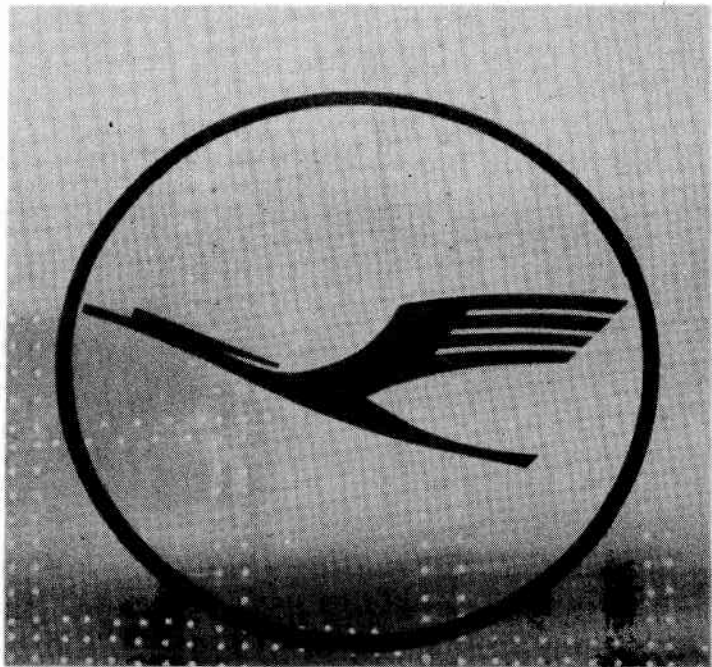


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## EDITORIAL ....

In retrospect 1977 has been an important year for "New Zealand Chess" .... if not for New Zealand chess! At the beginning of the year we were six months behind our publication dates and the reader could not be blamed for wondering whether the venture would end up on the scrap heap of previous New Zealand chess publications. Well, we caught up and the scrap heap has grown no bigger.

It still beckons, however, as the Association is still subsidising the magazine to a considerable extent. No doubt the Annual General Meeting in January will discuss the magazine's future.

Needless to say, we plan to continue at this stage .... which brings us to the painful subject of subscriptions. During 1977 there were several increases in production costs due, in great part, to rises in the cost of paper. Thus, we have been forced, albeit reluctantly, to increase the subscription rates for 1977 - these will be found on the inside front cover.

As regards this issue, it is a little late, but there was a good reason (we think) for this, namely the 2nd Philips Asian Chess Team Championship which did not finish until 27 November. First, my involvement in the organisation of this event caused a delay in producing this issue and, secondly, we thought it desirable to incorporate an account of the tournament. In mitigation of this circumstance, we have gone beyond the normal 24 pages!

Finally, we wish our readers every good wish for the festive season and a boomer year in 1978!



The 5th MARLBORO CHESS CLASSIC in the Philippines was won by GM Eugenio Torre with 10/13. Second was GM James Tarjan (USA) on 9½. Murray Chandler, playing in his most important event to date, scored 5½ points to share eighth place with Ardiansyah.

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The recent FIDE Central Committee Meeting in Caracas awarded/confirmed many new titles:

GM's (14): L.Alburt (USSR), J.Bolbochan (Arg), E.Canal (Peru), L.Christiansen (USA), R.Dzhindzhikhashvili (Isr), E.Ermenkov (Bul), T.Georgadze (USSR), A.Kochiev (USSR), B.Milic (Yugo), D.Rajkovic (Yugo), A.Rodriguez (Cuba), M.Steap (Eng), E.Sveshnikov (USSR) & C.Torre (Mex).

IM's (44!): I.Dorfman, V.Kupreichik, A.Mikhailchishin, S.Palatnik, A.Panchenko, M.S.Tseitlin, Y.Vatnikov, A.Yusupov, A.Zakharov (USSR), M.Diesen, E.Formanek, M.Rohde (USA), U.Bonsch (DDR), V.Bukal, S.Marjanovic, V.Rogulj (Yugo), M.Chandler (NZ), R.Debarnot (Arg), J.Eslon, K.Kaiszauri (Swed), J.Fraguela (Spain), L.Ftacnik, J.Trapl (Czech), J.Gonzales (Col), A.Haik, M.Todorovic (Fr), L.Hazai, G.Rajna (Hung), V.Inkirov (Bul), G.Lebredu, J.Nogueiras, J.L.Vilela (Cuba), H.Ligterink (Neth), A.J.Mestel, S.Webb (Eng), M.Pavlov, V.Stoica (Rum), Y.Rantanen (Fin), A.Segal (Braz), A.Sznepik, S.Witkowski (Pol), T.Wibe (Nor), H.Wirthensohn (Swit) & A.Zichichi (Italy).

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USSR FIRST LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP: Kuzmin won with 11½/17, followed by Tukmakov second, Gulko & Grigorian equal third.

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In the FINAL CANDIDATES MATCH Korchnoy was leading 3½:1½ after 5 games!

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# PHILIPS ASIAN TEAMS

AUCKLAND - 18/27 November

Unlike many such events held in overseas countries where a local club or regional association undertakes the organisation on behalf of the national body (e.g. the First Asian Teams held in Penang), this tournament was organised by the New Zealand Chess Association itself. New Zealand's hosting of this important event can be attributed to two factors: first, the desirability of all countries in Zone 10 contributing to the chess "life" of the region. This is the second FIDE tournament to be held in New Zealand, the first being the Zonal of 1966 - over ten years ago.

The second factor was the interest shown by Philips Electrical Industries of N.Z. in sponsoring a large chess event as part of their Golden Jubilee celebrations. Several ideas were mooted with the Asian Team Championship finally being decided upon after several meetings with Philips.

The original plans made provision for an eight-round event. With 19 countries eligible to compete a Swiss system event seemed most likely although it was realised that not all countries would wish to come so far. When the closing date for entries passed we had received ten entries but subsequently late entries were received from India and Iran and these were accepted. Thus we had 12 teams - not a very satisfactory number for an eight round Swiss. The alternative, however, of an eleven-round all-play-all meant extending the tournament for another three days and the budget would not permit this. A last minute appeal from Dr Lim Kok Ann, the Zone 10 President, following submissions from Australia and the Philippines, to have an eleven rounder without any rest days would have meant only a one day extension but, as arrangements were virtually completed, this was not feasible. At about the same time, i.e. a week before the tournament, Japan and Iran withdrew, leaving only ten teams. Naturally the schedule was changed to nine rounds at the expense of one of the two rest days - and everyone was happy.

## THE TEAMS

The pre-tournament favourite was the Philippines, winner of the first Asian Team Championship two years ago. The late withdrawal from their team of GM Rosendo Balinas, following a disastrous performance in the recent Manila international tournament, left a small question mark hanging over this favouritism.

Australia, runner-up in Penang, came with a team quite inexperienced internationally except, of course, for their number one, IM Robert Jamieson a winner over Torre at Haifa. Likewise Indonesia was expected to do well, its lack of more than a couple of name players balanced by its known strength in depth.

Our own team was perhaps the strongest we have ever fielded in an international event. New Zealand was the only team with two titled players and the only one in which all players had FIDE ratings.

The dark horse of the tournament seemed likely to be the People's Republic of China, playing in its first event outside China. Thus none of the Chinese players were rated but they had lost a series of matches against a visiting Philippino team in 1975 25:35 so quite clearly they would not be outclassed in Auckland.

India also was somewhat of an unknown quantity while Singapore lacked one or two of its regulars. Of the Papua-New Guinea team only three members turned up - nobody knows what happened to the other two!

## THE DRAW

Excepting the People's Republic of China, the strongest teams were all drawn in the top half with Philippines 1, New Zealand 2, Australia 3 and Indonesia 4. Unfortunately perhaps, this meant that these four would complete their own "mini round robin" in the first six rounds possibly relieving the tournament of any tension in the latter rounds. China, however, would meet the other four in the last four rounds,

starting with the Philippines.

## ROUND BY ROUND

Round 1 did little to confirm or deny any pre-tournament prophecies since the five most highly favoured teams each met weaker opposition. The Philippines, New Zealand, Indonesia and the People's Republic of China each won 4:0 against India, Papua-New Guinea, Thailand and Malaysia respectively while Australia, a little surprisingly, demolished Singapore 3½:½. The Papua-New Guinea top board had not arrived at the start of play and Sarapu, sans opponent, played 1 a3. The highlight of the round was Ardiansyah's bright finish involving a queen sacrifice.

Round 2 saw the Philippines playing the home team. GM Torre saddled Sarapu with isolated pawns galore and eventually broke through, winning in 64 moves. Newest IM Murray Chandler won a pawn from Mascarinas but could not convert it to a win in a protracted rook and opposite-coloured bishop ending. Small played a game he will want to speedily forget, allowing Bordonada an easy win while Garbett, after losing three pawns versus Maninang, found a beautiful swindle. In other matches China beat India 3:1, Thailand & Malaysia drew 2:2, Indonesia beat Singapore 2½:1½ and Australia scored 4:0 against Papua-New Guinea to take the lead with 7½/8. The game Hsu Hung-hsun v Ghosh from the China v India match produced a tragicomic finish after a number of sessions when Ghosh, with R + B versus Hsu's R, refused a draw offer .... and then LOST ON TIME one move before the fifth time control!

Round 3 was a good one for New Zealand winning 3½:½ over India. Our top two boards were rested so Vernon Small was on board one - he won in 26 moves when his opponent overlooked a mate-in-one! Garbett and Anderson also won. The Philippines put paid to Australia by winning 3½:½ with Mascarinas, who needs one more norm to gain his IM title, particularly impressive. On top board Torre reversed their Haifa result by beating Jamieson after the latter gave away pawns as though they were going out of fashion. The Chinese kept up their challenge by accounting for Thailand 3½:½ while Singapore beat neigh-

bour Malaysia 3:1 and Indonesia white-washed hapless Papua-New Guinea. Bill Puru essayed 1 a3 against Sampow but did not meet with Sarapu's success.

Round 4: The Philippines continued impressively by bowling co-leader Indonesia 3:1. Torre took command of the white squares in an English, winning without any fuss in 47 moves. Ardiansyah gained Indonesia's point with a nice win on board 2. On the home front things did not go so well; on first board Jamieson recovered from his loss to Torre to beat Sarapu in 40 moves. In the other three games New Zealand had the advantage at some stage but only Chandler could take the full point - Small lost and Anderson drew. In other matches India drew 2:2 with Thailand, Malaysia won 3½:½ versus Papua-New Guinea and the People's Republic of China was held to 2½:1½ by Singapore.

Scores: Philippines 13½, China 13, Indonesia 11½, Australia 10½, New Zealand 10.

Round 5 saw the two leaders score 4:0 wins, the Philippines against Malaysia and China at the expense of Papua-New Guinea. These two had now opened up a gap ahead of the rest of the field but China had much the harder draw in the remaining four rounds. The next three teams maintained their positions with Indonesia and New Zealand halving their match while Australia scored a narrow 2½:1½ victory over India. In the other match Singapore beat Thailand 2½:1½.

Scores: Philippines 17½, China 17, Indonesia 13½, Australia 13, New Zealand 12, Singapore 9, Malaysia 6½, Thailand 6, India 5, Papua-New Guinea ½.

Round 6: The two leaders met with the Philippines taking the match 2½:1½ thus virtually ensuring their ultimate victory. On top board Chi's combination lost two pieces for a rook but his active rooks were a match for Torre's R + B + N and a draw resulted. Another good day for New Zealand - a 4:0 win over Malaysia. Of mixed blessings was the Indonesian 3½:½ victory over Australia; it meant that Indonesia stayed a point ahead of New Zealand, although Australia had now dropped 2½ points behind. India adjourned leading 2:0 but Singapore won the two adjourned games to tie the match while Thailand won 4:0 in the other match.

Scores: Philippines 20, China 18½, Indonesia 17, New Zealand 16, Australia 13½, Singapore 11.

**Round 7:** The Philippines beat Thailand 4:0 and were obviously not going to be headed so the interest switched to the fight for the minor placings. China won 3:1 against New Zealand - an unfortunate result as Sarapu played very well before ruining his position in the endgame while Anderson contrived to lose an endgame from a position in which he was a pawn up. Small sacrificed a piece to gain two connected passed pawns on the queenside but eventually Chen returned the material leaving a hopelessly drawn position. Garbett emerged from complications a pawn in arrears but drew after a painstaking defence. Indonesia strengthened its claims to a high place with a 2½:1½ win over India and Australia overtook New Zealand again after its 4:0 victory over Malaysia. It was Singapore's turn to wallop Papua-New Guinea.

Scores: Philippines 24, China 21½, Indonesia 19½, Australia 17½, New Zealand 17, Singapore 15.

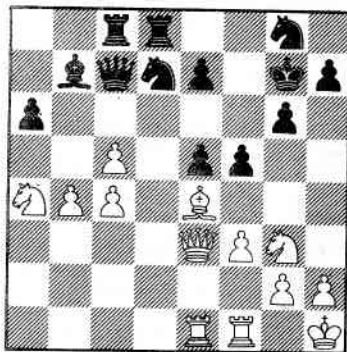
**Round 8:** The fight for the minor placings intensified as Australia held China to a 2:2 tie and Indonesia dropped a point against Malaysia, scoreless for the last three rounds. New Zealand scored a comfortable 3½:½ win against Thailand. Sarapu, Chandler and Small all won but Garbett conceded a draw when careless play allowed Rasmussen a powerful attack. In the other matches Philippines beat Singapore 3:1 (Torre drawing with Lim Seng Hoo) and India beat Papua-New Guinea 3½:½.

Scores: Philippines 27, China 23½, Indonesia 22½, New Zealand 20½, Australia 19½, Singapore 16, India 12, Thailand 10½, Malaysia 7½, Papua-New Guinea 1.

**Round 9:** New Zealand still had a chance for third place if it could beat Singapore convincingly and if Indonesia lost to China. The second condition was fulfilled as Indonesia went down 1:3 to the Chinese but New Zealand lost 1½:2½ to Singapore where a 3:1 victory was required. Again material advantages were squandered with Small winning two pawns then losing the exchange and finally drawing while Anderson, the exchange up, overlooked the winning move and lost instead. These two results

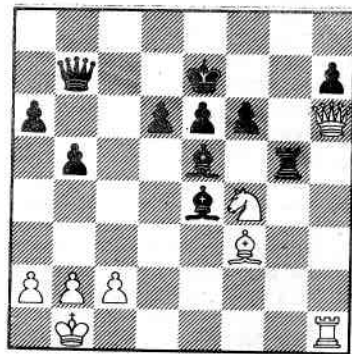
made the difference between third place and fifth because Australia beat Thailand to move a half point ahead. The Philippines beat Papua-New Guinea 3½:½ with only one game actually played as the other two Papua-New Guinea players had gone home early. Alistair Pope drew that one game against Mascarinas! In the other match India defeated Malaysia 3½:½.

A selection of games and positions:  
Ardiansyah (Indo)-P.Sinprayoon (Thai):



Ardiansyah finished strongly: 24 Bxf5 gxf5 25 Qg5+ Kf8 26 Nxf5 Ndf6 27 Qg7+ Ke8 28 Nb6 a5?! 29 Qg3! e4 30 Qg5 axb4 31 fxe4 Qc6 (31...e6 was the only way to prolong the game) 32 Qxg8+!, 1 : 0. White mates next move.

P.Garbett (N.Z.)-R.Maninang (Phil):



31 Ng6+!! Rxg6 (31...hxg6 allows mate in 2 and 31...Bxg6 loses the queen while 31...Kd7 32 Qxh7+ Kc8 33 Qg8+ Kc7 34 Rh7+ also wins for White) 32 Qxh7+ Kf8 33 Qxg6 Bxg6 34 Bxb7, drawn in 67.

