

## THE B.C.F. GRADING LISTS FOR 1973

1. There are no changes this year in the presentation of the National Grading List: it follows the same pattern as in last year's list (page 132 of the Year Book of Chess 1972-73). The performances are for the 12 months ended 30th April 1973, except that where more than 10 but less than 30 games have been played in the year, games are brought in from the previous year to bring the total up to 30 (these cases are marked with an asterisk).
2. There are 58 names in the National List, compared with 60 last year. The number above 224, the level of performance which if sustained would give a reasonable expectation of eventually qualifying for the F.I.D.E. International Master title (IM) is seven, against eight last year; the number in 224 to 216, which represents a similar expectation for the British Master (BM) title is 17 compared with 16 last year. There is no significance in these changes of numbers.
3. At the top of the List, W. R. Hartston and R. D. Keene remain in the two leading places; but the striking fact is the rapid advance of A. J. Miles and M. F. Stean. A. H. Williams, J. Penrose and A. J. Whiteley have all retained their position; but G. S. Botterill has fallen back heavily because of a bad result in the World Students' Team Tournament at Graz in July 1972; and R. G. Wade has fallen back also. Notable advances into the second section have been scored by V. W. Knox (Manchester), J. Horner (Bolton), P. A. Linnell (Cambridge University and East Cheshire), A. P. Law (Acton and Richmond) and A. J. Mestel (Manchester Grammar School and East Cheshire). The strong performance by P. S. Milner-Barry will be much welcomed in the British Chess Federation.
4. The new system of titles introduced last year was expected to bring about a fairly rapid increase in the number of players with B.C.F. titles, and this is now happening. We should mention that in the last year, W. R. Hartston won the FIDE International Master Title. There are now nine British players with this title, of whom four (Hartston, Keene, Penrose and Wade) are in the current National List below.
5. Four men have qualified for the BM title by their performance in this List; A. H. Williams by his performances in two lists, P. R. Markland in three lists, and V. W. Knox and S. Webb in four lists. There are now 22 BMs (other than the IMs, who automatically hold the BM title), of whom 15 (the four new ones, Whiteley, Barden, Littlewood, Basman, Franklin, Eley, Milner-Barry, Botterill, Haygarth, Clarke and Phillips) are in the current List. There are three new Candidate Masters (A. J. Miles, M. F. Stean and R. S. Bellin).
6. The BCF Executive Committee have confirmed that an appearance in the National List will only count towards the BM and CM title qualifications if it contains at least 20 games from

the most recent season. One appearance in this year's List which does not qualify for title purposes is marked with a dagger "†".  
 7. Thus, of the 58 men in this year's List, four are IMs, 15 are BMs, eight are CMs; so that 27 out of 58 hold titles.

