

Isle of Man Go Congress song 1997

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Tune: "The Eddystone Light" (English trad.)

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a tempo marking of [♩=160]. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff has a key signature of one flat (Bb) and a common time signature (C). The notes are: G4, Bb4, G4, A4, Bb4, G4, F4, E4, D4. Chords above are C, C, C, C, F, G. The second staff continues the melody: G4, A4, Bb4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4, Bb3, A3, G3. Chords above are C, C, C, C, C, C, F, G. The third staff is the chorus: G4, A4, Bb4, G4, F4, E4, D4, C4, Bb3, A3, G3. Chords above are C, C, D7, Chorus: D7, G, G, G7, G7, C, C. The lyrics are: 1. Oh there's dozens of players who have gone quite mad, 'Cause they've gone to the Mind Sports Olympiad. If you want to play go, and you've got a week free, Port Erin is the only place to be. Isle of Man! That's our plan! Find a better congress if you can!

Oh there's dozens of players who have gone quite mad,
'Cause they've gone to the Mind Sports Olympiad.
If you want to play go, and you've got a week free,
Port Erin is the only place to be.
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And we players were lucky to have had the chance
To meet a very charming player from France,
And we hope Dominique wasn't only joking
When she promised us all that she'd give up smoking.
Isle of Man! That's our plan!
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Now the strongest player was a five dan Finn,
And the five dan Finn deserved his win.
He smiled at us all; he enjoyed the fun
Of demolishing opponents one by one.
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And I wouldn't want to tell this congress tale
Without the merry folks from Brakenhale.
They were busy at their latest game all day;
Being very rude to Laura is the way you play.
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France Ellul played songs on his celtic harp
And he didn't play flat, and he didn't play sharp.
In the middle of a song came a very loud "ping"
But he just played on with a broken string.
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It was Paul Barnard's last session at the board
Before going to play all his go abroad.
Now chess may be Western, and go may be Asian,
But I wouldn't choose a Pakistani power station.
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10,000 miles from Japan she came,
Kikuyo Nishikata was the lady's name.
She won no prize with her careful play,
But her crumhorn playing would have scored grade "A".
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If you hear your opponent burble and chunter,
His name most likely is Richard Hunter.
As you think you've jumped through the final hoop
He grins his grin, and he kills your group.
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There's a sporting player who never minds a loss,
And he hails from Bracknell and his name is Goss.
Now he's always ready for a game of go,
But we never heard a squeak from his oboe.
Isle of Man! That's our plan!
Find a better congress if you can!

Now the previous records are very well dented
With seven different nations represented.
The rounds start promptly and the venue's fine,
So we've put it in our diaries for '99!
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