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Inter-County U150 quarter-final

The match against Cumbria on 19 May is now likely to take place at an intermediate venue – probably Leeds.

Rules Revision Meeting

A reminder that this meeting takes place on Monday 4 June at West Nottingham Chess Club. Proposals for rule changes must be received by the Secretary no later than 30 April.

Trophies

Another reminder: trophy holders should return their trophies to a member of the Executive Committee by 4 June (not 30 April as published – with spectacularly incompetent grammar – last time; thanks to Brian Hayward for catching that one).

Notts News by email

If you're reading this issue of *Notts News* at the Nottingham Congress, you might like to know that you can have future issues emailed directly to you. Just send a request to nottsnews@nottschess.org (or give your email address to the editor, Ian Kingston, during the congress) and you'll be added to the mailing list. *Notts News* is published weekly during the season and occasionally over the summer.

The next issue will be a special issue with the full congress results.

Handicap Knockout

The first semi-final took place this week, with West Nottingham Nightmare edging out Ashfield Astra 5–4.

West Nottingham Nightmare – Ashfield Astra

West Nottingham Nightmare		B1	B2	B3	Total	
A1	Kingston, I.	(143)	0	1	1	2
A2	Keetley, M.	(136)	0	0	1	1
A3	Burley, P.	(116)	0	1	1	2
					5	
Ashfield Astra		A1	A2	A3		
B1	Halfpenny, G.	(162)	1	1	1	3
B2	Webster, R.	(155)	0	1	0	1
B3	Graham, N.	(133)	0	0	0	0
					4	

Ian Kingston: Glenn Halfpenny's heroics almost proved enough, as the Nightmare, needing just a ½ point from the last round to go through as the lower-graded team, threatened to self-destruct. With Michael already lost and me about to be mated, Phil kept his head to register the winning point.

League results

Division 1

No results received.

Division 2

Long Eaton – Nomads 1

1	Evans, R.	(181)	½	–	½	Hill, M.	(132)
2	Robins, A.	(146)	0	–	1	Marriott, R.	(121)
3	Gibson, G. T.	(144)	1	–	0	Exton, O.	(128)
4	Brown, D.	(120)	1	–	0	Ince, D.	(116)
5	Davies, N.	(116)	1	–	0	Thurgood, T.	(106)

3½ – 1½

Ashfield 2 – Gambit 2

1	Taylor, R.	(127)	½	–	½	Hunter, S.	(139)
2	Graham, N.	(133)	½	–	½	Sudar, D.	(134)
3	Morgan, D. P.	(134)	½	–	½	Edwards, R.	(126)
4	Robinson, A.	(117)	0	–	1	Tassi, J.	(131)
5	Cranmer, S.	(139)	1	–	0	Roper, K.	(143)

2½ – 2½

Division 3

Bunkers 2 – Nomads 2

1	Harvey, K.	(142)	½	–	½	Mann, M.	(–)
2	Lyons, S.	(–)	½	–	½	Pynegar, T.	(106)
3	Moore, M.	(104)	0	–	1	Thurgood, T.	(109)
4	Lomas, T.	(–)	0	–	1	Darby, L.	(107)
5	Parham, S.	(59)	½	–	½	Cronshaw, D.	(96)

1½ – 3½

Division 4

*Nomads 3 – West Nottingham 4

1	Mann, A.	(96)	0	–	1	Heining, D.	(109)
2	Pynegar, H.	(86)	1	–	0	Crawley, J.	(67)
3	Cronshaw, D.	(96)	1	–	0	Berdunov, N.	(–)
4	Smith, P.	(87)	½	–	½	Zhang, M.	(78)
5	Dawson, R.	(74)	1	–	0	Default	(–)

1½ – 3½

Radcliffe & Bingham 2 – Ashfield 4

1	Nailard, M.	(106)	0	–	1	Morrey, A.	(104)
2	Redburn, B.	(95)	½	–	½	Wright, N.	(98)
3	Morrell, L.	(88)	0	–	1	Clarke, P.	(94)
4	Morley, S.	(88)	0	–	1	McIntosh, S.	(91)
5	Attwood, C.	(–)	1	–	0	Dyce, R.	(83)

1½ – 3½

Gambit 4 – West Bridgford 2

1 Harper, M.	(109)	½	–	½	Hill, F.	(102)
2 Hobson, B.	(99)	1	–	0	Milford, M.	(69)
3 Ali, H.	(77)	1	–	0	Godfrey, R.	(–)
4 Padvis, D.	(100)	0	–	1	Gold, D.	(–)
5 Gretton, M.	(89)	½	–	½	Garnett, R.	(–)
		3		– 2		

