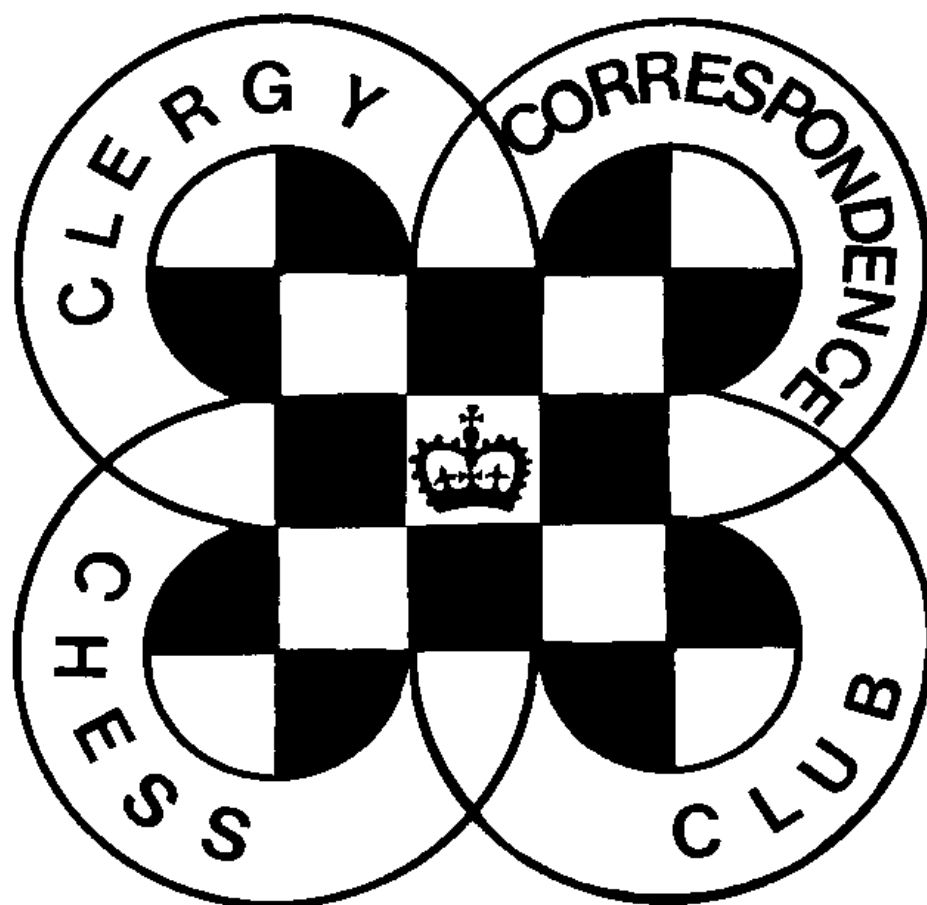


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This issue is timed to be published about a month before the end of our current season and is hopefully a timely reminder to those of you who have not yet completed your games to do so.

Please make sure that I receive results or claims for adjudication by 31st July.

Happily, we haven't had any games for adjudication for some years now so I am not repeating the procedure in this magazine, but if anyone does need to submit an adjudication and has not got this information handy, then please request it.

I will email the final results and put them on the web site. If you can't receive email and don't want to wait until the October magazine please send me a stamped address envelope and I will send you a printed copy.

*If you are presently a **LEAGUE MEMBER** and have completed your games this year I will assume you wish to continue playing in the league next season. If you do not please let me know by 31st July.*

*If you are a **NON-LEAGUE MEMBER** or if you **WITHDREW** this season you **MUST** tell me by 31st July if you want to be included in the league next season. If you have not played for a while tell me which Division you used to be in and if there is space I will enter you where your strength deserves rather than you starting from the bottom.*

Since the last magazine David Nye has moved home and is now living at 3, Blackberry Field, Prestbury, CHELTENHAM. GL52 5LT. 01242 268964. Peter Couch has changed his email to peter.couch2@yahoo.co.uk. Mike Smith has retired and is living at 48 Salacre Crescent, Upton, WIRRAL. CH49 0UZ.

Our thanks to those who have sent in games for publication and to Michael Thistlewood for preparing them for the magazine. Please continue sending in games, with analysis where possible as we have now used up our stock of games entirely.

Bruce Carlin (Secretary)

SCHEMING MIND STANDARD CHESS LEAGUE

Our third season in the Scheming Mind Chess League has proved to be something of a challenge! Having won promotion last season we have been playing against much tougher opposition and are nearly always quite severely out ranked by our opponents. In the circumstances our Team has acquitted itself creditably even if our results don't look that brilliant. It is certainly better than England's dismal performance in the World Cup!

