

Bulletin Number 1 BIRMINGHAM AND DISTRICT CHESS LEAGUE – 2007/08

Welcome to the new chess season. This bulletin contains both the player registrations and the quickplay/adjournment elections for all teams barring Birmingham University.

Div 5 & 6: Late entries - Bushbury and South Birmingham have belatedly entered teams into Divs 5 & 6 respectively. Fixtures for these teams are not in the handbook and may still need to be arranged. In Bushbury's case their entry remains subject to confirmation by the BDCL's Management Committee, but hopefully this will be granted retrospectively without the need to trouble the House of Lords.

Handbook Corrections and Addenda

Aldridge Phone Number: Secretary Les Andrews's phone number should read: 07906 753554.

Lichfield email: Secretary Dave Short's email address should read: davidm.short@ntlworld.com

Northfield Checkmates, Club details: Mike Rees writes: *"The details for Northfield Checkmates Chess Club in the handbook are incorrect. The club play League matches at Shenley Court Hall which is on the corner of Clover Road and Hawkstone Road, Northfield. Start time is 7:15 p.m. and match nights are Fridays. Details along with a map will be sent to secretaries of visiting teams. Fixture dates in the handbook are correct."*

Redditch, New Venue: Redditch have changed their venue. The new venue and directions are: *"St George's Community Hall (attached to church), St. George's Rd., Redditch, B98 8EE. From M42: Take Junction 2, then A441 exit towards Birmingham. At roundabout, take 1st exit onto A441. At 3rd roundabout take the 3rd exit and merge onto A4023/Coventry highway ramp. At roundabout, take 1st exit onto St. George's Rd.. Church is 100 yds on left. MAIN PRINCIPLE: St. George's Rd. is off the town centre ('Staples') roundabout".* Other Redditch details are said to be unchanged.

Shirley and Lucas, Temporary Diversion: Roadworks in the vicinity of S & L's venue mean that the directions given in the handbook may not work during the first few weeks of the season. Team Captains of clubs playing Shirley and Lucas should inform their players of the problem. Instructions for finding alternative routes to the venue can be obtained from S & L's secretary, Dave Thomas.

Obituaries Dave Rowe, has submitted the following:

The Late Peter William Price - "I have only just read Peter Oliver's obituary to the late Les Chrusciel. Les was a good friend of mine. We crossed swords across the board many times over more years than I care to remember. I shall miss him.

I now have the sad task of writing another obituary. Peter Price died in June this year. Peter was well known, being one of the relatively few blind players. He played for Warley Q. in both BDCL and the Dudley Leagues (quick-play finishes in the latter never fazed him and he was rarely ever in time trouble). He played many years for the Quinborne club long before the merger. He was always cheerful and a useful player against both sighted and non-sighted opponents. He was particularly active in the Blind Chess Association, playing in many of their weekend and other congresses in all parts of the country. I can hear him now bidding an opponent goodbye with the words, "Good night, good game, see you again soon". Peter was a good friend. I shall miss him sorely. Peter, I hope to see you again".

Quickplay Elections (by Division and Team)

Quickplay Finish - Teams' chosen options are listed below and can also be identified by the addition of the abbreviations "qp" or "adj" in the Registrations section of this bulletin.

	Q/P Finish	Adjs	N/K		Q/P Finish	Adjs	N/K
Division 1				Division 2			
Bushbury		X		Birmingham	X		
Halesowen		X		Halesowen		X	
Kynoch/Barn		X		Lichfield	X		
Lichfield	X			Olton A		X	
Olton		X		Olton B		X	
Shirley & Lucas		X		Shirley & Lucas	X		
South Birmingham A	X			Solihull		X	
South Birmingham B	X			South Birmingham	X		
South Birmingham C	X			Stourbridge		X	
Tamworth & District	X			Sutton Coldfield	X		
Walsall Kipping		X		Tamworth & District	X		
Warley Quinborne	X			Warley Quinborne		X	
Wolverhampton		X		West Bromwich	X		
Division 3				Division 4			
Boldmere St. Michaels A		X		Birmingham	X		
Boldmere St. Michaels B		X		Bushbury		X	
Greenlands		X		Halesowen		X	
Mutual Circle	X			Lichfield	X		
Redditch		X		Mercia		X	
Rushall	X			Mutual Circle		X	
Shirley & Lucas	X			Northfield Checkmates	X		
South Birmingham	X			Solihull	X		
Stourbridge		X		South Birmingham		X	
Sutton Coldfield A	X			St. Georges		X	
Sutton Coldfield B	X			Walsall Kipping		X	
Walsall Kipping		X		Westminster		X	
Wolseley		X		Wolverhampton	X		
Division 5				Division 6			
Birmingham University			X	Aldridge		X	
Boldmere St. Michaels		X		Boldmere St. Michaels A		X	
Bushbury		X		Boldmere St. Michaels B		X	
Kynoch/Barn		X		Greenlands		X	
Mutual Circle	X			Halesowen		X	
Olton		X		Kynoch/Barn A		X	
Redditch		X		Kynoch/Barn B		X	
Shirley & Lucas	X			Olton		X	
South Birmingham		X		South Birmingham		X	
Tamworth & District	X			Tamworth & District	X		
Warley Quinborne	X			West Midlands Police		X	
West Midlands Police		X		Westminster		X	
Westminster		X		Wolseley		X	