### NATIONAL GRADING LIST

Above 224 (7)		Haygarth, M. J. (BM: 216)	214
Hartston, W. R. (IM: 234)	236	Holloway, N. J. (S & W: 208)	214
Keene, R. D. (IM: 231)	231	Harris, R. A. (S: 208)	*214
Miles, A. J. (CM: 217)	230	Richardson, K. B. (M & S: 216)	*214
Stean, M. F. (CM: 216)	230	Scholes, J. E. (S: —)	*214
Williams, A. H. (BM: 228)	227	Nunn, J. D. M. (S: 215)	213
Penrose, J. (IM: 226)	226	Perkins, A. H. (S: 215)	213
Whiteley, A. J. (BM: 225)	226	Saverymuttu, S. (CM: 218)	*213
224-216 (17)		Carleton, J. J. (M & S: 218)	211
Knox, V. W. (BM: 215)	223	Clarke, P. H. (BM: 214)	211
Horner, J. (N: 215)	222	De Villiers, C. (S & S. Africa: —)	211
Markland, P. R. (BM: 220)	222	Hutchings, S. J. (W & Wales: 210)	211
Barden, L. W. (BM: 225)	*222	MacDonald-Ross, M. (S: 210)	211
Littlewood, J. E. (BM: 220)	221	Sugden, J. N. (S: 202)	210
Bellin, R. S. (CM: 216)	220	Phillips, A. (BM: 208)	*210
Webb, S. (BM: 217)	219	Farrand, J. T. (N: 195)	209
Wright, D. (CM: 215)	219	Hall, R. V. M. (N: 204)	209
Basman, M. J. (BM: 216)	218	Pritchard, D. B. (S: 205)	209
Linnell, P. A. (N & S: 198)	*217	Trangmar, A. G. (S: 200)	209
Eley, B. (BM: 212)	216	Ashby, A. P. (N & S: 190)	208
Franklin, M. J. (BM: 215)	216	Blackstock, L. S. (S: 200)	208
Law, A. P. (S: 209)	216	Eales, R. G. (N & S: 210)	208
Mestel, A. J. (N: 207)	216	Edwards, L. A. (M: 203)	208
Wade, R. G. (IM: 228)	216	Jones, I. C. (Wales: 204)	208
Hindle, O. M. (CM: —)	*216	Cafferty, B. (CM: 219)	207
Firth, M. (N: —)	†216	Lemon, R. C. (S: 205)	207
215-207 (34)		Ludgate, A. T. (N & S: 206)	207
Milner-Barry, P. S. (BM: 202)	*215	Parr, D. (S & Wales: —)	207
Botterill, G. S. (BM: 230)	214	Walsh, D. J. (S & W: 207)	207
Corden, M. J. (CM: 218)	214	Toothill, J. (N: 202)	*207
		Waters, P. (S & W: 215)	*207

IM, International Master; BM, British Master; CM, Candidate Master;  
 M, M.C.C.U.; N, N.C.C.U.; S, S.C.C.U.; W, W.E.C.U.

### COMBINED UNION LISTS (275)

206 (7)		204 (10)	
Bennett, G. H. (S & W: Bournemouth Kinson, London: 204)		Argyris, N. J. (S: Mitcham: 193)	
Cubitt, C. (W: Soton Univ.: 210)		Gait, P. D. (S: Battersea: 199)	
Henderson, G. N. (N: Oldham: 207)		Griffiths, P. C. (M: Solihull: 204)	
Henry, P. G. (S: Cambridge Univ., Bel- fast: 199)		Harman, K. B. (S: Centymca: —)	
Lambshire, M. V. (S: Lewisham: 209)		Hopewell, B. (M: Electra Stoke: 199)	
May, A. K. (S: Richmond: 200)		Povah, N. E. (N & S; Leeds Univ., Streatham: 188)	
Wood, B. H. (M: Sutton Coldfield: 199)		Sherman, D. (S: Waltham Forest: 200)	
205 (6)		Speelman, J. S. (S: Hampstead: 205)	
Bailey, R. (N & S; Hoylake, Cam- bridge Univ.: 198)		Veauce, L. De (N: Manchester: 206)	
Crombleholme, A. (S; Oxford Univ.: 205)		Wickens, T. S. (S; Cavendish: 204)	
Fox, T. C. (S; Bayswater: 203)		203 (3)	
Sales, Dr. K. D. (S; Ilford: 205)		Gibbs, P. C. (M; Birmingham: 213)	
Stephenson, F. N. (N; Middlesbro: 201)		Hilton, C. G. (N; Manchester: 206)	
Stuart, E. L. (S; Hampstead: 193)		Horton, M. H. (M; Notts. Gambit: 208)	
		202 (4)	
		Beach, R. A. (M; Electra Stoke: 201)	
		Edwards, R. B. (N; Harrogate: 208)	
		Lamb, H. (N; Bolton: 197)	
		O'Sullivan, B. F. (S & W; Islington, Southampton: 174)	

