

Minutes of Inaugural Meeting of the  
Chess Club.

Held in the Council Chamber Guildhall.  
January 6<sup>th</sup> 1905.

This Worship, the Mayor in the chair.

Those were present Messrs. S. Dobson, W. G. Fernie,  
A. G. Filby, C. Harwood, C. Hewitt, L. Mills, A. New  
A. S. Peake, A. A. Peake, W. Plumble, G. Price, S. Thompson  
& J. Whitelaw.

It was resolved unanimously to form a Chess Club.

B. Hobbs Esq<sup>r</sup> (Mayor) elected President.

A. G. Filby Hon. Sec. & Treas. - Committee elected.

Messrs. Harwood, S. Mills, G. Price & W. Plumble with  
power to add up to 6. Pres. & Sec. ex officio.  
to form quorum.

Resolved to meet one night a week up to April 1<sup>st</sup>  
7 - 10.30 p.m.

Allocation of rooms left to Pres & Sec<sup>r</sup>.

Letter to settle amt. of Sub. when cost of room  
obtained - also to draw up rules.

2. Minutes Cont'd

Resolved also that members bring their own coats  
men, who will be kept in a lock up  
cupboard if left at the Club room.

The vote of thanks to the Mayor for presiding is also  
for the use of the Council Chamber closed  
the meeting.

Benj Hobbs

Mayor

Oct 4 1905



3. Minutes Chess Club Meeting.

Jan<sup>y</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> 05.

The sec<sup>y</sup> reported that The Mayor & himself had seen the room at the Clevedon, & finding it suitable had enjoyed it for each Wed<sup>n</sup> even<sup>g</sup> from 7 till 10.30. Till the 1<sup>st</sup> apt 05. at a rental of 3/- per night -

It was resolved that the Dub<sup>l</sup> sh<sup>d</sup> be 4/- for this season.

The rules were read & passed as drawn up by the sec<sup>y</sup>, who was instructed to get prices for printing same from Advertiser, Isaac & Marsh

The sec<sup>y</sup> suggested a Card for outside of Club room door, Mr. Harwood, offered to obtain one wh. offer was gladly accepted.

Mr. Willett, presented a set of men of the Club wh. were accepted by the sec<sup>y</sup> on the Club's behalf. with thanks.

J. Mills  
18.2.05

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Minutes of committed meeting of Chess Club  
Feb'y 13/05.

Minutes of last com: meeting read & passed.

The sec<sup>y</sup> reported having received tenders for  
printing rules from advertiser 7/6 Messrs G.  
Isaac & Co, & having accepted the best.

Messrs. S. Andrews. F. J. Bloomfield & G. Morley were  
elected members on the prop<sup>n</sup> of Mr. Mills sic by  
Mr. Price.

It was suggested that some encouragement be  
given to beginners, & resolved on the prop<sup>n</sup> of  
Mr. Price sic by Mr. Sparwood, that the sec<sup>y</sup>  
procure a book on the game of chess, wh:  
shall be lent to beginners (members) to study  
for a period of a week each, such book not to  
cost more than 2/.

Sept 12 1905.

Bert Hobbs



Minutes of Committee M. C. C.  
Mar 15. 05.

Mr. Pearson elected a member having  
been prop<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Mills & sec<sup>d</sup> by the Sec<sup>y</sup>.

The sec<sup>y</sup> stated there was no further  
business to be conducted for this session, &  
w<sup>d</sup> call a meeting early in Sept<sup>r</sup> next to  
arrange for next season -

Sept 18 1905

Benj. Hobbs Mayor  
Chairman

Minutes of Committee Meeting 73 Mad Chess Club.

Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> 1905.

B. Hobbs. Esq<sup>r</sup> in the chair.

The sec<sup>y</sup> read minutes of previous meetings  
wh: were confirmed -

The Chairman read Balance Sheet for the last  
session wh: was adopted.

The sec<sup>y</sup> read letter from Trip Fessel re rent of  
room & it was decided to take the room till  
for 13 wks at a rental of 35/- payable in advance  
the question of the next 13 wks & the inclusion  
of April was deferred to the general meeting -

The sec<sup>y</sup> submitted a classification of members  
wh: was adopted.

It was agreed the committee sh<sup>d</sup> inform voters & see  
the men were locked up each evening -



4.  
The sec<sup>y</sup> was instructed to get a notice board covered with green baize -

It was resolved to hold the Annual general meeting on Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> at 7.30. at the Clevedon Rooms the Mayor will preside - after the meeting the Spring night of the session will be held. members being requested to bring their own boards & men - as before -

The sec<sup>y</sup> read letter from S. Mills resigning membership

Frank Willett  
Chairman

8.

Minutes Annual Meeting. No. 1 Lead Chess Club.  
Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> 1903.

B. Hobbs Esq<sup>r</sup> in the chair.

Minutes of last General Meeting read & confirmed.  
Balance sheet was adopted, on the prop<sup>s</sup> of Mr. Hobbs.  
It was decided that the seasons end on April 30<sup>th</sup>  
instead of March 31<sup>st</sup> on the prop<sup>s</sup> of Mr. Cottrell see<sup>d</sup>  
by Mr. Whitelaw. rental for the whole season to be £ 4.

It was prop<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Cottrell see<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Whitelaw that  
the balance in hand of £ 2.9.0. be expended in  
boards & men, the selection to be left to  
committee.

The Sub<sup>n</sup> for the seasons was fixed at 5/- on the  
prop<sup>s</sup> of Mr. Whitelaw see<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Harwood.

It was decided to purchase three sets of draughtmen  
on the prop<sup>s</sup> of Mr. Cottrell. at the cost of 1/- per set.



9. Minutes Cont<sup>d</sup>

Prop<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Fennie sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Plumble that  
Mr. Willett be asked to act as Match Captain.

Mr. Hobbs was unanimously selected President  
on the prop<sup>d</sup> of Mr. Plumble sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Tilby.

Mr. Tilby selected Sec<sup>y</sup> & Treas. on the prop<sup>d</sup> of Mr.  
Hobbs sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Harwood.

Messrs. Cottrell, Dobson, Flint, Harwood, & Price  
& W<sup>m</sup> Plumble were elected committee on the  
prop<sup>d</sup> of Mr. Hobbs sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Fennie.

Mr. Neve was elected Auditor on the prop<sup>d</sup>  
of Mr. Flint sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Fennie.

To avoid expense of new rules the sec<sup>y</sup> was  
asked to alter the existing ones.

Benj. Hobbs

Deputy Mayor

Chairman

Oct 3 1906

10.

Minutes Committee Meeting M. C. C.  
Nov? 1st 03.

All committee men present.

Mr. F. Willett was elected chairman on the prop<sup>n</sup> of Mr. Flint. sec<sup>y</sup> by Mr. Plumber.

Minutes of last committee were read & confirmed.

Messrs. Rose, Ormstedt, Watson, Arnold ~~and~~ were duly elected members.

After a good deal of discussion the com<sup>tee</sup> was instructed to obtain 4 sets of men "Stamton pattern" bar of N. to be 1 1/2 inch, & four boards 1 3/4 sq ft wooden for preference, from Mr. Thompson, & if can wedge in another set of board to do so, the color of squares on boards to be red & buff, on the prop<sup>n</sup> of Mr. Flint sec<sup>y</sup> by Mr. Plumber.

