

TC's Report: Bedford Chess Club Division One 2014 - 2015

- I am happy to report that all the games scheduled to be played in this division were in fact played two weeks ahead of the AGM.
- For a long time it seemed as though Alex Taylor's name was going to be inscribed on the Champion's Trophy this year.
- But Richard Bodily put in a terrific late spurt coming up unforeseen on the rails to force an end-of-season head-to-head showdown with Alex.
- Richard was Division Two Champion last year and in this his second year at the Club he defeated Alex and won the Division One Title albeit by a fraction of a SB tie-break point.
- Commiserations to Ravi Arulnandhy and Nick Collacott who are relegated. It is without doubt a sign of just how strong Division One has become in recent years that these talented players now must negotiate the minefield that is Division Two.

TC's Report: Bedford Chess Club Division Two 2014 - 2015

- Once more I am happy to report that all the games scheduled to be played in this division were played ahead of the AGM.
- In a remarkable debutante season, Marc Okwose Obi swept all before him to claim the Division Two Championship and with it promotion to Division One.
- Much like Richard, John Harbour put in a sustained gallop to claim second spot and with it promotion to Division One.
- In its present format, I am of the opinion that this competition needs to be 'looked at' and I invite a discussion at the AGM.

TC's Report: All-Play-All 2014 - 2015

- Seven games were played in this Tournament –it seems like one player took on all-comers because he featured in all seven.
- Nigel Staddon, John Harbour, and Alex Taylor scored a win each.
- The star of the show was undoubtedly Peter Housden –he scored four wins to once again claim the All-Play-All. I have lost count of the number of times Peter has triumphed in this competition –in fact I would stick my neck out and hazard a guess that he has won it every year since its inception. Well done Peter!

For details of all campaigns please see the Bedford Chess Club Division One and Two 2014-15 End of Season tables, the All-Play-All table, and the separate data sheets I shall circulate at the AGM.

Thank you to everyone involved.

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