

"... But what shall we do for a ring?"

- Edward Lear, anticipating by some 130 years the great mobile phone controversy of the late 20th and early 21st centuries.

(On this subject, please see page 10 and make sure that all your players are aware of it.)

ORIGINAL REGISTRATIONS**Kynoch/Barn**

2	Burton R
	Dawson C
	Dawson G
	Hickey A
	Ingram K
	Mitchell D
	Roberts N
	Webster P
7A	Dawson B
	Morgan G
	Morgan W
	Rake A
7B	Bolton A
	Dawson Mrs E
	Hill D
	Murphy P
	Stowe M

SECOND ROUND CUP DRAWS

(To be played 7th to 11th November)

Terrill Trophy

Warley Quinborne 3 v Redditch 2
and 15 teams get byes

Townshend Trophy

Bushbury 5 v Northfield Checkmates 6
Halesowen 5 v Redditch 6
Mutual Circle 5 v Wolverhampton 5
Boldmere St Michaels 5 v Redditch 5
Wolseley 5 v Westminster 7A
and 3 teams get byes

Homer Plate

Westminster 4 v Warley Quinborne 2
Olton 4 v Sutton Coldfield 1
Boldmere St Michaels 3 v Shirley & Lucas 3
South Birmingham 4 v Sutton Coldfield 3A
Tamworth 1 or Halesowen 4 v Warley Quinborne 1
Mutual 2 or Walsall Kipp.3 v Shirley & Lucas 4
and 2 teams get byes

Barrington Plate

Lichfield 6 v Boldmere St Michaels 7A
West Midlands Police 7 v Olton 6
Shirley & Lucas 6 v Mercia 5
Birmingham Settlement 7 v Sutton Coldfield 5
and 4 teams get byes

LATE REGISTRATIONS**Birmingham**

2	Spencer D	18/10/05
4	Pready A	22/10/05

Birmingham Settlement

7	Bricknell R	26/9/05
	(tfr. from Northfield Checkmates)	
	Campbell R	16/10/05

Bushbury

5	Lloyd M	10/10/05
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Halesowen

4	Linnes M	28/9/05
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Mercia

4	Carrier R	2/10/05
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Mutual Circle

5	Sibal R	16/10/05
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Northfield Checkmates

6	Maddocks P	c6/9/05
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Olton

4	Allen K	3/9/05
	Pope M	2/10/05

Redditch

5	Daniels M	22/9/05
	(re-registered from Div 6)	
6	Cooper J	16/10/05
	Dixon D	22/9/05
	(re-registered from Div 5)	

Solihull

3	Brodie I	5/10/05
	Dodson C	5/10/05

South Birmingham

1A	Gordon S	13/10/05
	Taylor R	13/10/05

Stourbridge

2	Hussain Z	23/09/05
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Sutton Coldfield

5	Darlow M	6/10/05
	Gardiner S	6/10/05

Walsall Kipping

5	Anderton Mrs D	n/a
	(name change - was McIntosh)	

West Bromwich

2	Smith M	26/9/05
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Westminster

7A	Sheridan R	13/10/05
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REARRANGED FIXTURES

1-55	Bushbury v Tamworth	12/10/05
1-65	Lichfield 'B' v Sutton C'fld	20/4/06
2-09	Halesowen v South B'ham	8/11/05
2-25	Halesowen v Wolverhampton	11/4/06
2-78	Warley Quin. v Birmingham	3/11/05
3-04	Warley Quinborne v Solihull	2/3/06
3-17	Greenlands v Sutton C. 'A'	29/11/05
3-19	Warley Q. v Sutton C. 'B'	8/12/05
3-30	Shirley v Sutton C. 'B'	19/1/06
3-31	Greenlands v Handsworth W.	1/11/05
4-05	Walsall Kipping v Lichfield	22/9/05
4-35	Halesowen v B'ham Sett.	13/12/05
5-02	Walsall K. v Boldmere StM.	6/10/05
5-05	Mercia v Wolseley	11/10/05
5-07	BSM v Mutual Circle	5/4/06
5-08	W'hampton v Redditch	6/10/05
5-09	West Mids Police v Mercia	2/11/05
5-24	Wolseley v Bushbury	26/1/06
5-70	Wolseley v West Mids Police	17/3/06
6-05	Shirley v Greenlands	16/3/06
6-26	Greenlands v Shirley	22/11/05
6-34	Lichfield v Redditch	19/1/06
7-07	B'ham Sett. v Kynoch B	6/3/06

FIXTURES FOR BSM 7B (LATE ENTRY)

7-68	v Westminster A (H)	2/11/05
7-69	v West Mids Police (A)	24/1/06
7-70	v Halesowen (H)	14/12/05
7-71	v Aldridge (H)	23/11/05
7-72	v B'ham Settlement (H)	29/3/06
7-73	v Kynoch B (A)	14/11/05
7-74	v Kynoch A (H)	11/1/06
7-76	v South B'ham (A)	13/3/06
7-77	v Wolseley (A)	19/1/06
7-78	v Westminster B (A)	7/12/05

BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY CHESS CLUB

It appears that Martin Pope, who was the Club Secretary last year, didn't want to do the job any more, and no one else was prepared to take it on. So it would seem that there is no Birmingham University Chess Club any more (in the BDCL, at least).

