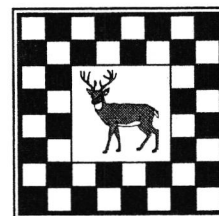


# Hertfordshire Chess Association Newsletter

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President	Tim Thurstan
Hon. Life Vice Presidents	John R Denton, Bryan A Fewell, FB Roberts, J Sharp, HR Hurd
Vice Presidents	A Brewis, DR Brennan, AG Burrows, RR Claret, J Cook, EGD Crowden, W D'Costa, R Forst, J N Fraser-Mitchell, MS Harding, TK Hemingway, GT Howard, BD Judkins, RDJ Kearns, G Kenworthy, QA Latif, NHS Lavers, S Law, JA Leake, C Lean, E Leyns, PG Maguire, CE Majer, PA May, PW Newstead, DW Parrott, JD Rhodes, JJA Riley, JC Robertson, JT Simmons, OV Stobart, TM Thurstan, T Tomkins, CA Turner, MM Wali, DP Young
Affiliated Clubs	Allenburys, Barnet Elizabethans, Bishops Stortford, Borehamwood, Hemel Hempstead, Hertford, Hoddesdon, Letchworth & Hitchin, Little Heath & Brookmans Park, Lower Red Lion, Rothamsted, Royston, St Albans, Stevenage, Watford, Welwyn Hatfield Chess Forum

## President's Report, September 2004

Overall I think that we can consider the 2003-2004 season a success. We again ran 3 county teams; the championship team reached the minor counties stage (before losing in the semi-final 8-8 on board count) and the under 150 team performed strongly. In the League Watford Chess Club achieved a remarkable (unheard of?) feat with its first three teams winning divisions 1, 2 and 3! For good measure they also won the Russell Trophy. Little Heath & Brookmans Park and Bishops Stortford both continued their rise up through the divisions. Jeremy Fraser-Mitchell won the Capel Cup for the second year running. The Association held its 50<sup>th</sup> Annual weekend congress; a feat no other county association can equal. Our correspondence team remains in the Ward-Higgs; the top division of the Counties & District league. We again hosted the Hertfordshire Megafinal of the UK Land Chess Challenge where there was large increase in children participating. The Haberdashers' Aske's School won both the under 15 and under 19 leagues. The season ended with a significantly increased turnout for the Old Puller Cup which Hemel Hempstead retained. Unfortunately owing to a clash with the St Albans club congress we could not take part in the SCCU under 135 and 180 jamborees so that our under 135 team could not defend their title. No under 18 jamboree was held by the SCCU. Financially the year saw another surplus made.

On a personal note I can honestly say that, despite some initial misgivings, I have thoroughly enjoyed my year as President. I have come to know much better the officers of the Association and I thank them on my own and your behalf for all the hard work that they do to enable us to play and enjoy our chess. There have, however, been two disappointments; the first is that we had not yet found a county secretary although we have split that role and found volunteers to cover most of the work. I urge you all to consider whether you could not do something to help; obviously the more of us there are to share the work the smaller is each one's task. The second was the very poor attendance at the AGM in June 2004 combined with the failure of certain clubs to return trophies which could not then be presented to the new winners. I very much hope that this situation will not reoccur.

As to the forthcoming season our under 125 team is strong and is hopeful, under the leadership of Keith Woodhouse, of repeating recent past successes. The League goes from strength to strength with four new teams entering including one from a new club the Lower Red Lion in St Albans.

Finally I wish you all the best of luck in the new chess season.



## Balance Sheet as at 15<sup>th</sup> April 2004

	2003/4	2002/3
<b>Association Funds</b>		
Funds as at 16 <sup>th</sup> April 2003	<b>£4,504.09</b>	<b>£4,422.64</b>
Add: general income	£510.69	£708.20
Less: general expenditure	£814.30	£1,043.94
Net general income/(expenditure)	-£303.61	-£335.74
Net surplus on activities	£1,289.37	£617.19
Surplus for the year	<b>£985.76</b>	<b>£281.45</b>
Transfer Centenary Fund to General Fund	£104.15	
Transfer HSBC Fund to General Fund	£63.68	
Total Funds at 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2004	<b>£5,657.68</b>	<b>£4,504.09</b>
<b>Consisting of:-</b>		
Congress Fund	£3,216.33	£2,291.06
General Fund	£2,441.35	£2,213.03
Total Funds	<b>£5,657.68</b>	<b>£4,504.09</b>
<b>Assets and Liabilities</b>		
<b>Assets</b>		
Bank and cash balances	£6,947.68	£5,585.92
Add sums owed to the Association	£0.00	£0.00
Total assets	<b>£6,947.68</b>	<b>£5,585.92</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
County matches final stages	£100.00	£100.00
County matches	£0.00	£0.00
Tie replacement fund	£690.00	£630.00
Other sums payable	£500.00	£184.00
Centenary Fund	£0.00	£104.15
HSBC Secondary School Fund	£0.00	£63.68
Total liabilities	<b>£1,290.00</b>	<b>£1,081.83</b>
Net assets	<b>£5,657.68</b>	<b>£4,504.09</b>

