

# Try For Second Championship

By Robert Ghiselli

The San Leandro Chess Club will try to put together another seven man winning combination this year, hoping to retain its championship which it had won last year. The team has a good chance of doing just that with, four of its seven lettermen returning. These lettermen are Robert Ghiselli, a senior, and three juniors, John Goodwin, John Sugiyama, and Ken Kious.

So far this year the team consists of John Goodwin, John Sugiyama, Dave Norris, a junior, Tom Matthews, a junior, Robert Ghiselli, Paul Endo, another junior and Jim Hutchinson, a sophomore. The players positions change as the players challenge

each other with the winner either retaining his position or moving to a higher one.

Last year the chess team suffered only one defeat, Alameda. Alameda proved to be the team's roughest opponent as San Leandro tied Alameda in the first round, and lost to them in the second. But with much confidence and strong will, San Leandro went on to be number one in their league. The playing did not stop at that point however. San Leandro went on to beat Washington and Los Altos High School for the East Bay Regional Championships, in which twenty-five teams participated. Under the guidance of the team's sponsor Mr. Ausmus, the team received this school's first chess championship and trophy.

This year, San Leandro will face the same rivals: Oakland Tech, Alameda, Castlemont, Arroyo, Berkeley, Marina, Encinal, and non-league games with Castro Valley. This season should prove to be just as fine a year for the team and club.

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