

Trigantius 29 February results

A near-record attendance of 87 in the University Centre. Overall winner was young Li Shen (5 dan, 12 yrs). Local results were: Ward 1/3, Hunt 1, Chin 3, Taylor 3, Woodcraft 3, Chen 1, Warburton 1, Schmidt 2, Reid 2, Russell 3, Murby 1, Toshio Ohshima 2, Gardner 1, Joe Walker 2, Goldsmith 3, Visser 0, Mader 2, Kersey 0, Burgess 2, Anna Griffiths 1, Sturley 3, Williamson 1, Hughes 1, Medlock 2, Ford 1, Mok 2, Sumire Ohshima 2, Mankong 2, Shuntaro Ohshima 1, Turnbull 2.

Will Brooks? He got off lightly (a school geography trip, in the snow).

The Novices' tournament was won by Tom Robinson aged 13 from Norwich, with 5/5. Tom is a strong chess player who first came across Go at one of the MSO events in London a few years back. Second equal were Matthew Harris (front page), and Rachel Marsh, also from Cambridge.

School visits

Paul Smith has been out and about. He visited a lunchtime Maths club meeting at Netherhall School to teach Go at the invitation of maths teacher Sarah Hampton. The children at this club often play Oware, but they had not played Go before. About 15 children learned to play Go; they were very enthusiastic and asked for a return visit. In December Alex Selby and he visited Woodbridge School in Suffolk on the occasion of the school chess congress. Woodbridge School is very strong at chess; they are one of the few schools in this country to have their own chess teacher - he is Adam Hunt, brother of the former women's junior world champion Harriet Hunt. There was a Go stand in the corner of the analysis room where Harriet was doing some chess teaching. Many games of Go were played; quite a few juniors learned the rules, a surprising number of juniors and parents could already play. In January Paul Smith visited Kings' College School for the third time and taught Go to an audience of about 20 children. Many of them could already play Go, and those who could not picked it up very quickly. It may be possible to start a Go club in the school in September.

More Balls

Go stalls were manned by Steve Burgess and Tom Ford at the Chinese New Year Ball, adjacent to the Chinese chess; and by Steve at the Jewish Society Ball, not thrown by a location next to the judo.

On the box

Belated congrats to Chris Cummins, series 53 winner of C4's *Countdown*. Andrew Walkingshaw's run with the Jesus *University Challenge* team was shown recently.

Tozer posey (hint) teaser

This is the answer to a poser: "Why Tozer? You see, it's Dr. Derek Troutley so when you change round Troutley and Tozer you get *trouser* and *tot(ley) = totty*." What was the question?

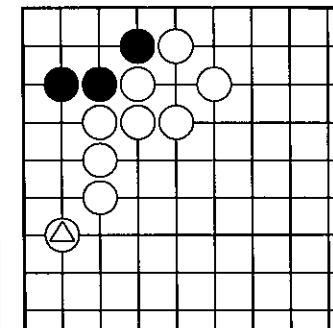
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手筋



Black to play What should happen?
Suggested by Bruce Mo Chen. The marked white stone matters.

Go meetings around Cambridge

- Mondays: restart April
- Tuesday meetings:
The Castle Inn, Castle Street 7.30 pm.
- Wednesday Junior Chess & Go in school term.
- Thursdays 7 to 9 pm in the University Centre, top floor Reading Room.
- Fridays 7 to 9 pm at 'CB1', 32 Mill Road.
- Sundays informally in CB1, from about 4 pm.
- Other times in CB1.

March 8 Competition Night

As we go to press ...

Varsity match 1 February

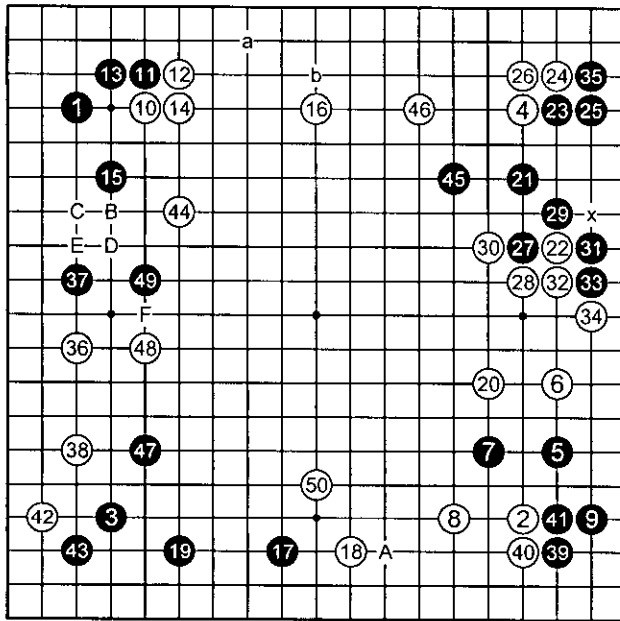
Cambridge won 11-5 this year, playing away at Corpus Christi, Oxford. The New College cat was a rapt onlooker. Team details will appear on the club web site some time real soon now; look there for the 37-year history of the event.

