



PORIRUA HOSPITAL CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

The Centenary of Porirua Hospital will be held this year from April 22 to November 15, 1987.

The following functions are planned:

- April 22:** Official opening by his excellency the Governor-General. Opening of museum.
- May 6:** Opening of Arts programme.
- June 17:** Opening lecture/workshop of the Porirua Hospital Centennial Lecture Series. (Up to 10 lectures/workshops June to November.)
- Nov 13/14:** Staff reunion functions, including a centennial dinner. Dinner limited to 450 persons.
- Nov 15:** Ecumenical Service.

Everyone with past association with the hospital is most welcome to attend. Detailed registration forms are available from The Convenor, Centennial Committee, Porirua Hospital, Private Bag, Porirua.

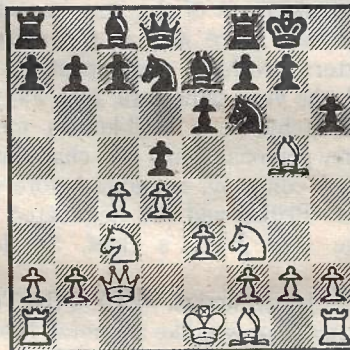
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Sweet revenge

by Murray Chandler

AT 23 Garri Kasparov seems to have it all. As world champion he is one of the Soviet Union's most famous sportsmen, money rolls in from chess computer endorsements — and he is playing better than ever. At his latest event in Brussels, one of the strongest tournaments yet held, he produced one of the most entertaining and original series of games I have seen in a single tournament. Final scores in this elite six-player double-round event were Kasparov 7½/10, Korchnoi (Switzerland) 5½, Hubner (West Germany) and Nunn (England) 5, Short (England) 4 and Portisch (Hungary) 3.

Here is one example that is so astonishing that I first dismissed the move as a typographical error while skimming through the tournament bulletins. However, grandmaster John Nunn, in whose living-room I was sitting at the time, assured me it had actually happened. It came from the game Kasparov v Lajos Portisch, round five, after the opening moves 1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 d5 4. Nc3 Be7 5. Bg5 0-0 6. e3 Nbd7 7. Qc2 h6.



Kasparov ignored the attack on his bishop to interpolate 8. cxd5! exd5 9. Bf4 with a big advantage to White. But could Portisch really not have captured with 8. ... h×g5? White could then continue 9. d×e6 f×e6 10. N×g5 Nb6 11. h4! and, remarkably, it seems the coming advance of the white h-pawn (h5-h6) gives a very strong attack.

It is unclear whether the entire credit for such opening ideas should go to Kasparov, as he travels with an entourage of hard-working seconds. They have already helped him to prepare for three world title clashes and the pre-game work they do together is intense — and deadly secret. During the last Karpov match Kasparov sacked one of his aides whom he claims was caught copying written analysis normally kept in a safe. Solitary Western grandmasters stand little chance against such an analytical team, and the world champion certainly knows what to do with a good position out of the opening.

In round four at Brussels Kasparov was sensationally beaten by Nigel Short after an accidental piece sacrifice by the 21-year-old Englishman reaped rewards. The advantage of a double-rounder, however, is that you get to play your opponents twice. Retribution resulted in perhaps the finest game in the tournament.

QUEEN'S GAMBIT DECLINED

KASPAROV	SHORT
1. d4	e6
2. Nf3	Nf6
3. c4	d5
4. Nc3	Be7
5. Bg5	h6
6. B×f6	B×f6
7. e3	0-0
8. Rc1	c6
9. Bd3	Nd7
10. 0-0	d×c4
11. B×c4	e5
12. h3	e×d4
13. e×d4	Nb6
14. Bb3	Bf5
15. Re1	Bg5

15. ... a5 16. a3 Re8 was Kasparov-Karpov, 22nd game Leningrad 1986. Short's idea (anticipating 16. N×g5 Q×g5) seems reasonable but he cannot have expected White's "un-developing" reply.

16. Ra1! Nd7
Or else White continues with the unpleasant 17. Ne5.

17. d5	Rc8
18. Nd4	Bg6
19. Ne6!	f×e6
20. d×e6	Kh7

Clearly Short must return the knight (20. ... Nc5 21. e7 discovered check would win Black's queen), but Black appears to have counterplay.

21. Q×d7	Qb6
22. e7!	Rfe8

If 22. ... Q×f2 ch 23. Kh1 Rfe8 24. Ne4 is very strong. Now Black threatens to surround the far-advanced pawn on e7.

23. Qg4	Qc5
24. Ne4!	Q×e7
25. Bc2	Rf8
26. g3!	Qd8

Although material is again equal, the brilliantly subtle manner in which Kasparov returned the pawn has left Black almost paralysed: 26. ... Bf5 27. Nd6! or 26. ... Kh8 27. N×g5 Q×g5 28. Q×g5 h×g5 29. B×g6.

27. Rad1	Qa5
28. h4	Be7
29. Nc3!	B×c2
30. R×e7	Rg8
31. Rdd7	Bf5

After 31. ... Bg6 32. Qd4, checkmate, as in the game, is inevitable.

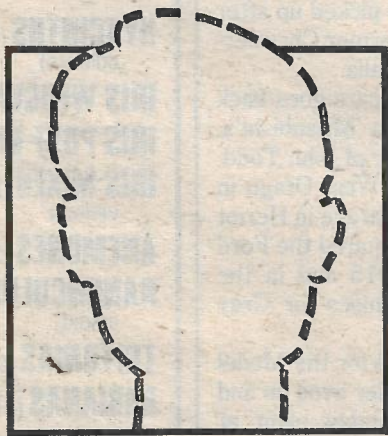
32. R×g7 ch	Kh8
33. Qd4	Resigns

This was the third of four losses in succession suffered by Short at the end of Brussels.



Anatoly Karpov (left) and Garri Kasparov on the top boards for the Soviet team at Dubai, 1986. Kasparov made the best individual performance of the Olympiad.

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