

Junior International Director's (Interim) - AGM Report 2008

At the time of Donna Officer's resignation and with more than one nomination for the vacant post, it seemed like a sensible decision for us to fill the gap in the interm. Our report covers only the period between May 25th and August 31st, 2008 and we will be more than happy to hand over the reigns at the forthcoming AGM.

European Youth Team 2008

- Szeged, Hungary

Our personal involvement in the European Youth Team 2008 was entirely supervisory with Anne attending as chaperone only. All other organising being carried out by Donna Officer. *Players:* Andrew Green, Alex Ian Nisbet, Connor Woods, Clement Sreeves.

Team coach: Christopher MacDonald



The Scottish team finished according to seeding with some notable wins along the way and some fighting draws against considerably higher graded opponents. Worthy of comment was the commitment shown by Christopher MacDonald in his first coaching role for CS he provided a terrific level of support to all in the team.

11. Scotland (9 / 89)												
Bo.	Name	Rtg	FED	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Pts.	RtgAvg
1	Green Andrew	2021	SCO	0	1	0	1	0	0	½	2,5	2171
2	Nisbet Alex Ian	1979	SCO	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2,0	2115
3	Woods Connor	1881	SCO	1	0	0	1	0	½	0	2,5	2035
4	Sreeves Clement	0	SCO	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2,0	1961

Glorney, Faber and Four Nations Championships 2008,

- John Moore's University, Liverpool

Glorney Team: Connor Woods, Daniel Rocks, Ian MacGregor, Clement Sreeves, Adam Bremner

Faber Team: Ali Roy, Caitlin McCulloch, Shona Jordan

Under 14 Team: Jonathan Wright, David Gillespie, Shivan Murdochy, Peter Devenny, Jamie Scott, Callum Dickson

Under 12 Team: Daniel Thomas, Peter Rainey, Robert Childs, Kiron Roy, Ben He, Peter Sanders

Team Coaches: Phil Thomas & Alan Tate

Chaperones: Peter Woods, Norrie & Maureen Mathie



Glorney

1st	England	16.0
2nd =	Scotland	15.5
	Ireland	
4th	Wales	3.0

Faber

1st	England A	10.5
2nd =	Ireland	7.5
	Scotland	
4th =	England B	6.5
	England C	
	Wales	

Under 14's

1st	England	26.0
2nd	Ireland	20.0
3rd	Wales	14.5
4th	England	
	Bishops	14.0
5th	Scotland	13.0
6th	England	
	Knights	2.5

Under 12's

1st	England	26.5
2nd	Ireland	19.0
3rd	Scotland	16.0
4th	England	
	Knights	12.0
5th	Wales	9.5
6th	England	
	Bishops	8.0



The English Chess Federation were hosts for this year's Glorney and Faber with teams from Scotland, Ireland and Wales joining them in the combined event with the annual Four Nations Championships.

The **Glorney** team narrowly missed out on bringing the cup home to Scotland, finishing half a point behind the English squad. The team finished equal second with Ireland, with solid performances from all in the team. It's also important to take into consideration that we were missing our top boards in both the Glorney and Faber events.

Fantastic debut performances in the **Faber** event by Caitlin and Shona and strong results from Ali Roy resulting in a more than credible joint second place finish. The **Under 12 and 14's** found the going a bit tougher with the under 14's putting up a strong fight to finish in 3rd place with the under 12's a couple of points off the pace in 5th.

We were also able, for the first time in a junior international, to broadcast the results online as they happened and to post photographic highlights at the end of each days play. We received a number of favourable responses from parents to the updates.

Further information can be found at www.chessscotland.com/international/junior/Glorney.html

European Youth Championships 2008 - Hercig Nova, Montenegro

Players: Andrew Green, Connor Woods, Clement Sreeves, Maryann McDonald, Ian McDonald, Alice Lampard & Daniel Thomas

Coaches: Phil Thomas & Alan Tate

Chaperones: Peter Woods & Mrs Laurence Lampard

All arrangements are in place and preparations are being made by both players and coaches.

The Future

It has been agreed, in confirmation with Donald Wilson and the organising committee at this year's event, that Scotland will host the Glorney & Faber in 2009.

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As temporary caretakers of this role we feel strongly that it is not our place to make future plans but feel equally that in order to address the substantial difficulties we have experienced in trying to organise events that the following suggestions should be considered.

1. Acceptance or decline of an invitation should be based on the arrangements given and strict adherence to the timescales for acceptance should be made.
2. Appropriate processes should be implemented to protect volunteers from egregious and unwarranted communications from parents and that past behaviour of players and/or family members should be taken into account when selections are being made.

Our thanks go to a number of people:

Donna Officer for her help in ensuring as smooth a transition as possible.

Norrie and Maureen Mathie for their support and guidance in the organising, planning and supervision of the Glorney, Faber and Four Nations teams.

Phil Thomas, Alan Tate and Christopher MacDonald for their company, coaching skills and advice. The coaches have initiated and are developing a detailed understanding of the players they have worked with and hopefully this will continue in the future.

Mac McKenzie for his guidance in all financial matters but most of all for his patience and understanding.

Donald Wilson for his continued advice and support throughout our time in this role.

We wish good luck and success to the future post holder and although our experience in this post is very limited we are more than happy to share our experiences with them if they so require.

Anne and Peter Woods