Divisions 2 and 7 are affected.

PHIL CHURCH

Once again, sadly, I have to report an untimely death; this time of Phil Church, the Redditch Chess Club Secretary, on Monday 17th October. If I receive any further details I will report them in a later Bulletin.

Please note that for the present anyone wanting to contact Redditch Chess Club should speak to Michelle Clack on 01527 61088. Her address is: 16 Lowans Hill View, Batchley, Redditch, B97 4RW.

Whilst I am on this subject, please also note that anyone wanting to contact Birmingham Settlement Chess Club should speak to Mike Rees on 680 9663. Mike's details are to be found on page 4 of your Handbooks.

CUP RESULTS

Terrill Trophy - Round 1**Te1-01 Kynoch/Barn(2) 6 v Tamworth(3) Def****Te1-02 Redditch(2) 6 v Tamworth(4) Def****Te1-03 Warley Quinb.(1) 1½ v Stourbridge(2) 5**

M Wildboar	adj	B Dudley	adj
C Gordon	0	J Foxall	1
A Southall	0	J Wilson	1
M Doran	adj	E Horwill	adj
B Whitehouse	1	D Scriven	0
S Smith	½	S Jukes	½

Te1-04 Halesowen(2) 4½ v Boldmere SM(3) 3

A Ambrose	1	J Fagan	0
W Peck	1	A Wilson	0
Dale Jackson	1	K Thomas	0
G Wyle	½	R Mitchell	½
J Bingham	0	M Biddle	1
D Curry	1	D Brelsforth	0

Te1-05 Sutton C'fld(3B) 4 v Warley Quin.(2) 3½

D Gardiner	½	D Reeves	½
A Kent	½	J Fahy	½
J Hider	0	J Hadi	1
C East	½	A Burnett	½
P Thompson	1	J Turner	def
A Tunks	0	C McKay (Jnr)	1

Te1-06 Lichfield(1A) 5½ v Shirley & Lucas(3) 4

P Wallace	1	J Freeman	0
P Collins	1	E Ward	def
J Smith	½	G Christie	½
G Lamb	1	J Asbury	0
M Maher	1	-	def
A Grant	1	-	def

Te1-07 Shirley & L.(4) 2 v Birmingham Sett(4) 4

L Rawson	0	L Collier	1
K Warren	0	M Tallis	1
P McGuirk	0	A Draper	1
K Gilbert	0	J Lunn	1
M Warden	1	A McKeown	0
B Knee	1	C Griffin	0

Te1-08 Olton(1A) 5½ v Boldmere St Mich.(4) 5

P Holt	½	M Phipps	½
A Lloyd	1	J Lakin	0
T Holt	1	M Harrington	0
M Cundy	1	P Jones	0
RC Reynolds	1	B Dixon	0
R Reynolds	1	E Goodby	0

Te1-09 Warley Quinb.(3) 7½ v Solihull(2) Def**Te1-10 Mercia(4) 3½ v Olton(4) 2½**

M Share	1	A Cottom	0
D Perks	1	K Allen	0
J Phillips	½	R Liszewski	½
K Francis	½	J Llewelyn	½
BR Smith	½	W Archibald	½
D Webb	0	D Stockwin	1

Te1-11 Tamworth(1) v Halesowen(4)

(match not yet decided)

P Briggs	1	P Banks	def
K Hern	1	J Curry	0
T Bould		D Digger	
S Kimberley	1	K Ryder	0
M Kimberley		M Linnes	
D Hoddy		M Clark	

Te1-12 South B'ham(2) 5½ v South B'ham(4) 3

P Padilla	1	D Gilchrist	def
G Hope	1	T Tidman	0
T Walker	1	F Dickson	0
R Glass	1	L Emanuel	0
P Hodgskin	½	M Loat	½
D Lee	1	P Emanuel	0

Te1-13 West Brom.(2) 4½ v Sutton Cold'ld(1) 4

N Walker	1	K Escott	0
J Crump	½	T Cox	½
D Davies	0	M Addis	1
D Backhouse	½	S Folayan	½
M Uddin	0	R Jones	1
G Wesson	0	D Green	1

