

"I've been in prison you see. Only three weeks, and only on remand, but when you've had to play chess twice a day with a monosyllabic West Ham supporter, who has 'hate' tattooed on one hand, and 'hate' tattooed on the other - and using a set missing six pawns, all the rooks and two of the bishops - you find yourself cherishing the little things in life. Like not being in prison."

Hugh Laurie; "The Gun Seller"

Hugh Laurie is of course one half of Fry and ditto, and The Gun Seller was his first novel. As he has a good command of the English Language, I suppose you might say that he's an articulated Laurie. (It's amazing what you can drag into a Chess newsletter if you really try.)

LEAGUE TABLES AT 25th MARCH 2002

DIVISION ONE

	Pl.	W	D	L	Pts.
Halesowen	12	11	0	1	22
South Birmingham A	10	7	0	3	14
Lichfield	9	6	1	2	13
Walsall Kipping	9	4	2	3	10
Olton	10	3	4	3	10
Solihull	10	4	2	4	10
Shirley	9	3	3	3	9
St James	9	4	1	4	9
Warley Quinborne	9	4	1	4	9
Tamworth & District	8	1	3	4	5
Kynoch	9	2	1	6	5
Stourbridge	11	2	0	9	4
South Birmingham B	7	0	2	5	2

DIVISION TWO

	Pl.	W	D	L	Pts.
Sutton Coldfield	11	9	1	1	19
Halesowen	8	5	2	1	12
Olton	9	6	0	3	12
Handsworth Wood	10	6	0	4	12
West Bromwich	10	5	2	3	12
Lichfield	8	5	0	3	10
Birmingham	9	3	3	3	9
Redditch	9	3	3	3	9
Bushbury	10	3	3	4	9
Warley Quinborne	9	4	0	5	8
Birmingham University	12	2	3	7	7
South Birmingham	11	1	4	6	6
Wolverhampton	10	0	1	9	1

DIVISION THREE

	Pl.	W	D	L	Pts.
Solihull A	9	6	2	1	14
Olton	9	6	1	2	13
Sutton Coldfield	9	6	1	2	13
Shirley	8	4	3	1	11
Mutual Circle	10	4	1	5	9
Rushall	8	3	2	3	8
Tamworth & District	7	3	0	4	6
Warley Quinborne	8	2	2	4	6
Walsall Kipping	6	2	1	3	5
Halesowen	9	2	1	6	5
Solihull B	9	0	2	7	2

DIVISION FOUR

	Pl.	W	D	L	Pts.
Kingstanding	8	6	1	1	13
South Birmingham	8	6	1	1	13
West Mids Municipal	9	5	2	2	12
Handsworth Wood	11	5	1	5	11
Mercia	9	4	2	3	10
West Midlands Police	8	4	1	3	9
Wolverhampton	9	3	3	3	9
Shirley	9	3	2	4	8
Birmingham	7	1	5	1	7
Mutual Circle	9	2	1	6	5
Tamworth & District	11	2	1	8	5
Stourbridge	8	2	0	6	4

DIVISION FIVE

	Pl.	W	D	L	Pts.
Lichfield	8	5	2	1	12
South Birmingham B	8	4	1	3	9
Chelmsley Town	6	4	0	2	8
South Birmingham A	7	3	2	2	8
St James	7	4	0	3	8
Walsall Kipping	7	4	0	3	8
Warley Quinborne	7	4	0	3	8
West Midlands Police	9	3	1	5	7
Wolseley	6	2	2	2	6
Solihull	9	0	0	9	0

DIVISION SIX

	Pl.	W	D	L	Pts.
Kingstanding	10	8	1	1	17
Lady Westminster	9	8	0	1	16
Aldridge	10	6	1	3	13
Olton	10	6	0	4	12
Redditch	10	6	0	4	12
Rushall	9	3	3	3	9
Lucas AC	10	4	0	6	8
Lucas & BS	10	3	1	6	7
Sutton Coldfield	10	2	3	5	7
Mercia	10	2	1	7	5
Birmingham University	10	0	2	8	2

DIVISION SEVEN

	Pl.	W	D	L	Pts.
Halesowen A	8	8	0	0	16
Lichfield	7	6	0	1	12
South Birmingham A	7	4	1	2	9
Solihull Youth	6	4	0	2	8
Walsall Kipping	7	2	2	3	6
Halesowen B	5	2	0	3	4
Warley Quinborne	7	2	0	5	4
South Birmingham B	7	1	1	5	3
Olton	8	0	0	8	0

REARRANGED FIXTURES

3-60 Solihull A v Warley Quinborne 10 Apl '02
 4-76 South B'ham v Kingstanding 10 Apl '02
 8-30 Sol. Youth v Kingstanding 'A' 12 Apl '02

RE-REGISTRATIONS

J Wilson (Stourbridge) from 4 to 1
 T Fetamu (Kynoch) from 8 to 1
 D Curry (Halesowen) from 7A to 3
 Colin Howard (Solihull) from 5 to 3B

