

League Controllers End of Year Report

Division 1

The Division 1 season concluded on April 6th 2011. The final result was reported to the League Controller by the victors on April 17th.

Winners: Wycombe and Hazlemere 1

Relegated: Bourne End 2

End year reports by club.

Aylesbury (5th)

Players used 13 : Games played by nominated players 55/72

Top scorer J Poulton 8/9

Probably the most talented squad in the league, but suffered with availability of players at critical moments, to end a disappointing 5th. Likely to re-group over the summer and with their junior players still improving may well start as favourites next year.

Bourne End (=3rd)

Players used 15 : Games played by nominated players 50/72

Top scorer R de Coverly 8.5/12.

The task of juggling playing resources across three club sides seemed to adversely affect their performance, as did the absence of a couple of first team regulars. Will need to plug the gaps in the middle of their first team to mount an effective challenge next year.

Gerrards Cross (2nd)

Players used 10 : Games played by nominated players 59/72

Top scorer P Bonafont 7.5/12

Bit of a turn-up for the books, as the fifth seeded side posted their best result this century. As the team has remained practically the same over that period, individual results in tight matches have clearly played a part. The only team to be unbeaten at home this year.

Berkhamsted (=3rd)

Players used 11: Games played by nominated players 59/72

Top scorer C Tadiello 8/11

Solid if unspectacular, always tough to play against, but probably lack strength in depth for a real title shot.

Wycombe and Hazlemere 1 (1st)

Players used 11 : Games by nominated players 56/72

Top scorer M Saunders 8/11

The early loss to Aylesbury clearly acted as a wake-up call. Some inspired and nerveless play at critical moments saw the team finish with some style ahead of their rivals. Scored 11/12 on board 3 over the season. Should be there or thereabouts next year.

Wycombe and Hazlemere 2 / Bourne End 2 (6th & 7th)

These two second teams brought up the rear with Wycombe and Hazlemere 2 just coming out on top in the battle against relegation. In the end the teams were only separated on game points, leaving the Wycombe match captain scratching his head about the challenge of survival next year, and Bourne End hopefully looking forward to a few wins in the second division.

Top ten points scorers

Player	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	Total	Percentage
R de Coverly	12	7	3	2	8.5	71%
J Poulton	9	7	2	0	8	89%
M Saunders	11	7	2	2	8	73%
C Tadiello	11	6	4	1	8	73%
S Dishman	10	5	5	0	7.5	75%
A Tinker	11	5	5	1	7.5	68%
P Bonafont	12	6	3	3	7.5	63%
J Syner	8	6	2	0	7	88%
S Cox	10	6	2	2	7	70%
P Whayman	11	7	0	4	7	64%

Division 2

Congratulations to Slough 1 for winning and earning promotion to Division 1, although having secured the title early they lost their last three games making their winning margin over Gerrards Cross 2 a lot narrower. Gerrards Cross merit a special mention with the second team matching the efforts of their first team, and introducing a number of new faces to league chess.

Division 2 is rather an unknown quantity to the League Controller, clubs tend to use far more players and the strength of teams varies considerably so the statistics below are without commentary. [And if anybody wants to be a Division 2 'correspondent' next season please let me know]

Aylesbury 2

Players used 14: Top scorer D Irvine 8.5/11

Aylesbury 3

Players used 11: Top scorer P Davis 5.5/7

Berkhamsted 2

Players used 8: Top scorer C Bennett 3.5/7* ,

Bourne End 2

Players used 11: Top scorer C Schornak 6/9*

Gerrards Cross 2

Players used 12: Top scorer P Thomas 6.5/8*

Slough 1

Players used 14: Top scorer P Staneland 10.5/13

Slough 2

Players used 13: Top scorer S Acevski 6/13

Wycombe and Hazlemere 3

Players used 12: Top scorer M Instone 7/11

- Top scorers at club using percentage score where players equal on game points.

Top ten points scorers

Player	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	Total	Percentage
P Staneland	13	10	1	2	10.5	81%
B Atkinson	11	8	3	0	9.5	86%
D Irvine	11	8	1	2	8.5	77%
N Singh	8	7	1	0	7.5	94%
AG Brown	9	7	1	1	7.5	83%
M Instone	11	7	0	4	7	64%
L Scott	12	4	6	2	7	58%
P Thomas	8	5	3	0	6.5	81%
C Harris	11	6	1	4	6.5	59%
E Bolduc	14	2	9	3	6.5	46%

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