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## Brooke victorious at Witney Congress

The 2nd Witney Congress took place
over the weekend of October 18 and 19. Cokethorpe School generously sponsored the event and provided The small Open section was wo Camberloy's Neil Bridge was won by Wamberey Neal Brdge with Mark (Swindonead (Rochdale) and Peter Muagrove and UIUS sections. honours in the Ul80 Remartably in
planet. Oxford City's ninth decade on the planet Oxiord City's Ian Brooke won the argest section, the U120.
ho first gimes from Soch, Russia where Vishy Anand is battling Magnus - Cartsen for the title of World Champion - have probably set the pattern for the match. Anand is a theory heavyweight with a depth of openings knowledge few can chatlenge
By his own admisstion; Carlsen is not a workaholic. The initial encounters surgest the Norwegian will rely on surprising Anand

## by Matt Rose

in the opening and out-playing the Indian in the midde and end game rather than taking him on in critical, heavily, theoretical lines. Many amateurs successfally adopt this labour-saving approach and, in the following league game, Cify Club's Sean Terry gives a masterful and entertaining demonetration. White: Simon Terrington (Cumnor) Black: Sean Terry (City)
Tango has the merit of surprise at leagt's Tanpo has the merit of surprise at least,
3. NiS It looks tempting to iniehts around temptinging to push Black's the great American Grandmaster. Franli Marshall, once tried this and lost in Just moves: 3 . Ne5 4.63 e6 5 Bb2 Bb4 6 . Nita 7 7.BcI Qem 0.1, Marshall-Torre, 1925. 3., d6t? Another surprise, usually Black aims for a sort of Nimzo-Indian with 3..e6 4. Ncs . Bbs
4. Nc3 Brsm $5 . \mathrm{Bg5}$ est $6 . \mathrm{d}_{5} \mathrm{Ne} 7.7 \mathrm{Nd} 9$ a6I? 8. e4 Bd7 9.Be2 Ng 6 Black has played rather eccentrically; but without compromising his position and - since 1 his position before- White woild heache certainly been on his own by now.
10,0-0 h6 11. Be3 Be7 12 b4 0 Nf4 14.Bxf4 exfs 15 . cxde? cxds 16 . Re Res 17.a3 Bf8 18.f3 Nh51? 19. Nb3 Ng3!? 20.Re1 The knight looks untouchable - but in fact $20 . \mathrm{hxg} 3$ frgs 21. Qtet dutends. Even so, after the further moves 21 ...Qh422.Ridi Racs, black has excellent compensation for the pieco.
20...Oh4 21.Bd3? Re5 22.hxes fre3 23.Ne2? White cracks under the pressure. He needed to aree d1 for his king so $23,2 c 2$ was the move. Sven then, Black has such dark square dominance that he can take his time with $23 . . \mathrm{Qh} 2+24 . \mathrm{Kf}$ Bert and remain in
conirol
defence 2 2.KII Bh3! Now there's no

Problem


Joseph Truran - Duncan MacAjthur, Waney 2014,
How did While foo play win guckth Answer - Bape 20
25.Nf4 Bxg2+1 26.Nxg2 Qh1 + 27.Ke2 Qxe2+ 28.Ke3 QR2+! 29.Kf4 h5t 0-1
£100 worth of OUP books are to be won in our weekly prize crosswords...

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Cover page: Main picture sees Simon King spectate the top two boards at Ducklington (Harvey - Manley and (McKenna) - Wells; and clockwise sees Antonio Sanchez - Matt Rose; Tim's arbiting milieu on Oxford Saturday mornings; the Oxford Univ Tourney (Nov 2013) and Hendrick Brackman - Karl Rajangam.

On this page, Matt's article sees the triumph of Ian Brooke (80+) at the Witney rapids, a game from myself (60-) in the OCA, and a decent combo from the youthful Joseph Truran, as well as a \#putoutyourbats appearance at the Cowley Blitz.

## Editorial

On the last Friday before Christmas, the editor gave to thee...


And without further ado it's time to wish you all a Merry Christmas and hope that you find most of the above between now and the New Year - and are on the right side of the board when it happens!
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## Liviu Podgornei: errata / correction / clarification ... a letter to the Editor, even!

Liviu Podgornei writes from Germany, having tasted the joys of Disinformator online ${ }^{1}$, and also the occasional sorrow. Some will remember him from his time in Oxford about 14 years back. He passes on some praise for the magazine, and affection for the time he spent in Oxford, but has also put his finger on some of the downsides of the mag., viz our spelling, and in particular
(a) "My family name is PODGORNEI. In that magazine it has been spelled:

- Podgorniu (December 2001, page 7), (May 2002, page 16)
- Podgorni (October 2002, Page 3),
- Liviv Tadgorni (October 2002, Page 3).
(b) On the other hand, it was written that I was an IM: (May 2002, page 16) and (May 2002, Page 26). I have never been an IM.

On count (a) we clearly accept that we've written Liviu's name incorrectly. In mitigation we have relied on information from game scores on occasion, and there are the perils of deadline-itis. Having examined the reference to "Tadgorni" I see that this was a direct quote from Kelly Riley, and is accompanied by "[sic]", so this needs to be understood. Regarding (b) the idea in referring to Liviu as the resident Roumanian IM was simply to denote the standing in which East European chess players are held in this part of the West (viz. my mind), and indeed in the October 2002 article Chrisablanca Grice GM is referenced. I think the context in that piece suggests the liberal use of hyperbole in the attribution of titular chess strength.

I'm happy to confirm the information that Liviu has provided above.

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## George Spalding writes by email: (15 October)

As a result of an incident in one of the early league games this season, this is a reminder to all team captains that they must not allow any of their team to interfere with the course of a game they are spectating by any audible remark concerning the course of that game.