DIVISION EIGHT

	Pl.	W	D	L	Pts.
Redditch	10	7	3	0	17
Kynoch	10	8	0	2	16
Halesowen	11	7	0	4	14
West Mids Municipal	11	6	2	3	14
Kingstanding A	10	3	5	2	11
Kingstanding B	10	3	2	5	8
Lady Westminster	10	4	0	6	8
Birmingham University	11	3	2	6	8
West Mids Police	9	2	3	4	7
Wolseley	10	2	3	5	7
Solihull Youth	8	2	0	6	4
South Birmingham	8	1	2	5	4

It becomes clearer. Halesowen have run away with Division 1, and Sutton Coldfield are up from Division 2. Divisions 3 and 4 are still decidedly murky, but Lichfield get promotion from Division 5, and Kingstanding and Lady Westminster are up from six, despite the latter having suffered a surprise defeat at the hands of Mercia. In Division 7 it's Halesowen A, with the only 100% record left, and also in 7 Lichfield need just one more point. In Division 8 it's Redditch and Kynoch, neither of whom need to turn up for their last matches.

Eric Horwill of Stourbridge writes to inform me of two deaths of Dudley Chess Club members, whom many will remember from the time when Dudley were part of the BDCL.

THEO GROVE was 69 years old, and joined Dudley soon after the club was formed in 1958. He was the leading Dudley player throughout his competitive career, which included becoming an international player at junior level. After retiring, it seems that he attempted to teach chess to inmates at Winson Green prison. (See the quote at the top of this page -Ed.) In Theo Grove the Black Country has lost one of its true sons.

Dudley also suffered a sad loss when **BILL CROSS**, another long serving member, died recently. A "chess for fun" player, Bill tried hard to help keep the Club going despite his poor health.

The WALSALL KIPPING QUICKPLAY CONGRESS will be held at the Gorway Conference Centre on 11th May 2002.
 Open / u160 / u120. Grading prizes in each section. Bookstall by Chess Direct.
 Details from Mike Savin, 11 Highfield Way, Aldridge, WS9 8XF. 01922 456240. mike@savin11.freeserve.co.uk

The MCCU OPEN TOURNAMENT will be held on 21/23 June 2002 at the MacDonald de Montfort Hotel, The Square, Kenilworth.
 Open / u170 / u130 / u90.
 Details from John Robinson, 7 Manor Road, Stanion, Kettering NN14 1LD. 01536 261697. robinson@stanion.ndo.co.uk

LEAGUE RESULTS

Division 1**1-17 Kynoch 4 v Stourbridge 2**

P Webster	1	B Dudley	0
K Ingram	1	E Horwill	0
A Hickey	1	I Howarth	0
R Burton	½	S Jukes	½
O Mowatt	0	J Wilson	1
T Fetamu	½	R Branford	½

1-19 Solihull 2½ v Lichfield 3½

M Tapp	½	P Wallace	½
A Rogerson	½	P Collins	½
R Carpenter	0	R Allen	1
K Allen	½	C Hibbard	½
D Horsley	1	J Smith	def
W Peck	0	P Griffiths	1

1-54 Halesowen 4 v Olton 2

D Bissell	½	A Lloyd	½
S Fishburne	1	P Holt	0
J Edge	0	D Gostelow	1
A Crombleholme	1	RC Reynolds	0
R Thomas	½	R Reynolds	½
M Bethel	1	D Price	0

1-55 South B'ham 'B' 3 v Walsall Kipping 3

J Swindells	0	D Anderton	1
C Charman	½	J Bellin	½
T Lane	0	D Wheeler	1
T Walker	½	M Wheeler	½
M Drugan	1	D Pritchard	0
J Emanuel	1	D Whitmore	0

1-56 Tamworth 3 v Shirley 3

P Briggs	0	N Thomas	1
K Hern	½	D Mason	½
J Hoddy	½	I Galloway	½
M Kimberley	1	R Walker	0
S Kimberley	½	D Thomas	½
D Brown	½	T Huxtable	½

1-57 Warley Quinborne 4½ v Kynoch 1½

outstanding result			
A Singh	1	R Burton	0

1-58 South Birmingham 'A' 2 v Lichfield 4

J Pitcher	½	P Wallace	½
M Smyth	0	P Collins	1
D Dunn	½	R Allen	½
S Tidman	0	C Hibbard	1
G Varnom	½	J Smith	½
T Lane	½	A Grant	½

1-59 Walsall Kipping 3 v Olton 3

D Anderton	½	A Lloyd	½
J Bellin	½	D Gostelow	½
D Wheeler	½	R Reynolds	½
M Wheeler	½	D Price	½
D Whitmore	1	RC Reynolds	0
W Rea	0	D Cheshire	1

1-60 Kynoch ½ v Solihull 3½

P Webster	adj	M Tapp	adj
K Ingram	0	A Rogerson	1
N Roberts	½	D Shurrock	½
A Hickey	adj	R Carpenter	adj
T Fetamu	0	J Summerfield	1
J Cullen	0	F Collins	1