After an initial win against Monty's Python 5½-4½, we drew with Dilo en español 5-5, but then things went somewhat downhill with a 0-10 defeat by Apple Pie A. We recovered to lose only by 4-6 to Will's Wonders, before suffering another heavy defeat 1-9 to Northern Trappers. We are currently playing our last match against Sheffield CA and are currently 1-2 down.

We will almost certainly be relegated at the end of the season, but this will put us back against Teams nearer our own level, where we can hope to get better results.

Thanks and Well Done to our Team. If anyone else would like to strengthen this team please let the Secretary know. The more people we have in the Team the fewer games each member has to play as we can change our Team from round to round.

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RESULTS 2013 / 2014

DIVISION 1	Hu	Sm	A	Ha	F	St	L	Pts	%
Hulme	×				1	1/2	1	2 1/2 / 3	83
Smith		×			1	1/2	1	2 1/2 / 3	83
Alexander			×	1	1		1	3 / 3	100
Hall			0	×	1	0	0	1 / 4	25
Foster	0	0	0	0	×		1/2	1/2 / 5	10
Stevenson	1/2	1/2		1		×	1	3 / 4	75
Lowe	0	0	0	1	1/2	0	×	1 1/2 / 6	25
DIVISION 2	N	Ca	T	W	P	Cl	Co	Pts	%
Nye	×	1	1		0		1	3 / 4	75
Carlin	0	×	1	0	0	0	1/2	1 1/2 / 6	25
Thistlewood	0	0	×	1	0	1/2	1	2 1/2 / 6	42
Williamson		1	0	×		1	1/2	2 1/2 / 4	63
Partridge	1	1	1		×	1/2	1	4 1/2 / 5	90
Cleaves		1	1/2	0	1/2	×	1/2	2 1/2 / 5	50
Costello	0	1/2	0	1/2	0	1/2	×	1/2 / 6	25
DIVISION 3	Y	L	C	P	B	A		Pts	%
Yates	×		V	1				1 / 1	100
Loxton		×	V	0		1		1 / 2	50
Couch	V	V	×	V	V	V		Void	Void
Procter	0	1	V	×				1 / 2	50
Boddy			V		×				
Askey		0	V			×		0 / 1	0

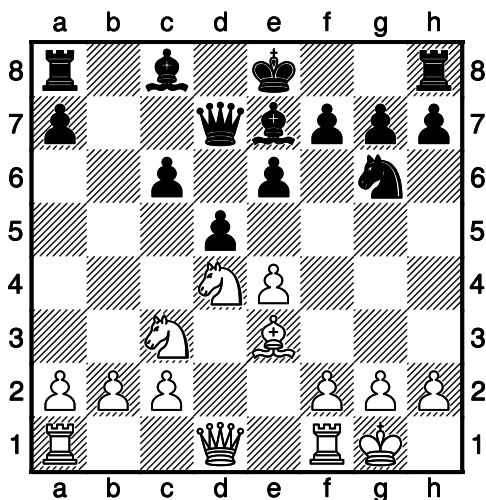
**There are rather more results outstanding
than I would have liked at this stage,
with little over a month
of the season left to run.**

**Please make every effort
to complete your games
in time for the end of the season.**

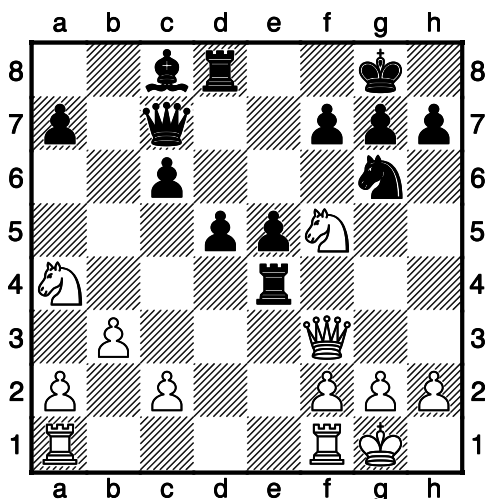
David Lowe - David Hume

[B30] Division 1 - 2012-2013

**1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 e6 4.Bxc6
bxc6 5.0-0 Ne7 6.Nc3 Ng6 7.d3
Be7 8.Be3 d5 9.d4 cxd4 10.Nxd4
Qd7**



