

Birmingham & District Chess League: 2008/2009 - Bulletin 7

Division 1

	P	W	D	L	Pts
South Birmingham 'A'	12	10	2	0	22
Shirley & Lucas	12	9	3	0	21
South Birmingham 'B'	11	6	2	3	14
Lichfield	10	6	1	3	13
Kynoch/Barn	12	5	3	4	13
Walsall Kipping	9	5	1	3	11
Halesowen	10	5	1	4	11
Olton	10	5	1	4	11
Sutton Coldfield	10	1	4	5	6
South Birmingham 'C'	11	2	2	7	6
Solihull	9	1	1	7	3
Wolverhampton	9	0	2	7	2
Bushbury	9	0	1	8	1

Division 2

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Tamworth & District 'A'	11	9	1	1	19
Warley Quinborne 'A'	10	8	1	1	17
West Bromwich	11	6	5	0	17
Birmingham	11	6	3	2	15
Olton 'A'	12	6	3	3	15
South Birmingham	11	5	2	4	12
Stourbridge 'A'	11	5	2	4	12
Boldmere St Michael's	9	4	1	4	9
Warley Quinborne 'B'	10	4	1	5	9
Tamworth & District 'B'	11	2	3	6	7
Olton 'B'	11	1	2	8	4
Stourbridge 'B'	11	0	3	8	3
Lichfield	11	0	1	10	1

Division 3

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Mutual Circle	12	9	2	1	20
Greenlands	11	9	1	1	19
Sutton Coldfield	11	8	1	2	17
Bushbury	10	6	3	1	15
Shirley & Lucas 'A'	12	6	3	3	15
Shirley & Lucas 'B'	12	7	1	4	15
Boldmere St Michael's	12	3	3	6	9
South Birmingham	12	3	3	6	9
Wolseley	12	3	3	6	9
Redditch	12	3	2	7	8
Solihull	10	3	0	7	6
Halesowen	12	2	1	9	5
Walsall Kipping	12	1	1	10	3

Division 4

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Mutual Circle	11	8	2	1	18
St Georges	10	7	2	1	16
Rushall	11	7	2	2	16
South Birmingham	12	6	2	4	14
Olton	11	6	1	4	13
Mercia	11	6	0	5	12
Wolverhampton	11	4	3	4	11
Northfield Checkmates	12	3	5	4	11
Sutton Coldfield	11	4	1	6	9
Walsall Kipping	11	4	1	6	9
Birmingham	11	3	1	7	7
Warley Quinborne	12	2	1	9	5
Westminster	12	1	3	8	5

Division 5

	P	W	D	L	Pts
South Birmingham	11	9	2	0	20
Shirley & Lucas	11	7	3	1	17
Boldmere St Michael's	10	7	2	1	16
Mutual Circle	11	7	1	3	15
West Midlands Police	11	7	1	3	15
Bushbury	10	6	1	3	13
Lichfield	10	5	0	5	10
Halesowen	10	3	1	6	7
Wolseley	11	3	1	7	7
Kynoch/Barn	11	2	1	8	5
Westminster	11	1	1	9	3
Aldridge & District	11	0	0	11	0

Division 6

	P	W	D	L	Pts
Redditch	9	7	1	1	15
Solihull	9	6	1	2	13
Tamworth & District	9	5	2	2	12
Boldmere St Michaels A	9	4	3	2	11
Greenland's	9	4	2	3	10
Olton	9	5	0	4	10
Mutual Circle	9	3	3	3	9
Boldmere St Michaels B	9	2	2	5	6
Kynoch/Barn	9	2	0	7	4
West Midlands Police	9	0	0	9	0

Promoted & relegated teams are marked:

League Table information relates only to match results published in the Bulletin either in full or summary form (see back page).

Knock-Out Finals Drama

All four of the Trophy finals have now started but so far only two have been decided. The Terrill final had a nail-biting finish after early results favourable to Warley Quinborne (2A) meant that South Birmingham (1A) needed to win the last three games to take the match. They duly dispatched two of WQ's remaining players, and with a 4 to 2 pawn advantage in the 3rd game South Birmingham seemed set for victory. However, they were frustrated at the eleventh hour when an apparently suicidal but accurately calculated series of moves by Quinborne player, Callum Gordon, led to him hoovering up his opponent's pawns to reach a drawn ending. So WQ had won the day by 4 ½ points to 4 and had also given SB's top team their only defeat of the season.

