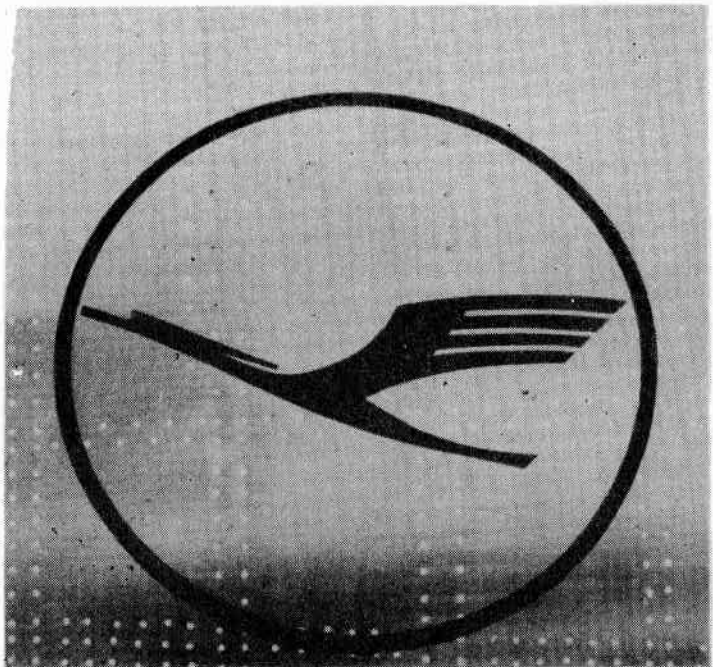


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EDITORIAL

First of all, many thanks for all the contributions received for this issue.

I have been unable to use some of them because of pressure of time and space, but I have several which will be handy and won't date saved for future use, including follow-ups to "Brain-Rot and Other Forms of the Game" (April 1981 NZ Chess).

However, more contributions are always welcome.

This issue is a little later than I would have liked because of several excuses: a/ some tournament organisers seem a little tardy in forwarding reports of tournaments;

b/ I took some time off to actually play chess by travelling to the North Island Championships and thereby delayed publication to include my report on that tournament (see page 66);

c/ I have been busy moving house. As you will note from the inside front cover, the Editor's address is now 10 Lendic Ave, Henderson, to which all material should be sent.

On the question of contributions, I am personally amazed at the lack of response to Vernon Small's excellent suggestions on restructuring selection procedures ("Vernon Small - A Profile", April 1981 NZ Chess).

Perhaps everyone is happy with the way things are done at the moment, or is it just the 'apathetic New Zealand attitude' prevailing?

This issue includes the new column I announced in April: "Panel Posers".

Thanks to those who sent in queries; it is essential to have audience participation for this feature to get off the ground and be of value to chess players around the country.

On a sadder note, we record the passing of one of the pioneers of organised chess in this country - Charles Belton.

Ortvin Sarapu says it for us all with

a tribute to a man who remained an enthusiastic supporter of the game for over 50 years.

In memory of Charles I am organising a special tournament next month (see coming events) which I hope all will support.

Bob Smith.

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OBITUARY— C.P. BELTON

A part of chess history ended on April 9, 1981, when Charles Patrick Belton died at the age of 76.

Charles was a hundred percent chess-player throughout his life and actively participated in many tournaments for well over 50 years.

His last tournament was the Howick-Pakuranga tourney in February this year in which he won a grade prize.

The first time I met Charles was in Napier at the New Zealand Championships of 1951/2, where he scored a respectable six points out of eleven in the championship proper.

In 1954 and 1957 he won the North Island Championship ahead of the then New Zealand champion, Rodney Phillips.

In 1959 Charles had his last real chance to win the New Zealand Championship in Hamilton.

After leading for most of the tournament he fell ill and the medicine he took had a bad effect on his play; he lost the last three games.

Besides playing good chess even in his later years (he beat Vernon Small in the 1980 Waitemata weekend tournament and in the same year beat me in the Auckland Chess Centre's lightning teams tournament) Charles was also a generous financial sponsor of chess activities.

Most younger players would be unaware that Charles formed a building fund for the Auckland Chess Club and donated a large sum of money.

When eventually the Auckland Chess Club and the Dominion Rd Chess Club amalgamated to form the Auckland Chess Centre this money was used to buy the present premises.

In 1953 when Charles was involved with the real estate business that bears his name, he tried to persuade Auckland Chess Club members (then renting rooms in Queen St) to pool their money and buy a large house in High St, just off Queen St, for 10,000 pounds.

His idea was that the club would after a few years receive a lot of rent (the tenant was a bank) and free rooms for playing chess.

The income from rent would sponsor tournaments, coaching and trips to and

and from New Zealand, as well as helping financially other clubs and the national association.

Unfortunately the members of the club committee at the time disagreed with Charles' idea and the deal fell through.

Some even mistakenly accused him of trying to get commission on the sale!

An article in the August 1952 issue of "The New Zealand Chessplayer" (editor: A. L. Fletcher) helps to fill in a little more of Charles' chess background.

In the article it states that C.P. Belton began playing chess in Jerusalem in 1923 at the age of 18 when stationed there in a semi-military position under the British colonial office.

About 1928 he joined the Auckland Chess Club and a few years later was mainly responsible for re-establishing the club in its present (then Queen St) fine rooms by giving a personal guarantee for expenses.

He supported the opening of suburban chess clubs in Auckland (at the time there was great opposition to that; some had the idea that chessplayers would be split into small groups. It is clear now that chess actually gained far more players.).

Charles helped to introduce chess into Gisborne schools in 1937, as part of his general policy of encouraging young players.

In 1936 he was Hamilton champion and in 1950 won the championship of the Auckland Chess Club, after many near misses.

During World War II, he played chess in Cairo with other New Zealanders C.B. Newick and D.I. Lynch (from the "NZ Chessplayer" 1952).

Charles Belton has been the President of the Auckland Chess Club, Secretary of the New Zealand Chess Association and President of NZCA.

He is a life member of the Auckland Chess Centre.

He initiated the North Island Championship tournament and donated the Championship trophy. Appropriately he won the first contest in 1954.

He also worked out swiss system rules (New Zealand style) to avoid any chance of the director of play pairing players at random.

As NZCA Secretary he devised the draw for the 12 New Zealand Championship players. He was strongly against any pre-arranged draw by the organisers or director of play; Charles' ideas are now

established fact in every New Zealand Championship (there has been some improvement in pairings, worked out by the present NZCA President, Peter Stuart).

Charles was a fighter all his life, not only in the chess arena.

He was just on the way to winning an argument with the government over his life insurance company when he died so suddenly.

In 1975 as the President of NZCA, he found himself involved in a fight with another group within the NZCA council.

This took a lot out of him and his health suffered badly, as did the health of his chief opponent.

For 30 years I have played chess with Charles in clubs and at home.

He was one of my best friends during that long period.

Charles Belton lived an interesting and full life and those who knew him well will always remember him.

O. Sarapu



Charles Belton (seated at the right) in earlier years at the Auckland Chess Club.

Book Review— The Vienna Opening

By Bob Gibbons

The Vienna is characterised by the moves 1 e4 e5 2 Nc3 and this hundred-page monograph by Tim Harding is packed with a wealth of analysis and variations arising chiefly from the moves 3 f4, 3 Bc4 and the quieter 3 g3.

The book has been readily available for some time, having been published in 1976, and forms part of a series written by the author on the less fashionable openings.

There is some degree of overlapping with Harding's 'Bishop's Opening' but although the themes are the same, many of the examples are new.

The Vienna Opening ceased to be fashionable in the early part of the century, and is frequently dismissed as being passive.

But is an excellent weapon for enterprising club players, concealing as it does many sharp and aggressive variations.

The most familiar is the Frankenstein-Dracula variation in which black gives up his queen's rook for counter-attacking chances against the white king. Then there is the notorious Steinitz gambit, yet to be proved unsound, in which white centralises his king as a provocative target in the opening.

There are however quieter channels for players unaccustomed to early violent surges of adrenalin in their systems.

The book uses English descriptive notation instead of the familiar figurine notation, and although it is generally well set out it could have been improved by using bold type for the principal variations.

It does not delve very deeply into the theory behind the moves, being more concerned with extracts from actual games, and this will make it more appealing to correspondence players, or players wishing to add an extra opening weapon to their armoury - than to anyone wishing to develop an understanding of the principles of opening play.

Despite this, 'The Vienna Opening' is a very worthwhile book to have around.

THE AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

By Johnathon Sarfati

It is usual for the two top scorers in the New Zealand Schoolpupils' Championship to be invited to play in the Australian Junior Championship.

Last year there was a three-way tie for first place, but the other two - Leonard McLaren (Wellington College) and Roy Mathias (Auckland Grammar) declined this invitation.

The Australian Junior was held in the Adelaide Chess Centre in January.

Unfortunately, because of the lack of air conditioning, the atmosphere inside was rather hot and humid, with the temperature sometimes rising to over 40 degrees Celsius.

One round was played each day, with a rest day on Sunday.

I was fortunate in being billeted by the Peake family, which includes Andrew, a fellow competitor.

There were 36 players taking part from all over Australia (except Northern Territory).

As could be expected, the majority were from South Australia, but there were several strong players from other states, including state junior champions.

Three girls, including the youngest competitor (nine years old) participated.

The top seed was Steve Solomon of Melbourne, the defending champion.

Second seed was Ray Casse and sixth seed Mark Chapman, both from South Australia, who had placed highly last year.

I was seeded fourth.

Each player was given \$2 spending money each day.

The Director of Play was Mrs E. Koshnitsky, who organises all junior chess in South Australia.

The first round began at 12.30 pm on Monday, January 11.

It was uneventful; most of the higher rated players won. I beat Konrad Hornung after he mishandled the Tarrasch French, with a knight offer and queen sacrifice (see later games).

The second round produced one notable upset: 14-year-old tenth seed Sasa Zaric (S.A.) lost from a superior position in the closed English.

Otherwise, everything went as expected.

I played a complicated defence to the Ruy Lopez against Darryl Williams (Tas.) and "checkmated" his queen in 19 moves.

Round three left the top four seeds with full points.

Mark Chapman played Bronstein's suggestion against Solomon's favourite Petroff Defence. Solomon defended inaccurately and won only after Chapman missed a crusher.

Ray Casse beat G. Bell (W.A.); third seed Alex Schwaiger of Sydney beat Paul Broekhuysse, also of Sydney, with a solid style reminiscent of Petrosian; I successfully attacked Bruce Burn's (Vic.) Pirc Defence, thus avenging Zaric.

In round four and on board one at last, I played black against Solomon.

After the opening (Giuoco Pianissimo) both sides played inaccurately; then I exchanged pieces in time trouble to find myself with a lost endgame.

Casse found an improvement for black in Gufeld's analysis of the Tarrasch Queen's Gambit against Schwaiger, who soon blundered a piece.

Chapman beat the fifth seed, J. Willock (W.A.) with a complex line of the Dragon.

Round five was crucial for the top board. In the battle for leadership, Solomon blundered a knight and resigned in 15 moves.

Schwaiger was given the bishop pair by Chapman in a Sicilian and won the endgame.

Bell escaped punishment for a much inferior position as black in a closed Sicilian against me; the game was drawn.

In round six Casse blundered in a "Modern" to Broekhuysse.

"Solomon was shooting at me with an empty gun and I lent him some bullets," said Schwaiger.

Against me Tony Wirth copied Bell's opening of the previous round; unlike Bell he did not escape punishment.

Bell and Chapman had a hard-fought draw. Round seven was a disaster for me.

After refuting Casse's delayed exchange Lopez and winning a pawn safely, I blundered in time trouble.

Broekhuysse beat Solomon with black, thus assuming joint leadership with Casse, one and a half points ahead of me.

Schwaiger drew with Zaric.

