



## *The National Chess Library Comes Home to Hastings*



*From left to right: Gerry Walsh (President of ECF), Margaret Wallace (Head of Co-ordination & Development), Sarah Eatwell (Information Services Manager) and Cynthia Gurney (ECF Manager)*

**On Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2006 contracts were signed between Brighton University and English Chess Federation to house the National Chess Library in University Centre Hastings. Representing the University were Margaret Wallis Head of Co-ordination and Development and Sarah Eatwell Information Services Manager, signing for English Chess Federation were President Gerry Walsh and Manager Cynthia Gurney.**

The National Chess Library has spent almost 20 years packed in boxes awaiting a permanent home, and what a magnificent home it now has. The first donation of books was the collection of the late Sir Richard Clarke the renowned statistician and father of our Home Secretary Charles Clarke. This was followed by a collection from the late Harry Golombek the Grand Old Man of Chess who was code breaker from Bletchley park days. Other collections followed building a library of approximately 6,000 books. Once the collection has been catalogued there will be an official opening after which there will be access for the public.

Hastings is widely regarded as the Home of Chess in England. The British Chess Federation was founded on 7<sup>th</sup> May 1904 (changed it's name to English Chess Federation 2005) the first treasurer was H.E. Dobell from Hastings, the Hastings International Congress is in its 82<sup>nd</sup> year and the Hastings and St Leonards Chess Club, one of the most active in the country, has its premises in Cornwallis Gardens. The British Chess Federation moved to St Leonards in 1980 and now has offices in Battle.

*Cynthia Gurney, Editor*

**Message from Michael Foster DL MP** – *I was delighted to learn that the University Centre Hastings and the English Chess Federation have reached agreement for the housing of the National Chess Library.*

*It is wholly appropriate that this important collection should be housed in Hastings given the status of the Hastings International Congress and the importance of chess in this town.*

*I also think its important in that the University Centre Hastings is about the future of our local community and will also therefore send out a message that chess is not just an historic 'past time' but is both contemporary and has a future too.*



*Top Left: Views of UCH Library*

*Top Right: Reading area showing security aspect, all books will be individually tagged.*

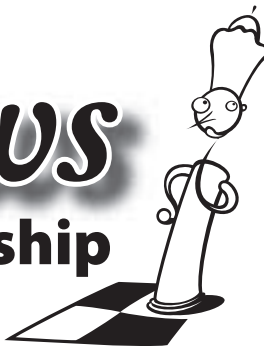
*Centre Picture: Study area with a view of Library*

*Left: Gerry Walsh (President of ECF), Margaret Wallace (Head of Co-ordination & Development), Sarah Eatwell (Information Services Manager) and Cynthia Gurney (ECF Manager)*

# ECF News

## ECF Individual Membership

To subscribers of the ECF Direct membership scheme (DM) and the Northern Membership Scheme (NMS)



There are a considerable number of you who have yet to complete, sign and send to the ECF office an ECF Membership Application Form. This is an important LEGAL Requirement. This application form has to be signed only once – there is no requirement to repeat this at all throughout the lifetime of your membership. Unless a Direct Member renewal is due no payment is necessary at this time. Membership becomes effective when the form has been received at the ECF office and been accepted on behalf of the Board by the Direct Members Officer.

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The Companies Act requires that ECF, now a Company Limited by Guarantee, maintains a comprehensive register of members and that must include original, and signed ECF Membership Application Forms: faxes and e-mails are not acceptable. The forms can be obtained by a simple download from the ECF web-site. In case of difficulty please contact the ECF office by email [office@englishchess.org.uk](mailto:office@englishchess.org.uk) or telephone 01424 775222.

Becoming a member of the ECF confers inter alia the following benefits, which otherwise do not apply:-

- Entry to the 2006 British Championship in Swansea (however certain adult tournaments are available to all players)
- Playing in the 4NCL competition starting in September 2006
- A FIDE rating
- ECF Membership is one of the requirements for becoming an ECF coach.
- The possibility of being selected for the ECF national teams.

Recently there has been an appreciable increase in the number of players joining ECF. Approximately 100 players have recently joined from Cleveland and at the recent Blackpool Congress over 50 players did the same.

Why not join them, along with the hundreds of other players who have already done so.

*G Walsh, President  
R Heppinstall, Chief Executive*



## Winner of ECF Survey Prize Draw

The 2005 market research survey prize draw winner was Mr J W Waterfield of Much Birch, Hereford. The research questionnaire attracted an impressive number of entries and Mr Waterfield was delighted when informed of his good fortune. He receives a Staunton pattern wooden chess set and board.

*'J W Waterfield one of Herefordshire's leading players, and also well known on the Welsh chess circuit'*

## Stephen Robert Boniface - (1951 - 2005) Posthumous President's Award

While a pupil at Northampton Grammar School, Steve joined the White Melville Club and soon played for his county, beginning his lifelong chess career, culminating in his appointment as a BCF Senior Arbiter and FIDE International Arbiter.

During his lifetime Steve's monumental services to chess were recognised by popular acclaim, though never marked with a formal award. We are sad to make this award posthumously.

## Player of the Year 2006

Enclosed with this edition of ChessMoves you will find a voting form for Player of the Year. Please complete with the names of your top players and return to the ECF Office before 31 May 2006.

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## Steve Boniface Trophy



Photo by R H Jones

Andrew Boyne from Exeter, first winner of the new trophy presented to the Premier Section of the East Devon Congress by the committee in memory of Steve Boniface's long and dedicated service to the Congress and its committee.

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# Winton Capital British Chess Solving Championship

18 February 2006

The Final of the 2005-2006 Winton Capital British Chess Solving Championship took place at Oakham School on 18th February. A very strong Open tournament was held simultaneously, featuring a number of titled overseas solvers. Solving GM Jonathan Mestel retained his title, while the Open was won by World Champion Piotr Murdzia.

### The leading placings were:

#### British Championship

1st GM Jonathan Mestel 58/65, 2nd IM David Friedgood 51, 3rd FM Colin McNab 49, 4th FM Michael McDowell 42, 5th Ian Watson 38. (23 competitors)

#### Open

1st GM Piotr Murdzia (Poland) 64/65, 2nd GM Marjan Kovacevic (Serbia & Montenegro) 59, 3rd GM Boris Tummes (Germany) 54, 4th Paul Valois 43, 5th GM Graham Lee 37. (10 competitors).

*A couple of compositions from the event:*

#### 7bK; q6p; 3B3P; 2N2R2; 3k4; 4pP2; 2RpB2n; 6Q1

#### Mate in two (by Henry D'Oyly Bernard, Sunday Express 1921)

There are mates prepared for all Black moves except 1...Qb7. There are numerous White attempts which fail to one reply: 1.Nb7? Qa5!; 1.Nd7? Qa5!; 1.Na6? Qc7!; 1.Na4? Qa5!; 1.Rh5? Qb7!; 1.Ba6? Qb7!; 1.Qg3? Qe7!; 1.Qg5? Qe7!. Only 1.Bb5! solves. There is no threat, but 1...Qb7 is now met by 2.Qa1.

#### 8; 7p; 4P2R; 5Pkp; 8; 3K1p2; 7P; 5r2

#### White to play and win (by Mario Matous, Special Honourable Mention, Ceskoslovensky Sach 1997)

After 1.e7? Re1 2.Re6 f2 3.e8Q f1Q+ draws. 1.f6! is the correct push, giving the main line 1...Rd1+ 2.Ke3 Re1+ 3.Kf2 Re2+ 4.Kxf3 Rxe6 5.f7 Rxh6 6.h4+ Kg6 7.f8B! wins. After 1...Re1 2.f7 f2 3.Rf6! f1Q+ 4.Rxf1 Rxf1 5.e7 wins, while 1...f2 2.Ke2 Re1+ 3.Kxf2 Rxe6 transposes to the main line.

(Full results and all the problems used can be found at [www.bstephen.freeuk.com](http://www.bstephen.freeuk.com))

## European Seniors

17-24 February 2006 played in Dresden

This is the second time Great Britain 2 have outscored GB 1.

### GB Teams Final Standings (seed no. in brackets)

GB Team	Final Standings (seed no. in brackets)	pts	games
<b>GB-1</b>	22 (17)	8pts	16 games
Littlewood, John		3	
Richardson, Keith		5½	
MacDonald-Ross, Michael (Scotland)		4	
Wheeler, John F		3½	
<b>GB-2</b>	17 (21)	9pts	18½ games
Wade, Robert		3	
Byway, Paul		5	
James, Geoffrey		5½	
Farrand, Julian		5	
<b>GB-3</b>	26 (30)	7pts	16½ games
Cromblehome, Alan		2	
Scholes, James		4	
Edwards, Ray		5	
Singleton, Michael		5½	

<b>GB-4</b>	38 (39)	6pts	13½ games
Feavvour, John		4½	
MacDonald-Ross, Stephen		3	
Rety, John		2	
Wood, Peter		4	
<b>GB-5</b>	44 (42)	4pts	10½ games
Wilson, Peter		2	
Smith, David		2	
Pemberton, Clive		2½	
Flockhart, Hugh (Scotland)		3	
MacGilchrist, Siegrun (Scotland)		1	

**Other results:** 1. (1) Dostoinstvo Moscow 15 pts; 22.5 games  
2. (2) Germany 14 pts; 23 games; 3. (8) Finland 12 pts; 20 games

**Board prizes:** 1.V.Korchnoi (Switzerland) (7/8); 2.B.Khanukov (Cologne) (6/8)  
3.V.Chernikov (Moscow) (5.5/8); 4.K.Klundt (Germany) (7/8)

John Wheeler

# International News

## Jovanka's World Championship Challenge

**Jovanka Houska was England's sole representative in the 2006 Women's World Championship held in Ekaterinburg, Russia, 10th to 27th March. Ekaterinburg lies on the Eastern side of the Ural Mountains and is the regional capital of Sverdlovsk. It is also five hours ahead of the UK, so when Jovanka started to play at three in the afternoon on Saturday, 11th March, English spectators could watch the live internet coverage at ten in the morning.**

Her opponent was France's leading woman player and a European Women's Champion, Almira Skripchenko, rated 2461, more than 100 points higher than Jovanka. Almira, with the white pieces, sought to surprise her opponent with d4, a first move for which she is not known. Jovanka, however, kept her cool, and countered with the unexpected Semi-Slav Defence, gaining a material advantage which she converted to the win after 44 moves.

