

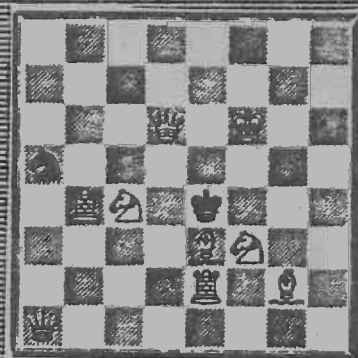
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EDITORIAL

As a result of the RAF Chess Club's A.G.M. held at RAF Lindholme during the week of the Championships, several new faces have appeared on the Clubs committee.

For my sins I have become responsible for producing the magazine and will attempt to make it a "quarterly". May I appeal for as many articles as possible from all members.. The quality of print of the magazine will remain as it is at present, until someone can force membership on someone employed in a regional printing centre.

The Championships were once again, a huge success. Thirty eight competitors took part and our thanks should go to Sgt Frank Salt for all the sterling work he must have put in, in staging the event. Wally Adam and FS Jack Elliot again controlled the tournament efficiently and diplomatically. How they do it, I just do not know - chess players are a queer bunch (myself included). Their efforts are appreciated by all.

Congratulations to Geoff Collyer, the new Combined Services and RAF Champion. Geoff has been so close before, that no one deserved to win more than he. He played soundly all week and at no time looked like being beaten.

OFFICIALS OF THE RAF CHESS CLUB

The following officials were elected at the A.G.M. held on Tuesday 19th October 1971 at RAF Lindholme.

PRESIDENT	Air Commodore Nanco OBE
CHAIRMAN	Sqn Ldr B. Dennis (RAF Valley)
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TREASURER	Flt Lt J. Holland (RAF Wyton)
CORRESPONDENCE SECRETARY	Chf Tech B. Doherty (RAF Cosford)
EDITOR	Flt Lt R. Kermeeon (RAF Cranwell)

Our now secretary, Peter Putt, asks me to draw your attention to the fixture list (elsewhere in this issue). Anyone who would like to play in any of these matches should let him know at:-

MT Flight (ext 341)
RAF Thorney Island
EMSWORTH
Hants.

He also mentions, that several members' subscriptions are outstanding. Those guilty please correct matters as soon as possible.

FIXTURE LIST 1971/72

Date	Opponents	Venue	Boards
Nov 13	GLC	County Hall, London	15
Nov 27 *	Middlosox	St Pauls Church Hall, Sussex Place, Hammersmith, W.6.	20
Dec 4	Civil Service	Monck St	10
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Jan 22 *	Univ of London	Malet St	10
Feb 5	Army	Adastral	15
Feb 19	GLC	Adastral	15
Mar 4	Civil Service	Adastral	10
Mar 25	Army	Sandhurst	15
Apr 8	Hunts&Poterb'gh	Brampton	15
Apr 22 *	Univ of London	Adastral	10
May 13	Wiltshire	Swindon	15

* Means Combined Services fixture.

A list from every member stationed in the UK stating which matches he would like to play in, would be appreciated by Peter Putt.

Please write to him or give him a ring. (Address elsewhere in the magazine).

The 6th Combined Services Chess Championship was held at RAF Lindholme from Sunday 17th October to Friday 22nd October 1971. The Championship was opened by Group Captain R. B. Phillips DFC AFC who welcomed 38 competitors.

Two previous Combined Services Champions, Bob Kermoen and Doug Pallett were present together with the RAF Champion of 1970, Geoff Collyer. These three started favourites, but as the week went on only Geoff stood the pace, as first Doug and then Bob fell back. It was left to a newcomer, Joe Watson to offer most resistance to Geoff, but Joe's inability to squeeze wins from "drawn" positions was to mean that he too fell behind and left Geoff the clean and worthy winner.

Congratulations should go to Major Johnie Walker to come up from the rear with a magnificent spurt to take the Army Championship - he won all his last six games. The final positions were as follows.