M.Hasan (India)-Chi Ching-hsuan (China), Queen's Indian Defence: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 g3 Bb7 5 Bg2 Be7 6 0-0 0-0 7 b3 c5 8 Bb2 cxd4 9 Na3 d6 10 Bxd4 a6 11 Bb2 Nbd7 12 Rcl Qb8 13 e3 b5 14 Nd4 b4 15 Nac2 Rc8 16 f3 a5 17 e4 d5 18 exd5 exd5 19 Ne3 Bf8 20 cxd5 Nxd5 21 Nxd5 Bxd5 22 Rxc8 Qxc8 23 Nf5 Be6 24 Nd4 Bd5 25 Nf5 Qc5+ 26 Bd4 Bxb3 27 axb3 Qxf5 28 f4 Rc8 29 Re1 Bc5 30 Kh1 Bxd4 31 Qxd4 Nf6 32 Bb7 Qc5 33 Qe5 Qxe5 34 Rxe5 Rcl+ 35 Kg2 Rc2+ 36 Kg1 Rc3 37 Rxa5 g6 38 Kg2 Rxb3 39 Rb5 Kg7 40 Bf3 h5 41 h3 Ne8 42 g4 Nc7 43 Rb7 Ne6 44 f5 gxf5 45 gxh5 Nf4+ 46 Kf2 Nhx3+ 47 Kg2 Nf4+ 48 Kf2 Nd3+ 49 Ke2 Nc5 50 Rb8 f4 51 Bd5 Re3+ 52 Kf1 Rd3 53 Bc4 Rd4 54 Rxb4 Ne4 55 Ke2 Ng3+ 56 Kf3 Nf5 57 Ra4 Nd6 58 h6+ Kh7 59 Bb3 Rd3+ 60 Kxf4 Rxb3 61 Ke5 Ne8, 0 : 1.

R.Ravi Sekhar (India)-Chang Tung-lo (China), Queen's Gambit: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 d5 4 Nc3 c6 5 Bg5 Be7 6 e3 Nbd7 7 cxd5 exd5 8 Bd3 h6 9 Bh4 0-0 10 Qc2 Re8 11 0-0 Ne4 12 Bxe7 Qxe7 13 Rb1 b6 14 b4 Bb7 15 Ne2 Nd6 16 Ng3 b5 17 a4 Nb6 18 a5 Nbc4 19 Rbel Bc8 20 e4 dxe4 21 Nxe4 Be2 22 Nc5 Qf6 23 Nxe6 Rxe6 24 Rxe6 Qxe6 25 Re1 Qf6 26 Qe2 Kf8 27 Ne5 Qg5 28 f4 Qh4 29 g3 Qh3 30 Qf3 Rc8 31 Nxc6 a6 32 Qd5 Qd7 33 Ne5 Qa7 34 Bxc4 Nxc4 35 Nd7+ Kg8 36 Re7 Nd6 37 Nf6+, 1 : 0.

B.Anderson (N.Z.)-S.Nasir Ali (India), Ruy Lopez: 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 d6 5 0-0 Nf6 6 c3 Be7 7 Re1 0-0 8 h3 b5 9 Bc2 Nb8 10 d4 Nb d 7 11 Nbd2 Re8 12 a4 Bb7 13 Nf1 Bf8 14 Ng3 d5 15 dxe5 Nxe4 16 Bf4 Ndc5 17 axb5 axb5 18 Rxa8 Qxa8 19 Nd4 Ne6 20 Nxe4 dxe4 21 Nxe6 Rxe6 22 Bb3 Re7 23 Kh2 h6 24 Qg4 c5 25 Re3 c4 26 Bc2 Re6 27 Bg3 Qa2 28 Bxe4 Bxe4 29 Qxe4 Qxb2 30 f4 Bc5 31 f5 Bxe3 32 fxe6 Qc1 33 Qxe3 Qxe3 34 e7 f5 35 e8Q+ Kh7 36 Qf7, 1 : 0.

Tan B.H.(Mal)-Lim S.H.(Sing), Benoni: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 e6 4 Nc3 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 e4 g6 7 Nf3 Bg7 8 Be2 0-0 9 0-0 Na6 10 Nd2 Re8 11 Rb1 Bd7 12 Re1 Rb8 13 Bxa6 bxa6 14 a4 Rb4 15 Qc2 Ng4 16 Nf3 f5 17 Bg5 Qb8 18 b3 fxe4 19 Nxe4 Bf5 20 Nfd2 Bd4 21 Bh4 Kg7 22 Qd1 Bxe4 23 Rxe4 Nxf2 24 Bxf2 Bxf2+ 25 Kxf2 Rbxe4 26 Nxe4 Rxe4 27 Qc2 Qb4 28 Rd1 Rf4+ 29 Kgl a5 30 Rd2 Qe4 31 Qxe4 Rxe4 32 Kf2 Kf6 33 Kf3 Ke5 34 g3 h5 35 h4 a6 36 Rg2 Rb4, 0 : 1.

E.Torre (Phil)-S.Sitanggang (Indo), English: 1 c4 c5 2 g3 g6 3 Bg2 Bg7 4 Nc3 Nc6 5 Nf3 e6 6 0-0 Nge7 7 d3 0-0 8 Be3 d6 9 Qcl Nf5 10 Bg5 f6 11 Bd2 e5 12 Rb1 g5 13 a3 a5 14 Qd1 Nfe7 15 Ne1 Bg4 16 Nc2 Qd7 17 Re1 Bh3 18 Bh1 h6 19 b4 axb4 20 axb4 f5 21 bxc5 dxc5 22 Ne3 f4 23 Ned5 Nxd5 24 Bxd5+ Kh8 25 Ne4 Qe7 26 Bc3 Bf5 27 Qb3 Bxe4 28 Bxe4 Nd8 29 Ral Rxa1 30 Rxa1 fxc3 31 hxg3 Qf6 32 Be1 h5 33 f3 g4 34 Bf2 Ne6 35 Qxb7 h4 36 Ra8 hxg3 37 Rxf8+ Qxf8 38 Bxg3 gxf3 39 Bxf3 Nf4 40 Kf2 Bf6 41 Be4 Bg7 42 Ke1 Qd8 43 Qf7 Qa5+ 44 Kf2 Qd8 45 Bxf4 exf4 46 Qh5+ Kg8 47 Bd5+, 1 : 0.

Ardiansyah (Indo)-R.Mascarinas (Phil), Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 Nc6 6 Be2 g6 7 Be3 Bg7 8 f3 0-0 9 Qd2 Nxd4 10 Bxd4 Be6 11 0-0 Qa5 12 Kbl Rfc8 13 a3 Ne8 14 g4 Rc6 15 h4 Bxd4 16 Qxd4 Rac8 17 h5 Qe5 18 hxg6 hxg6 19 f4 Qxd4 20 Rxd4 Bc4 21 Rd2 e6 22 f5 Bxe2 23 Rxe2 Nf6 24 Nb5 Rb6 25 Nxd6 Rcc6 26 Reh2 exf5 27 e5 Kg7 28 gxf5 Rxd6 29 exd6 Rxd6 30 fxc6 fxc6 31 Re2 Rd7 32 Rgl Nh5 33 Reg2 Rd6 34 Rg4 Kf7 35 Kcl Ng7 36 Rd1 Re6 37 Rd7+ Kf6 38 Rxb7, 1 : 0.

R.Jamieson (Aust)-R.Ravi Sekhar (India), Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 c3 Nf6 3 e5 Nd5 4 d4 cxd4 5 Qxd4 e6 6 Nf3 Nc6 7 Qe4 d6 8 Nbd2 Be7 9 Nc4 dxe5 10 Ncxe5 Nxe5 11 Nxe5 0-0 12 Bd3 Nf6 13 Qe2 Qc7 14 0-0 b6 15 Bf4 Bd6 16 Bg3 Bb7 17 f4 Rad8 18 Rael Rfe8 19 Bh4 Be7 20 Kh1 g6 21 Bb5 Rf8 22 Bg5 Kg7 23 Qe3 Ng8 24 Bxe7 Nxe7 25 Bd3 Nd5 26 Qg3 Nf6 27 Re3 Nd5 28 Re2 Nf6 29 Qh4 Qe7 30 f5 exf5 31 Bxf5 Qd6 32 Bc2 Rde8 33 Rfel Re6 34 Bb3 R6e8 35 Nxf7 Rxf7 36 Rxe8 Nxe8 37 Bxf7 Nf6 38 Bb3, 1 : 0.

M.Chandler (N.Z.)-Ardiansyah (Indo), Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bg5 Nbd7 7 Bc4 e6 8 0-0 Qa5 9 Qd2 b5 10 Bd5 exd5 11 exd5 Ne5 12 f4 Nc4 13 Qe2+ Kd7 14 Rfel Kc7 15 Bxf6 gxf6 16 Qe8 Qb6 17 Nce2 Bd7 18 Qxf7 Re8 19 Kh1 Re7 20 Qxf6 Rg8 21 b3 Ne3 22 c4 Ng4 23 Qh4 Rxe2 24 Rxe2 Qxd4 25 Rael Qxf4 26 cxb5 axb5 27 Rc2+ Kb7 28 Recl Be7 29 Qxb7 Rf8 30 Rgl Rf7 31 Qh8 Bf5 32 Rb2 Bh7, 0 : 1.

G.Bordonada (Phil)-C.Hon (Mal), Modern: 1 e4 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 c3 d6 4 f4 c6 5 Nf3 Bg4 6 h3 Bxf3 7 Qxf3 e6 8 Bd3 f5 9 0-0 d5 10 exf5 exf5 11 Re1+ Ne7 12 Qe2 Nd7 13 g4 fxc4 14 f5 Bf6 15 fxc6

hxg6 16 Qxg4 Kf7 17 Nd2 Rh4 18 Qe6+  
Kg7 19 Nf3 Nf8 20 Qxf6+ Kxf6 21 Bg5+  
Kf7 22 Bxe7 Qc7 23 Bxb4 Qf4 24 Re7+  
Kg8 25 Kg2 b5 26 Rael a5 27 Bb7 b4,  
1 : 0.

E.Torre (Phil)-Chi Ching-hsuan (China),  
English: 1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4  
Qxd4 Nc6 5 Qd2 g6 6 b3 Bh6 7 e3 Nf6  
8 Bb2 0-0 9 Nf3 Bg7 10 Be2 Bg4 11 h3  
Bxf3 12 Bxf3 Qe7 13 0-0 Rad8 14 g3  
Nb8 15 Qd4 c6 16 Qxa7 Nfd7 17 Rad1  
Ne5 18 Be2 Na6 19 Kg2 Nc5 20 Qa3 Ra8  
21 Qb4 Rfd8 22 Na4 Ned3 23 Rxd3 Nxd3  
24 Bxd3 Bxb2 25 Nxb2 Rxa2 26 Qc3 Qe5  
27 Nd1 Rda8 28 Qxe5 dxe5 29 c5 R8a5  
30 Nc3 R2a3 31 Bc4 Rxc5 32 Ne4 Rca5  
33 Rcl b5 34 Bfl Rxb3 35 Rxc6 f5 36  
Nc5 Rc3 37 Rc8+ Kf7 38 Rc7+ Kg8 39  
Rc8+ Kf7 40 Rc7+ Kg8, ½ : ½.

Hsu Hung-hsun (China)-L.Chiong (Phil),  
King's Indian Defence: 1 c4 Nf6 2 Nc3  
g6 3 d4 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 f3 0-0 6 Be3  
Nbd7 7 Qd2 e5 8 d5 a6 9 g4 Ne8 10  
h4 f5 11 Bg5 Ndf6 12 gxf5 gxf5 13 h5  
Rf7 14 h6 Bf8 15 Bh3 Be7 16 Qg2 Kh8  
17 Bd2 Nh5 18 Nge2 Nf4 19 Nxf4 exf4  
20 0-0-0 fxe4 21 Nxe4 Nf6 22 Ng5 Qg8  
23 Be6 Bxe6 24 dxe6 Rf8 25 Bc3 b5 26  
Rhg1 b4 27 Bxb4 Nh5 28 Nf7+ Rxf7 29  
Qxg8+ Rxg8 30 exf7 Rf8 31 Rdel, 1 : 0.

R.Jamieson (Aust)-Ardiansyah (Indo),  
Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 c3 d5 3 exd5 Qxd5  
4 d4 Nc6 5 Nf3 cxd4 6 cxd4 Bg4 7 Nc3  
Qa5 8 d5 0-0-0 9 Bd2 Nb4 10 Rcl Kb8  
11 h3 Bxf3 12 Qxf3 e5 13 Qxf7 Nh6 14  
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27 Qc3 Bb6 28 a4 Nc5 29 Nxc5 Bc7 30  
g3 Rxg3 31 Rf6 Qxc5 32 Qd4 Rdg8 33  
Rxb6 Qxd4, 0 : 1.

C.Hon (Mal)-A.Prods (Aust), Sicilian:  
1 e4 c5 2 g3 Nc6 3 Bg2 g6 4 d3 Bg7 5  
f4 d6 6 c3 Nf6 7 Nf3 0-0 8 0-0 Rb8 9  
a4 a6 10 Nbd2 b5 11 axb5 axb5 12 Nh4  
Qc7 13 Kh1 b4 14 c4 Bd7 15 f5 Ra8 16  
Rxa8 Rxa8 17 g4 Be8 18 g5 Nd7 19 Ndf3  
Ra2 20 Qe2 Qa7 21 Bh3 Bd4 22 fxg6  
hxg6 23 Nxd4 Nxd4 24 Qf2 Ne5 25 Qe3  
Qa4 26 Ng2 Qc2 27 Ne1 Qe2 28 Qf4 Ral  
29 Bd2 Rd1 30 Rf2 Rxe1+ 31 Bxel Qxel+  
32 Rf1 Qe2 33 Ral Nxd3 34 Qh4 Nf3,  
0 : 1.

Chi Ching-hsuan (China)-O.Sarapu (N.Z.),  
French: 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Nf6 4  
Bg5 dxe4 5 Nxe4 Nbd7 6 Nf3 Be7 7 Nxf6+  
Bxf6 8 Bxf6 Qxf6 9 Qd2 c5 10 0-0-0

cxnd4 11 Nxd4 0-0 12 Bc4 Nb6 13 Bb3  
e5 14 Nb5 Bd7 15 Nd6 Bc6 16 f3 Rad8  
17 Qb4 Qe7 18 a3 Rd7 19 Rhal g6 20 f4  
e4 21 Nxe4 Qxb4 22 axb4 Rxd1+ 23 Kxd1  
Rd8+ 24 Kcl Rd4 25 Nf6+ Kg7 26 Ne8+  
Kf8 27 c3 Rxf4 28 g3 Rf2 29 Nd6 Rxh2  
30 Nxf7 Rh1 31 Rxh1 Bxh1 32 Kd2 Ke7  
33 Ng5 h6 34 Nh3 Kf6 35 Ke3 Ke5 36  
Nf2 Nd5+ 37 Ke2 Bg2 38 Ng4+ Kd6 39  
Nxb6 Nf6 40 Nf7+ Ke7 41 Ne5 g5 42 Ke3  
Nh5 43 Kf2 Be4 44 Bd1 Nf6 45 Ke3 Ke6  
46 Ng4 Nxb4+ 47 Bxg4+ Ke5 48 Bf3 Bxf3  
49 Kxf3, 1 : 0.

V.Small (N.Z.)-Chen Te (China), Alekhine  
Defence: 1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4  
Nf3 Bg4 5 Be2 e6 6 0-0 Be7 7 c4 Nb6  
8 Nc3 0-0 9 Be3 d5 10 c5 Bxf3 11 gxf3  
N6d7 12 f4 f5 13 Kh1 Kh8 14 Qd2 b6  
15 b4 Rg8 16 Bh5 g6 17 Bf3 c6 18 Be2  
a5 19 a3 b5 20 a4 axb4 21 Nxb5 cxb5  
22 axb5 Rxa1 23 Rxa1 g5 24 fxg5 Bxg5  
25 f4 Bh6 26 Qxb4 Qh4 27 Qel Qd8 28  
Qd2 Nf8 29 c6 Ng6 30 Rcl Rg7 31 Qb4  
Rc7 32 Qd2 Qc8 33 Rc 2 Ne7 34 Qcl  
Nbx6 35 bxc6 Rxc6 36 Rxc6 Qxc6 37  
Qxc6 Nxc6 38 Bb5 Nd8 39 Kg2 Kg7 40  
Kf3 Kf7 41 Bd2 Bf8 42 Ba5, ½ : ½.

M.Kavakul (Thai)-M.Chandler (N.Z.),  
Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4  
4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 e5 6 Ndb5 d6 7 a4  
Be6 8 Bg5 a6 9 Bxf6 gxf6 10 Na3 f5  
11 exf5 Bxf5 12 Nc4 Nb4 13 Ne3 Be6 14  
Qh5 Qc7 15 0-0-0 0-0 16 Ng4 d5 17  
Rd2 f5 18 Nh6 d4 19 Nb1 Na2+ 20 Kd1  
Bb4 21 Rd3 e4 22 Rg3 Qf4, 0 : 1.