Frank Willett



Minutes Committee Meeting D.C.C.  
Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> 05.

Mr. F. Willett was elected chairman on the prop<sup>s</sup> of Mr. Flint.

Messrs Gray & Harman were duly elected members on the prop<sup>s</sup> of Mr. Flint see by Mr. Willett.

Mr. Cottrell prop<sup>s</sup> that an adv<sup>ce</sup> be put in the adv<sup>ce</sup> for 4 weeks at a cost of 10% soliciting new members, carried. see by Mr. Willett.

Mr. Price prop<sup>s</sup> that we start a ticket journey books of tickets (12) to be obtained. 50 books. that the members of each class play each other once, the winners of each class to play off afterwards. members will be handicapped by the committee, the books to be sold to members competing at 6<sup>2</sup> each. see by Mr. Plumble & carried.

Frank Willett

M. C. C. Committee <sup>12.</sup> Meeting (informal).  
7. III 06.

Mr. A. A. Peake was elected. Sec<sup>y</sup> or Treas.  
in place of Mr. Filby resigned.  
Frank Willett

Meeting held 25. 4. 06

Proposed by Mr. Price seconded by Mr.  
Plumbe that the presentation bag shall  
be posted to Mr. Filby with the thanks  
of the Committee & members of the M. C. C.



March 7 1906

M.C.C. Committee Meeting. (informal)

Mr Willett was in the Chair.

Mr. A. Peake was elected Sec & Treas. in place  
of Mr. Filby resigned -Proposed by Mr. Price sec. by Mr. Plumb. that a  
presentation bag shall be forwarded to Mr. Filby  
with the Thanks of the members of the M.C.C.Members subscribed 14/- & Sec. purchased (15/-)  
& forwarded same to Mr. Filby, on behalf of  
the Club.

Meeting (General) October 3<sup>rd</sup> - 1906

Mr. Hobbs, President, elected to the chair

Resolved. That accounts be passed, subject to audit.

Resolved. That Mr. Hobbs be re-elected President

" That A.A. Peake be re-elected Secretary and Treasurer (both honorary)

Resolved. That committee consist of <sup>messrs</sup> Price, Dobson, Harwood, Plumbe, Flint & Cottrell.

Resolved. That Mr. <sup>Willetts</sup> ~~Flint~~ be Match Captain

" That Mr. Neve be auditor

" That the challenge of the Uxbridge Chess Club be accepted.

" That an annual subscription of 5/- shall be payable by each member.

That the meetings shall be weekly on each Wednesday from 7 P.M. till 10.30 P.M.

The season to start October 4<sup>th</sup> 1906 and continue till the 20<sup>th</sup> April 1907.

That members be at liberty to introduce friends



occasionally subject to the discretion of the Committee  
Rules adopted with above exception. addition

A. S. Peake 25/9/07.

At a committee meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup>  
~~February~~<sup>January</sup> 1907 with Mr Flint in the chair,  
present Messrs A. S. Peake, Price, and Whitelaw  
the resignation of the Hon. Secretary and Treasurer  
was accepted, and Mr G. A. Rellen asked to  
take the vacant offices, consented and was  
unanimously elected.

Season 1904-8.

Minutes of the General Meeting held on the 25<sup>th</sup> September 1904 at the Cliveden Hotel, Queen St, Maidenhead.

Minutes of previous General Meeting read, confirmed and signed.

Resolved that a vote of thanks be put thanking Mr Hobbs, the retiring President for his services. Carried unanimously.

Resolved that the Hon. Sec. should approach Dr Plumble and request his acceptance of the office of President.

Resolved that accounts and balance sheet be passed.

Officers were elected as under:-

Hon. Secretary - Mr G. A. Pelleen

Hon. Treasurer - Mr G. Flint

Match Captain - Mr F. Willett



Auditor

Auditor - Mr. A. H. Neve.

Committee

Committee. Messrs E. J. Harwood, O. P. A. D. Cottrell, S. Dobson, J. E. Whitelaw, and L. Rose.

Alteration  
of Rules

Resolved that Rule 2 should be altered to read as follows: - That the subscription for a season shall be 5/- due 1<sup>st</sup> day of session; members joining after the 1<sup>st</sup> January in any season to pay 3/-.

Resolved that Rule 3 be altered to read as follows: - That the club be managed by a President, Match Captain, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, and not more than six other members three to form a quorum.

Resolved that a notice of the meeting be sent to the Press.

Lucia Olden  
Chairman. Apr 29. 1905



Minutes of a Committee meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> October 1904 at 144 Greenfell Rd.

Members present Mess<sup>rs</sup> Willett, Cottrell, Rose, Flint, Price, Whitelaw and Relleen, also W.A.S. Peake by request.

Resolved to class present members into 4 classes as follows:—

Class 1. W.A.S. Peake.

" 2. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Cottrell, Flint, Willett, Whitelaw, Dobson and Plambe.

" 3. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Price, Rose, Thompson, Arnold, Relleen, Fernie, Harwood, Stevens, Edward

" 4. Mess<sup>rs</sup> Drummond, Neve and Dovey.

Also that Class 1 gives to ~~class 2~~

Class 2. Pawn and move

to " 3 Pawn and two moves

" " 4 King's Knight and move.

Class 2 gives

to Class 3. Pawn and move

" 4 Pawn and two moves.

Club Tournament



Minutes of the meeting of the 1<sup>st</sup> Oct. 1902 Contd  
also that Class 3 gives to

Class 4 Pawn and move.

The pawn to be the King's Knight's Bishop's Pawn  
In giving pawn and two moves the centre  
line must not be crossed in making those moves

alteration of classes to be made <sup>by</sup> the

Committee on the recommendation of the Match Captain

Resolved that members be requested  
to play the openings selected by the Committee  
when playing members of their own class  
in casual games. The openings <sup>selected</sup> will be  
recommended for two consecutive evenings

Resolved that the tournament for Mason's book  
on Chess Openings presented by Mr. A. S. Peake  
be played under following conditions:-

Open to all members. The rounds to be  
completed at intervals of three weeks. Opponents  
to be determined by lot. A member to win  
by default if opponent does not turn up.

Club Tournament Rules



Meeting of 1<sup>st</sup> October 1904 Contd.

New members to be included in round playing at time of entrance.

Players and opponents were drawn for 1<sup>st</sup> round as follows:—

Plumbe	✓	Whitelaw	Thompson
Whitelaw		Arnold	
Dobson		Fernie	
Edwards		Stevens	
Neve		Cottrell	
Price		Relleen	
Drummond		Rose	
Willett		Flint	

Resolved that Committee arrange with one or two good chess players to come and play simultaneous games, the club to pay travelling expenses.

Rules to be printed, <sup>but</sup> ~~if~~ not to cost more than 3/6.

Frank Willett  
Chairman



Committee Meeting held at the house of Mr. A. D. Cottrell, Hitcham, on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 1904.

- Chairman. Chairman. F. Willett.
- Minutes. Minutes of previous meeting read, confirmed and signed.
- Candidates. Messrs. Nyren, Dovey, Woods, Stevens and Drummond elected Members.
- President. Question adjourned to next meeting.
- Classing. Mr. Woods, class 2; Mr. Nyren, 3; Mr. Dovey, Mr. Stevens adjourned.
- Rules. Question of printing adjourned.
- Chairmen. Advertisement to be inserted in Exchange and Mark.
- Signboard. Proposed by Mr. Price and seconded by Mr. Rose that the Secretary make enquiries as to cost of board. Carried.
- Likely Members. Donald Webb, Londont. Bank.  
A. Smith, Owen Stuehberry, and  
J. G. Grierson.