Te1-14 South B'ham(1A) 5½ v Sutton C.(3A) 4

J Swindells	1	M Soszynski	0
M Smyth	1	L Hayden	0
D Dunn	1	I Dhési	0
T Lane	½	I Storey	½
N Clarke	1	R Lawrence	0
R Hardy	1	-	def

Te1-15 Mutual Circle(2) v Walsall Kipping(3)

(match not yet decided)

C Evans		D Whitmore	
P Boynton	1	W Rea	0
M Walker	1	C Pohribnyj	0
S Goray	def	M Groombridge	1
L Lewis	½	J Payton	½
M Paffard	1	D Friend	0

Te1-16 Walsall K.(4) 2 v Handsworth W.(3) 4½

S Beasley	½	A Lake	½
P Jones	0	S Edwards	1
B Davies	0	S Fryer	1
M Savin	½	S Chadaway	½
P Gavin	½	P Loach	½
P Godridge	0	GM Gee	1

Te1-17 South B'ham(3A) 4½ v W'minster(4) 2

M Drugan	0	R Millward	1
C Boivin	½	S Foy	½
P Swatridge	1	B Steeles	0
S Evans	1	D Nicolle	0
C Pitt	1	S Phillips	def
S Ralph	1	J Burke	0

Townshend Trophy - Round 1**To1-01 WM Police(5) 2½ v Halesowen(5) 3½**

M Cooper	½	F Freshwater	½
P Hardstaff	1	M Borley	0
R Holman	1	J Hendrickson	0
M Hathaway	0	A Taylor	1
P Butler	0	N Heywood	1
-	def	R Beasley	1

To1-02 Mutual Circle(5) 4½ v Sutton Cfd(5) 1½

P Wells	1	D Green	0
Saket Singhal	1	J Wassell	0
J Homer	½	R Brodie	½
S Robinson	1	D Tunks	0
A Webb	1	R Tricker	0
T Hussain	0	M Edwards	1

To1-03 Boldmere SM(5) 4 v B'ham Sett.(7) 3½

R Tuckey	0	K Langston	1
G Smith	0	A Johnston	1
M Little	1	R Balogun	0
G Harman	1	J Sidwell	0
A Johnson	1	R Bricknell	def
S Wood	1	M Ishitama	def

To1-04 Westminster(7B) 4 v Mercia(5) 3½

D Cooper	0	D Worthington	1
W Elliott	1	R Price	0
D Littlehales	½	J Rich	½
B Pankhurst	0	C Bateson	1
J Burford	1	A Jancis	0
P Abram	0	L Scarrott	1

To1-05 South B'ham(7) 3 v Warley Quin.(6) 3½

E Baker	½	S Black	½
B McClory	½	P Woodward	½
B Green	0	J Pakenham	1
G Perks	½	JB Lewis	½
I Davis	1	J Rourke	0
P Johnson	0	A Evans	1

To1-06 Lichfield(6) 1 v Wolseley(5) 5½

A Hall	0	G Maciel	1
C Brown	0	M Chowdhury	1
S Smitton	0	P Lawrence	1
S Andrews	0	E Maciel	1
R Smith	0	P Sherman	1
J Colthorpe	½	G Bates	½

To1-07 Olton(6) 1½ v Redditch(5) 5

J Gillespie	0	R Sanders	1
P Simpson	0	J Cole	1
J Clulee	1	M Clack	0
B Garner	0	I Clack	1
W Yeomans	0	M Daniels	1
Stuart Bradley	0	P Church	1

CUP RESULTS continued

Townshend Trophy - Round 1 continued**To1-08 Kynoch/Barn(7A) 4 v Shirley & L.(6) 2½**

W Morgan	0	N Foster	1
A Rake	1	J Garrity	0
A Bolton	0	G Phillips	1
P Murphy	½	T Cox	½
M Stowe	1	-	def
D Hill	1	-	def

To1-09 Bushbury(5) 6 v B'ham Settle.(5) Def**To1-10 Boldmere SM(7A) 1 v N'thfield C(6) 5½**

T Wyer	0	P Maddocks	1
F Palfrey	0	P Hodgkinson	1
R Hillman	0	L Willmott	1
S Huynh	0	B Astbury	1
C Thomas	½	A Parkinson	½
J Bramwell	0	S Bowen	1

To1-11 Westminster(7A) 5½ v WM Police(7) ½

R Trevis	½	H Quail	½
D Price	1	B Phillips	0
T Evans	1	A Merritt	0
A Woolaston	1	-	def
R Butcher	1	-	def
J Corcoran	1	-	def