- 201 (7)  
 Cooper, J. G. (S & Wales; Cambridge Univ., Cardiff: 186)  
 Henshaw, J. C. (S; Brighton: 212)  
 Melville, A. C. (N & S; Blackpool, London Univ.: 178)  
 Oliff, K. M. (S; Ilford: 200)  
 Prescott, L. W. (S; Wanstead: 191)  
 Timson, P. F. (S; Harrow: 208)  
 Wolstenholme, J. (N; Manchester: 199)
- 200 (12)  
 Byway, P. V. (S; Hilltop Herts.: 194)  
 Century, J. I. (S; Islington: 207)  
 Cronick, S. K. (Wales; Cardiff: 188)  
 Hartston, Mrs. J. (S; Cambridge: 190)  
 Hollis, G. A. (S; Cavendish: 198)  
 James, G. H. (S; Brighton: 204)  
 Lamb, D. (M; Wolverhampton Kpg: 167)  
 O'Kelly, R. M. R. (S; Mushrooms: 199)  
 Parr, F. (S; Sutton & Cheam: 211)  
 Swift, A. K. (S; Lewisham: 195)  
 Thomas, A. R. B. (W; Tiverton: 203)  
 Webb, R. (S; Islington: 205)
- 199 (8)  
 Binks, M. E. (W; Downend & Fishponds: 192)  
 Conroy, M. J. (N; Burnley, Bolton: 203)  
 Mabbs, D. J. (S; Hampstead: 183)  
 Pope, A. (S; Ilford: —)  
 Robbins, T. W. (S; Cambridge Univ.: 203)  
 Rothbart, B. M. (N & S; Leeds Univ., Islington: 206)  
 Shephard, C. C. W. (M; South Birmingham: 195)  
 Westra, R. D. (N; Hull: 193)
- 198 (8)  
 Doney, R. A. (N; Manchester: 183)  
 Emerson, R. (S; Wimbledon: 173)  
 Lees, D. (N; South Manchester: 200)  
 Lemoir, D. A. (S & W; Mushrooms, Patchway: 204)  
 Quinn, J. M. (M & S; Stafford, London: 180)  
 Radoicic, M. (S; Middlesex: 201)  
 Simpote, J. I. P. (S; Brighton: 212)  
 Stebbings, A. J. (S; Waltham Forest: 192)
- 197 (13)  
 Brigden, M. E. (W; Bristol: 197)  
 Gavriloic, M. (Wales; Cwmbran: 207)  
 Harding, T. D. (S; Athenaeum: 188)  
 Johnston, D. R. (N; Hull: 176)  
 Kooiman, B. (S; Mitcham: 194)  
 Littlewood, P. (N; Skelmersdale, Wigan: 188)  
 McCarthy, E. A. (S; Athenaeum: 181)  
 Nicholson, J. G. (S; Lewisham: 189)  
 O'Connell, K. J. (S; Athenaeum: 189)  
 Speed, G. (S; Mitcham: 185)  
 Toothill, A. (N; Bradford: 186)  
 Walker, A. N. (M; Notts. Univ.: 199)  
 Walton, J. S. (S; Athenaeum: 198)
- 196 (9)  
 Bracher, A. R. (S; Richmond: 194)  
 Chapman, T. P. D. (S; Wimbledon: 194)  
 Green, B. N. (S; Cavendish: 205)  
 Harman, R. F. A. (S; Centymca: 198)  
 Hempson, P. W. (S; Essex: 201)  
 Johannes, R. L. (S; Cambridge Univ.: 202)  
 McFarland, R. S. (M; Nuneaton: 200)  
 Prizant, M. (S; Sutton & Cheam: 199)  
 Wicker, K. J. (M & S; White Eagles, Leics., Lewisham: 191)
- 195 (9)  
 Adams, J. B. (S; Centymca: 196)  
 Dickson, G. A. (S; Metropolitan: 197)  
 Kalton, N. J. (S & Wales; London, Swansea: 198)  
 McCague, B. L. (S; Waltham Forest: 187)  
 Philpott, A. (S; Bognor Regis: 191)  
 Watson, R. H. (N & S; Leeds Univ., London: 181)  
 Weeramantry, S. (S & W; Waltham Forest, Southampton Univ.: 200)  
 Wills, M. W. (S; East Ham: 200)  
 Young, D. H. (S; Maidstone: 193)
- 194 (8)  
 Brogden, J. G. (S; Wimbledon: 187)  
 Burnett, L. P. (S & W; Essex Univ., Weston-s-Mare: 198)  
 Burton, G. P. (S; Athenaeum: 204)  
 Hoad, P. C. (N; Liverpool: 197)  
 Howson, J. B. (S; Ilford: 187)  
 Markham, D. R. (N; Leeds: 183)  
 Sommerville, J. P. (S; Lewisham: 198)  
 Steedman, J. (N; North Shields: 187)
- 193 (19)  
 Alcock, M. (M; Derby: 187)  
 Bell, D. W. (W; Southampton: 188)  
 Briggs, J. N. (S; Wimbledon: 191)  
 Fleury, M. (M & S; Wolverhampton Kpg., Oxford Univ.: 202)  
 Gamble, R. J. (M; Rolls-Royce, Derby: 190)  
 Harris, G. F. (M; Stourbridge: 191)  
 Hemingway, T. K. (S; Stevenage: 188)  
 Kennaugh, C. W. (N; Hoylelake, Leeds Univ.: 181)  
 Lexton, M. (S & Wales; Cambridge Univ., Swansea: 203)  
 MacDonald, D. G. (S; Hilltop, Herts.: 178)  
 Meade, P. J. (W. Cheltenham: 200)  
 Montgomery, J. (M; Stafford: 208)  
 Reuben, S. (S; Islington: 199)  
 Skilleter, J. V. (S; Railways, London: 189)  
 Spurgeon, R. E. (S; Metropolitan: 190)  
 Stubbs, P. J. (S; Richmond: 176)  
 Trevelyan, J. D. (S & Wales; London Univ., Bridgend: 177)  
 Walker, J. N. (S; Cowley: 192)  
 Winsor, W. A. (S; Hastings: 194)