Minutes of Committee Meeting Contd.

A. A. Peake. Proposed by Mr Price and seconded by Mr Cottrell and carried that a letter of thanks be written to Mr Peake for his presentation to the Club of Blackburn's games and also set of stamps and the Committee hoped for his speedy return to the Club.

Next Meeting.  
Present.

On December 3<sup>rd</sup> at Mr L. Roe,  
Messrs. Cottrell, Flint, Willett, Roe,  
Price, Dobson and Relleen.

Frank Willett  
Chairman



23.

Meeting of the Committee of the Maidenhead  
Chess Club held at Sunnybank, St Luke's Rd  
the residence of Mr. L. Roe, on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup>  
December 1907.

- Chairman. Mr. F. Willett elected to chair.
- Member. Mr. Jacka, proposed by Mr. A. D. Cottrell  
and seconded by Mr. Dobson, was elected.
- Rules of Club. That the sum of ~~two~~ 3/6 shall be  
sanctioned to pay for printing same.
- Notice Board. Resolved on proposition of Mr. S. Dobson,  
seconded by Mr. L. Roe that Mr. Jelly  
be directed to prepare one at a  
cost of  $\frac{3}{6}$  <sup>s</sup> <sup>d</sup> 4/6.
- President. Question adjourned.
- Next Meeting. Jan. 21<sup>st</sup> 1908 at residence of  
Mr. Willett.

Chairman A. D. Cottrell  
Jan 28<sup>th</sup> 1908



Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup> January, 1908, at the residence of Mr F. Willett, 20 Castle Hill, Maidenhead.

Committee present. Messrs Willett, Cottrell, Flint, ~~Flint~~, Rose, <sup>Snyce, Whitelaw</sup> Dobson, and Relleen.

Chairman. Mr A. D. Cottrell was elected to the chair.

Minutes. Minutes of previous meeting read, confirmed and signed.

New Members. Proposed by Mr Flint, and seconded by Mr Rose that Messrs O. Stuckberry and W. J. Higgin be elected members.

President. Suggested that the Secretary should approach Mr L. Oldershaw, Fernley.

Likely candidates for membership of club were mentioned as follows:-

- Likely Candidates. Mr Jupp, Windsor Rd - Willett
- Mr Greville Battcock, Amber Ho Fuzze Platt - ~~Idon~~
- Mr Browne, Castle Hill. - Rose
- Mr G. Hewitt, High St.

Notice Board. Estimate of Mr Jellys of 4/6<sup>s</sup> 6<sup>d</sup> agreed to.



Tournament.

It was proposed by Mr Price and seconded by Mr Whitelaw that 4 prizes should be offered for competition in the club, one <sup>each</sup> for the winners in each ~~case~~ class and to cost 1/- each, and one for the winner of the club to cost <sup>s/d</sup> 4/- Agreed.

Chessmen and Board.

Messrs Willett and Price to purchase a chess board about 5/- in value + a set of Staunton men about 8/- in price. Proposed and seconded by Messrs Rose, and Whitelaw respectively and carried.

Next Meeting.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> February 1908 at the house of Mr Price, 51 King St.

Frank Willett  
Chairman



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Minutes of Committee Meeting of the 18<sup>th</sup> February  
1908 at 51 King Street - Mr. O. Price's residence.

Proposed by Mr. Whitelaw, seconded by Mr.  
Chairman. Roe and carried that Mr. L. Oldershaw  
be elected President of the Club.

Proposed and seconded by Mr. Price  
New Member and Mr. Roe respectively that Mr. Gosling  
be elected a member. Carried.

Proposed by Mr. Whitelaw and  
Chess Men seconded by Mr. Dobson that purchase  
of Chessmen be approved and recommend-  
Chess Board -ed that a chess board of wood with  
2 inch squares be purchased.

Next Meeting. Next meeting March 24<sup>th</sup> 1908 at  
residence of Mr. J. Flint, 26 Colkham  
Road at 8 p. m.

24<sup>th</sup> Feb 1908.

Frank Willitt  
Chairman



Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> March 1908 at residence of Mr J. Flint, 26 Bookham Road.

Present. Mess<sup>rs</sup> V. Price, J. Flint, S. Dobson, G. A. Kellein and F. J. Willett.

Mr Willett elected to be chairman.

Minutes of previous meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> February read, confirmed and signed.

Chess Boards.

Proposed and seconded by Mess<sup>rs</sup> Dobson and Price respectively that purchase of two Chess Boards at a cost of 5/- be approved. Carried.

Mr Alderham's Prize.

Proposed by Mr Dobson, seconded by Mr Price that the President's offer of a prize be accepted with thanks, but as the season is drawing to a close the Committee recommend that the prize be competed for next season.

Match with Reading. W.M.C.A.

Secretary to decide whether members are desirous of playing, and if so, to arrange a team.

next Meeting.

April 29<sup>th</sup>. at 7.30 p.m. at clubroom.

Frank Willett Chairman



Minutes of Committee Meeting held at the Clubroom on the 29<sup>th</sup> April 1908 at 7.30 p.m.

Minutes Minutes of meeting of 24<sup>th</sup> March read and confirmed and signed.

Matches Resolved that the arranging of matches for next season should be left to the Captain.

Finances. The Treasurer reported a balance of £1-7-4.

Matches Played during Season. Six played. Three won, (drawn and two lost.

Windsor	1½	Maidenhead	4½ (home)
Reading	8½	"	½ (home)
"	5½	"	4½ (away)
Uxbridge	4	"	4 (" )
"	5½	"	2½ (home)
Reading, U.M.C.A.	4	"	6 (away)

Proposed by Mr Cottrell and seconded by Mr. [unclear] and carried by hearty vote of thanks be given to the



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Captain, Secretary and Treasurer for the  
able manner in which they have  
discharged their duties during the season  
1907-8.

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Season. 1908 - 09.

Minutes of the General Meeting held on the  
29<sup>th</sup> of September 1908 in the Council  
Chamber. Guildhall. Mardenhead  
The President. Mr. L. Oldershaw. in the chair

Minutes of the previous General Meeting read  
confirmed and signed

The Secretary's Report on the proposition of Mr SR  
Thompson, seconded Mr A. D. Cotterill was adopted

The Treasurer's Balance Sheet showing a balance  
in hand of £1. 7. 8. was adopted on the  
proposition of Mr. F. Willett seconded Mr J. E. Whitelaw

Officers were elected as under.

President Mr. L. Oldershaw

Hon. Secy. Mr. J. E. Whitelaw

Hon. Treasurer Mr. J. Flint

Match Captain Mr. F. Willett

Hon. Auditor Mr. A. H. Neve



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Committee, elected by ballot as under:-  
Mr. A. D. Botterell, S. Dobson R. A. Kelleen  
Rose, Price and Thompson

Proposed by Mr. Whitelaw, seconded Mr. J. Flint  
and carried, that Rule 7. should  
read as follows - "That the Committee  
shall meet not less than four times  
during the season."