Division 1 continued**1-61 Halesowen 3½ v Warley Quinborne 1½**

D Bissell	½	G Lawton	½
S Fishburne	adj	S Dighton	adj
J Edge	½	A Southall	½
A Crombleholme	½	M Hunt	½
R Thomas	1	A Singh	0
M Bethel	1	D Cooper	0

1-62 South Birmingham 'A' 3½ v St James 2½

J Pitcher	1	A Hynes	0
M Smyth	0	P Kitson	1
D Dunn	1	I Truscott	0
G Varnom	½	A Wiggins	½
T Walker	½	R Peters	½
R Glass	½	T Hurney	½

1-63 Shirley 4 v Lichfield 2

N Thomas	1	P Wallace	0
D Mason	½	P Collins	½
I Galloway	½	R Allen	½
R Walker	½	C Hibbard	½
D Thomas	½	J Smith	½
T Huxtable	1	M Maher	0

1-64 Olton 3 v Warley Quinborne 3

A Lloyd	½	G Lawton	½
P Holt	½	M Hunt	½
RC Reynolds	½	D Cooper	½
R Reynolds	½	B Whitehouse	½
M Cundy	½	M Fox	½
R Wallman	½	G Windows	½

1-69 South B'ham 'A' 4 v Stourbridge 2

J Pitcher	1	M Bissell	0
M Smyth	1	E Horwill	0
S Tidman	1	I Howarth	0
D Dunn	½	S Jukes	½
G Varnom	0	N Fallowfield	1
R Glass	½	J Wilson	½

1-70 Solihull 1 v Halesowen 5

M Tapp	½	D Bissell	½
D Shurrock	0	S Fishburne	1
R Carpenter	0	J Edge	1
G Howard	0	R Thomas	1
D Horsley	½	M Bethel	½
A Yates	0	Dale Jackson	1

Division 2**2-26 Birmingham 3 v Redditch 3**

GJ Gee	0	P Robertson	1
C McConkey	1	S Wells	0
A Pready	def	N Towers	1
H Scott	½	J Heath	½
R Daniels	½	J Cole	½
B Hopkins	1	R Turner	0

2-50 Halesowen 4 v Birmingham 2

A Priest	½	GJ Gee	½
Dale Jackson	½	C McConkey	½
A Ambrose	1	A Pready	0
W Peck	1	H Scott	0
R Grimes	½	J Fender	½
J Bingham	½	M Schroeder	½

Division 2 continued**2-52 Handsworth Wood 1½ v Birmingham 3½**

J Mildenhall	½	GJ Gee	½
S Chadaway	0	C McConkey	1
D Grant	def	A Pready	1
A Lake	adj	H Scott	adj
S Edwards	1	R Daniels	0
K Walton	0	J Fender	1

2-56 Bushbury 2 v Redditch 4

L Grinsell	½	P Robertson	½
P Pinfold	0	N Towers	1
J Staniforth	½	J Heath	½
P Staley	½	I Clack	½
A Schroeder	0	G Stanton	1
R Brodie	½	M Clack	½

2-57 B'ham University 3 v South B'ham 3

M Quintana	½	S Williams	½
S Anatasoff	def	R Glass	1
M Zwanzger	0	J Emanuel	1
T Robinson	1	G Walker	0
R Hearne	1	D Stockhall	0
P Meyer	½	C Pitt	½

2-59 South B'ham 5½ v Wolverhampton ½

G Cartwright	1	M Griffiths	0
S Williams	½	M Morrison	½
G Jennings	1	F Wood	0
R Glass	1	G Rosser	0
J Emanuel	1	Mark May	0
G Walker	1	P Broomhall	0

2-60 Olton 2½ v Lichfield 3½

R Liszewski	0	G Lamb	1
M Cundy	0	M Maher	1
D Cheshire	0	A Smith	1
T Holt	1	A Mieleniewski	0
R Wallman	1	P Griffiths	0
W Archibald	½	A Grant	½

2-61 Wolverhampton 1 v Sutton Coldfield 4

M Townsend	adj	K Escott	adj
P Porter	½	A Brown	½
J Fox	0	E Ng	1
M Wootton	0	T Cox	1
M Griffiths	½	B Briscoe	½
M Morrison	0	A Kent	1

2-62 West Bromwich 3½ v Warley Quinb. 2½

N Walker	1	M Wildboar	0
J Crump	½	B Whitehouse	½
G Hill	0	M Doran	1
M Gregg	1	S Smith	0
D Davies	1	D Reeves	0
K Barnett	0	A Burnett	1

2-63 Sutton Coldfield 4½ v B'ham University 1½

K Escott	0	M Quintana	1
A Brown	½	M Zwanzger	½
E Ng	1	T Robinson	0
T Cox	1	R Hearne	0
B Briscoe	1	-	def
M Soszynski	1	-	def