In the Barrington final Sutton Coldfield (4) defeated Northfield Checkmates 4 points to 2. The Townshend match is finely poised at Mutual Circle (4) 2 ½ St. George's (4) 2 ½ but with advantage to the Mutual player, Phil Wells, in the remaining game. In the Homer Shirley & Lucas (3B) lead Boldmere St. Michael's (2) 3 – 2 1/2 (including handicap) with two games adjourned. If S & L 'B' can gain one more point then this will cap a fine season for them as a battling performance in the League has already allowed them to tie with their own powerful 'A' team in the top half of Division Three.

Changes to the Morry-Wood Competition

There has been disquiet at the low number of entries for the Junior prize in the Morry-Wood competition. Last season the prize could not be awarded due to lack of entrants, and this year no entries had yet been received only two weeks before the closing date. Laurie Wheatley, Morry-Wood Chairman, proposed that juniors aged 11 or over should be allowed to put forward their own names for the prize. (In the past entrants had had to be nominated by an adult). This change to the rules was approved by the Committee. However, a second proposal that the eligibility conditions should be extended so as to allow applications from some juniors not connected with the BDCL (and/or not within its normal catchment area) was voted down. Other possible changes to the eligibility rules, such as widening the age limits, were discussed but did not meet with general approval. However, the Morry-Wood Committee would welcome any ideas as to how to encourage more good candidates to enter in future.

Re-Registrations

Redditch: M Clack from Div 6 to Div 3 (19/3/09)

LEAGUE MATCHES

Division 1

165 Kynoch/Barn 4 South Birmingham C 2
P Webster 1 M Smyth 0
K Ingram 1 S Williams 0
N Roberts ½ G Ali ½
A Hickey ½ N Clarke ½
D Ireland 0 G Hope 1
L Wright 1 *Default* *def*

167 Olton 2 Walsall Kipping 4
P Holt 0 D Anderton 1
A Lloyd ½ D Wheeler ½
R Smith 0 J Bellin 1
Robert Reynolds ½ D Pritchard ½
M Cundy ½ C Bellin ½
Richard Reynolds ½ M Groombridge ½

169 Solihull 1 ½ Kynoch/Barn 4 ½
M Tapp ½ P Webster ½
R Carpenter 0 K Ingram 1
T Sadler 0 N Roberts 1
A Lewis ½ A Hickey ½
G Stokes ½ E Goodwin ½
K Jewsbury 0 L Wright 1

172 South Birmingham 4 ½ Lichfield 1 ½
J Pitcher 1 P Wallace 0
J Swindells 0 M Staples 1
D Malik 1 J Keaveney 0
L Hylands ½ P Collins ½
J Fallowfield 1 G Lamb 0
J Emmanuel 1 M Maher 0

Division 2

242 Lichfield 2 Birmingham 4
R Farmery ½ A Karim ½
J Smith ½ A Pready ½
B Homewood 0 J Fender 1
A Grant 0 J Gee 1
Y Slobodyuk ½ C McConkey ½
P Cooper ½ M Schroeder ½

266 Lichfield 1 Stourbridge A 5
R Farmery ½ S Jukes ½
B Homewood ½ J Foxall ½
Y Slobodyuk 0 E Horwill 1
D Short 0 J Wilson 1
J Masfield 0 D Scriven 1
J Dodgson 0 M Pritchard 1

269 Olton B 0 Warley Quinborne A 6
K Allen 0 A Southall 1
A Cottom 0 B Whitehouse 1
S Chadaway 0 A Draper 1
R Liszewski 0 M Doran 1
J Llewelyn 0 S Smith 1
W Archibald 0 W Rawlings 1

270 Warley Quin. B 1 ½ W. Bromwich 4 1/2
J Fahy ½ N Walker ½
S Smith 0 J Crump 1
J Turner 0 P Bull 1
A Parkinson 0 D Davies 1
S Moxley ½ D Backhouse ½
W Rawlings ½ M Uddin ½

271 West Bromwich 3 Tamworth & D. A 3
N Walker ½ P Briggs ½
J Crump ½ R Allen ½
P Bull 1 K Hern 0
D Davies 0 T Bould 1
D Backhouse 1 S Kimberley 0
M Uddin 0 M Kimberley 1

Division 3

301 Halesowen 1 ½ Bushbury 4 1/2
R Grimes ½ P Baggott ½
W Peck ½ P Staley ½
D Curry ½ M Podlesak ½
G Wyle 0 S Harris 1
M Clark 0 J Button 1
A Taylor 0 D Molineux 1

365 Halesowen 4 ½ South Birmingham 1 1/2
M Hadley 1 T Walker 0
R Grimes 1 D Stockhall 0
W Peck ½ S Ralph ½
D Curry 1 C Boivin 0
G Wyle ½ R Hardy ½
M Clark ½ A Szatanik ½