For example if Smith is watching a game between his colleague Jones and opponent Bloggs, he is nor allowed to say such things as
(1) Blogg's clock has fallen
(2) Bloggs has left a piece en pris
(3) It is mate in two for Jones ${ }^{2}$

These are breaches of etiquette. In the game that necessitated this e-mail, it was determined that the interference did not affect the natural course of the game. But on another day such a breach could do so,
and could cost the team of the offender. Each case would have to be reviewed on its merits, but it will be far better if such interference does not recur.

## OCA AGM news

Simon King writes (by email, 21 September)

## Personnel

(1) Gerard O'Reilly has accepted the invitation of the Committee to act as OCA President, a non-executive post, for the next three years
(2) The post of OCA Treasurer is still to be filled, following the stepping down of Mike Truran in the summer. Chairman Simon King is handling the day to day running of this for now
(3) All other officers/county captains remain in post for at least season 2013/14

## League Structure/Fixtures

(1) A divisional structure of 8-7-8-8 will operate for the coming 2014/15 season with fixtures kicking off in early October, as shown on the OCA Web Page
(2) All else being equal, we plan to promote two teams from Div 3 and 4 at the end of 2014/15. so that the aim of getting 8 teams in Division 2 is fulfilled.
(3) Clubs should advise the names of their Team Captains/Managers to the Secretary over the next week or two so that results can be posted on the OCA Web Page by the Captains without hiccups

## Frank Wood Shield

(1) The Frank Wood Shield competition will not start until after Christmas in 2014/15
(2) This should give more time for Clubs to decide on the number of teams that they wish to enter. A final date of Nov 30 has been decided for this information to reach the Secretary
(3) If possible we will make the draw for the competition at the Cowley Blitz evening in December 2014
(4) The AGM accepted a proposal from Gerard O'Reilly ( Cowley) to modify the Eligibility Rules for players in this competition. A canny mixture of tightening up the rules in some areas, and increasing the flexibility in others, the revised rules will be posted on the OCA Web Page soon. Be advised that use of an illegal player on any board will cost the offending team the match!

Best wishes for a successful 2014/15 season to all clubs and individuals

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## 2014-15 OCDL Division 1: Latest Table

| Team | Played | Won | Drawn | Lost | Def. matches | Def. games | Penalty pts | Bonus pts | Game pt diff | Points |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Witney 1 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 10 |
| City 1 | 6 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 10 |
| Didcot 1 | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Cowley 2 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -6 | 6 |
| Cowley 1 | 7 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -5 | 6 |
| OxUni1 | 7 | 2 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 5 |
| Witney 2 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -1 | 4 |
| Banbury 1 | 6 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | -9 | 4 |

As of 16 December, we are joint top with Witney 1 - see table - though probably with a bad tie break, as we lost to them during October. (No games have made it through to Disinformator ${ }^{\text {TM }}$ Central since then, but rumour has it we were looking good until the end, when we lost.) Our most recent outing was against a strong Didcot 1 side, who did look better on more boards around 9.30pm. This was before Jon Manley's whirlwind mating attack which will no doubt feature in a future edition ... of the Oxford Times. This, along with 2 draws on bottom boards (Leif, John $Y$ ) and a win on 4 (myself) meant we had rescued a point. With Nick Gough converting confidently after shutting out Jason's king's bishop for long enough to force it to self-sacrifice, we turned to Phil on board 3, where things did not look good: Phil is Black, an exchange down, and has 4 minutes to Graham's 19:

He's just played ... d5 before realising that wasn't quite so good, but it does offer the option to think, and whether the d- pawn is better than the f-pawn.


## 35.Rxd5 Rxf3

## 36.Rxb5 Rg3

Now White goes in for longish thinks, and this one produces...

## 37.Kd2 Rxg4

## 38.Rb7+ Kd6

This is now possible because as the $\operatorname{Rg} 4$ defends the bishop. Still hanging on ...

## 39.Rxa7 e5

40.Ra6+ Kd5
41.b3 f3

By now White's long pauses were beginning to equalise the time balance, and you could sense that some decision was in the air...

## 42.c4+ Kc5

43.Ra5+ Kc6
44.Rexe5 (bingo) Bxe5
45.Rxe5 Rg2+ (draw?)
46.Ke1 Rxa2
47.Rf5 Rb2 48.Rxf3
and here there's another re-assessment to entertain the crowd (does $\mathrm{R}+2 \mathrm{v} \mathrm{R}$ win here)?
48 ...Kc5 49.Kd1 Kb4 50.Kc1 Rh2 51.Rd3 Rg2
52.Kd1 Rh2 $1 / 2-1 / 2$... "I can't see a plan here" said Graham.


A draw subsequently confirmed by Nalimov.

Matt being available this year has been welcome, as there are some strong No. 1s in the league at present, so a $3 / 3$ result to Christmas is impressive - it's not easy to keep focus at the chessboard after a Monday at the office.

Two contrasting games by Matt at Cowley; in the first Gerard (left) could have opted to close the position (... c4) but saw something else - a combination involving a bishop pseudo sac on b4 - which doesn't quite make it through the soundness barrier. In the second, he find a neat way to win the exchange after Antonio doesn't play the optimum move in the diagram (that's a puzzle ... what's the best move for Black and why?!) but thereafter Antonio refuses to go meekly and forces play well into the final few minutes on both clock.