Proposed by Mr. Whitelaw seconded Mr. J.  
Flint and carried that Rule 8. should  
~~read as follows~~. have the following  
addition "and that a copy of these  
rules be available for reference"

Proposed by Mr. F. Hyer seconded Mr. S. R. Thompson  
and lot, that Rule 3. ~~shall~~ should read 5 to  
form a quorum.

The following were elected members subject  
to their confirmation

Mess. R. Rees., R. Fryer, Horvicks, Griffin

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Resolved that play commence on Wed. Oct 7<sup>th</sup>  
at the Oldendon

Resolved. that proposal from the Reading  
Chess Club. to fix matches be accepted

That the introduction of Saturday matches  
with West Drayton Chess Club be refused

Resolved. that a hearty vote of thanks be  
accorded the ~~late~~ secretary Mr. G. A.  
Rellein for his past services

On the proposition of Mr. S R. Thompson  
seconded by Mr. F Nye a hearty  
vote of thanks was accorded to the  
President for presence in the Chair

1 Oct 09. D. W. Woods. Chairman



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Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup>  
at Mr. F Willeth's. Broadside Castle Hill

Chairmen. Mr. J. Hunt, Mr. L. Oldershaw.

Minutes Minutes of previous Committee Meeting,  
held on 29 Apr. 1908. read, confirmed  
and signed.

Tournament. Mr. L. Oldershaw. presented silver  
challenge cup. for competition,  
and the following arrangements  
were then made.  
Winner of Tournament to retain  
the cup for one year.  
If a competitor wins the cup  
3 years in succession he or  
she retains it permanently.  
A Bronze medal to be given yearly  
to each winner



2nd prize Books to value of 5/-

3rd prize do. 2/6

Members. to be classified as follows.

Class I Messrs. Dobson, Botterill, Flint,  
Plumbe, Woods, Stuckberry, Willett,  
and Whitelaw

Class II Messrs Harrocks, Price, Rose,  
Thompson, Arnold, Rellier, Fernie,  
Harwood, Edwards, Nyren, Higgs,  
Lidery, Rees.

Class III Messrs. Jacka, Neve, Oldenham  
and Jopling

New members shall be classified  
after playing two games with  
members in Class I.

Games to be played under league system  
each member playing the others once  
counting 1 pt for win 1/2 pt for draw.  
Any member unable to complete the  
series, has all games already played



ruled out.

Any member playing another in a different class receives or gives odds as follows  
Class I gives Class II K.B.P. and retains move  
" " III K.B.P. and move

Class II gives Class III K.B.P. and retains move  
Games not finished by 10.30 p.m shall be adjourned to a future occasion

The player last to move shall be allowed 3 min to ~~move~~ decide on his move and having done so shall record it on his chart without revealing it to his opponent. The position of the game with the secret move to be placed in the hands of the secretary.

Chess Paper That the Chess Amateur be taken in monthly for the members use  
Matches Arranged. Reading away Dec 3  
" home March 3



Rule 8.

That the British Chess Code '16 be purchased.

That play be on Tuesday Nov. 3 instead of Wed. Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> owing to the room not be available.

Frank Willett  
Chairman

Committee meeting held in Club Room 24 April 1909.  
Present Messrs. Willett (Chairman), Cottrell, Dobson & Flint  
Mr. M. F. Hall was elected a member of the Club.

The competition for Club prizes resulted as follows:  
1st. Mr. S. Dobson 2nd. Mr. T. E. Whitelaw, 3rd. Mr. M. C. Stuckbery.

It was suggested that next session the Club will meet on Tuesday  
Proposed by Mr. Cottrell and sec. by Mr. Willett that the bronze medal  
to be presented to Mr. Dobson, winner of the cup, be purchased  
at a price not exceeding 7.6

A. D. Cottrell  
Oct 13<sup>th</sup> 09



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Minutes of Committee Meeting held at  
the "Clivedon." Wednesday, Dec 30<sup>th</sup> 1908

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Chairman Mr. F. Willett

Minutes of previous Meeting held on Oct 22 1908  
read confirmed and signed.

The Secretary report that he had  
obtained the British Chess Code  
and the Chess Amateur as  
instructed

Resignation The secretary tendered his  
resignation, owing to leaving the  
district, this was accepted and  
a vote of thanks accorded, on  
the proposition of Mr. R. Thompson  
seconded by Mr. F. Willett

Appointments. Proposed by Mr. E. Whitelaw  
seconded by Mr. F. Willett and  
unanimously carried that Mr. J  
Flint be asked to accept the



post of secretary.

Proposed by Mr. F. Willett that Mr. W. D. Whitelaw be invited to play the Club simultaneously on Wed. Jan 13. seconded by Mr. L.R. Thompson.

Frank Willett  
Chairman

28/1/06

Annual general meeting held in the Council Chamber 1st. October '04, at which the following were present: Messrs. Woods (Chairman), Cottrell, Dobson, Flint, Hall, Myren, Price, Rose, Stuckbery and Willett.

Minutes of general meeting of 1903 were read confirmed & signed.

Committee's report and balance sheet were read and adopted.

The Sec. read a letter from Mr. R. Renshaw resigning the presidency.

Mr. Dobson proposed, sec. by Mr. Rose that Mr. Renshaw be asked to reconsider his decision and to remain president.

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resignation of  
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for season to 30 April next. Carrd. unanimously  
Proposed by Mr. Cottrell, sec. by Mr. Thpren that in the event  
of Mr. Pidershaw not consenting to act - for ensuing year that  
Mr. Stuckbery be asked to act as President. C. U.

Challenge Cup.

The Challenge Cup won by Mr. Dobson was presented  
to him by Mr. Willett, match captain.

appoint of  
Sec. & Treasurer.

Proposed by Mr. Stuckbery, sec. by Mr. Rose, that Mr. Flint  
be appointed Secretary and Treasurer for ensuing year. C. U.

Match  
Captains

Proposed by Mr. Flint, sec. by Mr. Dobson that Mr. Willett  
be appointed Match Captain. C. U.

Committee.

Committee elected by ballot:  
Messrs. Cottrell (9 votes), Dobson 8, Price 8, Thompson 7,  
Rellin 6, and Rose 5)

New members:

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Members.

Rupert Schultz, 28 Norfolk Rd. Maidenhead, Proposed by Mr. Stuckbery }  
E. Jackson, Jr, 11 St. Andrew Rd. ... } sec. by Mr. Rose }  
C. Townsend, Linnfield Castle Hill ... Proposed by Mr. Thpren, }  
F. Jackson, Wharton Ho., Bourne End } sec. by Mr. Rose } C. U.

Auditor

Proposed by Mr. Dobson, sec. by Mr. Flint, that Mr. Plev be re-  
elected Auditor. C. U.

It was unanimously resolved that the season  
should open on the following Wednesday at the Club  
Room, Cliveden Hotel, Queen Street.



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proposed by Mr. Willett, sec. by Mr. Cottrell, that Mr. Stuckery be appointed press Sec. C. U.  
proposed by Mr. Dobson, sec. by Mr. Ripen, that the press Sec. be a member of committee ex officio. C. U.  
proposed by Mr. Hall and sec. by Mr. Stuckery that score sheets as used under the British Code be provided out of the Club funds, for the use of members.  
Vote of thanks to Mr. Flint, for his services as Sec. & Treas.  
Chairman  
Mayor, for use of Council Chamber  
13 Sept 10 20 Woods China

Committee Meeting 13th. October 1909  
Present: Messrs. Cottrell Chairman, Dobson, Rice, Stuckery, Thompson and Flint.  
Minutes of Meeting held 28 April '09 read, confirmed and signed.  
Mr. Dyrenwood proposed as a member of Club by Mr. Flint, sec. by Mr. Thompson. C. U.  
Amended rules were approved for Tournament 1909 - 10 and members classified.