In their second game the following day, Jovanka's performance as white gained her a better position against the Modern Defence and she agreed a draw with a winning advantage, thus securing her a fine first-round victory.

The championship was a knock-out, so of the 64 qualifiers who started, only 32 went forward to the second round. While most results were as expected, two other strong contenders fell by the wayside. Current European Women's Champion, Kateryna Lahno of the Ukraine, rated 2500, lost to Karen

Zapata of Peru, rated 2218, and Russian star Nadezhda Kosintseva (2480) lost to twelve-year-old Yufan Hou of China (2269).

On Monday, 13th March, Jovanka met her second-round opponent, WGM Kinyang Qin of China, who at 2469 was also rated well over 100 points higher than her. Jovanka with black ventured a rare Sicilian Defence based on special preparation with GM John Emms. She countered the 3.Bb5 variation with some sharp play which eventually led to an exchange of queens on move 17 and then to an equal endgame in which a draw was agreed on move 21. This was the first game to finish, and it allowed her a breathing space before the second game the next day.

Jovanka opened with the white pieces and again surprised her opponent, this time with the Scotch. This resulted in a long, hard-fought game which ended in a draw. Both players were on the same score. Thus, they had to continue the same day with two rapidplay games, and, if there was still no winner, two blitz games and then more blitz until a winner emerged. This was a gruelling schedule for anyone, testing stamina and fitness.

After a break, Jovanka and Kinyang Qin resumed their battle. In the first rapidplay game, Jovanka with black returned to her favourite Caro-Kann Defence to e4 and achieved a comfortable draw. Opening the second game with the white pieces, she played the Scotch again but this time her opponent played an improvement which led to a tough struggle and eventual defeat for Jovanka.

She was in good company. Highest rated player, Humpy Koneru of India (2537) and two European Women's Champions, Bulgarian Antoaneta Stefanova (2499) and Sweden's Pia Cramling (2515) all went out in this round. The only American representative, Irina Krush (2477) lost to Russian Tatiana Kosintseva (2477), and British Ladies' Champion, Ketevan Arakhamia-Grant of Georgia (2426) lost to fellow Georgian Maia Chiburdanidze.

Leading English grandmaster John Emms, who coached her prior to the championship, commented, "Jovanka can be very happy with her performance. She played six games against opponents rated considerably higher than her and more than held her own. And, of course, beating a European champion so convincingly will give her a lot of confidence for the future".

*Susan McFarland.*

### **Almira Skripchenko, 2461 v Jovanka Houska, 2355**

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 c6 4. Nc3 Nf6 5. Bg5 Be7 6. e3 h6 7. Bh4 O-O8. Bd3 Nbd7 9. O-O dxc4 10. Bxc4 b5 11. Bd3 Bb7 12. Rc1 a6 13. a4 Rc8 14. Qe2 Re8 15. Rfd1 Qb6 16. Ne5 Nxe5 17. dxe5 Nd5 18. Bxe7 Nxc3 19. Rxc3 Rxe7 20. Rdc1 Rd8 21. Be4 Red7 22. R3c2 bxa4 23. h3 c5 24. Bxb7 Rxb7 25. Qc4 Qb5 26. Qh4 Rc8 27. Rd1 Rd7 28. Rxd7 Qxd7 29. Qe4 Qb5 30. Kh2 c4 31. Rd2 a5 32. Qd4 a3 33. bxa3 c3 34. Rc2 Qb3 35. Qd3 Qxa3 36. Qd7 Qc5 37. f4 Qc4 38. f5 exf5 39. Qxf5 a4 40. Qd7 a3 41. Qa7 Qe4 42. Rf2 Qxe5+ 43. g3 c2 44. Qxf7+ Kh8 **0-1\***

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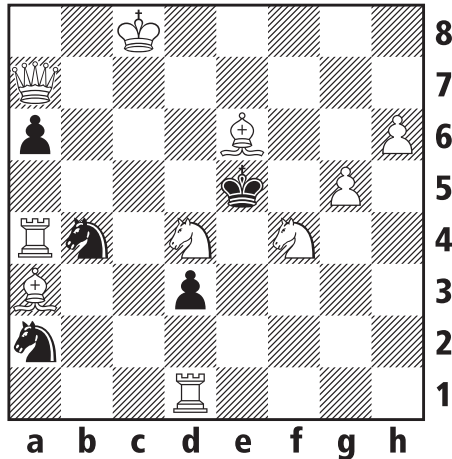
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# ECF BATSFORD COMPETITION

Congratulations to the  
January/February Winner  
**Davin Menon from Wrexham**  
The correct solution was 1.Bc7

Mrs T B Rowland  
19th Century Lady Composer  
White to play and mate in 2



Please send your answer (just the first move is sufficient) on a postcard to the

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The first correct entry drawn on 10th May 2006 will win a Batsford voucher for any book on their current list.



B T BATSFORD

## SEAFARERS UK SEA SIMUL'

Seafarers UK are running a charity chess simultaneous display - Sea Simul' - with Grandmaster Jonathan Speelman, on Saturday April 22nd at 1pm.

The venue will be HMS Belfast, a floating museum on the Thames moored opposite the Tower of London.

Any Chess enthusiast is invited to join in. Club players are welcome.

Players will donate £25. They should contact Hugh Breidenbach on 07808 067049 for a reference number, and can then pay online using the fundraising web page [www.justgiving.com/bridey](http://www.justgiving.com/bridey).

Only 40 places are available. The event will take several hours.

This event will benefit Seafarers UK (King George's Fund for Sailors), supporting survivors of accidents in the fishing fleet, and those invalided out of the Merchant Navy and Royal Navy/Royal Marines who would be disadvantaged or homeless without their help.

**SEAFARERS UK WEBSITE: [WWW.KGFS.ORG.UK](http://WWW.KGFS.ORG.UK)**

# Junior News

## 22nd Cappelle La Grande Open International

17th to 26th February 2006

Everyone should try and play at least once in this unique event. Cappelle La Grande is just 5 miles inland from Dunkerque. The organisers provide transport from Calais for competitors arriving as foot passengers on the Dover-Calais ferry. This year there are over 600 entries from 60 different countries. Entries range from over 200 titled players (102 GMs) to local school children. Playing conditions are good, the hall is decorated with flags of all the nations and together with every board having the player's name plate and mini National flag, a colourful spectacle meets competitors when they enter the playing hall

This year we continue the tradition of sending a group of juniors to enjoy the 'Cappelle Experience'. Gill Turner co-ordinated the travel, accommodation and food. GM Mark Hebden joined the group every morning for preparation & analysis then later in the day for a chance to look through the games played. Even the first evening the chess boards were out just to get into 'chess mode'.

The junior group this year and 1st round results:

Pts	Round: 1	Col	Res	Opponent	Fed
	Lyall Bayliss	1680	B	1-0	Thibault Real 1430 FRA
	Grant Bucher	1740	B	1-0	Ftancois Xav Faes 1499 FRA
	Rhys Cumming	1384	B	1-0	Rene Lambert 1650 FRA
	Simon Fowler	2202	W	1-0	Anthony Wirig 2410 IM FRA

A great start for everyone. Particularly good results from Rhys & Simon against much higher rated opponents

**Daily routine:** Breakfast buffet available from 8.30, coach Gm Mark Hebden arrives at 10.00 ready for the first session. Preparation halts about 12.45 for lunch break and then leave for the playing hall by 1.40pm for a 2 o'clock start. The players are kept supplied with water, energy drinks & chocolate during play. Players usually go through their games with their opponents and then later in the evening with Mark. The group have a meal together in the evening and wait for the next round pairings to be available. Sometimes the youngsters can find information on chessbase so they may have some ideas for the following morning session with Mark.

Pts	Round: 2	Col	Res	Opponent	Fed
1	Lyall Bayliss	1680	W	1-0	Jean-Claude Robion 1964 FRA
1	Grant Bucher	1740	W	0-1	Johan Engelen 1989 NED
1	Rhys Cumming	1384	W	0-1	Anne-Sophie Desanlis 1869 FRA
1	Simon Fowler	2202	B	0-1	Sergei Zhigalko IM 2496 BLR

Pts	Round: 3	Col	Res	Opponent	Fed
2	Lyall Bayliss	1680	B	0-1	Neil Berry 2289 SCO
1	Grant Bucher	1740	B	1-0	Samir Ragad 1499 FRA
1	Rhys Cumming	1384	B	½	Benjamin Grobeaut 1700 FRA
1	Simon Fowler	2202	W	½	Arkadi Erme Vul GM 2407 RUS

Pts	Round: 4	Col	Res	Opponent	Fed
2	Lyall Bayliss	1680	W	1-0	Alvaro Dias 2245 VEN
2	Grant Bucher	1740	W	1-0	Amine Benkirane 1550 FRA
1?	Rhys Cumming	1384	W	0-1	Thierry Levers 1954 FRA
1?	Simon Fowler	2202	B	½	Dmitry Svetushkin GM2557 MDA

An impressive start for Simon with 2/4 against titled players

Pts	Round: 5	Col	Res	Opponent	Fed
3	Lyall Bayliss	1680	W	0-1	Maxim Chetverik IM 2303 RUS
3	Grant Bucher	1740	B	0-1	Stephen Jessell 2313 IRE
1?	Rhys Cumming	1384	B	½	Arild Rimestad 1866 FAI
2	Simon Fowler	2202	W	0-1	Pierre Petitcunot FM 2405 FRA

Pts	Round: 6	Col	Res	Opponent	Fed
3	Lyall Bayliss	1680	W	0-1	Armin Bier 2104 GER
3	Grant Bucher	1740	W	0-1	Thomas Saatdjan 2164 FRA
2	Rhys Cumming	1384	W	1-0	Kevin Declerk 1580 FRA
2	Simon Fowler	2202	B	½	Lars Ootes 1917 NED

Pts	Round: 7	Col	Res	Opponent	Fed
3	Lyall Bayliss	1680	B	0-1	Olivier Baeten 1992 BEL
3	Grant Bucher	1740	B	½	Claus Haverkamp 2021 GER
3	Rhys Cumming	1384	B	0-1	Xavier Flander 1954 FRA
2?	Simon Fowler	2202	W	1-0	Thomas Thierkildsen 2289 FRA

Pts	Round: 8	Col	Res	Opponent	Fed
3	Lyall Bayliss	1680	W	½	Alexander Kulago 2114 RUS
3?	Grant Bucher	1740	W	0-1	Tomu Sano 2123 JAP
3	Rhys Cumming	1384	W	0-1	Pascal Losekoot 2023 NED
3?	Simon Fowler	2202	B	0	Olivier Aine 1955 FRA

#### Final

Pts	Round: 9	Col	Res	Opponent	Fed
4	Lyall Bayliss	1680	B	½	Alexandre Feryn 2019 FRA
4?	Grant Bucher	1740	B	1-0	Jacques Thos 2015 FRA
4	Rhys Cumming	1384	B	1-0	Daniel Equey 1812 FRA
4?	Simon Fowler	2202	W	1-0	Donna Schut 1937 NED

#### A good finish:

Rhys is a trophy winner for 1st place in his grading band.