In round eight Casse won, while Broekhuysse drew with Bell.

Schwaiger and Wirth had a game of changing fortunes but Schwaiger eventually managed to swindle his opponent, whose rook was out of play.

I, demoted to board five, played a rare line of the Marshall Attack against Reitman's Ruy Lopez and won in 22 moves.

In round nine Casse (7 points) lost to Zaric (5) in a delayed exchange Lopez while I (5½) exploited Broekhuysse's (6½) Leucopenia (white square weaknesses) with the black pieces.

The same night, British Champion I.M. Bill Harston gave a simul. to the juniors.

I drew against his Kieseritzky Gambit; Casse, Zaric and Chapman won sharp games.

Solomon was absent - he was busy winning an adjourned game against Bell.

Schwaiger lost, perhaps because he had blundered in round nine to M. Drummond (Vic., 5 pts.).

Round ten: Casse smashed Drummond's Modern Defence brilliantly, while Solomon's Petroff let him down against Pengelly (S.A., 5½) as it had in round eight against Zaric; both games were drawn (but what can you expect from the Petroff?)

Zaric (6) sacrificed the exchange (deliberately) against me (6½) but overlooked an ingenious tactical resource which won a piece.

Broekhuysse (6½) and Williams (5½) drew, as did Schwaiger (5½) and Bell (5½).

In the final round Solomon (7) won nicely against Williams' "poisoned pawn" Sicilian. Broekhuysse out-combined Zaric in a complex position.

Schwaiger had a promising looking build-up on the king-side (from a Caro-Kann) against me, but attacked prematurely and weakened himself.

Reitmans played a sharp Keres attack against the Sicilian; Casse won two pawns for the exchange, but could only draw.

Chapman (5) beat Peake (5).

So the final placings were:
1st equal - Casse (Australian Junior Champion) and Sarfati (8½/11);
3rd equal - Solomon and Broekhuysse (8);
5th equal - Bell and Pengelly (7).

A curious sidelight is the fact that I was ineligible for the title of Australian Junior Champion, despite being born in Australia, while Casse took the title despite being born in England!

Prizes were presented after the second

round of the lightning championships by Bill Harston.

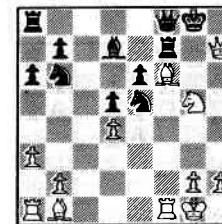
The first place-getters each won A\$125, and there were trophies for the first six places.

The only thing I have to complain about in this excellently-run tournament is the trophies - they failed to allow for ties, so the organisers used the (ugh!) Solkoff tie-break, which however failed to break the first-place tie.

It was suggested that the New Zealand Chess Association should invite one or two Australian juniors to the New Zealand Junior Championships.

A few games from the tournament:

J. Sarfati - K. Hornung, French Defence
1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7 5 f4!
c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Ndf3 cxd4 8 cxd4 Be7? 9 Bd3
f6? 10 Ne2 0-0 11 0-0 fxe5 12 fxe5 Nb6
13 Nf4! Nb4? 14 Bb1 Bd7 15 a3 Nc6 16 Qd3
g6 17 Nxg6 Rf7 18 Nxe7+ Qxe7 19 Bg5 Qf8
20 Bf6 a6? 21 Ng5 Nxe5 22 Qxh7! 1-0



P. Broekhuysse - J. Sarfati, 2 b3
Notes by the winner.

1 Nf3 d5 2 b3 c5 3 Bb2?!

This allows black a strong centre; better is 3 e3.

3...f6! 4 e3 e5 5 d4 cxd4 6 exd4 e4 7
Nfd2 f5 8 c4 Nf6 9 Nc3 Be6 10 cxd5?

White's position was already difficult, but this concedes black the strong square d5.

10...Nxd5 11 Bb5+ Nd7 12 0-0

White's tenth move relied on 12 Ndx4
dxe4 13 Qh5+, but with 13...Bf7 14 Qe5+

Broekhuysse - Sarfati continued

Qe7! black would retain his material advantage.

12...Be7 13 Nc4 0-0 14 Nxd5 Bxd5 15 Ne3 Nb6 16 a4? Be6?

I became worried about my two bishops. But 16...f4 would have begun a king-side attack that white would find difficult to meet.

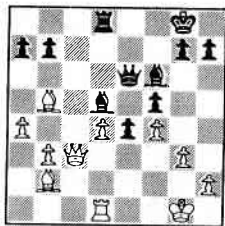
17 f4 Nd5 18 Qe2 Rc8 19 Bc4 Qd7 20 Bb5 Qc7 21 Rc1 Qb8 22 Nxd5

Better is 22 Bc4

22...Bxd5 23 Qe3 Qd6 24 Rc3 Bf6 25 g3?

There was no need to weaken the white squares further. R1c1 was logical and better, although white's game would still be unpleasant.

25...Rxc3 26 Qxc3 Rd8 27 Rd1 Qe6!



28 Bc4 Rd6! 29 Bxd5

Black was threatening e3, with an attack on the a8-h1 diagonal.

29...Qxd5 30 Qc8+ Kf7 31 Qc7+ Kg6 32 Qc3

If 32 Qc4 Qxc4 33 bxc4 Rb6! 34 Bc3 Rb3 35 Bal Rb4 wins a pawn, and if 35 Rc1 Rxc3! wins.

32...Rb6! 33 b4 Rc6 34 Qe3 Rc2 35 Bc3

If 35 Bal or a3 Qa2! wins; or 35 Bc1 Qc4!; or 35 Rb1 or d2 Rxb2!; finally, if 35 Qa3 e3! wins.

35...Qc4 36 Bd2??

A blunder, but if 36 Bel Re2 37 Qc3 Bxd4+! 38 Qxd4 Rxe1+ wins for black.

37...Bxd4 0-1

THE NZ JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Report: Paul Spiller

The Howick-Pakuranga Chess Club, well known for its annual open weekend tournament, decided this year to host the national junior championship.

Plenty of advance notice was given and entry forms circulated to all affiliated clubs throughout New Zealand.

Considering the generous sponsorship of \$750 in prizes by Borroughs Computers and the effort made to publicize the event, the organisers had every right to be disappointed with the entry of only 22.

Auckland juniors did not seem to be interested in the event, with the absence of several strong players.

However, this was more than compensated for by the strong entry from Wellington, including Jonathon Sarfati, co-winner of the recent Australian Junior Championship, as well as Adrian Lloyd from Christchurch and David Weegeenaar of Otago.

The only problem that arose concerning the tournament was the lack of accommodation for out-of-town players. Help finally came from a local club member, Bruce Foley, who put up six of the boys for four days, even though this meant a 12-mile drive in from Manurewa every morning.

The tournament was duly opened in the clubrooms by IM Ortvín Sarapu, who gave a brief but interesting talk on his exploits during the Estonian Junior Championships which he won some 40 years ago.

Round 1:	A. Lloyd	1	R. Takhar	0
	C. Dowler	0	J. Sarfati	1
	G. Sidnam	1	A. Langdon	0
	S. East	0	L. McLaren	1
	S. Hart	1	J. Stephenson	0
	G. Spencer-Smith	0	M. Noble	1
	D. Weegeenaar	1	A. Hardman	0
	A. Parkinson	0	D. Field	1
	A. Ker	1	C. Craig	0
	D. McDonald	0	G. Aldridge	1
	B. Walsh	1	P. Glen	0

Round one was the perfect result for a swiss, with the top 11 players (all rated)

defeating the bottom 11 (mostly unrated).

The only prolonged game was between David Weegeenaar and Adam Hardman, a newcomer to tournament chess, who put up a good fight against a determined Weegeenaar. Lloyd looked in good form with a quick win against Rickey Takhar.

Lloyd - Takhar, Queen's Gambit

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 b6 4 Nf3 Bd6 5 cxd5 h6 6 e4 exd5 7 Nxd5 Bb7 8 Bc4 Ne7 9 Nxe7 Bxe7 10 Ne5 Bb4+ 11 Kf1 0-0 12 Nxf7 Qh4 13 Ng5+ Kh8 14 g3 1-0

Round 2:

D. Weegeenaar	0	A. Lloyd	1
J. Sarfati	1	D. Field	0
A. Ker	1	G. Sidnam	0
L. McLaren	½	G. Aldridge	½
S. Hart	0	B. Walsh	1
M. Noble	1	R. Takhar	0
A. Hardman	1	C. Dowler	0
A. Langdon	0	A. Parkinson	1
C. Craig	0	S. East	1
J. Stephenson	1	D. McDonald	0
P. Glen	0	G. Spencer-Smith	1

Round two produced a number of upsets on the top boards, notably the defeat of third seed Grant Sidnam by Anthony Ker of Wellington.

Sidnam, not content with an obvious draw, played for the loss by sacrificing a piece for two pawns.

Ker demonstrated nicely how to win as he zugzwanged Sidnam's king and won back his pawns.

Weegeenaar looked to have equal chances until some dubious manoeuvring allowed a queen skewer winning material.

Sarfati sacrificed a pawn to double the pawns in front of Field's king and then launched a decisive attack.

Walsh had a fairly easy win over his higher-rated opponent, Sean Hart.

McLaren and Aldridge adjourned in an unclear position but agreed a draw later on.

D. Weegeenaar - A. Lloyd

1 c4 g6 2 Nf3 Bg7 3 g3 e5 4 Nc3 d6 5 d4 Nd7 6 Bg2 Ngf6 7 0-0 0-0 8 b3 Re8 9 e3 Qe7 10 Bb2 Nf8 11 Qc2 c6 12 dxe5 dxe5 13 Na4 Bf5 14 Qe2 e4 15 Ne5 h5 16 c5 N8d7 17 Nc4 Bg4 18 Qc2 Red8 19 Nd6 Nxc5 20 Nxc5 Rxd6 21 Bxf6 Bxf6 22 Nxe4 Bxal 23 Nxd6 Bg7 24 Nc4 Rd8 25 e4 Qc5 26 Qc1 Bd4 27 Qd2 Rd7 28 Rel b5 29 Na5 Qc3 0-1

Round 3:

A. Lloyd	1	B. Walsh	0
J. Sarfati	1	A. Ker	0
L. McLaren	1	M. Noble	0
G. Aldridge	0	G. Sidnam	1
A. Parkinson	0	S. Hart	1
G. Spencer-Smith	1	D. Weegeenaar	0
D. Field	½	A. Hardman	½
R. Takhar	1	P. Glen	0
D. McDonald	0	C. Dowler	1
A. Langdon	1	C. Craig	0
S. East	0	J. Stephenson	1

Lloyd played rather an unusual move (g4) against Walsh's Grunfeld and soon had him in all sorts of trouble. Black (Walsh) could not find an adequate defence to the many threats and was mated in 30 moves.

Sarfati managed to beat Ker after several adjournments after he obtained a winning endgame.

Sidnam made up for the previous round by beating Aldridge.

The surprise of the round was David Weegeenaar's quick loss to Spencer-Smith. Perhaps he had not fully recovered from his loss to Lloyd the previous day.

A. Lloyd - B. Walsh, Grunfeld

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 g4 Bxg4 5 Qb3 dxc4 6 Qxb7 Nbd7 7 Nb5 Rc8 8 Bf4 e5 9 dxe5 Bb4+ 10 Nc3 Bxc3+ 11 bxc3 Nh5 12 Bg5 f6 13 exf6 Kf7 14 Bh3 Bxh3 15 Nxb3 Qe8 16 Rd1 Nb6 17 Rg1 Qe5 18 Rd4 Rhe8 19 Qf3 Qb5 20 Bh6 Re5 21 Ng5+ Rxc5 22 Rxc5 Qb1+ 23 Rd1 Qxa2 24 Rxb2 gxf6 25 Qxh5+ Kxf6 26 Bg5+ Ke6 27 Qh3+ Kf7 28 Qxh7+ Ke6 29 Qg6+ Ke5 30 f4++

G. Aldridge - G. Sidnam, Pirc Defence

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Bd3 g6 4 f4 Bg7 5 Nf3 0-0 6 0-0 Na6 7 c3 c5 8 Re1 cxd4 9 Bxa6 dxc3! 10 Bf1 Ng4 11 Qb3 Be6 12 Qb4 a5 13 Qb5 Bd7 14 Qb3 Ba4 15 Qxb7 Rb8 16 Qa7 cxb2 17 Bxb2 Bxb2 18 Nbd2 Bxal 19 Rxa1 Qb6+ 20 Qxb6 Rxb6 and black won.