Aldridge

6 adj

Andrews L
Smith G
Smith RSJ
Winman S
Woodward A
Woodward G

Birmingham

2 qp

Fender J
Gee J
Karim A
Mcconkey C
Pearson R
Pready A

4 qp

Belfield W
Carter W
Hill J
Hopkins B
Hopkins S
Kingsley L
Rowe D
Schroeder M
Scott H
Wright A

**Boldmere St
Michael's**

3a adj

Mildenhall J
Thomas K
Lake A
Fagan J
Wilson A
Biddle M

3b adj

Loach P
Fryer S
Harrington M
Bennett L
Edwards S
Lakin J

5 adj

Johnson A
Phipps M
Goodby E
Little M
Dixon B
Taylor R
Harman G

6a adj

Wyer T
Smith G
Osborne G
Sturch A

6b adj

Tsoi L
Thomas C
Hillman R
Carrington M
Huynh S
Doyle K

Bushbury

1 adj

Cooper D
Cooper L
Crombleholme
A
Grinsell L
Laight D
Parry R
Staniforth J

4 adj**

Baggott P
Brodie R
Buckley d
Button J
Colabella T
Harris S (7/9/07)
Keates D
Molineux D
Pinfold P
Pinfold W
Podlesak M
Schroeder A
Scott P
Staley P
Whitehead J
Whitehead, Jeremy
(7/9/07)

** Bushbury's
registrations may
change as they have
entered another team
in Div Five (adj).

Greenlands

3 adj

Bott D
Ellis I
Peters R
Shaw S
Truscott I
Wheatley L

6 adj

Beckett D
Collett R
Johnson S
Lloyd J

Halesowen

1 adj

Ambrose A
Bethel M
Edge J
Fishburne S
Hadley M
Thomas R

2 adj

Curry D
Curry J
Grimes R
Jackson D
Peck W
Wyle G

4 adj

Borley M
Clark M
Digger D
Freshwater F
Southcote J
Taylor A

6 adj

Beasley R
Evans J
Evans P
Martin D
Taylor J
Vile M

Kynoch/Barn

1 adj

Burton R
Dawson CR
Dawson GB
Hickey A
Ingram K R
Mitchell D
Roberts N
Webster P

5 adj

Brelsforth D
Edwards M
Hussain A
Morgan W
Neale R
Wright L

6a adj

Morgan G
Peers M
Rake T
Wickett G

Kynoch/Barn
continued

6b adj

Bolton A
Dawson B
Dawson E
Hill D
Murphy P

Lichfield

1 qp

Collins P
Smith John
Keaveney J
Maher M
Staples M
Wallace Dr P

2 qp

Farmery R
Giles A
Grant A
Griffiths P
Lamb G
Mielenieski A
Slobodyuk Y

4 qp

Andrews S
Brown C
Caithness I
Colthorpe J
Cooper M
Fone D
Gray J
Hall A
Hamlin P
Harrison B
Homewood B
Marriott J
Marriott N
McLaughlin I
Monks G
Short D M
Smith Richard
Smith Roy
Smitton S
Wingrove R

Mercia

4 adj

Bateson C J
Butler M
Francis K A J
Lane C
Perks D W
Phillips J
Price R
Rich J
Share M
Smith B R
Webb D
Worthington D

Mutual Circle

3 qp

Boynton P
Evans C
Evans Garry
Paffard M
Tallis M
Wells P

4 adj

Goray SS
Lewis L
Robinson S
Singhal Saket
Thompson P
Walker MBA

5 qp

Aldridge C
Alsamir M
Boynton. L
Carroll C
Choudhury S
Evans Garth
Heeney P
Hollows R
Homer J
Hunt J
Mills C
Price D
Syed M
Webb A
Woollaston A

**Northfield
Checkmates**

4 qp

Astbury B
Bowen S
Draper A
Hodkinson P
Maddocks P
Parkinson A
Willmott L

Olton

1 adj

Cundy MA
Gostelow DW
Holt PJ
Lloyd AD
Reynolds Robert
Wallman R

2a adj

Chadaway S
Cheshire D
Holt TJ
McDonald J
Reynolds R J
Smith R

2b adj

Allen K
Brown DR
Cottom A
Hodgskin P
Llewelyn J
Pitt C

5 adj

Bradley Stuart
Garner B
Gillespie J
Liszewski R
Radford M
Stockwin DR

6 adj

Archibald W
Bradley Steve
Clulee J
Goldwater AL
Kerr C
Kerr M
Simpson P
Singh P
Yeomans K

