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Dear ChessPlayer,

First, the long awaited 1977 S.C.C.A. Grading List:

R.Beecham	203	E.B.A.Hunter	237*	C.W.Marshall	195*
G.H.Bird	171	R.M.Innes	171	I.Marshall	170
E.B.Blacklaws	159	J.G.B.Jamieson	156*	J.B.Marshall	176*
W.Brack	142*	P.M.Jamieson	210*	J.E.Marshall	163*
J.Bradley	114*	D.M.Jenkins	200*	B.J.Martin	151*
W.G.Brady	173*	W.Johnston	197*	R.Mitchell	46*
W.E.Bruges	182*	W.C.Kincaid	136*	W.Munn	182*
H.O.Brunjes	131*	A.G.Kirkland	195*	V.A.Nye	181*
I.S.Campbell	197	J.P.R.Kleboe	168*	B.B.Partridge	195
D.Canning	148	A.J.Lait	175	W.R.Perrie	87*
A.Dlugolecki	189*	R.Lawson	186	A.Ponting	222*
A.B.Dunn	174	J.P.L.Lumsden	93*	B.Sauve	175*
E.A.Ellison	191*	K.B.McAlpine	221	D.J.Savage	157*
G.Ferguson	117*	R.A.McBrayne	130*	A.Scrimgour	199*
R.Finlayson	165*	T.McCheyne	124*	G.L.Sutton	199
J.Gibson	162*	J.McCracken	127*	A.Thompson	154
K.Gordon	168	D.McDonald	150*	I.Thompson	121*
J.R.Gracie	171*	A.McFadyen	179	A.Thomson	189*
F.Hall	119	D.McKerracher	181*	A.W.Tuton	164*
Mrs M.S.Hepburn	172*	I.Mackintosh	178	J.W.Vernon	162
J.M.Herries	147	A.R.B.McKnight	138*	J.Ward	139*
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H.D.Holmes	198	C.Makarewicz	120*	G.Windram	158

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Thanks are due to Walter Munn For taking the trouble to prepare these lists. Curious features of the lists are : (i) although the S.C.C.A. has a current membership of almost 200 only 102 names are given ; (ii) many of those listed have not played much correspondence chess lately - the asterisk being as per usual ; (iii) not many of the leading OTB players are listed. Hopefully the grading list will grow rapidly in time .

In the home international matches we are doing very well. B.B.Partridge reports that we are leading England $22\frac{1}{2}$ - $8\frac{1}{2}$ and Wales $26\frac{1}{2}$ - $8\frac{1}{2}$!! These results are very encouraging.....!

Regarding our joining ICCF? Alan Borwell is proceeding with the negotiations. ICCF representatives meet once a year, so we must patiently.... A major snag is the attitude of the BPCF - which seems to think only it should represent correspondence chess in the British Isles - since many ICCF countries will follow blindly. We are intending, meantime, to arrange 2 or 3 'friendlies' with ICCF countries. With luck these should start in the coming season....

The Annual General Meeting of the S.C.C.A. is to be at 2,Old Coach Road, East Kilbride, Sunday 21st May, 2.30p.m.. If more than a few turn up I might have to make it the hotel nearby! Please send me any items for discussion

It was put to me by George Livie - and I agree with him that people like to see games! Well I am in the slow process of sifting all of Bernard Partridge's files which he very craftily passed onto me. There is more than enough material in the files for a series of articles on the correspondence chess scene over the last ten years or so (that there is an S.C.C.A. is a tribute to Bernard's persistent industry). Anyway, here are some games from the past that I found interesting.....

Game No.3 (championship 69/70) W.P.Watson v D.B.A.Hunter

1 c4 e5; 2 Nc3 f5; 3 Nf3 Nc6; 4 d4 e4; 5 Nd2 Nf6; 6 e3 Bb4; 7 Qb3 a5; 8 a3 BxN; 9 QxB a4; 10 b4 d6; 11 Bb2 o-o; 12 o-o-o Bd7; 13 Be2 d5; 14 f3 Ne7; 15 Rdf1 c6; 16 h4 Nh5; 17 Rf2 Ng3; 18 Rh2 e4xf3; 19 g2xf3 f4; 20 e4 b5; c4xb5 c6xb5; 22 Qd3 Rc8+; 23 Kbl N7f5; 24 Nf1 Nd6; 25 Rfg2 d5xe4; 26 f3xe4 N6xe4; 27 NxN f4xN; 28 Rxg3 NxR; 29 QxN Bf5+; 30 Kbl Q 5; 31 Rg2 g6; 32 Bf3 Qb3; 33 resigns (0-1).

