

SAXMUNDHAM & DISTRICT CHESS CLUB

Secretary's Report: Season 2013 – 2014

This season (2013–2014) the Suffolk Chess League consisted of three divisions and the club entered two teams into the League (one in Division 2 and one in Division 3); these teams were under the captaincy of Andrew Paige and Peter Chadwick. Divisions 1 and 2 of the League each consisted of six teams, and Division 3 of the League consisted of seven teams.

The 'A' Team (under the captaincy of Andrew Paige) was playing in Division 2. Of the ten matches which the team were scheduled to play: 1 match was won, 3 matches were drawn and 6 matches were lost. The team finished the season at the bottom of the division with a total of 16½ points out of a maximum of 40 points. The division was won this year by Bury St Edmunds 'C' who finished the season with a total of 23 points.

The 'B' Team (under the captaincy of Peter Chadwick) was playing in Division 3. Of the twelve matches which the team were scheduled to play: 4 matches were won, 1 match was drawn and 7 matches were lost. The team finished the season at the bottom of the division with a total of 19 points out of a possible maximum of 48 points. The Division was won this year by Bury St Edmunds 'D' who finished the season with a total of 29 points.

This season, the club did not enter a team into any of the following competitions:

- National Club Championship
- Norfolk & Suffolk Cup
- Suffolk League Cup
- Suffolk Chess U145 Competition
- Suffolk Chess U125 Competition

The Norfolk & Suffolk Cup was won, this year, by Bury St Edmunds who defeated Broadland in the Final; and the Suffolk Chess U125 Competition was won, this year, by Ipswich who defeated Felixstowe in the Final.

Unfortunately, the result of the Club Championship for this season (2013–2014) is not yet available; however, the previous outstanding results are now available:

- Season (2009–2010) the competition was won jointly by John Feavoyour & David Brown.
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Tuesday 4 February 2014 was an active occasion, with two events scheduled for the evening (both at Benhall & Sternfield Ex-Servicemen's Club):

- Thanks must be given to Bob Jones (Secretary of the Suffolk County Chess Association) who kindly came and delivered an address on the Rules.
- The club held a Quickplay Tournament (organised by John Feavoyour). This competition had eight entrants and was won by Malcolm Lightfoot with a total of 5½ points out of a possible maximum of 6 points.

Finally, the club was again able to enjoy another Christmas Dinner this year. This event was held on Wednesday 11 December 2013 at the Coach & Horses (Melton), and was organised jointly by Geoffrey Lilley and Arthur McCormick.