Redditch

3 adj

Clack I
Heath J
Jackson G
Robinson T
Stanton G
Towers N

5 adj

Abrahams D
Batson F
Bricknell R
Clack M
Cole J
O'Gorman F
Sanders R
Turner R
Wood P

Rushall

3 qp

Allen S
Carr M
Colwell SR
Cooksey S
Dolan R
Greenwood P
Greenwood M
Hancox RJ
Harris S
Hennion J
Leary P
Sanders G
Sims N
Styles CJ
Turner P
Wilcox SR
Westwood R
Wilcox-Banks CJ

Shirley & Lucas

1 adj

Briggs S
Galloway I
Mason D
Robertson P
Thomas D
Walker R

2 qp

Asbury J
Christie G
Freeman J
Jimenez F
Purcell R
Ward E

3 qp

Foster N
Gilbert K
Rawson L
Walker A
Warden M
Warren K

5 qp

Cox T
Csepregi G
Dale J
Garrity J
Healey R
Hemmings H
Knee B
McGuirk P
Phillips G
Purcell P
Simpson R
Sturt A

Solihull

2 adj

Carpenter R
McCumiskey
AP
Sadler A
Stokes GN
Summerfield JH
Tapp MJ

4 qp

Anderton O
Anderton RR
Brodie I
Chilcott R
Crawford S
Harrison K
(6/9/07?)
Howard G
Horsley DM
Randall D

South

Birmingham

1a qp

Dighton S
Gordon S
Gormally DW
James R
Pitcher J
Shephard CCW
Swindells J
Taylor R

1b qp

Dunn D
Emanuel J
Hylands L
Hurney K
Padilla P
Tidman S

1c qp

Ali G
Clarke N
Lane T
Malik D
Malik K
Smyth M

2 qp

Hearne R
Hope G
James AM
Lee D
Swatridge P
Walker T
Williams S
Whitmore D

3 qp

Boivin C
Drugan M
Evans S
Glass R
Gonem S
Kasifir N
Stockhall D

4 adj

Dickson F
Gilchrist D
Hardy R
Killarney S
Ralph S
Szatanik A
Tidman T

5 adj

Davis I
Emanuel L
Emanuel P
Johnson P
Malik F
McClory B
Perks G
Trinder R

6 adj

Allen K
Baker E
Emanuel S
Green B
Johnson M
Phillips P
Robinson M
Trembecki J
Williams A

St. George's

4 adj

Cambell R
Collier LE
Elkington P
Gough RT
GriffinCE
Jewsbury KR
Johnson L
Johnston A
Langston KJ
Lunn J
Rees M
Sidwell J
Wise K

Stourbridge

2 adj

Fallowfield J
Fallowfield N
Foster S
Harris NH
Horwill E
Jukes S

Stourbridge
Continued

3 adj

Allford D
Blanchard C
Brookes R
Dudley B
Evans R
Foxall J
Humphreys KG
Humphries J
Jones A
Kosted T
Loynes J
Moore A
Moseley A
Pearce J
Pritchard M
Scriven D
Somersfield A
Webster J
Wilkinson R
Wilson J

Sutton Coldfield

2 qp

Addis M
Cox T
Dhesi I
Escott K
Folayan S
Ortega I
Stepanyan H

3a qp

Greatrex R
Kent A
Lawrence R
Owen N
Soszynski M
Windows G

3b qp

Brown E
Burgess T
Carpenter G
Casey M
Dhesi H
Dudley A
East C
Green D
Hayden L
Jobanputra S
Joyce J
Melody K
Ortega E
Ortega M
Slight M
Stepanyan A
Storey I
Tunks D

Tamworth &
District

1 qp

Allen R
Briggs P
Bould T
Hern K
Hoddy J
Mroz W

2 qp

Griffiths R
Hedges R
Kimberley M
Kimberley S
Oliver P
Walton S

5 qp

Cunningham B
Golightly E
Hoddy D
Howlett J
McConnell P
Prentice D

6 qp

Farrugia H
Manning J
Manning N
Manning S
Smith A
Smith D
Zsigo M

Walsall Kipping

1 adj

Anderton DW
Bellin C
Bellin J
Denny M
Groombridge M
Pritchard D
Wheeler DP
Wheeler M

3 adj

Beasley S
Burgess P
Davies B
Friend D
Jones RG
Payton J
Perry A
Rea W
Savin M
Young N

4 adj

Anderton D
Billings C
Gavin P
Godridge P
Hayes L
James M
Jones SA
Moore KJ
Nixon P
Patel R
Shrimpton AE