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- Acton, P. J. (N; Manchester Univ.: 187)  
Anderton, D. W. (M; Wolverhampton K.: 201)  
Atkinson, J. W. (N; Hull: 196)  
Barnard, C. S. (M; Electra, Stoke: 197)  
Boyce, J. R. (W; Bristol & Clifton: 182)  
Chandler, C. R. (S; ERDE, Herts.: 174)  
Hutcheson, J. (W; Corsham: 186)  
Lee, G. D. (S; Wood Green: 201)  
Linton, W. A. (N & S; Sunderland, Mushrooms: 195)  
Oliver, N. R. (S; Lewisham: 194)  
Robinson, J. K. (M; Wigston, Leics.: 182)  
Rogers, D. J. (S; Acton: 199)  
Tucker, D. S. (S; London Univ.: 181)  
Webb, J. R. L. (S; Sussex Univ.: —)  
Wheeler, G. M. (W; Plymouth: —)  
Wise, T. H. (N; Middlesbro: 193)

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- Adams, D. (N; York: 193)  
Beaty, J. H. (N; Doncaster: 191)  
Cooke, J. R. (S; Ilford: 196)  
Donnelly, M. J. (N; St. Peters, Durham: 190)  
Harouni, J. (S; Hendon: 185)  
Homeyard, K. F. (S; Worthing: 178)  
Horner, J. E. (N; Chorlton: 187)  
Hyde, K. G. (S; High Wycombe: 188)  
Jackson, O. A. (N; Wigan, Manchester: 188)  
Keene, N. R. (S; Tunbridge Wells: 171)  
Lister, D. I. (N; Sheffield: 186)  
Mitchell, R. J. (M; Loughborough: 193)  
Parsonage, G. H. T. (N; Warrington, Liverpool: 187)  
Sayers, A. G. (N; Sunderland: 189)  
Shepstone, A. P. (S; Cavendish: 189)  
Turner, J. M. (M; Rugby: 186)  
Wood, R. F. T. (M; Sutton Coldfield: 201)

