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CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

The winning of the 1978/79 Wanstead & Woodford Club Championship by Alan Potter has proved a most popular event. Alan scored 72 from the 9 rounds going through undefeated and finishing $\frac{1}{2}$ pt ahead of Michael Bird. Then followed Terry Whitton and George Fernie on $6\frac{1}{2}$ and a quadruple tie on 6 pts involving Ian Hunnable, Simon Lee, Bill Franklin and John Duggan.

The table below shows the leading players results and full tournament placings.

-		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Against others	s/b	Total	Prize
1	Alan Potter	Х	1/2	1/2	1	1/2	1	1		_	111	291	$7\frac{1}{2}$	T
2	M. Bird	1/2	X	1/2	-	1	1/2	1	***	1	11분	383	7	ĪI
3	T.D. Whitton	1/2	1/2	X	1		-	0	1	_	1111	331	$6\frac{1}{2}$)	
4	G.W. Fernie	0	-	0	X	_	_	1	-	1	111=1	271	$6\frac{1}{2}$)	III-IV
5	I.D. Hunnable	1/2	0	-	_	X	1	-	-	0	31d111	261	6)	
6	S.R. Lee	Ō	1		-	0	X	_	-	1	11111	253	6)	
7	W.T. Franklin	0	Ō	1	0	_	-	X	1	_	1111	23 2	6)	V
8	J. Duggan	_	_	1	-	-	_	0	X	_	01d1d31d11	203	6)	
9	A.J. Clark	-	0	•	0	1	1	-	_	Х		1 -54	5½	_

10-14 P. Barclay, D.C. Bennett, G.T. Gooding, A.S. Kinder, J.S. Langford, 5 pts. 15-17 R. Smith, H Anderson, C. Whitaker, $4\frac{1}{2}$ pts. 18-20 P.J. Smith, F.B. Crick, H.E. Rutter, 4 pts. 21-22 A.J. Rosenbloom, V. Taylor, 3 pts. 23 S. Bendon 2 pts. 21 defaults, 7 withdrawals.

The original entry of 30 produced a tournament as open as anyone could wish. After 5 rounds as many as nine players were in contention. Potter and Hunnable had $4\frac{1}{2}$; Bird, Franklin and Whitton had 4 and four others had $3\frac{1}{2}$. A quirk of the draw kept the leaders apart and while Potter beat Franklin, Hunnable's title defence faltered when he nodded against Bird. Thus Potter established a $\frac{1}{2}$ pt lead and though hard pressed by Messrs Bird Whitton and Lee, he retained this distance entering the last round. Here he was drawn against Simon Lee (6) while Terry Whitton (6) faced John Duggan $(5\frac{1}{2})$, and Michael Bird (6) played Tony Clark $(5\frac{1}{2})$. It would not have been unreasonable to place one's money on a triple tie Potter- Whitton-Bird on 7 pts. But before the game passed out of the opening Potter had taken a firm grip on the Championship Trophy and did not let go:

S.R.Lee (Black)

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Game No. 44 A.J. Potter v. S.R. Lee Caro-Kann. Notes by

Alan Potter. 1 e4, c6; 2 d4, d5; 3 e5, Bf5; 4 h4, h6? Black's QB must not go to h7. (Hence 4... h5 is required - ed.) 5 94. Be4; And now 5 ... Bd7 is essential. 6 f3, Bh7; 7 e6! fxe5; 8 Bd3, Qd6; 9 Bxh7, 993+ 10 Kf1, Rxh7; 11 9d3, Nf6; 12 Nc3? Giving away most of the advantage. Best is 12 Ne2, Qc7; 13 Bf4 and Black cannot play ... e5 because his QN is not yet at d7. 12 ... Nbd7; (see diagram.) 13 Nce2, Qc7; 13 Qd6 is stronger. 14 Qg6+ Kd8; 15 Nh3, Rh8; 15 g5, Ne8; If 16... hxg5; 17 Nxg5, Kc8; 18 Nxe6 and Black is in tatters anyway. 17 Nef4, Ne5; See anything better? 18 Nxe6+ Kd7; 19 Nc5+ Kd8; 20 dxe5, Qxe5; 21 Nf4? 21 Nxb7+ wins so A J. Poker (white) Basily, as 21 ... Kd7; 22 Nc5+ Kd8; 23 Qxc6 etc. 21 ... Position after/2...Nbd7, Nc7: 22 Nfe6+ Nxe6; 23 Qxe6, Qxe6; 24 Nex6+ Kd7; 25 Nxf8,