Overall Posn	Competitor's Rank	Name and Unit	Pts	S.O.S
1	Cpl G. Collyer	Coningsby	9	59½
2	SAC J. Watson	Stafford	8	56
3	Sgt. F. Salt	Lindholme	7	59½
4	Flt Lt R. Kermoen	Cranwell	6½	62½
5	Chf Tech R. Portor	Cosford	6½	59½
6	Chf Tech P. Putt	Thornoy Island	6	45
7	FS H. Burman	Binbrook	5½	60
8	Chf Tech R. MacCreadie	NLuffonham	5½	57½
9	Chf Tech B. Doherty	Cosford	5½	52½
10	SAC G. Chapman	Uxbridge	5½	52
11	Flt Lt J. Laming	Brampton	5½	49½
12	SAC T. Swoonoy	Cosford	5	53
13	Sgt P. Burnett	Coltishall	5	38½
14	Flt Lt P. Marsh	MOD(DLS)	4½	59½
15	Sgt P. Roberts	Lindholme	4½	44½
16	SAC R.M. Ewan	Stafford	4½	44
17	Chf Tech D. Roots	Swanton Morley	4½	43½
18	SAC Pollock	Cosford	4½	42½
19	Flt Lt R. Harris	CIO Hull	4	44½
20	Cpl J. Sherratt	Binbrook	4	43½
21	FS H. Tucker	Binbrook	3½	48
22	LC/A H. Ward	Cosford	2½	42½
23	Sqn Ldr B. Donnis	Valley	2½	41
24	LAC B. Wilkes	Gan	1½	40½

HOW TO LOSE AT CHESS by Bob Kermoen

One of the easiest ways to make "a brock" of things is to study carefully the openings and memorise them. Then later, when playing an important game, you will be able to use your opening theory to good effect - and lose rapidly.

Let me illustrate this by my game with Geoff Collyer. I saw Geoff was playing the Sicillian, Najdorf variation at this year's championships. Therefore I spent some mid-night oil analysing from O'Kelly's book, various lines characterised by 6 B-QB4. "If its good enough for Fischer, Robatsch, Korchnoi, etc, its good enough for me".

There's one thing wrong with this idea - they know what they're doing.

White - R.W. Kermoen.

Black - G. Collyer.

1. P-K4.

I usually play P-Q4 or N-KB3 here, but I was going to crush my opponent with some energetic play.

1. ...P-QB4.

Ah - now I'll get you into that Korchnoi - Bobotsov, Wijk en Zee 1968 game.

2. N-KB3 P-Q3.

3. P-Q4 PxP.

4. NxP N-KB3.

5. N-QB3 P-QR3.

The Najdorf variation of the Sicillian. This position must occur thousands upon thousands of times a year. O'Kelly's book, "The Sicillian Flank Game", is devoted to how to proceed from this position.

6. B-QB4.

Other possibilities are, 6 B-KN5 (probably best - although analysed to death), B-K2, P-KR3, P-B4 or P-KN3.

6. ...P-K3.

7. P-QR3.

The idea of this move is to preserve the B on the QR2-K6, KB7 diagonal - otherwise B will be able to get rid of White's good bishop by ...N-QB3 and ...N-QR4.

7. ...B-K2.

7. ...B-K2.

8. B-R2.

White has lost a lot of time by this manoeuvre however - and this is probably why 6 B-KN5 is nowadays a more popular method of attack.

8. ...O-O.

9. B-K3 P-QN4.

10. P-KN4 B-N2.

11. P-B3.

Up to now as per Korchnoi-Bobotsov (the game mentioned earlier). Geoff now finds what I consider to be an improvement for Black. At this point Bobotsov played:

11. ...N-B3; 12. R-KN1 N-Q2; 13. P-N5 N(Q2)-K4;

14. P-B4 NxN; 15. BxN N-B3; 16. R-N3 NxB; 17. QxN B-QB3; 18. P-KR4 P-QR4; 19. P-B5 and White's attack eventually won the day. However, Geoff puts me right up the "Gum" tree.

11. ...N(3)-Q2.

Suddenly it hits me. My Goodness, he's threatening BR5ch...I will have to move my King - he'll be stranded in the centre...etc. Sweat begins to pour. Damn, why didn't I play 1 P-Q4. I'll have to bring one of my Knights back to K2 and then after the check play N-N3. Don't like it though - what else.

12. N(4)-K2.

Of course, it's damn obvious now 12 P-KR4 was the move, since after 12 ...BxRPch 13 K-Q2, White has a superb attack e.g. by P-B4 and PN5 or Q-KN1 and Q-R2 etc. Geoff admitted afterwards that he wouldn't have taken the RP in this line anyway, but White would still have had a good attack. Now he's got nothing or even less.

12. ...N-K4.