Rose,Matt - O'Reilly,Gerard [C03]
1.e4 e6
2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 h6 4.Ngf3 Nf6 5.Bd3 Be7
6.0-0 0-0 7.a3 b6
8.Qe2 c5
9.c3 Bb7
10.e5 Nfd7
11.b4 Nc6
12.Bc2 Re8
13.Ra2 Rc8
14.h3 Nf8

Oca - Cowley, 06.11.2014
15.Nb3 cxb4 16.axb4 Bxb4 17.cxb4 Nxb4 18.Rxa7 Rxc2 19.Qb5 Na2 20.Rxb7 Nxc1 21.Rxc1 Rxc1+
22.Nxc1 Qc8
23.Nd3 Qxb7
24.Qxe8 Qa6
25.Nb4 Qc4
26.Nc6 Qc1+
27.Kh2 Qf4+
28.Kh1 1-0

Rose,Matt - Sanchez,Antonio [D27] OCA - Cowley2, 08.12.2014

| $1 . \mathrm{e} 4 \mathrm{c} 6$ | 18.Red1 Qg4 | 35.Rbc7 Rh1 | 52.Rh4 Rxb3 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2.d4 d5 | 19.Qxg4 Nxg4 | 36.f3 Rf1 | 53.Ra5 Rb1 |
| 3.exd5 cxd5 | 20.Bxe7 Rxe7 | 37.94 Kg 8 | 54.g3+ Kf5 |
| 4.c4 Nf6 | 21.Na4 Re8 | 38.Kh2 e4 | 55.Rxg4 Kf6 |
| 5.Nc3 Nc6 | 22.Nb6 Rb8 | 39.Rc3 Rb1 | 56.Rf4+ Ke6 |
| 6. Bg 5 dxc 4 | 23.Bc2 e5 | 40.b3 exf3 | 57.Re4 Rb3 |
| 7.Bxc4 e6 | 24.Ba4 Rf8 | 41.Rxf3 Ng4+ | 58.Raxe5+ Kf6 |
| 8.Nf3 Be7 | 25.Bd7 Bxd7 | 42.Kg3 Ne5 | 59.Kg4 Ra3 |
| 9.0-0 0-0 | 26.Nxd7 h5 | 43.Rd8+ Kg7 | 60.a5 Ra1 |
| 10.Rc1 a6 | 27.Nxb8 Rxb8 | 44.Rc3 Kf6 | 61.Rb5 Ra3 |
| 11.Bd3 g6 | 28.Rd6 Kg7 | 45.Rd6+ Kf5 | 62.Rb6+ Kf7 |
| 12.Bb1 Qa5 | 29.Rc7 Nf6 | 46.Rxa6 f6 | 63.a6 Ra5 |
| 13.h4 Rd8 | 30.Rb6 Rd8 | 47.Re3 g5 | 64.Rc4 Ke7 |
| 14.Re1 Qb4 | 31.Rbxb7 Rd1+ | 48.hxg5 h4+ | 65.Rc7+ Kd8 |
| 15.Qe2 Nxd4 | 32.Kh2 Ng4+ | 49.Kxh4 Kf4 | 66.Rg7 Ra4+ |
| 16.Nxd4 Qxd4 | 33.Kg3 Nh6 | 50.Rh3 fxg5+ | 67.Kf5 Kc8 |
| 17.Qf3 Re8 | 34.Rd7 Rc1 | 51.Kh5 g4 | 68.97 1-0 |

## Chilterns 2014-15

Simon King writes (initially by email): I attach the result of this match, which was as close as one would expect, given the minute difference in average grade across the teams of 0.5 . Nevertheless, a win against the (admittedly short) odds. Moreover, it is interesting to note that over the top 10 boards (grade difference 7.4 in Hants's favour) they won 6.5-3-5, whereas over the bottom 10 boards (grade difference 6.4 in Oxon's favour) we won 7-3. From which it follows that strength in depth really counts, and I am most grateful to Alan Gentry (Witney, board \#19) and Richard Beckett (Bicester,board \#20) not only for stepping in at a few hours' notice to fill in for last-minute withdrawals, but for winning as well!

Our mid-season results are thus two wins
(Berks, Hants) and one loss (Bucks).
The fixtures for 2015 are as follows:

- 31 January: away to Berkshire
- 14 March: at home to Buckinghamshire
- 11 April: away to Hampshire


The key moments in defining the result was Maria Mate's win and Leif Dixon's draw - see the photo section! Some other high-low-lights from the Hants match:

Will achieved a commanding position for much of this game but then found a sacrifice that didn't quite make the grade:


Burt - Fowler
22.Qxf6 gxf6 23.Rd8 +Kg 7 24.Rg3 +Qg 5
25.Rdd3 h4 0-1

In my own game I sacrificed a pawn on b5 to get some initiative against the king on the other side.
Questions: Does White need to defend? If yes, what need he play?


Bogdan - Terry - (W)

## Frank Wood Shield Final 2014

| Didcot 1 |  | Oxford City 1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 Olehnovics，Andrejs（190）畐 | $0-1$ | O McKenna，Jason（193）攷 |
| $2 \Theta$ Gough，Nicholas L（177）礐 | 0．5－0．5 | －Manley，Jon P（195）篤 |
| 3 Cooper，Bernard D（156）算 | $0-1$ | Ө Hayward，Philip（187）罍 |
| $4 \ominus$ Robins，Andrew S（155）第 | $0-1$ | －Rajangam，Karlmarx（178）迕 |
| 5 Sheridan，Martin（142）篤 | 0．5－0．5 | O Terry，Sean（167）蜀 |
| 6 O Reynolds，Gary（119）䉣 | $0-1$ | －Schilling，Christian（ ）璃 |
| （ave grade 157） | $1-5$ | （ave grade 184）away win |
| Match played on 07 May 2014. |  |  |

