



OLTON CHESS CLUB



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SEASON 2015-16

This season sees the club enter a team in the Worcestershire League for the first time. The team is playing in Division 2 against teams such as Kidderminster and Droitwich, as well as BDCL teams Halesowen and Greenlands. The new season also saw a change in the rules regarding quickplay finishes in the BDCL. Each team in the league will have a specified default 'Away' choice of finish either Adjournment or standard quickplay, which shall prevail when the team travels away. In Olton's case, all teams have adjournments as the chosen finish. However, before the start of any match, the two players at any board may agree to vary

from this and play a quickplay finish. In addition, there is an option to use an incremental time limit where 10 seconds are added to the time left after each move is played. Similarly, teams at home will play the away team's default limit unless varied by agreement before the start. The incremental limit may be invoked where an away team chooses quickplay. To this end, the club has purchased 6 digital clocks which support all regular time limits. Please note that any player not present at the start may not agree to anything other than the default position, unless communicated previously to the Captain. The new rules create a number

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of complications and it is incumbent on Captains to indicate on the match card the chosen finish on each board before the start (adjournments should be left blank until a date is agreed). The incremental time limit does away with the quickplay 2 minute rule, where a player may claim a draw. In the Leamington League where quickplay is default, the two teams may agree to play ALL games on incremental limits. All players are recommended to familiarise themselves with digital clocks and all captains should know how to set them up and add two minutes in case of an illegal move. The opening fixtures are given on this page and the registrations are given by division below. I wish everyone a successful season.

The club has one team in division 1 this season. So far, they have six points from five matches, having slipped up against Solihull and Shirley. In both cases, the team was doing better and should have won. The open cup side were roundly beaten by Kenilworth 4-1. In Division 2, the B side have had a hard start to the season. Initially losing to the C team, they then faced Stratford, losing again. A draw with a fairly weak Kenilworth C side was their first point and two points from the next two matches followed. The C team have yielded just one point from the 4 matches after their initial victory against the B team. The Under 700 Cup team lost in round 1 to Shirley. In Division 3, The team has won one match, drawn 2 and lost one. The Draw against Banbury was notable, given the opposition.

OPENING FIXTURES

Division 1

Olton 1½-4½ Sutton Coldfield Olton 3½-2½ Bushbury
Olton 4½-4 Warley Quin. II Lichfield 3½-2½ Olton

Division 2

South Birmingham.3-3 Olton Olton 2½-3½ Boldmere
Olton 3-3 Shirley II, (lost b.c) Sutton C. 3-3 Olton

Division 3

Westminster 3-3 Olton Olton 4½-1½ Stourbridge
Boldmere 4½-1½ Olton Olton 4-2 Birmingham

Division 4

Olton 4-2 Boldmere Solihull B 3-3 Olton
St. Georges V 3-3½ Olton University 4-2 Olton

Division 6

Westminster 1-3 Olton Olton 1½-2½ Shirley
Olton 2½-1½ Kynoch A

Olton 1A

Olton 3-1 Kenilworth Olton 3-1 Banbury B
Solihull 3-1 Olton Olton 1½-2½ Shirley

Olton 2B

Olton B 1½-2½ Olton C Olton 1½-2½ Stratford
Olton 2-2 Kenilworth C Olton 1-3 Solihull B

Olton 2C

Olton 1-3 Kenilworth B Stratford 4-0 Olton
Olton ½-3½ Shirley Olton 2-2 Solihull C

Olton 3D

Leamington 2½-1½ Olton Olton 2-2 Solihull E
Banbury 2-2 Olton Olton 3-1 Shirley

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Olton 2½-1½ Halesowen (1 left) Olton 4-1 Greenlands

REGISTRATIONS 2015-16

| Division 1 | Grade |
|-------------------|-------|
| Phil Holt | 198 |
| Dave Gostelov | 183 |
| Alan Lloyd | 176 |
| Mark Cundy | 174 |
| Francis Batchelor | 168 |
| Richard Smith | 166 |

| Division 2 | Grade |
|------------------|-------|
| Richard Reynolds | 157 |
| Robert Reynolds | 153 |
| Trevor Holt | 145 |
| Andy Cottom | 145 |
| Robert Wallman | 144 |
| Ken Allen | 141 |
| Gary Hope | 155 |

| Division 3 | Grade |
|-------------------|-------|
| Garry Evans | 140 |
| Richard Liszewski | 140 |
| Thomas Evans | 137 |
| Warren Archibald | 136 |
| Steve Chadaway | 133 |
| Jim Gillespie | 127 |

| Division 4 | Grade |
|---------------------|-------|
| Karol Grzywaczewski | 119 |

