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Begin at the beginning," the King said, very gravely, "and go on till you come to the end: then stop."

- Lewis Carroll: Alice's Adventures in Wonderland

Well, that seems like a good idea, so off we go again.

HANDBOOKS

I have been contacted by two Club secretaries about wrong starting times in the handbook.

First, **Warley Quinborne** start at 7.30pm, not 7.15. This is a repeat of what I put in Bulletin 2 last year. Please amend your handbooks, and could the Hon. Gen. Sec. also make a note to get it put right in next year's handbook?

Secondly, **Stourbridge** also start at 7.30pm rather than 7.15. In your Editor's opinion that is only fair, given that you have to cope with the Stourbridge ring road; the multi-storey car park across from the Club; and must then bang on the windows as there seems to be no other way in. However, Ian Howarth points out that the *quid pro quo* (soon to be a *euro pro quo*, no doubt) is that clocks **will** be started **promptly.**

Wolseley have changed their Club night from Wednesday to Thursday. There are some dozen home matches to be re-arranged and all relevant Clubs have already been contacted. Revised fixture dates will be published here as and when I am given details.

Lastly, please see the e-mail from Chris Evans of Mutual which concerns directions to **Rushall**, and which is printed on page 4.

MIDLANDS CHESS WEBSITE

The BDCL website can be accessed at users.powernet.co.uk/rees/bdcl and the webmaster (Mike Rees) can be e-mailed at lbscc@blueyonder.co.uk or

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These bulletins (and much else) are available from the Website, so do have a look at it.

INDIVIDUAL TOURNAMENT ENTRIES

Graham Humphreys asks me to remind you that entries for these competitions are due in to him by 1st October. His address and telephone number are on page 1 of the Handbook, and are also repeated below.

The cost is £2.50 per entrant, as noted on page 20 of the selfsame Handbook. This is a price rise since last year. Send your entries to: -

Graham Humphreys 82 Vernier Avenue Kingswinford West Midlands DY6 8SA

(01 384 571 486)

NB:- Joint Records Secretaries

Please note that the division of responsibilities between Messrs Brelsforth and Dent has changed this year.

Clive is doing the higher divisions this time. Dave is doing the lower divisions and the cup competitions.

It's all set out in the Handbook. Read it. Be particularly careful about adjournment cards.

These two gentlemen are extremely sensitive creatures, and easily put out. Sending cards to the wrong person is very likely to make either or both of them stamp upstairs, slam the bedroom door and throw their teddy bears out of the window.

So just don't do it. You know it makes sense.

NEW MCCU GRADING LIST

The MCCU grading list is now available, price £3 (inc. postage), from Terry Walker, whose address and telephone number are to be found at the top of page 2 of your Handbook.

Revised fixtures

2-01 Sutton v Bushbury - 30/9/02

2-02 Birmingham v Stourbridge - 4/3/03

2-05 Stourbridge v Bushbury - 2/4/03

2-07 Lichfield v Sutton - 10/10/02

5-05 Shirley & Lucas v St James - 6/3/03

5-08 Stourbridge v Lichfield - 18/12/02

5-10 St James v Redditch - 3/4/03

5-20 Stourbridge v Shirley & Lucas - 16/10/02

6-05 Sol. Youth v Mercia - 10/2/03 7-02 Wolseley v Northfield Checkmates - 12/9/02

