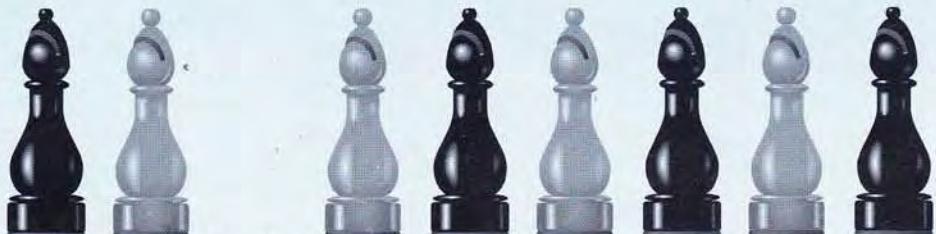


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Fun Day at Shoreham Airport . . .

Last year it was trains at the Bluebell railway, this year ninety children from Sussex Junior Chess invaded Shoreham Airport for the November coaching and fun day. It had been raining and flooding all week leaving the organisers with a vague feeling of unrest. The date, however, had been well chosen – it turned out to be a lovely bright, sunny day.

For those taking part, a little chess was squeezed in between a tour of the airport and a talk by world championship memory man Daniel Tammet. They were also treated to a real emergency when a light aircraft blew a tyre on the runway, and was attended to by the full airport emergency services.

A team of selected West Sussex players played a match against a team from East Sussex in the Jade Air hangar surrounded by aircraft (cover photo). The final result produced a victory to West Sussex by three games to one.



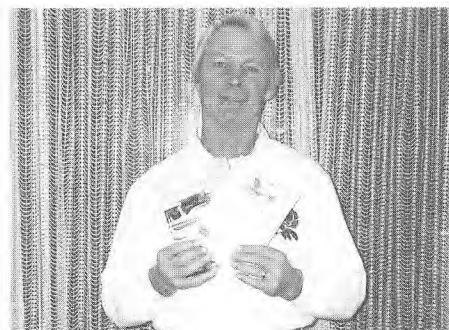
International Master and Sussex coach Graeme Buckley oversees proceedings as Sussex juniors are filmed by Meridian TV learning some new moves in a hangar at Shoreham Airport



Daniel Tammet demonstrates his amazing memory to Sussex juniors

A film crew from Meridian TV arrived to film events and had a scoop when Daniel Tammet had a slight hiccup in remembering one of the four digit numbers on a 10x10 grid containing 400 digits. It should be said, however, that he only drew the grid up the night before, and as many of us have difficulty in remembering a single four digit PIN number we think that he should be forgiven.

Sussex Flying Club very kindly donated a gift voucher for a free half-hour flying lesson, that became the first prize for the giant Missing Bishop Christmas Raffle Board. The winner drawn at the Christmas party during the training day at Salehurst in December was Roger Vaughan, father of Lynsey and coach at Holy Cross School, Uckfield.



Roger Vaughan, winner of the free flying lesson - ready to take off!

Roger, as part of his training for the fire service, had learnt how to take off and fly an aircraft in order to direct pumps from the air in an emergency. However he had never been shown how to land afterwards.

Now his training can be completed!

The Christmas raffle raised £98 to help support junior chess in Sussex.

All the children filled in a questionnaire covering everything they had learnt on the day about the airport. Those who managed to get all their questions correct were put into a hat and three winners were drawn. Congratulations to Mark Cottingham, Jake Scanlon and Stephen Daly who all won a free flight.

SJC would like to thank all the organisers and sponsors for arranging such a fantastic day out!



This is Top Flight Chess, we are not just hanging around!

Grand Prix 2000/01 Season . . .

The Sussex Grand Prix is a series of six tournaments held throughout the year. The best four scores of each player, regardless of section entered, are added together at the end of the season and the top three players in each age group receive a prize. Any player who competes in all six tournaments receives a special medal whilst those taking part in four or five receive a certificate.

Grand Prix Leader Board After Four Rounds

U7	Ben Blundell	15%
U8	Christopher Linnett	14%
U9	Tristan Blundell	17%
U10	Andrew Tucker	19
U11	Daniel Khoo	17
U12	Adam Prescott	16%
U13	Michael Hamilton	16%
U14	Calvin Peat	7
U15	Charlie Linford	18%
U16	Kenan Boztas	6
U17	Oliver Cooley	5
U18	Tom Davey	4

Southwater Open - Round 3

Following the Crowborough and Chichester tournaments the early season rush continued with the Southwater Open. There was a hasty venue change, to St Mary's in Horsham, to whom we are indebted, after Southwater school pulled out due to a Karate booking. It could said that we were given the chop!

A very strong under 18 entry saw a number of visitors from Surrey who showed the Sussex players the way. Kenan Boztas won the tournament with Colin Kay second. Sussex players Michael Hamilton and Matthew Linnett shared third.