G. Spencer-Smith - D. Weegeenaar, Scotch

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 exd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 Bb4 6 f3 0-0 7 Bc4 Re8 8 0-0 Qe7 9 Kh1 Qc5 10 Nxc6 Bxc3 11 Qd3 Bxb2? 12 Bxb2 Qxc6?! 13 Qb3 Rf8 14 Rad1 Nh5 15 Rd5 Nf4 16 Rg5 Ng6 17 h4 d6 18 h5 Ne5 19 f4 h6 20 Rg3 Ng4 21 Qc3 1-0

Round 4:

A. Lloyd	½	J. Sarfati	½
G. Sidnam	1	L. McLaren	0
S. Hart	1	G. Spencer-Smith	0

M. Noble	1	J. Stephenson	0
D. Weegeenaar	1	S. East	0
D. Field	1	A. Ker	0
C. Dowler	0	G. Aldridge	1
B. Walsh	1	A. Hardman	0
R. Takhar	1	A. Langdon	0
A. Parkinson	1	D. McDonald	0
C. Craig	0	P. Glen	1

After winning a pawn early on, Lloyd perhaps relaxed too much and allowed Sarfati to develop a lot of counter-play, so that it was Lloyd who was fighting for the draw at the end of the session. The game was adjourned but a draw agreed overnight after some joint analysis.

Sidnam moved up to 3 points after a win against McLaren, as did Hart, Noble and Walsh.

A. Lloyd - J. Sarfati

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Be2 Nf6 4 d3 d5 5 Nbd2 Be5 6 0-0 0-0 7 c3 a5 8 b3 Qe7 9 a3 h6 10 Bb2 Rd8 11 Qc2 d4 12 cxd4 Bxd4 13 Nxd4 Nxd4 14 Bxd4 Rxd4 15 Qc3 Rd8 16 Nc4 a4 17 bxa4 Nd7 18 a5 Nc5 19 Qxe5 Qxe5 20 Nxe5 Nb3 21 Ra2 Rxa5 22 Nf3 Be6 23 Rb1 R8a8 24 Rc2 c5 25 d4 cxd4 26 Be4 Rxa3 27 Bxe6 fxe6 28 h3 d3 29 R2b2 Nc5 30 Nd2 Ra2 31 f3 Kf7 32 Kf2 Ke7 33 Ke3 Rxb2 24 Rxb2 25 Rd3 26 Kd4 27 Rcl 36 Rb5 Rc2 37 Rxc5 Rxd2 38 Rc7+ Kf6 39 g4 Rc2 40 Rd7 Rc7 ½-½

Round 5:			
G. Sidnam	1	A. Lloyd	0
J. Sarfati	1	S. Hart	0
B. Walsh	0	M. Noble	1
A. Ker	½	L. McLaren	½
G. Aldridge	1	R. Takhar	0
G. Spencer-Smith	0	D. Field	1
J. Stephenson	0	D. Weegeenaar	1
A. Parkinson	0	C. Dowler	1
A. Langdon	1	P. Glen	0
A. Hardman	½	S. East	½
C. Craig	1	D. McDonald	0

Lloyd obtained a promising position against Sidnam when the latter castled kingside after playing the Samisch variation against Lloyd's Kings Indian.

However Lloyd made the mistake of playing b5 (instead of b6) which allowed Sidnam to open up the "a" file and penetrate with his rooks.

Hart lost a piece after some careless opening play while Mark Noble moved in to contention for the first time after

beating Brad Walsh.

G. Sidnam - A. Lloyd, King's Indian

1 c4 g6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 f3 0-0 6 Be3 e5 7 d5 Nh5 8 Qd2 f5 9 exf5 gxf5 10 Nh3 Nd7 11 Be2 a6 12 0-0?! f4 13 Bf2 Nc5 14 Bxc5 Bxh3 15 Ba3 Bf5 16 Bd3 Ng3! 17 Rfel Bxd3 18 Qxd3 Nf5 19 Ne4 h5 20 c5 Rf7 21 Racl Bf8 22 c6 b5? 23 Bb4 Rg7 24 Re2 Be7 25 Bc3 Nh4 26 Bel Qe8 27 Bxh4 Bxh4 28 Kh1 Qg6 29 b4 Kh8 30 Qd2 Rag8 31 Ral Qf5 32 Qd1 Rg6 33 Qf1 Qf7 34 Rd2 Qe8 35 a4 Qb8 36 axb5 Qxb5 37 Qxb5 axb5 38 Ra7 R6g7 39 Re2 Rb8 40 Rea2 Bel 41 Rb7 Rbg8 42 Rxb5 Bh4 43 Rb7 Bd8 44 b5 Kh7 45 h3 Kg6 46 Rc2 Bh4 47 b6 Kh6 48 Ra7 Rb8 49 b7 Rgg8 50 Rca2 1-0

Round 6:

J. Sarfati	½	G. Sidnam	½
M. Noble	1	A. Lloyd	0
L. McLaren	1	B. Walsh	0
G. Aldridge	1	S. Hart	0
D. Field	½	C. Dowler	½
D. Weegeenaar	1	A. Ker	0
R. Takhar	1	J. Stephenson	0
S. East	0	G. Spencer-Smith	1
A. Hardman	1	A. Langdon	0
C. Craig	0	A. Parkinson	1
D. McDonald	0	P. Glen	1

Lloyd lost his second game in a row after shifting all his pieces to the queenside and not leaving enough for the defence of his king. This put Noble in first equal position since the game between Sarfati and Sidnam petered out into a fairly tame draw.

McLaren, Aldridge, Field and Weegeenaar were now in contention for the minor prizes.

M. Noble - A. Lloyd, King's Indian

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 g6 3 c4 Bg7 4 Nc3 d6 5 Bg5 Nbd7 6 Qd2 h6 7 Bh4 0-0 8 Rd1 c6 9 e4 Qc7 10 Bd3 e5 11 d5 g5 12 Bg3 cxd5 13 cxd5 Nc5 14 Bc2 a5 15 a4 Nh5 16 Qe2 Bg4 17 h3 Nxc3 18 fxc3 Bd7 19 g4 Na6 20 Rb1 Nb4 21 Bd1 Bf6 22 0-0 Qc5+ Kf7 29 Ne2 Rc4 30 Ng3 Rfc8 31 Nh5 Bd8 32 Qe2 Nc2 33 Qf1 f5 34 Rxf5+ Bxf5 35 Qxf5+ Ke8 36 Qe6+ Kf8 3 Qxh6+ Ke8 38 Qe6+ Kf8 39 Bxc2 Rxc2 40 Rf1+ 1-0

L. McLaren - E. Walsh, Caro-Kann

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 exd5 cxd5 4 Bd3 Nc6 5 c3 Nf6 6 Pf4 Bg4 7 Qb3 Qc8 8 Nd2 e6 9 Ngf3 Be7 10 0-0 0-0 11 Rfel a6 12 a4 Na5 13 Qc2 Bxf3 14 Nxf3 Nc4 15 b3 Nd6

16 c4 Rd8 17 c5 Nde4 18 Ne5 g5 19 Be3 g4 20 f5 gxf3 21 gxf3 Nxc5 22 Qe2+ Kf8 23 Bh6+ Ke8 24 Qg7 1-0

Round 7:

M. Noble(5)	½	J. Sarfati(5)	½
G. Sidnam(4½)	0	D. Weegeenaar(4)	1
D. Field(4)	½	G. Aldridge(4½)	½
A. Lloyd(3½)	1	L. McLaren(4)	0
S. Hart(3)	1	A. Hardman(3)	0
G. Spencer-Smith(3)	0	B. Walsh(3)	1
A. Parkinson(3)	0	R. Takhar(3)	1
A. Ker(2½)	1	A. Langdon(2)	0
P. Glen(2)	0	C. Dowler(2½)	1
J. Stephenson(2)	1	C. Craig(1)	0
S. East(1½)	1	D. McDonald(0)	0

Sarfati and Noble quickly halved the point and they were soon followed by Field and Aldridge.

Lloyd broke through on the queen-side to score a good win against McLaren while David Weegeenaar, riding a winning streak since round four, made sure that Sidnam did not share first. Sidnam failed to make a luft for his king and was forced to retreat all his pieces to defend against Weegeenaar's threats.

G. Sidnam - D. Weegeenaar, Sicilian

1 c4 c5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 g6 5 Nc3 Bg7 6 e4 Nc6 7 Be3 0-0 8 Be2 d6 9 0-0 Bd7 10 Qd2 Rc8 11 b3 a6 12 Rad1 Qc7 13 Rdcl Qb8 14 f3 Nxd4 15 Bxd4 b5 16 Bxf6 exf6 17 Nd5 Rfe8 18 cxb5 axb5 19 Rxc8 bxc8 20 Qa5 Ed7 21 Rcl f5 22 Rc7 Bd4+ 23 Kh1 Qd8 24 Bxb5 Bxb5 25 Qxb5 fxe4 26 fxe4 Rxe4 27 Qf1 Qe8 28 Rcl Qe5 29 Nb4 Rh4 30 h3 Qg5 31 Nd3 d5 32 Rc2 g5 33 Qf5 Rf4! 34 Qc8+ Kg7 35 Nf2 Rxf2 36 Rxf2 Qxf2 37 Qcl Qe3 38 Qf1 Be5 39 b4 Qf4 40 Qxf4 Bxf4 41 Kg1 Be3+ 42 Kf1 Bd2 43 a3 Kf6 and black won.

Final scores: J. Sarfati and M. Noble(5½/7) 1=; G. Aldridge and D. Weegeenaar(5) 3=; A. Lloyd, D. Field and G. Sidnam(4½) 5=; L. McLaren, B. Walsh, S. Hart and R. Takhar(4) 8=; A. Ker and C. Dowler(3½) 12=; A. Hardman, G. Spencer-Smith, J. Stephenson and A. Parkinson(3) 14=; S. East(2½) 18; A. Langdon and P. Glen(2) 19=; C. Craig(1) 21; D. McDonald(0) 22.

The prizes were presented by Dr W. Fairhurst IM, many times Scottish champion, who now lives in Howick.

In his opinion the standard of play had been quite high and playing conditions

good.

The interest displayed by the media was encouraging; however the newspapers still seem obstinate when it comes to mentioning the sponsor's name.

Ample space is given to photographs but not to reporting full results and details.

Thanks must go to Tony Booth, Bruce Foley and Peter McCarthy for the organisational work as well as to Village Takeaways for providing free sandwiches.



Mark Noble and Johnathon Sarfati: co-New Zealand Junior Champions.

COMING EVENTS.

June 27: Upper Hutt 40-40 Tournament \$725 prize-money. Enquiries to C. Carson, 1 Riverlea Way, Totara Park, Upper Hutt.

June 28: North Island vs South Island match at Upper Hutt the day after the 40-40 Tournament.

June 26 and 27 at the Pakuranga Town Centre, Auckland: A chessathon to raise funds for telethon (the Year of the Disabled.). Players needed. Contact Mike Watson AK 565-695 evenings.

Early July: Charles Belton Memorial Tournament at the Auckland Chess Centre. A 7-round swiss with a one hour per game time limit. Enquiries to the Editor.

