

captain - Philip Mitchell (31738) or Frank Pentony (34314). It is important that we maintain both teams to allow new players to gain league experience and grading points.

## Club Championship 95/96

The 1995/6 Club championship gets under way on Tuesday next 6th February. As usual the competition is divided into two sections - Senior and Intermediate and the playing system will be all-play-all. Defending Champion Donal O'Boyle must start favourite in the Senior section but will face serious opposition from Andrew Thomson, Jack Parker and Philip Mitchell, not forgetting the young guns of Kieran Rogers, Michelle Cowley and Michael Eagleton.

The Intermediate Section is not as predictable with several players capable of taking the honours including Alan Tyndall, Maurice O'Connor, Richard Mitchell and Jimmy Murray (fresh from his win in the Christmas Tournament). It promises to be a fascinating battle in what looks to be a very competitive section.

First Round Fixtures:

### Senior:

M Eagleton	.v.	D Fox
K Rogers	.v.	M Cowley
E Murphy	.v.	D O'Boyle
F Pentony	.v.	E O'Boyle
J Parker	.v.	P Mitchell
P Scanlan	.v.	A Thomson

### Intermediate

A Tyndall	.v.	M O'Connor
C Downie	.v.	R Mitchell
A Lynch	.v.	D Quinn

N Thomson	.v.	T Cummins
A Baizert	.v.	J Murray
M McDermott	-	bye

## Coca-Cola Atlantic Schools Chess

**G**reenhills College are the early pace setters in this years competition with two rounds completed. Michelle Cowley's captaincy seems to be paying dividends as they took 14 points out of 16 in the first 2 rounds. They now lead the table from St Oliver's Community College who are on 7.5 points and St Joseph's CBS on 4.5 Points.

This is a fine start by Greenhills College but with two rounds to play including a match against last years champions St Oliver's Community College its early days yet. The Club greatly appreciates the continued support of the event by Cola-Cola Atlantic and the schools, teachers and students involved.

## Blast from the Past

Drogheda Chess Club's first graded players appeared in the Leinster Chess Union's Grading List in September 1974. There were 12 graded players and only four of them still play for the club today. The following is the list

Reay, Eamonn	1571
O'Reilly, David	1420
Newman, John (RIP)	1411

<b>Fox, Don</b>	1388
<b>O'Boyle, Enda</b>	1320
<b>Somerville, Colm</b>	1270
Clarke, Paddy (RIP)	1211
Glennon, Frank	1198
<b>O'Boyle, Donal</b>	1180
O'Reilly, Eamonn	1155
Glennon, Terry	1040
<b>Murray, Jimmy</b>	1024

Not a brilliant start to the League but not bad for a first attempt. In August 1975 a further 6 players received gradings as follows:

Campbell, Eamonn	1306
Hurst, Willie	1217
Lynch, Brian	1413
O'Boyle, Eanna	1167
O'Sullivan, Shiela	1077
<b>Pentony, Frank</b>	1304

The rest is history

## Chess on the Internet

The advent of the information super-highway has created all sorts of possibilities in many fields and may signal the death knell for correspondence chess. Its replacement could be Internet Chess. Donal O'Boyle played with Upper Hutt Chess Club in New Zealand a few years ago and perhaps now is the time to play that much talked about match - but without the travel.

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