13. N-N3 Q-B2.

Now I'm powerless to stop ...N-B5 with a good game for Black. Blast it. Why didn't I play 1 P-Q4. Ah well, I didn't so I might as well make the most of it.

14. P-B4 N-B5.

15. BxN QxB.

16. P-N5.

In for a penny, in for a pound. Perhaps I'm threatening NR5 and NB6ch. Then again, perhaps I'm not.

16. ...N-Q2.

17. Q-Q4.

At the time it seemed the right thing to do. Swop ...the

the queens off and you might get a draw, Confound Korchnoi and that book.

Psychologically I was beaten good and proper by now - and positionally my game was a shambles. I should however have attempted something more daring in this position, e.g. 17 Q-N4 NB4; 18. PB5 PxP; 19. NxBP B-Q1; 20. NxQP with chances.

17. ...KR-B1.

18. O-O-O.

Believing that I was getting out of trouble - actually I was putting myself in deeper. 18. QxQ RxQ; 19. O-O might have still saved half a point.

18. ...QxQ.

19. RxQ N-N3.

20. R-Q3.

Played because if 20. R(1)-Q1 N-B5; 21. B-B2 NxRI wins.

20. ...N-B5.

21. B-B2 R-B2.

22. R(1)-Q1 R(1)-QB1.

Now the threat is 23. ...NxRP. My only defence is 23. N(N3)-K2 or 23. B-Q4. I choose neither, as at this time a mirage appeared and I thought I saw an even better move 23. N-N1 NxNP.

Geoff could have done better by playing ... 23. ...N-K6 as if 24. B or RxN RxP mate. 23. ...NxRP is useless after 24. NxN.

24. KxN RxPch.

25. K-N3 RxB

26. Resigns.

A valuable lesson has been learnt. Never try to analyse too deeply into openings - rather concentrate on their general principles so that you always know where you are.

GAMES CORNER.

One competitor who showed a big improvement in the standard of his play was Bernard Doherty. In this years championships his games showed that he understands considerable theory of the game. Next year, if he keeps this rate of improvement up, he will be challenging for major honours. Here is how he should have beaten

Ray Porter>

White	R. PORTER	Black	B.Doherty
1. P-QB4	P-K4	2. N-QB3	N-KB3
3. N-KB3	N-B3	4. P-Q3	P-Q4
5. Pxp	Nxp	6. P-K4	N-N3
7. P-QR3	B-K2	8. B-K2	O-O
9. P-QN4	P-QR3	10. O-O	Q-Q3
11. B-N2	R-Q1	12. Q-B2	B-N5
13. KR-Q1	N-Q5	What a pity. Black has achieved a won position but now throws it away. Here he should have won by 13. BxN 14. BxB N-Q5 15. Q-N1 (the only move) NxB 16. PxB Q-N3ch 17. K-R1 Q-R4.	

White B.DOHERTY.

Black J.LAMING.

1. P-Q4	P-K3	2. P-QD4	P-KB4	3. N-QB3	N-KB3
4. N-B3	B-N5ch	5. Q-N3	BxNch	6. QxB	O-O
7. P-KN3	P-Q4	8. B-N2	P-B3	9. O-O	Q-K1
10. P-N3	N-K5	11. Q-B2	Q-R4	12. N-K1	P-KN4
13. P-B3	Nxp (a little premature)	14. Pxn	R-B3	15. Q-Q2	P-B5
16. PxBP	R-R3	17. PxNP	Q-R7ch	18. K-B2	Q-R5ch
19. K-K3	QxNPch	20. K-Q3	Q-N3ch	21. P-K4	R-R4
22. R-R1	RxR	23. BxR	PxKPch	24. Pxp	Q-N6ch
25. K-B2	P-K4	26. P-Q5	Q-N8	27. Q-N5ch	QxQ
28. BxQ	B-N5	29. B-B3	BxB	30. NxB	N-Q2
31. Pxp	Pxp	32. R-Q1	N-B4	33. Nxp	NxKP
34. R-Q8ch	RxR	35. BxR	P-B4	36. N-B6	P-KR4
37. Nxp	K-B2	38. P-R4	K-K1	39. B-R4	K-Q2
40. N-N5	K-B1	41. K-Q3	N-B3	42. BxN	K-N2
43. B-K7	K-R3	44. Bxp	P-R5	45. B-Q6	K-R4
46. P-N4ch	Kxp	47. N-B3ch	K-N6	48. N-R2	K-R5
49. K-B2	P-R6	50. N-B3ch	K-R6	51. P-N5	mate.