Baterdene Batsikhan, from Mongolia receiving a medal from Alan Hustwayte.

What the U11 Major lacked in quantity it made up for in quality and a very close competition saw Andrew Tucker emerge as winner with Daniel Khoo second and Joe Richardson third.

The Minor saw a resounding success for Farris Ziyada scoring 6/6, his second straight tournament win after becoming Sussex U8 champion. Tristan Blundell finished second with Nick Fraser and Abi Fryer tying for third place.

Hastings Open - Round 4

The next Grand Prix event was held in early January at Hastings. As usual, the event attracted some attention from overseas players (as it coincides with the International Chess Festival in Hastings). This year, 6 year old Baterdene Batsikhan from Mongolia took up the challenge in the U11 Minor section. He is the furthest travelled of any of our competitors in the history of SJC.

He scored a very respectable 2½ points, coping well despite his lack of English (how many of you know any Mongolian?). He is now the proud owner of an SJC medal.

The U18 competition could not have been closer with three players all finishing on 5 points. After applying the tie-break Charlie Linford ran out winner with Josiah Lutton (Essex) ahead of Calvin Peat (Surrey).



U18 trophy winners at Hastings - Calvin Peat, Charlie Linford and Josiah Lutton

The U11 Major saw Andrew Tucker in impressive form again, winning all six of his games to take the trophy. Second place went to Hannah Dale (Surrey) with Joe Richardson third once more.



U11 Major trophy winners at Hastings - Joe Richardson, Andrew Tucker and Hannah Dale

Another player on top form was Tristan Blundell scoring a maximum six points to take the U11 Minor prize. Abee Mohamed finished second ahead of Sarah Linnett.



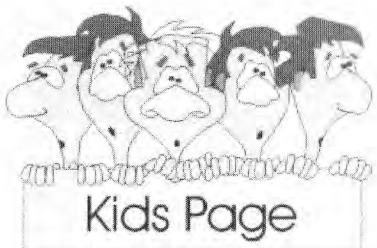
U11 Minor trophy winners at Hastings - Tristan Blundell, Abee Mohamed and Sarah Linnett

Sussex Junior Chess were very pleased to welcome a number of illustrious celebrities who visited the tournament. One of whom was Alan Hustwayte, who along with his staff at Castleham Industries are responsible for the printing of the Missing Bishop. Alan also puts a lot of invaluable work into helping with the layout. Without Alan there would be no Missing Bishop.

Alan very kindly agreed to present the winners with their prizes at the end of the day.

He is also a very fine chess player, although he now has little time for serious play. He came across a tournament while on holiday in Florida last year, promptly entered and won, much to the chagrin of the local players!