UK Juniors 1 February

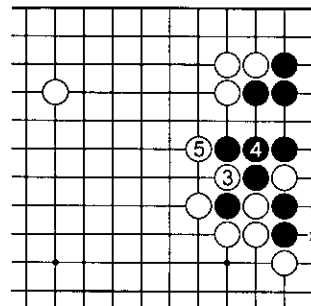
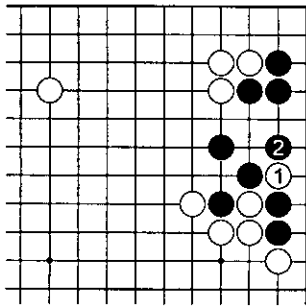
Will Brooks (2 *kyu*) became overall UK Youth Champion with 5/5 at the championships in Birmingham, a success marked in the *Cambridge Evening News* by the publication of an unrelated photo of him on a charity walk from three years ago. Matthew Harris (100) of Chess&Go was U-12 runner-up. Will is going to Cologne to compete in the European Youth in May.

Game from Triganthus: Mader-Goldsmith

This is the final round game between Simon Mader (B) and Chris Goldsmith, both 6 kyu, Cambridge players, and on 2 wins. Comments from Charles Matthews.

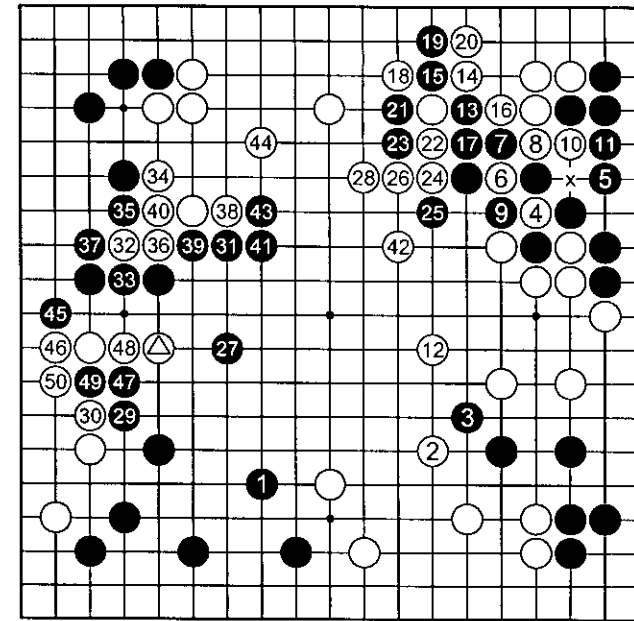


(1-50) 5 The upper left is the biggest area. 7 Early to make a weak group; safest is to invade at 9. 17 is restrained; it's consistent to play directly at A. 21 No reason not to play one to the right, on the third line. 23 directly at 27 avoids "clumsy double contact".



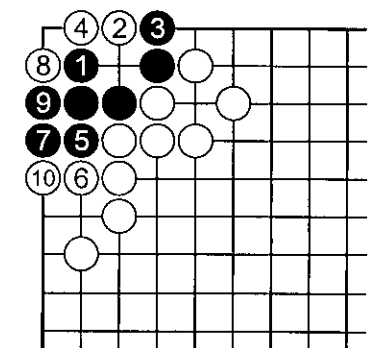
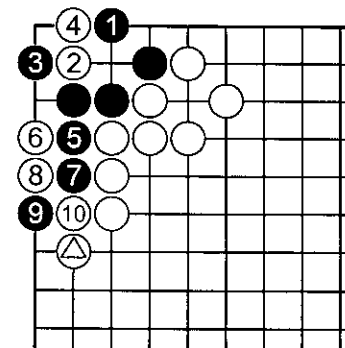
After 35 White's cut at 'x' would become a good sacrifice to help White plaster the outside. The right-hand diagram shows White with another useful 'x' to play.

36 is exactly the right point, leaving a good extension on both sides. 39 gives up the attack in the lower left, prematurely. After White 44, there are still weaknesses in the top side, for example at 'a' and 'b'. Black 45 is important, but Black 47 isn't as big as breaking into that upper area. White 48 helps Black play at 49. Better to play White B, Black C etc., finishing up at White F.



(1-50) Mistakes accumulate as White backs away from fighting the ko after a cut at 'x'. Black spectacularly misreads a ladder (broken by the triangle-marked white stone) with 21 etc.

At the end of 100 plays Black has a good attack going in the lower left. Unfortunately he mishandled it later, and White went on to win.



From the front page (Left) Black 1 here is the 'usual' play, but White 2 can ensure that Black gets only a false eye on the edge. **(Right)** After this Black 1, Black can get ko for life. This is one variation; White can also start at Black 3 here, when Black plays at White 2 for a different ko.