Grant 2nd= in his grading band.

Lyall 3rd= in his grading band and a 7 game part-rating.

Simon a big tournament rating performance.



Above: Simon Fowler ready to start round 4

Below: Between rounds on the double day



Left: Rhys receives his prize for winning his grading band



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# Obituaries

## Eric McCanlis

Eric died last week aged nearly 90. He was one of an army of workers for British chess who have given so much enjoyment to so many. His speciality was wallcharts and people who played in the Lloyds Bank Masters should remember the incredibly detailed information that was provided by him. They were a work of art. Our condolences to his children and family.

Stewart Reuben



## John Marshman Robinson

I first met John at the British Chess Championships at Eastbourne. He had been a stalwart member of the Midland Counties Chess Union for many years, but his recent redundancy from the steel industry had given him the time he needed to pursue his other interests. It was one of the best moves that John ever made!

John was a worker and a good team member. He rapidly became an important part of the British Team and was Congress Secretary for some years. He added the prestigious Hastings International Chess Congress to his portfolio and served

there as both Arbiter and Committee Member. He arbitrated at the 4NCL Chess League, the strongest event in the country during recent years. He also became part of the Monarch International Tournament at Port Erin on the Isle of Man.

John had a remarkable capacity for work, which he did with quiet good humour. He regularly phoned to sort out details of the British Chess Championships at about 8 o'clock in the morning. I was just getting up, but John had already done about 3 hours' work. He hated confrontation and I didn't get on well with the more routine jobs. We came to the compromise that I would deal with the awkward customers and he would do the rest!

He thoroughly deserved his title of Senior Arbiter of the British Chess Federation and his International Arbiter title. His work on the Laws of Chess in the mid nineties has left its mark on the Laws we still use today. John enjoyed the International scene, but he was equally at home with small events, which also benefited from his care and attention to detail.

If John were just a worker, he would deserve our respect, but John was much more than that! He was the very best of company, full of stories of his beloved Birmingham University, National Service, treks in outlandish places and his beloved Northamptonshire. Given a spare moment, he would rarely be without a puzzle or crossword. If ever I managed to solve a clue in the King William's College Christmas Quiz, he would rattle off several further solutions on the same theme.

I must not forget that he was awarded the Boxall Salver for his work on the British Championship team and, more recently, the President's Award for Services to Chess. Far more important was his appreciation of his friends and his real sense of humour. I have never met a person so genuine and dedicated as John was. It has been a privilege to know him.

David Welch

## Message from Geurt Gijssen

Unfortunately I met John only a few times, but it was always a pleasure to talk with him. Especially the Laws of Chess were many times the subject of our talks and discussions. In this connection I like to mention the fact that John Robinson made a substantial contribution to the codification of the Laws of Chess in 1996 and 2000. His quiet efficiency was much appreciated. May he rest in peace.

## The Eulogy for John Marshman Robinson 15th February 2006.

*I am David Ingyon, next of kin and cousin of John Marshman Robinson born on July the 31st 1931 at Kettering, Northamptonshire – the only child of Clare and Frederick Robinson of 47, Hawthorne Road Kettering. His mother and my mother were sisters and John and I grew up together attending the same schools.*

*John, myself and my wife, Sheila spent our early years at the Hawthorn Road School. Then he and I were accepted for places at Kettering Grammar School at the age of eight – although some three years separated our forms and Sheila went to the High School adjacent, in the imposing buildings in Bowling Green Road.*

*Having been endowed with the brains in the family John made steady progress gaining a school certificate in eight subjects followed by a higher certificate in pure and applied mathematics, physics and chemistry being then awarded a place at Birmingham University. His extra – mural activities involved the debating society, fell walking, public reading, photography and chess, he was certainly academically orientated rather than sport. From a young age he was taken regularly to the Lake District by his parents where they all enjoyed the magnificent scenery and walking, giving him the foundation to trek through the Austrian and Continental mountains, subsequently spending time in the high peaks of Nepal. On the 26th February 1995 he added the ascent of Mount Kenya, to over 16,000 feet, reaching Point Lenana, to his achievements. My cousin was not particularly interested in gardening! and his response recently, I am given to understand, to the local authority who suggested he do something about the eyesore 'wild garden' at his home was to*



*pull down the blinds ! a truly academics approach.*

*John was awarded a first class degree from Birmingham University specialising in metallurgy, then followed National Service in the REME where, stationed at Honiton he worked on trials and development of a new electro-mechanical gunsight predictor.*

*These qualifications and experience gained him an immediate opportunity to join Stewarts & Lloyds (subsequently British Steel and now Corus) in the research department, where his Father worked at Corby, where again, steady progress was rewarded with the post as a senior manager in the field of research metallurgy.*

*A confirmed bachelor all his life, he and the family moved from Kettering to Stanion where they had a new bungalow built in 1960. His Father Fred was a brilliant practical engineer and model maker in the Stewarts & Lloyds instrument research section. The story goes that the company received a request from the USA nuclear weapons programme to see if they could manufacture a very high grade steel tube of micro – micro bore size. John organised the appropriate steel grade and his Father dealt with the matter of turning and boring in the model shop, returning the sample to the USA in a matter of a few days.*

*The States contacted S & L to say they understood if it wasn't possible to make tubes of that size whereupon the response across the Atlantic was – 'Didn't you look inside your sample!!'*

*John always walked from Stanion to 'The Works' through the Companies extensive woodland (with, I hasten to add, written permission from the Directors) and home again! Often seeing unique wildlife at close quarters meeting face to face with wild deer.*

*He was passionately interested in the countryside which was profusely depicted in his multitude of wonderful photographs and slides, for which he won numerous Prizes and accolades.*

*Life at home was subsequently not very easy, as both parents suffered protracted degenerative illness requiring constant care and attention which John did almost single handed – a most commendable and monumental*

*effort displaying the deepest love and affection for his parents.*

*Sadly, the steel industry in the UK declined over the years and Stewarts & Lloyds, from being one of the world leaders in the Bessemer process, cold rolled steel, metal tubing manufacture with extensive associated research and development laboratories bore the brunt of this run – down. John was offered early retirement, as insufficient funding was available to continue the research he was conducting on steel 'creep testing' at Corby. He kept in close touch both with colleagues from British Steel and the old boys 'Citranganians' Association of Kettering Grammar School regularly attending meetings, lunches and dinners.*

*Increased interest in the complex game of chess then filled the gap created in his life. Having been directly involved in the County of Northamptonshire he was then invited to become an umpire on the national chess circuit. Having demonstrated his abilities and fairness he was eventually assisting in the organisation of international chess championships and was appointed to the prestigious official position as an international chess arbiter and called upon to oversee matches and tournaments in such places as Hastings, The Isle of Man, Moscow, Armenia, Istanbul etc.*

*As recently as last October he was involved in the Leamington Tournament. John became an important part of the British Chess Team and was congress secretary for some years. His work on the laws of the game in the mid 90's has left its mark – being incorporated in the laws in present day use. Rewards came in the form of the prestigious Boxall Salver for his work with the British Championship Team and the President's Award for Services to Chess.*

*For many years John gave his time and enthusiasm for teaching youngsters how to play and enjoy the game at Rushton Primary School where, I'm told his presence and humour will be sadly missed. As, indeed, it will be, in the local community where he became Church Warden of this Church St Peters in 1994 taking an active interest in projects and works concerning the repair, restoration and renewal to the fabric of this fine building of Christian worship, I'm told*

*he also made very good current cakes!! Other activities in which he took an active part included swimming, bridge clubs, musical evenings, photography and inter – village quiz team competitions.*

*Although feeling poorly and somewhat incapacitated with what he though was a slight stroke he persevered and tied up all the immediate existing matters in the chess world that he was dealing with before submitting himself to be taken by his church friend Ken Gibbard to Kettering General Hospital. An extensive analysis of his condition revealed that in fact he had tumours of the brain which proved to be advanced and untreatable.*

*He was transferred to St Mary's at Kettering from the General Hospital and then on to Corby Community Care Centre. The treatment, loving care and attention he received here on a constant 24 hour basis was of the highest possible standard. Doctor Perera, the Matron, Staff Nurses, Nurses Auxiliaries and all the Admin Staff played a very important part in making sure, through their efforts, that John's last days were as comfortable and pain free as possible and I would like to express my very grateful thanks to them all.*

*Most people would agree with me that my cousin was a rather quiet man with a somewhat reserved nature, he had, however, a huge depth of knowledge on a wide variety of subjects – which I'm given to believe is why his local quiz team usually won!*

*I think we would all endorse the notice his friend David Welch, Manager of Congress Chess & Chief Arbiter from Liverpool who states on the English Chess Federation website: - 'I have never met a person so genuine and dedicated as John Robinson was. It has been a privilege to know him.'*

*Finally, my wife and I extend our warmest thanks to the Rector, Roger Watson for his time and constant professional help in our time of need, and to all of John's friends, neighbours, fellow members of the congregation and colleagues he came into contact with, many of whom made special efforts to travel to visit him in the hospitals, and are here today to pay their respects.*

*May he rest in peace.*

Amen

# Littlewood's Choice

by John Littlewood

The following delightful game was rightfully awarded the Best Game prize by Stuart Conquest at the recent tournament in Gibraltar. Instead of a heavy theoretical duel, we witness an original idea pursued with the utmost ferocity by a Black player who is clearly intent on enjoying himself whilst providing the audience with a breath of fresh air. Since I know very little about this opening, I find myself in the same uncharted territory as the seemingly bewildered Ukrainian playing the White pieces ...