Meanwhile, Terry Whitton won a piece for a pawn against John Duggan, delivered "mate" with the extra piece but was mortified to find the piece could simply be captured. Terry was therefore a pawn down and had to tread very carefully for a draw. Michael Bird stormed Tony Clark's king and took second place alone on 7 pts. to set alongside his second place in last season's tournament. The leading places have a familiar look, the first six having also featured in last season's prize list. The repeated appearance in a high placing of Simon Lee and the first time success of last year's Junior Champion, John Duggan, auger well for the future. With the decision at the A.G.M. to lift the age restriction, and the rapid improvement of our best junior players, next year's tournament could prove a hazardous path for more seasoned players.

The new champion is a worthy holder of the title, with his positive approach to the game. He is quite happy to let a pawn or two go so long as he can take the game to the opposition. Alan has also been successful in the championship of East Ham (his other club) where he finished equal first with Neil Carr and Roy Watts. A play-off is projected to resolve the tie. Next season Alan will return to playing Essex League for us as well as London League and will occupy board 1. We are glad to have you back, Alan.

ESSEX LEAGUE - DIVISION 1

Belated, but worth recording:

Played 17th April, 1979
W & W had white on the odd numbered boards

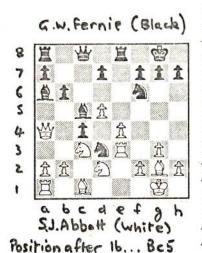
	Wanstead & Woodford		V	Upminster		
1	I.D. Hunnable 174	0	v	A.J. Stebbings 209	1	
2	P.T.R. Gasper 185	$\frac{1}{2}$	V	A.E. Hanreck 207	$\frac{1}{2}$	
3	A.T. Marshall 177	1/2	V	K.W. Spurgeon 181	1/2	
4	T.D. Whitton 173	1	V	R.W. O'Brien 172	1/2	
5	Dr. D.C. Hick 161	1	V	R. Watts 167	ō	
6	R.A. Wagstaff 161	1/2	V	D. Elmes 174	1	
7	A.S. Kinder 152	1	v	A.T. Corish 166	1	
8	W.T. Franklin 150	ō	v	A.E. Robertson 169	ī	
9	Peter J. Smith -	1/2	V	K. Barnes 166 · ·	크	
10	G.W. Fernie 147	1	v	S.J. Abbott 156	Ō	
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Details of the play of this match are lost in the mists of time. Five boards (Nos. 2,5,6,7 & 9) were snet for adjudication, and after a long wait the outcome was a draw. The elation at recording such a result against opposition of that calibre (the League Champions) was by then dimmed by the interim failures against Ilford and Chadwell Heath.

From board 10: a game of higher pedigree than one might expect from that region of a match. Given half a chance George seizes a chunk of space in Abbotts half of the board. Abbott attempts to resolve his problems tactically, but George is more than equal to it and cleans up efficiently.

Game No. 45 Board 10 S.J. Abbott v. G.W. Fernie Queen's Indian Defence.

1 d4, Nf6; 2 c4, e6; 3 Nf3, b6; 4 g3, Bb7; 5 Bg2, Be7; 6 Nc3, 0-0;
7 Qc2, c5; 8 d5, exd5; 9 Nd2, In his 1974 match against Karpov, Korchnoi twice used 9 Ng5, (games 5 and 21) and against 9 ... g6 (game 5) Keene recommends
10 cxd5, d6; 11 h4! with attacking prospects. In game 21 Karpov continued
9 ... Nc6?! and lost in 19 moves! 9 ... Nc6; 10 cxd5, Nb4; 11 Qb3, Qc8; 12 O-0,
Re8; 13 e4? The hole created on d3 acts like a vacuum and sucks Black's pieces
in. Essential was 13 a3. 13 ... Ba6; 14 Re1, Nd3; 15 Re3, c4; 16 Qa4, Bc5;
The meek retreat 17 Re2 leaves White passively placed and was obviously not



an attractive prospect, so White now selects a tactical plan sparking off a phase of Fernie lateral thinking.