August 15 and 16:

August 15 and 16: 5th Waitakere Trust Open, organised by the Waitemata Chess Club. \$650 prize-money, 5-round swiss. Enquiries to the Editor.

Early September: Winstones Tournament. Enquiries to P. Stuart, 24 Seacliffe Ave, Takapuna.

North Island Championships

BY THE EDITOR.

Congratulations must once again go to Paul Garbett on winning his fourth North Island Championship.

The tournament, an eight round swiss held at the New Plymouth Girls' High School from May 18 to 23, attracted a good field of 54 players.

Among the leading lights were Paul, last year's co-winner Mark Levene, New Zealand Premier Reserve Champion Tony Dowden, and Aucklanders Ewen Green, Robert Smith, Peter Stuart and Peter Weir.

Like most tournaments, there were plenty of hard luck (and good luck!) stories during the eight rounds, and an interesting facet was the influence of the swiss pairing system, with four reverse rounds in the middle.

Peter Weir in particular made good (if unintentional) use of the "swiss gambit", drawing in rounds one and three, and thus emerging as a definite threat only as late as round six.

In comparison, I lost games late in the tournament to finish on five points.

But two of the three people I beat in the first three rounds finished ahead of me and I played an average rating of 1968(!), compared for instance with Peter Stuart (5½ points) who faced opponents with an average rating of 1830.

The organisation of the tournament was, as usual in New Plymouth, quite efficient and there were no major problems during the week's play.

A rule that rankled with smokers at first was that fire regulations prohibited smoking in the hall, but after the initial shock (and applause by some) everyone seemed to adapt to this quite quickly.

Smokers were invited to step outside when they wanted a puff, so that small clouds of pollution could often be seen in the foyer and around the doorways; wise non-smokers stayed indoors!

Another problem as far as I am concerned is the North Island schedule which calls for two rounds on some days and (horror of horrors!) three morning



Paul Garbett - 1981 N.I. Champion.

rounds on the final three days (who can play chess at 9 o'clock in the morning?).

A definite highlight was a North Island vs South Island indoor soccer match, which gave the South Island contingent the chance to salvage some pride after a 4-0 pasting by the North in the game proper at the Christchurch Congress.

Considering the South made up the rules and were the sole referees, they did very well to hold the North Island to a 4-all draw.

There were no broken limbs but I'm sure some players (including myself) are still suffering from bruises.

Round one: Results were almost exactly as predicted by the swiss system, except that Peter Weir was hard-pressed to draw with John Hartley despite a rating difference of over 500 points.

Round two: Only eight players remained on full points after this round. Garbett, Smith and Dowden won comfortably; Levene beat Allan Hurley after a long and difficult struggle; top seed Ewen Green drifted into a drawn ending against Paul Spiller while Peter Stuart tried hard but unsuccessfully to wear down Alan Johnston in a multiple piece ending.

Round three: Four players emerged with full points - Garbett, Levene, Smith and Dowden.

Garbett had little trouble beating Fenella Foster, Levene ground out a slightly superior knight and rook ending against Whitlock, Smith bored Sarfati so much in the opening that he eventually chose

the wrong middle-game plan and Dowden grabbed and successfully held onto everything that Bates threw at him.

Just behind the pace were Green and Peter Hawkes on 2½.

Peter Weir had his second draw, a perpetual check against Johnston while several pieces down; Stuart could only draw with Norton.

Round four: Tony Dowden emerged as a clear leader after Garbett disdained a draw offer in the better position but followed up with some serious errors in time trouble. Smith and Levene drew after a hard-fought 40 moves and Green beat Hawkes after surviving a dubious middle-game position.

Leading scores - Dowden 4; Green, Levene, Smith 3½; Garbett, Stuart, Weir, Sarfati, Bates, Spiller, Love, Foster, Hurley 3.

Round five: Green played the draw offer gambit against Dowden after the latter achieved easy equality against Green's favourite anti-Pirc system; Garbett could do no more than draw against Levene despite gaining an enduring positional advantage from the opening. Smith chose the wrong plan against Stuart after gaining a clear advantage and could only draw with an extra doubled pawn; Weir broke into the leading group by beating Foster as did Tony Love with a win over Pomeroy.

Scores - Dowden 4½; Green, Levene, Smith, Weir, Love 4; Garbett, Stuart, Sarfati, Spiller, Bates 3½.

Round six: This round proved crucial for the major placings in the tournament.

Dowden and Levene drew quickly; Smith, after being up with the leaders all the way, began a downslide by choosing the wrong plan in a superior position against Weir, activating his opponent's bad bishop and allowing a counter-attack.

Against Hawkes Garbett demonstrated how to win despite blundering one's queen for only two minor pieces. Green had his third draw with Love, and Stuart his fourth against Spiller.

Scores - Dowden and Weir 5; Garbett, Levene, Green, Love 4½.

Round seven: Weir beat Dowden quickly with the white pieces - perhaps the latter was still shell-shocked after facing Garbett, Green and Levene in successive rounds.

Garbett gradually outplayed Love and

Levene tried in vain to win a knight and pawn ending a pawn up against Green.

Stuart, Sarfati and Gibbons made a late run for the money with wins; Lynn also joined this group with a win over Cooper.

Smith suffered a second loss at the hands of Spiller after deliberately achieving a French Defence-type position without his bad light-squared bishop, only to find that the bishop was needed to slow up a vicious white attack beginning with f5.

Scores - Weir 6; Garbett 5½; Green, Levene, Stuart, Dowden, Sarfati, Spiller, Gibbons, Lynn 5.

Round 8: Garbett comprehensively beat Weir to take his fourth North Island title. Dowden survived a "wild Bill Lynn" sacrificial attack to share second. Levene beat Spiller, who nevertheless had a most successful tournament, to join Weir and Dowden on six points. Stuart uncharacteristically played an enterprising early f4 as white but could do no more than draw with Gibbons; Sarfati held Green to a draw after Ewen played a rather passive opening system. Smith pulled himself up to some sort of respectability by beating Hawkes in a complicated game which reduced to a rook and three pawns against a rook and two pawns and ended only after the prize-giving. Fenella Foster surprised by beating Allan Hurley and finishing on a most respectable 5 points. Love and Johnston quickly played down a main line of the exchange Ruy Lopez which ended in a perpetual check.

Conclusion: Paul Garbett was a deserving winner. He had the necessary piece of luck in round six, but this was balanced by his loss to Dowden from a better position in round four. Otherwise, Paul played steadily and pulled out the stops when he had to.

Of those on 6 points, Dowden thoroughly deserved his success and must be regarded as one of New Zealand's most promising young players. He played the toughest field in the tournament, along with Robert Smith.

Levene also deserved his success and in fact was unlucky to be headed by Garbett.

He played probably the steadiest chess of anyone, going through undefeated.

Peter Weir was unlucky to be pipped at the post by Garbett; he needed only a draw in the final round to take the title.

Weir took his chances when they came and saved several difficult positions.

He benefitted from the swiss system but when he came to play the leaders in later rounds he showed his mettle.

A selection of games:

P. Weir - T. Dowden, Pirc Defence

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Be2 Bg7 5 h4 c5 6 dxc5 Qa5 7 Qd3 Qxc5 8 Be3 Qc7 9 Rd1 Nc6 10 f4 a6 11 a3 0-0 12 h5 Nxf5 13 Bxh5 gxf5 14 Nd5 Qd8 15 Bb6 Qd7 16 Rxf5 Qg4 17 Rg5 Qh4+ 18 Bf2 Qh6 19 g4 f6 20 Rh5 Qg6 21 f5 Qxg4 22 Rh4 Qg2 23 Nf4 Ne5 24 Qb3+ 1-0

P. Garbett - A. Love, Petroff Defence

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 d4 Nxe4 4 Bd3 d5 5 Nxe5 Nbd7 6 Bf4 Nxe5 7 dxe5 Nc5 8 Be2 Be7 9 0-0 10 Nd2 Ne6 11 Bg3 f5 12 exf6 Bxf6 13 c3 d4 14 Ne4 dxc3 15 bxc3 Qf7 16 Re1 Kh8 17 Bf3 Rd8 18 Qe2 Rb8 19 Bg4 Nf8 20 Nxf6 Qxe2 21 Bxe2 1-0

E. Green - P. Goffin, Pirc Defence

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 g3 Bg7 5 Bg2 0-0 6 Nge2 c6 7 a4 Nbd7 8 0-0 e5 9 h3 Re8 10 Be3 exd4 11 Bxd4 Nf8 12 Qd2 d5 13 exd5 Nxd5 14 Nxd5 cxd5 15 Bxg7 Kxg7 16 Nf4 Be6 17 Nxd5 Bxd5 18 Bxd5 Qd7 19 Kg2 Rad8 20 c4 b6 21 Rad1 Ne6 22 h4 Qxa4 23 Qc3+ f6 24 Qf3 Qb4 25 h5 Ng5 26 h6+ Kxh6 27 Qxf6 1-0

W. Lynn - J. Sarfati, Queen's Pawn

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nc3 d5 3 e4 Nxe4 4 Nxe4 dxe4 5 Bf4 Bf5 6 g4 Bg6 7 Bg2 e6 8 Qe2 Bd6 9 Bxd6 Qxd6 10 0-0-0 Qa6 11 Qxa6 Nxa6 12 Ne2 0-0 13 Nf4 Nb4 14 h4 f5 15 Nxe6 Rf6 16 d5 fxg4 17 Nxc7 Rc8 18 d6 Rxf2 19 d7 Rd8 20 Ne6 Rxc2+ 21 Kb1 e3 22 h5 Rcl+ 23 Kxc1 Nxa2+ 0-1

G. Spain - R.W. Smith, French Defence

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 c5 4 exd5 exd5 5 Ngf3 Nc6 6 dxc5 Bxc5 7 Nb3 Be7 8 Be3 Nf6 9 c3 0-0 10 Bd3 Bg4 11 h3 Bh5 12 g4 Bg6 13 Bxg6 hxg6 14 Qd3 Na5 15 0-0-0 Nxb3 16 axb3 Qa5 17 g5 Ne4 18 Qxd5 Qal+ 19 Kc2 Nxc3! 20 Qxb7? Nxd1 21 Rxd1 Rac8+ 22 Kd2 Rfd8+ 23 Nd4 Qxb2+ 24 Ke1 Bc5 25 Qe4 Re8 26 Qd3 Bxd4 27 Qxd4 Qxb3 28 Qxa7 Rc2 29 Qd4 Qe6 30 Qa4 Ra2 31 Qd7 Qe4 32 Qd5 Qc2 33 Qd2 Qa4 34 Qd7 Rxe3+ 35 Kf1 Qxd7 36 Rxd7 Ree2 37 Rd8+ Kh7 0-1

D. Adams - T. Dowden, Modern Defence

1 Nf3 g6 2 d4 Bg7 3 c4 c5 4 Nc3 Nf6 5 Bg5 cxd4 6 Nxd4 h6 7 Bf4 d6 8 Bd2 b6 9

Qa4+ Bd7 10 Qc2 0-0 11 e3 Nc6 12 Ncb5 a6 13 Nxc6 Bxc6 14 Nd4 Bb7 15 Bd3 e5 16 Nb3 Bxg2 17 Rg1 Bf3 18 Be2 Bxe2 19 Kxe2 b5 20 Na5 Rc8 21 Rgd1 bxc4 22 Bb4 Qb6 23 a3 Rfd8 24 Racl Qb5 25 Ke1 e4 26 b3 c3 27 Nc4 d5 28 Nd6 Rxd6 29 Bxd6 Nd7 30 b4 Be5 31 Be5 Nxc5 32 bxc5 Rxc5 33 Rb1 Qc6 34 Rdc1 Bxh2 35 f4 Bg3+ 36 Kf1 Qf6 37 Qg2 Bxf4 38 exf4 Qxf4+ 39 Qf2 Qxf2+ 40 Kxf2 d4 0-1

