

Round 10

This was a tricky round for both boys as they were playing their friends from Scotland.

Hugo, as black, faced a dangerous undergraded player who had played a limited number of FIDE rated tournaments. His opponent swapped off pieces before offering a draw. Very slightly worse out of the opening, Hugo declined the draw offer and played on, but unable to see a clear route through his opponent's defences, he accepted the second draw offer.

Ifan played a Scottish player graded 1880 who had taken some notable scalps in the first few rounds. This was always going to be a tricky game to negotiate. Ifan obtained a good position but after 2 and a half hours accepted a draw offer when he found it difficult to see a way to convert his advantage.