To1-12 Redditch(6) 6 v Halesowen(7) ½

D Dixon	1	J Taylor	0
B Drummond	1	J Evans	0
D Richardson	1	C Martin	0
R Turner	1	D Martin	0
D Abraham	1	-	def
J Holmberg	1	-	def

To1-13 W'hampton(5) 5 v Walsall Kipping(5) 1

M Wootton	1	Mrs D Anderton	0
G Rosser	1	P Nixon	0
J Fox	½	A Shrimpton	½
M Griffiths	1	K Moore	0
K Jones	1	S Jones	0
C Haughton	½	P Burgess	½

LEAGUE RESULTS

Division 1**1-01 South B'ham 'B' 2 v South B'ham 'A' 4**

D Dunn	½	J Pitcher	½
M Smyth	1	S Dighton	0
T Lane	0	S Tidman	1
D Malik	0	J Swindells	1
K Malik	0	J Emanuel	1
R Glass	½	K Hurney	½

1-02 Olton 'A' 3 v Olton 'B' 3

P Holt	1	RC Reynolds	0
A Lloyd	½	R Reynolds	½
M Cundy	0	K Yeomans	1
T Holt	½	D Cheshire	½
A Cottom	0	R Wallman	1
J Gillespie	1	J McDonald	0

1-03 Lichfield 'A' 5½ v Lichfield 'B' ½

P Wallace	1	G Lamb	0
M Staples	1	R Farmery	0
P Collins	1	A Grant	0
J Keaveney	1	A Mieleniewski	0
J Smith	1	B Homewood	0
M Maher	½	J Marriott	½

1-04 Warley Quinborne 2 v Bushbury 4

M Wildboar	½	L Grinsell	½
C Gordon	0	A Crombleholme	1
A Southall	½	D Cooper	½
M Doran	0	J Staniforth	1
B Whitehouse	½	P Pinfold	½
D Reeves	½	P Staley	½

1-05 South B'ham 'A' 5½ v Lichfield 'B' ½

J Pitcher	1	G Lamb	0
S Tidman	1	R Farmery	0
J Emanuel	½	A Grant	½
K Hurney	1	A Mieleniewski	0
D Dunn	1	B Homewood	0
N Clarke	1	N Marriott	0

1-06 Stourbridge 3½ v Lichfield 'A' 2½

M Bissell	0	P Wallace	1
J Fallowfield	½	P Collins	½
I Howarth	½	J Keaveney	½
J Foxall	½	J Smith	½
J Wilson	1	J Marriott	0
E Horwill	1	A Grant	0

Division 1 continued**1-07 Bushbury 2½ v Halesowen 3½**

L Grinsell	½	S Fishburne	½
A Crombleholme	½	R Thomas	½
D Cooper	½	M Bethel	½
J Staniforth	½	M Hadley	½
P Pinfold	0	W Peck	1
P Staley	½	D Curry	½

1-08 Tamworth 3 v Olton 'B' 3

P Briggs	½	R Reynolds	½
R Allen	½	RC Reynolds	½
T Bould	½	D Cheshire	½
J Huddy	½	K Yeomans	½
S Kimberley	0	R Wallman	1
M Kimberley	1	J McDonald	0

Division 2**2-01 Warley Quinborne 2 v South B'ham 4**

D Reeves	0	G Ali	1
D Pugh	0	P Padilla	1
J Fahy	½	G Hope	½
J Hadi	1	N Clarke	0
A Burnett	0	T Walker	1
J Turner	½	R Glass	½

2-02 Solihull 2½ v Shirley & Lucas 3½

A McCumiskey	½	D Mason	½
R Carpenter	0	I Galloway	1
A Sadler	1	D Thomas	0
G Stokes	½	J Freeman	½
M Tapp	0	R Walker	1
J Summerfield	½	S Briggs	½

2-03 Stourbridge 3 v South Birmingham 3

J Foxall	½	G Ali	½
J Wilson	½	G Hope	½
E Horwill	0	R Glass	1
D Scriven	0	T Walker	1
S Jukes	1	R Hardy	0
M Podlesak	1	D Stockhall	0

Division 2 continued**2-04 West Bromwich 4 v Stourbridge 2**

N Walker	1	J Foxall	0
J Crump	½	J Wilson	½
K Barnett	def	E Horwill	1
D Davies	1	D Scriven	0
M Uddin	1	M Podlesak	0
G Wesson	½	P Trevis	½