P. Garbett - P. Weir, Sicilian Pelikan

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 e5 6 Ndb5 d6 7 a4 a6 8 Na3 Be6 9 Bg5 Be7 10 Bxf6 gxf6 11 Bc4 Rc8 12 0-0 Nd4 13 Nd5 15 14 c3 Nc6 15 Qf3 f4 16 Qh5 Kd7 17 Rfd1 Rb8 18 Rd3 Qg8 19 Nxe7 Kxe7 20 Bxe6 fxe6 21 Rad1 d5 22 exd5 e4 23 R3d2 f3 24 g3 exd5 25 Rxd5 Qe6 26 Nc4 Rbd8 27 Qg5+ 1-0

F. Foster - A. Hurley, English

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 g3 d6 4 Bg2 g6 5 d4 cxd4 6 Nxd4 Nbd7 7 0-0 Bg7 8 b4 0-0 9 Bb2 a6 10 Nbd2 e5 11 N4b3 Re8 12 Qc2 Ra7 13 Na5 Qc7 14 Racl Bf8 15 a3 Nb8 16 Nab3 b6 17 Rfd1 Qe7 18 e4 Rc7 19 Qd3 Bh6 20 Rc2 Bb7 21 a4 Rdc8 22 Ba3 Qe6 23 c5 bxc5 24 bxc5 d5 25 exd5 Bxd5 26 Bxd5 Qxd5 27 Qxd5 Nxd5 28 Ne4 Ne7 29 Rc3 f5 30 Nd6 Rd7 31 f3 Rcd8 32 Kf2 Nbc6 33 Ke2 Bg7 34 Rcd3 Nd4+ 35 Nxd4 exd4 36 R3b3 Nd5 37 Bb2 Re7+ 38 Kf2 Ne3 39 Rd2 Rc7 40 Bxd4 Bxd4 41 Rxd4 f4 42 gxf4 Nc2 43 Rc4 Nal 44 Rb6 Kf8 45 Rc3 a5 46 Ke2 Re7+ 47 Ne4 Rd4 48 c6 Rc7 49 Rb7 Rxb7 50 cxb7 1-0

P. Weir - A. Johnston, French Defence

1 e4 e6 2 b3 d5 3 Bb2 Nf6 4 exd5 exd5 5 Nf3 Be7 6 Be2 0-0 7 0-0 Re8 8 d4 Bd6 9 Nbd2 Bg4 10 c4 c6 11 Ne5 Bxe2 12 Qxe2 Nfd7 13 f4 f6 14 Qh5 fxe5 15 fxe5 g6 16 Qh6 Be7 17 Rf7! Kxf7 18 Qxh7+ Ke6 19 Qh3+ Kf7 20 Qh7+ Ke6 1/2-1/2

M. Schwass - C. Oldridge, Closed Sicilian

1 e4 c5 2 Nc3 Nc6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 f4 e6 6 d3 d6 7 Nf3 Nge7 8 Be3 Nd4 9 0-0 0-0 10 Rb1 N7c6 11 a3 a5 12 Ne2 Rb8 13 c3 Nxe2+ 14 Qxe2 b5 15 Nb4 Bd7 16 f5 b4 17 axb4 axb4 18 c4 Bd4 19 Khl Bxe3 20 Qxe3 Nd4 21 f6 Kh8 22 Qh6 Rg8 23 Nf3 Qf8 24 Ng5! 1-0

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New Plymouth, 18-23 May 1981		R.1	R.2	R.3	R.4	R.5	R.6	R.7	R.8	T'1	SOS
1	Garbett P.A.	NS	W45	W15	W14	L2	D3	W24	W11	W4	6 1/2
2	Dowden R.A.	O	W37	W26	W13	W1	D5	D3	L4	W17	6 41.5
3	Levene M.	AU	W33	W25	W20	D9	D1	D2	D5	W10	6 40.5
4	Weir P.B.	NS	D35	W19	D12	W39	W14	W9	W2	L1	6 38.5
5	Green E.M.	HP	W30	D10	W18	W24	D2	D11	D3	D7	5 1/2 40
6	Stuart P.W.	NS	W43	D12	D16	W42	D9	D10	W15	D8	5 1/2 36.5
7	Sarfati J.	W	W46	W38	L9	W17	D19	D13	W28	D5	5 1/2 35
8	Gibbons R.E.	A	W40	L9	L42	W32	W36	W20	W13	D6	5 1/2 33.5
9	Smith R.W.	Wai	W28	W8	W7	D3	D6	L4	L10	W24	5 41.5
10	Spiller P.S.	HP	W52	D5	D11	W26	D13	D6	W9	L3	5 39
11	Love A.J.	OU	W39	D18	D10	W22	W25	D5	L1	D12	5 38
12	Johnston A.	HP	W47	D6	D4	D15	D21	D18	W22	D11	5 37.5
13	Bates G.	CU	W50	W17	L2	W20	D10	D7	L8	W26	5 37.5
14	Foster F.	Pen	W54	W23	L1	W21	L4	L15	W27	W25	5 36
15	Van Dijk P.	Nel	W41	L1	W51	D12	D18	W14	L6	W28	5 35.5
16	Norton W.	C	W49	D27	D6	D19	L24	W21	D23	W29	5 33.5
17	Lynn K.W.	Ham	W55	L13	W44	L7	W39	W25	W19	L2	5 31
18	Goffin P.B.	A	W32	D11	L5	W35	D15	D12	D24	D23	4 1/2 36.5
19	Cooper D.J.	PN	W51	L4	W41	D16	D7	W40	L17	D20	4 1/2 34
20	Whitlock H.P.	Wan	W53	W21	L3	L13	W42	L8	W41	D19	4 1/2 33.5
21	Van Dijk T.	Nel	W44	L20	W29	L14	D12	L16	W46	W35	4 1/2 32.5
22	Pomeroy D.M.	AU	L27	W47	W43	L11	W30	D23	L12	W36	4 1/2 31.5
23	Notley D.	AU	W42	L14	D40	D36	W41	D22	D16	D18	4 1/2 31
24	Hawkes P.D.	Civ	D31	W36	W27	L5	W16	L1	D18	L9	4 38
25	Hurley A.	UH	W48	L3	W46	W27	L11	L17	W37	L14	4 33.5
26	Adams D.T.	NS	W34	L2	W50	L10	L40	W32	W39	L13	4 32
27	Lynch D.I.	Has	W22	D16	L24	L25	W50	D31	L14	W39	4 31.5
28	Spain G.	Wpa	L9	L41	W53	W48	W43	W29	L7	L15	4 30
29	Frankel Z.	UH	D36	W31	L21	D40	W46	L28	W43	L16	4 29.5
30	Okey K.M.	NP	L5	W35	L39	W34	L22	L41	W50	W42	4 28.5
31	Hames A.	AU	D24	L29	W33	D50	D35	D27	D42	D37	4 28
32	Watson M.J.	A	L18	L50	W37	L8	W49	L26	W48	W43	4 27.5
33	Stanton A.	W	L3	D52	L31	D38	D47	D50	W45	W41	4 26
34	Calder R.	Ham	L26	L39	W47	L30	W45	L43	W44	W49	4 25
35	Hartley J.	UH	D4	L30	W52	L18	D31	D36	W38	L21	3 1/2 32
36	Moratti S.C.	AU	D29	L24*	W38	D23	L8	D35	W51	L22	3 1/2 31.5
37	Billing J.	NP	L2	L40	L32	W54	W48	W44	L25	D31	3 1/2 28
38	Schwass M.	Civ	Bye	L7	L36	D33	W51	L39	L35	W46	3 1/2 24
39	Hull K.J.	NP	L11	W34	W30	L4	L17	W38	L26	L27	3 35.5
40	Galu M.	NP	L8	W37	D23	D29	W26	L19	-	-	3 34.5
41	Wood R.	PN	L15	W28	L19	W45	L23	W30	L20	L33	3 33.5
42	Bennett P.E.	UH	L23	W53	W8	L6	L20	D46	D31	L30	3 32.5
43	Boyce D.A.L.	Nel	L6	W48	L22	W51	L28	W34	L29	L32	3 30.5
44	Ferguson R.	UH	L21	W49	L17	L46	W52	L37	L34	W51	3 26
45	Mancewicz S.	NP	L1	L51	W54	L41	L34	W52	L33	W50	3 25

46-49 N.A. Bradley(NS), D. Walker(NP), W. Ramsay(HV), M. Dunwoody(Wpa) 2 1/2; 50-53 M.K. Morrison(A), C.B. Oldridge(NP), R. Esau(NP), W. Stokell(NP) 2; 54 A. Crawford (NP) 1 1/2.

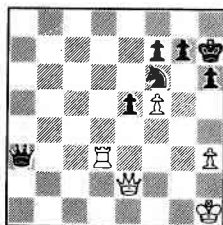
ABBREVIATIONS: A = Auckland Centre; AU = Auckland University; C = Canterbury; Civ = Civic; Ham = Hamilton; HP = Howick-Pakuranga; HV = Hutt Valley; NS = North Shore; O = Otago; OU = Otago University; Nel = Nelson; Has = Hastings; Pen = Pencarrow; CU = Canterbury University; PN = Palmerston North; NP = New Plymouth; W = Wellington; Wai = Waitemata; Wpa = Waipa; UH = Upper Hutt.

PANEL POSERS

In which readers questions are answered

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Gordon Hoskyn, of Wanganui writes: "The following position (see below, left) occurred in a game played between M. Chandler, white (the eventual winner of the tournament) and G. Hoskyn, black (the runner-up) in the New Zealand Correspondence Chess Association trophy tournament grade two, in the 1974 to 75 season.



"After white's 39th move, he offered a draw, which was accepted.

"Instead of taking the draw, black could have played 39...Qc1 and then, depending on white's reply, either ...Qf4 or ...Qg5.

"By then the end of the season would have come around and the game could have been sent in for adjudication.

"Questions - Does black have a small advantage? If so, would it be enough for a win by adjudication?

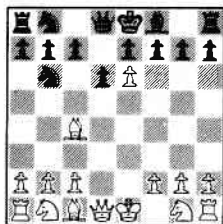
How might the game proceed?"

Ewen Green replies: "With adjudication only a move or two away, the game is probably a draw. At the moment it is just a winning draw for black. Your 39...Qc1 seems very drawish after 40 Rd1! e.g. 40...Qf4 41 Rf1 Qd4 42 Rd1 etc.

Better seems 39...Qa8+ (interposing 39...Qa1+ 40 Rd1 helps white get his rook behind his queen on the g-file) 40 Qg2 (if 40 Kh2 e4 and black gets his queen to e5 with very good chances) 40...e4 and now 41 Rd1! seems to hold for white, planning Rg1.

I haven't found anything better than 41...Qc6 42 Rg1 Nh5 43 Qg4 e3+ 44 Kh2 (44 Rg?? e2! -+ or 44 Qg2 Ng3+ -+) and black seems forced to take the perpetual on d5 and d6."

Gabor Sareczky, of West Auckland, is interested in the following opening gambit: Alekhine's Defence - 1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4 Bc4 Nb6 5 e6! (see position below). He simply asks "Is this sound?"



Peter Weir replies: "Even in its best form this line is unsatisfactory for white. Black can coldbloodedly play 5...fxe6 followed by g6, Bg7 and 0-0, which is made easier by white having to play Bb3.

If black accepts the offer of the bishop by 5...Nxc4 white, by playing 6 exf7+ Kxf7 7 Qf3+ Ke8 8 Qh5+ g6 9 Qb5+ Bd7 10 Qxc4, can recover the piece but at some cost to his development.

Black has no problems here and can play Nc6, Bg7, e6, with the idea of Qe7-f6 and Kd7."

Peter Weir would like information on a German or Austrian chess-player called Ahues. He apparently won an endgame prize against Bogolyubov at Bled, 1931.