368 Boldmere St. Michael's 2 Greenlands 4
P Loach 0 K Hurney 1
L Bennett 0 L Wheatley 1
A Hussain ½ I Ellis ½
P Jones 1 I Truscott 0
M Harrington ½ R Peters ½
D Brelsforth 0 A Wiggins 1

371 Greenlands 3 Wolseley 3
L Wheatley ½ P Sherman ½
I Ellis 0 G Maciel 1
I Truscott ½ P Lawrence ½
R Peters ½ E Maciel ½
A Wiggins 1 G Stepanovic 0
D Bott ½ D Reeves ½

372 Bushbury 3 ½ Redditch 2 ½
P Baggott 0 G Stanton 1
M Podlesak 1 I Clack 0
P Staley 1 D Abraham 0
J Button ½ M Clack ½
D Molineux 1 K Day 0
W Pinfold 0 K Krowicki 1

376 Shirley & Lucas B 5 Boldmere St. M. 1
G Christie 1 P Loach 0
K Warren 1 L Bennett 0
L Rawson 1 S Edwards 0
K Gilbert ½ A Hussain ½
F Jimenez ½ P Jones ½
M Warden 1 M Harrington 0

Division 4

436 Northfield Checks. 2 Wolverhampton 4
P Maddocks ½ G Sands ½
R Gough ½ C Haughton ½
S Bowden 0 R Dawson 1
P Hodkinson 0 B Lewis 1
M Rees 1 P Hubbard 0
L Willmott *def* B Walker 1

462 Sutton Coldfld 2 ½ Walsall Kipping 3 1/2
S Jobanputra 1 B Davies 0
D Green ½ A Shrimpton ½
H Dhesi 0 Doreen Anderton 1
A Dhesi ½ P Nixon ½
M Brown ½ K Moore ½
G Carpenter 0 S Jones 1

464 Sutton Coldfield 4 ½ Westminster 1 ½
S Jobanputra 1 B Steeles 0
D Green ½ D Nicolle ½
A Stepanyan ½ R Leaper ½
H Dhesi 1 J Burke 0
A Dhesi 1 R Trevis 0
E Brown ½ D Littlehales ½

466 South Birmingham 2 St. George's 4
R Hardy 0 L Collier 1
M Nevin 0 L Johnson 1
F Dickson 0 K Langston 1
A Szatanik 0 J Lunn 1
M Loat 1 K Wise 0
T Tidman 1 R Campbell 0

467 Walsall Kipping 2 ½ Mercia 3 ½
B Davies ½ K Francis ½
A Shrimpton ½ B Smith ½
Doreen Anderton ½ C Lane ½
K Moore 0 C Bateson 1
S Jones 0 K May 1
P Nixon 1 *Default* *def*

LEAGUE MATCHES

Division 4 continued

468 Birmingham 3 ½ Sutton Coldfield 2 1/2

H Scott	1	S Jobanputra	0
M Schroeder	½	A Stepanyan	½
B Hopkins	0	H Dhési	1
W Carter	0	A Dhési	1
D Rowe	1	E Brown	0
A Wright	1	M Brown	0

469 Mercia 4 Birmingham 2

D Perks	1	H Scott	0
J Phillips	0	M Schroeder	1
K Francis	½	B Hopkins	½
B Smith	½	D Rowe	½
R Price	1	A Wright	0
C Lane	1	J Hill	0

470 Westminster 1 ½ Olton 4 ½

B Steele	½	J Gillespie	½
D Nicolle	0	W Archibald	1
R Leaper	0	D Stockwin	1
J Houston	½	P Singh	½
G Goddard	0	K Lawson	1
R Trevis	½	J Clulee	½

471 Rushall 5 ½ Wolverhampton ½

C Wilcox-Banks	½	G Sands	½
P Leary	1	R Dawson	0
R Hancox	1	S Wilson	0
P Broomhall	1	B Lewis	0
R Dolan	1	P Hubbard	0
D Jarvis	1	B Walker	0

Division 5

516 Lichfield 2 West Midlands Police 4

D Fone	½	M Cooper	½
G Monks	½	B Phillips	½
C Kirk	0	M Hathaway	1
D Short	½	A Merritt	½
P Cooper	½	R Sullivan	½
N Griffin	0	J Watson	1

526 Aldridge & District ½ Bushbury 5 ½

S Winman	0	A Schroeder	1
L Andrews	0	R Brodie	1
A Woodward	½	W Pinfold	½
G Woodward	0	J Fenby	1
G Darby	0	D Buckley	1
Default	def	Default	def