### Accounting policy and equipment

Note 1: No value is put on equipment, score sheets or ties at 15<sup>th</sup> April 2004

#### Equipment:-

Silver Cups: Burn, Capel, Hakansson, Lee-Johnson, 'new' Puller, 'old' Puller, Sharp

Silver plate cups: Berry, Davis, EJ Leyns, 3 schools trophies

Equipment: GW David board and set, JE Gateley board and set, Montague-Jones board and set, Mrs Pattison board and set, KL Woodland board and set, 5 engraved chess clocks, 70 county match boards and sets, 70 county match clocks, 18 DGT clocks, 70 ties.

Note 2: The surplus brought forward on the Centenary Fund of £104.15 was taken into the General Fund as an alternative to sending cheques to the 15 individual clubs which had originally subscribed to that fund.

## Budget Proposals for 2004/5

### General income and expenditure budget for 2004/5

Income	2004 act	2005 est	Expenses	2004 act	2005 est
Adjudications	£22.00	£22.00	Hall hire	£120.00	£120.00
Club affiliation fees	£90.00	£90.00	Insurance	£287.80	£300.00
Interest	£53.69	£5.00	Newsletter/website	£168.50	£250.00
President/VP subs	£300.00	£300.00	SCCU Fees	£50.00	£50.00
Sales	£0.00	£0.00	President/secretary	£0.00	£20.00
Unattached member subs	£45.00	£45.00	Treasurer	£12.00	£15.00
Other	£0.00	£0.00	Adjudications	£20.00	£20.00
			BCF Yearbooks	£32.00	£32.00
			Other	£64.00	£0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£510.69</b>	<b>£512.00</b>		<b>£754.30</b>	<b>£807.00</b>

### Income and expenditure, specific to activities, budget for 2004-2005

Income		Activity	Expenses	
2004 actual	2005 estimated		2004 actual	2005 est.
£4,272.00	£4,000.00	Hitchin Congress	£3,346.73	£3,500.00
£0.00	£0.00	County matches	£272.53	£250.00
£0.00	£0.00	County matches- hall hire	£96.00	£200.00
£68.00	£100.00	Individual tournaments	£84.40	£100.00
£458.12	£450.00	Junior congresses	£347.81	£350.00
£570.00	£570.00	Junior- Megafinal	£300.00	£300.00
£0.00	£0.00	Other junior	£0.00	£0.00
£1,446.06	£1,482	League	£1,176.94	£1,416.80
£200.00	£200.00	Team knock-outs	£86.40	£105.60
£0.00	£0.00	Correspondence chess	£0.00	£0.00
<b>£7,014.18</b>	<b>£6,802.00</b>		<b>£5,710.81</b>	<b>£6,222.40</b>

### Budget Summary

General income	£512.00	Activities income	£6,802.00
General expenses	£807.00	Activities expenses	£6,222.40
Deficit on general	£295.00-	Surplus on activities	£579.60
Overall surplus	£284.60		
Of which, congress	£500.00		

### Subscriptions and entry fees

1. Vice-presidents (minimum)	£7.50	7. League team fees	
2. Individual members	£6.00	Division 1	<b>£36.00</b>
(correspondence play only)	£5.00	Division 2	<b>£34.00</b>
3. Club affiliation fee	£6.00	Division 3	<b>£32.00</b>
4. Capel/Burn entry fee	£10.00	Division 4	<b>£30.00</b>
5. County match board fee	£3.00	Division 5	<b>£28.00</b>
6. Team KO fees:- Russell	£6.00	Division 6	<b>£26.00</b>
Sharp	£5.00	Division 7	<b>£24.00</b>
U125/U100	£4.00		