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- Foster, J. L. (W; Torquay: —)  
Haigh, G. T. (S & Wales; Oxford Univ., Cwmbran: 199)  
Hayes, G. M. (S; Athenaeum: 194)  
Jones, B. A. (N; Sheffield: 196)  
Kinlay, J. (S; Kent: 181)  
Kirk-O'Grady, J. F. T. (N; Wilmslow: 187)  
Kitchlew, A. (S; Wimbledon: 187)  
Mann, R. H. K. (W; Parkstone, Wareham: 191)  
McCarthy, M. (Wales & N; Swansea, Newcastle: 187)  
Northage, R. H. (W; Bath: 188)  
O'Dell, J. E. (S; Mitcham: 201)  
Pickett, L. M. (S; Lewisham: —)  
Prizant, A. H. (S; Sutton & Cheam: 186)  
Pugh, J. K. (S; Lowestoft: 173)  
Ripley, J. M. (N; Prescott: 190)  
Shaw, C. J. (S; Cambridge Univ., Bucks.: 194)

- Sheard, P. S. (N; East Cheshire: 171)  
Smith, B. R. (S; Wanstead: 193)  
Staples, M. J. (S & W; London Univ., Bridgewater: 192)  
Stuttard, T. J. (N; South Manchester: 188)  
Thornton, J. D. (Wales; Caerphilly: 191)  
Wise, D. (N; Middlesbro: 190)  
Yeo, M. J. (S; Cambridge Univ.: 190)

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- Bennett, T. B. (S; Stevenage: 179)  
Burton, C. G. (M; Hereford: 189)  
Cooper, A. C. (S; Cambridge Univ.: 195)  
Escott, K. M. L. (S; Romford: 188)  
Evans, R. E. (N; Chester: 175)  
Hawley, M. H. (S; Centymca: 190)  
Kendall, P. S. N. (N; Newcastle: —)  
Kermeen, R. W. (M; Lincoln: —)  
Malcolm, D. M. (S; Sutton & Cheam: 190)  
Martin, R. (M; Burton, Kynoch: 182)  
Moore, P. G. (N; Manchester, Wilmslow: 187)  
Neat, K. P. (N; Sunderland: 193)  
Nicholas, G. J. (S; Brighton: 181)  
O'Hara, M. J. (N; Bolton: 197)  
Patience, P. J. (S; Centymca: —)  
Povey, J. E. (N; Leeds: 182)  
Russell, H. (M; Sheffield Univ.: 181)  
Singleton, M. P. F. (S; Hendon: 186)  
Smith, M. A. (N; Bolton: 196)  
Thompson, M. W. J. (W; Woolston Comm. Centre, Soton.: 196)  
Weinhold, K. M. (S; Hampstead: 194)

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- Adaway, W. G. L. (S; Slough: 193)  
Ballard, J. P. (N; Sheffield: 170)  
Crouch, C. S. (S; Harrow: 184)  
Karmaz, P. (N; Bolton, Sheffield Univ.: 192)  
Kemp, P. R. (M; Notts. Gambit: 185)  
Lightfoot, M. J. (S; Richmond: 190)  
Mann, S. J. (N & W; Sheffield, Exeter Univ.: 185)  
McSheehy, C. J. M. (M; Stourbridge: 180)  
Miles, R. J. (N & Wales; Chorlton, Newport, Mon.: 180)  
Pearce, G. D. (S & Wales; Oxford Univ.: 189)  
Pearce, R. J. (S & W; Cambridge Univ., Truro: 176)  
Pelling, T. W. (S; Mushrooms: 199)  
Sutton, A. J. (M; Warboys, Hunts.: 191)  
Taylor, S. J. (Cambridge Univ.: 184)  
Vaughan, D. O. (Wales; Cwmbran: 182)

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- Adams, P. (N; North Manchester: 184)  
Aitken, Dr. J. M. (W; Cheltenham: 193)  
Atkinson, B. W. (S; Slough: 175)  
Bzowski, J. (S; Polish YMCA: 184)  
Cook, M. P. (S; Maidstone: 186)

