

Chess

Ice cream man

TWO AMERICANS, Grandmaster Walter Browne and International Master Ronald Henley, tied for first in the historic 1982 Ibu Tien Soeharto Cup in Indonesia. Browne, because of his superior tie-break score, was declared official winner of the 26-player round-robin — a just result as he had been pacemaker for much of the tournament.

As the final rounds of the biggest ever all-play-all approached, stamina began to tell and four leaders emerged from the pack — Browne, Henley, American Larry Christiansen, and myself. With two rounds to go Browne had 16 points, with the other three of us just a half point behind. Apart from the \$US15,000 first prize, at stake for Henley and myself was also an instant grandmaster title if we reached 17½ points.

Browne and Christiansen drew, Henley won and I adjourned in a position that just fell short of winning against the strongest Indonesian player, Ardiansyah. In a desperate gamble to win I overpressed and lost. The final round proved dramatic when Henley beat English GM Tony Miles quite quickly, and sat down to watch the game Browne-Sampouw.

Local master Jacobus Sampouw may have finished bottom of the tournament, but he beat two strong European grandmasters and fought each game with the fierceness of an Indonesian *Baarong* (demon). Browne evidently expected to cruise to victory by utilising his pet variation of the Najdorf Sicilian. But when Sampouw managed to swap queens Walter was forced to rely on superior technique and his ice cream gambit to win an endgame.

The ice cream gambit, incidentally, is Browne's own peculiar brand of gamesmanship whereby (often in his opponent's time-pressure) he orders an exceedingly large ice cream and devours it halfway over the board. Fortunately, I can reveal the refutation of this gambit, discovered in our mutual encounter, in which it was politely suggested that both he and his gastronomic concoction might perhaps emigrate to a distant corner. They did and his game rapidly collapsed beyond repair.

Leading scores were: 1-2, Browne and Henley 17½; 3-7, Chandler (New Zealand), Christiansen, Sosonko (Holland), Kurajica (Yugoslavia) and Hort (Czechoslovakia) 16; 8, Miles (England) 15; 9, Gheorghiu (Rumania) 14½; 10-14, Keene (England), Ribli (Hungary), Hulak (Yugoslavia), Spassov (Bulgaria) and Ardiansyah 14, etc.

Here is a win apiece from the winners.

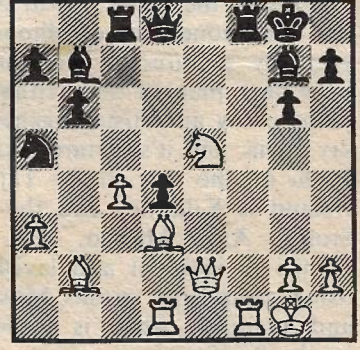
QUEEN'S INDIAN DEFENCE

W. BROWNE (USA)	Z. RIBLI (Hungary)
1. d4	Nf6
2. Nf3	e6
3. c4	b6
4. Nc3	Bb7

6. cxd5	d5
	Nxd5
7. e3	Be7
8. Bb5 ch	c6
9. Bd3	Nxc3
10. bxc3	c5
11. 0-0	Nc6
12. Qe2	0-0
13. Bb2	Rc8
14. Rad1	cxd4
15. exd4	Na5
16. Ne5	Bf6
17. f4	g6
18. c4	Bg7
19. d5!	

A pawn sacrifice to open lines and exploit Black's lack of development.

19. ...	exd5
20. f5!	d4
21. fxg6	fxg6



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22. Nxg6!	Re8
<i>On 22...hxg6 comes 23.Qe6 ch Kh8 24.Qxg6 and mate follows.</i>	
23. Qh5	Be4
24. Bxe4	Rxe4
25. Qf5	Resigns
<i>25...hxg6 26.Qxe4 wins an exchange, while 25...Qe8 26.Qd5 ch is decisive — 26...Qe6 27.Ne7 ch or 26...Re6 27.Nf4.</i>	

QUEEN'S INDIAN DEFENCE

R. HENLEY (USA)	R. MANINANG (Philippines)
1. d4	Nf6
2. c4	e6
3. Nf3	b6
4. a3	c5
5. d5	Ba6
6. Qc2	exd5
7. cxd5	Bb7
8. e4	Qe7?
<i>A dangerous-pawn grab.</i>	
9. Bd3	Nxd5
10. 0-0	Nc7
11. Bg5	f6
12. Bh4	Nc6
13. Nc3	0-0-0

It takes some time to get kingside castling arranged but the queenside is no haven.

14. Rfe1	g5
15. Nd5	Qg7
16. Bg3	d6
17. b4	Ne5
18. a4	h5
19. Bxe5	dxe5
20. a5	Nxd5
21. exd5	Kb8

After 21...Bxd5 22.axb6 axb6 White eliminates the vital defensive Black bishop by 23.Be4.

22. axb6	axb6
23. Be4	cx b4
24. Qa4	Bc5
25. Rec1	Qc7
26. d6!	Resigns

26...Qxd6 27.Qa7 ch mates while 26...Rxd6 allows the pretty queen sacrifice 27.Qa8 ch! Bxa8 28.Rxa8 checkmate. An incisive game from the world's newest grandmaster.

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