C.Hon (Mal)-J.S.Sampow (Indo), Ruy  
Lopez: 1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4  
Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 b5 6 Bb3 Be7 7 Re1 0-0  
8 c3 d5 9 exd5 Nxd5 10 Nxe5 Nxe5 11  
Rxe5 c6 12 d4 Bd6 13 Re1 Qh4 14 g3  
Qh3 15 Qd3 Bf5 16 Qf1 Qh5 17 Bc3 Rae8  
18 Nd2 Re6 19 Bd1 Qg6 20 Qg2 Rfe8 21  
Nf1 Bd3 22 Be2 Bxe2 23 Rxe2 f5 24  
Reel f4 25 Bd2 Qd3 26 Qh3 fxg3 27  
hxg3 Nf4 28 Qg4 h5 29 Qh4 Ne2+ 30 Kg2  
g6 31 Be3 Be7 32 Qh3 Bd6 33 Rad1 Qc4  
34 Rd2 Qd5+ 35 Kh2 h4 36 Rdxe2 hxg3+  
37 Nxb3 R8e7 38 Qg2 Qxa2 39 Kgl Qc4  
40 Nf5 Rh7 41 Nxd6 Rxd6 42 Bf4 Rd8 43  
Re8+ Rxe8 44 Rxe8+ Kf7 45 Qe4, 1 : 0.

A.Pope (PNG)-R.Mascarinas (Phil), Sicili-  
an: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4  
Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 Bc4 e6 7 0-0 Be7 8  
Be3 0-0 9 Kh1 Bd7 10 f3 a6 11 a3 Qc7  
12 Nxc6 Bxc6 13 Bb3 b5 14 Ne2 d5 15  
exd5 Nxd5 16 Bf2 Rfd8 17 Qel Nb6 18  
Bg3 Qb7 19 Be5 Bd5 20 Nf4 Bxb3 21 cxb3  
f6 22 Nxe6 fxe5 23 Qxe5 Bf6 24 Nxd8  
Rxd8 25 Qe6+ Kf8 26 Rfel Qb8, ½ : ½.

2nd Asian Team Championship:		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
1	PHILIPPINES	xx	2½	3	3½	3	3	4	4	4	3½	30½
2	PEOPLE'S REP. OF CHINA	1½	xx	3	2	3	2½	3	3½	4	4	26½
3	INDONESIA	1	1	xx	3½	2	2½	2½	4	3	4	23½
4	AUSTRALIA	½	2	½	xx	2½	3½	2½	3	4	4	22½
5	NEW ZEALAND	1	1	2	1½	xx	1½	3½	3½	4	4	22
6	SINGAPORE	1	1½	1½	½	2½	xx	2	2½	3	4	18½
7	INDIA	0	1	1½	1½	½	2	xx	2	3½	3½	15½
8	THAILAND	0	½	0	1	½	1½	2	xx	2	4	11½
9	MALAYSIA	0	0	1	0	0	1	½	2	xx	3½	8
10	PAPUA - NEW GUINEA	½	0	0	0	0	0	½	0	½	xx	1½

#### BEST RESULTS:

		W	D	L	Pts	%
Board 1:	1 Eugenio Torre (Philippines)	5	2	-	6	85.71
	2 Chi Ching-hsuan (China)	6	3	-	7½	83.33
	3 Robert Jamieson (Australia)	5	1	2	5½	68.75
Board 2:	1 Ardiansyah (Indonesia)	6	1	1	6½	81.25
	2 Chen Te (China)	6	2	1	7	77.78
	3 Rico Mascarinas (Philippines)	5	2	1	6	75.00
Board 3:	1 Glenn Bordonada (Philippines)	6	1	-	6½	92.86
	2 Arvids Prods (Australia)	6	1	1	6½	81.25
	3 Vernon Small (New Zealand)	3	2	2	4	57.14
Board 4:	1 Rafaelito Maninang (Philippines)	5	2	-	6	85.71
	2 Paul Garbett (New Zealand)	4	3	-	5½	78.57
	3 Hsu Hung-hsun (China)	3	3	1	4½	64.29
Board 5:	1 Li Chung-tsieng (China)	3	1	-	3½	87.50
	2 Herman Kusunadi (Indonesia)	5	-	1	5	83.33
	3 Luis Chiong (Philippines)	3	-	1	3	75.00
Board 6:	1 Bing Sarjono (Indonesia)	4	2	-	5	83.33
	2 N. Ghalib (India)	3	2	1	4	66.67
	3 Ewen Green (New Zealand)	1	2	-	2	66.67



## KAI JENSEN AT THE WORLD JUNIOR

And so, at last, I set off for a taste of the big chess world - the 1977 World Junior Championship at Innsbruck. There is something special about such a tournament, a kind of glamour that makes it worth the headaches of fund raising and preparations had left me with just enough money to cover air fares and the cost of three weeks' sightseeing in Europe after the competition finished. I took the cheapest route available, a one stop excursion fare to Zürich via Singapore. A night in a Zürich youth hostel, six hours on a train, and I stepped on to the platform of Innsbruck Hauptbahnhof.

Innsbruck is a tourist town, hence

very expensive. All the players in the tournament were fortunately bedded down and fed for nothing. Accommodation was a very modern youth hostel built for the winter Olympics a few years ago. The hostel was about two miles from the Innsbruck Kongresshaus where the tournament was held. This meant a 10 minute bus trip and a fair amount of walking before and after each round. This was players' grumble no. 1.

Grumble no. 2 was the food. This was indeed pretty bad, so bad in fact that at the closing ceremony Kouatly, the young Lebanese IM, felt compelled to mention it to the organisers ("so that you won't make the same mistake next year") in a roundly applauded speech.

Austria is also hosting the 1978 World Junior. All players took a solemn oath to warn their countrymen: when you go to Innsbruck, don't eat at the Stiftskeller Restaurant!

I had allowed myself plenty of time to recover from jet-lag before the tournament began and spent a day watching a tennis tournament taking place across the road from the hostel. My room-mate for the duration was the Aussie representative, Colin Morris. In those first, lazy anticipatory days we invented a new game: spot the Russians. This involved a lively whispered debate over which people in the hostel and neighbouring streets and cafes looked most like a Russian *wunderkind* and his grandmaster second. To our great surprise, one likely looking couple actually turned out to be Artur Jusupov and his second IM Dvoretzky.

Finally the waiting came to an end. One morning we got up to take part in the drawing of numbers and distribution of pocket money (about \$2.50 a day). That afternoon we sidled up to the Kongresshaus ready to do battle. A word for the Kongresshaus: a huge building, modern, slate floors with marble strips; marble staircases. Unfortunately this heavenly place was inhabited by an indeterminate number of fierce, non-English speaking guards in red and black uniforms who seemed to think their principle duty was to keep chessplayers waiting outside until 20 minutes before each round began. This was players' grumble no. 3. To evade the guards, we had each day to find new entrances; through the construction work in one part of the building; through the art exhibition above. First prize for courage went to the pair of players who simply walked in through the main entrance and firmly ignored half a dozen guards shouting at them in German. By this time the atmosphere should be starting to emerge. It was not a strictly satisfactory playing environment, but the disadvantages were taken cheerfully.

On that first afternoon I was astonished, dumfounded and flabbergasted to find Murray Chandler sitting on a suitcase outside the Kongresshaus along with a young Philippino who laboured under the name of Andronicus Yap. Murray and Andronicus had left the Philippines less than two days before, after a last minute

decision that Murray would compete in Innsbruck as Asian Junior Champion. But this tiring trip had taken a lot out of the pair. With his usual pessimism Murray told me he had given everything he had to the just-finished Asian Junior and it was too soon for him to play well again. Not everyone at the tournament was completely happy about this last minute addition of a second New Zealand player, I might add. I personally was glad of the company! (*This decision was ratified at Caracas - also the American and European Junior champions will in future gain entry to the World Junior, Editor*).

Now, before I go into a narrative of my round by round progress, I must explain something. Murray expressly asked me to mention him as little as possible in this account. This was not a happy tournament for him - he fell sick halfway through and lost several games.

It was not a very exciting tournament, incidentally. The Russian, Jusupov, played safe, precise positional chess. No-one else was steady enough to keep up with him.

In my first game I drew the impressive Swedish player, Cramling. I had White and we played into the 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 line of the Sicilian. I tried an unclear pawn sac and he unwisely declined it. This gave me the time and development I needed to crack open the centre and win a pawn. I then missed an opportunity to tie him down completely and the game suddenly became very complex. We both got into serious time trouble and I managed to win a piece and the game.

This was all very encouraging, but the next day my budding hopes fell flat. I had black against Yap; this 16-year-old turned out to be a demon tactician. In a Velimirovic Sozin Sicilian he pressured me until I reluctantly had to part with a pawn. This didn't mean that much but unfortunately I then committed a grievous blunder and lost.

The next day I was white once more, this time against the Chilean, Salazar. I played the ambitious and double edged "Beach" attack (1 e4 c5 2 b3) but the tricky devil found a useful transposition of moves into a type of position he was familiar with but I wasn't. I was over-ambitious, played to win two

dubious pieces for a rook and two pawns. What I overlooked was that after the exchanges my king wandered into a mating net. Things were now beginning to look serious. I had set a pre-tournament target of 50% and it seemed to be receding before me. The next day, I resolved, I would win.

Unfortunately, losing games in this tournament didn't throw you among the rabbits. Quite the contrary: the fewer points you had, the stronger the opposition, or so it seemed. I drew the powerful West German, Weidemann. The opening went well for me; against my Sicilian he played 2 c3 and I equalised easily enough. But then something went wrong; perhaps I should not have refused an offer to exchange queens. Now suddenly I was on the defensive and he began planting rooks and queens and things on tender squares in my position. It was looking lost when I blundered shockingly, a near obscene error that left me feeling a bit stunned. Only 1 point from the first four rounds.

In round 5 I drew yet another strong player, the Italian, Coppini. This was one bunny-bouncer, however, who was not in top form. Against me he played a Modern Defence with a7-a6 and b7-b6 thrown in for good measure. It didn't work; in fact, once I found the right two moves, his set-up crumbled like over-ripe cheese. 1-0, 17 moves.

The next day I drew the Welsh representative, Manny Rayner, a good friend of Murray's. As a change from the Sicilian, I ventured the black side of a Siesta Ruy Lopez. Unfortunately, Mr Rayner turned out to be one of the most thoroughly booked up young men I have ever played against. He obtained an advantage which got steadily larger until it became a pawn. At this point I worked hard to build up some sort of an attack, but was beaten back down. With a long tortuous defeat staring me in the face, I abruptly blundered again worse, if possible, than before. Now, with only two points from six rounds, things were looking black. The only bright side was that my blunders seemed to be coming in already lost positions!

With such a bad score, do I get a bunny? Of course not! Round 7 saw me facing the British ace David Goodman, brother-in-law to GM Raymond Keene who

was there as his second. But now at last I seemed to be recovering something like form. Goodman played his customary Modern and transposed into the Pirc when I played the Classical. Now he committed a slight inaccuracy and let me push him back a little; even when various pairs of pieces came off he stayed cramped. On move 26, faced with a time shortage and no clear winning line, I offered a draw and he happily accepted. Afterwards Keene tried to show me how I could have won but David persistently found defences.

In round 8 I participated in the making of a tournament legend, the Disappearing Norwegian. I was scheduled to play Knudsen, the moody representative of Norway. He had lost a grinding game the day before to Thipsay of India. Today he did not show. All his baggage was still in his room, it turned out, but he had withdrawn his passport from the hostel office. He never came back. Maybe he went home, but other darker theories were formulated. Some said he had fallen into the Inn River and was even now being neatly *dechire* by the rocks at the bottom. Others thought he had been inveigled into the kitchens of the Stiftskeller Restaurant and foully done to death to save on the meat bills. Whatever had happened, it certainly made a fine talking point. Not to mention a point on my score card.

Round 9 saw me blunder once again, most aggravatingly. My opponent was the Polish player Stempin who played the English; we gradually reached a very closed position where he held a slight advantage. I thought it was drawn, but he decided to play on. His last move before adjournment was 40 Qa1 threatening to penetrate on the a-file with check winning at least a piece. I had to play 40...Qb8 to counter it, with a long hard struggle ahead; instead, in the haste of reaching the control, I pushed wood on the opposite side of the board. Suicide. I did not know it at the time, but this was to be my last loss. Right here, needing 3/4 to reach 50%, I didn't seem to have much hope.

My tenth opponent was probably my weakest of the tournament: Marcel of France. He played a Sicilian and I replied with my old favourite the Closed Variation. The rule in this system is: Black is safe enough, provided he defends his kingside

before he starts attacking on the other wing. Marcel didn't seem to know this and went haring off with his queenside pawns. A sudden break in the centre left him irretrievably weak on the black squares and unable to castle; three moves later he blundered his queen!

Round 11 brought me black against Bernat from Argentina. This was unquestionably my best game of the tournament. The opening was a King's Indian type English - very similar to my Closed Sicilian of the previous round, only reversed. I am convinced that Black stands better in this type of position since, unlike White in the Sicilian, he is not under the impression that he is attacking, and hence takes steps to defend his vulnerable king. True to form, Bernat developed a queenside attack and left me to do my worst on the opposite wing. The game speedily became very complicated. Bernat broke up my queenside pawns, but I played a temporary piece sacrifice to open his king. Now he cleared the 7th rank and obtained enough pressure on my king to counterbalance the attack - if he played the right move. On move 29 I was threatening to give perpetual check and Bernat made the mistake of trying to prevent this, allowing me to play a combination winning a piece.

Round 12 was another Closed Sicilian, against the Ecuadorian, Pazos. This was one player who reminded me of nothing so much as an armadillo; he would sit stock still, arms curved under him in a loop, head jutting slightly forward, eyes blinking from time to time ... then, slowly, slowly making a move. He told me after the game he had no book knowledge. His system against the Closed certainly looked home-made, but I could not find a convincing way to beat it and went into a slightly inferior middle game. This soon became very complex, with about six central pawn captures sitting there for move after move, while the pieces manoeuvred behind them. At last he crumbled, allowing me to close the centre with 23 e5, then surrendering most of his queenside counterplay with 24...c4. I was left to build a kingside attack in peace; it was a doozy when it got going and won a knight.

In the final round I drew the Irishman Barry, a likeable soul. Against his 1...e5 I ventured a Vienna Gambit, but quickly got a bad opening. He tried too

hard for advantage, however, and the balance swung the other way. Indeed, I was ready to force a draw by perpetual check, with options of trying to attack, when he offered a draw. There was no substantial reason on the board not to accept. This left me with a respectable 7 points from 13 rounds - better than fifty per cent.

Scores: 1 A.Jusupov (USSR) 10½/13; 2 A.Zapata (Col) 9½; 3-6 P.Popovic (Yugo), S.Skembris (Gre), J.O.Fries-Nielsen (Den) & R.Vera (Cuba) 8½; 7-10 M.Rivas (Sp), K.Georgiev (Bul), C.Ionescu (Rum) & M.Sisniega (Mex) 8; 11-14 A.Dur (A), A.Groszpetter (Hun), E.Rayner (Wal), M.G.Chandler (NZ) 7½; 15-20 K.Jensen (NZ), P.Stempin (Pol), C.Barry (Ire), V.O.Maki (Fin), N.Grinberg (Isr) & D.Cramling (Swe) 7; 21-27 D.Goodman (Eng), H.Janssen (Neth), A.Kaspret (A), B.Kouatly (Leb), M.Rohde (USA), J.Weidemann (BRD) & A.Yap (Phil) 6½; 28-34 P.Thipsay (Ind), C.Chysels (Bel), M.Buchholz (Can), M.Bernat (Arg), C.Morris (Aust), G.Morrison (Scot) & J.S.Masculo (Braz) 6; 35-40 P.Iten (Swit), Pazos (Ec), G.Coppini (It), J.Sequeira (Port), T.Klauner (Lux) & Yurtseven (Turk) 5½; 41-44 A.T.Arnason (Ice), P.Marcel (Fr), A.Razzak (Iraq) & H.Salazar (Chile) 5; 45 Rejabi (Tun) 4½; 46 H.Armando (E.Sal) 3½; 47 Omuku (Nig) 3; 48 O.S.Knuudsen (Nor) 2½.

The Director of Play, Frau-Doktor Gertrude Wagner of Graz, a FIDE International Arbiter, had bribed, bullied and cajoled tremendous numbers of politicians and business firms into giving trophies for the tournament. No less than the top 30 received prizes of some sort. Frau Wagner was indeed very popular with the players, not least because she had hard words with the management of the Stiftskeller Restaurant on our behalf.

