Street, Shrewsbury. 3 rounds. Registration 10:00, first round at 10:30.
Contact: Brian Timmins, The Hollies, Wollerton, Market Drayton, Shropshire TF9 3LY. ☎ 01630 685292.
E-mail: journal@britgo.demon.co.uk

Wanstead Go Tournament, Saturday 16th October (also the UK Small Board Youth Championship, see below)

Location: Walthamstow Quaker Meeting House. 4 rounds. Registration by 10:15.
Note: Yuki Shigeno, a 3 dan lady professional from Japan will be visiting the tournament.
Contact: Alison Jones, 29 Forest Way, Woodford Green, IG8 0QF. ☎ 0181 504 6944. **E-mail:** alison@acjamj.demon.co.uk

UK Small Board Youth Championship, Saturday 16th October (same time / place as Wanstead Tournament above)

Location: Walthamstow Quaker Meeting House. 8 rounds. Registration by 10:30.
Contact: Alison Jones, 29 Forest Way, Woodford Green, IG8 0QF. ☎ 0181 504 6944. **E-mail:** alison@acjamj.demon.co.uk

30th Wessex Go Tournament, Sunday 31st October

Location: Marlborough Town Hall. Registration by 9:45. This will be a 4 round even game tournament. Also a 13 x 13 and Teams.
Food: Coffee, lunch afternoon tea and high tea are included in the entry fee. Please notify if Vegetarian meal is required.
Contact: Terry Wright, 65 South Road, Portishead, Avon BS20 7DY. ☎ 01275 842258 (before 10 pm).

7th Three Peaks Go Tournament, Weekend 13th - 14th November

Location: The Marton Arms Hotel, Thornton-in-Lonsdale, Carnforth, Lancashire LA6 3PB.
Event: This will be a 5 round event. Registration by 13:00 on the Saturday, allowing the morning for travelling or exploring the local scenery. Toby Manning will be leading a short walk on that morning to explore some of the spectacular limestone scenery of North Yorkshire.
Contact: Toby Manning, 7 Oak Tree Close, Leamington Spa, Warwickshire, CV32 5YT. ☎ 01926 888739.
Accommodation: This can be arranged by contacting the Marton Arms ☎ 015242 41281 and asking for Go Tournament accommodation.

Millennium London Open Go Congress (EGP), 31st December 1999 to 3rd January 2000

Location: Highbury Roundhouse Community Centre, 71 Ronalds Road, London N5.
Contact: Simon Bexfield **E-mail:** simon@bexfield.demon.co.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Northern (4-5 Sep), Milton Keynes (18 Sep), Shrewsbury (3 Oct), Wanstead/ (16 Oct), UK Small Board Youth Championship (16 Oct), Wessex (31 Oct), 3 Peaks (13-14 Nov), UK 13x13 Championship @ Cambridge (21 Nov), Swindon (28 Nov), West Surrey Teach-In (4 Dec), West Surrey h/cap (5 Dec), Millennium London Open (31 Dec-3 Jan).

MAJOR EUROPEAN TOURNAMENTS

Copenhagen (11-12 Sep), Bucharest (2-3 Oct), Bratislava (9-10 Oct), Belgrade (16-17 Oct), Brussels (30-31 Oct), Gothenburg (6-7 Nov), Kiev (27-28 Nov), Prague (20-21 Nov), London (31 Dec-3 Jan)

For European Calendar see: <http://www.win.tue.nl/cs/fm/engels/go/tourn.html>

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