550 Bushbury 5 Westminster 0

A Schroeder	1	G Goddard	0
R Brodie	1	D Cooper	0
P Scott	1	R Trevis	0
J Whitehead	1	D Littlehales	0
D Buckley	1	P Abram	0
K Booth	def	H Shriane	def

553 Lichfield 2 ½ South Birmingham 3 1/2

G Monks	0	F Malik	1
A Hall	1	B McClory	0
C Brown	½	I Davies	½
J Masefield	0	P Emmanuel	1
J Dodgson	0	P Johnson	1
R Smith	1	Default	def

559 West Mid. Police 4 Westminster 2

M Cooper	½	G Goddard	½
P Hardstaff	1	J Houston	def
B Phillips	½	D Cooper	½
R Sullivan	0	D Littlehales	1
A Merritt	1	P Abram	0
J Watson	1	Default	def

560 Bushbury 1 1/2 Mutual Circle 4 ½

A Schroeder	1	M Walker	0
P Scott	0	M Al-Samir	1
R Brodie	½	P Thompson	½
D Buckley	0	A Woollaston	1
K Booth	0	D Price	1
J Whitehead	0	J Iqbal	1

561 Shirley & Lucas 3 Wolseley 3

P McGuirk	0	P Joiner	1
G Csepregi	0	D Parr	1
B Knee	1	K Nooney	0
J Donovan	0	T Gazee	1
P Gough	1	P Spence	0
R Ball	1	T White	0

562 Halesowen 5 Kynoch/Barn 1

D Digger	½	W Morgan	½
M Borley	½	M Peers	½
P Evans	1	B Dawson	0
J Southcote	½	G Wickett	½
M Vile	1	P Murphy	0
D Etheridge	1	D Hill	0

563 Mutual Circle 3 Aldridge & District 2

M Walker	½	L Andrews	½
M Al-Samir	0	S Winnerman	1
P Thompson	1	G Woodward	0
D Price	½	A Woodward	½
C Mills	1	J Strachan	0
Default	def	Default	def

565 Kynoch/Barn 1 Mutual Circle 5

W Morgan	½	M Walker	½
M Peers	0	M Al-Samir	1
B Dawson	0	P Thompson	1
G Wickett	0	A Woollaston	1
P Murphy	0	D Price	1
D Hill	½	C Mills	½

Division 6

631 Olton 2 ½ Boldmere St. M. B 1 ½

T Evans	0	A Sturch	1
K Lawson	½	B French	½
N Terry	1	M Carrington	0
W Yeomans	1	C Thomas	0

649 Redditch 4 Boldmere St. Michael's A 0

A Davis	1	R Taylor	0
R Bricknell	1	G Harman	0
M Clack	1	G Smith	0
D Abraham	1	G Osborne	0

652 Tamworth & District 2 Solihull 2

P McConnell	1	D Horsley	0
D Prentice	½	J Green	½
J Howlett	½	D Randall	½
S Clarke	0	A Pearson	1

654 Redditch 3 Tamworth & District 1

A Davis	1	P McConnell	0
J Cole	1	D Prentice	0
M Clack	0	J Howlett	1
D Abraham	1	M Zsigo	0

Knock-Out Cups

Townshend Trophy Semi-Final

TO4-02

Walsall Kipp. (4) 3 Mutual Circ. (4) 3

B Davies	½	S Goray	½
A Shrimpton	0	P Wells	1
P Nixon	0	M Tallis	1
Doreen Anderton	½	S Robinson	½
K Moore	1	M Walker	0
L Hayes	1	A Webb	0

Mutual Circle win on board count

Knock-out Cups continued

Barrington Trophy – Semi-Finals

B3-01

Sutton Coldfield (4) 4 Olton (6) 3 ½

S Jobanputra	1	T Evans	0
D Green	½	K Lawson	½
A Stepanyan	1	P Simpson	0
E Brown	1	J Clulee	0
M Brown	½	W Yeomans	½
J East	0	N Terry	1
		<i>Handicap</i>	1 ½

B3-02

Warley Quin. (4) 2 ½ Northfield Ch. (4) 3 ½

J Rourke	½	P Maddocks	½
J Lewis	½	R Gough	½
P Woodward	½	S Bowen	½
J Pakenham	0	P Hodgkinson	1
P Hughes	1	M Rees	0
A Evans	0	L Willmott	1