Frank Willett  
12.1.10  
Chairman



Committee meeting 17th January 1910.  
Present Messrs. Millett (Chairman), Cottrell, Dobson, Price, Preece, Rose, Stuckbery and Flint.

The following were proposed as members:  
Mr. J. V. Edwards from October last and Mrs. Andrews from this date.

Complaints having been made as to the unsuitability of the Club room on ground floor, the question of securing another room came before the meeting.

Mr. Cottrell proposed, sec. by Mr. Flint, that no change be made during present session.

The following amendment proposed by Mr. Rose and sec. by Mr. Preece was carried by 4 to 3: that notice be given to terminate the tenancy at the end of the present month unless the Club be granted the use of the room first engaged; and that in the event of leaving the Club that a room be secured in the Bell Hotel no intoxicating liquors to be served in such room during hours of play.

S. Dobson  
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42 Committee Meeting held at Bell Hotel 9 March 1910. 43

Price present Messrs. Dobson (Chairman), Price, Rose, Kellen & Flint

Mr. C. Snell was elected a member of Club, proposed by Mr. Flint, sec. by Mr. Rose. c.u.

Proposed by Mr. Dobson, sec. by Mr. Rose that application be made for admission to the Reading & District Chess League. c.u.

Proposed by Mr. Dobson, sec. by Mr. Rose, that to qualify for the Challenge Cup Tournament for present session at least ten games must be played. c.u.

Frank Willett  
Chairman

7th April 1910

Committee meeting held at Bell Hotel 24 April 1910:

Present Messrs. Willett (Chairman), Dobson, Thompson, Rose, Kellen, Price & Flint.

Mr. D. Woods was elected Auditor, pro by Mr. Flint, sec by Mr. Thompson. c.u.

The Sec. notified the following: The admission of the Club to the Reading and District Chess League: and the result of the Competition for President's Challenge Cup as follows: 1st S. Dobson, 2nd J. Flint, 3rd W.C. Stuckbery

5 Oct 1910 D. Woods Chairman



annual general meeting held in the Council Chamber  
Town Hall, 13th. Sept. 1910, at which the following were present  
Messrs. D.W. Woods (Chairman) Willett, Price, Thompson and Flint.

Minutes of annual general meeting 1st. Oct. '09 were read  
confirmed and signed.

Committee's report and balance were read and adopted  
The following were proposed, seconded and carried  
unanimously.

- President
- Sec. & Treasurer
- Match Captain
- Press Secretary
- Auditor
- Committee

- That W. Stuchbery be elected President.
- That Mr. J. Flint be elected Sec. and Treasurer.
- That Mr. F. Willett be elected Match Captain.
- That Mr. W. Stuchbery be elected Press Secretary.
- That Mr. Snell be appointed Auditor.
- Committee: Messrs. Dobson, Nye, Price, Rose,  
Thompson and Woods.

New members elected:

- Mr. Archibald Smith, Technical Schools.
- J. Henry, Oakroyd, Twoze Platt
- Habbin, Fairford Road
- Arnold, 34, King Street

Chas. R. Snell

22/9/11.



Committee Meeting held at 12 Hill Road 5 Oct 1910.  
Present Messrs. Woods (Chairman), Myren, Price, Rose, Stuckbery,  
Thompson and Flint. Minutes of Com. Meeting of 27th Oct. were read, confirmed & signed.  
New Member - Dr. Wells pro. by Mr. Flint & sec. by Mr. Thompson C.U.

The Sec. informed the Committee that Mr. T. N. Stuckbery  
had written to him declining the honor of the Presidency.

The following was agreed to as to the Competition for  
Challenge Cup: Competitors to be divided into 5 classes  
and odds to be given as below:

Class A gives B K.B.P. and move, to Class C K.B.P. and 2 moves, to Class D King's  
and move, and to Class E King's Rook and move. Class B  
Class C K.B.P. and move, to Class D K.B.P. and 2 moves, and to Class E King's  
Kc. and move. Class C gives Class D K.B.P. and move, to Class E K.B.P. and 2  
Class D gives Class E K.B.P. and move. In giving pawn 2m  
the centre line cannot be crossed in making such moves.

29<sup>th</sup> 11

D. W. Woods Chairman

Committee Meeting 29<sup>th</sup> March 1911  
Present Messrs Woods (Chairman), Dobson, Myren, Price,  
Rose and Flint.

The Secretary presented an estimate for the  
session showing a balance Dr. of £1.0.4. It was



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unanimously decided to make a call of 5s. per member to meet the deficit

Howe Price 4th October 1911.

Annual general meeting held in the Council Chamber Town Hall, Walsley, 1911, at which the following were present: Messrs C.A. Snell (Chairman) Dovey, Thompson, Rose, Stuckbery and Flint.

Minutes of annual general meeting of 13th Sept. 1910 were read, confirmed and signed.

Committee's report and balance sheet were read and adopted.

The following were proposed, seconded & carried unanimously: That the "Chess Amateur" be discontinued.

That Mr. Wells be elected President.

That Mr. J. Flint be elected Secretary & Treasurer.

That Mr. S. Dobson be elected Match Captain.

That Mr. W.H. Stuckbery be elected Press Secretary.

That Mr. C.A. Snell be appointed Auditor  
Committee: Messrs. Rose, Nye, Woods, Price & Dovey.

New members elected:

Mr. S. Green, Kingsgrove and Mr. P.T. Stephenson, 42 Brunell Rd. Chas Wells. Chairman 19 Sept. 1912

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7<sup>th</sup>. Committee meeting held in Club room 4 Oct 1911.  
present Messrs. Price (Chairman), Dovey, Stuckbery & Flint.  
Minutes of last committee meeting were read. Confirmed & signed  
member. Mr. F. H. Drummond was unanimously elected  
a member of the Club.

The following classification was approved for  
Challenge Cup tournament:

A.	B.	C.	D.	E.
S. Dobson	J. Flint	F. H. Myren	Mr. Dovey	F. H. Drummond
P. J. Stephenson	C. Small		S. Green	P. Price
	W. C. Stuckbery		J. Henric	G. Rose
	Dr. Woods		E. Nells	S. R. Thompson
				J. Smith

15<sup>th</sup> / 11 Dr. Woods

Committee meeting held in Club room 15<sup>th</sup> Nov 1911.  
present Messrs. Woods (Chairman), Price, Rose, Dovey & Flint.  
Minutes of last com. meeting were read. Confirmed & signed  
member. Mr. Goss was elected a member of the Club, proposed by Mr.  
Flint and sec. by Mr. Price.  
Mr. Stephenson was elected a member of the Committee  
vice Mr. Myren resigned, proposed by Mr. Flint  
sec. by Mr. Rose.



16 The Secretary announced that Mr. M. Woods had presented the following books to the Club: "The Chess Players Handbook" by H. Stanton, and "Morphy's games of Chess" by J. S. Morphy. The announcement was received with acclamation.