White M.HEUGH

Black R.PORTER

1. P-Q4	N-KB3	2. N-KB3	P-Q3	3. P-QB4	P-KN3	4. P-QN3	P-B4
5. P-Q5	B-N2	6. B-N2	O-O	7. P-K3	(Perhaps N-Q2 is better, ALL NOTES ARE BY THE WINNER)	8. B-Q3	P-QN4
(Allows the break, this offers 9. Pxp Bxp 10. BxB Q-R4ch 11. N-B3 N-K5) 9. O-O (Committing black) Pxp 10. Pxp P-QR4 11. N(B3)-Q2 (At this point black considered 11. N-K5 12. BxB NxN 13. BxR NxR 14. Bxp NxKP 15. BxQ NxQ but decided all variations were advantageous to white, so in order entice P-K4, and make it all worth while, played.....) P-K3 12. P-K4 NxKP (Forgetting that the pawn on K2 has moved) 13. BxB NxN 14. BxR NxR 15. BxQP (Faulty analysis by black who had intended to reply to B-K7 with N-K6 and to B-R6 with Nxp) Q-B3 16. N-R3 (Not 16. N-Q2 NxN) Pxp 17. BxN RxB (Still threatening N-Q7 saving the N) 18. KxN (A poor move, BxN is not much better but R-N1 removes all blacks threats immediately, eg, 18. RxR 19. NxR) R-N7 19. B-K2 (Probably best) Q-K4 (Again threatening to regain the piece with RxB) 20. P-N3 (White loses his nerve, fearing QxRP, but 20. N-B2 QxRP 21. P-B3 should just save the game) RxB 21. QxR B-R6ch 22. K-K1 QxRch 23. K-Q2 QxPch (Q-N7 is probably better guarding against the perpetual check and threatening 24. B-B4 25. Q-Q1 Pxp followed by P-B6ch) 24. N-B2 B-K3 25. Pxp (Q-K5 trying for the perpotual check was better) QxPch 26. Q-Q3 (Losing quickly) QxQch 27. KxQ B-B4ch 28. K-B3 BxN 29. KxB K-B1 30. K-N3 K-K2 31. K-B4 K-Q3 32. Resigns.							

Ray said afterwards that this game made his journey to Lindholme all worth while. I think we all know this feeling well, although for most of us it doesnt come often enough.

White F. SALT

Black G. COLLYER

1. P-K4	P-QB4	2. N-KB3	P-Q3	3. P-Q4	Pxp	4. Nxp	N-KB3
5. N-QB3	P-QR3	6. B-K2	P-QN4	7. B-B3	P-K4	8. N-N3	N-QB3
9. P-QR3	B-K3	10. B-K3	B-K2	11. O-O	R-QB1	12. N-Q5	BxN
13. PxB	N-R4	14. NxN	QxN	15. Q-Q3	Q-B2	16. P-B3	O-O
17. QR-Q1	Q-B5	18. Q-B2	N-N5	19. B-K2	NxB	20. Pxn	Q-B4
21. B-Q3	P-KN3	22. Q-KB2	B-N4	23. Draw	agreed.		

A HARD GAME FOR THE CHAMPION.

White G. COLLYER		Black N.A. LUKE.	
1. P-QB4	P-KN3	2. N-QB3	B-N2
4. B-KN2	P-Q3	5. N-KB3	B-N5
7. P-KR3	B-K3	8. P-Q3	N-K2
10. K-R2	O-O	11. R-N1	P-B4
13. BxN	NxB	14. P-QN4	B-KB3
16. PxP	R-B2	17. PxP	PxP
19. NxQP	B-K4ch	20. P-KB4	BxN(Q4)
22. K-R1	P-KN4	23. N-K6	N-KN3
25. P-QR4	P-QB3	26. NxKNP	BxN
28. QxB	PxP	29. R-KB1	Q-K2
31. PxP	R-Q1	32. R-QB1	R-Q2
34. B-K4	NxP	35. R-Q1	N-B3
37. BxNP	K-B3	38. B-K4	P-KR3
40. B-B6	N-N1	41. B-N7	K-Q5
43. B-B3	N-Q2	44. K-N3	N-B3(a)
46. BxN	KxB	47. K-B5	K-D4
49. KxRP	KxRP	50. K-N6	KxP
52. P-R5	P-R5	and Black resigned.	