A word, too, about the rest days. Both were really memorable. For those who do not know their geography, Innsbruck is in the middle of the Austrian Alps, some of the most imposing scenery you can ask for. On the first rest day (after round 6) we made a three-stage ascent, via three different cable cars, to the top of the Seegrube, the 7000' mountain which dominates the town. Two thirds of the players went on this expedition. At the top there were snow fights, drinks and a tremendous view. The second rest day (before the last round) saw us all boarding a bus for a trip through the Austrian

countryside. This journey brought us to the foot of - you guessed - another mountain. There we all boarded a ski-lift for an eerily silent 15 minute trip to the top. Lunch was waiting for us up there in a cheery little restaurant.

All in all, a very enjoyable tournament, if a little unusual at times. Those players with extensive international experience were rather critical; but for me, fresh from the horrors of New Zealand weekend competitions, it was all kind of impressive.

One more thing. I would like to thank those clubs and individuals who helped me to get to Innsbruck. Without you, I could never have gone at all (at the time of writing this, I am flat broke!).

Now for some games.

A.Yap - K.Jensen, Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 d4 cxd4 5 Nxd4 d6 6 Bc4 e6 7 Be3 (Neat, I thought - the giddy line!) 7...Be7 8 Qe2 0-0 9 0-0-0 a6 10 Bb3 Qc7 11 Kh1! (this came as a surprise; I did not know at the time that it is Velimirovic's latest improvement) 11...b5 12 g4 Nxd4? (Falling into the trap. In the normal line 11 g4 Black can play immediately 11...Nxd4 when White must recapture with the rook since on 12 Bxd4, 12...e5! But now the bishop recapture is possible. Worse still was 12...b4 13 Na4 Nxe4? which is elegantly refuted by 14 Nxe6! fxe6 15 Bb6 regaining the piece while leaving Black with shattered pawns) 13 Bxd4! b4 14 g5! Nd7 15 Na4 Nc5 16 Rhg1 Nxb3?! (a lot more promise was in 16...Bd7) 17 cxb3 e5 18 Rcl Qb7 19 Bb6 Bd8 20 Qe3 Be6 21 Rgd1 d5 (this loses a pawn, but is virtually forced. It is not, however, a very important pawn) 22 exd5 Bxd5 23 Bxd8 Raxd8 24 Qxe5 Rfe8 25 Nc5 Qc6 26 Qf4 a5 27 Kal Qg6 28 h4 Ba8 29 Rxd8 Rxd8 30 Qc7 Re8 31 Nd7 h6 32 f4 hxg5 33 hxg5 Qf5 34 Rg1 Kh7?? (One of the blunders that plagued me at Innsbruck. White was lining me up for a cheapo; unfortunately this move does not prevent it but makes it stronger) 35 Nf6+, 1 : 0.

K.Jensen - G.Coppini, Pirc: 1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 h3 0-0 6 Be2 a6 7 a4 b6? (Black's 6th was somewhat avant garde, but this has to be bad) 8 0-0 Nbd7? (and this is disastrous; 8...Bb7 was better) 9 e5 Ne8 10 Bc4! (a crushing move; Black's only defence to 11 e6 is 10...Nbd8 and who could bring

himself to play that?) 10...h6 11 e6 fxe6 12 Bxe6 Kh7 13 Nh4 (the coup de grace; White threatens Nxc6 and if 13...Rf6, then 14 Bd5 Rb8 15 Ne4 Rf8 16 Qg4 wins) 13...Ndf6 14 Bxc8 Qxc8 15 Qd3 c5 16 Nxc6 c4 17 Nxf8+, 1 : 0.

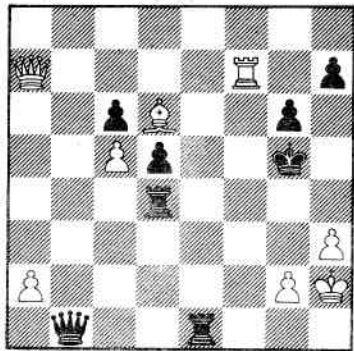
K.Jensen - D.Goodman, Pirc: 1 e4 g6 2 d4 d6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 Nf3 Nf6 5 Be2 0-0 6 0-0 c6 7 h3 Qc7 8 a4 b6 9 Be3 Nbd7 10 Qd2 a6? (afterwards Keene berated Black for playing this move, pointing out that before the tournament they had analysed 10...Bb7 11 Rfd1 e5 12 dxe5 dxe5 13 Qd6 Qxd6 14 Rxd6 Rfc8! with equality) 11 Rfd1 Bb7 12 e5! (taking advantage of a small tactical point, the weakness of Black's b-pawn, to leave Black with nothing) 12...dxe5 13 dxe5 Nxe5 14 Nxe5 Qxe5 15 Bxb6 Nd5 16 Bd4! (a hard move to find, but the only way to preserve White's advantage; if now 16...Qxd4 17 Qxd4 Bxd4 18 Rxd4 Nxc3 19 bxc3 and the endgame is untenable for Black, e.g. 19...Rfd8 20 Rad1 Rxd4 21 Rxd4 Kf8 22 Rd7 Rb8 23 Bf3 and if now Ke8 then 24 Rxb7! Thus Black can only retreat his queen) 16...Qc7 ("In this position", said Keene to Goodman afterwards, "I thought it was your move. I was looking at the board thinking, 'how do you defend against 17 Ne4?' Then he went ahead and played it") 17 Ne4 Bxd4 18 Qxd4 Nf4 19 Bf1 (not 19 Bf3 c5!) 19...Rfd8 20 Qc4 Ne6 21 Nc5 Nxc5 22 Qxc5 a5 23 Rxd8+ Rxd8 24 Rel e6 25 Re5 Ra8 26 Bc4, ½ : ½. Black is completely tied down but I was short of time so offered a draw. There is no straightforward win, but White can pose many problems with h3-h4-h5.

M.Chandler - D.Cramling, Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 e5 6 Ndb5 d6 7 Nd5 Nxd5 8 exd5 Nb8 9 c4 Be7? (Black must play a7-a6 somewhere around here to drive away the Nb5) 10 Bd3 0-0 11 0-0 Nd7 12 Qc2 g6 13 Bh6 Re8 14 f4! a6 15 f5!! axb5 16 fxg6 f6 (16...fxg6 meets 17 Bxg6 Nf6 18 Bxh7+ Kh8 19 Qg6 Rg8 20 Bxg8 Qxg8 21 Rxf6) 17 g7! f5 (preparing Nf6) 18 Rxf5! bxc4 19 Be4! Bf6 (if 19...Nf6, then 20 Rxf6 Bxf6 21 Bxh7+ Kf7 22 Qg6+ Ke7 23 Qxf6+! followed by 24 Rf1+ and White will be at least a piece ahead) 20 Rg5!! (a logical but very pretty move) 20...Kf7 21 Bxh7 Rg8 22 Qf5! Ra7, 1 : 0. Black now sees it is mate on the move, so resigns.

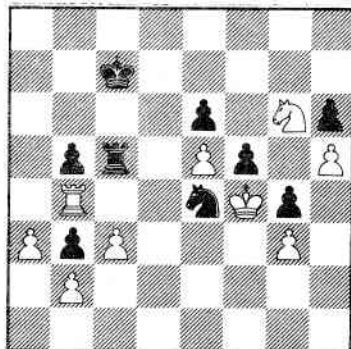
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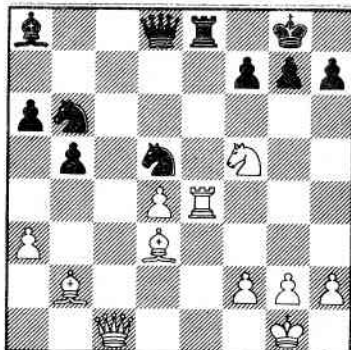
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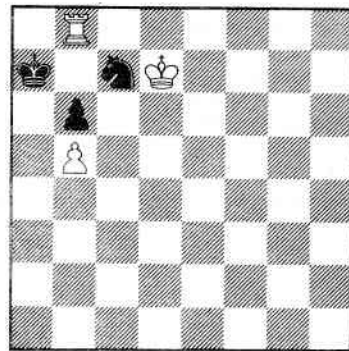
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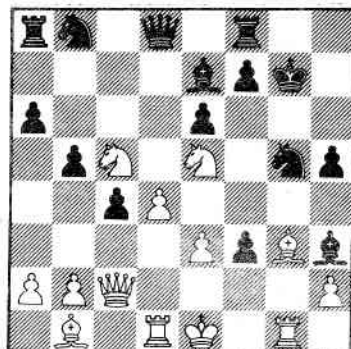
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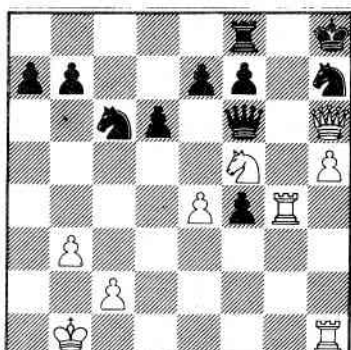
No.5 White to move



No.2 White to move



No.4 White to move



No.6 White to move

# WINSTONE'S TOURNAMENT

by CRAIG LAIRD

Held on the 10th/11th September, the 4th Winstone's Chess Tournament was run by the North Shore Chess Club. The event got under way with a warm welcome from Winstone's representative and popular sports figure Arthur Lydiard.

Players came from as far as Christchurch and included a contingent of six from Upper Hutt as well as two players recently returned from overseas - Robert Smith and Craig Laird - but the usual band of Hamilton men was absent, perhaps with their minds on Kai Jensen's efforts in Austria. The host club provided 25 entries.

With 70 entries and just five rounds the possibilities for a 'good' Swiss are pretty small. Director of Play Mike Livingston instituted an accelerated draw for the first two rounds leading to major conflicts arising from round two and more games between the higher rated contenders. Large numbers meant easy draws for those losing early and a cut-throat finish for those who had been setting the pace when, in the last round on the top two boards, a win would mean first and a loss relegation from the prize list!

The final scores give a deceiving picture of the chess effort put in by some of the players, e.g. Nigel Metge who played Carpinter, Green and Smith (all prize winners) and played some of the finest chess in the tournament against them, but scored only 1½/3 and went unrewarded while three of the second place getters did not meet even one other prize winner.

With the expanding popularity of the tournament and the resultant problems with the draw the organisers are considering holding the event in two separate sections next year. What do the players think?

A tournament of 175 games is not without its surprises. These began in round one when Gerald Carter from Upper Hutt sacrificed a piece to expose Vernon Small's king and quickly followed up with mate:

G.Carter-V.A.Small, Sicilian Defence:  
1 e4 c5 2 f4 g6 3 Nf3 Bg7 4 c3 Nc6

5 Be2 d5 6 d3 dxe4 7 dxe4 Qc7 8 0-0 Bd7 9 Be3 b6 10 Nbd2 Nf6 11 h3 Rd8 12 Qc2 Nh5? (12...0-0 +=) 13 Ng5! Ng3 14 Bc4 e6 15 Rf3 Nh5 16 g4 Nf6 17 e5 Nd5 18 Nde4 Nxe3 19 Rxe3 0-0 20 Nd6 Na5 21 Bd3 c4 22 Be4 f6 23 Nxf7! Kxf7 24 Bxg6+ Kh8 25 Qf2 Bh6 26 Qh4 Kg7 27 g5 fxg5 28 fxg5 Rh8 29 gxh6+ Kxg6 30 Rg3+, 1 : 0.

Others to have trouble were Wayne Power and Paul Spiller who could only manage draws against M.Howard and J.Fekete respectively.

Round two found Robert Smith pitted against Nigel Metge's beloved French; Nigel broke down Robert's central blockade and proceeded onto the white king in true Nimzowitschian style. Only time trouble later impaired the quality of this attractive game:

R.W.Smith-N.Metge, French Defence: 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nc6 4 Ngf3 Nf6 5 e5 Nfd7 6 c3 f6 7 exf6 Nxf6 8 Bd3 Bd6 9 0-0 0-0 10 Re1 Ne7 11 Nf1 c5 12 dxc5 Bxc5 13 Qc2 Qc7 14 Bg5 Nc6 15 Qe2 e5! 16 Bxf6 Rxf6 17 Bb5 e4 18 Bxc6 bxc6 19 Nd4 Qb6 20 Qd2 Ba6 21 Ne3 Raf8 22 Nd1 Bd3 23 Qe3 Qc7 24 h3 Bb6 25 b4 Rg6 26 a4 Rf3 27 Nxf3 Bxe3 28 Rxe3 exf3 29 Rxd3 Rxf3 30 Kf1 Qh2 (30... Qf4!) 31 Ke1 Qgl+ 32 Kd2 Rxf2+ and Black won.

Tony Carpinter made excellent use of his opponent's time trouble by providing Marsick's monarch with a golden apple and five problem moves in about two minutes. Good tactics!

B.H.P.Marsick-A.L.Carpinter, Pirc Def:  
1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 f4 Bg7 5 Nf3 c5 6 Be2 0-0 7 0-0 cxd4 8 Nxd4 Qb6 9 Be3 Nc6 10 Na4 Qa5 11 Nxc6 bxc6 12 Nc3 Rb8 13 Rb1 Ba6 14 Bxa6 Qxa6 15 Qd3 Qa5 16 Rfel Ng4 17 Bd4 e5 18 fxe5 dxe5 19 Be3 Rfd8 20 Qe2 Nxe3 21 Qxe3 Rd4 += 22 a3 Rbd8 23 Rbd1 Qb6 24 Rb1 Bf8 25 Kh1 Qc5 26 Qg5 Be7 27 Qg3 Rd2 28 Rbcl h6 29 Rfl R8d7 30 Nb1 R2d4 31 Qb3 Bg5 32 Rcel Kg7 33 g3 h5 34 h4?! Bh6 35 c3? (allowing Black access to the weakness of the third rank; White was now in time pressure) 35...Rd3! 36 Kg2 Qe7 37 Re2 R7d6 38 Ref2 f6 39 Qc4 Qd7 40 a4 a5 41 b4 Rxf3+!? 42 Kxf3 Rd3+ 43 Rf3 Qg4+ 44 Kf2 Qxf3+ 45 Ke1 Rd1 mate, 0 : 1.



In the third round Gerald Carter came face to face with top seed Lev Aptekar. Lev played a Reti and, after provoking Black to overextend in the centre, made a few careless moves giving Gerald a strong position. Was this to be a repeat of round one? But no, Gerald overextended again and Aptekar made no bones about it.

L.Aptekar-G.Carter, Reti System: 1 c4 e6 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 g3 d5 4 Bg2 d4 5 Ne4 Nxe4 6 Bxe4 f5 7 Bg2 e5 8 d3 Bb4+ 9 Bd2 Bxd2+ 10 Qxd2 0-0 11 Nh3 h6 12 f4 e4. 13 0-0 Re8 14 Kh1 c5 15 b4 Nd7 16 dxe4 fxe4 17 bxc5 Nxc5 18 Rad1 d3 19 exd3 exd3 20 f5 Qf6 21 Qf2 Re5 22 g4 Bd7 23 Nf4 Bc6 24 Nd5 Qf8 25 f6 g6 26 Qd4 Rxd5 27 cxd5 Ba4 28 Rdel Rd8 29 Re7 d2 30 Qxd2 Bc6 31 Rg7+, 1 : 0.

Metge continued to play well and dominated Ewen Green throughout; Metge, with a pawn to the good, could probably have converted this to a win but time pressure on both sides necessitated quick decisions:

N.Metge-E.M.Green, Benoni: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 c5 4 d5 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 e4 g6 7 Nf3 Bg7 8 Be2 0-0 9 0-0 a6 10 a4 Bg4 11 Nd2 Bxe2 12 Qxe2 Nbd7 13 f4 Qc7 14 Nc4 Nb6 15 e5 Nfxd5 16 Nxd5 Nxd5 17 Nxd6 Rd8 18 Qe4 Qc6 19 Rd1 Nb4 20 Qxc6 Nxc6 21 Be3 b6 22 Nc4 Nd4 23 Bxd4 Rxd4 24 Rxd4 cxd4 25 Nxb6 Rb8 26 a5 Bf8 27 Rcl Bb4 28 Kf1 Bxa5 29 Rc8+ Rxc8 30 Nxc8 Bd2 31 g3 Bb4 32 Na7 Bc5 33 Nc6 d3 34 g4 h5 35 h3 hxg4 36 hxg4 Kf8 37 Ke1 Be3 38 f5 gxf5 39 gxf5 Ke8 40 Nb4 d2+ 41 Ke2 Bd4 42 Nd3 Be3 43 b3 Kd7 44 Nb2 Bd4 45 Nc4 Kc6, ½ : ½.