<u>Aldridge</u>	<u>Chelmsley Town</u>	Kynoch/Barn	<u>Mercia</u>
- Andro I	4 D-4 D	4 Donaton D	0 0' 5
5 Andrews L	4 Bettam R	1 Burton R	3 Carrier R
Payne B	Crutchlow S	Hickey A	Francis KAJ
Smith G	Eckloff C	Ingram K	Perks D
Smith RSJ	Felgate M	Mowatt O	Phillips J
Winman S	Hotchkiss S	Roberts N	Share M
Woodward AW	Weston S	Webster P	Smith BR
Woodward G	Westerne	Wobsidi i	Simul Bit
	<u>Halesowen</u>	6 Cullen J	6 Bateson CJ
<u> Birmingham</u>		Dawson B	Bradley L
	1A Bethel M	Dawson Mrs E	Brownsword A
2 Daniels RG	Bissell DA	Fetahu T	Fletcher B
Fender J	Crombleholme AK	Hewitt I	Heathcock C
Gee GJ	Edge J	Kennedy O	Jancis A
McConkey CC	Fishburne S	Morgan G	Lane C
•	Thomas RK		Nicholls P
Pready A	THOMAS KK	Morgan W	
Scott HG		Murphy P	Pallant S
	1B Ambrose A	Rake A	Price R
Carter W	Grimes R	Roche M	Rich J
Hill J	Hadley M	White L	Scarrott L
Hopkins BD	Jackson Dale		Stokes-Roberts
Horne R	Peck WWA	Lichfield	Webb D
		Livillielu	
Loose JC	Priest AA	4 All DA4A	Worthington D
Saunders N		1 Allen RMA	
Schroeder M	4 Banks P	Collins P	Mutual Circle
Varley E	Bingham J	Hibbard CP	
Wilkinson D	Clark Mrs M	Keaveney J	3 Boynton L
Wright A	Curry D	Tayar CG	Boynton P
**************************************	Freshwater F	Wallace P	Goray SS
Coldmans Of Mile Levil		wallace P	
Boldmere St Michaels	Ryder KC		Hollows R
		2 Farmery R	Lewis L
B Biddle M	5 Digger DC	Hackett G	Paffard M
Harrington M	Hendrickson J	Lamb GH	
Little M	Howell D	Maher MP	4 Boynton R
Savage P	Larden S	Mieleniewski A	Cox G
•			Evans C
Thomas K	Welch Hazel	Smith A	
Wilson A (S)	Westwood T	Smith J	Homer JL
	Wyle G		Hunt J
Barron G		4 Abell D	Hussain T
Brelsforth D	6 Curry B	Crellin R	Knight J
Dixon B	Curry J	Grant AB	Leether A
Hall J	Heywood N	Griffiths P	Needle R
	•		
Jones P	Jackson Darren	Lakin J	Robinson Mrs S
Smith GW	Vile M	Reilly M	Singhal Saket
Tuckey R	Wells R	Short D	Singhal SN
			Sudders A
Goodby E	7 Brown A	5 Brown CE	Walker MBA
Harman G	Evans Joyce	Cooper M	Wells P
Miller E	-	Fone D	**Cii3 I
	Grimes M		Name of the second
Osborne G	Grimes S	Hall A	Northfield Checkma
Willits FT	Rafaat F	Homewood BB	
Wyer T	Smith T	McLaughlin I	7 Allen A
-	Taylor A	Monks G	Astbury B
' Harman W	· y · - · ·	Ricketts CE	Candlin A
Hillman R	Handsworth Wood	Robertson A	Coulter C
	Hanusworth Wood		
Huynh S	0 01 1 011	Saumtally R	Draper A
Johnson A	2 Chadaway SM	Slobodynk Y	Hobbs T
Palfrey F	Edwards S	Smitton I	Ireland P
Sturch A	Grant D	Smitton S	Left P
Thomas CC	Jones KP	Wilson A(S)	Nadanwar V
Wood S	Lake AN		Upton R
**************************************	Mildenhall J	Lucas & BS	Wilmott L
Bushbury	wiiidei ii idli J	Lucas & Do	Woolaston N
-uonour <u>y</u>	4 Connor M	6 Campbell R	พพบบเลอเบก IN
2 Booth RK	Fryer SM	Clyde G	<u>Olton</u>
	Gee GM	Collier L	<u> </u>
Brodie R			
Buckley D	Gowler G	Cook RA	1 Cundy MA
Cooper L	Iskra J	Crump JA	Gostelow DW
Grinsell L	Lake NJ	Dyson P	Holt PJ
Hancox M	Loach PL	Elkington EP	Janouby A
Keates D	Neale R	Gough RT	Lloyd AD
Parry RCT	Robinson J	Johnson L	Reynolds Rober
•			Neyridius Nobel
Pinfold P	Wakefield P	Johnston A	6 6
Pinfold W	Walton K	Maddocks P	2 Cheshire D
Schroeder A		Rees MJ	Holt TJ
Scott P		Shadrokh L	Liszewski R
Staley P			McDonald J
Staniforth J			Price D
Jiai III J			Reynolds Richa
Whitehood I			REVOCIOS RICDA
Whitehead J			
Whitehead J Woodall P		_	Wallman RJ
	St James	-3- Solibull Youth	

3 Apostolakopoulos P

Olton (continued)

1 Hurney K

St James

Solihull Youth

6 Anderton A

Stourbridge

2 Bissell M

Archibald W Brown DR Cottom A Gillespie JA Llewelyn J Atkin RH Bourne N Garner B Goldwater AL Russell AM Simpson P Stockwin DR **Bradley Steve Bradley Stuart** Clulee JD Gazee T

