

# English rules OK

THE COMMONWEALTH struck back at the eighth Dortmund International tournament in West Germany. Despite an inauspicious start (I scored only half a point in the first three rounds!) the English-speaking contingent eventually triumphed as British Grandmaster Raymond Keene came first on 7½ out of 11 and I was clear second on seven points.

Fide rankings had indicated a pretty even field, with the favourites being Heikki Westerinen of Finland and of course any representatives from Eastern Europe. But it was soon apparent that Heikki was horribly off form, and the challenge from Hungarian Ferenc Portisch (brother of superstar Lajos) faltered after his annihilation in round eight by Carlos Cuartas, a former chess coffee house owner from Colombia.

Thus Keene, following my advice to *not* think so much (!), played quickly and confidently to score one of the finest results of his career. My two losses at the start really put paid to any chances of a second grandmaster norm, but I was pleased to score 75 per cent against the Grandmasters present, and regard my win with Black against Westerinen as one of my best ever games.

Here is Cuartas's win over Portisch.

### QUEEN'S GAMBIT

<b>F. PORTISCH</b> (Hungary)	<b>C. CUARTAS</b> (Colombia)
1. d4	d5
2. c4	Bf5 ?!

*This is a rather forthright attempt by Black to get his queen's bishop into the game, rather than shut it out of the action as is usual with 2...e6. Against the stereotyped development that Portisch now adopts the system is perfectly sensible, but more testing would be now 3.cxd5!? Bxb1 (3...Qxd5 4.Nc3 wins tempi) 4.Qa4 ch Qd7 5.Qxd7 ch Nxd7 6. Rxb1 with an advantageous endgame because of the bishop pair.*

3. Nc3	e6
4. Nf3	c6
5. e3	Nf6
6. Be2	Bd6
7. Qb3	Qc7
8. Bd2	Ne4
9. Rc1	Nxc3
10. bxc3	Nd7
11. cxd5	exd5
12. c4	

*Ferenc Portisch, like brother Lajos,*

*generally plays the opening with some precision but here he has fallen behind in development.*

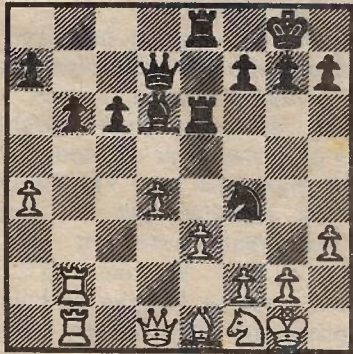
12. ...	dxc4
13. Bxc4	0-0
14. Bd3	Bxd3
15. Qxd3	Nf6
16. 0-0	Rae8
17. Rc2	Ne4
18. h3	Qd7
19. Rb1	Re6

*The first signs of the coming kingside storm appear. It is instructive to see how Cuartas manages to convert his slight edge into a fully-fledged attack.*

20. Be1	Rfe8
21. Nd2	Nf6
22. a4	Nd5
23. Rcb2	b6
24. Nf1	Nf4!
25. Qd1	

*If 25.exf4 then 25...Rxe1.*

### CUARTAS



### F. PORTISCH

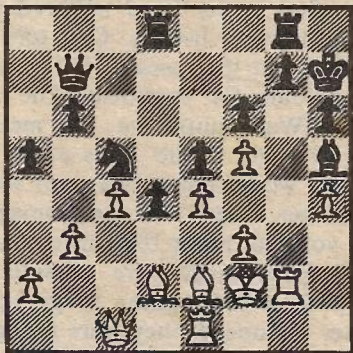
25. ...	Nxh3 chl
26. gxh3	Rg6 ch
27. Ng3	Qxh3
28. Qf3	h5
29. e4	h4
30. e5	

*White appears to have weathered the worst (30...hxg3 31.fxg3) but Cuartas finds a fine combination to clinch victory.*

30. ...	Rxe5!
31. dxex5	Bc5
32. Resigns	

*In spite of his two extra pieces Portisch is powerless against the threats on g3, eg 32.Qg2 Rxc3! 33.Qxc3 Qxc3 ch 34.Kf1 Qxe5 with a decisive material advantage.*

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*Bellon v Keene, round eight. In this position the tournament winner (Black, to move) found a dramatic way to exploit his positional advantage. Keene played 1...Bxf3! 2.Kxf3 (2.Bxf3 Nd3 ch wins White's queen) 2...Nxe4 and Bellon had no way to avoid losing material to a discovered check, the game ending 3.Bxh6 gxh6 4.Rg6 Rxc6 ch 5.fxg6 ch Kg7 6.Bd1 Nc5 ch 7.Resigns.*

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