Thess

Playing up on holiday

ONCE A YEAR the tiny island of Jersey holds an international chess tournament. The event is popular, with chess and a holiday often combined. After each game one can either relax on the beautiful beaches or explore old stone castles and monuments

This year the entries totalled 70, with nine different countries competing. (Jersey 27; England 18; Scotland 2; France 5; Holland 14; Australia 1; US 1; West Germany 1; and myself from New Zealand.)

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The \$500 first prize was collected by England's talented David Rumens (affectionately nick-named Rabbit Rumens), giving him yet an-other 1976 tournament win and sustaining his lead in England's \$2000 Cutty Sark competition — the prize going to the person with the

best tournament results at the end of the year.

I played Rumens in round five when we were both sole leaders on four points. The difference in strength and experience showed up when I lost a tactical battle. He pushed home strongly to finish with six-and-a-half out of a possible seven points.

Basically optimistic, Rumens sacrificed material in every game but one, and the joke of the tournament was that although two pawns up

he could only draw that game.
This game is from the last round which Rumens had to win to come first, alone.

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J. Adams	D. Rumens
(England)	(England)
1. e4	e5
2. Nf3	Nc6
3. Bb5	a6
4. Ba4	Nf6
5. 0-0	b5

6. Bb3	Be7
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7. Re1	0-0
8 d4	

Adams said he played the moves in this order to avoid Rumens's intended Marshall counter attack, eg 8, c3, d5!?

8.		d6
9.	c3	Bg4
10.	d5	Na5
11.	Bc2	c6
12.	d×c6	Qc8
13.	N(b)d2	Q×c6
14.	h3	Be6
15.	Nf1	R(f)e8
16.	Ng3	R(a)d8
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Up to now the game has been following "theory", but Rumens finds an alternative. The Encyclopaedia of Chess Openings gives instead 16... g6. 17, Ng5 Bf8. 18, N×e6 f×e6. 19, a4 Nc4. 20, Qe2 d5. 21, b3 Nd6. 22, Bb2 Bh6= Padevsky — Lengyel, Havana 1966.

17. Nf5 B×f5
18. e×f5 e4!?

A fascinating idea. Black voluntarily gives up the d4 square for no apparent reason. Rumens, however, plans to place his knight on e5 but if he played Nc4 immediately, b3 would drive it away. 19. Nd4 Qb7

20. b3 was to be commiden as was 20, g4. In the post-mortem Rumens and be would have met 20, 94 with 20 . . . d5, but Adams throught simply 20 . . . h6 would have been sufficient.

20 . . . b4 fails to 21 exb4 Q×b4. 22, Bd2 Q×d4. 22 B×a5 Q×d1. 24 R×d1 with a terrific ending.

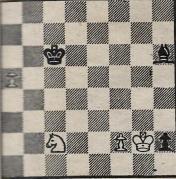
21. b3 22. a×b5 ād×s Qe7 Q×c3 d5 23. Ra5 24. R×b5 25. B×e4 26. Bc2 27. Re3 28. Nf3 Bd6 Qa1 N×f3 ch 29. R×f3 30. Re3?

30. Kfl would put up the mendous resistance and a a hard to see what Black could do. The text sets a subtle trup which Rumens avoided, or, as he exclaimed to Adams ofter the game: "I didn't fall fur your cheapo?" For on the apparently with the Bf4. 31, R×e8 ch R×e1. 22. B×f4! Re1 ch. 33, Kh2 R×e1. 34, Rb8 ch Ne8. 35, Rxell checkmate.

Ne4 Nc3 IL Rb7

Resigns Faced with inevitable malosses, further resistance on White's part is futile this level of chess.

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This end-game study, White play and win, was composed by Reti, believe it or in a dentist's waiting-The solution will be even next week.

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