- Davis, M. E. (M; Hodge Hill, Birmingham Nomads: 187)  
 Ellison, D. G. (N; Bolton: 188)  
 Ferrars-Dunn, J. (S; Norwich: 186)  
 Hutchinson, N. A. (S & W; Oxford, Leigh Park: 194)  
 Lynn, R. C. (S; Mitcham: 182)  
 McDonnell, J. A. (S; Centymca: 183)  
 Marks, L. D. (S; Mitcham: 186)  
 Mitchell, G. R. (S; Guildford: 185)  
 Morry, W. R. (M; Mutual, Birmingham Nomads: 175)  
 Myers, R. J. (S; Civil Service: 187)  
 Norman, K. I. (S; Richmond: 180)  
 Patrick, D. I. (M; Wygggeston, Leics.: 176)  
 Simpson, J. (N; Seaham: 171)  
 Stewart, K. W. C. (N; Manchester: 184)  
 Turnock, J. F. (N; Newcastle: 184)  
 Vickery, J. E. (N & S; Sheffield Univ., Hayes, Middx.: 202)
- 186 (20)  
 Ayling, E. W. J. (S; Wood Green: 182)  
 Beach, T. J. (N; Waterloo: 193)  
 Bean, T. J. (S; Bracknell: 180)  
 Bielby, P. R. (N; Sunderland: 188)  
 Broad, P. M. (S; Sutton & Cheam: 183)  
 Cadden, G. V. (S & Wales; Camden: 185)  
 Clarke, M. R. B. (S; London Univ.: 187)  
 Cutler, N. (S; Old Parkonians: 173)  
 Edge, F. W. (S; Wimbledon: 185)  
 Ferrar, F. J. (S; Isle of Thanet: 183)  
 Gluckman, T. J. (N; Manchester, Leeds Univ.: 172)  
 Hail, J. (N; Bolton: 184)
- Hanreck, A. E. (S; Charlton: 181)  
 Hare, P. D. (M; Grantham: 180)  
 Horton, A. G. R. (S; Harrow: 176)  
 Perkins, N. A. (S; Finchley: 179)  
 Saunders, J. C. (S; Cambridge Univ.: 174)  
 Stockwell, R. J. (S; Post Office: 193)  
 Stokes, M. R. (M; Foxhunters, Leics.: 185)  
 Wheatley, A. I. (S; Stevenage: 179)
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 Burnett, J. (N & S; Doncaster, Oxford Univ.: 177)  
 Cannon, L. J. (S; Horsham: 190)  
 Cockroft, A. (M; Lincoln: 177)  
 Cranmer, S. E. E. (S; Sutton & Cheam: 183)  
 Fidler, J. A. (S; Richmond: 181)  
 Gardner, R. (N; Brighthouse: 184)  
 Gilbert, C. (S & Wales; IBM, Cwmbran: 185)  
 Goodman, D. S. C. (S; Richmond: 174)  
 Hubbard, M. P. (S; Waltham Forest: 168)  
 Hughes, M. (N; Wrexham: 175)  
 James, D. J. (S & Wales; London Univ., Cwmbran: 196)  
 Lee, R. A. (W; Exeter: 188)  
 Little, E. A. (N; Waterloo, Liverpool: 184)  
 Masters, A. (W; Bristol & Clifton: 185)  
 Merrett, Dr. P. (W; Parkstone, Wareham: 178)  
 Nicholas, M. D. (S; Brighton: 169)  
 Perkins, A. D. (S; Luton: 180)  
 Ruthen, S. W. (S; Lowestoft: 165)  
 Soesan, J. M. (S; Cobham, Surrey: 179)

The following are the names of the Lady International Masters:

Mrs. R. Bruce  
 Mrs. J. Hartston  
 Mrs. E. Pritchard  
 Miss A. Sunnucks  
 Miss E. Tranmer