Chairman, 25<sup>th</sup> January 1912.  
Chas Wells

Committee meeting held 25<sup>th</sup> January 1912  
Present Mr. Wells (Chairman) and Messrs. Dobson, Owen, Stephenson & Flint. The following members were elected proposed by Mr. Dobson and seconded by Mr. Wells:  
Mr. Owen, Messrs. C. F. Kendrick, W. Evans and W. F. E. Inglis

Chairman  
2nd. ~~14~~ October 1912  
Chas Wells

Annual general meeting held in Council Chamber, Town Hall, 19<sup>th</sup> September 1912 at which the following were present: Mr. Wells (Chairman), Messrs. Dobson, Price, Owen, Woods and Flint.

Minutes of last general meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

The Annual report and Statement of accounts were read by the Secretary and both approved.

The following proposals were carried unanimously



That Dr. Wells be re-elected president, proposed by Mr. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Rose.

That Mr. Flint be re-elected H. Sec. and Treasurer, pro. by Dr. Wells and sec. by Mr. Rose.

That Mr. Johnson be re-elected as Match Captain, pro. by Mr. Flint and sec. by Mr. Rose.

That Mr. Stinchberg be re-elected H. Sec., pro. by Mr. Johnson and sec. by Mr. Flint.

That Mr. Inell be re-elected Auditor, pro. by Dr. Wells and sec. by Mr. Rose. That 50 copies of rules be printed, pro. by Mr. Woods, sec. by Mr. Johnson.

That the old Committee be re-elected (Messrs. Rose, Woods, Rice, Dorey and Stephenson), pro. by Mr. Flint, sec. by Mr. Rose.

Proposed by Dr. Wells and sec. by Mr. Rose that a "special whp fund" of 1/- per member be made for purchase of new boards, etc.

After some conversation the Club Room in Bell Hotel was approved for coming season.

New Members: Mr. L. Girmimo, High St., pro. by Mr. Johnson, sec. by Mr. Woods, Mr. Greenwood, pro. by Mr. Johnson, sec. by Mr. Rose. C.H.

Words of thanks: To President for taking chair and for his kindness and assistance during year of office. To Secretary. To Major for use of Hall.

Chas. Wells, Chairman

1st. October 1913



Committee meeting held in Bell Hotel, Ind. October 1912, President  
D. Wells Chairman, Messrs. <sup>Dr. Wells</sup> Robert Rose, Stuckberg, Woods, Rice and Thins.

It was decided to form a second team to play in Chess League.  
The Secretary read a letter from Mr. Stephenson (Cup winner)  
resigning membership of the Club. The custody of the Cup was  
considered, and the Sec. was instructed to write to Mr. Stephenson  
stating that the Cup can only be held by a member, and that unless  
he continues membership that the Cup cannot be sent to him.

It was resolved that rules for custody of Cup in future be for-  
mulated, and brought forward at next committee meeting.

Mr. Stuckberg proposed sec. by D. Wells, that winner in each  
class in Cup Tournament be raised to class next above. C. U.

The following Classification was approved for Cup Tournament:

A.	B.	C.	D.	E.
S. Dobson	J. Thins	Mr. Doven	Harold	M. Drummond
W. Stuckberg	Dr. Cotton	J. Henri	C. F. Hendrick	W. Evans
	C. A. Small	Ed. Thron	D. Wells	J. Smith
	Dr. Woods	A. H. Starin		J. Rice
		<del>D. Wells</del>		S. H. Thompson

New Members: Mr. J. E. Arnold, pres. by Mr. Doven, sec. by Mr. Dobson. C. U.

President offered loan of two sets of men to Club for season. Accepted  
76 2/13 D. W. Woods (Chairman)



Committee meeting held in Bell Hotel 26 Febry 1913, present  
Messrs. Woods (Chairman), Price, Rose & Flint. Minutes of meeting  
on 2nd. Oct. 1912 were read and confirmed.

Proposed for membership by Mr. Flint & sec. by Mr. Price  
Messrs. M. C. Rock and J. Thompson

E. W.  
J. W. Woods (Chairman)

Committee meeting held in Bell Hotel 28 April 1913 present  
Messrs. Woods (Chairman), Dobson, Price, Rose, Stuckbery and Flint.

Minutes of last Com. meeting were read confirmed signed  
Sec. brought to notice of Com. the outstanding sub. of Mr. E. V. Evans  
who disputed his liability stating that he had only one attendance  
at Club. In reply the Sec. informed him that he played as a  
member on four or more occasions. It was decided that the  
Sec. write to Mr. Evans that having read the correspondence  
respecting the outstanding sub. approve of Mr. Flint's attempt  
to collect a sub. due in law and in honor to the Club but in the  
circumstances the Com. have decided not to proceed further  
in the matter.

It was agreed to hold a Com. meeting about a fortnight prior to the annual  
general meeting to discuss arrangements for the ensuing season with  
view to having definite proposals ready for that meeting (the A. G. meeting)

J. Dobson Chairman 22 Sept. 1913.



Com. meeting held at No. 1 Park Street by permission of Mr. W. Stuckbery, 22nd September 1913

Present. Messrs. Tolson (Chairman), W. Dorey, P. Price, L. E. Rose, M. Woods, W. Stuckbery and the Secretary (J. Flint.)

The minutes of the last com. meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Proposed by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Price that Messrs. Tolson and Rose having inspected rooms at Mr. Gironimos, 78 High Street, having arranged terms, and having recommended to the meeting, this meeting recommends to the Annual General Meeting that the rooms in question be engaged as Club Rooms for the ensuing season. C. H.

Proposed by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Stuckbery that the annual General Meeting be held at Mr. Gironimos, 78 High St. on Wednesday 1st October, at 7.30 PM. Prompt. C. H.

Proposed by Mr. Flint, seconded by Mr. Rose, that a vote of thanks be accorded to Mr. W. Stuckbery for the use of his office.

Proposed by Mr. Woods, seconded by Mr. Dorey that a vote of thanks be accorded the Chairman for presiding. C. H.

Chas. Wells

Chairman, 8 October 1913



Annual General meeting held at 78 High Street, 1 October 1913

Present: Dr. Wells (Chairman) Rev. A. M. Staley, Messrs. Dobson, Thompson, Rose, Woods, Gironimo, Stuckbery and the Secretary (J. Thint)

Minutes of last <sup>annual</sup> general meeting were read, confirmed & signed.

Annual report and statement of a/c's. passed, proposed by Mr. Thompson and sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Dobson. Proposed by Mr. ~~Thompson~~ <sup>Thompson</sup>, sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Woods

that Dr. Wells be re-elected as President. C. U.

Proposed by Mr. Stuckbery sec<sup>d</sup> by Dr. Wells & supported by Mr. Dobson that Mr. Thint be re-elected Hon. Sec. & Treas<sup>r</sup>. C. U.

Proposed by Mr. Woods sec<sup>d</sup> by Dr. Wells and supported by Mr. Thompson that Mr. Dobson be re-elected as Match Captain. C. U.

Proposed by Mr. Dobson and sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Rose that Mr. W. L. Stuckbery be re-elected as Press Sec. C. U.

Proposed by Mr. Thompson and sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Rose that Mr. Snell be re-elected as Auditor. C. U.

