

Match Secretary's Report 2007

Summer Lightning

7 teams competed in last summer's summer lightning which was won by Clifton ending a run of four consecutive wins by Bath

League Divisional winners

38 teams competed in four leagues this season.

Division 1 was won by a strong Clifton A side closely followed by Horfield A who finished 2 points behind. Bath A finished 3rd and Clevedon A had a good season finishing 4th.

Division 2 was won by Clifton B with Keynsham B finishing second ahead of Clevedon B only by game points.

Division 3 was won by Horfield C with University B and Clifton D finishing second & third respectively with only 2 points separating all three teams.

Division 4 was won by South Bristol B who managed the highest points tally in the league on 31 pts. 2nd 3rd & 4th place were only separated on game points between Clevedon C, Keynsham B and Patchway.

During the season we lost 2 teams, AXA nad Hanham C but gained UWE and Clifton College..

Knockout winners

The League Knockout was won by Clifton on board count in a closely thought match against Bath last Tuesday.

The Minor Knockout also went to Clifton who won in the final against Clevedon.

This means that Clifton have won just about everything !

Alan Ashby

The winner of the Alan Ashby competition is David Buckley (Bath B) (13) closely followed by Phil Nendick (Horfield A) (12½) and Colin Watson (Horfield C) (11½) .

Note: The points tally takes into account only games played for the registered team.

Players that have excelled this season include Jonathan Calverley (Clevedon), Michael White (S Bristol) who won 6/6 playing top board in Division 1 and Huw Oliver (Clifton) who amassed 20 out of a possible 22 points throughout the season, and Colin Watson unbeaten throughout the season with 18½ out of a possible 20 points.

Statistics

The Grading thresholds for next season will be very similar to the ones we have just had.

(1-2)(2-3)(3-4)(4-5) - Divisions

146, 111, 91, 72 Last Season

145, 108, 92, 71 New Season

Grading

All games played in the league and the knockout will soon be sent to the ECF for Grading in time for the new published list that comes out in August.

Results sheets

I get many results sent in now via email and this probably accounts for over half of all results. This has enabled me to update results quickly and has worked well. It is important for captains to keep a record of results on the signed Results Sheets as a backup.

The introduction of quickplay has enabled me to keep up to date league tables and has overall proved to be a success this season.

Website

The league website at www.chessit.co.uk has been online now since October 2005 and has received not far off 61,000 hits. I have included many games from local congresses to download and it has served as an ideal platform for advertising events and raising the profile of chess in Bristol.

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