OVERSEAS NEWS

WOMEN'S CANDIDATES FINAL: Nana Aleksandria defeated Nana Ioseliani by 6½:2½ to earn her second crack at the Women's World Championship. Like Hübner in the Men's final against Korchnoi, Ioseliani blundered a rook - in this case when the scores were tied 1:1.

The World Championship match is expected to be held in Tbilisi where both players are currently living - probably in September-October. It would be a great surprise if Aleksandria can improve on her 3½:8½ loss to Gaprindashvili in 1975.

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MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP: The venue for this match will be Merano in northern Italy (the site of the Candidates final) and the match is due to begin early in September.

Of the three possible venues, World Champion Karpov chose only Las Palmas while Korchnoi picked Merano as his first choice and Reykjavik as his second. FIDE President Olafsson then visited both Las Palmas and Merano but was unable to find any decisive factor in either's favour so eventually lots were drawn.

The Chief Arbiter for the match will be Ecuador's Paul Klein and his deputies will be Gertrude Wagner (Austria) and Gudmundur Arnlaugsson (Iceland).

Apart from the recent Candidates final, Merano has, in the past, staged grandmaster tournaments, the most notable being in 1924 (1 Grünfeld 10½/13; 2 Spielmann 8½; 3 Rubinstein 8) and 1926 (1 Colle 9/13; 2-4 Canal, Przepiororka & Spielmann 8½; 5-6 Kostic & Yates 8; 7-8 Grünfeld & Tartakover 7½).

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BULGARIAN CHAMPIONSHIP 1981: 1-2 GM Radulov & IM Inkirov 11/16; 3 IM Georgiev, IM Velikov & GM Spiridonov 10; 6-7 GM Spassov & IM L.Popov 9½ ... 17 players. The four-game play-off was played immediately afterward and Radulov won the only decisive game to take the title.

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The **BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY-OFF** was played early in the New Year and

saw GM John Nunn defeat IM Hartston by 3½:2½. Nunn won the fourth game and this proved to be decisive:

NUNN - HARTSTON, Taimanov Sicilian:
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nc6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Be2 Nge7 7 Bf4 Ng6 8 Nxc6 bxc6 9 Bd6 Bxd6 10 Qxd6 Qe7 11 0-0-0 Qxd6 12 Rxd6 Ke7 13 Rhd1 Nf4 14 Bf3 Ra7 15 R6d2 g5 16 g3 Ng6 17 Bh5 d5 18 Re1 Kf6 19 f4 gxf4 20 gxf4 Rd8 21 f5 Nf4 22 e5+ Kxf5 23 Rf2 f6 24 exf6 e5 25 Ne2 Kxf6 26 Nxf4 exf4 27 h4 Kg7 28 Rxf4 c5 29 Be8 Rd6 30 b3 Rc7 31 Re5 c4 32 Rg5+ Kh6 33 Rf8 cxb3 34 axb3 Bd7 35 Rh5+ Kg7 36 Rf7+ Kg8 37 Rg5+, 1 : 0.

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193 MOVE GAME! The game Stepak-Mashian in the 1980 Israeli Championship semi-finals lasted 193 moves (a new world record) - six sessions, a total of just over 24 hours play. The decisive mistake by Mashian came on move 186!

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OBITUARIES: Three prominent players of the past died recently.

Dr Petar Trifunovic (1910-1980) was the strongest Yugoslav chessplayer for some years until Gligoric took over in the 1950s. Trifunovic was a very conservative player who was almost impossible to beat in his prime. His style, however, probably precluded his gaining greater success. Grandmaster Trifunovic died on 9 December 1980.

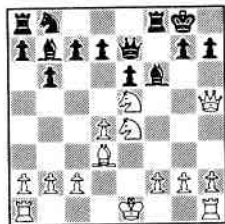
Esteban Canal died on 14 February 1981 at the age of 84. Born in Peru, Canal moved to Italy during his twenties and has lived there ever since. He gained his greatest successes in the 1920s and 1930s but received only the IM title when FIDE introduced the international titles in 1950. This situation was remedied in 1977 when Canal, Carlos Torre, Julio Bolbochan and Milic all gained the GM title retrospectively.

Edward Lasker died in New York on 25 March 1981 at the age of 95. Like his namesake Dr Emanuel (no relation) Lasker, Edward was born in Germany but was working in England when the First World War broke out and he later emigrated to America becoming a U.S. citizen in 1921. He was awarded the IM title in 1963 and continued to play chess until his last years. Probably most of our readers

are familiar with the combination in the game which follows but such a brilliancy bears repeating. This was Lasker's first game in England and his opponent, George Thomas, later became England's leading player.

LASKER - THOMAS, Dutch Defence:

1 d4 f5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 Nf3 e6 4 Bg5
Be7 5 Bxf6 Bxf6 6 e4 fxe4 7 Nxe4 b6
8 Ne5 0-0 9 Bd3 Bb7 10 Qh5 Qe7



11 Qxh7!! Kxh7
12 Nxf6+ Kh6 13
Neg4+ Kg5 14 h4+
Kf4 15 g3+ Kf3
16 Be2+ Kg2 17
Rh2+ Kg1 18 Kd2
mate!

POLISH CHAMPIONSHIP, Jan-Feb: 1-2 GM Schmidt & IM Sznepik 10/15; 3 IM Pokojowczyk 9; 4-6 IM Bielczyk, GM Kuligowski & Panczyk 8½ 16 players.

Schmidt and Sznepik will play a match to decide the title winner.

YUGOSLAV CHAMPIONSHIP, Feb-Mar: 1 GM Ivanovic 12½/19; 2 GM Velimirovic 12; 3-4 IM Cebalo & GM Rajkovic 11½; 5-8 IM Rukavina, GM Ivkov, GM Hulak & GM Bukic 11 20 players.

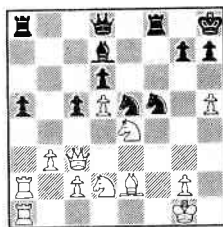
The first seven qualified to represent Yugoslavia in the 1981 Zonals. The surprise, in this respect, was the absence of Yugoslavia's top player, GM Ljubojevic, together with Gligoric, Matanovic, Matulovic, Kurajica and Marjanovic. Ljubojevic is reportedly not happy with conditions in FIDE tournaments.

The new champion, Bozidar Ivanovic, also won the brilliancy prize for the following game:

VUKIC - IVANOVIC, Benoni Defence:

1 d4 c5 2 d5 e5 3 e4 d6 4 Nc3 a6 5
a4 Be7 6 f4 exf4 7 Bxf4 Bg5 8 Qd2
Bxf4 9 Qxf4 Ne7 10 Nf3 Ng6 11 Qg3
0-0 12 h4 f6 13 h5 Ne5 14 Be2 Nf7
15 a5 Nd7 16 0-0 Nde5 17 Nd2 Bd7 18
b3 b5 19 axb6 ep a5 20 Ra2 Qxb6 21
Kh1 Kh8 22 Rfal f5 23 exf5 Nh6 24 f6
Rxf6 25 Nce4 Rff8 26 Qc3 Qd8 27 Kg1
Nf5

DIAGRAM



28 Nxd6 Nd4 29
Rel Qh4 30 N2e4
Nxe2+ 31 Rxe2
Rf1+! 32 Kxf1
Qh1+ 33 Kf2 Ng4+
34 Kf3 Rf8+ 35
Nf6 Rxf6+ 36 Ke4
Qf1 37 Kd3 Nf2+,
0 : 1.

Second-round matches in the 1981 EUROPEAN CLUB CUP saw the following results: Slavia Sofia 7½, MTV-VMSK Budapest 4½; Tel Aviv University Sports Club beat Maraton Warsaw who withdrew; Sporting Club de Portugal Lisbon 6, KGSK Ruy Lopez Ghent 6 (Lisbon won on board count); Partizan Belgrade 8½, Nordre Skakklub Aarhus 3½; SSK Helsinki 7, Strasbourg 5; King's Head London 5½, Spartacus Budapest 6½; SG Porz Cologne 6½, Avangard Kiev 5½; Burevestnik Moscow beat Banco di Roma who withdrew.

The quarter-final draw is: Burevestnik v Cologne, Spartacus Budapest v SSK Helsinki, Slavia Sofia v Partizan Belgrade, Tel Aviv University v Lisbon.

SARAJEVO: 1 IM Psachis (USSR) 11/15; 2 GM Uhlmann (DDR) 10; 3 GM Kurajica (YUG) 9½; 4-6 GM Jansa (CZ), GM Csom (HUN) & GM Knezevic (YUG) 8½ 16 players.

MOSCOW: For the first time Anatoly Karpov and Garry Kasparov met over the board in a tournament. The occasion was a training tournament in Moscow, a double round event with four somewhat artificially selected teams. The "A" team comprised Karpov, Spassky, Polugaevsky, Petrosian, Tal, Belyavsky, Balashov & Geller. In the "B" team were Romanishin, Tseshkovsky, Vaganian, Kuzmin, Kupreichik, Rashkovsky, Georgadze & Makarichev while the veterans comprised Smyslov, Bronstein, Taimanov, Vasiukov, Averbakh, Bagirov, Gufeld & Suetin. Finally, the youth team had Kasparov, Jusupov, Psachis, Dolmatov, Kochiev, Mihailcishin, Lputyan & Chiburdanidze.

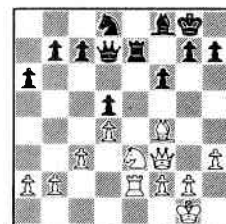
The scores: "A" team 28½, Youth 23½, Veterans 23, "B" team 22. Only a heavy

1½:6½ defeat by the Youth team prevented the Veterans from taking a convincing second place.

On top board Kasparov scored 4/6 while Karpov could manage 'only' 3½/6. The World Champion beat Romanishin and drew the rest; Kasparov defeated Smyslov (twice) and Romanishin but lost the return against the latter. Most eagerly awaited were the two Karpov v Kasparov clashes. Here is one of them:

KASPAROV - KARPOV, Petroff Defence:

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 Nxe5 d6 4 Nf3
Nxe4 5 d4 Be7 6 Bd3 d5 7 0-0 Nc6 8
Re1 Bf5 9 Nbd2 Nxd2 10 Qxd2 Bxd3 11
Qxd3 0-0 12 c3 Qd7 13 Bf4 a6 14 Re3
Rae8 15 Rael Bd8 16 h3 Rxe3 17 Rxe3
f6 18 Re2 Rf7 19 Nd2 Be7 20 Nf1 Bf8
21 Qf3 Re7 22 Ne3 Nd8



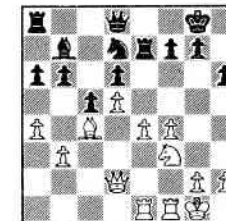
23 Bxc7 Qxc7
24 Nxd5 Qd6 25
Nxe7+ Bxe7 26 Qe4
Bf8 27 Qe8 g6 28
a4 Kg7 29 b4 Qc7
30 Re3 Nf7 31 Qe6
Qd8 32 a5 h5 33
Qe4 Qd7 34 Qe6
Qd8 35 Kf1 Nh6
36 g4 hxg4 37 hxg4
Nf7 38 Ke2 Ng5 39 Qb6 Qd7 40 Kd3 Bd6
41 Kc2, ½ : ½.