Proposed by Mr. Stuckbery and sec<sup>d</sup> by Dr. Wells that the Committee be Messrs. Dorey, Price, Rose, Woods, Mr. Thompson and the Rev. A. M. Staley. C. U.

Proposed by Mr. Thompson sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr. Dobson that the Committee's recommendation to the Club premises being fixed at 78 High St. be confirmed. C. U.

Proposed by Mr. Dobson, sec. by Mr. Woods & carried unanimously that the rules be altered as follows: Rule 1. That the Club be known as the Independent Chess Club. The Club to meet on Wednesdays from 7 till 10.30 P.M. on other days and such other times, and at such place as the Committee shall from time



to kind determine. <sup>54.</sup> Rule 3. That the Club be managed by a Committee to consist of a President, Match Captain, Hon. Sec., Hon. Treasurer and not more than six other members, three to form a quorum.

Rule 6: That the election of new members be vested in the Committee, each new member being proposed and sec<sup>d</sup>. by a member of the Club, a two thirds majority of the members present in Committee being sufficient for election.

Proposed by Mr. Sobem and Sec<sup>d</sup>. by Mr. Stuckbery that Messrs. Steel and Greenwood be elected members C.U.

Votes of thanks carried unanimously to the following classes the proceedings: To the press for publicity, To Mr. C. L. Small for auditing the accounts, and to Dr. Wells for his services as Chairman

Chairman 7 October  
D. W. Woods 1914

Committee meeting held in Club room 78 High Street 8th. October 1913. Present. Dr. Wells (Chairman), Rev. A. Stave, Messrs. Sobem, Stuckbery and Flint.

New members proposed by Mr. Stuckbery Sec. by Mr. Sobem and unanimously elected: J. F. River, J. G. Taylor, L. E. Brooks and G. S. Youde.

An entrance fee of 1/- was fixed for members competing in Cup Tournament. 7/1000 D. W. Woods



Cup Tournament: Classification and Odds arranged as follows: Class A: W.P. Stuckberg, B. Dobson and D.W. Woods  
 C. H. Potts, Flint and Rev. A.H. Staley, D. H.W. Sonny and D. Wells  
 E. C. Hendrick and S.H. Simpson. F. F. Hammond, A. Smith,  
 J. Price, L. Rose and L. Girmimo

Odds: A gives B K.P.P. and move  
 " C do. two moves  
 " D Quants K.P.  
 " E Quants Rook  
 " F do. K.P.P. and move

Unless otherwise stated the giver of odds has choice of move.  
 21st January 1914 D.W. Woods

Com. meeting held in Club Room 21st Jan. 1914.  
 Present: Messrs. Woods (Chr.) Dobson, Price, Stuckberg and Flint  
 The minutes of previous Com. meeting were read, confirmed and signed.  
 New members elected: Rev. Ernest C. Mortimer and Messrs. P. Sidon and  
 W. Bebell, proposed by Mr. Dobson and sec. by Mr. Price. C.U.  
 11 March 1914

Com. meeting held in Club room 11 Mar 1914, present Messrs. Woods (Chr.)  
 Dobson, Rose, Price and Flint. The mins of previous Com meeting were read and  
 confirmed and signed. Proposed by Mr. Price and sec by Mr. Dobson that a chess board and  
 chess set (board & men) be purchased for club use. C.U.  
 Chas Wells. 25th Feb 1914



Committee meeting held at Mr. Stuckberg's office 28 Sept. 1914  
Present Mr. Wells (Chair), Messrs. Doven, Price, Rose, Stuckberg,  
Rev. A.H. Stares and Hon. Sec. (J. Thint)

The minutes of the previous com. meeting were read, confirmed  
and signed.

The Sec. having informed the meeting that Mr. Geronimo  
had given notice to terminate the tenancy of the room used  
by the Club at 78 High St. it was unanimously resolved,  
proposed by Mr. Price, and sec. by Mr. Rose, that a room be hired  
at the Rose Hotel, King St. terms same as at 78 High Street.

The annual general meeting was fixed for Wed. 7<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1914.

14. Oct 1914 Chas Wells

Annual general meeting held at Rose Hotel, King St. 7 Oct. 1914  
Present: Messrs. Woods (Chair), Stuckberg, Smith, Bell, Price, Doven, Rose  
Thompson and the Sec. J. Thint.

Minutes of last general meeting were read confirmed & signed.

The Sec. read annual report, balance sheet and statement of a/c's  
which were approved in prop. of Chairman sec. by Mr. Price.

Mr. Wells was re-elected President with vote of thanks for his services,  
prop. by Mr. Thompson, sec. by Mr. Rose.

Mr. J. Thint was re-elected Hon Sec. and Treas.: prop. by Mr. Stuckberg  
and sec. by Mr. Doven



Mr. S. Dobson was re-elected Match Captain, prop. by Mr. Thirt and  
 sec. by Mr. Price  
 Mr. W. Stuckbery was re-elected press Sec., prop. by Mr. Thompson  
 sic. by Mr. Rose.  
 Mr. C. Snell was re-elected Hon. Auditor, prop. by Mr. Thirt  
 sec. by Mr. Rose.

Proposed by Mr. Stuckbery and sec. by Mr. Woods that the Committee  
 be Messrs. Dorey, Price, Rose, Smith, Thompson and Woods.  
 Votes of thanks were accorded to Mr. W. Stuckbery for use  
 of room at 1 Park Street for Com. meeting on 28 Sept., to Officers  
 of Com. for their services, to Press for publicity, and to the Hon. Auditor  
 (Mr. C. Snell)

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 6 Oct 1915

Committee meeting held at Repet Hotel 14 Oct. 1914  
 Present: D. Wells (Chair) Messrs. Smith, Price, Dobson, Dorey,  
 Woods, Stuckbery and the Sec. J. Thirt;  
 Proposed by Mr. Price sec. by Mr. Dobson that the Club continue  
 in Division 1 <sup>of Reading and District Chess League</sup> this season C.U.  
 Proposed by Mr. Woods, sec. by Mr. Dobson, by way of amendment  
 to handicap tournament rules, that the handicapping of members be  
 to the discretion of the Committee or of any sub. com. appointed by them for the  
 purpose and that all previous rules on the question of handicapping are  
 hereby ~~repealed~~ <sup>repealed</sup>



The handicap list was then made out as follows:  
 Class A, W.O.L. Stueckberg, Class B — Class C, Messrs Dobson & Woods,  
 Class D, Dr. Lottin <sup>W. E. Brown</sup> Flint, Class E, H. Dorey, Class F, Dr. Wells  
 Class G, Messrs. Dimpson, Price, Smith, Rose, Rock and Bendall, Class H, F.H. Drummond.

The odds to be as follows: A gives B K P and more  
 " C K P and 2 moves  
 " D K P  
 " E R  
 " F R, K P and more  
 " G R and K P  
 " H 2 Rooks

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The following two rules were proposed by Mr. Woods, sec. by Mr. Dobson  
 and unanimously passed: That the tournament be decided by  
 per centage of points gained to number of games played with those  
 players who qualify within the meaning of the next rule, 1 point  
 to be scored for a win and 1/2 point for a draw.  
 That no members score shall count unless that member shall  
 have played at least two thirds of the possible games.