In the end the scoreline was an inaccurate portrayal of the match events，which saw 4 boards closely fought，none fiercer than the technical opening battle that is produced below．It＇s a mainline Winawer which，in middle age looks as strange and carapicious as ever－the downside for both sides is having to learn a lot to get out of the opening．Does anyone still play it locally？

As it was，White managed to crest the waves of occasional discomfort to win by piling three major pieces onto the d－file， fatally stabbing the Black king through the carapace．（Black missed 25．．．Qxc1＋；26．Rd1 Rxg1＋；27．Qxg1 Qxa3（defending f8） which allows the endgame to appear in Act 3．As it was there was time at the end for a clumsy Champions photo，the selfie stick not yet having been marketed or probably invented．


McKenna－Olehnovics（B，17）


McKenna，Jason－Olehnovics，A［C18］FW Shield final，08．05．2014

| 1．e4 e6 | 9．Qxh7 cxd4 | 17．Rb4 Qd5 | 18．Rg1 a5 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2．d4 d5 | 10．Ne2 Nbc6 | 11．f4 dxc3 | 19．Rc4 Bb5 |
| 3．Nc3 Bb4 | 12．Qd3 d4 | 20．Rxc3 Qe4＋ | 26．Kd1 exf5 |
| 4．e5 Ne7 | 13．Nxd4 Nxd4 | 21．Re3 Qd5 | 27．Rg2 Ke7 |
| 5．a3 Bxc3＋ | 14．Qxd4 Bd7 | 28．Qe3 Rhg8 |  |
| 6．bxc3 c5 | 15．Rb1 Nf5 | 22．Bxb5＋Qxb5 | 29．Rgd2 Rc7 |
| 7．Qg4 Qc7 | 16．Qf2 Qc6 | 24．g4 Qb1 | 30．Qd4 1－0 |
| 8．Qxg7 Rg8 |  |  |  |

Scenes from the Cowley Blitz (Dec 1, top, and Chilterns v Hants (Dec 8, below)


As the last few mags have lost the threads of time, here goes with a round up of what's been gathering dust in the PGN file since about 2011. There's something quite nice about winning a game before most people have got out of their book - the thrill of seeing an answer develop before you've had the time to think anything in any detail - though ultimately short games are more blunderama ${ }^{T M}$ than brilliance...

Rasell,Geoff - Biswas,Karl [A51] Kidlington, 05.02.2011
1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 Ne4 4.Qc2 d5 5.exd6 Bf5 6.Nc3 Ng3 7.Qa4+ Bd7 8.Nb5 Nxh1 9.Nxc7+ Qxc7 10.dxc7 Bxa4 11.c8Q+1-0

Matilal,Tamal - Bennett,Owen [D30] Kidlington 2012, u-120, 05.02.2012
1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.c4 e6 4.a3 Nbd7 5.g3 dxc4 6.Nbd2 c5 7.Nxc4 Nb6 8.Nce5 cxd4 9.Bh3 h6 10.0-0 Be7 11.Nxf7 Kxf7 12.Ne5+ Ke8 13.Qd3 Qd6 14.Qg6+ Kd8 15.Nf7+ 1-0

Rajangam,Karl-Marx - Ward,Eric [C03] Leagues, 18.11.2013
1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 a6 4.c3 c5 5.Ne2 Nc6 6.e5 cxd4 7.cxd4 Nge7 8.f4 Nf5 9.Nf3 Qb6 10.g4 Nh6 11.h3 Bd7 12.Ng3 Rc8 13.Kf2 Nb4 14.b3 Be7 15.Kg2 0-0 16.a3 Nc2 17.Ra2 Qxb3 18.Rb2 Qxb2 0-1

## Terry,Sean - Morton,lan [B22] Oxford - Bicester FWS, 14.01.2014

This game features as it's the second time I've won a game this way - the first was in Wantage about 10 years ago, when I played a little more accurately with 6. Bxc6+! which wins 2 pawns. As it is had lain not blundered then 6. ... Bxf3; 7. Bxc6+ Ke7!; 8. Bxb7 Qc7! Threatens mate and keeps the pawn loss to one.
1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 d5 4.e5 Bg4 5.Bb5 e6 6.Qa4 Qc7 7.Qxg4 1-0

## Burt - Galleano,Alex [C30] <br> 27.05.2007

1.e4 e5 2.f4 Bc5 3.Nf3 d6 4.d4 exd4 5.Bd3 Nf6 6.h3 0-0 7.0-0 Qe7 8.e5 Nd5 9.Ng5 h6 10.Qh5 dxe5 11.fxe5 Ne3 12.Rf6 Nc6 13.Rxh6 gxh6 14.Qxh6 f5 15.Bxe3 dxe3 16.Bc4+ Rf7 17.Qh7+ 1-0

Burrows,Nick - Terry,Sean
Oca - Cowley 2, 06.11.2014
1.b3 e5 2.Bb2 Nc6 3.e3 d5 4.Bb5 f6 5.Qh5+ g6 6.Qh4 Bg7 7.Ne2 Nge7 8.f4 Nf5 9.Qf2 0-0 10.Na3 Nd6 11.Bxc6 bxc6 12.0-0-0 a5 13.Rhg1 a4 14.g4 Qe7 15.d3 f5 16.h3 exf4 17.exf4 Bxb2+ 18.Kxb2 axb3 0-1

Nixon,Rod - Chapman,Tim [D31] Chilterns - Hants 08, 24.03.2012
1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Be7 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Qc2 c6 6.e3 Nf6 7.Bd3 0-0 8.Nge2 Re8 9.0-0 Bd6 10.f3 Qc7 11.Kh1 Bxh2 12.f4 Ng4 13.Bxh7+ Kh8 14.Bf5 Qe7 15.Bxg4 Qh4 16.Bxc8 Bg3+ 17.Bh3 1-0