2-06 Mutual Circle 2½ v Warley Quinborne 3½

C Evans	0	D Reeves	1
P Boynton	0	J Fahy	1
M Walker	0	J Hadi	1
L Lewis	½	A Burnett	½
M Paffard	1	P Bull	0
P Wells	1	W Rawlings	0

2-07 South Birmingham 2½ v Birmingham 3½

G Ali	0	C McConkey	1
G Hope	0	GJ Gee	1
N Clarke	1	A Karim	0
T Walker	0	R Pearson	1
R Glass	1	J Fender	0
D Lee	½	A Pready	½

2-08 Wolverhampton 4 v Kynoch/Barn 2

M Townsend	½	P Webster	½
P Thompson	1	K Ingram	0
L Fellows	½	N Roberts	½
P Sanghera	1	A Hickey	0
P Porter	1	R Burton	0
M Morrison	0	D Mitchell	1

2-12 Solihull 4½ v Wolverhampton 1½

R Carpenter	1	M Townsend	0
G Stokes	½	P Thompson	½
M Tapp	1	P Sanghera	0
J Summerfield	½	Martin May	½
F Collins	1	F Wood	0
D Shurrock	½	K Jones	½

LEAGUE RESULTS continued**Division 3****3-01 Sutton Coldfield 'A' 3½ v ditto 'B' 2½**

M Soszynski	0	D Gardiner	1
L Hayden	1	A Kent	0
I Dhesi	½	T Burgess	½
R Lawrence	0	J Hider	1
A Tunks	1	C East	0
D Green	1	P Thompson	0

3-02 South Birmingham 'B' 4½ v ditto 'A' 1½

N Kasafir	1	P Swatridge	0
D Stockhall	1	C Boivin	0
P Hodgskin	½	S Evans	½
R Hardy	0	C Pitt	1
D Lee	1	R Baqer	0
A Szatanik	1	B McClory	0

3-03 Shirley & Lucas 3½ v Boldmere St.M. 2½

R Purcell	½	J Fagan	½
J Freeman	0	K Thomas	1
E Ward	1	R Mitchell	0
F Jimenez	½	M Biddle	½
G Christie	1	D Brelsforth	0
J Asbury	½	M Harrington	½

3-05 Sutton C'field 'B' 1½ v Handsworth W. 4½

A Kent	0	A Lake	1
T Burgess	½	S Edwards	½
J Hider	0	S Chadaway	1
C East	½	P Loach	½
D Green	½	GM Gee	½
P Thompson	0	P Wakefield	1

3-06 Walsall Kipping 4 v South B'ham 'A' 2

D Whitmore	1	P Swatridge	0
W Rea	½	M Drugan	½
C Pohribnyj	½	S Evans	½
M Groombridge	1	C Pitt	0
R Jones	1	R Baqer	0
D Friend	0	D Lee	1

3-07 Greenlands 3 v Tamworth 3

L Wheatley	1	S Walton	0
R Peters	0	D Brown	1
I Truscott	1	R Griffiths	0
D Bott	0	P Oliver	1
I Ellis	1	P McConnell	0
S Shaw	0	L Chrusciel	1

Tamworth - no card

3-10 South Birmingham 'A' 3 v Rushall 3

S Williams	0	R Westwood	1
M Drugan	½	S Wilcox	½
C Boivin	0	P Leary	1
S Evans	½	R Daniels	½
R Hardy	1	R Hancox	0
C Pitt	1	S Cooksey	0

3-11 Solihull 1½ v Greenlands 3½

R Chilcott	1	L Wheatley	0
D Shurrock	½	R Peters	½
F Collins	0	I Truscott	1
I Brodie *	1	D Bott	0
Colin Howard	0	I Ellis	1
D Horsley	1	S Shaw	0

* Not eligible. Loss of board and 1 penalty point.

Division 3 continued**3-12 Tamworth 3½ v Shirley & Lucas 2½**

S Walton	½	J Freeman	½
D Brown	1	F Jimenez	0
R Griffiths	1	G Christie	0
P Oliver	0	J Asbury	1
P McConnell	0	K Gilbert	1
L Chrusciel	1	R Healey	0

3-13 Rushall 3 v South Birmingham 'B' 3

R Westwood	1	N Kasafir	0
M/s C Wilcox	½	D Stockhall	½
T Owen	1	S Ralph	0
P Leary	0	R Hardy	1
R Daniels	0	P Hodgskin	1
R Hancox	½	D Lee	½

Division 4**4-01 Olton 4 v Mercia 2**

A Cottom	½	M Share	½
K Allen	½	D Perks	½
R Liszewski	1	J Phillips	0
J Llewelyn	½	BR Smith	½
D Stockwin	½	R Price	½
J Gillespie	1	C Lane	0