Peter Stuart and Michael Whaley came quickly and without sweat to the same decision as Nigel and Ewen, while Craig Laird and Tony Carpinter put in an effort somewhere between these two: C.Laird-A.L.Carpinter, Grunfeld Defence: 1 d4 g6 2 Nf3 Bg7 3 g3 Nf6 4 Bg2 0-0 5 0-0 d5 6 Bf4 b6 7 c4 Bb7 8 Ne5 e6 9 Nc3 Nbd7 10 Rcl Nxe5 11 Bxe5 Qd7 12 cxd5 exd5 13 a3 Rac8 14 Qb3 (better 14 Qc2) 14...Ne4 15 Nxe4 dxe4 16 Bxg7 Kxg7 17 Rfd1 Bd5 18 Qe3 Rfe8 19 h4 Qd6 20 Rc3 h6 21 Qf4 Qe7? 22 Bh3 f5? (better 22...Be6 23 Bxe6 Qxe6 24 Rxc7 Rxc7 25 Qxc7 Rcb1 +=) 23 h5 Qd6 24 Qxd6 cxd6 25 Rdcl Rxc3 26 Rxc3 Re7 27 Kf1? (27 Rcb1) 27...Kf6 28 hxg6 Kxg6 29 Kel Kg5 30 Kd2 Bb7 31 Ke3 Rg7 32 a4 Rf7 33 Rcl h5 34 a5 bxa5 35 Ra1

Bc8 36 Rxa5 Rb7, ½ : ½.

Leading scores: Aptekar 3; Green, Stuart, Carpinter, Laird, Whaley, Power, Spiller, Metge and Steel 2½.

In round 4 Stuart benefitted from one of the ambiguities of the Swiss system by being paired against Steel while all around struggles of a tougher nature were going on. First to submerge was Wayne Power: M.G.Whaley-P.W.Power, Sicilian Defence: 1 Nf3 c5 2 e4 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Be3 Bg7 7 Be2 0-0 8 0-0 Nc6 9 Qd2 d5 10 exd5 Nb4? 11 d6! exd6 12 Rad1 d5 13 Bg5 Be6 14 Qf4 Qb8?? 15 Nxe6, 1 : 0.

Green and Aptekar were happy with this effort:

E.M.Green-L.Aptekar, Benoni: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 e5 4 Nc3 d6 5 e4 Be7 6 g3 0-0 7 Bg2 Ne8 8 Nh3 Bxh3 9 Bxh3 Bg5 10 0-0, ½ : ½.

... as were many others as this brought Aptekar back with the others. Laird, after playing well early, continued abysmally as Spiller's resourcefulness increased with his time pressure. Lady Luck, however, smiled upon Laird when Spiller touched a protected pawn just before the time control and this cost a rook in an otherwise won position. Metge again played excellently to dominate the opening and early middle game leading to the win of the exchange versus Carpinter. The position, however, was still complex and making a choice from a large number of plans consumed too much of Nigel's time; Carpinter combined and Metge muffed it.

Beginning the last round the leaders were Aptekar, Stuart, Carpinter, Laird and Whaley on 3½. Whaley dropped down to the 3's and unfortunately hit Green: E.M.Green-M.G.Whaley, King's Indian Def: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 f3 0-0 6 Be3 e5 7 d5 Nh5 8 Qd2 f5 9 exf5 gxf5 10 Bd3 c5 11 Nge2 Rf7 12 0-0-0 Qa5 13 Kh1 a6 14 h3 b5 15 g4 Nf6 16 gxf5 bxc4 17 Be4 Ra7 18 Rhg1 Nbd7 19 Rg2 Qc7 20 Rdl Nh5 21 Ng3 Nxc3 22 Rxc3 Kf8?? 23 Rxc7 Rxc7 24 Bh6, 1 : 0.

Stuart got behind on the clock against Carpinter and this told in the later stages of the game when Stuart had better in a difficult position. Aptekar-Laird

was an erratic affair which finally developed into a complex and dramatic bishop ending with Laird a pawn up but Aptekar with an apparent initiative. The battle provided much entertainment for the spectators as it could have gone either way and top prize money was involved. Things finally petered out to a draw.

Vernon Small's effort to share second prize was thwarted by David Gollogly in

this short but gory game: D.A.Gollogly-V.A.Small, Sicilian Defence: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nc6 5 Nb5 Nf6 6 Bf4 e5 7 Bg5 Bc5 8 Nlc3 d6 9 Nd5 Nxe4 (Vernon's analysis in the August issue continued 9...Qa5+ 10 Bd2 Nxe4) 10 Nbc7+ Kf8 11 Bxd8 Bxf2+ 12 Ke2 Bg4+ 13 Kd3 Nc5+ 14 Kd2 Bxd1 15 Nxa8 Bh5 16 Bc7 Ke8 17 Bd3 Nxd3 18 cxd3 Kd7 19 Nab6+ axb6 20 Bxb6 Bxb6 21 Nxb6+ Ke6 22 Rb1 f5 23 b4, ½ : ½.

	R.1	R.2	R.3	R.4	R.5	Total	SOS		
1	Carpinter A.L.	North Shore	W23	W5	D2	W11	W10	4½	
2	Laird C.	Toowong, Qld	W15	W12	D1	W17	D3	4	19
3	Aptekar L.	Feltex	W18	W16	W19	D4	D2	4	18
4	Green E.M.	Howick-Paku.	W48	W20	D11	D3	W9	4	16
5	Marsick B.H.P.	Auckland	W31	L1	W47	W24	W21	4	15
6	Smith R.W.	Waitemata	W49	L11	W35	W37	W25	4	13.5
7	Steadman M.	Auckland	L10	W58	W61	W33	W20	4	11.5
8	Brimble M.T.	Waitemata	L9	W68	W62	W23	W22	4	10.5
9	Whaley M.G.	North Shore	W8	W25	D10	W14	L4	3½	18
10	Stuart P.W.	North Shore	W7	W22	D9	W36	L1	3½	17.5
11	Metge J.N.	Auck.University	W40	W6	D4	L1	W34	3½	17.5
12	Gollogly D.A.	North Shore	W27	L2	W50	W45	D13	3½	14.5
13	Small V.A.	Canterbury	L19	W51	W42	W26	D12	3½	13.5
14	Power P.W.	North Shore	D21	W40	W26	L9	W32	3½	13.5
15	Reid A.	Upper Hutt	L1	W53	W46	D28	W48	3½	13
16	Beach P.K.	Howick-Paku.	W33	L3	W63	D34	W39	3½	12.5
17	Spiller P.S.	Howick-Paku.	D32	W63	W37	L2	W31	3½	12.5
18	Trundle G.E.	Auckland	L3	W52	W66	D32	W36	3½	12
19	Carter G.	Upper Hutt	W13	W29	L3	L21	W44	3	15.5
20	Cater J.E.	Waitemata	W28	L4	W40	W35	L7	3	15
21	Howard M.I.	North Shore	D14	W57	D36	W19	L5	3	14.5
22	McIvor B.W.	Air NZ	W39	L10	W51	W42	L8	3	14
23	Henderson A.J.	North Shore	L1	W38	W65	L8	W45	3	14
24	Sareczky G.	Waitemata	W30	D34	D44	L5	W52	3	13.5
25	Kinchant K.D.	Auckland	W43	L9	W29	W64	L6	3	13.5
26	Putt T.	Remuera	W38	W61	L14	L13	W59	3	12
27	Shead D.	North Shore	L12	L50	W55	W51	W53	3	11.5
28	Milne D.J.O.	North Shore	L20	W70	D41	D15	W42	3	11
29	Jones Miss G.M.	North Shore	W62	L19	L25	W65	W46	3	10
30	Healey R.	Upper Hutt	L24	L31	W64	W62	W43	3	9.5
31	Crombie W.	2½	45	Dick W.	2	59	Hall D.	1½	
32	Fekete J.	2½	46	Rogers M.	2	60	Torok I.	1½	
33	Kasmara A.	2½	47	Schnalder P.	2	61	Rawnsley D.C.	1	
34	Moratti S.C.	2½	48	Belton C.P.	2	62	Newman B.	1	
35	Lander G.	2½	49	Lamb P.	2	63	Zyp F.	1	
36	Steel R.G.	2½	50	Lannie R.M.	2	64	Ball Q.	1	
37	Price A.	2½	51	Van der Mey P.	2	65	Boyd J.K.	1	
38	Beattie Miss F.	2½	52	Corbett P.D.	2	66	Giles S.	1	
39	Bojtor J.	2½	53	Fox C.	2	67	Watt R.G.	1	
40	Winslade B.	2½	54	McAven H.D.	2	68	Gale Miss C.	0	
41	Morrison M.K.	2½	55	Spiller R.	2	69	Keith J.	0	
42	Evans D.J.	2	56	Grevers L.P.	2	70	Grindberg E.	0	
43	Stretch Ms W.	2	57	Fraser R.J.	1½				
44	Ball O.J.	2	58	Ball T.	1½				

The final prize fund stood at \$570. In addition to the major prize winners there were grade prizes as follows: Grade 1; N.Metge, D.Gollogly, G.Trundle & A.Reid. Grade 2: G.Sareczky, D.Shead & D.Milne. Unrated, 1=: R.Healey & T. Putt; 3=: G.Lander, R.Steel, S.Moratti, A.Price & F.Beattie. Top lady: Miss G. Jones.



## LOCAL NEWS

In the 1977 NORTH SHORE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP two last minute withdrawals reduced the number of players in the A grade to 10 and somewhat weakened the field. The clear favourite was Ewen Green but in the third round he lost to Bob Johnstone after overlooking a snap mate in time trouble - the position was otherwise much better for Ewen. By the time Green met second seed Wolf Leonhardt in the penultimate round the latter had dropped only half a point (to David Gollogly). Leonhardt, with the black pieces, played solidly and a draw resulted; a last round win against Paul Spiller gave him his first club championship title, a half point ahead of Green. Gollogly surprised some by coming in third, and deservedly so.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0
1 Leonhardt W	x	½	½	1	1	1	1	1	1	8
2 Green E M	½	x	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	7½
3 Gollogly D A	½	0	x	½	1	0	½	1	1	5½
4 Barlow M J	0	0	½	x	½	0	1	1	1	5
5 Spiller P S	0	0	0	½	x	1	1	1	½	5
6 Roundill R L	0	0	1	0	x	1	0	1	0	4
7 Johnstone R B	0	1	½	0	0	x	0	½	1	3
8 O'Connor T P	0	0	0	0	1	x	½	½	3	
9 Livingston M	0	0	0	0	½	0	½	½	x	2½
10 Snelson P R	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	½	0	1½

The 22 players in the B grade were split into two divisions with Gavin Ion winning ahead of Peter Voss in one and Dave Shead taking the other ahead of Jim Guy. It is noteworthy that Ion and Guy were joint C grade champions last year. With Jim Guy unable to play the finals, Gavin Ion has won the title with one game in hand: G.Ion 2½ (1 adj), D.Shead 1½, P.Voss 1 (1).

Similarly in the 24 player C grade

where the finalists were Michael Collins (10/11) and Ray Lannie (9) from division one and Tony Trafford (9/11) and Philip Wilcock (8½) from division two. Final scores: Lannie 5, Trafford 3½, Collins 2½, Wilcock 1.



The 1977 CANTERBURY CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS were run in four grades, the A grade being the strongest for several years. The field was made up of last year's winner Vernon Small, 'resurrected' Bruce Anderson (winner in 1966 & 1968), consistently good Jon Jackson and Allan (formerly, John) Johnston, evergreen Ari Nijman (champion in 1956, 1959 & 1971), ex-Otagoite Martin Sims, ambitious school-boys Warwick Norton & Giles Bates, and two solid players in Bill Gibson and Robert Morrison. Pre-tournament form, based on Vernon's two recent wins over Bruce, suggested that Small would have the edge - but maybe it was time for Anderson to avenge himself?

It was Jon Jackson who made the early running, breaking through some weak tackling from the tailenders to score 5/5. He was then crash-tackled heavily and scored only a half point in the last four rounds, paralleling his performance in the South Island Championship - obviously a lack of staying power! The first game he lost was a deep one against Johnston; when the whistle blew for full time he still had 7 moves to make:

J.Jackson-A.J.Johnston, French: 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 f6 5 Bd3 Qe7 6 f4 c5 7 Nf3 Nc6 8 a3 Ba5 9 0-0 a6 10 Na4 cxd4 11 b4 Bc7 12 Bb2 Bd7 13 Nc5 0-0-0 14 Qe2 Bb6 15 Nxd4 Bxc5 16 bxc5 Qxc5 17 c3 fxe5 18 fxe5 Nh6 19 a4 g6 20 Bxa6 Nf5 21 Rfb1 Qa7 22 Bb5 Nfxd4 23 cxd4 Nxd4 24 Rcl+ Kb8 25 Bxd4 Qxd4+ 26 Kh1 Rhf8 27 Rf1 Bxb5 28 Qxb5 Rxf1+ 29 Qxf1 Rc8 30 Qel Qc3 31 Qb1 Qc2 32 Qgl Qc5 33 Qfl Qc4, 0 : 1.

Meanwhile Small had dropped a possibly vital half point to his bete noire Bill Gibson in a miserable game which Gibson should have won. This apart Small was cruising through the field comfortably:

V.A.Small-W.Norton, Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Be3 Bg7 7 Be2 Nc6 8 0-0-0-0 9 Qd2 Ng4 10 Bxg4 Bxg4 11 Nd5 Bd7 12 c4 Ne5

13 b3 e6 14 Nc3 Qa5 15 h3 a6 16 a4 f5 17 exf5 gxf5 18 f4 Nf7 19 Racl Qd8 20 Nce2 Qf6 21 Ng3 (not only threatening Nh5 but also putting the brakes on e5) 21...Qg6 22 Kh2 h5 23 c5 h4 24 Nge2 e5 25 Nf3 e4 26 Nxb4 Qh5 27 g3 Bf6 28 Rf2 Bxh4 29 gxh4 Kh7 30 Rgl Rg8 31 Rfg2 Rxc2 32 Rxc2 Qxh4 33 Qd4 Rg8 34 cxd6 Nh6 35 Rxc8 Kxc8 36 Kg2 Qh5 37 Qd5+ Kf8 38 Nd4 Ng4 (Desperation, as Black's kingside demonstration has come to nothing while White's pieces are dominating the board; note how White's 37th and 38th moves deny Black any chance of a perpetual check) 39 hxg4 fxc4?, 1 : 0. Black resigned before Vernon could play 40 Qxh5. After 39... Qxg4+ the White king easily escapes the checks on the queenside.

Anderson's play was not as convincing but he was nevertheless winning, e.g.:

W.Norton-B.R.Anderson, Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 Bc4 e6 7 Be3 Be7 8 Bb3 a6 9 Qe2 Qc7 10 0-0-0-0-0 11 g4 b5 12 g5 Nxd4 13 Bxd4 Nd7 14 Rdl? (14 Rhgl) 14...b4 15 Nbl Nc5 16 Qh5 (This seems illogical and White had 3 alternatives worthy of study: 16 Bf6, 16 Nd2 and 16 h4 with the idea of breaking up Black's kingside by g6 and h5) 16...Bb7 17 Nd2 Rfc8 18 c4 g6 19 Qh4 (Again White has two alternative plans: 19 Qh6 Bf8 20 Qh4 and White has held up Black's h5, or 19 Qh3 giving f4-f5 some force as well as defending lateral-ly) 19...h5 20 Bf6 a5 21 Bd1 Nxe4 22 b3 (Interesting was 22 Bxh5 Nxd2 23 Be2 Bxf6 24 gxf6 Nxc4 25 Qh6 Na3+ 26 Kd2) 22...Nxd2 23 Bxh5 Nxc4 24 Be2 Na3+ 25 Kd2 Bxf6 26 gxf6 Qc3+, 0 : 1.

The climax of the tournament came when Small beat Jackson and Anderson in successive rounds.