(See diagram.) 17 Nxc4!? Bxc4; 17 ... Bxe3 is answered by 18 Nd6. 18 Qxc4, Nxf2! 18 ... Bxe3; 19 Qxd3, leaves White with counter chances owing to his central pawn majority and better development. The text wins the exchange under better circumstances. 19 Qa4, Not 19 Exc3 Bxe3+ wins the queen, but 19 Re2 looks slightly better than the text, though it can hardly alter the outcome. 19 ... N2g4; 20 Nd1, Nxd5! 21 exd5, Bxe3+ 22 Bxe3, Nxe3; 23 Nxe3, Qc5; Still there's a finnesse. This allows Black to retain a stronger grip by getting his queen into play. 24 Qxd7, Rxe3; 25 Kh1, Rae8; 26 Rf1, Qe2; 27 Qf5, Re1; 28 Qf4, Rxf1+ 29 Bxf1, Qe4+ 30 Kg1, Qxf4; 31 gxf4, Re4; 32 Kf2, Rxf4+ 33 Ke2, Rxf1; 34 Kxf1, Kf8; 35 Resigns.

Annual Match v. Newbury Park Primary School - Reported by Roy Wagstaff.

30-30 Match played 17th July, 1979 at Wanstead House.

	Wanstead & Woodford			v	Newbury Park Primary	Scl	nool
1	S.J. Leary	0	0	v	Edward S. Lee	1	1
2	J.E. Duggan	1	0	v	John Franklin	0	1
3	V.G. Morris	1	0	V	Richard Lane	0	1
4	J.S. Langford	0	0	V	Marcus Goff	1	1
5	M.J. Goodwin	1	1	V	Shelly Metzger	0	0
6	C.M. Whittaker	1	0	V	Lee Johnson	0	81
7	F.B.R. Crick	0	0	v	Karen Part	1	1
8	R. Smith	1	1	V	Carl Smith	0	0
9	A.J. Rosenbloom	0	0	V	Shirley Abela	1	1
10	T. Dixon	0	0	V	Mandy Gordon	1	1
11	M.P. Griffin	1	1	V	Scott Johnson	0	0
12	R. Lazarus	1	0	v	Darren Gordon	0	1
		7	3			5	9
			=	10			= 14

Newbury Park Primary School finished their most successful season with the third annual match against the Club, which consisted of two matches in each of which both players were allowed 30 minutes on the clock to complete all their moves. A well contested first round ended in favour of the hosts by a narrow margin.

During the interval, Essex Chess Association President, Geoffrey Smith, presented a British Chess Federation Schools Shield to the School in recognition of its achievements. Wanstead club chairman, Roy Wagstaff, presented medals to the six school players who formed the team which won the English Primary Schools Championship, sponsored by the Teachers Assurance. All 14 members of the School squad were given plaques which recorded the capture of the Redbridge, London, Essex, Southern England and all-England team championships. On behalf of the team and their parents, Mr. Wagstaff also presented mementos to Deputy Head Teacher Terry Cole who managed the team and to Bill Franklin who coached and trained them.

A splendid cake which had been provided to celebrate the occasion was rapidly demolished by players, parents and spectators. Thus fortified, the School made short work of their hosts in the second round, winning by a wide margin of 9-3, and thus the match by 14-10.

George Fernie sent me his Hastings game with copious notes, but committed a tactical error in entrusting it to the Post Office — the letter never arrived. I have partially reconstructed from George's recollections and I trust the notes that follow retain the essence of the original. Next time, George — KEEP A COPY!