2-64 Handsworth Wood 6 v Redditch Def

Division 2 continued**2-66 Wolverhampton 2 v B'ham University 4**

M Townsend	1	A Meek	0
M Holway	0	M Quintana	1
P Porter	0	D Burton	1
R Marshall	0	M Zwanzger	1
M Wootton	0	T Robinson	1
F Wood	1	R Hearne	0

2-67 Redditch 3 v Sutton Coldfield 3

P Robertson	½	K Escott	½
S Wells	½	A Brown	½
N Towers	1	E Ng	0
J Heath	0	T Cox	1
I Clack	½	B Briscoe	½
G Stanton	½	M Soszynski	½

Division 3**3-10 Shirley 4½ v Solihull 'A' 1½**

outstanding results

E Ward	½	J Summerfield	½
R Purcell	½	M Tarlow	½

3-44 Sutton Coldfield 5 v Mutual Circle 1

outstanding results

R Jones	1	S Goray	0
C East	½	M Paffard	½

3-47 Warley Quinborne 3 v Shirley 3

G Windows	0	J Freeman	1
A Burnett	0	E Ward	1
C Nixon	0	R Purcell	1
W Rawlings	1	G Christie	0
A Moxley	1	F Jimenez	0
S Moxley	1	K Warren	0

3-50 Shirley 4½ v Rushall 1½

J Freeman	½	S Wilcox	½
E Ward	1	R Westwood	0
R Purcell	1	R Lewis	0
F Jimenez	1	S Colwell	0
K Warren	1	J Sadler	0
G Christie	0	R Hancox	1

3-53 Rushall 2 v Olton 4

S Wilcox	½	J McDonald	½
R Westwood	1	A Cottam	0
R Lewis	½	D Brown	½
R Hancox	0	J Llewelyn	1
N Sims	0	J Gillespie	1
G Sanders	0	D Stockwin	1

3-54 Halesowen 3 v Walsall Kipping 3

B McLoughlin	½	C Pohribnyj	½
M Hadley	0	D Friend	1
P Banks	½	M Groombridge	½
D Digger	0	S Beasley	1
M Clark	1	N Young	0
D Curry	1	R Wilkinson	0

3-58 Solihull 'B' 1½ v Halesowen 4½

M Howard	½	B McLoughlin	½
D Horsley	0	M Hadley	1
Colin Howard	½	P Banks	½
S Crawford	½	D Digger	½
D Broadbridge	0	M Clark	1
A Roberts	0	D Curry	1

LEAGUE RESULTS continued**Division 5** continued**5-35 Chelmsley Town 4 v Solihull 0****Division 3** continued**3-59 Mutual Circle 2½ v Solihull 'A' 3½**

L Lewis	0	G Stokes	1
L Boynton	½	J Summerfield	½
C Evans	½	F Collins	½
P Boynton	½	K Allen	½
M Paffard	½	G Howard	½
P Wells	½	S Crawford	½

Division 4**4-35 Tamworth 5 v Mutual Circle 1**

L Chrusciel	1	M Paffard	0
C Cooke	½	J Homer	½
J Howlett	1	M Walker	0
D Prentice	1	T Hussain	0
P Oliver	1	G Cox	0
B Cunningham	½	R Needle	½

4-38 Handsworth Wood 3½ v Tamworth 2½

outstanding result

P Wakefield	0	P Oliver	1
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4-41 Birmingham 3 v West Mids Municipal 3

B Hopkins	0	K Jewsbury	1
E Varley	½	M Tallis	½
M Schroeder	½	J Lunn	½
J Hill	1	A McKeown	0
N Saunders	0	G McKeown	1
W Carter	1	P Bibbings	def

4-45 West Mids Municipal 5 v Stourbridge 1

K Jewsbury	1	J Wilson	def
M Tallis	1	R Branford	0
J Lunn	½	M Podlesak	½
A McKeown	1	K Durnell	0
C Griffin	1	D Scriven	0
P Bibbings	½	S Dathan	½

4-50 Shirley 3 v Mutual Circle 3

P Wilkinson	1	SN Singhal	0
J Asbury	½	M Paffard	½
L Rawson	1	Saket Singhal	0
R Healey	0	M Walker	1
M Warden	½	J Homer	½
G Csepregi	0	A Sudders	1

4-60 Handsworth Wood 1½ v Mercia 4½

S Fryer	½	M Share	½
P Loach	0	K Francis	1
P Wakefield	0	D Perks	1
K Walton	0	BR Smith	1
G Gowler	0	J Phillips	1
GM Gee	1	R Carrier	0

4-61 Tamworth 3½ v Stourbridge 2½

L Chrusciel	½	R Branford	½
J Howlett	½	D Scriven	½
C Cooke	½	P Trevis	½
D Prentice	1	S Dathan	0
P Oliver	1	A Somerfield	0
R Adams	0	J Fallowfield	1

Division 6 continued**6-49 Sutton Coldfield 4 v Aldridge 2****Division 4** continued**4-64 Kingstanding 4½ v Shirley 1½**