King,Simon - Burt,Will [C45] Kidlington 2012, u-180 (1), 04.02.2012
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Be3 Qf6 6.c3 Bb6 7.Be2 Qg6 8.0-0 Nf6 9.Nxc6 dxc6 10.Bxb6 axb6 11.e5 Nd5 12.Bh5 Qg5 13.f4 Nxf4 14.Bxf7+ Ke7 15.Qd2 Nh3+ 16.Kh1 Rf8 17.Bc4 Be6 18.gxh3 Bd5+ 0-1

Manley,Jon - Burt,Will [C49] OCA1 - Cowley 2, 23.04.2012
1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bb5 Bb4 5.0-0 0-0 6.d3 d6 7.Bg5 Bxc3 8.bxc3 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Nxg5 hxg5 11.Bxg5 Kh7 12.f4 Rg8 13.Qe1 Rxg5 14.fxg5 Ng4 15.Qh4+ Kg8 16.Bc4 1-0

Biswas,Karl - Riley,Kelly [B12] OCA 2 - derby, 12.12.2011
1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nc3 e6 5.g4 Bg6 6.Nge2 h5 7.Nf4 Qh4 8.Nxg6 fxg6 9.Qd3 Qxg4 10.Bh3 Qh4 11.Qxg6+ Kd7 12.Qxe6+ Kc7 13.Qc8+ Kb6 14.Qxf8 Qxh3 15.Na4+ Ka6 16.Nc5+ Kb6 17.a4 a5 18.Qd8+ Ka7 19.Qxa5+ 1-0

Miniatures - the round-up


# Witney FIDE tournament: 2013-14 

|  | Team | PTS | TB |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Bicester | $12^{1 / 2}$ | 36 |
| 2 | Oxford City | $12^{1 / 2}$ | 33 |
| 3 | Brown Jack Witney | $101 / 2$ | $25^{1 / 2}$ |
| 4 | Cowley Knights | 9 | 15 |
| 5 | Cowley Dragons | $51 / 2$ | $15^{1 / 2}$ |

Full results and PGN files can be found here: http://www.witneychess.co.uk/oxf sunlge results.htm

This was really a good tournament, and an excellent way to spend a Sunday afternoon in the winter and early spring months. This year the weather seemed to travel out Ducklington way for the Sabbath, and it was pleasant both on and off the board. Bicester won the tournament by dint of a better tie-break, which itself was more or less assured as Marcus turned up on all rounds and stuffed one and all, and very instructively too. Readers who had heard of this tournament and were wondering about playing in 2014-15 should ... give it a go.

On a personal note, I recovered from an alleged mobile default in Round 1 to score well in subsequent rounds, and it is that default that I want to write about now. The default happened when, leaning against a wall outside c. 2.45 pm and reading the BBC update on a football match ${ }^{1}$ the arbiter (coming back into the tournament hall) stopped and this ensued:

He: Are you looking at your mobile?
Me: Yes
He: Then you've lost the game
And without further ado I was defaulted, and, as it so happens against a Bicester player! I went for a walk, and on my return it was assumed by all there that I had breached the rules. Now, even if the rules had been read out before start of play, or had there been a copy of the rules visible for players at the venue, the Nov 2013 version of the FIDE regs (as implemented by the 4NCL, at which this arbiter officiates) did not preclude the use of a mobile phone outside of the arena for the purpose I was using them. (Which is why I was doing this.)

As if to demonstrate this, the playing regs for both the 4NCL and London events this year have been amended to cover the circumstances ${ }^{2}$

During play, a player is forbidden to have a mobile phone, electronic means of communication or any device capable of suggesting chess moves on their person in the playing venue. Such devices, if brought into the playing venue, must be completely switched off, placed in a bag before play starts, and not be removed from the bag until the player's game has ended and he/she has left the playing venue. Moreover, a player is forbidden to leave the playing venue with a bag previously brought into the playing venue without permission of the arbiter. If it is evident that a player has such a device on their person in the playing venue, the player will lose the game. Any request for any part of this rule to be relaxed must be made to the Chief Arbiter before the start of play.


## Burcham - Terry

1-0, "mobile phone" (ha ha ha)

[^2]So had this rule been in force in November 2013, the arbiter would have been correct in defaulting me. That much is correct.

Some will say it's a little late for spilt milk crying episodes; I can see that point. You have to live with bad decisions, I suppose - but wasn't this very avoidable, an error which effectively decided the tournament off the board?

My proposed remedy here, as my default was against Bicester, is a playoff event in which the top 4 boards continue from the defaulted position. Myself and Tony Burcham will sit it out, and as we both keep wicket in the other OCA our stats will be used as the starting point in the unlikely event of a tie-break being required.

## Christmas Quiz



[^3]
## The Partridge

Paxton－Doggett，Paul－Terry，Sean［A20］OCA－Cowley 1，15．04．2013
Here＇s a game that fits many of the usual tropes of the Disinformator series（blunderama，time trouble，and what Fr Ted would call hilarious fun，taken to another level by the events of the evening．

It starts normally enough，I arrive late from work，and we rattle out the first few moves ${ }^{1}$ to get to this position．In getting there I＇ve had the usual longish ponder about where to put the bishop（e7，g7，c5）and c5 is the place where it has the most usual，immediate，impact．And it turned o tu that in 2012，as reported in the last mag，we played a similar English and reached a similar point（diagram right）．