J.Jackson-V.A.Small, Grunfeld: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Bg5 dxc4 6 e4 Bg4 7 Bxc4 0-0 8 Qd2 Nc6 9 0-0-0 Nd7 10 Bh6 Bxf3 11 gxf3 e5 12 Bxc7 Kxc7 13 Ne2 Nb6 14 Bb3 Nxd4 15 Nxd4 exd4 16 Qxd4+ Qxd4 17 Rxd4 Rad8 18 Rhd1 Rxd4 19 Rxd4 Kf6 20 f4! Ke7 21 Rd3 Nd7 22 Rh3 Rh8 (22...h5 23 f5!) 23 Rc3 c6 24 Bc2 Rd8 25 Ra3 a6 26 Rh3 Nc5 27 Rb6 Rd7 28 e5 Kd8 29 f5 Kc7 30 Rb4 g5 31 Rg4 h6 32 h4 Re7 33 hxg5 hxg5 34 Rxc5 Rxe5 35 Rg7 Re7 (35...Re2 offered reasonable drawing chances) 36 f6 Ne6 (The big bluff, but 36

...Rd7 37 Bf5 Ne6 38 Bxe6 fxe6 39 f7 is hopeless for Black) 37 fxe7? (Neither 37 Bf5 Nxc7 38 fxc7 Re1+ & Rgl nor 37 Rh7 Rd7 38 Bf5 Kd6 & Ke5 are any good for White but 37 Bg6!! calls Black's bluff and after 37...Nxc7 38 fxc7 Black does not have the resource of Re1+ & Rgl) 37...Nxc7 38 Bb3 f6 39 Kd2 (39 Be6 a5!) Kd7 40 Kc3 Kxe7 41 Bc4 Kd6 42 b4 Ne8 43 Bd3 Nc7 44 a4 Nd5+ 45 Kc4 b5+ 46 axb5 axb5+ 47 Kb3 Ke5 48 Bg6 Nf4 49 Be8 Kd6 50 Kc3 Nd5+, 0 : 1. The game was adjourned here but Jackson resigned without further play. Black's winning plan is to keep the white king tied down to his weak b-pawn, play f5-f4 and then penetrate with his king through the centre once the white bishop is driven away.

Allan Johnston should be pleased with his third place; one of his wins:

A.J.Johnston-W.Norton, Benoni: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 e6 4 Nc3 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 Nf3 g6 7 g3 Bg7 8 Bg2 0-0 9 0-0 Qe7 10 Nd2 Na6 11 Nc4 Nc7 12 a4 Rb8 13 e4 b5 14 axb5 Nxb5 15 Nxb5 Rxb5 16 Qd3 Ne8 17 Bf4 Rb4 18 Rfel Qc7 19 Ra2 Bd7 20 Bd2 Ra4 21 Rfal Rxa2 22 Rxa2 f5?! 23 Qa3 Bb5 24 b3 a6 25 exf5 Rxf5 26 Bh3 Rf8 27 Qcl Qe7 28 Bf4 Kh8 29 Be6 Bf6 30 h4 h6 31 Nxd6 g5 (31...Nxd6 32 Bxd6 Qxd6 33 Qxh6 mate) 32 Nf5 Qd8 33 hxg5 hxg5 34 Kg2, 1 : 0.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

1 Small V A	x	1	½	1	1	1	1	1	1	8
2 Anderson B R O	x	½	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7½
3 Johnston A J	½	x	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	7
4 Jackson J	0	0	x	1	1	1	1	1	½	5½
5 Nijman A	0	0	0	x	1	1	0	1	1	4
6 Bates G	0	0	1	0	x	½	½	0	1	3
7 Gibson W F	½	0	0	0	½	x	1	1	0	3
8 Norton W	0	0	0	1	½	0	x	½	½	2½
9 Morrison R	0	0	0	0	1	0	½	x	1	2½
10 Sims I M	0	0	0	½	0	1	½	0	x	2

Russell Freeman, the Club's President, gained promotion to the A grade for next year's championships in winning the B grade by a full point.

The C grade was won by D.Anderson while H.Wiek took out the D grade with a 100% score.



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# NZCA RATING LIST

This list includes the following events, the results of which were received before 10 November, namely Otago Easter Tournament, Civic Easter Tournament, Auckland Open Championship, North Island Championship, South Island Championship, North Shore Club Championship (A Grade), National Schoolpupils Championship, Waitemata Club Championships, Auckland Labour Weekend Open.

The list includes only those players active during the last two years. For provisionally rated players, the number of games played follows the rating.

1 Sarapu O	2366	50 Hurley A	1954	99 Kinchant K D	1788	208 Weir T	1524	268 Schulz D	1384
2 Fairhurst Dr W	2319	51 Bates P	1950	100 Bloore R G	1785/20	209 Perry K	1518/6	269 Grevers L P	1382/11
3 Chandler M G	2318	52 Wilson W N	1940/18	101 Freeman M	1783	210 Emslie B	1518	270 Horsley H	1381/7
4 Anderson B R	2285	53 Carpenter B A	1935	102 Walker D R	1780	211 Mitchell I R	1515	271 Oldridge C B W	1378
5 Garbett P A	2282	54 Metge J N	1934	103 Lancaster M	1771	212 Crombie W	1514/14	272 Van Ginkel J	1374/7
6 Aptekar L	2254	55 Hawkes P D	1932	104 Belton C P	1768	213 Knegt K	1512	273 Moore J	1371/6
7 Sutton R J	2237	56 Lichter D	1920	105 Bremner K	1766/8	214 Watson M	1512	274 Benson C	1366/12
8 Weir P B	2224	57 Spiller P S	1919	106 Okey K M	1766	215 Bennett D	1511/21	275 Carter S	1362
9 Green E M	2204	58 Strevens R E	1917	107 Van Pelt J	1764/5	216 Haapu S	1510	276 Sheridan L	1357/22
10 Small V A	2189	59 Steadman M	1915	108 Free T J	1759	217 White M	1508	277 Noble M	1354
11 Stuart P W	2185	60 Van Dam S	1913	109 Carter G	1758	218 Morrison M K	1507	278 Bridger M	1352
12 Day A R	2178	61 Lynn K W	1911	110 Mancewicz	1758	219 Knowles A	1507	279 Stretch Ms W	1350
13 Jensen K	2178	62 Barlow M J	1908	111 Livingston M J	1757	220 Dodd N	1506/6	280 Sinclair M C	1345/5
14 Smith R W	2169	63 Brunton D M	1904	112 Severinsen Q	1754	221 Keith D	1505	281 Caccioppoli P	1342/7
15 Carpenter A L	2151	64 Watson B R	1903	113 Knightbridge W	1753	222 Cockroft R	1496	282 Jones Miss G M	1341/12
16 Nokes R	2142	65 Campbell M	1900/21	114 Storey D J H	1746	223 Alexander R	1492	283 Shepherd R	1334
17 Wansink R	2121	66 Gollogly D A	1893	115 Nysse J	1745	224 Brannigan K	1486	284 Woodford R G	1328
18 Feneridis A	2095	67 Baker C	1893	116 Robinson P G	1745	225 Dallow C	1483	285 Godtschalk R A	1318
19 Paris P O	2090	68 Haase G G	1889	117 Waite G S	1741	226 Johnston A	1480	286 Neele R	1317/8
20 Deben B	2083	69 McIvor B W	1885	118 Burnett K	1738/7	227 Rogers M	1478/18	287 McLean T	1315
21 Leonhardt W	2082	70 Marsick B H P	1884	119 Adams J	1738	228 Hignett A N	1477/22	288 Grinberg E	1314/5
22 Green P	2077	71 Mataga P	1874	120 Adams D	1726	229 Johnston R	1473/7	289 Donselaar Mrs	1313
23 Wigbout M	2073	72 Ong R	1873/6	121 Nijman A	1726	230 Flower G C	1473	290 Lander G	1310
24 Kerr A G	2072	73 Johnston J	1870	122 Trundle G E	1717	231 Bowler R	1469/7	291 Cullen R	1304/7
25 Brown W A R	2061	74 Alp W	1865	123 Voss P J	1717	232 Carter P	1467/14	292 Tucker S	1302/7
26 Cornford L H	2060	75 Hoffmann P E	1862	124 Sims I M	1717	233 Cunningham P	1466/8	293 Hofsteede J	1301
27 Jackson Jon	2048	76 Pool A	1857	125 Waddle Dr M H	1716	234 Horwell P	1466	294 Collins Peter	1301
28 Flude D A	2047	77 Foord M	1852	126 Black R	1715	235 Beutner W	1457	295 Adams P	1295
29 Laird C	2038	78 Kay J B	1851	127 Koloszar P	1713	236 Mabbett W H	1454	296 Lester W	1292/14
30 Whaley M G	2036	79 Johnstone D G	1848	128 Cairns D J A	1711/8	237 Willhams B	1451/15	297 Phillips J	1280
31 Clemance P A	2029	80 Laming R K N	1847	129 Henderson Dr A	1711	238 Forster W	1450	298 Rombouts M J	1278/8
32 Evans M	2028	81 Goodhall D N A	1845	130 Thomson R	1709	239 Bertram P	1448	299 Bell D	1278
33 Stonehouse T H	2025	82 Whitlock H P	1840	131 Gibbons R E	1708	240 Taylor J	1448	300 Howell G	1278/7
34 Turner G M	2020	83 Arbuthnott J	1840	132 Winslade B	1706/7	241 Drake A	1444	301 Scarr G E	1272/8
35 Chiu G	2020	84 Cater J E	1832	133 Oliver D	1705/8	242 Pomeroy D M	1442/11	302 Atkinson J	1268/6
36 Beach D O	2017	85 Preece P	1823/8	134 Fekete J	1703	243 Hill S	1438	303 Bowler Mrs E G	1266
37 Power P W	2015	86 Yee S	1816	135 Ziskin S	1702/13	244 Preston J	1434	304 Old M	1263
38 Hensman P J	2005	87 Sell G J	1813/23	136 Skuja A N	1701	245 Benbow M	1434	305 Chamberlain M	1262/7
39 Van Dijk T	2003	88 Bennett H	1812	137 Roberts M H	1700	246 Taylor D	1428	306 Rundle D	1261/6
40 Goffin P B	1998	89 Frankel Z	1806	138 Chin H	1699	247 Olson J	1423	307 Allsobrook A J	1257/14
41 Lynch D I	1997	90 Law B M	1802	139 Booth A J	1698/7	248 Rawnsley P	1422/7	308 Hipkins B	1256/6
42 Whitehouse L E	1993	91 Dowden T	1801	140 Grainger J	1698	249 Weegenaar D	1420/19	309 De Oude H	1255/8
43 Perry R	1983	92 Kay B	1798	141 Mills R L	1697	250 Martin Mrs L	1419/17	310 Beattie Miss F	1253
44 Cordue S	1979	93 Roundill R L	1797	142 Lamb P	1685	251 Freear C	1418/8	311 Sinclair M	1248
45 Beach P K	1972	94 Shardy Z	1794	143 Haworth G	1684	252 Mazur J J	1577	312 Martin S C	1248/11
46 Gibson D	1969	95 Dowman I A	1793	144 Boyce D A L	1683	253 Reid J	1577	313 Dunningham M	1246
47 Cordue P	1968	96 Norton W	1792/7	145 O'Connor T P	1682/21	254 Spiller T	1570/9	314 McCallum A	1244/8
48 Hart B A	1958	97 Sidnam G	1789/18	146 Cowan G	1681	255 Frost G R E	1567/9	315 Baldwin P	1236/6
49 Love A J	1957	98 Malarski G	1789	147 Bridges N P	1679	256 Thompson S	1567	316 Jones Les	1236/17
						257 Blackburn P	1565/15	317 Powell Miss L	1232
						258 Capper D	1560	318 Nicholls T	1228/5
						259 Porter W	1559/21	319 Strickett R	1227
						260 Gibson W F	1559/16	320 Arker G	1225
						261 Pointon S	1558/15	321 Corbett P D	1220
						262 Sarfati J	1552	322 McLaren L	1216/7
						263 Mathlas R	1552/6	323 Mackie J	1215
						264 Marner G	1548	324 Fitchett P	1213
						265 Aabryn E	1533	325 Mailen S B	1212
						266 Jackson R	1528/6	326 Chang A	1209
						267 Wallis J	1386/5	327 Waterson M	1209/6

328 Harding R	1205/8	355 Harris K	1105/6	382 Harrison A	958/5
329 Watts D	1202/6	356 Borrie M	1087/6	383 Meek L L	949/14
330 Cameron D	1202	357 Paul D	1078/22	384 Bowler Jon	948
331 Phillips G	1201/7	358 Henderson A	1073	385 Staples M	929/8
332 Worthington S	1193	359 Carkeek P	1072/7	386 Rawnsley D C	924
333 Beyk A	1193/7	360 Cunningham G	1064	387 Stinson I P	918
334 Williams G	1192	361 Fernando R	1057/6	388 Smith-West P	902/5
335 Eston R	1188/8	362 Hay V	1056	389 Fernando T	882/10
336 Baran M	1180	363 Collins Paul	1055/15	390 Sievey J	877/6
337 Chandler K	1178/8	364 Slingsby A	1052/19	391 Vause S	827/8
338 Focas P	1157/8	365 Town D	1050	392 Watts M	798
339 King B	1157	366 Foster F	1048/15	393 Watling R	796/6
340 Edwards F	1152	367 Malloy K J	1048/10	394 Fussell D	759
341 Graham M	1146	368 O'Reilly C	1047/11	395 Williams Y	717/6
342 Delany C	1144/8	369 Henderson N	1046/7	396 Ward A N	696/5
343 Anastasiadis M	1138/7	370 Feneridis C	1046	397 Glen S	654
344 Menzies N	1137/7	371 Chin P	1040/21	398 Burgess W	630/6
345 Walker M	1135/16	372 Wright A	1031/6	399 Gulik S	623/6
346 Mc Carthy K	1130/11	373 Hughes T	1024	400 Campbell L	581/6
347 Erry K	1129/14	374 Forrest M	1022/6	401 McNamara S	577/7
348 Ah-kit G	1115	375 Andrews L	1015/7	402 Webber C H	550/6
349 Boughan A	1114	376 Boyd J K	1012/11	403 O'Shaughnessy B	236/7
350 Newman B	1112	377 Boyd S G	1012/11	404 Killford S	196
351 Borrell D H	1111/16	378 Fisk I	1010/8	405 Buchanan R	169/5
352 Dalziel I	1111/6	379 Jackson M	997/7	406 McRobie S	20
353 Darwin B W	1109/7	380 Blaikie J	988		
354 King P	1108/11	381 Parry N	975		

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### LOCAL NEWS contd

The annual PHILIPS TOURNAMENT in Wellington was held on 13 September; the clash of dates with the Winstone Tournament in Auckland was perhaps unfortunate. We have received no report but do have the scores, courtesy of Craig Laird!

A P.A.Garbett 3, D.O.Beach 1½, S.Cordue 1, A.Feneridis ½.

B D.N.A.Goodhall 2½, M.Wigbout 2, Z. Frankel 1, R.M.O'Callhan ½.

C M.Evans 2½, P.L.Cordue 2, P.Clark 1½, A.Borren 0.

D R.Bloore 3, R.Kent 2, P.Baran 1, S.R.Earle 0.

E P.D.Hawkes & J.Nysse 2, J.Reid & W.Ramsay 1.

F C.Cowan & P.Rawnsley 2, J.B.Kay & B.Foster 1.

G G.Marner 3, D.Clark 2, L.Powell 1, R.McLean 0.

H M.Gillespie 2½, A.Drake 1½, D.Keith & G.Frost 1.

I P.Collins 3, M.Noble 2, K.Chandler 1, M.Dunningham 0.

J D.Bennett 3, J.Rickett 2, A.Donse-laar 1. C.Cloues 0.

K J.Phillips & F.Foster 2, J.Hofstede & R.Glover 1.

L D.Adams 3, C.Feneridis 2, P.Cunningham 1, M.Sinclair 0.

M D.Dinkgreve 3, P.Collins 2, R.McGrath 1, J.Cunningham 0.

N T.Hughes 2½, G.Cunningham 2, M.Baran 1, M.Marner ½.

O P.Reid 2½, N.Papp 2, P.Borren 1, P.Beckford ½.

P P.Chin, C.White & J.Blaikie 2, B.Anderson 0.



This year saw the resuscitation of an AUCKLAND INTERCLUB Competition for clubs other than business houses. It may be remembered that when the Business House Tournament, sponsored by the Auckland Star, started in 1973 the main clubs were also invited to compete, in order to give the event a healthy start. North Shore won a competition dominated

by the major clubs and it was decided to restrict the event to business houses from 1974 on.