## Gibtelcom Masters 2006

(W) Z Efimenko

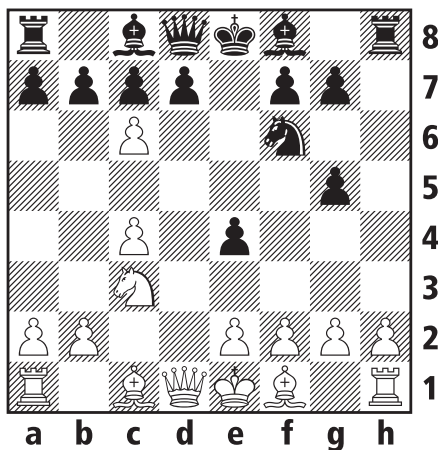
(B) J Arizmendi

### English A28

1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 Nf3 Nc6 4 d4 e4! 5 Ng5 h6! 6 d5

The point of Black's play is to equalise after 6 Ngxe4 Nxe4 7 Nxe4 Qh4! 8 Nc3 Qxd4 but Malcolm Pein also gives interesting complications after 8 Qd3 d5! 9 cxd5 Nb4 10 Qb1 Bf5! 11 Nd6+ Bxd6 12 Qxf5 g6 13 Qb1 Qxd4 14 a3 0-0-0!

### 6...hxg5 7 dxc6

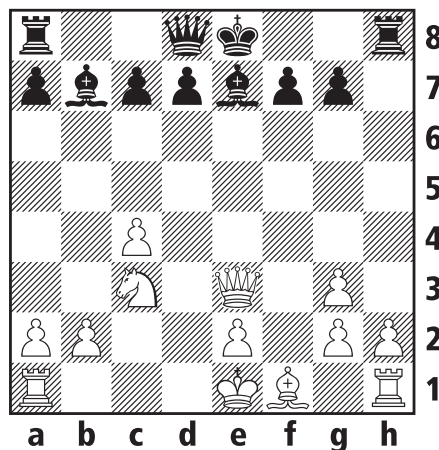


### 7...g4!?

Only deep analysis will establish whether this bold move is 'correct' or not but it clearly sets White a number of problems to solve that no opening tome can help him with. Should he give up his pawn on c6 and concentrate on developing with Bg5 or g3, or should he take on d7 and then play g3 in order to develop his KB? Black also had alternatives with 7...Bc5 which I like and 7...Rh5 which I don't like. Hard decisions have to be made by both sides but I have the feeling that White played his next two moves as 'obvious' ones

before he really got down to serious thought. He is in for a shock!

8 cxb7?! Bxb7 9 Bf4 e3! 10 Bxe3 g3! 11 fxg3 Ng4 12 Qd4 Nxe3 13 Qxe3+ Be7



So, what has Black achieved by his sacrifice of two pawns? The open 'h' file is of course a bonus but it is the temporary exclusion of White's KB and KR that will count the most. Just put yourself in White's place. He would like to castle long but this fails to ...Bg5, so how about preventing this with h4 but then he still can't castle in view of Bg5 .... He could play Rd1 but his king will be left in a parlous state or he could try Nd5 which allows ...Bxd5 followed by...Kf8 freeing his KB for active play on the dark squares. The only real answer then is to move his queen and try to free his bishop. Let's see what happens.

### 14 Qd3 Rb8!

It's always a difficult time for the attacker when he must prevent White freeing himself, but Arizmendi keeps his cool and poses new problems (where are Petrosian and Korchnoi when you need them?!)

### 15 e4

Not an attractive move. He surely had to play Rd1 then try to maintain his pawn on e3 but we must not forget that Black can always switch to castling K side and applying pressure down the 'e' file.

### 15...Bc6 16 Be2

The obvious 16...b3 would weaken the dark squares even further.

### 16...Rxb2 17 0-0

Has White now escaped the worst? No, the 'h' file continues to haunt him.

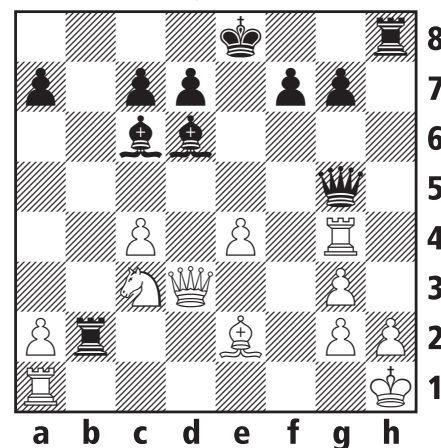
### 17...Bc5+ 18 Kh1 Qg5

Threatening mate in three moves.

### 19 Rf4

Both Rf5 and h3 must be seen as White's last defensive chances but the ending is now positionally far better for Black, so he is no longer afraid of exchanging queens.

### 19...Bd6! 20 Rg4



### 20...Rxb2+ 21 Kg1 Qc5+! 0-1

And White finally capitulates in view of the forced 22 Kxh2 Qh5+ 23 Rh4 Qxh4+ 24 Kg1 Bc5+ 25 Kf1 Qh1 mate, a fitting tribute to the pressure of the rook down the 'h' file which began on move 6.

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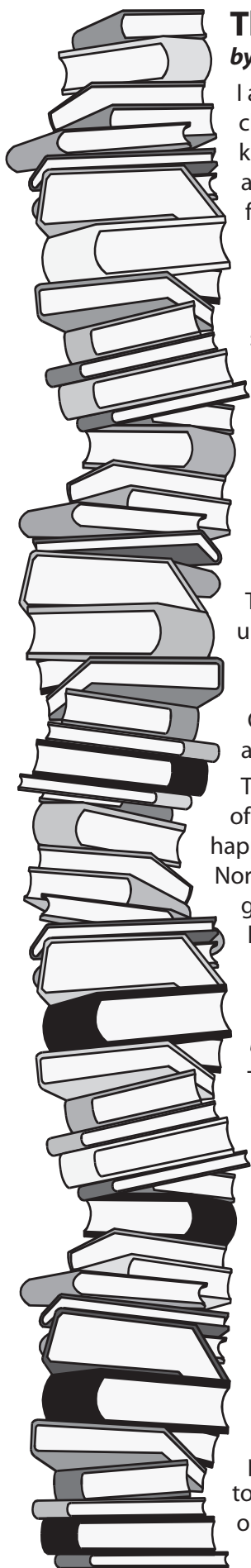
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# Book Reviews

by Gary Lane



## **The Batsford Book of Chess Records**

*by Yakov Damsky published by Batsford £17.99*

I always use a simple test when coaching juniors and that is to ask them to name the world champions. It usually turns out that those with a grasp of history and a high rating actually knew of Vasily Smyslov when they looked him up on the computer database. Damsky sets about entertaining the reader with the shortest and longest games, chess achievements of famous people and various other chess records.

This makes it the sort of book to dip into from time to time for enjoyment. The only problem with writing about chess history is to avoid the hoaxes and get your dates right which can be a tough task for anybody. However, the first page I looked at featured a famous queen sacrifice between Lasker and Thomas played in 1911. Now even I knew it was 1912 and this was confirmed by checking in "Chess Omnibus" written by the chess historian Edward Winter who gives a reference and stated it was played on the 29th October 1912. It is an example that Damsky seeks to make his book fun to read and not become an authority on the history of chess.

## **The Day Kasparov Quit**

*by Dirk Jan ten Geuzendam published by New In Chess £16.50*

The first thing you would do after buying this book is suddenly see the small lettering under the title "and other chess interviews". The Kasparov name is basically used to grab your attention and is the final chapter. This is the place to find out that Mark Taimanov is married to Nadya who is 35 years younger than him and that Peter Leko still thinks he can be World Champion in 1999. It is at this point that you start to wonder because it turns out that this is a collection of work that has already appeared in the New In Chess magazine.

This is frustrating and good in a way. It is interesting to read the thoughts and ambitions of players in the 1990's but the author makes no attempt to update the reader about what happened next. I think this is a missed opportunity. The only British interview is with David Norwood from 1996 where he claims that Nigel Short speaks like a cross between a Russian grandmaster and a Dalek." It is the sort of book where top chess players frequently have a loose tongue and this can be an amusing insight for the rest of us.

## **Play 1...b6**

*by Christian Bauer published by Everyman £14.99*

The French grandmaster Bauer tries to convince the reader to play 1...b6 against all the major moves by White. It soon turns out that Black tends to win despite the opening with long games being quite common. In general he makes plenty of good points and makes an interesting case for players to try something different. The only problem is that it seems to of been difficult to track down decent illustrative games. Indeed, one page is devoted to an eleven move draw by a couple of Belgians with no comment between move 4 and 10 but it seems to deserve three diagrams. A decent introduction to the opening.

## **Win with the London System**

*By Sverre Johnsen and Vlatko Kovacevic published by Gambit £14.99*

The authors are convinced that you can win by starting with 1 d4 and after 1...d5 play 2 Bf4. This opening is a favourite of club players and the large format book is geared to them with plenty of enjoyable games. In the notes are useful bits of information but there is a tendency to just add games from the database without comment. This might be a problem if your opponent chooses a side line. I suspect this will be warmly welcomed by all those who play the London System.

# Gibtelecom Chess Festival

The Gibtelecom Chess Festival took place in Gibraltar 24 January to 5 February.