Pell-Reynolds J

Singh P

White R

White T

Cole J

Heath J Robertson PC

Robinson T

Clack Mrs M

Drummond B

Jackson G

Stanton G

Church P

Daniels M

Holmberg J

Pemberton D

Richardson D

Robinson M

Woodcock L

Turner R

Colwell S

Hadley K

Lewis R

Sadler J

Hancox RJ

Westwood R

Wilcox SR

Allen S

Bell C

Hills J

Butler K

Cooksev S

Hennion J

Perrygrove C

Sanders G

Staniforth M

Strachan J

Turner P

Turner R Wilcox Miss CJ

Sims N

Rushall

Towers N

Wells S

Clack I

Dixon D

Redditch

Yeomans W

- Hurney T Hynes AM Kitson PR Peters R Truscott IM Allsop B
- Bott D Collett R Collins M Ellis I Johnson S Lloyd J McGrath J

Shirley & Lucas

- Freeman J Galloway I Huxtable T Mason DJ Thomas DR Walker R
- 3A Asbury J Christie G Jimenez FC Purcell RJ Ward E Warren K
- 3B Gilbert KT Healey R McGuirk P Rawson LS Warden M Wilkinson P
- Cox T Csepregi G Foster N Friend JB Garrity J Hemmings H Horton K

Solihull

- Allen K Carpenter R McCumiskey A Rogerson AM Stokes G Summerfield J Тарр М
- Collins FS Horsley D Howard GF Peck W Shurrock D Tarlow M
- Broadbridge D Crawford SJ **Howard Christine** Howard Colin Randle D Roberts A Yates A

Trevena J South Birmingham

Anderton O

Anderton R

Chayda J

Chavda K

Clarke D

Clarke R

Coxon J

Coxon L

Page C

Page R

Preece G

Symes L

Singleton N

McCarthy A

- 1 Ashby A-M Dunn D James R Pitcher J Smyth M Swindells J Tidman S
- 2A Cartwright G Charman C Emanuel J Lane T Varnom G Walker T
- 2B Ball L Drugan M Glass R Hardy R Hope G Jennings G Williams S
- 4 Boivin C Evans S Killarney S Lee D Ralph S Stockhall DA Walker G
- Baker E 5 Hunt P McClory B Meredith M Peace A Pitt C Swatridge P Szatanik A Taylor A
- 6A Emanuel L Emanuel P Gilchrist D Green B Loat MA Smith S Tidman T
- 6B Ball R Dickson F Kirtley M McFadden T Phelan P Sobers O Tait D Thomas M Toth R Williams A

Thomas G Barnett C Branford R Dathan S Desai R Durnell K Horwill E

Dudley BG

Howarth I

Sharp BT

Fallowfield N

Fallowfield J Humphreys K Jukes S Lamont P Matsumoto T Moore A Mullinder C Pearce J Pearson S Podlesak M Scriven D Small H Somerfield A Trevis P Wilson M/s J

Sutton Coldfield

- Addis M Briscoe B Brown AJ Chevannes S Cox T Escott KL Jones R
- Dent C Hayden LF Kent A Soszynski M Storey I Windows G
- Dandy C East C Folayan S Metcalfe R Wassell J Winter G
- Gardiner D Gardiner K Gardiner S Greatrex R Mitchell R Pazzaglia R Rilev J Turner M

Tamworth & District

- Briggs P Hern K Hoddy J Kimberley M Kimberley S Wu L
- Brown D Coates J Cotterill C Griffiths R Sandland D Walton S

Tamworth (continued)

Chrusciel L Dicken K Hoddy D Howlett J McConnell P

Warley Quinborne

Cooper DM Dighton S Fletcher M Hunt MA Singh AJ

West Midlands Municipal

Griffin CE Jewsbury K Lunn J McKeown A McKeown G

Westminster (continued)