Stop-Press League Results

121 Sth. Birmingham (C) ½ Olton 3 ½
168 Wolverhampton 3 Sutton Coldfield 3
170 Walsall Kipp. 1 ½ S. Birmingham A 3 ½
174 Shirley & Lucas 5 Wolverhampton 1
176 Lichfield 2 Shirley & Lucas 4
177 Walsall Kipping 4 Halesowen 0
251 Birmingham 2 Olton A 4
266 Lichfield 1 Stourbridge A 5
267 Warley Quin. A 3 ½ S. Birmingham 1 ½
268 S. Birmingham 3 ½ Boldmere S.M. 2 ½
274 Sth. Birmingham 3 Lichfield 3
276 Tamworth & D. 3 W. Bromwich 3
369 Wolseley 3 Sutton Coldfield 3
373 Solihull 3 ½ Halesowen 2 ½
375 Walsall Kipping 1 ½ Halesowen 3 ½
378 Boldmere St. M. 2 ½ Bushbury 3 ½
444 Birmingham 2 ½ Mutual Circle 3 ½
455 Sth. Birmingham 4 Mutual Circle 2
472 Olton 1 ½ South Birmingham 4 1/2
476 Wolverhampton 2 Walsall Kipping 4
477 Wolverhampton 4½ Warley Quin.1½
478 Walsall Kipping 2½ Birmingham 3½
516 Lichfield 2 West Midlands Police 4
562 Halesowen 5 Kynoch/Barn 1
564 South Birmingham 6 Westminster 0
566 Lichfield 6 Wolseley *default*
647 Olton 3 Mutual Circle 1
655 Kynoch 1 ½ Greenlands 2 ½

Warwickshire Under 125's Win Regional Final

Warwickshire's U125 team had a good win over Nottinghamshire to become Midlands Champions. As the U125 tournament structure is more elaborate than that in most other sections, I think that the team's achievements are worthy of special note so I am departing from my normal practice and giving full match details below.

WARWICKSHIRE			NOTTINGHAMSHIRE		
1	Biddle, Mike A	123 ½	Tassi, John	123 ½	
2	Asbury, Jon A	123 ½	Davies, Norman J	122 ½	
3	Oliver, Peter D	121 0	Thomson, James L	120 1	
4	Rawson, Louis S	120 ½	Flynn, David	120 ½	
5	Brelsforth, Dave *	104 ½	Morgan, D Philip	119 ½	
6	Stockhall, Derek A	120 1	Myers, Richard	118 0	
7	Ralph, Sean	118 1	Murfet, George J	117 0	
8	Cottom, Andrew	120 ½	Thurgood, Toby J	117 ½	
9	Johnson, Lennie	121 ½	Gibson, Graham J	Ung ½	
10	Tallis, Mark E	115 1	Roper, Keith W	112 0	
11	Gilbert, Kim T	114 0	Willoughby, Robert H	112 1	
12	Weber, Ralf	Ung 0	Williamson, Eric A	111 1	
13	Evans, Garry	Ung 1	Yang, Jixin	109 0	
14	Harrington, Michael J	106 ½	Nailard, Michael J	108 ½	
15	Jimenez, Frank C	108 1	Redburn, Barry T	103 0	
16	Dickson, Fred S	106 1	Sargeant, Christopher	95 0	

RESULT

9½

6½

* = last minute substitute for missing player

Penalties for Defaulted Games?

At the March meeting of the League Management Committee it was suggested that: (1) too many match-games were being defaulted in the League; and (2) that some clubs might be gaining advantage by listing players high up on their match cards in the full knowledge that these players were not going to turn up. No particular clubs or players were singled out. The issue was discussed and a consensus emerged that it was pointless to consider penalising individual *players*, but that it might be both feasible and desirable to bring in a new rule so that *Clubs* could be penalised if they repeatedly defaulted games on the higher boards. No decision on the matter was reached but the way was left open for someone to put forward concrete proposals on this issue at the next Annual General Meeting or Management Meeting.

In your editor's view it would certainly be a good idea to deter flagrant attempts to gain an unfair advantage. However, the situation is often more blurred than this. A team captain may sometimes be in doubt as to whether a certain player (say a Board 2) is going to arrive. The choices then are difficult. If the player is listed as normal and he fails to turn up, this is embarrassing and arguably fraudulent. However, if the captain leaves the player out then a game may be unnecessarily defaulted; and if he puts the player's name down on Board 6 then this could be a breach of rule 7.2. An unenviable choice.

BDCL Annual General Meeting

This will take place at South Birmingham's venue on Monday, 8th June, at 7.30 p.m.. It will be followed by a Management Committee Meeting.