4-02 Tamworth 4 v Halesowen 2

D Hoddy	1	D Curry	0
D Makepeace	1	J Curry	0
J Howlett	1	Darren Jackson	0
D Prentice	½	M Clark	½
L Guffick	0	F Freshwater	1
A Smith	½	A Taylor	½

4-03 Shirley & Lucas 1 v B'ham Settlement 5

L Rawson	0	K Jewsbury	1
P McGuirk	0	L Collier	1
K Gilbert	½	M Tallis	½
M Warden	0	A Draper	1
G Csepregi	½	J Lunn	½
B Knee	0	A McKeown	1

4-06 B'ham Sett. 2 v South Birmingham 4

K Jewsbury	1	D Gilchrist	0
L Collier	0	T Tidman	1
M Tallis	0	F Dickson	1
J Lunn	½	L Emanuel	½
R Gough	½	P Emanuel	½
K Wise	0	B Green	1

4-10 Lichfield 4 v Tamworth 2

J Marriott	½	D Makepeace	½
A Giles	1	D Prentice	0
G Monks	½	L Guffick	½
M Cooper	½	B Cunningham	½
Y Slobodynk	1	A Smith	0
D Short	½	B Smith	½

4-11 Halesowen 2½ v Lichfield 3½

J Curry	1	J Marriott	0
D Digger	0	A Giles	1
Darren Jackson	0	M Cooper	1
K Ryder	0	Y Slobodynk	1
M Clark	½	D Short	½
M Linnes	1	C Brown	0

Division 4 continued**4-12 South Birmingham 3½ v Olton 2½**

D Gilchrist	1	A Cottom	0
M Loat	1	K Allen	0
T Tidman	1	R Liszewski	0
F Dickson	½	D Brown	½
I Davis	0	J Llewelyn	1
B Green	0	D Stockwin	1

Division 5**5-01 B'ham Settlement 4½ v Halesowen 1½**

R Gough	½	F Freshwater	½
C Griffin	½	M Borley	½
L Johnson	1	J Hendrickson	0
K Wise	1	M Vile	0
EP Elkington	1	N Heywood	0
K Langston	½	A Taylor	½

5-02 Walsall Kipping 5 v Boldmere St.Mich. 1

Mrs D Anderton	½	R Tuckey	½
P Nixon	½	G Smith	½
A Shrimpton	1	G Harman	0
K Moore	1	A Johnson	0
S Jones	1	A Sturch	0
P Burgess	1	R Hillman	0

5-03 Sutton C'field 2½ v Walsall Kipping 3½

A Tunks	1	Mrs D Anderton	0
J Wassell	1	P Nixon	0
D Tunks	0	P Gavin	1
R Brodie	0	C Billings	1
R Tricker	0	K Moore	1
M Edwards	½	S Jones	½

Sutton - no card

5-06 Bushbury 2½ v Wolverhampton 3½

P Staley	1	G Rosser	0
A Schroeder	0	M Wootton	1
R Brodie	1	C Jones	0
TP Burgess	0	B Marlow	1
D Molineux	½	P Broomhall	½
D Keates	0	K Jones	1

5-10 Redditch 4 v Wolseley 2

R Sanders	0	G Maciel	1
J Cole	½	P Lawrence	½
M Clack	1	E Maciel	0
I Clack	½	P Sherman	½
P Wood	1	T Gazee	0
R Turner	1	G Stepanovic	0

5-11 Mutual Circle 1½ v Bushbury 4½

P Wells	0	P Staley	1
Saket Singhal	0	A Schroeder	1
J Homer	0	R Brodie	1
S Robinson	½	D Molineux	½
A Webb	0	TP Burgess	1
T Hussain	1	D Buckley	0

LEAGUE RESULTS continued

Division 5 continued**5-14 Sutton Coldfield 2½ v W.M. Police 3½**

D Green	1	M Cooper	0
A Tunks	0	P Hardstaff	1
J Wassell	½	R Holman	½
M Edwards	1	A Rickhuss	0
D Tunks	0	M Hathaway	1
D Barrett	0	P Butler	1

5-15 Bushbury 5 v Walsall Kipping 1

A Schroeder	½	Mrs D Anderton	½
R Brodie	1	P Nixon	0
T Collabella	½	A Shrimpton	½
D Molineux	1	K Moore	0
TP Burgess	1	S Jones	0
D Buckley	1	P Burgess	0

Division 6**6-01 Northfield Check. 0 v Shirley & Lucas 6**

M Rees	0	N Foster	1
R Bricknell	0	G Csepregi	1
P Hodkinson	0	J Garrity	1
L Wilmott	0	A Walker	1
B Astbury	0	G Phillips	1
A Parkinson	0	A Johnson	1

