

# Oxfordshire Chess Association: League Secretary's Report 2018-19

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## Trophy Winners

Frank Wood Shield	The grunifeld defence (University)
ODCL Division 1	University 1
ODCL Division 2	Cumnor 1
ODCL Division 3	Didcot 2
ODCL Division 4	Abingdon School
Division 1 individual	Filip Mihov, University 1: 12.5/13 = 96.15%
Division 2 individual	Nick Burrows, Cumnor 1: 10/12 = 83.33%
Division 3 individual	Marcin Jaszczkowski, Didcot 3: 6.5/7 = 92.86%
Division 4 individual	Jonathan Lee, Abingdon: 7.5/8 = 93.75%
Lester Millin Trophy (best junior)	Jonathan Lee, Abingdon
Oxon Individual Championship	Marcus Harvey, Witney

Qualification for individuals: must have played in 50% or more of the team's matches.

## Disputes

None that reached the Secretary.

## Defaults

Fewer defaults were recorded than in the preceding two seasons.

	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17
Division 1	1 match plus 4 games	2 matches* plus 7 games	1 match plus 7 games
Division 2	7 games	2 matches* plus 11 games	1 match plus 19 games
Division 3	3 matches plus 13 games	9 matches† plus 10 games	12 games
Division 4	18 games	2 matches plus 12 games	5 matches plus 29 games

\* one being an end-of-season 0-0 double default

† eight from the demise of Cowley Workers

## Ineligible players

Witney 2, Cowley 2, Cowley 4 and Banbury 3 all suffered match-point penalties after accidentally fielding an ineligible player. For Witney 2, Cowley 2 and Cowley 4 the ineligibility was caused by playing for another team in the same division. Following a similar breach last year, the clubs that could have been caught by this rule were alerted at the start of the season.

In the **Frank Wood Shield**, teams from Didcot and Oxford University each inadvertently fielded a player who had played fewer than two league matches for the club and so was ineligible for the FWS. In both cases this cost the team a place in the next round.

## Requests for postponements

Several requests were received, none of them truly in accordance with the *force majeure* provision in the Rules. No objections from the Secretary provided that both captains agreed, but in each case the captain receiving the request was advised that he/she could legitimately insist, without feeling guilty, that the match was played on the appointed date.

## Division 1 Final Table

Team	P	W	D	L	Def. matches	Def. games	Pen. pts	Game pt diff	Points
Oxford Univ 1	14	12	1	1	0	3	0	37	25
City 1	14	8	1	4	1	6	1	5	16
Witney 2	14	6	3	5	0	0	1	0	14
Cowley 1	14	6	2	6	0	1	0	-2	14
Witney 1	14	5	4	5	0	0	0	4	14
Cowley 2	14	5	3	6	0	0	1	-9	12
Banbury 1	14	4	2	8	0	0	0	-4	10
Didcot 1	14	2	0	12	0	0	0	-31	4

## Division 2 Final Table

Team	P	W	D	L	Def. matches	Def. games	Penalty pts	Game pt diff	Points
Cumnor 1	14	13	0	1	0	0	0	36	26
Banbury 2	14	9	2	3	0	2	0	16	20
Oxford Univ 2	14	6	4	4	0	0	0	3	16
Bicester 1	14	6	1	7	0	2	0	-2	13
Cowley 4	14	4	4	6	0	2	1	-7	11
City 2	14	4	1	9	0	0	0	-18	9
Wantage 1	14	3	3	8	0	0	0	-12	9
Cowley 3	14	1	5	8	0	1	0	-16	7

### Division 3 Final Table

Team	P	W	D	L	Def. matches	Def. games	Penalty pts	Game pt diff	Points
Didcot 2	14	11	3	0	0	0	0	39	25
MCS/B	14	10	2	2	0	1	0	27	22
Witney 3	14	10	1	3	0	0	0	19	21
City 3	14	4	2	8	0	3	0	-5	10
Cowley 5	14	5	0	9	0	0	0	-18	10
Banbury 3	14	5	0	9	0	3	1	-5	9
Didcot 3	14	4	2	7	1	7	1	-9	9
Cumnor 2	14	2	0	10	2	17	4	-48	0

### Division 4 Final Table

Team	P	W	D	L	Def. matches	Def. games	Penalty pts	Game pt diff	Points
Abingdon	12	10	0	2	0	0	0	30	20
Didcot 4	12	7	0	5	0	0	0	10	14
Oxford Univ 3	12	7	1	4	0	8	2	15	13
Witney 4	12	5	1	6	0	1	0	-15	11
Wantage 2	12	4	0	8	0	1	0	-5	8
Bicester 2	12	4	1	7	0	8	2	-21	7
Cowley 6	12	3	1	8	0	0	0	-14	7