League budgeted income & game fee expenses	Teams	Fee	Total	Matches	Games	Game fee
Division 1	7	£36	£252	42	210	£184.80
Division 2	7	£34	£238	42	210	£184.80
Division 3	7	£32	£224	42	210	£184.80
Division 4	7	£30	£210	42	210	£184.80
Division 5	7	£28	£196	42	210	£184.80
Division 6	8	£26	£208	56	280	£246.40
Division 7	8	£24	£192	56	280	£246.40
TOTAL			£1,520			£1,416.80
Less 2.5% discount			£1,482			

DR Brennan                      Hon. Treasurer                      June 2004

### Club Knockout Competitions

#### Russell (open)

Preliminary Round	1st Round	Semi-Final	Final
Hemel Hempstead 3.5			
vs.	Hemel Hempstead - Defaulted		
Hertford 2.5			
	vs.	Hoddesdon - Conceded	
	Hoddesdon		
		vs.	Royston 2.5
	Royston		
	vs.	Royston	
	Bishops Stortford - Conceded		
			vs.
	Watford 6		
	vs.	Watford 5	
	Letchworth & Hitchin 0		
		vs.	Watford 3.5
	Little Heath & Brookmans Park 2		
	vs.	St. Albans 1	
	St. Albans 4		

**Winners: Watford**

First named team of pairings has home advantage

\* = win on board count

**Sharp (under 140)**

<b>Preliminary Round</b>	<b>1st Round</b>	<b>Semi-Final</b>	<b>Final</b>
Stevenage 4.5			
vs.	Stevenage 2		
Royston 1.5			
	vs.	Hoddesdon 3*	
Hoddesdon 3.5			
vs.	Hoddesdon 4		
Hemel Hempstead 2.5			
		vs.	Hoddesdon 2.5
Little Heath & Brookmans Park 4			
vs.	Little Heath & Brookmans Park 3.5		
Borehamwood 2		Little Heath & Brookmans Park 3	
	vs.		
	Watford 2.5		
			vs.
Letchworth & Hitchin - Withdrawn			
vs.	Bishops Stortford 2		
Bishops Stortford			
	vs.	St. Albans 4	
St. Albans			
vs.	St. Albans 4		
Barnet Elizabethans - Withdrawn			
		vs.	St. Albans 3.5
	Hertford 3.5	Hertford 2	
	vs.		
	Allenburys 2.5		

**Winners: St Albans**

First named team of pairings has home advantage

\* = win on board count

**Under 125**

Preliminary Round	1st Round	Semi-Final	Final
Allenburys 2.5			
vs.	Little Heath & Brookmans Park 2		
Little Heath & Brookmans Park 2.5*			
	vs.	Hertford 1	
Bishops Stortford - Default			
vs.	Hertford 3		
Hertford			
		vs.	Stevenage 2
Stevenage 3			
vs.	Stevenage		
Hoddesdon 2			
	vs.	Stevenage 4	
	St. Albans - Conceded		
			vs.
Watford 1.5			
vs.	Barnet Elizabethans 3		
Barnet Elizabethans 3.5			
	vs.	Barnet Elizabethans 4	
Royston - Conceded			
vs.	Welwyn Hatfield Chess Forum 2		
Welwyn Hatfield Chess Forum			
			Barnet Elizabethans 3
		vs.	
	Rothamsted - Conceded		
	vs.	Letchworth & Hitchin 1	
	Letchworth & Hitchin		

**Winners: Barnet Elizabethans**

First named team of pairings has home advantage

\* = win on board count

## Under 100

Preliminary Round	1st Round	Semi-Final	Final
St. Albans 1			
vs.	Little Heath & Brookmans Park 3.5		
Little Heath & Brookmans Park 3			
	vs.	Little Heath & Brookmans Park 3	
Hertford 1.5			
vs.	Letchworth & Hitchin 0.5		
Letchworth & Hitchin 2.5			
		vs.	Little Heath & Brookmans Park 2*
	Welwyn Hatfield Chess Forum 4		
	vs.	Welwyn Hatfield Chess Forum 1	
	Stevenage 0		
			vs.
Hemel Hempstead 3			
vs.	Hemel Hempstead 1		
Royston 1			
	vs.	Barnet Elizabethans 3	
	Barnet Elizabethans 3		
		vs.	Barnet Elizabethans 2
	Watford 2		
	vs.	Allenbury's 1	
	Allenbury's 2**		

### Winners: Little Heath & Brookmans Park

First named team of pairings has home advantage

\* = win on board count

\*\* = win on board count after board elimination