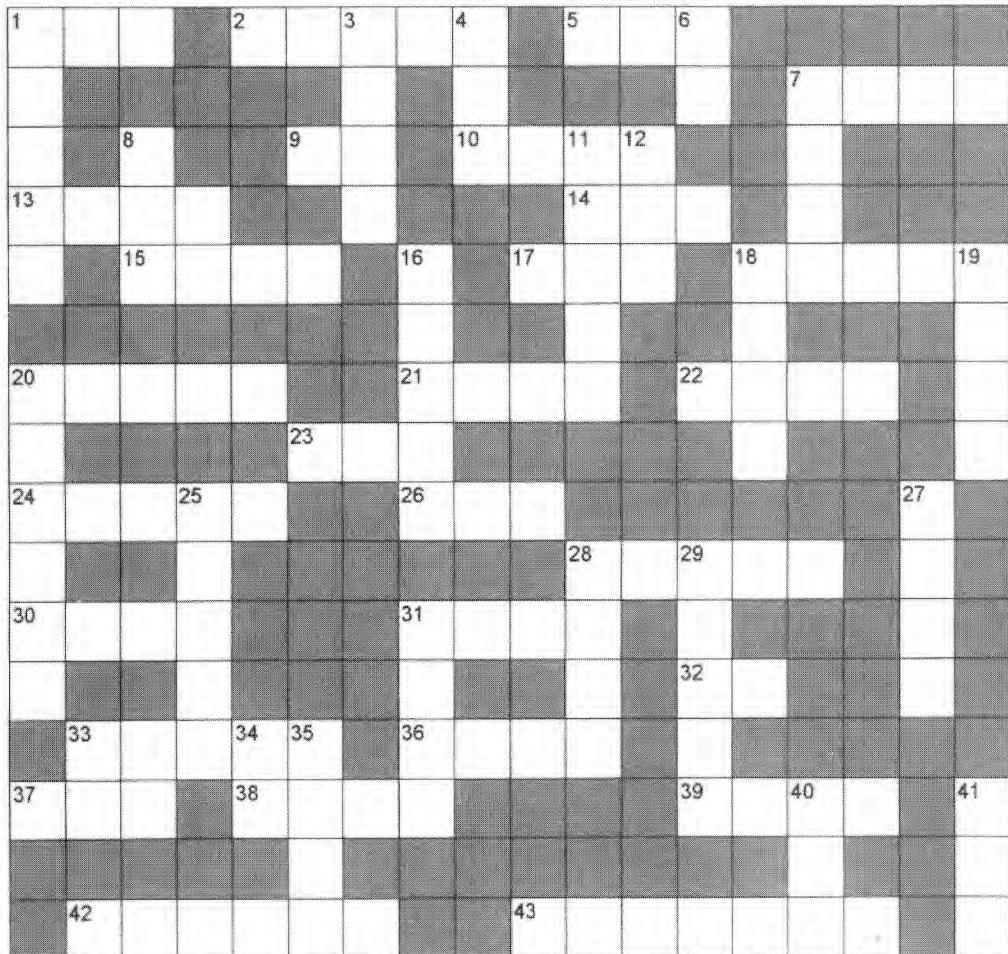
Simon Deere
Tournament Organiser



Kids Page

Pairs & Opposites.

The answers to the clues are all opposite meanings, or make a pair.

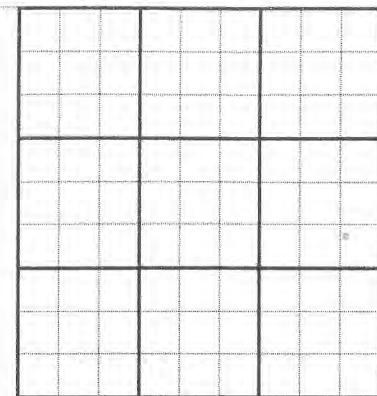


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Number Grid

Can you place the nine squares in the grid so that adjacent numbers match?

4		4		2	
8	2	7	5	2	7
4		7		6	
5		1		5	
2	4	1	2	5	1
5		0		1	
6		7		4	
5	2	2	1	1	8
8		0		2	



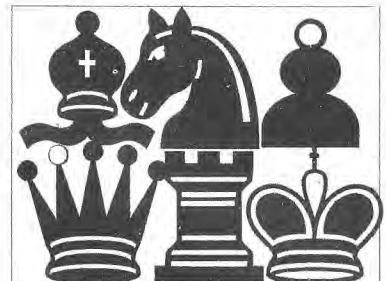
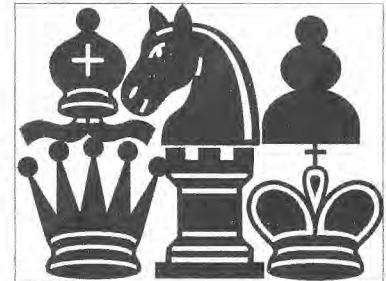
ACROSS:

- 1 Small
- 2 Dark
- 5 Miss
- 7 Strong
- 9 Don't
- 10 Pull
- 11 Hot
- 12 Short
- 13 Cry
- 14 Right
- 15 Narrow
- 16 Nothing
- 17 Thin
- 18 Young
- 19 Last
- 20 Hate
- 21 Empty
- 22 Stop
- 23 Plus
- 24 Open
- 25 Dry
- 26 Present
- 27 Tock
- 28 Salt
- 29 Wife

DOWN:

- 1 White
- 3 Bad
- 4 Bottom
- 6 Fro
- 7 East
- 8 Well
- 11 Sour
- 12 Hers
- 16 Goodbye
- 18 Sink
- 19 Man
- 20 Big
- 25 Dirty
- 27 Far
- 28 Bumpy
- 29 Wrong
- 31 Slow
- 33 You
- 34 Down
- 35 Spend
- 40 Can't
- 41 Bright

Spot The Difference
Can you spot 10 differences?



County Championships . . .

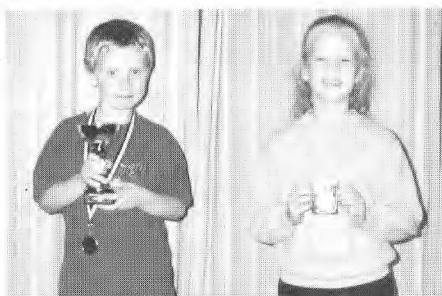
Under 9 Championships

This event traditionally held in Ditchling in November, produced a respectable entry of forty players. For the last decade Tim Greenhill, former Deputy Headmaster of St. Margaret's and founder member of SJC, organised this event. Those of us who knew him felt his absence this year following his enforced retirement.



U9 trophy winners Farris Ziyada and Christopher Linnet

The tournament was dominated by the U8 players. Farris Ziyada won the Championship, but not before being severely tested by Christopher Linnett in round 5. Christopher finished in second place ahead of his Hellingly classmate Sebastian Stracey.