P Savage	½	J Asbury	½
K Thomas	1	L Rawson	0
M Biddle	½	R Healey	½
M Harrington	1	P McGuirk	0
R Tuckey	½	M Warden	½
M Little	1	G Csepregi	0

4-66 W M Municipal 4 v West Mids Police 2

L Collier	1	R Ryan	0
K Jewsbury	1	M Cooper	0
M Tallis	1	H Quail	0
J Lunn	½	P Gough	½
A McKeown	½	A Rickhuss	½
K Wise	def	R Sullivan	1

4-70 Mercia 3 v Tamworth 3

M Share	½	L Chrusciel	½
K Francis	1	C Cooke	0
D Perks	½	J Howlett	½
BR Smith	½	D Prentice	½
J Phillips	½	P Oliver	½
R Carrier	0	D Hoddy	1

4-71 West Mids Police ½ v South B'ham 5½

R Ryan	½	R Hardy	½
R Pipe	0	G Hope	1
P Hardstaff	0	L Ball	1
A Merritt	0	D Stockhall	1
J Pitt	0	S Ralph	1
-	def	A Szatanik	1

4-74 Shirley 4½ v Tamworth 1½

P Wilkinson	1	L Chrusciel	0
J Asbury	1	C Cooke	0
L Rawson	½	J Howlett	½
K Gilbert	½	D Prentice	½
P McGuirk	½	P Oliver	½
R Healey	1	J Palmer	0

Division 5**5-19 Lichfield 2½ v Warley Quinborne 3½**

A Mieleniewski	½	T Fox	½
P Griffiths	0	J Fahy	1
D Abell	1	JB Lewis	0
M Reilly	½	P Woodward	½
J Lakin	0	V Ward	1
A Wilson	½	C McKay	½

5-20 West Mids Police 2½ v Lichfield 3½

M Cooper	½	A Mieleniewski	½
H Quail	0	A Grant	1
P Gough	1	R Crellin	0
A Rickhuss	½	J Lakin	½
D Farrell	½	A Wilson	½
J Pitt	0	M Cooper	1

5-34 South B'ham 'A' 2½ v W M Police 3½

S Evans	½	M Cooper	½
P Hunt	1	H Quail	0
M Meredith	def	P Gough	1
Sam Wilson	0	B Phillips	1
A Szatanik	1	A Rickhuss	def
O Sobers	0	M Hathaway	1

Division 7 continued**7-42 South B'ham 'A' 3 v Walsall Kipping 3**

K Crutchlow	1	D Randle	0
R Bettam	1	Colin Howard	0
M Felgate	adj	S Crawford	adj
C Eckloff	1	M/s C Howard	0
S Weston	1	-	def
-	def	-	def

5-36 W M Police 2½ v South B'ham 'B' 3½

M Cooper	1	A Szatanik	0
H Quail	½	M Loat	½
P Gough	0	D Lee	1
A Rickhuss	0	S Ralph	1
J Pitt	0	S Killarney	1
A Merritt	1	R Ball	0

5-37 St James 4½ v Walsall Kipping 1½

L Wheatley	1	J Payton	0
B Allsop	1	A Perry	0
D Bott	0	B Davies	1
R Collett	½	M Savin	½
J Lloyd	1	A Shrimpton	0
S Johnson	1	C Billings	0

5-38 Lichfield 3 v South Birmingham 'A' 3

A Mieleniewski	1	S Evans	0
P Griffiths	½	P Hunt	½
D Abell	1	Sam Wilson	0
A Grant	½	T Wilson	½
J Lakin	0	A Szatanik	1
R Crellin	0	S Killarney	1

5-39 Walsall Kipping 5½ v Solihull ½

J Payton	1	D Randle	def
A Perry	1	S Crawford	0
B Davies	1	A Roberts	0
M Savin	½	D Broadbridge	½
A Shrimpton	1	-	def
D McIntosh	1	-	def

Division 6

6-42 Mercia 4 v Lady Westminster 2

R Price	0	R Millward	1
C Lane	1	B Steeles	0
J Rich	1	W Elliot	0
C Bateson	½	D Price	½
D Worthington	1	J Burke	0
A Brownsword	½	R Trevis	½

6-45 Aldridge 3½ v LAC 2½

B Payne	0	I Fisher	1
L Andrews	½	N Garrett	½
G Smith	½	D Bowie	½
R Smith	½	JB Friend	½
A Woodward	1	H Hemmings	def
G Woodward	1	-	def

6-48 Lucas & BS 4 v B'ham University 2

R Gough	½	R Leaper	½
L Johnson	½	A Pradhan	½
E Elkington	1	P Le Fevre	0
M Rees	½	A Kupfer	½
P Dyson	½	T Gough	½
R Cook	1	-	def

G Winter	½	L Andrews	½
S Gardiner	1	S Winman	0
R Pazzaglia	0	B Payne	1
D Gardiner	½	G Smith	½
C Dandy	1	G Woodward	0
K Lawson	1	A Woodward	0