Burford J Burke J Corcorran J Littlehales D Pankhurst B

	Prentice D		Southall A		Tallis M		Trevis R
			Wildboar M				Woolaston A
7	Adams RC			7	Bibbings P		
	Clayton L	2	Burnett A		Harris P	W	olseley
	Cooke C		Delaney T		Hood M		<u></u>
	Cunningham B		Doran M		Langston K	4	Chowdhury B
	Golightly E		Fox MB		Taylor S		Chowdhury M
	Makepeace D		Reeves D		Wise K		Fennell GT
	Oliver PD		Smith S				Lawrence P
	Palmer J		Whitehouse B	We	est Midlands Police		Maciel EG
	Smith R						Maciel G
	Wraight P	3	Eaton M	4	Cooper M		
			Fahy J		Jones PJ	7	Bates G
Wa	alsall Kipping		Moxley A		Lightfoot G		Joiner P
			Moxley S		Pipe R		Nooney K
1	Anderton DW		Nixon C		Ruffle A		Siddiqi A
	Bellin J		Rawlings W		Ryan R		Spence P
	Pritchard D						Stepanovic G
	Wheeler DP	4	Black S	5	Hardstaff P		
	Wheeler M		Fox TM		King F	W	<u>olverhampton</u>
	Whitmore D		Lewis JB		Martin J		
			McKay C		Phillips B	3	Fox J
3	Beasley S		Pakenham J		Quail JH		Holway M
	Friend DJ		Ward V		Rickhuss A		Mangwenwende J
	Groombridge MS						May Martin
	Jones RG	7	Price PW	7	Butler P		Morrison M
	Payton JL		Reeves J		Farrell D		Porter P
	Pohribnyj C		Rourke J		Gough P		Townsend M
	Rea W		Rowe D		Hathaway M		Wood F
	Young NC		Wheeldon M/s P		Holman R		Wootton M
			Woodward Mrs P		McIntosh L		
5	Davies B				Merritt A	4	Adams C
	Jones PJ	W€	est Bromwich		Preston R		Broomhall P
	Lee R				Sullivan R		Eddies C
	Perry A	2	Backhouse D		Walkeden A		Griffiths M
	Savin M		Barnett K		Westlake P		Haughton C
	Shrimpton AE		Bryant C		Withey P		Hesbrook L
	Wilkinson R		Crump JE				Hodges A
			Davies DM	We	<u>estminster</u>		Holdcroft CJ
6	Bellin C		Gregg M				Jones K
	Billings C		Hill G	4	Elliot W		Leary M
	Dwyer M		Walker N		Fisher I		Lewis B
	Gavin P		Wesson G		Goddard G		Marlow B
	Hayes L		Wilkes P		Millward R		May Mark
	Jones SA				Price D		Rosser G
	McIntosh Mrs D				Steeles B		Wakelam JM

Below is the text of an e-mail recently received from Chris Evans.

Moore KJ Nixon P

"Mutual Circle played their first match of the season against Rushall tonight (2/9/02). Some of our players were disgruntled that (1) Rushall's handbook directions do not work because Bosty Lane is blocked off; and (2) reception staff at their venue do not seem to know where the chess club meets within what is a large Community Centre/School complex. As a result of this some of our players wasted more than ten minutes trying to negotiate major and not very well sign-posted diversions, and one player spent another ten minutes wandering round the venue, having been wrongly directed upstairs by the centre receptionist. This resulted in several of our players losing considerable amounts of time on the clock.

Please would you publish the fact that opposing teams travelling to Rushall by the recommended route should allow at least an extra ten minutes for travelling until such time as the road block is removed. [NB: it is apparently long term, and caused by subsidence. - Ed.] It would also be helpful if, in future, Rushall's team captains could (a) inform their opponents of the best route to take to the venue whilst Bosty Lane remains closed; and (b) ensure either that reception staff at Manor Farm know where the chess club meets, or alternatively give directions to opposing captains as to how to get to the club room within the Centre. Unfortunately, the need is especially great as Rushall have to start at 7pm - a start time which many cannot be sure of making - so any further (unnecessary) delays compound a time trouble problem that will often exist anyway."

Your Editor understands that the Honorary General Secretary has contacted the Rushall Secretary about this, and I hope to publish "further and better particulars" in due course. If you've been to Rushall before, it's reasonably easy to find your way; but if not, then not.

BDCL RAPIDPLAY TOURNAMENT

This will take place on Sunday 6th October at Four Dwellings High School, Dwellings Lane, Quinton. There are four sections: u170; u140; u115 and u90. Entry fees are £10 and £7 for juniors (on 1/9/02). Minimum prizes £100/£50/£30 for 1st/2nd/3rd. Six rounds starting at 10am.

Entry forms from Graham Humphreys (see page 1 for address) or from the website (ditto). There's also a map on the website.

Enter before it's too late!