This game


Paxton－Doggett－Terry（2012，B，\＃12）

| Cowley 1 |  | City 1 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 Starkie，Ray J（187）峋 | 0．5－0．5 | O McKenna，Jason（192）㟧 |
| $2 \theta$ Burt，William（174）㐫 | －1 | －Hayward，Philip（180）蜀 |
| 3 Nixon，Rodney J（174）崰 | －1 | $\Theta$ Brown，Matthew（180）缶 |
| 4 O Paxton－Doggett，Paul A（165）鴡 |  | －Terry，Sean（165）垩 |
| 5 Rasell，Geoff C（151）匈 | $1-0$ | O Dixon，Leif（166）㐫 |
| 60 Robson，David W（143）画 | $1-0$ | －Yates，John O（141）峋 |
| （ave grade 166） |  | （ave grade 171） | ．．．Bxf2＋8．Kxf2 Ng4＋9．Ke1 Qxg5 10．d3 e3 11．Nd5 0－0 12．Qb3 Na6 13．d4 f4 14．h4 Qh6 15．gxf4 a4 16．Qc3 we end up at Diagram 2．About here，I＇m less chirpy about things，and hindsight shows that Fritz has put in for a transfer after viewing my moves from moves 11－16． Accordingly，I aim to investigate a draw by knight \＆rook manoeuvre，but Paul sidesteps by manoeuvring his rook to g3，at which point it＇s looking directly down the file to king，and I＇m feeling uncomfortable now，and in a little time trouble．

After 23．Ne7＋（Diagram 3）it seems now that my sweat glands are opened irreversibly，as this seems to lose the queen （23．．．．Kh8，24．Ng6＋）so I go for the even worse ．．．Kf7，but Paul immediately does a double ？？and gifts me a rook with Rxg7＋，and all is now well；the win is now back on the board，even if there isn＇t that much time．In fact I had about 9 mins to his 45 ish $^{2}$ ，but it＇s all a matter of technique，huh？Diagram 4 is the prelude for check avoidance and ends on move 34 with a queen swap；Diagram 5 shows more piece swapping but no immediate movement from the h－pawn，and when it does move we＇re at Diagram 6 and not far from the reciprocal blunder which is．．．48．Kc7 Rxb2 49．Bc3＋Kg6 50．Bxb2．Uh．

Play continues for one move and after 51．Kd6，and a groan，head down，my hand reaches across wordlessly to shake hands and silently to move on．There＇s a crowd at the table in the back room in the Cowley Club and as I get up someone says＂what＇s the result？＂，and it＇s too early yet for words－our team has lost and I played like that．．．but my opponent says ＂It＇s a draw＂，and when I look down again his hand is gesturing to the position where，indeed，the position is drawn（by some accident，．．．Kf5 draws）．But that wasn＇t what was intended a few moments back，is what I can hear，if not from the crowd，from the spirit of Lester Millin，and if not from either，from an inner voice，a conscience．There＇s another voice though－the inner sound now making itself heard－the voice of hope．

There＇s a pause．And some smarter thinking（I hope）than were displayed by the black pieces since move 11．Then：＂Can you confirm what the result is here？＂．Then，from him，evenly：＂It＇s a draw．．．．I blundered a rook，then you blundered it back．It＇s drawn．＂I＇m not sure if what I said next was＂that wasn＇t quite the way I understood it．．．＂but it was to that effect．

So，the game and match draw was recorded and it was time for the pub．It would be interesting to hear what an arbiter would have made of it at the time．

[^4]
## The Partridge

Paxton-Doggett,Paul - Terry,Sean [A20] OCA - Cowley 1, 15.04.2013


Diagram 2
16 ... Nf2 17.Rh2 Ng4 18.Rh3 Nf2 19.Rg3 Qxh4 20.Qxe3 Nh1 21.Bxh1 Qxh1+ 22.Kd2 Qh4 23.Ne7+


Diagram 4
29. Qg2+ Qg5 30.Qe4+ Kg7 31.Kc3 d6 32.Nd5 Qf5 33.Qg2+ Qg4 34.Qh2 Qh3+


## Diagram 6

45.Kb5 Be4 46.Kb6 h5 47.Be1 Rb8+ 48.Kc7 Rxb2 49.Bc3+ Kg6 50.Bxb2 h4 51.Kxd6


Diagram 3
23 ... Kf7 24.Rxg7+ Kxg7 25.Qe5+ Kf7 26.Nf5 Qf6 27.Qd5+ Kg6 28.Ne3 Qxf4


Diagram 5
35.Qxh3 Bxh3 36.Bd2 Rf1 37.Rxf1 Bxf1 38.Nf4 Re8 39.e3 c6 40.d5 Nc5 41.Kb4 Nd3+ 42.Nxd3 Bxd3 43.dxc6 bxc6 44.Kxa4 c5


Diagram 7
"Game over"O

## Games section



Crockart - Terry
Black to play (20)


Terry - Dallas
White to play (32)

Kidlington 2014 was another hugely enjoyable event, and this year I got involved in a last round battle for cash, against Simon Crockart. A cagey game ensued, and around about the diagram position a simple Rxa1 might have been better than the is-this-prophylaxis-or-tosh ... Rb8 that I played. From then on Simon had an edge which hovered around the edge of time trouble and eventually my position caved in.