Arguably the Masters was the strongest open Swiss played at the rate of round per day in the preceding year. 35 GMs competed and Kiril Georgiev (Bulgaria) ran out a very convincing winner with 8.5/10. Nigel Short and Emil Sutovsky (Israel) finished on 7.5. The 124 player field included a large number of female players, headed by the current women's World Champion Antoaneta Stefanova and her immediate predecessor Zhu Chen. They and Natalia Zhukova split the women's awards. Apart from Nigel, no English player won a major prize. Jon Speelman was particularly unfortunate, he met a very strong field, scored 6/10, but did not even get the £750 rating prize for players under 2550.

There was also a Challengers for players under 2100 and Amateur for players under 1600.

The event was much more than just a strong series of Swisses for players whatever their strength. Master classes were conducted several evenings by luminaries such as Alexei Shirov and Victor Bologan where games of weaker players were discussed. There was a teams of four blitz and also a pair non-consultation tournament. I conducted poker master classes several evenings and here was even a small free roll tournament sponsored by 32Red poker site.

After the main event finished there was a junior congress 4-5 February. The ambience at the Caleta Hotel is very pleasant. The whole event is most enjoyable and next year the prizes will be even higher than in 2006. Make a note in your diary for 23 January to 1 February for the main event and we hope to see you there.

The full results can be found on [www.gibraltarchesscongress.com](http://www.gibraltarchesscongress.com)  
Stewart Reuben

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## Gibraltar Masters Prize List

1st Kiril Georgiev, Bulgaria, 8.5, £6000  
2= Nigel Short, England, 7.5, £3500  
Emil Sutovsky, Israel, 7.5, £3500  
4= Vladimir Akopian, Armenia, 7, £715  
Alex Areshchenko, Ukraine, 7, £715  
Zahar Efimenko, Ukraine, 7, £715  
Mikhail Gurevich, Turkey, 7, £715  
Zoltan Gyiesi, Hungary, 7, £715  
Alexi Shirov, Spain, 7, £715  
Sergey Volkov, Russia, 7, £715

## Women's

1= Antoaneta Stefanova, Bulgaria, 6.5, £1000  
Chen Zhu, China, 6.5, £1000  
Natalia Zhukova, Ukraine, 6.5, £1000

## U18 =

Mary Ann Gomes, India, 5.5, £375  
Kruttika Nadig, India, 5.5, £375

## 2450-2549

Mohamad Al Sayed, Qatar, £750

## 2350-2449

Juan Bellon Lopez, Spain, £750

## 2250-2349

Harald Borchgrevink, Norway, £750

## 2100-2249

Khaled El Amari, Morocco, £750

## Best Game Prize

Julen Arizmendi, Spain, £1000  
*For his win with black in R4 against Zahar Efimenko*

## Gibraltar Challengers 1

### 24-28 January 2006 Prize List

1st = Inna AGREST, Sweden, 4½/5, £650  
Odin Blikra VEA, Norway, 4½/5, £650  
*(Best European)*  
3rd = Emil AGDESTAIN, Norway, 4, £175  
Alan DUNN, New Zealand, 4, £175  
5th = Julia ALMER, Sweden, 3, £10  
Askild BRYN, Norway, 3, £10  
Ian CAMPBELL, England, 3, £10  
Martyn HAMER, England, 3, £10  
Klaus KUENITZ, Germany, 3, £10

Oyvind NORMANN, Norway, 3, £10  
Clive PEMBERTON, England, 3, £10  
Ellisiv REPPEN, Norway, 3, £10  
Matthew SIMMONS, Jersey, 3, £10  
Ajoy SOLOMON, England, 3, £10  
**Slow Starter(s)** Ignacio DIAZ, Spain, 3, £50

Darren INCE, England, 3, £50

**Best Gibraltar** Alan GRAVETT, 2½, £50

## Gibraltar Challengers 2

### 29 January - 2 February 2006 Prize List

1st Odin Blikra VEA, Norway, 4½/5, £1000 *(Best European)*  
2nd Askild BRYN, Norway, 4, £300  
3rd Inna AGREST, Sweden, 3½, £200  
4th = Emil AGDESTAIN, Norway, 3, £35.72  
Peter CAFOLLA, Ireland, 3, £35.72  
Alan DUNN, New Zealand, 3, £35.72  
Martyn HAMER, England, 3, £35.72  
Ian JAMIESON, Scotland, 3, £35.72  
Dinah NORMAN, Norway, 3, £35.72  
Ajoy SOLOMON, England, 3, £35.72  
**Slow Starter(s)** Alan GRAVETT, Gibraltar, 3, £100

**Best Gibraltar** Luis MANETTO, 2, £50

## Gibraltar Amateur 1

### 25-29 January 2006 Prize List

1st = Francisco GARCIA, Spain, 3½/5, £66.67

Raymond HEARTY, Ireland, 3½/5, £66.67

Rafael SALCEDO, Spain, 3½/5, £66.67

4th Maria YARUR, Chile, 3, £20  
*(Replaces Slow Starter)*

## Gibraltar Amateur 2

### 30 January - 3 February 2006 Prize List

1st = Robert ROUGH, Scotland, 4/5, £80

Jamile YOUNGANE, Morocco, 4/5, £80

3rd = Mark CANEPA, Gibraltar, 2, £20

Francisco GARCIA, Spain, 2, £20

Mena LOZANO, Spain, 2, £20

# Results Round-Up

## **Golders Green Rapidplay**

**7 January 2006**

64 took part. Complete crosstables and pictures from the tournament are available at [www.adamraoof.tk](http://www.adamraoof.tk)

**Open:** Lawrence Trent IM, 213, 5½/6; Danniell King GM, 251, 5/6; Caius Turner, 173, 5/6

**Major U160:** Antonio Marbella, 4½/6; Nayeem Sayed, 143, 4/6; Helge Hjort, 154, 4/6; Robin Huq, 142, 4/6; Terry Turner, 144, 4/6

**Minor U130:** K Azizur Rahman, 126, 5/6; Peter Lord, 117, 5/6; David McNish, 111, 4/6; Lucy Smith, 101, 4/6; Martin Cheung, 109, 4/6; Tom Rixon, 104, 4/6

**Amateur U100:** Peter Scott, 98, 6/6; Sharan Soni, 94 J, 4½/6; Andrew Rubio, 92, 4½/6; Thanurshan Mahenthiran, 88 J, 4½/6; Sam Austin, 77, 3½/6

## **Wrekin Congress**

**7-8 January 2006**

**Premier (U190):** Bel Ulfodike, Whoberley, 4½/5; Nigel Ferrington, Telepost, 3½/5; Alex Richardson, Cheddleto, 3½/5; Simon Fowler, Coddoo, 3½/5

**Major:** Graham Ashcroft, Preston, 4½/5; Nigel Holroyd, Peterborough, 4/5

Colin Eckloff, Whoberley, 3½/5; Craig Whitfield, Cheddleton, 3½/5; Phil Bull, Warley Quinborne, 3½/5; Bob Walker, Shirley & Lucas, 3½/5; Francis Best, Shrewsbury, 3½/5; Keith Tabner, Telepost, 3½/5; George Davies, Wrexham, 3½/5; Andrew Price, Leamington, 3½/5; Robert Clegg, Huddersfield, 3½/5; Toby Neal, Wellington, 3½/5

**Minor:** Aled Walker, Shirley & Lucas, 4½/5; Denis Seale, Whoberley, 4½/5; Gareth Hampson, Oswestry, 4/5

## **63rd Richmond Rapidplay**

**8 January 2006**

**Open:** Basman, Michael J, 204, 4½; McNab, Colin A, 229, 4½; Vea, Odin Blikra, 169, 4½; King, Daniel J, 251, 4; Wall, Gavin, 203, 4; Haldane, Robin W, 174, 3½

**Intermediate (U120):** Levicki, Jeffrey P, 118, 5½; Mutale, Michael, 119, 5; Boulton, Michael J, 100, 4; Curtis, David C, 98, 4; Kailavasan, Gajern, 116, 4; Lord, Peter R, 117, 4; Periasamymanjula, Manibha, 88, 4; Shakerchi, Talal, 91, 4

**Major (U160):** Ackley, Peter JE, 152, 5; Sathyanandha, Saravanan, 130, 4½; Zhou, Yang-Fan, 143, 4½; Clegg, Christopher RA, 147, 3½

**Minor (U80):** Meechan, Catriona, 76, 6; Rees, Richard, 37, 5; Brett, Alex I, 68, 4½; Murphy, Nick, 43, 4½; Powell, Timothy J, 76, 4½; Senior, Thomas, 69, 4½

## **Perth & Kinross Festival**

**13-15 January 2006**

**Open:** Craig Pritchett, Edinburgfh West, 2264, 4½/5; Stephen R Mannion, Cathcart, 2352, 4/5; Chris Macdonald, Hamilton, 2053, 4/5

**Challengers:** Kevin Mayo, Edinburgh West, 1737, 4/5; John Dempsey, Glasgow Montrose, 1705, 4/5

**Major:** David Hewitt, Stirling, 1527, 4/5; Lawrence Freel, Hamilton, 1516, 4/5; Paul Girdwood, Gorgie Dalry, 1505, 4/5; David Smith, Bon Accord, 1487, 4/5

**Minor:** Lynsey Shovlin, Fair City Juniors, 1212, 4.5/5; William harkins, Benarty, 1169, 4/5; Alastair Grant, Stonehaven, 1166, 4/5

## **CCF Open Rapidplay**

**14 January 2006**

**Open:** Marcus Osborne, Coulsdon, 188, 5½/6; James Mansson, Horsham, 161, 5/6; Yang-Fan Zhou, Coulsdon, 143, 5/6; Rory O'Kelly, Mushrooms, 200, 4½/6

## **KJCA Beckenham Junior**

### **Rapidplay**

**14 January 2006**

**Under 9:** Nicholas Clanchy, Balham, 6, 5½/6; Gautham Reddiar, Orpington, 16, 5/6; Joshua Cavendish, Finchley, 11, 4½/6

**Under 11:** George Galliano, Crawley, 41, 5½/6; Baven Balendran, Beckenham, 43, 5/6; John Winter, Sydenham, 48, 4½/6; Udara De Silva, Maidstone, 57, 4½/6; Manibharathi Periasamymanjula, Sutton, 88, 4½/6