6-02 Warley Quinborne 3 v Olton 3

C McKay (Jnr)	def	J Gillespie	1
P Woodward	1	P Singh	0
J Pakenham	1	J Clulee	0
JB Lewis	0	B Garner	1
J Rourke	1	Stuart Bradley	0
A Evans	0	W Yeomans	1

6-03 Olton 3½ v Northfield Checkmates 2½

J Gillespie	½	M Rees	½
P Singh	½	R Bricknell	½
J Clulee	0	P Hodkinson	1
B Garner	½	L Wilmott	½
W Yeomans	1	B Astbury	0
Stuart Bradley	1	S Bowen	0

6-04 Lichfield 3½ v Warley Quinborne 2½

Y Slobodynk	½	S Black	½
A Hall	1	C McKay (Jnr)	0
I McLaughlin	0	P Woodward	1
C Brown	½	J Pakenham	½
S Andrews	½	P Price	½
J Colthorpe	1	-	def

Division 6 continued**6-06 Northfield Checkmates 4 v Lichfield 2**

P Maddocks	1	Y Slobodynk	0
M Rees	½	S Smitton	½
P Hodkinson	½	A Hall	½
L Wilmott	0	I McLaughlin	1
B Astbury	1	R Smith	0
A Parkinson	1	R Wingrove	0

6-08 Redditch 3½ v Shirley & Lucas 2½

B Drummond	1	N Foster	0
F Batson	½	G Csepregi	½
S Abraham	0	A Walker	1
R Trinder	1	G Phillips	0
J Holmberg	0	B Knee	1
S Hayes	1	A Johnson	0

6-09 Warley Quinborne 1½ v Northfield Ch. 4½

P Woodward	½	P Maddocks	½
J Pakenham	½	M Rees	½
JB Lewis	0	P Hodkinson	1
J Rourke	½	L Wilmott	½
C McKay (Jnr)	0	A Parkinson	1
A Evans	0	S Bowen	1

Division 7**7-01 Westminster 'B' 1 v Westminster 'A' 3**

W Elliot	½	D Price	½
G Goddard	½	A Woolaston	½
D Littlehales	0	T Evans	1
B Pankhurst	0	D Cooper	1

7-02 West Mids Police 2 v Westminster 'B' 2

H Quail	½	D Cooper	½
B Phillips	1	G Goddard	0
M Hathaway	½	B Pankhurst	½
A Merritt	0	D Littlehales	1

7-03 Westminster 'A' 2 v Halesowen 2

R Trevis	0	R Beasley	1
D Price	1	J Taylor	0
T Evans	1	J Evans	0
A Woolaston	0	B Anwyl	1

7-04 Kynoch/Barn 'B' 0 v Kynoch/Barn 'A' 4

D Hill	0	W Morgan	1
Mrs E Dawson	0	A Rake	1
M Stowe	0	B Dawson	1
-	def	P Murphy	1

Division 6 continued**7-05 Westminster 'B' 2½ v Boldmere SM 'A' 1½**

D Cooper	1	T Wyer	0
W Elliot	0	L Bennett	1
G Goddard	½	A Sturch	½
D Littlehales	1	C Thomas	0

7-06 South Birmingham 1 v Wolesey 3

B McClory	0	G Stepanovic	1
E Baker	0	G Bates	1
B Green	1	K Nooney	0
A Williams	0	P Spence	1

7-08 WM Police 1½ v South Birmingham 2½

H Quail	½	E Baker	½
B Phillips	0	B McClory	1
A Merritt	1	B Green	0
P Butler	0	G Perks	1

7-09 South Birmingham 3 v Westminster 'B' 1

B McClory	1	D Cooper	0
F Malik	0	W Elliot	1
B Green	1	B Pankhurst	0
G Perks	1	D Littlehales	0

7-10 Kynoch/Barn 'B' 0 v Aldridge 4

P Murphy	0	L Andrews	1
A Bolton	0	S Winman	1
M Stowe	def	G Smith	1
D Hill	0	G Woodward	1

7-11 Wolesey 3 v West Midlands Police 1

A Siddiqi	0	H Quail	1
G Stepanovic	1	B Phillips	0
T Gazee	1	M Hathaway	0
P Joiner	1	A Merritt	0

7-12 Boldmere SM 'A' 1½ v Westminster 'A' 2½

T Wyer	1	R Trevis	0
L Bennett	½	D Price	½
A Sturch	0	A Woolaston	1
R Taylor	0	T Evans	1

7-67 Boldmere St. Mich. 'A' 2½ v ditto 'B' 1½

T Wyer	½	F Palfrey	½
A Sturch	1	G Osborne	0
R Taylor	1	R Hillman	0
J Bramwell	0	C Thomas	1

THE NEW RULES REGARDING MOBILE PHONES AND THE WRITING DOWN OF YOUR MOVES.