New Soviet champion Psachis won brilliantly against Taimanov: TAIMANOV - PSACHIS, Nimzowitsch Attack: 1 Nf3 c5 2 b3 b6 3 Bb2 Bb7 4 e3 Nf6 5 d4 g6 6 Be2 Bg7 7 0-0 0-0 8 c4 e6 9 dxc5 bxc5 10 Nc3 Qe7 11 Qd2 Rd8 12 Rfd1 d5 13 cxd5 exd5 14 Rael Bh6 15 Na4 Ne4 16 Qc2 Nd7 17 b4 d4 18 bxc5 dxe3 19 c6 exf2+ 20 Kf1 Bxc6 21 Qxc6 Bxc1 22 Qxc1 Ndf6 23 Nc3 Rxd1+ 24 Nxd1 Ng4 25 Qe4 Re8 26 Ne5 Qf6 27 g3 Nxb2+ 28 Kg2 Qxf4 29 gxf4 Rd8 30 Nxf2 Rd2 31 Nxe4 Rxe2+ 32 Nf2 Rxb2 33 Ned3 Rxa2 34 Kxb2 a5 35 Kg3 a4, 0 : 1.

In BRASILIA, 14-25 March, three GMs from overseas were matched against three local players. Understandably the three GMs took the top three places, their actual placings being decided by the number of times they drew with a Brazilian opponent - Ljubojevic conceded one such draw, Browne two and Andersson three. Browne and Andersson each won one of their two mutual encounters, otherwise all the GM games were drawn.

The final scores: 1 GM Ljubojevic (YUG) 7½; 2 GM Browne (USA) 7; 3 GM Andersson (SWE) 6½; 4-5 IM Sunye & Filguth 4; 6 Lucena 1.

BROWNE - SUNYE, Queen's Indian Defence: 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 a3 c5 5 d5 Ba6 6 Qc2 Qe7 7 Bg5 h6 8 Bxf6 Qxf6 9 e4 Bd6 10 Bd3 Be5 11 Nxe5 Qxe5 12 0-0 0-0 13 Nd2 d6 14 Rael Qf6 15 f4 Qd8 16 Nf3 Bb7 17 Qd2 exd5 18 cxd5 Nd7 19 Bc4 a6 20 a4 Re8 21 b3 Re7



22 e5 Nf8 23
f5 dxe5 24 f6
gxf6 25 Qxh6 b5
26 Nh4 Bc8 27 Re3
Ng6 28 Nxb6 fxb6
29 d6+ bxc4 30
dxe7 Qxe7 31 Rg3,
1 : 0.

SUNYE - FILGUTH, Nimzoindian Defence: 1 c4 Nf6 2 d4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 Bg5 Bb7 5 Nc3 Bb4 6 e3 h6 7 Bh4 g5 8 Bg3 Ne4 9 Qc2 Bxc3+ 10 bxc3 d6 11 Bd3 f5 12 d5 exd5 13 Nd4 Qf6 14 cxd5 Bxd5 15 f3 Nxb3 16 hxb3 Nd7 17 Bxf5 0-0-0 18 Qa4 Rhe8 19 Kf2 Re7 20 Qxa7 Re5 21 g4 Bxf3 22 Ne6 Bb7 23 Nxd8 Qxd8 24 Qa4 b5 25 Qa7 Qf6 26 Kg1 Rxf5 27 gxf5 Nc5 28 Qa5 Qe5 29 Rxh6 Qxe3+ 30 Kh1 Bxg2+ 31 Kxg2 Qe2+ 32 Kg1 Qg4+ 33 Kf1 Qf3+ 34 Kel Qg3+ 35 Kd1 Qd3+ 36 Kel Qg3+ 37 Kd1 Qd3+ 38 Kc1 Nb3+ 39 axb3 Qe3+ 40 Kb2 Qf2+, ½ : ½.

LUGANO, 6-15 March (6th International Open): 1 GM Kurajica (YUG) 7½/9; 2 IM Abramovic (YUG) 7½; 3 GM Grünfeld (ISR) 7½; 4-11 Bartelborth (BRD), GM Bellon (SP), IM Illic (YUG), Martin (SP), IM Soos (BRD), GM Albut (USA), IM Joksic (YUG) & IM Birnboim (ISR) 7.

HELSEINKI, March: 1-2 GM Matulovic (YUG) & GM Nunn (ENG) 8/11; 3 GM Rantanen (FIN) 7½; 4 GM Farago (HUN) 7; 5 IM Sznepik (POL) 6½; 6 GM Schmidt (POL) 6; 7 IM Karlsson (SWE) 5; 8-9 Ristoja (FIN) & Raaste (FIN) 4½; 10 FM Hurme (FIN) 3½; 11 Binham (FIN) 3; 12 Turunen (FIN) 2½.

No new GM or IM norms were gained but both Ristoja and Raaste made the necessary 4½ points for an FM norm.

EASTER ROUND THE COUNTRY

In Auckland the annual Easter Open was held as usual at the Auckland Chess Centre. Nigel Metge reports:

The tournament attracted a small but strong field.

It was pleasing to see Paul Garbett return to the chess scene after two years' study overseas. Pat Kelly too, was making a comeback.

Unfortunately Geoff Edmonds had to withdraw after the second round due to a car accident, but he has made a good recovery.

The administration of the tournament was not up to scratch, largely because the D.O.P. (yours truly) was trying to play as well as direct.

As to the play, Peter Green clearly deserved his first place, ahead of Kess Dekker and Bruce Watson.

He played confidently and strongly throughout, often winning by persistent endgame play; to be sure Peter had some luck, especially against Dekker and Metge.

Paul Garbett(4½/7) and Pat Kelly(4½) were obviously rusty and Jon Jackson failed to find form.

Peter Weir(4½) and Lindsay Cornford(4½) played their usual exciting type of chess, sometimes with notable success.

Major placings: P. Green(6½/7) 1, K. Dekker(6) 2, B. Watson(5) 3.

Grade prizes: Grade one - R. Taylor and D. Pomeroy 1=, Grade two - K. Burgess 1.

Selected games:

P. Green - P. Garbett, Queen's Indian
1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 Nc3 Bb7 5 Bg5 h6 6 Bxf6 Qxf6 7 e4 Bb4 8 Bd3 Bxc3+ 9 bxc3 d6 10 0-0 0-0 11 Nd2 c5 12 Qf3 Qxf3 13 Nxf3 Nc6 14 d5 Na5 15 Nd2 Ba6 16 f4 Rfe8 17 Rfel Rab8 18 Rab1 Rb7 19 Kf2 Kf8 20 Re3 Rbe7 21 Rbe1 g6 22 g4 Kg7 23 Kf3 e5 24 f5 Rb7 25 Rb1 Re8 26 R3e1 Kf6 27 h4 gxf5 28 exf5 b5 29 g5+ hxg5 30 hxg5+ Ke7 31 f6+ Kd7 32 cxb5 Bxb5 33 Bf5+ Kc7 34 Rh1 Rf8 35 Rh7 Kb8 36 Rbh1 Nc4 37 Ne4 Ba4 38 Rh8 Bd1+ 39 Kg3 Rxb8 Rxb8+ Kc7 41 Rc8+ Kb6 42 Rc6+ Kb5 43 Nxd6+

Nxd6 44 Rxd6 Rb8 45 g6 fxg6 46 Bxg6 Kc4 47 f7 Ba4 48 Kf3 Rf8 49 Ke3 a5 50 Re6 Kxd5 51 Re8 Bxe8 52 fxe8/Q Rxe8 53 Bxe8 Kc4 54 Kd2 Kd5 55 Bg6 e4 56 Bf7+ Ke5 57 Ke3 a4 58 a3 1-0

S. Van Dam - B. Watson, Sicilian Defence
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nc6 5 Be2 a6 6 0-0 Qc7 7 Be3 Nf6 8 Nc3 Bb4 9 f3 0-0 10 Qd2 d5 11 Nxc6 bxc6 12 Bg5 Qa7+ 13 Khl d4 14 Bxf6 gxf6 15 Qh6 dxc3 16 e5! fxe5 ½-½

P. Kelly - R. Taylor, Queen's Pawn.
1 d4 d5 2 Nf3 g6 3 g3 Bg7 4 Bg2 Nf6 5 0-0 0-0 6 Nbd2 c5 7 c3 b6 8 Ne5 Ng4 9 Ndf3 f6 10 Nxc4 Bxc4 11 h3 Bxf3 12 Bxf3 cxd4 13 c4 e6 14 cxd5 Na6 15 dxe6 Rb8 16 Bf4 f5 17 Bxb8 Qxb8 18 Racl Nc5 19 Qc2 Qe5 20 Qc4 Kh8 21 Qd5 Qf6 22 b4 Na4 23 Qd7 1-0

In Wellington David Beach won the Civic Easter Tournament with a perfect score of seven straight wins.

He was followed by A. Feneridis(5½)2, B. Carpenter(4½)3.

The B grade was won by Andrew Boughen and Russell Dive with 6/7, followed by S. Brown on 4½.

C grade winner was Trevor Hughes with 5/7. Then came P. Skurr, M. Schwass, M. Small all on 4½.

Two games from the tournament winner:

D. Beach - B. Carpenter, Pirc Defence
1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Bg5 c6 5 f4 b5 6 e5 dxe5 7 fxe5 Nd5 8 Nf3 Nc3 9 bxc3 Be6 10 a4 bxa4 11 Rxa4 Nd7 12 Bd3 Bg7 13 0-0 0-0 14 Qal f6(If 14...h6 15 Bh4 g5 16 Bxg5 with a winning attack) 15 exf6 exf6 16 Bf4 Rf7 17 Rxa7 Rxa7 18 Qxa7 Ne5 19 Qa6 Nxd3 20 cxd3 Bd5 21 Rb1 Qd7 22 Rb8+ Bf8(If 22...Rf8 23 Rb7 and 24 Qa7 wins) 23 Bh6 Bf3(If 23...Qe7 24 Qa8 Bxf3 25 Re8 wins) 24 Qa3 1-0

D. Beach - F. Foster, Sicilian
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 e6 4 0-0 Nf6 5 e5 Nd5 6 Nc3 Be7 7 Bxc6 dxc6 8 d3 0-0 9 Ne4 b6 10 Re1 Ba6 11 b3 b5 12 a4 Qb6 13 c4! Nb4 14 Nfg5 h6 15 Nf6+! gxf6(If 15...Bxf6 16 exf6 hxg5 17 fxg7 Kxg7 18 Qh5 wins) 16 Ne4 fxe5(If 16...f5 17 Bh6 followed by 18 Qh5, 19 Re3 etc) 17 Bh6 f6 18 Qg4+ Kf7 19 Qh5+ 1-0

Light notes to these games by D. Beach.

In Otago the annual Easter tournament was won by Richard Sutton.

Tony Dowden reports:

The Otago Chess Club held its annual Easter Tournament at Easter(!) this year (last year it was held during Anzac Weekend to avoid clashing with the National Junior Championship in Christchurch).

Although only 26 players took part it was a very interesting and successful tournament.

This can be attributed to a Canterbury student contingent and the presence of all the top players in Otago.

An outstanding feature of the tournament was that there were NO short draws(at all - all your disbelievers from North of the Waitaki).

Sponsorship from Whitcoulls Ltd meant the difference between a healthy prize fund and a meagre one. Thanks must go to Gerald Williams who ably directed play - although he didn't have a lot to do, such was the fine spirit in which the games were played.

Round one: No upsets, although Jackie Sievey apparently resigned in a level position against Kai Jensen.

Round two: The top few seeds won. Norton indulged in a double rook sacrifice against Haase but departed from theory by securing only the half-point. Dowden got bored playing against Freeman and ripped open the centre - allowing Michael's bishops in.

Round three: Sutton easily beat Richard Ong but Freeman hung on right into the lost ending against Jensen - and drew. Love beat Bates in very convincing manner, throwing out a warning to future opponents.

Round four: Love won a pawn against Sutton in an exchange Ruy Lopez, but rapid liquidation led to an early draw. Kai Jensen beat Warwick Norton before most players had castled. Bates-Freeman fought it out to a draw in a game which just fell outside the "short draw" category.

Leaders - Love, Jensen, Sutton 3½; Freeman, Haase 3.

Round five: Sutton beat Jensen in a complicated Marshall Gambit - as they always seem to be. Love dug in his heels against Haase and managed to score half a point.