**Under 14:** Joe Kidson, Dulwich, 91, 4½/5; Victor Jones, Lewisham CC, 81, 4/5; Robert Maguire, Croydon, 90, 4/5; Constantine Philippou, West Wickham, 89, 4/5

**Under 18:** Akash Jain, Pinner CC, 114, 4/5; Elliott Auckland, Crowborough CC, 98, 4/5; Alex Galliano, East Grinstead CC, 85, 3½/5; William Jones, Lewisham CC, 91, 3½/5; Michael Marrow, Chislehurst, 138, 3½/5; Sheila Dines (F), Sanderstead, 123, 3/5

## **Cleveland Congress**

**20-22 January 2006**

**Open:** Jonathan Hawkins, 4½/5; Paul Hutchinson, 3½/5; Robert Shaw, 3/5; Bret Addison, 3/5; Paul Bielby, 3/5

**Major:** Eoin Campbell, 4½/5; Stephen Cole, 4/5; Leslie Wells, 4/5; Shiela Dines, 3½/5

**Minor:** Matthew Holborow, 5/5; Raymond Sayer, 4/5; Graham Marshall, 4/5; Bill Wilson, 3/5; Matthew Joy, 3/5; David Wells, 3/5; Kiruthika Rajeswaren, 3/5

## **Spectrum Chess**

### **– 9th Dudley Congress**

**28-29 January 2006**

**Challengers Tournament:** Jamie Fowler, Somerset, 62, 80%; Alan R Fraser, Beckenham & Bromley, 81, 80%; Sue L Farrington, Beckenham & Bromley, 89, 70%; Kevin J Moore, Walsall Kipping, 86, 70%; Alan Bloom, Willesden \*, 90, 60%

Adam Parkinson, Northfield Birmingham, 60%; Paul Todd, Ashfield, 85, 60%; Paul, Williams, South Birmingham, 76, 60%

**Minor Tournament:** Adam Draper, Birmingham Settlements, 119, 80%; Thomas Burgess, Sutton Coldfield, 114, 70%; Gary C Jackson, Redditch, 111, 70%; Fay Birch, Warwick Select, 84, 60%; Ian P Blencowe, Gloucester, 113, 60%; Steve Shaw, Greenlands, 90, 60%; Roger W Walker, Belper, 103, 60%; Steven G Woolgar, Hanham, 107, 60%

**Major Tournament:** Peter Jaszkiwskyj, East Ham, 156, 80%; Michael S Kobylka, Albany/Hayes, 164, 80%; John A Broadmore, Sutton Coldfield, 70%; Andrew Price, Leamington, 137, 60%; Stephen C Pride, Cambridge, 143, 60%

**Open Tournament:** Michael J Franklin, Richmond, 195, 80%; Dominic Allen, Powdermill, 144, 70%; David A Cutmore, Wood Green, 170, 60%; Martin J Cutmore, Ashford, 176, 60%

## Central London Rapidplay

29 January 2006

**Major:** Peter Ackley, Hayes, 152, 4½; Helge Hjort, Hastings, 154, 4½; Robin Haldane, Streatham, 174, 4½

**Minor:** Paul Kendell, London E15, 114, 5; Leszer Jaworski, Slough, 117, 5; Ahuja Akshaya, Q.E Boys School, 113, 4½; Mario Chrabaszcz, Hammersmith, 122, 4½; Dipak Shah, Harrow, 107, 4½; Peter Wilson, Mushrooms, 116, 4½

## Kidlington Congress

4-5 February 2006

**Under 225:** Greet A, Hilsmark Kingfisher, 223, 5; Tiruchirapalli V, Watford, 208, 4; Lappage J, Cowley, 201, 3½; Moyses N, Cowley, 182, 3½; Rose M, Oxford City, 197, 3½

**Under 170:** Stembridge E, Oxford University, 142, 4½; Williamson R, Aigburth, 168, 4½; James A, Surbiton, 159, 4; McNally R, Stratford on Avon, 155, 4; Waterfield J, Monmouth, 157, 4

**Under 125:** Jaworski L, Slough, 115, 5; Eckloff C, Whoberley, 110, 4½; Thompson R, Torquay, 107, 4½; Brindley M, North Oxford, 113, 4; Bunn A, Cowley, 119, 4; Curtis D, Haywards Heath, 112, 4; Leeson C, Bicester, 117, 4; Martin N, Banbury, 116, 4; Webb A, Didcot, 113, 4; Desmedt R, Barnsley, 119, 3½; Gardiner C, Falmouth, 117, 3½; King S, Oxford City, 121, 3½; Booker J, Wantage, 106, 3; Gardner

Joan, Ayesbury, 99, 3; Riley A K, Cowley Workers, 121, 3

## South of England Junior Championships

4-5 February 2006

**Under 16:** Hall, Daniel J, 166, 4½; Sathyanandha, Senthuram, 130, 4; Malik, Dani, 141, 3½

**Under 14:** Dines, Sheila J, 126, 4½; Lakhani, Kishan, 152, 4½; Malik, Kaiser, 137, 4½; Lobo, Richard A, 139, 4; Davda, Rahil, 115 3½; Jones, William, 80 3½

**Under 13:** Hankinson, Jack, 62, 4½; Patel, Shyamal, 62, 4; Gill, Balraj, 60, 3½; McCallion, James, 91, 3½

**Under 12:** Jain, Akash, 115, 4½; Franklin, Samuel GA, 108, 3½; Galliano, George, 34, 3½; Littlewood, Ashley, 85, 3½; Sathyanandha, Saravanan, 119, 3½; Tunstall, George, 107, 3½; 7 Krishnan, Anand J, 68, 3; Thurgood, Toby J, 105, 3

**Under 11 Major:** Cleeves, Harry, 71, 4; Hierons, Charlie, 93, 4; Jones, Victor, 93, 4; Quinn, Joseph R, 74, 4; Abrams, James S, 80, 3½; Holland, James, 80, 3½; Huband, Tom, 90, 3½; Mills, Charlie, 52, 3½; Payne, Matthew, 86, 3½; Qu, Xiyuan, 50, 3½; Appulingam, Kavitha, 70, 3; Dunne, Christopher, 71, 3; Gahir, Jasdeep, 55, 3; Kidson, Joe A, 86, 3; Lessof Gendler, Gabriel, 50, 3; Lobo, Robert J, 63, 3; Pineda, Joshua, 89, 3; Pozzo, Dominic T, 27, 3; Quinton, Duke, 67, 3; Senior, Thomas, 44, 3; Shanahan, Piers, 55, 3; Topham, Kazuki, 57, 3; Turner, Andrew, 71, 3

**Under 11 Minor:** Galliano, George, 34, 6; Noel, Daniel, 32, 4; Pillai, Nikhil, 50, 4; Powney, Elliot, 35, 4; Sathyamurthy, Abigail, 35, 4; Smith, Oliver, 10, 4; Bridle, Oliver, 11, 3; Garnett, Mark N, 5, 3; Pickup, Jack, 35, 3

**Under 9:** Jain, Radha, 39, 5; Zhang, Roy, 35, 5; Cleeves, Megan, 72, 4½; Taylor, Adam, 35, 4½; Batchelor, Peter, 35, 4;

Chen, Ryan, 35, 4; Cleland, Nathaniel, 38, 4; Hinchcliffe, Christopher, 41, 4; Reddiar, Gautham, 16, 4

**Under 8:** Fitzgerald, Robert, 49, 5; Keen, Cosima, 25, 5; Wadsworth, Matthew, 25, 5; Lambert, Raphael, 25, 4½; Shepherd,

Katherine, 25, 4½; Head, Louise, 25, 4; Keen, Charlie, 1, 4

**Under 7:** Wadsworth, Matthew, 5, 5; Keen, Cosima, 5, 4; Vandersluis, Tom, 5, 3

## Stockport Rapidplay

5 February 2006

**Open:** Daskevics V, Coventry, 5; Davies N, 3C's, 5; Beach R A, Stockport, 4½; Beardsworth A, 4½; Haslinger S, Formby, 3½; Horner J, Bolton, 3½; Hulmes D, Stockport, 3½; Woodcock S, Atherton, 3½

**Major:** Lamb H, Bolton, 6; Flores M, Eccles, 4½; Gorman J, Caergwle, 4½; Legge A, Wallasey, 4½; Armstrong P, Oldham, 4; Westwood R, Rushall, 4

**Intermediate:** Coward N, Great Lever, 5; Harris S, Rushall, 5; Linke K, Altincham, 5; Connor M, Great Lever, 4½; Massey P, Skelmersdale, 4½; Oldham M, Bramhall, 4½; Colledge D, Courier, 4; Glover R, 3C's, 4; Lockett K, Altrincham, 4; Montgomery S, 4; Norden P, 4; Warhurst R, Wilmslow, 4; Wilcox C, Rushall, 4

**Minor:** Doherty M, Chorlton, 5½; Lobo J, Macclesfield, 5½; Barker M, Ashton, 5; Bibby P, 4½; Jowett C, 4½; Oates I, 4½; McCarthy P, Rose Forgrove, 4½

## 7th Wellington College

### International

27 January - 12 February 2006

Williams, Simon K, 2452, 7; Ansell, Simon, 2383, 6½; Berzinsh, Roland, 2447, 6½; Ciuksyte, Dagne, 2370, 6½; Cullen, Tony, 2189, 6; Greet, Andrew N, 2423, 6; Jones, Richard S, 2294, 6; Pert, Nicholas, 2500, 6

## KJCA Gravesend Junior

### Rapidplay

11 February 2006

**Under 8:** Alexei Davis, Mottingham, 6/6; Jamie Stimpson, Ilford CC, 5/6; Jonathan O'Connell, Gravesend, 4/6

**Under 9:** Nicholas Clanchy, Balham, 6, 6/6; Gautham Reddiar, Orpington, 16, 5/6; Samuel Wahts, Maidstone, 4/6; Melissa Featherstone, Barming, 3½/6

**Under 10:** Siddharth Basetti, Ashtead CC, 49, 5½/6; Baven Balendran, Beckenham, 43, 5½/6; Jasdeep Gahir, South Norwood CC, 54, 4/6; Justin Brown, Bromley, 4/6

