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The Irish Go Association  
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#### THE IRISH OPEN GO TOURNAMENT (Sunday 18 March)

The tournament will be held on Sunday 18th of March in Powers Hotel at the corner of Nassau and Kildare Street. The hotel is at a convenient location in Dublin city centre, has a full bar and will be providing a light lunch menu. Play will commence at 10 am and go on all day and into the evening. A small entry fee will probably be required to help with the cost of organising. The tournament will cater for players of all ability, from complete beginners to Dan level, and everyone is welcome. We hope to set up a display of computer Go and to have a selection of Go literature available. As this is our first major event a good show of support will be appreciated.

#### THE ISLE OF MAN VISITORS

The Isle of Man Go Club has confirmed that they will be coming to visit us over the St. Patrick's weekend. The challenge match will be played on Saturday evening and selection of the Irish team is almost complete. Our guests will be taking part in our tournament on Sunday and will be taking on all comers. Numbers are not definite but are unlikely to exceed six. If you can help in putting up one or two of our visitors during their stay, please ring Noel or Ken.

#### GOOD NEWS FOR DUBLIN PLAYERS !

We have recently come into contact with another group of Go players in the Dublin area. The group, headed by John Gibson and Eugene Mallon, has been playing Go for many years but has only recently begun to operate as an organised club. Initial indications are that we have the potential for a major pooling of talents and resources. The club usually plays in the White Horse Bar in Dublin city centre and we hope soon to see them joining in at our Saturday morning sessions in Trinity College.

#### THE 1990 BRITISH GO CONGRESS (Friday 6 - Sunday 8 April 1990)

This year the BGC will be held in the University of Salford, which is two miles from Manchester city centre. A four round swiss style lightning Go tournament will be held on the Friday evening, followed by a six round McMahon style event over the next two days. The congress also incorporates the British Go Association Annual General Meeting. Meals and accomodation are available on the university campus and in local hotels and hostels. Entry forms can be obtained from Noel, Ken or Isao and should be sent in before the 16th of March if possible.

So far we know of about six people from Ireland who are going. Anybody who would like to come with us will be quite welcome. The event promises to be a good representation of tournament Go and experience of such events will be of great value in Ireland when we establish our own events on an annual basis.

#### GO VENUES

Saturday morning sessions will continue to run from 10 am to 2 pm, in the Board Games room on the 4th floor of house 4, front square, Trinity College. All are Welcome.

## LOCATION BREAKDOWN

At the moment our newsletter circulation is about 85. We are constantly coming into contact with new people and we will soon have to introduce a fee to help cover the cost of production. If you want to know about other people in your area who are interested in Go and are receiving our newsletter, the following breakdown may be useful.

### NORTH DUBLIN

Clontarf (2), Dollymount, Donaghmede (2), Malahide (3), Portmarnock, Phibsborough, Raheney(3), Whitehall.

### SOUTH DUBLIN

Ballinteer, Ballsbridge (4), Blackrock (5), Chapelizod, Dalkey, Deans Grange, Dun Laoghaire (5), Foxrock, Goatstown, Greenhills, Killiney (2), Kiltarnan, Palmerstown, Mount Merrion, Ranelagh (3), Rathfarnham, Rathgar, Sandyford, Sandymount, Shankhill, S.C.Rd. area (4), Stillorgan (2), Tallagh, Tempelogue (2), Terenure, Trinity-City Centre area (6)

### OTHER AREAS

Co. Antrim (1), Belfast (1), Cork (1), Kildare (4)-[Naas (3), Celbridge (1)], Portlaois (1), Limerick (2), Waterford (2), Wicklow (5)-[Greystones, Bray, Enniskerry (2)].

Names, contact addresses or phone numbers will be supplied on request. If you do not wish to have your address circulated in this manner, please let us know.

## NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Up to now various people have been supplying the newsletter with bits and pieces of information and ideas which I have attempted to present in a reasonably ordered fashion. At this stage I feel that it would be an improvement if people submit written articles directly. Articles can be on any subject relevant to Go such as venue information, Go history, game analysis, personal perspectives etc., all contributions will be welcome. Articles for the next Newsletter should be sent before the 1st of May to

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## ANSWERS TO LAST NEWSLETTER GO PROBLEMS

- 1 Black plays on 2B forming two separate territories (Eyes) and prevents white ever capturing his group.
- 2 Black plays D3 to avoid the snapback if white played D3 - i.e. if white plays D3 and black captures with D4 then white replays D3 and captures 5 stones. Note this is not a Ko, more than one stone is involved.