**11.Nb3 0-0 12.Bc5 Rd8 13.Bxe7
Qxe7 14.Nd4 Qc7 15.Qf3 e5
16.Nf5 Rb8 17.Na4 Rb4 18.b3
Rxe4**



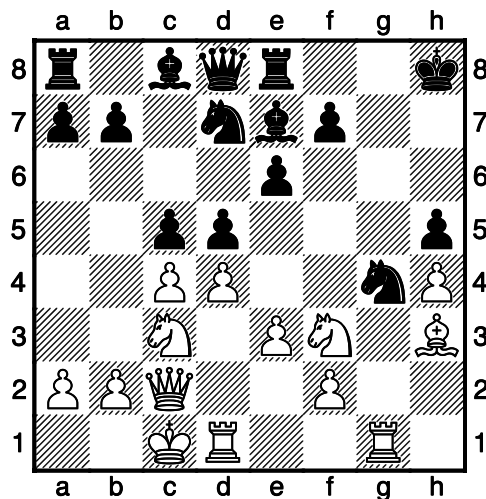
**19.Ng3 Rh4 20.Nh1 e4 21.Qg3 Nf4
0-1**

Andrew Yates -

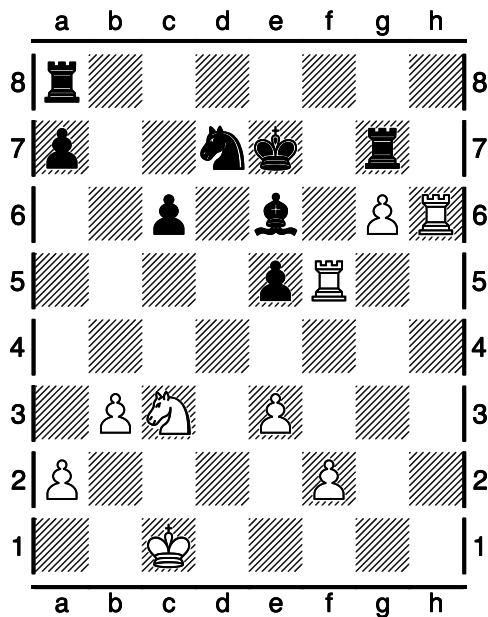
David Lowe [A00]

Division 1 - 2012-2013

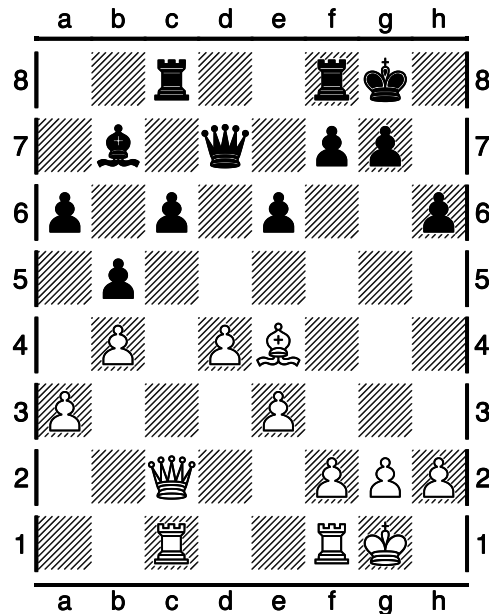
**1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5
Be7 5.e3 0-0 6.Nf3 Nbd7 7.Qc2 h6
8.h4 c5 9.0-0-0 Re8 10.Bxh6 gxh6
11.g4 Nxg4 12.Rg1 h5 13.Bh3 Kh8**



**14.Bxg4 hxg4 15.Rxg4 Rg8 16.Ng5
Bxg5 17.hxg5 Kg7 18.g6 f5 19.Rg3
cxd4 20.Rxd4 dxc4 21.Ne2 e5
22.Qxc4 Qf6 23.Rh4 Qc6 24.Rh7+
Kf8 25.Rf7+ Ke8 26.Qxc6 bxc6
27.Rxf5 Ba6 28.Nc3 Rg7 29.Rh3
Bc4 30.Rh6 Ke7 31.b3 Be6**



16.Ne5 Rac8 17.b4 Rf8 18.Rac1
Nd7 19.Nxd7 Qxd7 20.Be4 c6



32.Rf3 Rf8 33.Rxf8 Nxf8 34.Rh4
Nxc6 35.Re4 Bd5 36.Ra4 Kf6
37.Ra6 Kf5 38.Kd2 Rd7 39.Ke2 e4
40.Nxd5 cxd5 41.f3 exf3+ 42.Kxf3
Rh7 43.Ra5 Rh3+ 44.Kg2 Rxe3
45.Rxd5+ Re5 46.Rd2 Nf4+
47.Kf3 Rd5 48.Ke3 Ke5 49.Rxd5+
Nxd5+ 50.Kd3 Kd6 51.Kc4 Kc6
52.a3 a6 53.Kd4 Nf4