This year's tournament was for teams of six and six teams entered. Before the tournament got under way it appeared that three teams (North Shore, University and the Auckland Centre) would dominate the other three since Howick-Pakuranga, headed by Richard Sutton and Ewen Green, was unable to field its other leading players. In the event Howick-Pakuranga took the lead in round one by winning 3½:2½ against Birkdale North while North Shore drew 3:3 with University and Auckland was surprisingly held to a draw by unfancied Papatoetoe, the latter being helped by the Centre defaulting one game - even though the Centre was the venue for all matches, which were played on Sunday evenings. From then on North Shore took command with decisive victories against Howick-Pakuranga and Birkdale North and a loss to the Centre in the penultimate round did not affect first place. Auckland was perhaps lucky to shade University for second as, in their individual round two clash, it looked for some time as though University would win by about 5:1!

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1 NORTH SHORE	xx	2	3	5	6	6	22
2 AUCKLAND	4	xx	3½	4	3	6	20½
3 UNIVERSITY	3	2½	xx	5	4½	4½	19½
4 HWK-PAKURANGA	1	2	1	xx	4	3½	11½
5 PAPATOETOE	0	3	1½	2	xx	5	11½
6 BIRKDALE NORTH	0	0	1½	2½	1	xx	5



The 1977 AUCKLAND LABOUR WEEKEND TOURNAMENT was organised by the Auckland Centre and generously sponsored by the Papatoetoe Glass Company. The tournament was a 5 round Swiss with a time control of 40 moves in 2 hours and 20 moves per hour thereafter. The entry of 24, though small in number, was solid in strength throughout. Lev Aptekar, Robert Smith, Tom Stonehouse, Wolf Leonhardt and Craig Laird were the top seeds and more or less dominated the tournament. Bruce Winslade, as well as being a bit of a pool shark, directed with authority and handled the tournament extremely well. His life was not made easy with numerous hassles which could have been avoided if players would take the simple step of becoming

familiar with the laws of chess.

Round 1 held few surprises with the top seeds either drawing or winning. Most interest was centred around one of the lower boards in which a wild game was taking place between Bruce Marsick and the writer; after reaching a favourable position, the writer managed to exterminate himself swiftly.

Nothing extraordinary happened in the second round with the top players all forging ahead. Leaders at this stage were Aptekar, Smith & Metge with 2.

Round 3 saw Aptekar win easily when Metge blundered early in the game to give Lev an extra piece. Smith showed he was in good form by beating Leonhardt in a good game. Marsick scored a good win against George Trundle with his favourite 'Tal' Sicilian:

B.Marsick-G.Trundle, Sicilian: 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Qxd4 Bd7 5 c4 Nf6 6 Nc3 Nc6 7 Qd2 g6 8 b3 Bg7 9 Bb2 0-0 10 Be2 a6 11 0-0 Qc7 12 Nd5 Qd8 13 Nxf6+ exf6 14 Qxd6 Re8 15 Nd2 Re6 16 Qd3 Qe7 17 f4 Qc5+ 18 Kh1 Rd6 19 Qc3 Rd8 20 e5 fxe5 21 Ne4 Qa7 22 Nxd6 Nd4 23 Qc3 Qb8 24 fxe5 Nc2 25 Qf4 Nxa1 26 Qxf7+ Kh8 27 Qe7 Bc6 28 Qxd8+, 1 : 0.

Smith fought out an exciting draw with Aptekar in round 4. In the fifth round Aptekar very quickly put paid to Laird while Smith beat his old nemesis Nigel Metge to share first prize. Mickey Steadman beat Stonehouse convincingly to take third place. Grade prizes were won by Dr A.J.Henderson, S.Van Dam and Tom Putt.

L.Aptekar-C.Laird, Nimzowitsch Defence: 1 e4 Nc6 2 d4 d5 3 exd5 Qxd5 4 Nf3 Bg4 5 Be2 e5 6 c4 Qa5+ 7 Bd2 Bb4 8 d5 Bxf3 9 Bxf3 Bxd2+ 10 Nxd2 Nd4 11 0-0 Ne7 12 Re1 f6 13 Bg4 0-0 14 Nb3 Nxb3 15 Be6+ Kh8 16 Qxb3 Ng6 17 Rad8 18 Qc2 Qc5 19 Qxg6!! f5 20 Rd3 Rf6 21 Qg5 h6 22 Rh3 Qxc4 23 Rxb6+!, 1 : 0.

Scores: 1-2 L.Aptekar & R.W.Smith 4½; 3 M.Steadman 4; 4-5 C.Laird & B.H.P. Marsick 3½; 6-11 W.Leonhardt, J.N.Metge, P.Mataga, K.D.Kinchant, A.J.Henderson & S.Van Dam 3; 12-14 T.H.Stonehouse, Z. Frankel & T.Putt 2½; 15-20 P.G.Robinson, D.J.H.Storey, M.K.Morrison, G.Sareczky, P.D.Corbett & Sinclair 2; 21

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## ANNOTATED GAMES

From the 1977 Canterbury Club Championship. Notes by Martin Sims.

V.A.SMALL B.R.ANDERSON

Vienna Game

1 e4 e5

First surprise; Bruce usually defends the Sicilian.

2 Nc3!

Side stepping any of Bruce's prepared lines after 2 Nf3.

2...Nf6 3 g3 Bc5 4 Bg2 d6 5 Nge2 Nc6

Now that White's knight is on e2, Black could try the aggressive 5...h5 as was tried by Nunn recently.

6 Na4 Bg4 7 f3

On 7 Nxc5 Vernon was worried about 7...Nd4 but after 8 f3 White seems to win after either 8...Nxf3+ 9 Kf2 or 8...Bxf3 9 Bxf3 Nxf3+ 10 Kf2.

7...Bh5?!

7...Bd7 seems better, but not 7...Be6 which only encourages f4-f5.

8 d3 h6 9 Nxc5 dxc5 10 Be3 Qe7 11 0-0 Rd8

With the idea of putting pressure on White's centre by c4 and Nb4.

12 Qc1!

Killing the pin.

12...Nd4!?

12...0-0 13 g4 Bg6 14 g5! followed by f4 is hardly appetizing for Black, yet the resultant position after the text does not look too good for Bruce.

13 Nxd4 cxd4 14 Bd2 Nd7

The battle lines are set in this King's Indian Reversed but within a few moves it becomes clear that White has a decisive advantage as his kingside attack is already beginning to roll whereas Black's queenside counterplay has yet to get off the ground.

15 f4 f6 16 Bh3! Bg6 17 Qd1 0-0 18 Bxd7

Getting rid of his bad bishop..

18...Qxd7 19 f5 Bf7

White's kingside attack has gathered further momentum whereas Black is still just winding up.

20 g4 c5 21 h4 c4 22 g5 hxg5 23 hxg5 fxg5 24 Bxg5 Rc8 25 Rf2!

25 Qg4 would be premature; the text speeds up White's attack as Black is forced to double rooks in order to penetrate, but in so doing he removes a defensive piece from the kingside.

25...Rc6 26 Qg4 cxd3 27 cxd3 Rfc8 28 Rg2

With the idea 29 Bf6 winning.

28...Be8

If 28...Rc2 then 29 Bf6 Rxc2+ 30 Qxg2 and 31 Bxe5.

29 Rf1 Qf7

Aiming to defend by ...Qh5.

30 Rh2 Rc2 31 Rh3!

"The best move of the game - without it Black stands well", Small.

31...Rxb2 32 Qh4 Kf8

32...Qh5 33 Qxh5 Bxh5 34 Rxh5 Rcc2 35 f6 wins, e.g. 35...gxf6 36 Bxf6 Rg2+ 37 Kh1 Rxa2 38 Bxe5 with the threat of Rh8 mate.

33 f6 gxf6 34 Bxf6

It was not too late for White to throw it all away by 34 Rxf6? Qxf6! and Black wins.

34...Qxg6+ 35 Rg3 Qh5 36 Be7 mate.



A beautifully played by Robert Wansink from the Auckland University Championship. Notes by Nigel Metge.

R.WANSINK N.METGE

French Defence

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nc6 4 Ngf3 Nf6 5 e5 Nd7 6 Nb3 Be7 7 g3

Rare.

7...b6 8 h4

If 8 Bh3 then 8...h5 with the idea h5-h4.

8...a5 9 Bf4

On 9 a4 I intended 9...Ba6.

9...a4 10 Nc1 Bb4+!?

Not expecting White to play into the game line; 11 Bd2 followed by 12 c3 was the alternative.

11 c3 a3 12 cxb4 axb2 13 Rb1 bxc1Q 14 Qxc1 Ne7 15 Qc2 c5

Black has achieved a positional goal of the French, viz exchange of the white d-pawn.

16 Bh3!?

On 16 Bb5, 16...c4.

16...Nc6?

This natural move leads to hot water.

17 0-0! Nxb4

Or 17...Nxd4 18 Nxd4 cxd4 and 19 Qc6 threatening Bxe6 is awkward.

18 Rxb4 cxb4 19 Bg5 f6



20 Bxe6!

Having sacrificed the exchange Robert now offers a piece. 20...Nxe5 is successfully met with either 21 Nxe5 or 21 dxe5. Hence, in order to keep the e-file closed, Black takes the bishop.

20...fxg5 21 Bxd5 Ra5

Perhaps an artificial reply - the black QB is no longer protected. On 21...Ba6 (or 21...Rb8) 22 Nxg5 the complications are intractable.

22 Nxg5! Nc5

Possibly best was 22...Rxd5 23 Ne6 Bb7 24 Nxd8 Kxd8. The passed central pawns make life difficult for Black.

23 Bf7+ Ke7 24 dxc5 Rxc5 25 Qb3 Rxe5 26 Qxb4+ Qd6 27 Qxd6+ Kxd6 28 Bb3

Now Black must return the exchange leaving White a sound pawn ahead.

28...Rf8 29 Nf7+ Rxf7 30 Bxf7 Be6 31 Bxe6 Kxe6

Is this ending drawn? Fine indicates that where the defending king is on the same side as the potential passed pawn the winning method is:

- 1) Placing of K and R on 'best squares';
- 2) Advancing pawns without actually creating a passed pawn;
- 3) Entry of king on the other wing.

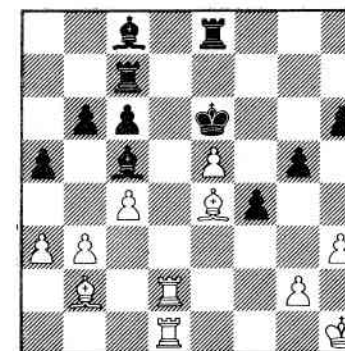
32 Rb1 b5 33 Rb2 h5 34 Kg2 Kf5 35 Kf3

White threatens 36 Rb4 with the idea Rf4+ cutting the black king off from the queenside. Unfortunately, Black now blundered with ....

35...Ke6?? 36 Re2, 1 : 0.



The following position was reached after 29 moves of the game Leonhardt - Gollogly in the 1977 North Shore Club Championship. David Gollogly provides the notes to this interesting endgame.



White has a very strong position with his control of the d-file, advantage in space and his strong passed e-pawn, not to mention Black's exposed king.

W.LEONHARDT D.A.GOLLOGLY

30 Rd6?!

This violent move gives the endgame its interest. Nevertheless, simply 30

Bf3 was strong and in practical play probably the best move.

30 ... Bxd6  
31 Rxd6+

After 31 exd6 Black has 31...Rd8 with equality at least, e.g. 32 Bf3 Rxd6 33 Rel+ Kf7 34 Be5 Re7.

31 ... Ke7  
32 Rxh6 Rd7

Black must activate his pieces, even at the cost of a pawn or two.

33 Bxc6 Rd1+  
34 Kh2 Red8  
35 a4 Rb1

35...Rd2 may have been stronger.

36 Ba3+ Kf7  
37 Bd5+ Kg7

Not 37...Ke8?? 38 e6 and White mates.

38 Rxb6

White appears to have an easily won game with three pawns, the bishop pair and a strong initiative for the exchange. Black, however, has a neat tactical resource which keeps him in the game.

38 ... g4!

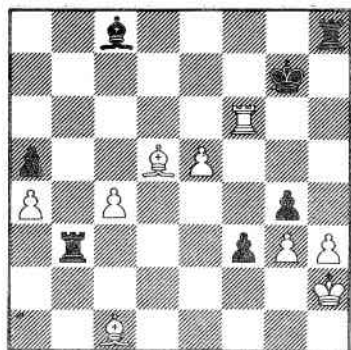
Foreseen as far back as move 37! White's reply is forced.

39 g3 f3!

Seems to be best. The f-pawn now threatens to queen in two moves and, together with the rook, imprisons the white king.

40 Rf6 Rxb3  
41 Bcl Rh8

The sealed move.



42 h4?

White misses the win. Correct was 42 Rf7+! Kg6 43 h4, the point being that Black cannot now play 43...Re8 because of 44 h5+! Kxh5 45 Be4 Rh8 46 Rf6.

Black's best try is 43...Rb1 44 Ba3 Re8 45 Bd6 (45 h5+ is not dangerous without White's bishop on the c1-h6 diagonal; 45 Be4+? Kxf7 46 Bxb1 Be6 loses for White) 45...Be6 (Black must prevent 46 h5+ when 46...Kg5 47 Be7+ Kh6 48 Bf8+ Kg5 49 h6, 46...Kxh5 47 Rh7+ Kg5 48 Bf7, and 46...Kh6 47 e6 Bxe6 48 Bf4+ Kxh5 49 Rf6 are all winning for White) 46 Rf6+ Kg7 47 Bxe6 Rxe6 48 Rxe6 f2 49 Bf8+! (Black's king is driven into the corner before White gives back his rook) 49...Kg8 50 Rg6+ Kh7 51 Rg7+ Kh8 52 Rf7 f1Q 53 Rxf1 Rxf1 54 Bd6. This ending is won for White, e.g. 54...Rc1 (Black's other try, 54...Ral narrowly fails: 55 c5! Rxa4 56 c6 Kg8 57 e6 Rc4 58 c7 a4 59 e7 Kf7 60 h5 a3 61 h6 a2 62 Be5! and Black is too late after 62...Kxe7 63 h7) 55 c5 Kg7 56 e6 Kf6 (what else?) 57 e7 Kf7 58 Kg2 Rc2+ 59 Kf1 Ke8 (59...Rc4 followed by 60...Rxa4 loses as before) 60 Kel Kf7 (60...Kd7 is no better - if Black's rook leaves the c-file White may then have the threat of c6+! followed by c7) 61 Kd1 Rc4 62 Kd2 Ke8 63 Kd3 Rc1 64 Kd4 Kf7 65 Kd5 Ke8 66 Kc6 Rb1 67 Kc7 Rb2 68 c6 Rb1 69 Kc8 Rb2 70 c7 Rb1 71 h5 etc.

42 ... Re8!

Black frees the square h8 for his king, thus avoiding the above variations, and also threatens White's e-pawn.

43 Bh6+ Kh8  
44 Bf8!

Not considered in my adjournment analysis! Other moves lose for White, e.g. 44 Be4 Rb2+ 45 Kg1 Re2 46 Bg6 Rd8 47 Rd6 Rxd6 48 exd6 Re6 49 Bf5 Rel+ etc, or 44 Rf7 Be6 45 Rf8+ Rxf8 46 Bxf8 Bxd5 47 cxd5 f2 48 Kg2 Rf3 49 Kf1 Rxf8 50 e6 Kg7 51 e7 Rb8 etc. Fortunately, after the text, Black still has a draw.

44 ... Rb2+  
45 Kg1 Rb1+  
46 Kf2 Rb2+  
47 Kf1 Rb1+  
48 Kf2

½ : ½

48...Rb2+ 49 Ke3 Rxe5+ followed by 50...Rh5 is risky, albeit for both sides, but should not be worse for Black.



### A Calculated Risk

In modern lines of the Sicilian Defence it has become apparent that Black will have to put up with a brisk kingside attack while he himself is still unwinding his pieces on the queenside. It is tempting to postpone kingside castling, so that White will not be able to commit himself completely to the attack and may find himself under mounting pressure by the time Black's king is eventually moved away from the centre. This strategy evidently exposes Black to some risks, but in practical terms it can pay dividends. White may not find a good way of exploiting the position of Black's king or, having embarked on vigorous sacrificial measures with that end in view, he may either become overconfident, or lose himself in a maze of variations. In the following game, from the Asian Team Championship, Dozsa decides to take that risk, but finds that he is unable to cope with his defensive problems. Notes are by Richard Sutton (based on Velimirovic's analysis in ECO).