6-50 LAC 2 v Olton 4

N Garrett	0	P Apostolakopoulos	1
D Bowie	½	D Stockwin	½
J Garrity	1	R Atkin	0
H Hemmings	0	A Goldwater	1
JB Friend	½	P Simpson	½
-	def	B Garner	1

6-51 B'ham University 2 v Redditch 4

P Maher	1	R Turner	0
R Dileepan	0	D Dixon	1
R Leaper	1	M Daniels	0
A Pradhan	0	M Clack	1
P Le Fevre	0	J Holmberg	1
Chiou How Teng	0	M Robinson	1

6-52 Mercia 2 v Kingstanding 4

R Price	0	D Brelsforth	1
C Lane	1	G Barron	0
J Rich	1	G Smith	0
C Bateson	0	J Hall	1
C Heathcock	0	F Willits	1
A Brownsword	0	B Dixon	1

6-54 Olton 4 v Sutton Coldfield 2

P Apostolakopoulos	1	R Pazzaglia	0
D Stockwin	0	D Gardiner	1
R Atkin	1	S Gardiner	0
A Goldwater	1	M Turner	0
P Simpson	0	C Dandy	1
B Garner	1	K Lawson	0

6-55 Aldridge 6 v Lucas & BS Def

Division 7

7-14 Halesowen 'B' 4½ v Olton 1½

N Heywood	½	N Bourne	½
Darren Jackson	½	T Gazee	½
B Curry	1	P Singh	0
T Taylor	½	J Clulee	½
M Vile	1	T White	0
J Curry	1	W Yeomans	def

7-39 Olton 2 v Solihull Youth 4

N Bourne	½	R Anderton	½
T Gazee	½	O Anderton	½
J Clulee	½	D Clark	½
W Yeomans	½	G Preece	½
R White	0	C Page	1
Stu. Bradley	0	R Page	1

7-41 Warley Quinborne 4 v South B'ham 'B' 2

S Black	0	O Sobers	1
C McKay	1	T Wilson	0
J Pakenham	1	P Emanuel	def
D Rowe	def	M Thomas	1
J Rourke	1	Simon Wilson	0
P Wheeldon	1	T McFadden	def

T Tidman	1	D McIntosh	0
E Baker	0	C Billings	1
B Green	1	P Nixon	0
P Phelan	1	K Moore	0
T McFadden	0	S Jones	1
M Kirtley	0	L Hayes	1

7-44 Halesowen 'A' 6 v Lichfield Def

7-48 Lichfield 3½ v Warley Quinborne 2½

A Wilson	½	S Black	½
B Homewood	1	C McKay	0
G Monks	½	J Pakenham	½
M Cooper	½	A Evans	½
I Smitton	1	P Price	0
-	def	P Wheeldon	1

7-49 Olton 1½ v South Birmingham 'A' 4½

N Bourne	1	T Tidman	0
T Gazee	0	E Baker	1
J Clulee	0	S Smith	1
T White	0	B Green	1
W Yeomans	½	A Williams	½
Stu. Bradley	0	R Toth	1

7-50 Solihull Youth 4 v Warley Quinborne 2

O Anderton	1	C McKay	0
R Anderton	½	S Black	½
D Clarke	1	J Pakenham	0
J Coxon	½	A Evans	½
C Page	0	J Rourke	1
R Page	1	J Reeves	0

Division 8

8-33 West Mids Police 3 v Lady Westminster 1

R Sullivan	1	R Trevis	0
J Pitt	1	J Burford	0
A Merritt	0	D Littlehales	1
M Hathaway	1	F Richardson	0

8-37 Wolseley 2 v Redditch 2

P Joiner	0	P Church	1
G Bates	1	B Drummond	0
K Nooney	1	M Robinson	0
A Siddiqi	def	J Holmberg	1

8-44 B'ham University 3 v WM Police 1

A Ellis	0	D Farrell	1
P Le Fevre	1	A Merritt	0
A Kupfer	1	M Hathaway	0
S Ellis	1	-	def

8-45 Redditch 3½ v Lady Westminster ½

B Drummond	½	R Trevis	½
J Holmberg	1	J Burford	0
D Pemberton	1	F Richardson	def
D Richardson	1	B Pankhurst	0

8-46 West Mids Municipal 3 v Wolseley 1

K Wise	0	G Bates	1
G McKeown	1	P Joiner	0
P Bibbings	1	K Nooney	0
M Hood	1	A Siddiqi	def