Warley
Quinborne

1 qp

Cordon C
Doran M
Singh AJ
Southall A
Whitehouse B
Wildboar M

2 adj

Burnett A
Fahy J
Moxley A
Moxley S
Rawlings W
Reeves D
Smith S
Turner J

5 qp

Black S
Evans A
Hughes P
Lewis J B
Pakenham J
Rourke J
Watkins H
Wheeldon P
Woodward P

West
Bromwich

2 qp

Walker N
Crump JE
Smith M
Davies D
Bull P
Backhouse D
Wesson G
Uddin M
Bryant C
Eckloff C

West Midlands

Police

5 adj

Butler P
Cooper M
Hardstaff PI
Holman R
Phillips B
Quail JH

6 adj

Farn A
Farrell D.
Hathaway M
Hathaway N
Higgins M (11/9/07)
Merritt A.
Panesar-Grix N
Sullivan R
Watson J (3/9/07)

Westminster

4 adj

Foy S
Loly M
Millward R
Nicolle D
Phillips S
Steeles B

5 adj

Burke J
Elliot W
Evans T
Goddard G
Leaper R
Trevis R

6 adj

Abrams P
Burford J
Butcher R
Cooper D
Dunlop R
Houston J
Littelhailes L
Shriane H

Wolseley

3 adj

Chowdhury M
Lawrence P
Maciel E
Maciel G
Sherman P
Stepanovic G

6 adj

Bates G
Fennell G
Gazee T
Joiner P
Nooney K
Reeves D
Spence P

Wolverhampton

1 adj

Mangwengwende J
May M
Porter P
Samanci A
Sanghera P
Sygnowski T
Thompson PI
Townsend MP
Wood F

4 qp

Agnihotri K
Arorash D
Bird D
Broomhall P
Collings N
Dawson R
di Tomaso C
Fox J
Griffiths MF
Haughton C
Hubbard P
Jones K
Khoshnevis B
Lewis B
Marlow B
Parker R
Steed M
Wakelam JM
Walters P
Whittingham R
Wilson S
Wooton M

Adjournments – No more 'Mr Nice Guy' - The Records Secretaries have announced that they intend to take a tougher attitude towards teams who request adjournment extensions beyond the regulatory 3 week period. John Fahy writes (with slight editorial amendments): "*The Records Secretaries are sympathetic to fixture problems and to players who have other commitments, and are usually amenable to adjournments occasionally running into a 4th week - however, this should be on the odd occasion and must not be taken as normal practice by any Club or Player. In taking every effort to complete the game within 3 weeks, alternative venues local to the Home club should be considered*".

Individual Tournaments

Players wishing to enter the BDCL's knock-out Individual Tournaments for the division in which they play (or any other higher division) should send their details and their £2.50 entry fees to: K. Humphreys, Chairman of the Individual Tournament Committee, 82, Vernier Avenue, Kingswinford, W. Midlands, DY6 8SA by **1st October**. (Strictly speaking clubs are meant to nominate two [first-choice] players per division for this tournament, but in practice there is usually room for any player who wishes to enter).

BDCL Rapid-Play tournament

This will take place at a four Dwellings High School, Quinton, on **Sunday 14th October**. There is an Open section, plus sections for those graded Under 160, Under 125, and Under 90. Club Secretaries should have received entry forms. Otherwise further details can be obtained from Ken Langston tel. 0121 585 9663 email: kenneth.langston@btopenworld.com. To avoid a late fee your entry needs to be sent in by 8th October.

Lost and found? - Dave Rowe asks if anybody knows the whereabouts of the attendance sheet for the last (August) meeting of the BDCL Management Committee Meeting. If you have it in your possession please would you send it to him.

Also missing are the handbooks for Wolseley club. Dave Rowe believes that someone at the Management Committee meeting may have agreed to deliver them. However, the handbooks do not appear to have been received, so if you have them, or know where they are, would you deliver them and/or inform Dave.

County Chess: Warwicks v Worcs - Pistols at Dawn? - Worcestershire's County Chess Association are said to be going to use the old county boundaries when determining player eligibility for county matches. This will mean that Worcestershire will be claiming a share of territory that has been the preserve of Warwickshire over the last few years. I confidently expect street battles and multiple tarring and featherings as whole neighbourhoods pledge their loyalty to one or other chess association Or maybe not. Probably, the only practical difference it will make is that some players in parts of south Birmingham and (possibly) Solihull may now have the option of playing for Worcestershire instead of Warwickshire.

Epilogue from the editor: This is my first bulletin. I hope to be able to live up the high standards of my predecessor, 'he-who-must-not-be-named-and-has-been-expunged-from-history', but inevitably there will be some mistakes and infelicities, so please let me know when you find them. All errors in this document are my responsibility - except, of course, for those which aren't. A la prochaine.... CE.