Crockart,Simon - Terry,Sean [A25] Kidlington 2014, 02.02.2014, Round 5

| 1.c4 e5 | 11.a3 Qe8 | 21.Nc3 Ne7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2.g3 Nc6 | 12.Nd5 Bd 8 | 22.Rfc1 Bd 5 |
| 3.Bg2 f5 | 13.b4 axb4 | 23.b5 Qd7 |
| 4.e3 Nf6 | 14.axb4 Nxd5 | 24.Bf1 b6 |
| 5.Nc3 Be7 | 15.cxd5 Ne7 | 25.Ba3 Bb7 |
| 6.d3 0-0 | 16.Bb2 Ng6 | 26.Bc4 d5 |
| 7.Nge2 d6 | 17.Qd2 c6 | 27.Bb3 Rf6 |
| 8.0-0 Kh8 | 18.d4 e4 | 28.Ra2 Nc8 |
| 9.f4 Bd7 | 19.dxc6 Bxc6 | 29.Rac2 h5 |
| 10.Rb1 a5 | 20.Ra1 Rb8 | 30.h4 Be7 |

> 31.Bxe7 Nxe7
> 32.Qe2 g6
> 33.Na2 Qd6
> 34.Qd2 Rff8
> 35.Qb4 Qe6
> 36.Rc7 Ng8
> 37.Rxb7 1-0

That I made it to the top table in the $u 170$ event was thanks to this game in Round 4 , where I played pretty well until the diagram position, whereby a smooth combination has resulted in monster f-pawn and an initiative against the Black king. A black king moreover temporarily sheltered by an unseemly band of unsuitable courtiers. Faced with ... Rd1, I wondered if I had time for 32 . Qe6 ... and bailed out for no sensible reason (it was a Sunday morning, though...). After I bail out, the game takes on a second life and both players need about 3 additional lives to make it through to move 44, where Peter misses a perpetual check which would have been fair to both, and satisfactory to neither player. For what it's worth Fritz says 32.Qe6 wins ...b4 33.Bxb4 Rd1 34.Bd2 Rxd2 35.Qxc6 Rd1 36.Rc7; or (more practically) 32.Qe6 Rd1 33.Qxc6 Rb1+ 34.Ka3 Qc1+ $35 . K b 4$ when the king helps with the forthcoming mate.
Terry,Sean - Dallas,Peter
1.f4 d6
2.b3 c6
3.Bb2 Qc7
4.Nf3 h6
5.e4 Bg4
6.h3 Bh5
7.d4 Nd7
8.Bd3 e5
9.g4 Bg6
10.f5 Bh7
11.dxe5 dxe5
12.Nbd2 g6
13.Qe2 Bg7
14.0-0-0 Ne7

## Games section

If there's a theme for the games in this section of the mag this time around, it could well be that of not giving up. Somewhere between now the handshake the player who is +3 will present you with a morsel of hope, a gift wrapped blunder, or a drip-drip-drip of fourth option moves on Fritz 8. And, unless you believe, or are aware, that there will be a final chance to redeem the position, you won't spot it when it arrives, or if you do, you won't be prepared to exploit it - as was the case in Game 6 of the recent Carlsen - Anand game. At club level, this redemption happens a bit more often, that's all.

So, all these games come from a Derby match in 2011 (and apologies if they're repeats from a previous mag; I think not though). In Dave's attack (was 24. Nh6+ best?) the game swings through the +/- corridor once or more, and Simon misses an opportunity to muddy the waters as those pawns approach promotion / touchdown. In Hayward-March, the spectator (viz. me) was a bit more confused as to the evaluation - those bishops and the a-pawn seem a match for any exchange, but in time trouble Mike goes more astray than Phil.


Godfrey,Dave - King,Tim [B84] OCA 2 - derby, 12.12.2011
1.e4 c5
2.Nf3 d6
3.d4 cxd4
4.Nxd4 Nf6
5.Nc3 a6
6.Be2 e6
7.0-0 b5
8.a3 Qc7

King,Simon - Lee,Tony [B26]
1.e4 c5
2.Nc3 Nc6
$3 . \mathrm{g} 3 \mathrm{~g} 6$
4. Bg 2 Bg 7
5.d3 e6
6.Be3 d6
7.Qd2 Rb8
8.Nge2 b5
9.0-0 Nge7
9.f4 Bb7
10. Bf 3 Nbd 7
11.Be3 Be7
12.Qe2 0-0
13.Rad1 Nb6
14.Bc1 Rac8
15.e5 Ne8
16.Bxb7 Qxb7

OCA 2 - derby, 12.12.2011
10.Bh6 0-0
11.Bxg7 Kxg7
12.f4 f5
13.exf5 gxf5
14.d4 b4
15.Nd1 cxd4
16.Kh1 e5
17.fxe5 dxe5
18.Nf2 Be6
17.Ne4 d5
18.Ng3 Bc5
19.c3 f5
20.exf6 Rxf6
21.f5 exf5
22.Ngxf5 Qd7
23.Kh1 Nc7
24.Nh6+ Rxh6
25.Bxh6 gxh6
26.Nf5 Bf8
27. $\mathrm{Qg} 4+\mathrm{Bg} 7$
28.Rd3 Kh8
29.Rg3 Be5
30.Re1 Bxg
31.Re7 Rg8
32.Qd4+ 1-0

Hayward,Philip - March,Mike [A29] OCA 2 - derby, 12.12.2011
$1 . c 4$ e5
2.Nc3 Nf6
3.93 d 5
4.cxd5 Nxd5
5.Bg2 Nb6
6.Nf3 Nc6
7.0-0 Be7
8.a3 0-0
19.Nh3 h6
20.Rae1 Bd5
21.Neg1 Bxg2+
22.Qxg2 Qd5
23.Nf3 Rb5
24.94 f4
25.g5 h5
26.Nf2 Nf5
27.Qh3 Ne3
28.Rg1 Rh8
29.96 Ng4
30.Nxg4 hxg4
31.Qxg4 e4
32.Ng5 e3+
33.Nf3 Ne5
34.Ref1 Nxg4 0-1
25.Rxc5 bxc5
26.Nxe8 Be6
27.Nd6 a2
28.Bc8 Bd5
29.e4 Bb3
30.b6 Ra4
31.b7 Rb4
32.Bd71-0

## Games section



March - Hannon (W, 23)