Ashfield 5 – Nomads 3

1 Justice, E.	(81)	0	–	1	Pynegar, H.	(86)
2 Todd, P.	(81)	½	–	½	Mann, A.	(96)
3 Swift, S.	(–)	0	–	1	Cronshaw, D.	(96)
4 Pacitto, A.	(–)	0	–	1	Smith, P.	(87)
5 Beeby, F.	(50)	0	–	1	Dawson, R.	(74)
		½		– 4½		

Division 5**West Nottingham 6 – Gambit 5**

1 Mackay, R.	(–)	½	–	½	Groves, A.	(67)
2 Nicholson, J.	(–)	0	–	1	Heath, K.	(55)
3 Macleod, E.	(–)	0	–	1	Watson, R.	(68)
4 Mozaffari, M.	(–)	0	–	1	Ali, H.	(77)
		½		– 3½		

League tables

All promotion and relegation indications are provisional.

Division 1

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 University 2	13	9	2	2	42	23	19	0	20
2 Ashfield 1	13	8	2	3	37	28	9	0	18
3 West Bridgford 1	13	6	4	3	36½	28½	8	0	16
4 Gambit 1	13	5	3	5	35½	29½	6	0	13
5 University 1	13	5	1	7	30	35	–5	0	11
6 Mansfield 1	13	4	4	5	31	34	–3	–2	10
7 Newark 1	13	3	3	7	27	38	–11	0	9
8 ^r Bunkers 1	13	2	1	10	21	44	–23	0	5

Division 2

Long Eaton's win earns them the Division 2 title, while Nomads 1's hopes of survival now rest on whether Ashfield 3 can upset Grantham 1.

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 ^c Long Eaton	14	12	1	1	48	22	26	0	25
2 ^p West Nottingham 1	14	12	0	2	47	23	24	0	24
3 Gambit 2	14	6	2	6	38	32	6	0	14
4 West Nottingham 2	14	6	2	6	36½	33½	3	0	14
5 Ashfield 2	14	4	4	6	32	38	–6	0	12
6 Nomads 1	14	4	1	9	30½	39½	–9	0	9
7 Grantham 1	13	4	1	8	24	41	–17	0	9
8 ^r Ashfield 3	13	1	1	11	19	46	–27	0	3

Division 3

Bunkers 2's defeat in their critical match against Nomads 2 leaves them perilously placed. Fiveways can afford to lose all three of their remaining matches and still survive, provided they don't lose too heavily.

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 Radcliffe & Bingham 1	13	8	1	4	34½	30½	4	0	17
2 Mansfield 2	12	6	3	3	35	25	10	0	15
3 Newark 2	12	5	3	4	35	25	10	0	13
4 West Nottingham 3	12	5	2	5	30½	29½	1	0	12
5 Nomads 2	12	5	2	5	29½	30½	–1	0	12
6 Fiveways	11	5	1	5	25½	29½	–4	0	11
7 Bunkers 2	14	4	3	7	28½	41½	–13	0	11
8 Gambit 3	12	2	3	7	26½	33½	–7	0	7

Division 4

Nomads 3's powerful late burst proved just enough to take the second promotion slot.

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 ^c University 3	13	9	2	2	41	24	17	0	20
2 ^p Nomads 3	14	9	1	4	44	26	18	0	19
3 West Nottingham 4	14	8	3	3	41	29	12	0	19
4 Gambit 4	14	7	4	3	38	32	6	0	18
5 Ashfield 4	14	6	3	5	36½	33½	3	0	15
6 Radcliffe & Bingham 2	14	3	3	8	30	40	–10	0	9
7 ^r West Bridgford 2	14	2	2	10	24½	45½	–21	0	6
8 ^r Ashfield 5	13	1	2	10	20	45	–25	0	4

Division 5

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Df	Pn	Pt
1 ^p West Nottingham 5	11	7	2	2	31	13	18	0	16
2 Grantham 2	11	6	3	2	28	16	12	0	15
3 Gambit 5	11	5	4	2	23½	20½	3	0	14
4 Bunkers 3	11	4	4	3	21½	22½	–1	0	12
5 University 4	12	4	2	6	22	26	–4	–2	8
6 West Nottingham 7	12	3	2	7	19	29	–10	0	8
7 West Nottingham 6	12	2	1	9	15	33	–18	0	5