Game No. 46 G.W. Fernie v. G.E. Anslow W & W v. Hastings Bd. 8 8th April, 1979 English Opening Notes expanded from comments by George Fernie. 1 c4, Nf6; 2 Nc3, g6; 3 g3, 8g7; 4 Bg2, c6?! 5 e4, d6; 6 d4, D-D; 7 Nf3, e5?! B dxe5, dxe5; 9 Qxd8, Rxd8; 10 Nxe5, Nxe4; 11 Nxf7, Nxc3; Black apparently is relying on being able to pick up the white knight which on d8 will be trapped. This gives rise to a highly interesting phase of play, the outcome of which is not at all clear at this stage. Black could have chosen 11 ... Bxc3+ 12 bxc3, Re8! (not 12 ... Kxf7; 13 Bxe4, Re8; 14 f3, Bf5; 15 0-0, Bxe4; 16 fxe4+ when White retains his extra pawn with chances) 13 Nh6+ Kg7; 14 0-0, Nxc3; 15 Bb2, Kxh6; 16 Bxc3 with a slight edge to White but the outcome is by no means clear. 12 Nxd8, Na4; 13 0-0, Nc5; Covering e6 but also clearing a potential forking position e.g. if 13 ... Na6; 14 Nxc6, bxc6; 15 Bxc6. (If 13 ... Nxb2; 14 Bxb2, 8xb2; 15 Rab1 winning the b7 pawn.) 14 Be3, Nba6; 15 Rad1, 8xb2; Black wants to play ... Bf5 and ... Bf6 and can ill afford the time to take this pawn. but the move is virtually forced since White threatened 16 b4 disrupting Black's Q side. 16 Bxc5, Nxc5; 17 Rfe1, With the threat 18 Re8+ Kg7; 19 Nxc6! bxc6; 20 Rdd8 etc. 17 ... Kf8; 18 Nxc6, Bg4; The game's up. If 18 ... bxc6; 19 Bxc6, Bb7; 20 Bxb7, Nxb7; 21 Rb1, Bc3; 22 Rec1, Bd2; 23 Rc2 etc. Or 19 ... Rb8; 20 Re8+ Kf7; 21 Rdd8. 19 Rd8+ Rxd8; 20 Nxd8, Bc8; 21 Rb1, Bf6; 22 Nxb7, Resigns.

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Now the first of a new series

HISTORIC MATCH SCORES

No. 1 - "Wanstead beat Ilford"

That was the headline when this result appeared in the Ilford Recorder. Nowadays such a result would hardly give rise to a headline proclaiming the fact, but this match played on 9th February, 1972 was the first time that we had beaten Ilford in something like 28 years of trying. Apart from a draw in 1947 we had lost on every other occasion.

		Wans	tead & Woodfor	d	V	Ilford	
(W)	1	A.T.	Marshall 182	1 3	V	S.M. Kalinsky 188	1
8 3	2	B.R.	Smith 199	ĩ	V	P.B. Cook 182	ō
	3	L.W.	Prescott 189	1	V	J.T. Pascoe 175	0
	4	R.A.	Wagstaff 168	. 0	V.	C.F. Harding 181	1
	5	I.D.	Hunnable 162	1/2	V	R. Franklin 154	1/2
	6	T.D.	Whitton -	1	V	W. Hawthorn 158	0
	7	L.S.	Halliday 164	1	v	J. Helps 156	0
	8	J.L.	Wagstaff 142	0	V	M.E. Grange 136	1
	9	S.R.	Gardner 140	1	V	V.B. Rumsey -	0
	10	D.C.	Bennett 139	0	V	R. Manning 138	1
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A match not without its "curious incident" — on board 1 Alan Marshall accidentally toppled his king and, fearing he would have to move it if he picked it up, left it there until his opponent left the board. Several onlookers thought Marshall had resigned! On board 8 you will note another Wagstaff: Roy's brother John, the team's erstwhile captain. And those were the days when the Secretary would turn out for the first ten!

The gradings are those in force at the time.

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WANSTEAD & WOODFORD CHESS CLUB

