

President report 2014-15

Looking back on 2014-15 I am happy that we have achieved more evolutionary successes in the last twelve months in Executive committee and Nottinghamshire: - to pick but a few: the county teams and clubs remain overall on the up and we continue to win national trophies; we have increased our media profile, mainly locally (radio and TV) ; introduced chess into more schools in the county; our reputation in the Midlands is high; our tournaments remain successful and popular; and we have entered both a U13 and an twelve strong U18 team into the national county final - with reasonable success- for the first time in many years to expand on the many successes at U-12 level. I would like to thank all the EC and all the others who help in achieving these.

I hope we can build and improve on these further into 2016.

Unfortunately my present constraints have definitely caught up with me at least as much as I feared in 2015, and I regret that I won't realistically be in position to stand for president for 2015-16. (This might come as less of surprise for any who have noted how few games I have managed to turn out for West Bridgford 1 this season).

I'd hope though to stand for another year, in future times - if the association will have me- : it has been a privilege to serve on the EC for the last two years and would like to thank everyone in Nottinghamshire chess for all their support, which has made my post definitely easier than it would otherwise be. I would also like to thank the dedication and hard work of the folk in all the officers who ensure Nottinghamshire chess is kept in a healthy state and so that we can enjoy our chess.