LEAGUE RESULTS continued

Division 8 continued

8-47 Kingstanding 'B' 1 v B'ham University 3

T Wyer	1	P Le Fevre	0
A Sturch	0	A Kupfer	1

8-52 B'ham University 0 v Wolseley 3

P Le Fevre	0	G Bates	1
E Ball	0	P Joiner	1

8-61 Solihull Youth 3½ v South Birmingham ½

D Clarke	1	P Phelan	0
C Page	½	R Ball	½

E Miller	0	E Ball	1	A Ellis	0	K Nooney	1	R Page	1	M Kirtley	0
R Hillman	0	A Ellis	1	-	def	-	def	L Symes	1	-	def
8-49 Wolseley 1½ v Kynoch 2½				8-53 Halesowen 3 v Kingstanding 'A' 1				8-64 South B'ham 2 v B'ham University 2			
G Bates	1	W Morgan	0	T Taylor	0	G Harman	1	P Phelan	1	A Kupfer	0
P Joiner	0	T Fetamu	1	M Vile	1	F Palfrey	0	R Ball	0	P Le Fevre	1
K Nooney	½	B Dawson	½	J Evans	1	C Thomas	0	M Kirtley	0	E Ball	1
A Siddiqi	def	G Morgan	1	J Curry	1	E Miller	0	T McFadden	1	-	def
8-50 Kingstanding 'A' 2 v West Mids Police 2				8-54 Lady Westminster 1½ v WM Municipal 2½				8-51 Solihull Youth 4 v Wolseley Def			
T Wyer	0	R Sullivan	1	J Burford	0	G McKeown	1				
G Harman	1	A Merritt	0	D Littlehales	½	C Griffin	½				
F Palfrey	0	M Hathaway	1	J Corcorran	1	M Hood	0				
C Thomas	1	L Mackenzie	def	B Pankhurst	0	K Langston	1				

LEAGUE INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS

Division 1 - 9 entrants

Round 1

A Southall ½ K Ingram ½
and A Southall withdrew

Round 2

M Drugan 0 J Edge 1
D Cooper ½ DR Thomas 1½
K Ingram 0 T Cox 1
A Hynes - bye (S Dighton withdrew)

Division 2 - 7 entrants

Round 1

Dale Jackson 0 M Wildboar 1
D Cheshire 0 B Briscoe 1
T Delaney ½ J Mildenhall 1½
F Jimenez - bye

Division 3 - 13 entrants

Round 1

M Clark 0 C Evans 1
S Goray ½ J Llewelyn 1½
W Rawlings 0 C East 1
A Kent 0 C Nixon 1
A Burnett - bye (L Lewis withdrew)

Round 2

C Evans 1 C Dent 0
J Llewelyn 1 P Banks 0
C East 1 A Burnett 0
C Nixon 0 A Cottam 1

Division 4 - 12 entrants

Round 1

P McQuirk 0 G Hope 1
G Rosser 0 J Asbury 1
M Paffard 1 K Gilbert 0
M Walker 0 K Francis 1
Round 2
K Francis 1 M Paffard 0
M Biddle 1 M Little 0
J Asbury 0 L Collier 1
G Hope 1 L Rawson 0

Division 5 - 9 entrants

Round 1

L Ball 1 P Woodward 0
Round 2
P Lawrence 0 J Lakin 1
G Maciel 0 L Ball 1
J Fahy 1 JB Lewis 0
P Hunt 0 L Wheatley 1

Division 6 - 10 entrants

Round 1

B Dixon 1 K Gardiner 0
C Dandy ½ G Barron ½
and G Barron withdrew
Round 2
B Dixon 1 C Dandy 0
D Gardiner 1 W Elliott 0
R Pazzaglia 0 Miss C Wilcox 1
S Gardiner 1 K Lawson 0

Division 7 - 16 entrants

Round 1

J Clulee 1 N Heywood 0
G Wyle ½ S Black 1½
T White 0 P Wheeldon 1
W Yeomans 0 B Curry 1
T Gazee 0 J Pakenham 1
Darren Jackson 1 K Moore 0
D Curry 1 S Jones 0
K Ryder 1 M Thomas 0
Round 2
B Curry 1 J Clulee 0
S Black ½ Darren Jackson 1½
P Wheeldon 0 D Curry 1
J Pakenham 0 K Ryder 1

Division 8 - 13 entrants

Round 1

G Bates 1 M Hood 0
R Trevis 1 R Hillman 0
A Taylor def P Joiner def
G Harman 1 J Curry 0
K Nooney 1 G Osborne 0
Round 2
M Vile def G Harman 1
C Thomas 0 G Bates 1
J Evans 1 K Nooney 0
R Trevis - bye

All semifinals to be completed by 30th March

Stourbridge Chess Club held a Chessathon over 12 hours on a Saturday in mid-January, raising just over £1,000 for the Mary Stevens Hospice.

Some 300 five-minute games were played within the 12 hour period, and thanks are due to everyone who took part including a number of guest players from other clubs.