Season 1978/9

London League - Division 2

Opponents	Result	Score		P	M	D	L	Pts.	%
Mitcham	Drew	5 - 5	Dr. D.C. Hick	6	3	2	1	4	66.67
Wood Green	Lost	$2\frac{1}{2} - 7\frac{1}{2}$	T.D. Sanders	5	2	2	0	3	60.00
Battersea	Won	6 - 4	A.S. Kinder	9	4	2	3	5	55.56
Ilford	Won	7 - 3	A.T. Marshall	10	3	5	2	5 1	55.00
Drunken Knights	Lost	$4\frac{1}{2} - 5\frac{1}{2}$	T.D. Whitton	10	4	2	4	5	50.00
Harrow	Lost	$2\frac{1}{2} - 7\frac{1}{2}$	S.R. Lee	6	3	0	3	3	50.00
Hampstead II	Won	$7\frac{1}{2} - 2\frac{1}{2}$	I.D. Hunnable	10	3	3	4	41/2	45.00
Athenaeum	Lost	$2\frac{1}{2} - 7\frac{1}{2}$	Alan J. Potter	10	3	3	4	41/2	45.00
Wimbledon II	Won	8 - 2	Peter J. Smith	8	2	3	3	$3\frac{1}{2}$	43.75
Metropolitan	Lost	$1\frac{1}{2} - 8\frac{1}{2}$	R.A. Wagstaff	8	2	2	4	3	37.50
P.10 W.4 D.1 L.5	Position		G.W. Fernie	9	1	4	4	3	33.33

Also: P.T.R. Gasper $1\frac{1}{2}/3$, J. Langford 1/2, Paul Smith $\frac{1}{2}/3$, P. Barclay 0/1.

Essex League - Division 1

Opponents	Result	Score		<u>P</u>	M	D	L	Pts.	%
Romford	Won	$6\frac{1}{2} - 3\frac{1}{2}$	S.R. Lee	6	5	0	1	5	83,33
Shell	Won	$5\frac{1}{2} - 4\frac{1}{2}$	M. Shaw	6	4	2	0	5	83.33
East Ham	Drew	5 - 5	A.T. Marshall	5	3	2	0	4	80.00
Harlow	Won	6 - 4	G.W. Fernie	10	6	2	2	7	70.00
Barking	Won	9 - 1	A.J. Clark	5	2	3	0	31/2	70.00
Brentwood	Lost	$4\frac{1}{2} - 5\frac{1}{2}$	Peter J. Smith	8	4	3	1	5½	68.75
Old Parkonians	Won	6 - 4	W.T. Franklin	11	7	1	3	7 2	68.18
Southend	Won	8출 - 1호	A.S. Kinder	11	5	4	2	7	63.64
Ilford	Drew	5 - 5	R.A. Wagstaff	12	3	8	1	7.	58.33
Upminster	Drew	5 - 5	I.D. Hunnable	12	2	5	5	4 1/2	37.50
Chadwell Heath	Lost	$4\frac{1}{2} - 5\frac{1}{2}$	T.D. Whitton	11	1	6	4	4	36.36
Waltham Forest	Won	7 - 3	Also: M. Murph	y 1/	1,	Dr.	D.	C. Hic	k 3/4,
P.12 W.7 D.3 L.2	Position	3rd	T. Sander	s 2/	3,	P.T	. G	asper	$1\frac{1}{2}/2$,
			G. Goodin	g 1½	/3,	K.	Jo	nes $1\frac{1}{2}$	14,
		•	E.Lee 1/2						
			Paul Smit	h ½/	1,	А.Ш	. B	irks O	/1.

Sundry Fixtures

Essex Chess Association K.o. – Lost in preliminary round to Harlow $2\frac{1}{2}-3\frac{1}{2}$

Friendly match v. Hastings, - Lost $8\frac{1}{2}$ - $10\frac{1}{2}$

Essex League - Division 2

Opponents	Result	Score		P	W	D	L	Pts.	%
Romford Harlow Tilbury Brentwood Laindon Ilford Roding Waltham Forest	Won Lost Won Lost Drew Lost Won	$7 - 1$ $3\frac{1}{2} - 4\frac{1}{2}$ $6 - 2$ $3 - 5$ $4 - 4$ $2 - 6$ $5 - 3$	S.R. Lee K. Jones G.T. Gooding H. Morris P. Barclay H. Anderson A.J. Clark	11 5 12 7 5 10	8 3 5 2 2 3 1	0 1 4 4 1 3 7	3 1 3 1 2 4 2	8 ½ 7 4 ½½½¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼¼	72.73 70.00 58.33 57.14 50.00 45.00
May & Baker Loughton Upminster East Ham	Won Won Won Won Won L.3 Position	$5\frac{1}{2} - 2\frac{1}{2}$ $4\frac{1}{2} - 3\frac{1}{2}$ $4\frac{1}{2} - 3\frac{1}{2}$ $4\frac{1}{2} - 3\frac{1}{2}$ $6 - 2$ $= 3rd$	V.G. Morris Also: Peter T. Sand E. Lee H. Fell J. Frank	ers 0, 3/3, 0 3½/4,	/1, 3. J , S.	M. eff Le	Sha rie ary	พ 1½/4 s ½/2, 3½/4,	