J.W. Woods Chairman  
 6th. October 1911 to 6  
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Committed meeting held at Club room, Rose Hotel, 28 Oct. 1914  
Present Messrs. Woods (Chair), Dobson and Flint (Sec.)  
Proposed by Mr. Flint, Sec. by Mr. Dobson and carried unanimously  
that the Rev. J. B. Nicholson be elected a member of the Club  
D.W. Woods

Committee meeting held at Club room 4 Nov. 1914  
Present Messrs. Woods (Chair), Dobson, W.C. Stuckbery & Flint  
Minutes of previous com. meeting read and confirmed.  
Proposed by Mr. Flint, Sec. by Mr. Dobson and carried unanimously  
that Messrs. Woods, Dobson and Stuckbery be the sub-committee  
for the purpose of handicapping  
6 January 1916 D.W. Woods

10 Feb. 1915 Set of Chess Men (Stamton Pattern, <sup>and cushioned</sup> loaded), box and board  
presented to Club by Mr. W.C. Stuckbery.

Annual general meeting held at No. 1 Park St. on  
Wednesday 6th October 1915. Present: D. Wells (Chair), Messrs. Dobson,  
W. Thompson, W. Woods, W.C. Stuckbery and J. Flint (Secretary)  
Minutes of last general meeting were read and confirmed.  
The secretary read the report and balance sheet. Mr. Thompson  
opposed and Mr. Dobson secured adoption of the same. C.A.



Mr. Dobson proposed and 60. Mr. Thompson sec. that D<sup>o</sup> be re-elected as President - carried unanimously.  
Dr. Wells returned thanks.

Dr. Wells proposed and Mr. Stuckbery sec. re-election of Mr. Flint as Secretary and Treasurer - C. U.  
Mr. Flint thanked the members.

Mr. Thompson proposed and Mr. Woods sec. re-election of Mr. Dobson as Match Captain - C. U. Mr. Dobson returned thanks.

Mr. Dobson proposed and Dr. Wells sec. re-election of Mr. Stuckbery as Press Sec. - C. U. Mr. Stuckbery returned thanks.

Mr. Stuckbery proposed and Mr. Dobson sec. that Messrs. Price, Thompson, Woods and Brooks be Committee in addition to the Ex-officio Officers - C. U.

Mr. Thompson proposed and Mr. Flint sec. the re-election of the Handicapping Committee Messrs. Dobson, Stuckbery, Woods - C. U.

Mr. Flint proposed, sec. by Mr. Stuckbery the election of Mr. W. Foxford as member. C. U.

Mr. Stuckbery pro. sec. by Mr. Thompson, Mr. K. R. Thomas as member. C. U.

Mr. Stuckbery pro. sec. by Mr. Dobson, that the Reading Club be asked to provide two teams of equal strength to play home and away matches, and also that the Sec. arrange any other suitable matches. C. U.



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Several members having left the Club consequent war, &c. it was considered advisable to discontinue tenancy at The Rose Hotel; and Mr Stuckbery having offered the Committee the use of No. 1 Park St. rent free, for the period to 30 April 1916, Mr. Thompson pres. and Dr. Wells sec'd. that the offer be accepted with many thanks.

C. U.  
Chas Wells Chairman 20/9/16.

Committee meeting held at No. 1 Park Street - the new Club room, 6 January 1916, present Messrs. Woods (Chairman) Dobson, Thompson, Price and Flint (Hon. Sec.) <sup>minutes of previous Com. meeting read & confirmed</sup>  
Mr. Flint proposed and Mr. Dobson seconded the election of Mr. F. C. Wakefield, of Dulwich, as a member C. U.

The Sec. having read a letter from the Rev'd. J. D. Nicholson Chaplain to the Forces 33rd. Field Ambulance, at the front, appealing for Chests and Draughts to be sent to him for the use of the men under his charge, it was unanimously resolved to send at once from surplus stock 3 sets of draughts and 2 boards, and for the members to subscribe for a further supply to be sent out. The following is the account of subscriptions and expenditure:

Pays here: - Subs. -	Expended -
Rev. J. D. Nicholson 5/- Dr. Wells 2/6 and travelling set of chess Messrs. Dobson, Woods, Price & Wakefield Messrs. Drummond & Stuckbery Messrs. Thompson & Price 1/- ea Dr. Wells 2/19/4/16 Chairman	Postage of parcel containing 3 sets of draughts and 2 boards from Club } £. s. d. Mr. Thompson's etc for 2 sets chess & 8 boards and postage 2 parcels } 1. 2 1. 7. 0 1. 8. 6 1. 8. 6
£ 1. 8. 6 Total	1. 8. 6



Another meeting held at Club room, No. 1 Park St. 14 April 1916  
Present Mr. Wells (Chair) Messrs. Thompson, Price, Woods and Flint  
Minutes of previous Com. meeting read and confirmed  
Secretary rendered an account of contributions from  
members for purchase of chess and draughts sent to  
Rev. J. D. Nicholson, also of expenditure for same, and he  
read letters from the Rev. J. D. N. acknowledging receipt  
with hearty thanks.

Proposed by Mr. Woods, sec. by Mr. Thompson that £2.2.  
be offered to Mr. Stuckbery to meet cost of fuel and light of Club  
Room for session, and 10/- for servant. C.U.

Vote of thanks to Mr. Stuckbery for his kindness  
in allowing use of club room rent free C.U.

Vote of thanks to the Chairman closed the proceedings  
J. W. Woods 18 Apr 1917

Annual general meeting held at 1 Park Street  
September 30<sup>th</sup>. 1916: Present, D. Wells in the Chair  
also Messrs. Stuckbery, Thompson, Flint, Rock, Price  
and Crossford.

Minutes of last general meeting were  
adopted and signed. Proposed  
Stuckbery, sec. by Mr. Brooks.



## Maidenhead Chess Club

The Annual General Meeting of the Maidenhead Chess Club was held on Wednesday Oct 4 1939 at 76 St Marks Road (by consent). There were 7 members present, & Mr Sydney R Thompson the President occupied the Chair.

In the absence of the Treasurer (Mr Drummond) the Secretary presented statement of Accounts showing a balance of £<sup>2.11.1</sup>~~4.11.1~~ which was agreed.

On the proposition of Mr Gooding seconded by Mr Harris, the Officers of the Club were re-elected En Bloq.

The President pointed out that the Country was now at war, & with the enforcement of the black out



it could not be expected that there would be a large attendance at the Swan Hotel, many of the members being engaged in ARP & other services, & others would not be likely to travel in the blackout - In these circumstances he understood Mr Childs had an offer to make -

Mr Childs stated that 78 St Marks Road was now by consent of the Family Council an A. R. P. Report Pt. 4 in that case it was necessary that the post be manned until 11 p.m. - If the Club would consider using the room on Wednesday evenings. there would be no extra cost for lighting heating etc, & no doubt the Club would. contribute to a



small honorarium to the Cleaner  
for any additional cleaning - so far  
as any inconvenience occurring  
to anyone this could be to no one  
but himself, & considered it would  
be trivial. He felt justified in  
offering the work conditionally that  
it was effected immediately on  
Air Road Warding was received  
& of course only for the period  
that the present conditions  
existed -

On the prop<sup>n</sup> of the Chairman  
seconded by Mr. Harris, the offer  
was accepted by many churches.

It was agreed that the matter of  
subscriptions for the period be  
deferred until such time as the  
probable expenses would be seen.

Mr. O'Donnell was again



declared to be winners of the  
Members Tournament

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