McKenna - Marlow

March,Mike - Hannon,Mark [A88] OCA - Wit 2,21.10.2013
Another excellent struggle decided near move 40 by the clock. Here Mike has the option of Nc7 which seems to snaffle a rook while diverting the queen, but wisely refused the offer (23.Nc7 Qe7 24.Nxa8 Rxh2+25.Kxh2 Qh4+26.Kg1 Qg3+ is mating), and eventually he is on the point of winning with a pawn surplus of about 4 when our good friend Zeitnot came a visiting.

| 1.d4 f5 | 11.Ba3 Rf7 | 21.Kh1 c5 | 31.Qxd3 Rh3 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2.g3 Nf6 | 12.e4 f4 | 22.Nd5 Nc6 | 32.Rd7 Qh4 |
| 3.Bg2 g6 | 13.gxf4 Nh5 | 23.Nxf4 Rxf4 | 33.Qd5+ Kh8 |
| 4.c4 Bg7 | 14.Nxe5 Rxf4 | 24.Nd3 Rh4 | 34.Qe5+ Qf6 |
| 5.Nf3 0-0 | 15.Nd3 Rh4 | 25.Bxc5 Bxc5 | 35.Qxf6+ Rxf6 |
| 6.0-0 d6 | 16.Rad1 Bh3 | 26.Nxc5 Qe7 | 36.Kg2 Rh5 |
| 7.Nc3 Qe8 | 17.f3 Bd4+ | 27.Qf2 Rh5 | 37.Rxb7 Rd6 |
| 8.b3 c6 | 18.Kh1 Qe6 | 28.Rd5 Ne5 | 38.Rxa7 Rd2+ |
| 9.Qc2 e5 | 19.Nf2 Bxg2+ | 29.Qe2 Rf8 | 39.Rf2 and soon ... |
| 10.dxe5 dxe5 | 20.Kxg2 Nf4+ | 30.Nd3 Nxd | $\mathbf{0 - 1}$ |

*McKenna,Jason - Marlow,Mike [B79] OCA - Bicester FWS, 14.01.2014
A game worth a look if only for the moves from the diagram (Rxc3, Rxb2) which are followed by a draw offer in a likely winning position ...
1.e4 c5
2.Nf3 d6
3.d4 cxd4
4.Nxd4 Nf6
5.Nc3 g6
6. Be 3 Bg 7
7.f3 0-0
8.Qd2 Nc6
9.Bc4 Bd7
10.0-0-0 Ne5
11.Bb3 Qa5
12.h4 Rfc8
13.Kb1 b5
14.Ncxb5 Qd8
15.g4 Bxb5
16. Nxb5 Nxf3
17. Qg2 Ne5
18.g5 Nfg4
19.Bd4 Qd7
20.Nc3 Nc4
21.Nd5 Bxd4
22.Rxd4 Nce5
23.Ba4 Qd8
24.Rh3 Rab8
25.Rg3 e6
26.Nc3 Rxc3
27.Rxc3 Rxb2+
28.Kxb2 Qb6+
29.Bb3 Qxd4
30.Qg3 Qxe4
31.Rc8+ Kg7
32.Qc3 Ne3
33.Ka3 Nd1
34.Qc7 Qd4
35.c3 Qd2
36.Qd8 Qb2+
37.Kb4 Nd3+
38.Ka4 Nxc3+
39.Rxc3 Qxc3

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40.Qxd6 a5
41.Kb5 Ne5
42.Ka6 Qb2
43.Kxa5 Qc3+
44.Ka6 Qb2
45.Ka7 Qf2+
46.Kb7 Qf3+
47.Kc7 Qe4
48.a4 h5
49.gxh6+ Kxh6
50.a5 f5
51.Qf8+Kh5
52.Bxe6 etc 1-0
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In which Will roundly and unsoundly sacrifices a queen ... is this a first?
Burt,Will - Fowler,David [B17] Chilterns, Hants, 06.12.2014
$1 . e 4 \mathrm{c} 6,2 . d 4 \mathrm{~d} 5,3 . \mathrm{Nc} 3 \mathrm{dxe} 4,4 . \mathrm{Nxe} 4 \mathrm{Nd7}$, 5.Bd3 Ngf6, 6.Ng5 e6, 7.Bd2 Nb6, 8.N1f3 h6, 9.Ne4 Nxe4, 10.Bxe4 c5, 11.Qe2 cxd4, 12.0-0 Be7, 13.Rad1 Qc7, 14.Nxd4 Qc4, 15.Qg4 Bf6, 16.Be3 Nd5, 17.Rfe1 Nxe3, 18.Rxe3 Kf8, 19. Qg3 Kg8, 20.Ne2 h5, 21.Qf4 Qc5, 22.Qxf6 gxf6, 23.Rd8+Kg7, 24.Rg3+ Qg5, 25.Rdd3 h4 0-1


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[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ http://www.oxford4ncl.org/disinformator.htm

[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ To which Simon King has added "(4) Bloggs has forgotten to press his clock"

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ Was it Man City - Tottenham?
    ${ }^{2}$ Email from Tim Dickinson, November 2014

[^3]:    ${ }^{1}$ For Fr Ted aficionados, this is not Fr Benny Cake. Photo with thanks to Iza Hreska
    ${ }^{2}$ Answers not referencing Fr Ted (Series 3, Episode 5) will be greeted with a blank expression

[^4]:    ${ }^{1}$ 1．c4 e5 2．g3 f5 3．Bg2 Nf6 4．a3 a5 5．Nc3 Bc5 6．Nf3 e4 7．Ng5
    ${ }^{2}$ My scorecard eludes me；and I can＇t remember if this was digital or analogue．