Noto. 44.K-N5 is much better, og
 45. B-Q1 N-B4 46. K-R4 NxP 47. K-R5 KxP
 48. KxP N-B6 49. B-B2 K-B4 drawn.

White G. COLLYER		Black J. WATSON	
1. P-K4	P-K4	2. N-KB3	N-QB3
4. O-O	NxP	5. R-K1	N-Q3
7. NxP	B-K2	8. P-Q3	O-O
10. N-D4	NxN	11. PxN	QxQ
13. B-K3	R-K1	14. N-B3	B-KD4
16. R-K1	BxN	17. PxP	Draw agreed.

Lack of belligerence or just mutual respect.

COSFORD CHESS SCENE (70 -71)

(By Chf Tech B. Doherty - July71)

1. Season 70-71 started rather badly with our No 1 board Flt Lt Bob Kermeeon (1969 Combined Services Champion) posted to Scotland, No 2 board Chf Tech Ray Porter warned for posting and our No 6 App Craft Mick Bush promoted to Junior Technician and posted to Honington.

2. Having committed the Station Team to playing in the Wolverhampton League (Div 2) as well as the Shropshire League team captain Robin Rowe was planning to play on three boards simultaneously at least twice a week.

3. At this time, because of too many trainees and not enough classrooms, Robin was busy amalgamating the Adult and Apprentice Chess Clubs, a task he carried out with the apparent loss of only ten chairs and three Knight's heads.

4. September saw SAC Jerry Hecksher and Chf Tech Bernard Doherty finishing 21st and 36th respectively in the Championship at Lindholme.

5. In October we made a fairly good start in the Leagues with the team: 1. Porter, 2. Rowe, 3. Hecksher, 4. Chf Tech Mike Walker, 5. Doherty, 6. Chf Tech Tommy Thomas and Kath Hendren as occasional stand-in.

6. Happily for us RAPO cancelled Ray Porter's posting and sent us Cpl Andy Crilly for a 20-week course. Andy moved in at Board 3 just in time to help us inflict on Stourbridge, the eventual Wolverhampton League II Champions, their only defeat of the season.

7. In the Spring we enjoyed a series of six lectures on theory from Mr D.W. Anderton, Chairman of the British Chess Federation Executive Committee, thanks to Robin Rowe squeezing expenses out of Station funds.

8. The season ended with us runners-up in Wolverhampton, mid-way in the Shropshire League and the Apprentices poorly placed in the Shropshire Schools League.

9. Ten of our players represented the RAF Chess Club during the season and so far this year 50 Cosford personnel have paid 10 new pence to join the RAF Chess Club and help gain official recognition.

10. Area Chess (inter-unit) is not for us. It cannot thrive without the backing of duty travel etc. We at Cosford think that people in high places will be more influenced by the total number of subscriptions to RAF Chess Club than by how much chess is being played by a few people.

THE ARMY PLAYERS ARE IMPROVING

In a note from Geoff Collyer he says that the Army lads are improving by leaps and bounds and that we will have to be on our guard next year from Messrs Walker, Heaton, Pallett and co

Editor's note: I agree - and perhaps he ought to add Richardson's name to that list.

White - J. Richardson Black - R. Kermeen

1. P-K4 P-QB4 2. N-KB3 P-K3 3. P-Q4 PxP 4. NXP N-KB3
5. N-QB3 P-Q3 6. B-QB4 P-QR3 7. P-QR4 Q-B2 8. P-QN3
(This must be a weak move because of the discovered threat on the WQN, but black never seems to be able to cash in on the weakness) N-B3 (and this feeble move is why; 8.. P-Q4 at once wins, e.g. 9. PxP PxP 10. NXP NxN 11. BxN Q-B6 ch) 9. NxN PxN
10. Q-Q P-Q4 11. B-Q3 (Black had overlooked this simple move and only considered 11. PxP BXP winning) B-K2 12. R-K1 P-KK
13. B-N2 B-N5 (This idea of pinning the N against the R leads to nothing) 14. R-K2 Q-Q 15. N-R2 N-N5 (An awful move in view of whites strong reply) 16. P-K5 B-B4 (16.. B-K2 would have lost a piece after 17. P-KR3) 17. P-KR3 NxBP 18. RxN BxRch 19. KxB P-QB4 (The check leads nowhere) 20. Q-N4 R-N4 (Threatening an eventual... P-P5) 21. QD-B1 (White sacrifices a pawn for a non existant attack) QxP 22. R-N1 (22. BxKRP : black cannot take the R, QxR because 23. P-B3 QxNch 24. K-N3 and white wins) Q-B3ch 23. Q-B3 Q-K2 (This proves to be a mistake. After 23.. QxQch 24. KxQ P-K4 black could probably win)
24. B-KB4 R-R1 25. R-K1 B-N2 26. Q-N3 (White has now got a winning attack and although black manages to avoid mate, he has to give up material) Q-B3 27. K-N1 (The threat of 28. B-K is deadly) QR-QB1 28. P-KR4 (A fine move, if B-K5 at once,