Bryan Hunter, who won that championship, was also a formidable and enterprising OTB player (he might still be!) as many of us 'old lags' can testify! Peter Watson, also even now(!), is no pushover OTB.

Game No.4 (premier15 69/70) A.G.Kirkland v B.Whyte
1 e4 e5; 2 f4 e5xf4; 3 Nf3 d6; 4 d4 g5; 5 Bc4 Bg7; 6 o-o Nc6; 7 c3 h6; 8 g3 g4; 9 Nh4 f3; 10 Qb3 Qe7; 11 Bf4 Nf6; 12 Nd2 Nh5; 13 Nf5 BxN; 14 Qxb7 o-o; 15 QxN NxN; 16 g3xN Bd7; 17 Qxc7 Rfc8; 18 Qa5 RxN; 19 NxR Qh4; 20 Nd2Qh3; 21 Rf2 g3; 22 h2xg3 Qxg3+ resigns (0-1).

A fine battle.

Game No.5 (championship 69/70) J.A.Johnstone v J.Lumsden
1 e4 Nf6; 2 e5 Nd4; 3 d4 d6; 4 c4 Nb6; 5 e5xd6 e7xd6; 6 Nc3 Be7; Nf3 o-o; 8 Be2 Bg4; 9 h3 Bh5; 10 b3 Nc6; 11 Be3 f5; 12 Qd2 Bf6; 13 o-o Kh8; 14 Ng5 BxB; 15 NxN Qd7; 16 Rad1 d5; 17 c5 Nc8; 18 h4 a5; 19 Nf4 BxN; 20 h4xB N8e7; 21 Qe2 Ng6; 22 Qh5 Mc6; 23 Rfe1 Rae8; 24 Rd3 Qb5; 25 Red1 NxN; 26 BxN Ng8; 27 Rh3 Kg8; 28 Bxc7 Qe2; 29 QxQ RxQ; 30 a4 Rfe8; 31 Bxa5 f4; 32 Bd2 R8e4; 33 Kf1 Kf7; 34 b4 Nf8; 35 b5 Nc6; 36 f3 RxN; 37 RxR Re3; 38 Rb2 resigns (1-0).

The winner, John Johnstone, used to play top board for the Griffin.

Game No.6 (premier28 71/72) J.Gibson v C.W.Marshall
1 e4 e6; 2 d4 d5; 3 Nd2 c5; e4xd5 Qxd5; 5 Ngf3 Nf6; 6 Bc4 Qc6; 7 Qc2 a6; 8 o-o b5; 9 Ne5 Qb6; 10 d4xc5 Bxc5; 11 Bd3 Nc6; 12 Ndf3 Bb7; 13 a4 b5xa4; 14 Nc4 Qc7; 15 Rxa4 Rd8; 16 Nde5 Nd4; 17 NxN RxN; 18 Rc4 RxR; 19 BxR Bd4; 20 Nf3 Ng4; 21 Bxe6 BxN; 22 Bxf7+ Kd8; 23 Bg5+ Kc8; 24 Qe6+ Kb7; 25 g3 Ne5; 26 Ral Bxf2+; 27 Kf1 Bb6; 28 Be3 BxN; resigns (0-1).

In his younger days Claud Marshall was one of the strongest players in the West of Scotland.

Game No.7 (championship 69/70) D.B.A.Hunter v J.A.Johnstone

1 e4 c5; 2 d4 c5xd4; 3 c3 d4xc3; 4 Nxc3 d6; 5 Bc4 Nc6; 6 Nf3 e6; 7 o-o Be7; 8 Qe2 Nf6; 9 Rdl Qc7; 10 Bf4 Ne5; 11 Bb5+ Nc6; 12 Racl o-o; 13 BxN b7xN; 14 e5 Nd5; 15 NxN e6xN; 16 Nd4 d6x5; 17 Bxe5 Qd7; 18 Rxc6 Re8; 19 Rc7 Qg4; 20 f3 Qg5; 21 h4 Qxh4; 22 Qb5 Be6; 23 NxN f7xN; 24 Rxa7 Kf8; 25 RxR RxR; 26 Rcl Qg5; 27 f4 Qb3; 28 Rc3 Qcl+; 29 Kh2 Kf7; 30 Qb7 Re8; 31 Qa7 g5; 32 Re3 Qf2; 33 f4xg5 Qh5+; 34 Rh3 Qe4; 35 Bd6 Kg8; 36 BxB Qf4+; 37 Kgl Qcl+; 38 Kf2 Qd2+; 39 Kg3 Qel+; 40 Kh2 1-0.

I would you remind you to send the results of your games to the particular tournament controller and not to me. If you are playing in the League keep your captain informed .

V.A.Nye