**Under 11:** Victor Jones, Lewisham CC, 81, 5½/6; Andrew Turner, Tonbridge & Hadlow CC, 76, 5/6; Sachintha Wijesinghe, Nunhead, 54, 4½/6

**Under 14:** Erol Mamiev, Erith, 93, 5/6; Robert Maguire, Croydon, 90, 4/6; Sanjeev Math, Bromley, 4/6

**Under 18:** Alex Galliano, East Grinstead CC, 85, 4/6; William Jones, Lewisham CC, 91, 3½/5; Elliott Auckland, Crowborough CC, 98, 3½/5; Siddhu Viswanath, Petts Wood & Orpington CC, 106, 3½/5

## Portsmouth Congress

17-19 February 2006

**Hollington Premier:** P Wells, IGM, (Abingdon), 5; D Gormally, IGM, (Durham), 4½; W Kobese, IM, (South Africa), 4½; R Webb, FM, (Basingstoke), 4½; J Lappage, (Kidlington), 4½

**Wheeler Major:** Yang-Fan Zhou, (Croydon), 5; C Kennedy, (Romford), 5; H Hjort, (London), 4½

**Minor:** Sheila Dines, (Croydon), 5; A Waldock, (Walton-on-Thames), 5; J Fleischer, (Croydon), 4½; B Kocan, (Alton), 4½; J Young, (Farnborough), 4½

**Weston Novices:** T Dickerson, (Maldon), 5½; M Bowater, (Portsmouth), 5; A Elbourn, (Gosport), 5; D Woodruff, (Keynsham), 5

## Warwickshire

### Championships

18-19 February 2006

**Open:** Matthew Turner, (Scunthorpe), 4½/5; Stephen Gordon (B'ham Univ), 4½/5; Graeme Buckley, (Wimbledon), 4/5; James Sherwin, (Bath), 3½/5

**Under 160:** Donny Muter, (Richmond Jnr), 4½/5; Ryan Palmer, (Newport), 4/5; Allan Drost, (Newcastle-u-L), 3½/5; Jeremy Fallowfield, (Stourbridge), 3½/5; Robin Huq, (Battersea), 3½/5; Paul Kelly, (Hastings), 3½/5; Amisha Parmar, (Notts), 3½/5

**Under 130:** Phillip Blackburn, (Rugby), 4½/5; Craig Whitfield, (Cheddleton), 4/5; Steve Chadaway, (Handsworth Wood), 4/5; Adam Draper, (B'ham Settlement), 4/5; Tony Boyle, (Bromsgrove), 4/5

**Under 100:** H Stepanyan, 5/5; Aled Walker, (Shirley & Lucas), 4½/5; Adam

Jones, (Coventry), 4/5; Chris Lewis, (Newport), 4/5; G Perks, (South B'ham), 4/5

## Wilts & West of England

### Junior Congress

25-26 February 2006

**Major:** Peter Roberson, Hants, 4½/5; Peter Poobalasingam, Som, 4/5; Edward Basham, Bucks, 4/5

**Minor:** James Jackson, Oxon, 5/6; Nicholas Kidson, Kent, 4½/6; Athman Sivakumar, Middx, 4/6

**U12 Championships:** Saravanan Sathyandandha, Herts, 5½/6; James Lawrence, Herts, 5/6; Jude Lenier, Sussex, 5/6

**U12 Challengers:** Lloyd Clarke, Leics, 5/6; Edward Broom, Glos, 5/6; Luke Burroughs, Swindon, 5/6

**U10:** Sam Goodwin, Berks, 5/6; Philip Archer-Lock, Berks, 5/6; George Galliano, Sussex, 4½/6; Edward Grogan, Oxon, 4½/6

**U9:** Sarah Garrett, Oxon, 6/7; Ryan Chen, Berks, 6/7

**U8:** Rowan White, Oxon, 6/6; Katherine Shepherd, Surrey, 5/6; Charlie Keen, Sussex, 5/6

**Saturday Intermediate:** Gavin Cowie, Swindon, 6/6; Cosima Keen, Sussex, 5/6; Savanna Bonstow, Devon, 4½/6

**Sunday Intermediate:** Robert Starley, Berks, 6/6; Sophie Gane, Hants, 5/6; Zoe Goodwin, Berks, 4/6; Samuel Rebdi, Wilts, 4/6

**Beginners:** Zoe Strong; Aluysius Lip; Kieron Howells; Oliver Seymour

## Braille Chess Association's

### AGM Tournament

3-5 March 2006

**Open:** Tyson Mordue, 195, 4; Chris Ross, 183, 3.5; Ken Harman, 182, 3

Graham Lilley, 165, 3.5; William Armstrong, 147, 3; Colin Chambers, 146, 3.5; John Gallagher, 128, 3.5; Richard Murphy, 97, 3

**Minor:** Brian Perham, 67, 3.5; Jim Cuthbert, 60, 3.5; John Kidals, 50, 4.5; John Osborne, 48, 3; Mark Hague, 41, 3; Edward Green, U, 3

## 31st East Devon Congress

3-5 March 2006

**Premier:** A Boyne, Exeter, 4½; D Sully,

Pentyrch, 4; J F S Menadue, Truro, 4; P A Richmond, Brown Jack, 4; G P Taylor, Gloucester, 3; I M Jamieson, Exmouth, 3; S Bartlett, North Cornwall, 3; B G E Gosling, Exmouth, 3

**Major:** S E E Cranmer, Ashfield, 4; R N Livesey, London, 4; C Sellwood, Camborne, 4; M A Webley, Plymouth, 4; W Batt, Devon, 3

**Intermediate:** R E Desmedt, Wombwell, 4½; Ms L J Fursman, Bredon, 4½; P J Kennedy, Exmouth, 4; P Brackner, Weymouth, 4; D Cooper, Bath, 3½; D J Gilbert, DHSS, 3½; I Renshaw, Falmouth, 3½

**Minor:** C Webb, Dorchester, 4½; T A Dickerson, Maldon, 4; K Alexander, Sidmouth, 3½; Ms T C Garrett, Barnstaple, 3½; A Tatam, Plymouth, 3½; J A Ariss, Teignmouth, 3½; R J Bruton, Oxford City, 3½; Mrs C F Constable, Coulsdon / Purley, 3½; A R Fraser, Beckenham, 3½; J H Whitfield, Ottery St Mary, 3½

## KJCA Dulwich Junior

### Rapidplay

5 March 2006

**Under 9:** Raunak Rao, Beckenham, 5/6; Nicholas Clanchy, Balham, 6, 5/6; Eugene Daley, Dulwich, 4½/6

**Under 11:** George Galliano, East Grinstead CC, 41, 5½/6; Joshua Pineda, Shepperton, 89, 5/6; John Winter, Sydenham, 48, 4½/6; Sachintha Wijesinghe, Nunhead, 54, 4/6

**Under 14:** Victor Jones, Lewisham CC, 81, 4/6; Duncan Bell, Beckenham, 54, 4/6; Robert Maguire, Croydon, 90, 4/6; Robert Stebbings, Charlton CC, 90, 4/6

**Under 18:** Lyall Bayliss, Crowborough CC, 128, 4½/5; William Jones, Lewisham CC, 91, 3½/5; David Grant, East Grinstead CC, 114, 3½/5; Sheila Dines, Sanderstead, 123, 3½/5

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# ECF GRAND PRIX

## Leader Boards

16th March 2006

Players' names in bold have already reached the maximum possible score and to increase their score must replace a lower scoring event with a higher scoring event.

### Grand Prix (max 250pts)

1	Hebden, Mark, Leicester .....	216.5
2	Greet, Andrew, Hilsmark K .....	204
3	Gormally, Danny, Guildford .....	146
4	Williams, Simon, Hilsmark K.....	127
5	Ansell, Simon, Hackney .....	122.5

### Female Prix (max 125pts)

1	<b>Dines, Sheila</b> , Old Palace.....	95.5
2	<b>Parmar, Amisha</b> , West Notts .....	94
3	Houska, Jovanka, Slough.....	94
4	<b>Chevannes, Sabrina</b> , Checkmate .....	91
5	<b>Anandajayarajah, Thilagini</b> , Richmond....	82

### Junior Prix (max 125pts)

1	Poobalasingam, Peter, Richmond .....	94
2	Franklin, Samuel, Crystal Palace .....	93.5
3	Eggleston, David, Durham .....	84
4	Lenier, Jude, Crowborough.....	74.5
5	Sathyanandha, Saravanan, Haberdashers A ..	74

### Senior Prix (max 125pts)

1	<b>Hjort, Helge</b> , Hendon .....	103
2	<b>Desmedt, Richard</b> , Netherton,.....	101.5
3	<b>Kearsley, Raymond</b> , Wimbledon .....	98
4	<b>Sandercock, Barry</b> , Chalfont St Giles...	87
5	<b>Jowett, Conrad</b> , Blackpool .....	81.5

### Disabled Prix (max 75 pts)

1	<b>Rudd, Jack</b> , Bristol .....	56
2	<b>Hartley, Dean</b> , Amber Valley.....	49.5
3	Ross, Chris, Huntingdon.....	24
4	Blencowe, Ian, Gloucester .....	24
5	Whitefield, John, Ottery St Marys.....	23

### Graded Prix (174-150)(max 125pts)

1	<b>Kobyłka, Michael</b> , Wood Green.....	94
2	Muter, Donny, Fulham .....	73
3	Round, Michael, Rose Foregrove .....	52
4	O'Gorman, Brendan, London .....	51.5
5	Ruston, Mark, Beckenham.....	43

### Graded Prix (149-125)(max 125pts)

1	Goodfellow, Russell, Tunbridge Wells ...	94
2	Fallowfield, Jeremy, Stourbridge .....	71.5
3	Lord, Peter, Hayes .....	50
3	Moreland, Finlay, East Ham.....	46
4	Adam, David, Harrogate.....	46

### Graded Prix (124-100)(max 125pts)

1	<b>Eckloff, Colin</b> , Birmingham.....	111.5
2	Blackburn, John, Holmes Chapel.....	74.5
3	Curtis, David , Haywards Heath .....	74
4	Ince, Darran, Mansfield.....	50
5	Jaworski, Leszer, Slough.....	48.5