I have received a letter from Brian Hopkins of Birmingham CC about mobile phones going off in a match between Birmingham and Mutual Circle. This does not amount to a formal complaint (if it had been, it would have been sent to the Rules Committee, not to me) but Brian does ask for comments and guidance. He also asks for comments about writing down one's move before playing it, which has also been declared illegal.

OK. Let's start with the Laws of Chess. Article 12.2, so far as relevant, says:

12.2(a) During play the players are forbidden to make use of any notes ...

12.2(b) It is strictly forbidden to bring mobile phones or other electronic means of communication, not authorised by the arbiter, into the playing venue. If a player's mobile phone rings in the playing venue during play, that player shall lose the game. The score of the opponent shall be determined by the arbiter.

The rule that was passed at the last Management Committee Meeting, but which is not yet printed in your handbooks, reads as follows:

8.9. In accordance with Article 12.2(b) of the Laws of Chess, the taking of mobile phones into the playing area is permitted provided that they are switched off.

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What follow are largely my own views. Do not assume that everything that you read is correct. There may be comments from others as a result of this article which I shall feel it necessary to publish in a later Bulletin.

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As far as 12.2(a) is concerned, there may be something of a hidden agenda. There is a wish to prevent the so called 3-move blitz whereby a player, having previously written down his move, makes it; his opponent then replies fairly swiftly; and the first player immediately bashes out move 2, all without writing anything down himself or giving his opponent time to press his clock.

Writing down your move before you play it has therefore been declared to contravene this rule. That, in my opinion, stretches the meaning of the word "notes" quite as far as it will reasonably go, and possibly further. Article 12.2(a) says "notes", plural. Writing down the one move currently in your head might just possibly be a note, singular. Whatever. This is now the rule. You may assume that your opponent will want to enforce it.

If you yourself wish to enforce this rule, you may consider a gentlemanly warning first, and then I would have thought that you would need to interest a third party as a witness - someone standing around watching, perhaps, or your team mate on the next board. Otherwise it's one person's word against another's. If it happens again you stop playing and claim the game. You should then be prepared for the possibility of a Rules Committee hearing, which is why you could do with a witness. Preserve your score sheet, certainly. Recording the elapsed times on the clocks is probably unnecessary, as I don't think that the game is going to be played on.

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When it comes to mobile phones, some matters may be simpler, because if a phone rings there will be little doubt about it. Here I can deal with one of Brian Hopkins's queries - are there any dispensations, any extenuating circumstances (because in the case in question the person with the ringtone claimed to be a doctor who needed to have his mobile phone switched on)?

No. Absolutely not. So once again, stop playing and claim the game. The bit about the Rules Committee and the score sheet still applies.

The question arises whether you MUST claim the game. Personally, I don't think so, though the matter is complex. The point is that the Laws of Chess assume the presence of an arbiter, which in our case we don't usually have. The BDCL is to a large extent self-policing, with an appeal to the Rules Committee where agreement cannot be reached. However, if you choose to ignore the rule, or if you collude with a visiting team to allow mobile phones to go off all night, you run the risk that somebody in the room will complain to the Rules Committee about playing conditions and behaviour at your Club. Have a look at Rule 13.1 c).

I think that if it happened to me I would probably say something like "With regret, I'm afraid that the rules give me no option but to stop playing and claim this game. You are entitled to contest that in front of the Rules Committee."

A word about why the BDCL decided to modify the Laws of Chess. We recognise that if you go out for the evening you may well want to have your phone with you, in case your car breaks down, for example. You may not think it safe or sensible to leave that phone in your car, or you may not be travelling by car anyway. So it is reasonable to have a phone about your person, provided that it does not disturb anyone by ringing in the playing area.

Two other points. First, note the last sentence of 12.2(b). If your opponent loses because his phone goes off he may want to argue that you're still not entitled to the win. He may have been about to deliver mate when it happened. This could be a matter for the Rules Committee and I'm not going to speculate about what they might decide in any given situation.

The second point is that we are in a bedding-down period as far as this new rule is concerned. We had such a period when the "no smoking" rule was first brought in. Stuff came before the Rules Committee. Minds (and lungs) were exercised. But you don't hear much about the subject now. Not smoking in the vicinity of a BDCL game has become a part of chess club etiquette. It will be the same with mobile phones in a year or so, so my advice would be to give it the time necessary for players to come to terms with it.

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