U9's Sebastian Stracey (3rd) and Jessica Wood winner of girl's prize

Jessica Wood from Holy Cross, Uckfield took the girls prize with 4 points.

In the schools competition Hellingly finished first, ahead of St Lawrence, Hurstpierpoint and Dorset House. Fourth place went to the Balcombe School team that was entirely represented by the first ever SJC triplets, David, Aidan and Rebecca Grant.

Individual Results

1st	Farris Ziyada	5½
2nd	Christopher Linnet	5
3rd	Sebastian Stracey	5
4th=	Tristan Blundell	4½
4th=	Thomas Seccombe	4½

Schools Results

1st	Hellingly	13
2nd	St. Lawrence, H'pierpoint	12½
3rd	Dorset House	11
4th	Balcombe	8

Under 11 Championships

Later in November, at Great Walstead School, the Under 11 Championship took place, and all those Under 8's turned up again! This time sanity prevailed in that the major prizes went to the older players.

The final game and the title rested on the match between Stephanie Barraclough and Charles de Nicolay. Charles required only a draw and gained an early advantage but Stephanie refused to give in and hit back, eventually winning the game and striking a blow for Girl Power – being the first girl ever to lift the title. It was indeed a good championship for girls with three finishing in the top seven places.

Team photo gallery . . .



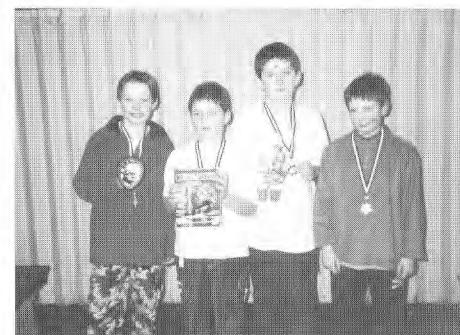
Hellingly, U9 Gold medal winning team - Tim Funnell, James Draper, Christopher Linnett and Sebastian Stracey



Holy Cross, Uckfield, U11 Gold Medal Winners - Mark Carter, Stephen Wrathall, Eleanor Hayden, Lynsey Vaughan, Mark Willsher & Amy Dunn



St. Lawrence, Hurstpierpoint, U9 Silver medal winning team - Jonathan Crickmore, James Holliss, Tristan Blundell and Ben Blundell



St Margaret's, Ditchling, U11 Silver medal winners - Rory Leadsom, Simon Tucker, Andrew Tucker & Luke Spencer



Dorset House, U9 Bronze medal winning team - James Ellis, Edward Burrows and Rupert Spencer



Hellingly, U11 Bronze medal winners - James Draper, Sarah Linnett & Christopher Linnett

Sussex Junior Chess - Spring/Summer Diary

SJC Events	Team Events	Other Events
Sat 3 February Coaching & Fun Day Copthorne Simon Deere 01892 663688	Sat 10 March Sussex Seals U9 EPSCA Zonal Burgess Hill Gary McCulloch 01444 458056	Sat 24/Sun 25 February (Q) West of England Champs Swindon M Debbage 01793 617619
Sat 24 February Coaching & Fun Day Little Common, Bexhill Simon Deere 01892 663688	Sat 17 March Sussex Scorpions U11 EPSCA Zonal Essex	20 - 22 April U12/U14 BCF Squad Champs Yately Manor Marc Shaw
Sat 7 April Coaching & Fun Day Rottingdean Simon Deere 01892 663688	Simon Deere 01892 663688	Sat 28/Sun 29 April England U11 Team Trials Venue tba Ian Cowen 01205 367736
Sat 19 May (GP6) Worthing Open U11 Maj, U11 Min, Simon Deere 01892 663688	Sat 17 March Sussex Samurai U16 NYCA Championships Stoke Colin Rendle 01424 424413	Sat 5 May British Land UK SE England Megafinal Venue tba Rod Draper 01273 835808
Sat 16 June Coaching & Fun Day including Under 7 Champs (Closed) East Grinstead Simon Deere 01892 663688	Sat 31 March Sussex Serpents U11 EPSCA Girls Finals Bolton	Sat 23 Jun Sussex Scorpions v. Rest of England Streatham Simon Deere 01892 663688
	Sat 28 April Sussex Seals U9 EPSCA Final Barnet Gary McCulloch 01444 458056	Sat 8 July British Land UK Gigafinal Sheffield Mike Basman 020 83971826
	Sat 12 May Sussex Scorpions Catford Simon Deere 01892 663688	Q = Qualifying event for England U11 Team trial

GP = Grand Prix Event

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England U11 Team trial

A printed calendar of national events can be obtained from the British Chess Federation.

Results, news, dates and contact details for Sussex events can be found on the SJC website which is regularly updated - www.SussexJuniorChess.fsnet.co.uk Other junior chess events of interest can also often be found at www.belinfante.demon.co.uk