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|---------------|-----|
| John Llewelyn | 114 |
| Richard Evans | 112 |
| Paul Kelly | 110 |
| Pete Singh | 109 |
| Paul Hodgskin | --- |

| Division 6 | Grade |
|-----------------|-------|
| Bramwell Garner | 96 |
| Tom Evans | 90 |
| Bill Yeomans | 68 |
| John Clulee | 66 |
| Jeff Elson | 58 |

| Other players | Grade |
|---------------|-------|
| Marco Ho | 145 |

Here is a game from the Leamington League Division 1 match against Leamington.

| WHITE | BLACK |
|--------|---------|
| P.Holt | A.Price |
| 1. e4 | e6 |
| 2. d4 | d5 |
| 3. e5 | c5 |
| 4. Nf3 | Nc6 |

5. **Bd3** !? (An interesting alternative. 5. c3 takes us into the Advance French)

5..... **Bd7**
 6. **O-O** **Nge7**
 7. **Bf4** **cxd4** (This helps White so 7... Qb6 !? seems more challenging)
 8. **Nbd2** **Nb4**
 9. **Nb3** **Nxd3**
 10. **Qxd3** **Qb6**
 11. **a4** **Ng6**
 12. **Bd2** **Qc7**
 13. **Rfe1** **Rc8** (Black should probably swap queens here with 13... Qc4)
 14. **Nbxd4** **Be7**
 15. **c3** **O-O**
 16. **a5** **a6** ? (Unwise as this weakens the dark squares - see what happens later!)
 17. **h4** !? (A risky sacrifice to open the h file to get an attack going)
 17..... **Nxh4**
 18. **Nxh4** **Bxh4**
 19. **g3** **Be7**
 20. **Kg2** **h6**
 21. **Bf4** **Qd8**
 22. **Rh1** **Bg5**
 23. **Rh5** **Bxf4**
 ..too and Black could be in trouble. Note also White now has the good knight against bad bishop, a large advantage

in these positions)
 24..... **f5**
 25. **Qg3** **Kh7**
 26. **Rah1** **Qe8**
 27. **Qh4** **Qg6+**
 28. **Rg5** **Qf7**
 29. **Rh3** **Be8**
 30. **Kf1** **Qe7**
 31. **Rhg3** **Rg8**
 32. **Qh2** **g6**
 33. **Rh3** **Rg7?** (33... h5 sets up a blockade)
 34. **Rxh6+** **Kg8**
 35. **Rh8+** **Kf7**
 36. **Ke1** **Bd7**
 37. **Rg3** (Making way for the knight)
 37..... **Rxh8**
 38. **Qxh8** **Rg8**
 39. **Qh7+** **Rg7**
 40. **Qh6** **Qf8**
 41. **Nf3** **Qg8**
 42. **Kd2** **Ke7**
 43. **Qg5+** **Ke8**
 44. **Nh4** **Bb5**
 45. **Qf6** **Qf7**
 46. **Qxf7+** **Kxf7**
 47. **Nf3** **Ke7**
 48. **Rh3** **Be8**
 49. **Ng5** **Bf7**
 50. **Ke3** **Bg8**
 51. **Kd4** **Kd7**
 52. **Kc5** **Kc7**
 53. **Rh8** **Kd7**
 54. **Kb6** **K7** (After 54... Kc8 55. Nxe6 the bishop

is lost)
 55. **Kxb7** **Kf8+**
 56. **Kxa6** **Re7**
 57. **Kb6** **Kg7**
 58. **Rxg8+** **Kxg8**
 59. **a6** **Resigns**

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Now, a game from the South Birmingham Division 2 match.

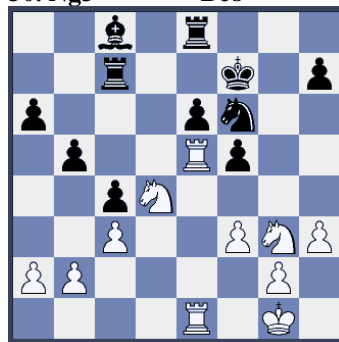
WHITE
 A.Cottom

BLACK
 R.Weber

1. **d4** **d6**
 2. **e4** **g6**
 3. **c3** **Bg7**
 4. **Nf3** **Nf6**
 5. **Bd3** **O-O**
 6. **O-O** **Nbd7**
 7. **Re1** **c5**
 8. **e5** (or Qe2 e5; 9.Na3)
 8. **dxе5**
 9. **dxе5** **Ng4**
 10. **Bf4** **e6** (Qc7 as White should respond with 11. h3 Nh6)
 11. **Qd2** **Qc7**
 12. **Qe2** **a6**
 13. **h3** **Nh6**
 14. **Nbd2** **Nf5**
 15. **Bxf5** **gxf5**
 16. **Qe3** **b5**
 17. **Bh6** **Kh8**
 18. **Bxg7+** **Kxg7**
 19. **Qg5+** **Kh8**
 20. **Qh5** **f6**
 21. **exf6** **Nxf6**
 22. **Qh6** **Qg7**
 23. **Qxg7+** **Kxg7**