R.MASCARINAS P.DOZSA

Sicilian Defence

1 e4 c5  
2 Nf3 Nc6  
3 d4 cxd4  
4 Nxd4 Nf6  
5 Nc3 d6  
6 Bc4

In earlier days White used to play 6 Be2 which permitted Black a choice of 6...e5, 6...g6 or 6...e6. The move played is much more aggressive. It controls d5 so that 6...e5 7 Nde2 is not attractive for Black. If 6...g6? then 7 Nxc6 bxc6 8 e5! is unpleasant. It also provides added strength to White's queenside, so he can contemplate castling on that side so as to be unhampered in his projected kingside pawn storm. In the moves which follow, White adopts a system of development favoured by GM

Velimirovic.

6 ... e6  
7 Be3 Be7  
8 Qe2 a6  
9 0-0-0 Qc7

As it turns out, the queen is not happily placed here; but other methods of development do not seem better, e.g. 9...Bd7 10 Bb3 Qa5 11 f4 b5 12 a3 b4 13 axb4 Nxb4 14 g4 Rc8 (14...0-0 15 g5 is better for White) 15 g5 Rxc3 16 gxf6 Rxe3 17 Qxe3 Bxf6 18 Kbl 0-0 19 e5! Be7 (19...dxe5 20 fxe5 Qxe5 21 Qxe5 Bxe5 22 Nf3) 20 Rhg1 g6 21 f5! and White had a winning attack in Velimirovic - Pekjun 1972 (Informant 14/407).

10 Bb3 Na5

If Black tries an immediate 10...b5, the answer is 11 Nxc6 (a common ploy against an early b7-b5) 11...Qxc6 12 Bg5 Bb7 13 Rhel Qc7 14 a3 and White is well placed in the centre and on the kingside while Black has made little progress towards his goals on the queenside.

11 g4

Aimed at dislodging the Nf6 and setting up a spearhead for a kingside attack.

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STOKES VALLEY

11 ... b5  
 12 g5 Nxb3  
 13 axb3 Nd7  
 14 Nf5!

A forcing continuation which opens the e-file; the piece sacrifice is only temporary.

14 ... exf5  
 15 Nd5 Qd8  
 16 exf5 Bb7



It is clear that the king must soon depart for the kingside, and his exit will not be a dignified one. The only question is whether he decamps immediately, or shuffles across in slow and painful stages. At first sight there is merit in the immediate 16...0-0. Velimirovic-Sofrevski 1965 continued 17 f6 gxf6 18 Bd4 Ne5 19 gxf6 Bxf6 20 Rhg1+ Bg7? 21 Bxe5 and wins, e.g. 21...dxe5 22 Qxe5 f6 23 Ne7+ Kh8 24 Rxd8 fxe5 25 Rxf8+ Bxf8 26 Rg8 mate. But, instead of 20...Bg7?, 20...Kh8 is possible because if 21 f4 Bg4! and he has prospects of defence. So it may be that White does better to play, instead of 18 Bd4, 18 gxf6 Bxf6 (18...Nxf6 19 Rhg1+ Kh8 20 Bd4 is overwhelming) 19 f4! keeping the black knight out of e5 and threatening 20 Qg2+ and 21 Nxf6 attacking the Ra8. If Black replies 19...Bb7, then 20 Rhg1+ Kh8 21 Nxf6 Nxf6 22 Bd4 threatening to bring the queen to h4, via g4 or h5. Another alternative for White is 18 Nxe7+ Qxe7 19 gxf6 so that, if 19...Qxf6 (19...Nxf6 20 Bd4! and wins), 20 f4! Re8 21 Qg2+ with multiple threats. Other queen moves are no better: 19...Qe6 20 Qf3 followed by Qg3, or 19...Qe4 20 Rhg1+ Kh8 21 Rd4 Qe6 22 Rdg4 Nxf6? 23 Bd4 Bb7 24 Qxe6 fxe6 25 Rg8+! Rxc8 26 Bxf6+ Rg7 27 Rxc7 Rf8 28 Rg6+ ending the exchange

up.  
 Dozza is not willing to allow his opponent such a plethora of attacking chances, so he plays to rid himself of White's powerful Nd5, keep his king close to the Be7 to give it extra protection, and retain his Rh8 where it can if necessary contest the g-file. True, his rooks will not speak to each other for a while, but in a position such as this some embarrassments must be expected!

17 f6 gxf6  
 18 Rhe1!

Correctly judging that the issue will now be contested in the centre rather than on the kingside. It is now too late for 18...0-0 because of 19 Nxe7+ Qxe7 20 gxf6 Qxf6 21 Qg4+ winning back the knight.

18 ... Bxd5  
 19 Rxd5 Rg8!

Again, if 19...0-0 20 gxf6 Bxf6 (20...Nxf6 21 Rg5+ and 22 Bd4) 21 Rxd6 and the double threat of 22 Qg4+ and Qd2 will win back the knight, leaving White with an extra pawn and a strong game; or else White may continue the attack with 21 Rg1+ Bg7 22 Qh5.

20 Bf4!?

More straightforward is 20 gxf6 Nxf6 21 Rf5 Rg6 22 Bb6 Qd7 which leads to a game which is slightly inferior for Black but by no means fatal; if 23 Qf3 Rb8 24 Rxf6 Rxb6 25 Qa8+ Qd8 26 Rxe7+ Kxe7 27 Rxf7+ Kxf7 28 Qxd8 (Kupreichik-Beljovski 1974) ECO recommends 28...d5! connecting the rooks and the endgame is unclear despite White's two pawn advantage after the win of the pawn on d5.

With the move played, White tries to get his opponent muddled - and succeeds!

20 ... Ra7?

An inconsequent move, after which his position swiftly collapses. Much better is 20...Kf8!, unpinning the Be7 and leading to general exchanges if White captures on d6, e.g. 21 Bxd6 Bxd6 22 Rxd6 fxe5 23 Qd2 Ra7 24 Rdl Qe7 and White regains his sacrificed piece but with no advantage. Or if 21 gxf6 Nxf6 22 Bh6+ Ke8 23 Rf5 Rg6 etc. Velimirovic gives 21 Qh5 Qa5 (21...Rg7? 22 Rxe7! Kxe7 23 Bxd6+ Ke6 24 c4!, Martinovic-Musil 1973) 22 Qe2 Qd8 with repetition of moves. Perhaps Mascarinas, who would know of

this analysis, had some other plan of attack in mind if he reached this position.

21 Bxd6 Nb6  
 22 Bxe7 Qxd5  
 23 Bxf6+ Qe6

Forced, since 23...Kd7 24 Qe7+ Kc6 25 Qxa7 is hopeless for Black in view of his material deficit and exposed king.

24 Qd2 Rd7  
 25 Rxe6+ fxe6  
 26 Qe2

Black has given back his extra material in the worst possible circumstances since his rooks are still unconnected and his king exposed to the combined attentions of Q and B.

26 ... Kf7  
 27 Qh5+ Kf8  
 28 Qh6+ Ke8  
 29 Qh3! Rd6  
 30 Qxh7 Rf8  
 31 Qe7 mate



Also from the Asian Teams - notes by Paul Garbett.

J.S. SAMPOU P.A. GARBETT  
 1 e4 c5  
 2 Nf3 e6  
 3 d4 cxd4  
 4 Nxd4 Nc6  
 5 Be3

Not the best; Black is left with some good options.

5 ... Nf6  
 6 Nd2

6 Nc3 Bb4 is good for Black; 6 Bd3 e5!? is interesting.

6 ... Be7

Tempting is 6...d5, but 7 exd5 Nxd5 8 Nxc6 bxc6 9 Bd4 is very awkward. Therefore Black decided to develop his kingside first.

7 Be2 0-0  
 8 0-0

Now Black's d7-d5 is strong, therefore 8 c4 could have been considered when either 8...d5 or 8...Bb4 seem satis-

factory.

8 ... d5  
 9 exd5 Nxd5  
 10 Nxc6 bxc6

Now, whatever White plays, Black gains the two bishops and open lines which more than outweigh his inferior pawn structure.

11 Bd3?!

Opting for an open file at the expense of a weak e-pawn. The alternative is 11 Bd4 Nf4.

11 ... Nxe3  
 12 fxe3 g6  
 13 Qf3 Qd5!  
 14 Qg3 Qd6

Not 14...Bd6 15 Qh4 threatening Ne4.

15 Qh3 Rb8  
 16 Rf2 Rb4!

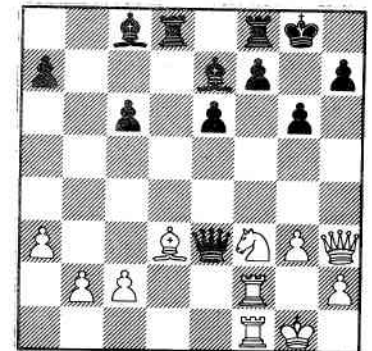
With the idea 17...e5 18 Qg3 Bh4.

17 g3 Qc5

Wins a pawn.

18 Raf1 Qxe3  
 19 a3 Rd4  
 20 Nf3 Rdd8?

Safer was 20...e5 21 Qg2 Rdd8 22 Re1 Qb6 23 Kh1 f6 and White has fewer threats than in the game.



21 Re1 e5!  
 22 g4

The best chance; if 22 Rxe3 Bxh3 23 Rxe5 Bd6, White's rook can be forced off the fifth rank and Black then wins the exchange, e.g. 24 Ra5 Bc7 followed by 25...Bb6. If 22 Qg2, simply 22...Qb6 is good.

22 ... Qf4  
23 Nxe5?

Essential was 23 Re4 when, after 23... Qc1+ 24 Rf1 Qxb2 25 Rxe5 Bf6, Black should hold off the attack and stay a pawn up, e.g. if 26 Rh5, then 26...Rxd3!

23 ... Bc5  
24 Qg3 Bxf2+

Declining to double White's pawns with 24...Qxg3+ as then the open h-file could be dangerous.

25 Qxf2 Qxf2+  
26 Kxf2 Rd6  
27 Rg1 Re8  
28 Nf3 c5  
29 g5 Rb6  
30 b3 Ba6  
31 Ne1 f5

To stop Rg4 when Black plays c5-c4.

32 a4 c4  
33 bxc4 Rc8  
34 a5 Rd6  
35 Rg3 Bxc4  
36 Re3 Bxd3  
37 cxd3 Kf8  
38 Re5 a6  
39 Re2 Rc5  
40 Rb2 Rd7

The game was adjourned here but the win is fairly simple.

41 Ra2 Kg7  
42 Ra4 Rb5  
43 h4 h6  
44 Ra3 hxg5  
45 hxg5 Rdd5  
46 Nf3 Rxa5  
47 Rc3 Rdc5  
48 Rb3 Rab5  
49 Ra3 a5  
50 Ke3 Rb4  
51 d4 Rcb5  
52 Kf4 a4  
53 Ra1 Rb7  
54 Ke5 Rb3  
55 Nd2 Re3+  
56 Kd6 Rd3  
57 Kc6 Rb4

0 : 1



Kai Jensen annotates his best game from the World Junior at Innsbruck.

M.BERNAT K.JENSEN

English Opening

1 c4 Nf6  
2 Nc3 g6  
3 g3 Bg7  
4 Bg2 0-0  
5 Nf3 d6  
6 0-0 e5  
7 d3

Now all the possibilities of transposition are no more and we have settled into a kind of reversed Closed Sicilian. I have played this opening as Black perhaps five times in tournament games and cannot remember losing.

7 ... Nc6  
8 Rb1 a5!?

I invariably play this move. It does not prevent b2-b4, but allows Black to exchange his a-pawn which might otherwise become weak after a subsequent b4-b5.

9 a3 h6  
10 b4 axb4  
11 axb4 Be6  
12 b5 Ne7  
13 Qc2 Nh5

Evading the positional trap 13...Qd7? 14 c5!

14 Bb2 f5  
15 Nd2 Rb8  
16 Ra1

If White tries to prevent f5-f4 by 16 f4, he loses a pawn: 16...exf4 17 gxf4 Bd4+ and 18...Be3.

16 ... f4  
17 Ra7 Qc8  
18 Nde4

Poring over the board before this move, I had found a rather pretty variation. White can try to prevent the exchange of white-squared bishops by 18 Rfa1. If then 18...Bh3 then h1 is probably the best retreat square; but White can try to throw a tactical spanner in the works of the black attack with 19 Bd5+ Nxd5 20 Nxd5 threatening 21 Ne7+. Now comes the fun: 20...fxg3! 21 Ne7+ Kh8 22 Nxc8 gxf2+ 23 Kh1 Nf4 24 Rg1 Nxe2+ 26 Kh1 Rf2 and this time the mate cannot be stopped. All rather pretty, even if meaningless.

The move played aims at immediate queenside counterplay with b5-b6. At this stage, said Bernat afterwards, he thought

he was winning. I thought I was winning too.

18 ... Bh3  
19 b6 Bxg2  
20 Kxg2

Not 20 bxc7 Bxf1 21 cxb8Q Qh3.

20 ... fxg3  
21 hxg3

Again bxc7 fails, this time to 21... Nf4+.

21 ... Nf4+

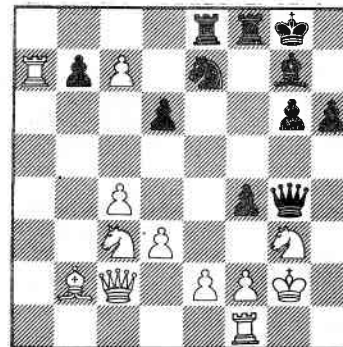
The only good way to continue the attack.

22 gxf4 Qg4+  
23 Ng3!

White is trying to win too. After 23 Kh2, Black has at least a perpetual.

23 ... exf4  
24 bxc7 Rbe8!

This allows White to play along the 7th rank but the alternative 24...Rbc8 is met by 25 Nd5!, e.g. 25...Nxd5 26 cxd5 fxg3 27 f3! After the text, however, 25 Nd5 is met by 25...Nxd5 26 cxd5 Rxe2 winning.



25 Ne4 Nf5  
26 c8Q!

A vital *zwischenzug*, clearing the 7th rank and defending against the threat of 26...Rxe4.

26 ... Rxc8  
27 Rxb7 Be5!

None of Black's tries work until he has prevented Rxg7+.

28 Bxe5 dxe5  
29 Rh1??

In the tension, White finally misses something. He had to move his queen. 29 Qb2 (or 29 Qb3/Qa4) forced Black to draw by 29...f3+ 30 exf3 Nh4+ 31 Kh2 Nxf3+ etc.

29 ... fxg3  
30 Nxg3 Qxg3+

Ouch! This is what White, in slight time trouble, failed to see. He is now a piece down, with virtually no compensation, in all variations.

31 fxg3 Ne3+  
32 Kg1 Rf1+

0 : 1



LOCAL NEWS contd

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Report: Peter Corbett



COMBINATION SOLUTIONS

1. Bujnoch-Matocha, Czechoslovakia 1968: 1 Be7+! Kh6 2 Rxh7+! Kxh7 3 Bf8+ and 4 Qg7 mate.
2. Capablanca-Lasker, Berlin 1914 (5 seconds a move): 1 Ra8+!! Nxa8 2 Kc8! Nc7 3 Kxc7 Ka8 4 Kxb6 Kb8 5 Kc6 Kc8 6 b6 +-.
3. Ventura-Neu, Correspondence 1968/69: 1...Nxc3! 2 bxc3 Rxc3 3 Nh4 Rc4+! 4 Rxc4+ bxc4, 0 : 1.
4. Lamparter-Green, Australian Ch'p 1938: 1 Nc6! Nxc6 2 Qh7+! Nxh7 (or 2...Kf6 3 Bh4!) 3 Be5+ Kh6 4 Bg7 mate.
5. Horowitz-Kevitz, New York 1931: 1 Qg5! g6 2 Qh6 gxf5 3 Rg4+ fxg4 4 Bxh7+ Kh8 5 Bg6+ and mates in 2.
6. Bach-Botto, Tjentiste 1975: 1 Rg6! fxg6 (1...Qe5 2 Rg7) 2 hxg6 Rf7 3 Qf8+!! Rxf8 4 Rxh7+ Kg8 5 Nh6 mate.



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