Essex League - Division 3

'A' Team

Opponents	Result	Score		P	Ш	D	L	Pts.	Z
Loughton Laindon Upminster Billericay East Ham P.E.R.M.E. Barking Wanstead 'B' Brentwood Chadwell Heath Ilford 'B' Ilford 'A'	Drew Lost Lost	$ \begin{array}{r} 1\frac{1}{2} - 4\frac{1}{2} \\ 0 - 6 \\ 1\frac{1}{2} - 4\frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} - 5\frac{1}{2} \\ 4 - 2 \\ 1\frac{1}{2} - 4\frac{1}{2} \\ 4 - 2 \\ 3 - 3 \\ DEFAULT \\ 2\frac{1}{2} - 2\frac{1}{2} \\ 2 - 4 \\ 2\frac{1}{2} - 3\frac{1}{2} \\ \end{array} $	J.S. Langford P. Barclay A.W. Birks F.B.R. Crick A.J. Rosenbloom Also: V.G. Morn R. Kinches H. Rutter D.C. Benne S. Bendon	ris sh (0/2 ett	0/2, 2, C 1½/	R. . W	Sm hit M.J	ith O/ taker . Murp	1/4, 1/4, hy 1/2,
P.12 W.2 D.2 L.8	Position	11th							

¹B¹ Team (Juniors)

P.12 W.5 D.5 L.2 Position 4th

Opponents	Result	Score		<u>P</u>	W	D	L	Pts.	%
Upminster	Won	4 - 2	J. Franklin	10	7	1	2	7늘	75.00
Brentwood	Lost	$1\frac{1}{2} - 4\frac{1}{2}$	J. Duggan	6	4	1	1	41	75.00
Chadwell Heath	Won	$4\frac{1}{2} - 1\frac{1}{2}$	G. Jeffries	10	5	3	2	$6\frac{1}{2}$	65.00
Barking	Drew	3 - 3	E.S. Lee	11	6	2	3	7	63.64
Wanstead 'A'	Drew	3 - 3	S. Leary	11	5	3	3	61/2	59.09
Loughton	Drew	3 - 3	P. Street	6	3	1	2	31	58,33
Laindon	Won	$4\frac{1}{2} - 1\frac{1}{2}$	T.D. Sanders	7	3	2	2	4	57.14
Billericay Ilford 'A' East Ham	Drew Won Drew	$ 3 - 3 \\ 3\frac{1}{2} - 2\frac{1}{2} \\ 3 - 3 $	Also: S. Lee Miss K.						rdon 0/1.
Ilford '8' P.E.R.M.E.	Won , Lost	$5 - 1$ $3\frac{1}{2} - 2\frac{1}{2}$							

Essex League - Division 4

Opponents	Result	Score		<u>P</u>	M	D	L	Pts.	%
Laindon Roding Loughton Ilford 'A' Grays Ilford 'B' Brentwood Waltham Forest Barking Upminster Austin	Drew Lost Lost Won Lost Lost Lost Won	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	Individual this team.	averages	s no	t a	vila	able for	
P.11 W.3 D.2 L.6	Position	10th			*				

^{* 5} board match

Leading Aggregate Scores

The David Wood Trophy is awarded for the highest aggregate score in matches for the Club, and this season has been won by

Simon Lee with 17 points from 27 games
(L.L. 3/6; E.L.1 5/6; E.L.2 8/11; E.L.3B 1/4)

This is the highest aggregate score recorded for one season's matches in the history of the Club.

Followed by G.W. Fernie 14/25 (L.L. 3/9; E.L.1 7/10; E.L.2 3/4; Sundries $1\frac{1}{2}/2$.)

A.S. Kinder 13/21 (L.L. 5/9; E.L.1 7/11; Sundries $1\frac{1}{2}/2$;)

52 players represented the Club in matches during the season.