24. **Re2** (a4 bxa4; 25.Rxa4 is better, but White can also put pressure on the backward e pawn)

24. **Ra7**
 25. **Rae1** **Re8** (Rd8=)
 26. **Re5** (maybe Nb3 before c4 is played)
 26. **c4**
 27. **Nd4** **Kf7**
 28. **f3** **Rc7**
 29. **Nf1** **Bd7**
 30. **Ng3** **Bc8**



31. **Kf2** **Bd7**

32. **Nf1** **Nd5** ?
 33. **Nxf5** **exf5**
 34. **Rxd5** **Rxe1**
 35. **Kxe1** **Ke6**
 36. **Rd4** **Bc6**
 37. **Ne3** **Ke5**
 38. **Kf2** **h5**
 39. **f4+** **Ke6**
 40. **g3** **Rg7** ?
 41. **Rd6+** **Kxd6**
 42. **Nxf5+** **Kd6**
 43. **Nxg7** **Bd7**
 44. **f5** **Ke5**
 45. **g4** **hxc4**
 46. **hxc4** **Kf6**
 47. **Nh5+** **Kg5**
 48. **Kg3** **Bxf5**
 49. **gxf5** **Kxf5**
 50. **Kf3** **a5**
 51. **Ke3** **Ke5**
 52. **a3** **Kd5**
 53. **Nf4+** **Kc5**
 54. **Ne6+** **Kd5**
 55. **Nd4** **Kc5**
 56. **Ke4** **b4**
 57. **a4** **b3**
 58. **Nf5** **Resigns**

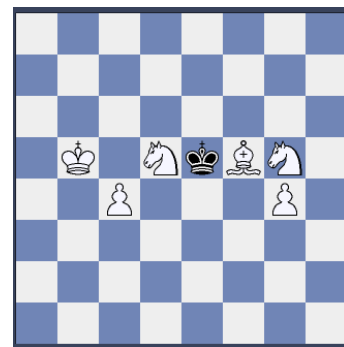
In the Worcestershire League, the team has played 2 matches so far. The first match was a victory for the team and the second is incomplete.

PHIL HOLT'S PUZZLE

Last time we had White to play and mate in 5. Black was about to promote a pawn and White had 3 minor pieces to trap the black King.

The key move is 1. Nc3! threatening Be2 mate. If 1...c1=N; 2.B32+ Nxe2; 3. Ne4 Nf3+; 4. Kh1 Ne5; 5. Nd2 Mate.

Here is another puzzle, it is White to play and mate in 4 moves. Solution next time.



Richard Reynolds

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|----------------------------|-----|------------------------|
| 1. Phil Holt (198) | 0-1 | Pavel Besedin (205) |
| 2. Alan Lloyd (176) | 0-1 | Mihalik Agoston (E177) |
| 3. Mark Cundy (174) | ½-½ | Kevin Hurney (175) |
| 4. Richard Smith (166) | 1-0 | Simon Williams (169) |
| 5. Richard Reynolds (157) | ½-½ | Aloysius Lip (167) |
| 6. Gary Hope (155) | 1-0 | Neil Clarke (165) |
| 7. Robert Reynolds (153) | 0-1 | Martin Smyth (164) |
| 8. Robert Wallman (144) | 0-1 | Sean Ralph (163) |
| 9. Trevor Holt (145) | 0-1 | Robert Glass (156) |
| 10. Ken Allen (141) | 0-1 | Jeff Jones (153) |
| 11. Gary Evans (140) | 0-1 | Tim Lane (150) |
| 12. Warren Archibald (136) | 0-1 | Marco Ho (145) |
| 13. Jim Gillespie (127) | ½-½ | Mark Drugan (141) |
| 14. Frank Jimenez (126) | ½-½ | Derek Stockhall (130) |
| 15. K. Gryzwaczewski (119) | 1-0 | Alan Woollaston (129) |
| 16. Paul Hodgskin (---) | ½-½ | Paul Swatridge (127) |
| 17. Peter Singh (109) | 1-0 | Simon Killarney (125) |
| 18. Paul Kelly (110) | 1-0 | Jim Barrett (120) |
| 19. Bramwell Garner (96) | ½-½ | Paul Heeney (96) |
| 20. Tom Evans (90) | 0-1 | Boson Das (82) |
| 21. Bill Yeomans (68) | 0-1 | Tony Szatanik (121) |
| 22. John Clulee (66) | ½-½ | Joe Kadar (---) |
| 23. Jeff Elson (58) | 0-1 | Vijay Kulkami (---) |

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