### Graded Prix (U100)(max 125pts)

1	Barker, Michael, Ashton-under-Lyme....	59
2	Strickland, Ian, Leeds.....	54
3	Dickerson, Trevor, Maldon.....	36.5
4	Lund, Christopher, Dewsbury .....	32
5	Galloway, James, Andover .....	28

# Calendar of Events

(For a more comprehensive list of events visit our website at [www.englishchess.org.uk](http://www.englishchess.org.uk))

\* denotes English Chess Federation Grand Prix

@ denotes FIDE Rated Event # denotes British Championship Qualifying Tournament ~ denotes ECF Graded Event

#### 1 Apr **EPSCA U9 INTER-ASSOCIATION FINAL**

Yorkshire. W Purland (Tel: 0151 733 4854, Email: petepurland@btopenworld.com)

#### 1-2 Apr: **EPSCA U11 ENGLAND TEAM TRIAL** (qualification only),

Liverpool. W Purland (Tel: 0151 733 4854, Email: petepurland@btopenworld.com)

#### ~\* 2 Apr: **4th Leicester Rapidplay**

Countesthorpe College. S Hewitt (Tel: 0116 279 1030, Email: sean@leicesterchess.co.uk)

#### ~ 7-9 Apr: **27th County Durham Open Congress**

Durham School. G Thirlway (Tel: 07962 482210 Email: congress@dccta.org.uk)

#### 8 Apr: **Chipping Sodbury Rapidplay**

Stanshawe Court Hotel, Yate. G Mill-Wilson (Tel: 01454 880162, Email: tugmw@blueyonder.co.uk)

#### ~\* 8 Apr: **Golders Green Rapidplay**

St Alban's Church Hall, NW11. Adam Raof (Tel/Fax: 020 8202 0982, Email: adamraof@yahoo.com)

#### ~\* 8 Apr: **KJCA UK Chess Challenge Megafinal Qualifier**

Kemnal Technology College, Sidcup. Sue Maguire (Tel: 020 8656 6420, Email: sue.maguire@btinternet.com)

#### 8 Apr: **SUSSEX JUNIOR CHESS TRAINING DAY**

Aldrington School, Hove. S Fraser (Tel: 01342 318918)

#### 8 Apr: **York Junior Chess Club Training Day with GM Sheila Jackson**

New Generation Club, Hull Road. P Cloudsdale (Tel: 01904 767177, Email: cloudsdale\_c@hotmail.co.uk)

#### ~\* 8-9 Apr: **1st Horsham Chess Festival**

The Drill Hall, Denne Road. N Goldberg (Tel: 01403 218200, Email: chessfestival@aol.com)

#### ~\* 8-9 Apr: **24th South Herts Congress**

St Albans School. T Douse (Tel: 01727 751072, Email: shertschess@hotmail.com)

#### ~ 9 Apr: **Bourne End (Bucks) Annual One Day Rapidplay Tournament**

Bourne End Community Centre. K Hawkins (Tel: 0118 941 3596, Email: kevin.hawkins@mesg.co.uk)

#### 9 Apr: **MAURICE BROWN MEMORIAL CONGRESS**

Gilberdyke Memorial Hall. J P Lawson (Tel: 01482 353494, Email: albkinkid@yahoo.co.uk)

#### ~ 9 Apr: **CCF JUNIOR RAPIDPLAY GRAND PRIX 3**

Coulsdon. Howard Curtis & Scott Freeman (Tel: 020 8645 0302, Email: chess@ccfworld.com)

#### ~ 9-13 Apr: **CCF Easter INTERNATIONAL**

Coulsdon. Howard Curtis & Scott Freeman (Tel: 020 8645 0302, Email: chess@ccfworld.com)

#### 10-11 Apr: **32nd MAIDENHEAD JUNIOR CONGRESS**

All Saints Junior School. R Brugge (Tel: 01628 636276, Email: brugge@met.rdg.ac.uk)

#### 10-12 Apr: **IAPS NATIONAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Aldro School. D Archer (Tel: 01483 409010, Email: archerd@aldro.org)

#### ~\* 14-15 Apr: **CCF easter congress**

Coulsdon. Howard Curtis & Scott Freeman (Tel: 020 8645 0302, Email: chess@ccfworld.com)

#### ~\* 14-16 Apr: **BOLTON EASTER CONGRESS**

incl. Busy Persons Rapidplay, Bolton Excel Centre (see 25)

#### ~\*#14-17 Apr: **SOUTHEND-ON-SEA EASTER CONGRESS**

Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue. V Byram (Tel: 01702 530900, Email: SouthendCongress@btinternet.com)

#### ~\*#14-17 Apr: **59th WECU CONGRESS**

Royal Beacon Hotel, Exmouth. Mrs E A Crickmore (Tel: 01752 768206 before 10 pm, Email: plymouthchess@btinternet.com)

#### 17 Apr: **CCF Open Blitz**

Coulsdon. Howard Curtis & Scott Freeman (Tel: 020 8645 0302, Email: chess@ccfworld.com)

#### ~\* 17 Apr: **CCF Rapidplay**

Coulsdon. Howard Curtis & Scott Freeman (Tel: 020 8645 0302, Email: chess@ccfworld.com)

#### ~\* 17 Apr: **Rotherham Rapidplay 500**

Phoenix Club, Bawtry Road. D Bentley (Tel: 01426 221016, Email: rotherhamchess@yahoo.co.uk)

#### ~\* 22 Apr: **1st Brighton Rapidplay**

University of Sussex. W Ellinger or S Rayward (Tel: 01273 494106, Email: susan.rayward@btinternet.com)

#### ~ 22 Apr: **COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS - PRELIMINARY ROUND**

Chris Majer (Tel: 01438 812781, e-mail: cemajer@aol.com)

#### 22 Apr: **RICHMOND MASTER GROUP**

ETNA Community Centre, East Twickenham. Scott Kenyon (Tel: 07796 411452, Email: rjccdeputy@btopenworld.com)

#### ~ 22 Apr: **TEIGNMOUTH RAPIDPLAY CONGRESS**

Trinity School. R Chubb (Tel: 01626 888255, Email: ray.chubb@care4free.net)

#### ~\* 22-23 Apr: **GREAT YARMOUTH CONGRESS**

Great Yarmouth College. J Charman (Tel: 01603 460513, Email: jaycee@ntlworld.com)

#### ~\*#22-23 Apr: **31st Nottingham Congress**

Bramcote Hills Community College. A Wright (Tel: 0115 917 2468, Email: ajelectric@btconnect.com)

#### ~ 23 Apr: **National Club Rapidplay Championship**

Magdalen College School, Oxford. Chris Majer (Tel: 01438 812781, e-mail: cemajer@aol.com)

#### ~@ 29 Apr - 1 May: **4NCL**

Divisions 1, 2 & 3, Paragon Hotel, Birmingham. Mike Truran (Tel: 011993 708645, Email: mike@mtruran.fsnet.co.uk)

#### ~\* 30 May: **KJCA Tunbridge Wells Junior Rapidplay**

The Skinners' School. Sue Maguire (Tel: 020 8656 6420, Email: sue.maguire@btinternet.com)

#### ~\* 30 Apr: **Letchworth & Hitchin One-day Congress**

St. Francis' College, Letchworth Garden City. M Pateman (Tel: 01462 639029, Email: mark.pateman1@ntlworld.com)

#### 1 May: **CCF Open Blitz**

Coulsdon. Howard Curtis & Scott Freeman (Tel: 020 8645 0302, Email: chess@ccfworld.com)

#### ~\*# 5-7 May: **Frome Congress**

Selwood Middle School. G Jepps (Tel/Fax: 01749 344191, Email: gnjepps@ntlworld.com)

#### 6 May: **SUSSEX JUNIOR CHESS MEGAFINAL**

Warden Park, Cuckfield. S Fraser (Tel: 01342 318918)

#### ~\* 7 May: **65th Richmond Rapidplay**

White House Community Association, Hampton. Scott Kenyon (Tel: 07796 411452, Email: rjccdeputy@btopenworld.com)

#### ~ 7 May: **1st SHIRLEY & WYTHALL RAPIDPLAY**

Wythall House, Silver Street. G Christie (Tel: 01564 826354, Email: gsgc@shirleychess.co.uk)

#### ~\*#12-14 May: **HUDDERSFIELD CONGRESS**

Ukrainian Club. N Hepworth (Tel: 07903 548675, Email: congress2006@huddersfieldchessclub.co.uk)

#### 13 May: **EPSCA U11 INTER-ASSOCIATION FINAL**

W Purland (Tel: 0151 733 4854, Email: petepurland@btopenworld.com)

#### ~\* 13 May: **Golders Green Rapidplay**

St Alban's Church Hall, NW11. Adam Raof (Tel/Fax: 020 8202 0982, Email: adamraof@yahoo.com)

#### 13 May: **RICHMOND MASTER GROUP**

ETNA Community Centre, East Twickenham. Scott Kenyon (Tel: 07796 411452, Email: rjccdeputy@btopenworld.com)

#### ~\* 13-14 May: **OXFORD UNIVERSITY CHESS TOURNAMENT**

Lincoln College. K Smallbone (Tel: 07971 631919, Email: kieran.smallbone@new.ox.ac.uk)

#### 14 May: **EAST GRINSTEAD PRIMARY SCHOOLS CHESS JAMBOREE**

East Grinstead. S Fraser (Tel: 01342 318918)

#### ~ 14 May: **KJCA UK Chess Challenge Kent Megafinal**

Langley Park School for Boys, Beckenham. Christine Turner (Tel: 01892 681180, Email: chris381@btopenworld.com)

#### ~ 14 May: **3rd Skelmersdale Rapidplay**

Birch Green Community Centre. J Reid (Tel: 01257 462822, Email: PARROTTORMSKIRK@aol.com)

#### ~\* 19-21 May: **Rhyl Congress**

Rhyl Town Hall. J Simmons (Tel: 01745 351514, Email: jsimo32000@yahoo.co.uk)

#### ~ 20 May: **COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS - QUARTER FINALS**

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