21.f4 f5 22.Bf3 Qe7 23.Qc5 Qxc5
24.Rxc5 Rc7 25.Rfc1 Rfc8 26.d5
Kf7 27.d6 Rd7 28.Bxc6 Bxc6
29.Rxc6 Rcd8 30.Rd1 Ra8 31.Kf2
a5 32.Rb6 axb4 33.axb4 Rad8
34.Kf3 Kf6 35.Rxb5 Rxd6 36.Rxd6
Rxd6

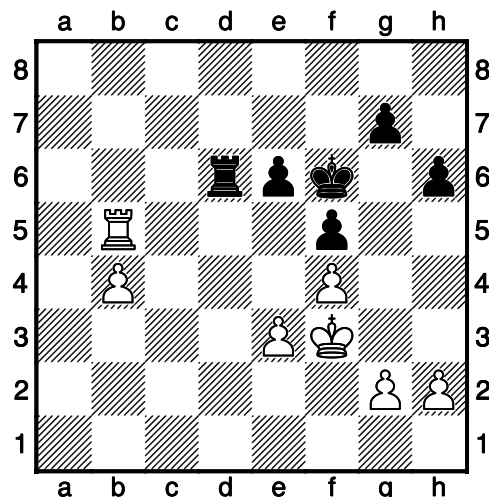
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[What a roller coaster of a game - games
editor]

Brian Stevenson - David Lowe [A00]

Division 1 - 2013-2014

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3
Bb4 5.Qa4+ Nc6 6.e3 0-0 7.Bd2
a6 8.a3 Bxc3 9.Bxc3 dxc4 10.Qxc4
Ne7 11.Bb4 Re8 12.Bd3 b5 13.Qc2
h6 14.0-0 Bb7 15.Bxe7 Qxe7



37.h3 Rd5 38.Rxd5 exd5 39.Ke2
Ke6 40.Kd3 Kd7 41.Kd4 Kc6
42.b5+ Kd6 43.b6 Kc6 44.b7 Kxb7
45.Kxd5. 1-0

King's Gambit

I have always been fascinated by the King's Gambit with the swashbuckling games of the nineteenth century. My chess tends to be defensive and positional, so there is obviously an adventurer in there wanting to escape!

I tried one or two games with a friend and then bought an opening book. I am now working steadily through it and also playing games without reference to the book, but doing the analysis at the end of the game.

Here is a quick win from one of our team games and I also include a game with a distant cousin which I think he is going to win, but it is quite hair-raising so don't read it if you are of a nervous disposition!

As I said to a friend in our chess club – I am going to play wildly and lose rather than playing boringly and lose. After all at 82 years of age, what have I to lose!

Cheers!

Michael Thistlewood.

MJT - Clergy team game [C34]

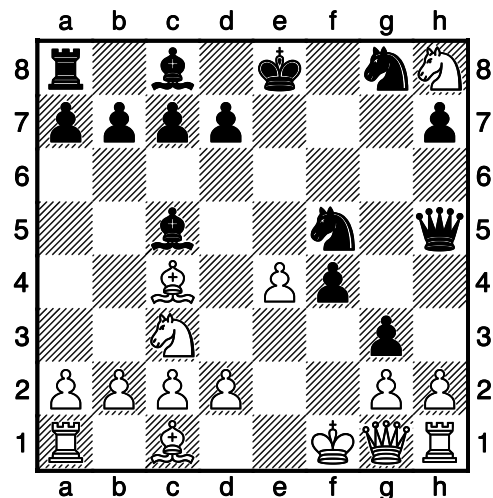
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1.e4 e5 2.f4 exf4 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.Bc4 h6 5.d4 Nf6 6.Nc3 d5 7.exd5 Bb4 8.dxc6 Bxc3+ 9.bxc3 bxc6 10.Ne5 Bd7 11.0-0 Rb8 12.Nxf7

1-0

Michael Thistlewood - Tony Thistlewood [A00]

1.e4 e5 2.f4 exf4 3.Nf3 g5 4.Bc4 g4 5.Ne5 Qh4+ 6.Kf1 Nc6 7.Nxf7 Bc5
[This was a horrendous response! I was shocked!] **8.Qe2 Nd4 9.Qf2 g3 10.Qg1 Qh5 11.Nc3 Nf5 12.Nxh8**



12...Ngh6 13.Qxc5 Ne3+ [Another nasty shock!] 14.Qxe3 fxe3 15.dxe3 Qe5 16.Nd5 Kd8 17.h3 Qxh8 18.Ke2 c6 19.Nc3 b5 20.Bd3

[This game is still in play - I will complete it in the next issue]