...black

black has Q-N4) P-KR4 (Alas a fine move, as now if B-K5 Q-R3)
29. P-QB3 (To prevent the Q chock after 30. B-KN5) P-KN3 (So that if 30. B-KN5 Q-N2) 30. B-K5 Q-K2 31. BxNP P-B3 (Of course not 31.. PxP) 32. BxRPch K-R1 33. B-Q6 Q-Q2 34. BxR RxR (White is a piece up, but black doesn't resign at once because of the masked threat of... R-KN1 and P-Q5) 35. Q-K5 (Preventing... R-KN1) Q-N2 36. QxKP P-Q5 37. Q-N4 Q-R3
38. B-N6 Q-Q7 39. Q-K2 PxP (Perhaps black would have done better to have tried 39... Q-N4 40. P-R5 B-Q4, but W would still have won) 40. QxQ PxQ and White won easily.

THE WILKES BARRE SAGA.

In this article Ray Porter analyses further lines in this opening.

1. P-K4 P-K4 2. N-KB3 N-QB3 3. B-B4 N-B3 4. N-N5 B-B4
5. NxBP BxPch 6. KxB NxBch

In the October issue, John Laming asked for a refutation of Tony Eden's 7. K-K3. Tony has suggested 7. Q-K2 as probably best, and I agree, if one wishes White to play 8. Nx because I believe Black is then lost. This was Tony's original problem of how Black wins after :

7. K-K3 Q-K2 8. NXR Q-B4 ch 9. P-Q4 PxPch 10. K-K2 and 9. NXP 10. P-B3 seem sufficient for White.

Now consider 8. Q-N4ch 9. K-B3 9. K-Q3 and 9. K-K2 are all forced losses. (Analysis available). However, 9. KxN seems sufficient for White, and I can find no other worthwhile 8th move for Black.

8. NXR may not be the strongest move for White. What about 8. KxN or 8. R-B1 R-B1 9. Q-R5.

In February 1971 Barry Hollyoak gave after 7. K-K3, 7. Q-B5 (a good move) 8. NXR Q-B5ch 9. K-K2 N-Q5ch 10. K-K1 Q-B7 mate. But 10. K-Q3 N-B4ch 11. K-B3 N-N4ch 12. K-N4 (not 12. BxN Q-Q5 mate.) P-R4ch 13. KxN (either) and mate soon follows. Also 7. Q-R5 8. NXR Q-B5ch 9. K-K2 Q-B7ch 10. K-Q3 N-N5ch 11. KxN Q-B5mate. This seems to prove that after 7. Q-R5 White cannot play 8. NXR.

Now for my reason for entering the fray.

LETTERS

After 7. Q-R5 let us consider not 3. NKR but 3. Q-E4. This I believe to be stronger than the Guardians Chess Book's 3. P-KN3 [p. 131(b)]. I believe 3. Q-B3 gives White the opportunity to escape with his King to the Queen's side, but play is extremely difficult.

We now have: 7. K-K3 (Tony) Q-R5 (Barry)
3. Q-B3 (Ray)(Any offers)

As I rarely play 1. P-K4 it is unlikely that I will be put to the test. However, I shall be interested to see if anyone can produce a line to beat 3. Q-B3.

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This game shows our new Champion at his best, handling an attack.