RESULTS OF THE BDCL RAPID PLAY TOURNAMENT PLAYED LAST YEAR

Premier Section

5/6 A Butterworth (Barnsley)
A McCumiskey (Solihull)
4½/6 T Cox (Sutton Coldfield)

The **PC Gibbs trophy**
for the best individual

Major Section

5/6 R Hearne (BU)
M Chakravorty (Sheffield)
4½/6 K Forman (Coventry)
M Price (W'hampton)
A Lake (Handsworth W)
A Hickey (Kynoch)

Intermediate Section

5½/6 L Ball (South B'ham)
5/6 T Robinson (BU)
C Evans (Mutual C)

Minor Section

5½/6 J Madden (Leamington)
5/6 Miss C Wilcox (Rushall)

RESULTS OF THE LEAGUE LIGHTNING AT OLTON CC ON 19th MARCH 2002

<u>Section A</u>		<u>Section B</u>		<u>Section C</u>	
Olton A	14	Rushall	19½	South Birmingham B	15½
South Birmingham A	11½	Olton B	15½	Walsall Kipping B	15
Walsall Kipping A	10	W'hampton	14½	Halesowen	14
St James	9½	Olton C	11	Lucas & BS	13
Kynoch	7½	Birmingham	10½	Kingstanding	12½
Shirley A	7½	Shirley B	8½	Olton D	9
		Sol. Youth A	4½	Solihull Youth B	5

Warwickshire County Results

Open

03/11/01 - Warwickshire 12 v Shropshire 4

01/12/01 - Warwickshire 9½ v Staffordshire 6½

12/01/02 - Gtr Manchester 7½ v Warwickshire 8½

02/02/02 - Worcestershire 4 v Warwickshire 12

Under 175

The under 175 side are MCCU champions for the 6th successive season, having beaten Northants. by 11-5 in the final held on 10th November 2001.

Under 150

27/10/01 - Warwickshire 12½ v Lincolnshire 3½

Under 125

12/01/02 - Warwickshire 7 v Staffordshire 9

02/02/02 - Warwickshire 10½ v Shropshire 5½

Under 100

24/11/01 - Staffordshire 4½ v Warwickshire 7½

26/01/02 - Warwickshire 6½ v Shropshire 4½

Finally, here is the entry that won Lee Collier the **Morry Wood analysis prize** in 2001.

LE Collier – AJ Marsh; Birmingham CC Championship, December 1980.

(White's only piece is on c1; Black has his king on e3; a bishop on c3; and a knight on f2.)

65 Kc2 Ne4

or (a)(i) 65 ... Kd4 66 Kb3 Kd3 67 Ka4 Kc4 68 Ka3 Nd3 69 Ka4 Bd2 70 Ka3 Bb4+ 71 Ka4? Nc5 mate

(a)(ii) 71 Ka2 Kc3 72 Kb1 Kb3 73 Ka1 Kc2 74 Ka2 Nc1+ 75 Ka1 Bc3 mate

or (b)(i) 65 Kb1 Kd3 66 Ka2 Ne4 67 Ka3 Nc5 68 Ka2 Kc2 69 Ka3 Bd2 70 Ka2 Bb4 71 Ka1 Nb3+ 72 Ka2 Nc1+ 73 Ka1 Bc3 mate

(b)(ii) 66 ... Nd1 67 Kb1 Bb2 68 Ka2 Kc3 69 Kb1 Ba3 70 Ka2 Kb4 71 Kb1 Kb3 72 Ka1 Bb2+ 73 Kb1 Nc3 mate

66 Kb3 Kd3

or (a) 66 Kb1 Kd2 67 Ka2 Kc2 68 Ka3 Nc5 69 Ka2 Bb4 70 Ka1 Nb3+ 71 Ka2 Nc1+ 72 Ka1 Bc3 mate

(b) 66 Kc1 Kd3 67 Kb1 Kd2 68 Ka2 Kc2 69 Ka3 Nc5 70 Ka2 Bb4 71 Ka1 Nd3 72 Ka2 Nc1+ 73 Ka1 Bc3 mate

(c) 66 Kd1 Kd3 67 Kc1 Nc5 68 Kd1 Na4 69 Kc1 Nb2 70 Kb1 Kd2 71 Ka2 Kc2 72 Ka3 Ba5 73 Ka2 Bb4 74 Ka1 Nd3 75 Ka2 Nc1+ 76 Ka1 Bc3 mate

67 Ka4 Kc4

or (a) 67 Ka2 Kc2 68 Ka3 Nc5 69 Ka2 Bb4 70 Ka1 Nd3 71 Ka2 Nc1+ 72 Ka1 Bc3 mate

(b) 67 Ka3 Nc5 68 Ka2 Kc2 69 Ka3 Bd2 70 Ka2 Bb4 71 Ka1 Nb3+ 72 Ka2 Nc1+ 73 Ka1 Bc3 mate

From here on all but move 70 is forced for white.

68 Ka3 Nc5

(if 68 ... Nd2 69 Ka2 Kb4 stalemate)

69 Ka2 Kd3

70 Ka3 Kc2

or 70 Kb1 Kd2 71 Ka2 Kc2 72 Ka3 Bd2 73 Ka2 Bb4 74 Ka1 Nb3+ 75 Ka2 Nc1+ 76 Ka1 Bc3 mate

71 Ka2 Bb4

(if 71 ... Bb2 stalemate)

72 Ka1 Nb3+

(72 ... Nd3 leads to the same result)

73 Ka2 Nc1+

74 Ka1 Bc3 mate