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Changes to the Laws of chess

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The Laws of Chess were revised from July following the FIDE Congress.

The new updated laws can be found on <http://www.bcf.org.uk/organisation/fide/laws-of-chess2005.doc> with a summary by David Welch, the BCF Chief Arbiter, of all the amendments on http://www.bcf.org.uk/organisation/fide/changes-fide-laws_apr05.htm.

The key amendment is in Article 8.1, which now says 'It is forbidden to write the moves in advance, unless the player is claiming a draw according to Article 9.2 or 9.3'. Articles 9.2 and 9.3 relate to claiming draws by three-fold repetition and the 50 move rule. Players in the League should be advised that they may not write their moves in advance. I'm still trying to cope with this having adopted this practice for the last 40 years.

One further useful clarification is in Article 4.4d: 'If a player promotes a pawn, the choice of the piece is finalised, when the piece has touched the square of promotion'.

County U100 match postponement

The U100 match between Notts and Warwickshire has been postponed. A new date has yet to be set.

Handicap draw

The draw for this year's Handicap Knockout competition has been made – if you entered a team and haven't received the draw, contact Mike Barnes. You can check out the draw and the rules on the NCA web site.

East Midlands Junior Rapidplay Grand Prix

The first tournament of the East Midlands Junior Rapidplay Grand Prix takes place on 15 October at Dovecote Primary School, Clifton, Nottingham. There are two more tournaments in the series on 19 November and 3 December, with prizes in U16, U14, U12 and U10 age groups for both the overall Grand Prix and each individual tournament. Entry costs £5.00 per tournament or £15.00 for all three. Contact John Crawley (01773 827179) to enter.

World Championship

A reminder about the World Championship, which has now started. Veselin Topalov of Bulgaria leads with 3½/4, while Michael Adams is languishing on 1/4. The players have almost all decided to play aggressive fighting chess, and only six games have been drawn so far. The official tournament web site is at <http://www.ajedrezcampeonatomundial2005.com/home.asp?lang=en>. Live coverage at the ICC is now available only to subscribers, but you can follow the games for free on FICS (<http://www.freechess.org/>). Games start at 7:00 p.m. BST.

League results

Division 1

West Bridgford 1 – Ashfield 1

1	Richmond, R.	(188)	1	–	0	Halfpenny, G.	(175)
2	Walker, T.	(156)	½	–	½	Burke, S.	(163)
3	Thompson, B.	(113)	0	–	1	Webster, R.	(154)
4	Lavelle, T.	(107)	0	–	1	Graham, N.	(136)
5	Hill, F.	(107)	0	–	1	Morgan, P.	(128)
							1½ – 3½

Division 2

Bunkers 1 – Radcliffe & Bingham 1

1	Harrison, J.	(153)	1	–	0	Murfet, G.	(131)
2	Brameld, K.	(142)	½	–	½	London, N.	(133)
3	Jennings, G.	(133)	1	–	0	Toms, D.	(131)
4	Harvey, K.	(138)	1	–	0	Taylor, M.	(126)
5	Radford, M.	(120)	½	–	½	Redburn, B.	(95)
							4 – 1

Division 3

Fiveways 2 – Ashfield 4

1	Flynn, D.	(137)	½	–	½	Morrey, A.	(108)
2	Bhayat, S.	(127)	1	–	0	Sayer, R.	(109)
3	Best, I.	(116)	½	–	½	Clarke, P.	(96)
4	Thorsen, A.	(104)	½	–	½	Dyce, R.	(86)
5	Dunne, D.	(99)	1	–	0	Todd, P.	(85)
							3½ – 1½

Ashfield 3 – Mansfield 2

1	Cranmer, S.	(132)	1	–	0	Wagenbach, J.	(133)
2	Sayer, R.	(109)	½	–	½	Smith, V.	(119)
3	Lewis, T.	(109)	0	–	1	Epro, J.	(93)
4	Morrey, A.	(108)	1	–	0	Default	(–)
5	Jackson, M.	(108)	1	–	0	Default	(–)
							3½ – 1½