White G. COLLIER Black M. HEUCH

1. P-K4 P-QB4 2. P-KB4 P-ND3 3. N-QB3 B-N2 4. N-B3 P-K3
5. P-Q4 PxP 6. BxP P-QB3 7. B-B3 N-N3 8. N-N3 BxNch
9. PxP Q-B2 10. Q-Q2 QN-QB3 11. B-K2 P-Q4 12. B-B3 PxP
13. BxP Q-O 14. Q-O B-Q2 15. Q-KB2 N-KB4 16. B-B3 KR-K1
17. QR-Q1 N-N1 18. P-N4 N-K2 19. B-Q6 Q-B1 20. Q-R4 QN-B3
21. R-B3 K-K2 22. N-B5 P-D4 23. NxB PxP 24. R-R3 P-KR4
25. Q-B6ch K-N1 26. QxKtch K-N2 27. BxP PxP 28. Q-B6ch
K-M1 29. R-M3ch Resigns.

.....Whereas here no chess Bay Portor no mercy.

White G. COLLIER Black R. PORTER

1. P-QB4 N-KB3 2. N-QB3 P-KN3 3. P-ND3 B-N2 4. B-N2 P-Q3
5. N-B3 Q-O 6. P-Q4 P-D4 7. Q-O QN-Q2 8. P-Q5 N-N3 9. Q-Q3
P-K4 10. P-K4 P-QB3 11. N-K1 P-K2 12. B-K3 P-KD4 13. P-KD4
BxP 14. KxBP B-D4 15. BxP BxP 16. RxBch KxR 17. NxB B-
13. N-KD3 B-N2 19. N(3)-N5 N-K2 20. R-KB1 N-Q2 21. B-D4
N(2)-B3 22. N-N6 Q-Q2 23. N-ND B-N1 24. NxBP PxN 25. BxR
N-Q3 26. BxN QxB 27. Q-K3 Resigns.

Dear Ed,

I don't know if you will include a letters page in the RAF Magazine, if you do I would like to extend my congratulations to Geoff Collyer on winning the CSCC and the manner in which he won it.

My comiserations to you and all other hopefuls, myself included, who were also rans. I hope to be back next year and do a little better.

Yours etc

Doug Pallett.

Editors note: We'll all have to pull our socks up if we're to de-throne the new champion.

MATCH RESULT

RAF v 'BATTLE OF BRITAIN' TEAM

An excellent start to the new season was made when the RAF were entertained by the Battle of Britain competitors at Britannic House on September 17th.

RAF		B of B Competitor
Cpl G. Collyer	0	1
FS H. Burman	0	1
Mr R.E. Rushbrook	0	1
SAC T. Sweeney	1	0
Sgt L. Hodby	0	1
Cpl D. Arnsson	1	0
SAC G. Chapman	1	0
SAC A. Jeffery	1	0
Mr J. Foley	1	0
Chf Tech W. Eales	1/2	1/2
FS E. Weetam	0	1
Mr D. Evans	0	1
Mr M.B. Gayton	1	0
	6 1/2	6 1/2
		G.C. Nurse
		P.A. Thomas
		R.D. Bellinger
		M.A. Khan
		Z. Zoltowski
		J.E. Yeo
		C.H. Liddiard
		G.C. Munay
		J. Powell
		J. Marshall
		P. Poyser
		G. Roberts
		J.B. Stone

MESSAGE FROM RETIRING EDITOR

(John Laming)

Firstly, I would like to wish Bob Kermeen all the best in his tour of office as Editor. I would personally like to place on record that, with his expertise in the game, we are very lucky to have him as Editor. His analysis in this and other editions bears witness to this.

Secondly, I would like to thank members for their support during the past two years, and for the articles and letters that I have received for publication.

Finally, I could not retire from the scene without paying tribute to the following:

Peter Putt for the sterling job he did as our RAF Germany Chess Representative. This involved a lot of hard work. As you know Peter has now taken over as Secretary and is at RAF Thorney Island. Dave Pepper and Barry Hollyoak for their efforts for RAF Chess in Cyprus. Denis Jones for his lively interest and for his efforts, together with Geoff Collyer, in organising Area Chess. Jack Elliott, Frank Salt and Wally Adam for their invaluable work in organising and controlling the Combined Services Championships. Bernard Doherty and Robin Rowe for their tremendous enthusiasm and efforts in getting Chess going at RAF Cosford on a grand scale. Their membership is now up to the 50 mark!

The enthusiasm for and efforts towards Chess are such, that I feel that the 'Association' is not far off.

J H L