

Bo.	ENG3	Rtg	Pts.	games	Ra	K	rtg+/-
1	Baruch Andrew	2039	4,5	9	2171	20	30,0
2	CM Reuben Stewart	1974	5,0	9	2096	20	38,0
3	Valentine Brian	1954	4,5	9	2029	20	17,8
4	Thynne Trefor F	1907	4,5	9	1934	20	5,8

You will note all four of us gained rating points and achieved very similar scores. Andrew Baruch started badly, but nearly caught me up by the end of the event. Captain Stewart Reuben

The table did not show the Rating Performance Rp in the 65+ tables. My gain of 38 rating points was a fine belated 80th birthday present.

Bo.	ENG2 65+	Rtg	Pts.	games	Ra	K	rtg+/-
1	Page Mark E	2107	3,5	7	2199	20	14,8
2	CM James Geoffrey	2144	4,5	8	2137	20	10,4
3	Bray David	2121	3,5	8	2070	40	-35,6
4	Stokes Michael	2092	4,5	7	1938	20	-4,4
5	Hewson Brian	2004	4,0	6	2000	20	19,0

David Bray was relatively inexperienced internationally. His k factor is double everybody else's. That is why it looks like a substantial loss.

Captain Michael Stokes. There is much more to do when captaining a five player team. Mike found himself playing 5 blacks out of 7!

Bo.	ENG1 65+	Rtg	Pts.	games	Ra	K	rtg+/-
1	IM Bellin Robert	2315	4,5	8	2244	10	-1,9
2	IM Povah Nigel	2319	4,5	7	2241	20	7,4
3	FM Stebbings Anthony	2281	5,0	7	2192	20	14,0
4	Snape Ian	2154	6,0	8	2114	20	31,0
5	Quinn John	2140	3,5	6	2019	20	-8,6

Robert's k factor is 10 because he used to be 2400+. Anthony did extremely well and Ian also made an excellent contribution. Captain Nigel Povah. They hit form at the end of the event, which is a great trick – if you can manage it. Winning silver should be mentioned in Friday's Guardian.

Bo	ENG3 50+	Rtg	Pts	games	Ra	Rp	K	Rtg+/-
1	CM Thurstan Tim	2019	1,5	7	2068	1838	20	-31,8
2	White Nigel	1951	4,0	8	2007	2007	40	24,4
3	Frostick Helen	1951	2,5	7	1982	1880	20	-13,6
4	Winter Kevin	1748	2,0	7	1901	1743	20	-4,4
5	Cross Ian	1703	2,5	7	1859	1757	20	5,6

During the event, I thought that Nigel was achieving the best rating improvement for the whole 29 of us. Only now have I realised his k factor is 40, so the change is twice that for most other players. Still, it was an excellent performance for somebody very

inexperienced internationally. Tim found it hard going on board 1. Many teams have a relatively strong board 1 in the 50+ section. Captain Ian Cross.

Bo.	ENG2 50+	Rtg	Pts.	games	Ra	Rp	K	rtg+/-
1	FM Lewis Andrew	2347	4,5	8	2248	2291	20	-9,2
2	Frostick Clive	2121	3,5	7	2216	2216	20	15,0
3	Fraser-Mitchell Jeremy	2073	3,0	7	2072	2022	20	-10,6
4	WGM Jackson Sheila	2051	4,0	7	2019	2069	20	2,4
5	Homer Stephen	2039	4,0	7	2039	2089	20	9,0

Andrew Lewis made a come-back at the end, playing a fine game. An anecdote I forgot about previously. When ENG2 played Austria, Andrew Lewis was the first of the team to arrive. They quizzed him about Brexit. Was that why we lost 1.5-2.5? Was that cheating?

Clive put in a very good performance as did Stephen Homer. Captain Jeremy Fraser-Mitchell.

Bo.	ENG1 50+	Rtg	Pts.	games	Ra	Rp	K	rtg+/-
1	GM Speelman Jon	2509	4,5	8	2404	2447	10	-4,2
2	GM Arkell Keith	2467	6,0	8	2339	2532	10	9,3
3	GM Emms John	2474	6,0	8	2331	2524	10	7,2
4	GM Plaskett James	2437	2,5	6	2245	2188	10	-15,7
5	GM Ward Chris	2425	4,0	6	2105	2230	10	-7

Both James and Chris went off the boil a bit towards the end. Both Keith and John put in excellent performances. When making comparisons with other teams, remember their k factor is half the other players.