Division 4

Nomads 3 – Gambit 4

1	Exton, O.	(98)	1	–	0	Harper, M.	(107)
2	Pynegar, H.	(75)	½	–	½	Hobson, B.	(104)
3	Smith, P.	(87)	0	–	1	Padvis, D.	(104)
4	Sewell, C.	(55)	1	–	0	Groves, A.	(76)
5	Pavier, R.	(–)	0	–	1	Gretton, M.	(80)
							2½ – 2½

Division 5

Long Eaton 3 – West Bridgford 2							
1	Swift, J.	(88)	0	-	1	Thompson, B.	(156)
2	Carr, W.	(-)	0	-	1	Hill, F.	(107)
3	Clayton, S.	(12)	0	-	1	Bradwell, F.	(73)
4	Watling, T.	(11)	0	-	1	Tys, S.	(68)
			0	-	4		

Gambit 5 – Long Eaton 2							
1	Fredericks, E.	(80)	1	-	0	Lakhani, A.	(101)
2	Heath, K.	(64)	1	-	0	Robins, L.	(34)
3	Watson, R.	(66)	1	-	0	Bentley, A.	(50)
4	Mosley, S.	(44)	0	-	1	Robins, C.	(-)
			3	-	1		

League tables

Division 1

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 West Nottingham 1	1	1	0	0	4	1	3	0	2
2 Ashfield 1	2	1	0	1	5½	4½	1	0	2
3 Gambit 1	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	0	2
4 Mansfield 1	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	0	2
5 Newark 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 University 1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 University 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Gambit 2	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0	0
9 West Bridgford 1	2	0	0	2	2½	7½	-5	0	0

Division 2

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 Bunkers 1	2	2	0	0	9	1	8	0	4
2 Grantham 1	2	2	0	0	7	3	4	0	4
3 Long Eaton 1	1	1	0	0	3½	1½	2	0	2
4 West Nottingham 2	1	1	0	0	3½	1½	2	0	2
5 Ashfield 2	1	0	0	1	1½	3½	-2	0	0
6 Nomads 1	2	0	0	2	3	7	-4	0	0
7 Fiveways 1	1	0	0	1	0	5	-5	0	0
8 Radcliffe & Bingham 1	2	0	0	2	2½	7½	-5	0	0

Division 3

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 Ashfield 3	2	2	0	0	8	2	6	0	4
2 Fiveways 2	2	1	1	0	6	4	2	0	3
3 Nomads 2	1	1	0	0	3½	1½	2	0	2
4 Mansfield 2	2	0	1	1	4	6	-2	0	1
5 Gambit 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 University 3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Bunkers 2	1	0	0	1	1½	3½	-2	0	0
8 Ashfield 4	2	0	0	2	2	8	-6	0	0

Division 4

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 West Nottingham 3	2	2	0	0	7	3	4	0	4
2 Nomads 3	2	1	1	0	5½	4½	1	0	3
3 Ashfield 5	1	1	0	0	3	2	1	0	2
4 Gambit 4	2	0	1	1	4½	5½	-1	0	1
5 Newark 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6 Bunkers 3	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0	0
7 Radcliffe & Bingham 2	1	0	0	1	1½	3½	-2	0	0
8 West Nottingham 4	1	0	0	1	1½	3½	-2	0	0

Division 5

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 West Bridgford 2	1	1	0	0	4	0	4	0	2
2 Gambit 5	1	1	0	0	3	1	2	0	2
3 Long Eaton 3	2	1	0	1	2½	5½	-3	0	2
4 West Nottingham 5	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	1
5 West Nottingham 6	1	0	1	0	2	2	0	0	1
6 Bunkers 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7 Grantham 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 University 4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9 Long Eaton 2	2	0	0	2	2½	5½	-3	0	0