Duncan Watts drew with Giles Bates as did Jackie Sievey with Malcolm Foord.

Leaders - Sutton 4½; Love, Freeman 4; Haase, Jensen, Dowden, Bates 3½.

Round six: A round of decisive results.

Freeman blundered a piece in a Bishop's Opening against Sutton after he cramped his pieces and was harrassed by an energetic pawn push. Love beat Jensen after surviving early pressure after Kai saced a pawn in a Grunfeld Defence. Dowden played his first game of chess and positionally sponged Norton - while the other hopefuls didn't manage to join him in third place (helpful tournament hint for young players - the Swiss Gambit is at its devastating best when you drop points in more than one game!).

Selected games:

W. Norton - G. Haase, Latvian Gambit
1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 f5 3 Bc4 fxe4 4 Nxe5 Qg5 5 d4 Qxg2 6 Qh5+ g6 7 Bf7+ Kd8 8 Bxg6 Qxh1+ 9 Ke2 c6 10 Nc3 e3 11 Bxe3! Qxa1 12 Nf7+ Kc7 13 Qg5 b5 14 Qd8+ Kb7 15 Qxf8 Ne7! 16 Qxe7 hxg6 17 Qc5 Qxb2 18 Nd6+ Ka6! 19 Nd5 cxd5 20 Bcl Qbl 21 Qa3+ Kb6 22 Qc5+ ½-½

R. Sutton - K. Jensen, Marshall Gambit
1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 Be7 6 Re1 b5 7 Bb3 0-0 8 c3 d5 9 exd5 Nxd5 10 Nxe5 Nxe5 11 Rxe5 c6 12 d4 Bd6 13 Re1 Qh4 14 g3 Qh3 15 Be3 Bg4 16 Qd3 Rae8 17 Nd2 Re6 18 a4 f5 19 Qf1 Qh5 29 f4! bxa4 21 Rxa4 Rfe8 22 Rxa6 Rxe3 23 Rxe3 Rxe3 24 Rxc6 Qe8 25 Bxd5+ Kf8 26 Ne4! Rxe4? 27 Bxe4 Qxe4 28 Rxd6 Bh3 29 Qxh3 Qe3+ 30 Kf1 Qc1+ 31 Ke2 Qxb2+ 32 Kd3 Qb1+ 33 Kc4 Qa2+ 34 Kb4 Qb2+ 35 Ka4 Qc2+ 36 Kb5 1-0

K. Jensen - W. Norton, Queen's Pawn
1 d4 d6 2 c4 Nd7 3 Nc3 e5 4 Nf3 f5? 5 Ng5! c6 6 Ne6 Qa5 7 Bd2 Kf7 8 Nd5 Qa6 9 Ng5+ Kg6 10 Nc7 Qxc4 11 e3! 1-0

T. Love - R. Sutton, Ruy Lopez Exchange
1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Bxc6 dxc6 5 0-0 Qd6 6 d3 Ne7 7 Be3 Ng6 8 Nbd2 c5 9 Nc4 Qe6 10 Ng5 Qd7 11 a4 f6 12 Nh3 Bd6 13 f4 exf4 14 Nxd6 Qxd6 15 Nxf4 Bd7 16 Qh5 0-0-0 17 Qxc5 Qxc5 18 Bxc5 Nxf4 19 Rxf4 Rhe8 20 Rf2 b6 21 Be3 a5 22 b3 Re6 23 Bf4 ½-½

K. Jensen - T. Love, Grunfeld Defence
1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Bf4 c6 6 h3 dxc4 7 a4 Nd5 8 Qd2 Nxf4 9 Qxf4

0-0 10 e4 Bxd4 11 Bxc4 Bg7 12 Rdl Qa5
13 0-0 Nd7 14 Ba2 Ne5 15 Nd4 Qb4! 16 Rd2
Nc4 17 Bxc4 Qxc4 18 Qe3 e5 19 Nf3 Be6 20
Rfd1 h6 21 Rd6 Qb4 22 Rld2 Qb6 23 Nd1
Rfe8! 24 Qc3 Bf8 25 a5 Qb5 0-1

Final scores(0 = Otago, C = Canterbury,
OU = Otago University):

R. Sutton(O) 5½/6, 1; T. Love(OU) 5, 2;
T. Dowden(OU) 4½, 3; G. Haase(O), M.
Freeman(O), D. Watts(OU) 4, 4=; G.Bates
(C), K. Jensen(O), R. Ong(OU), A. Knowles
(O), M. Foord(O) 3½, 7=; ...

Grade prizes: Under 1500 - A. Knowles
1; Under 1100 - K. Boyd and L. Hansen 1=.

Spassky draws with Chandler!

Overseas Murray Chandler is continuing
a run of fine results.

He recently finished third in the West
German Open Championships behind Kavalek
and Hort(see crosstable below) and the
day after the tournament ended faced former
World Champion Boris Spassky in a
club match between Hamburg and Solingen.

It was Murray's 21st birthday, and he
celebrated it in fine style.

His clubmates also presented him with
a large cake in the midst of his post-
mortem with Spassky.

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Murray remarks that he found Spassky
very pleasant to play against, and cer-
tainly the gentleman he has always been
considered to be(with breaks for Korch-
noi matches!).

The game against Spassky is given in
the Games Section, with notes by Murray.

Murray has also recorded a success in the
the Third Zala Cup, played in Keszthely,
Hungary.

He finished first equal(first on tie
break) with GM Razuvaev(ELO 2525), of the
USSR, ahead of three other GM's and num-
erous IM's.

In scoring 9/13, Murray was one point
short of the GM norm, as in the West
German Championship.

He beat Razuvaev in their individual
game, which will be given with Murray's
notes in the next issue.

Meanwhile, here is a sharp win over
K. Szeles of Hungary.

M. Chandler - K. Szeles, Henning-Shara
Gambit.

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 c5 4 cxd5 cxd4 5
Qa4+ Bd7 6 Qxd4 exd5 7 Qxd5 Nc6 8 Qd1 Nf6
9 Nf3 Bc5 10 e3 Qe7 11 Be2 0-0-0 12 0-0
g5 13 b4! Bxb4 14 Bb2 Rhg8 15 Nd4 Kb8
16 Ncb5 Ne5 17 Qb3 g4 18 Rfc1 Nf3+ 19
Nxf3! gxf3 20 Bxf3 Bxb5 21 a3 Rd2 22 Bd4!
Ne4 23 Qxb4 Ng5 24 Re8+ Rxc8(If 24...Kxc8
25 Bg4+ Kd8 26 Qxd2 and white has a won
game) 25 Qxe7 1-0

GAMES SECTION

As promised, an annotated game from New
Zealand's latest national master, Vernon
Small.

V.A. Small - M. Chandler, Sicilian Pelikan
From the 1977/8 NZ Championships.

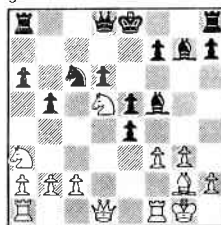
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6
5 Nc3 e5 6 Ndb5 d6 7 Bg5 a6 8 Na3 b5 9 Bf6
gxf6 10 Nd5 f5 11 g3

Murray and I had been checking out this
line in the latest Informator not a fort-
night before this game. The original was a
Gaprindashvili game which resulted in much
wild play and a win to white.

11... fxe4 12 Bg2 Bf5

Gaprindashvili's opponent played 12...
Be6 but Informator had recommended this
and I remembered "Muzza" was impressed.
However, the night before this game I was
casing some of Ted Stalknecht's magazines
when I came across a discussion of the 14
f3 pawn sacrifice in "Europe Echecs".

13 0-0 Bg7 14 f3



Nowadays the 13 f3 sacrifice is known to
be stronger, but in those days... Black
can hardly not take the pawn unless he
wants to play 14... e3 15 f4 and white
looks much better e.g. 15... e4 16 c3 b4
17 Nc4 or 15... exf4 16 Rf4+

14... exf3 15 Qxf3 Be6 16 Nf6+

There are several ways to 'win' the ex-
change but the strong black centre, two
bishops, extra pawn and off-side white
knight would add up to an advantage to
black e.g. 16 Nc7+ Qc7 17 Qxc6+ Qxc6 18
Bxc6+ Ke7 19 Bxa8 Rxa8 -+

16... Bxf6 17 Qxc6+ Ke7 18 Rad1!?

An innovation. Klován-Timoshenko, Kis-
hinev 1975, went 18 Qb7+ Qd7 19 Qxd7+
Bxd7 20 Bxa8 Rxa8 and again the exchange
is won but black is probably better. This
line seemed illogical to me and I looked
round for a way to keep the queens on and
take advantage of the black king in the
centre. If white can restrain the black
centre long enough to get the queen knight
back on-side he will be fine. White has
good practical chances based on control
of d5, although in theory he perhaps has
no real advantage.

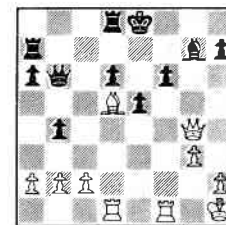
18... Ra7

The good thing about not accepting a
sacrifice is that the opposition never
knows if you will next move!

19 Qf3 Qb6+ 20 Kh1 Bg7 21 Qh5! b4?

21... Rd7 22 Nbl d5 23 Nc3 is still
very unclear, although perhaps white can
do a little better with 22 Bd5 Bxd5 23
Rxd5 Ke8 +=. The text is just an over-
sight. But white's pressure on the king-
side ties up the king rook and provides
compensation for the pawn.

22 Nc4 Bxc4 23 Qh4+ f6 24 Qxc4 Rd8 25
Qg4 Kf8 26 Bd5 Ke8



The threat was Qe6 and Qg8+. Of course
white is strategically won and can prob-
ably win the king rook pawn anytime. But
I had visions of getting the rooks in via
h5 or c6 so I kept on building up. Anyway,
27 Qh5+ Kd7 28 Qxh7 Kc8 is not decisive.

27 Rf3 Rdd7 28 c3 b3

So the pawn comes back anyway. Black
could hardly relish 28... bxc3 29 Rxc3
Rac7 30 Rb3 Qa5 31 Rb8+ Rd8 32 Rxd8+ Kxd8
33 Qe6

West German Open Championship, Bochum, March 16 to April 3, 1981.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
1 Kavalek	USA	x	½	½	1	½	1	½	1	1	½	1	½	1	1	12
2 Hort	CZ	½	x	½	½	1	½	½	1	1	1	0	1	½	1	10½
3 Chandler	NZ	½	½	x	½	½	½	1	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	9½
4 Schussler	SWE	0	½	½	x	½	½	0	½	½	1	½	1	1	1	8½
5 Borik	WG	½	½	½	½	x	0	½	½	1	½	½	½	½	1	8
6 G. Garcia	CUBA	0	0	½	½	1	x	½	½	½	½	½	1	0	1	8
7 Ciocaltea	ROM	½	½	0	1	½	½	x	½	0	0	½	1	1	0	8
8 Keene	ENG	0	½	½	½	½	½	½	x	½	½	½	½	1	½	7½
9 Westerinen	FIN	0	0	½	½	0	½	1	½	x	1	1	½	0	1	7½
10 Lobron	WG	0	0	0	0	½	½	1	½	0	x	0	½	1	1	7
11 Torre	PHI	½	0	½	½	½	½	½	½	0	1	xx	0	1	½	7
12 Van der Wiel	NL	0	1	½	0	½	0	0	½	½	1	x	1	0	½	7
13 Kunstowicz	WG	½	0	½	0	½	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	x	½	5½
14 Feustal	WG	0	½	½	0	0	0	1	½	0	0	½	1	½	x	5
15 Hermann	WG	0	0	0	½	0	0	½	1	0	0	½	½	½	x	5
16 Ghinda	ROM	0	0	0	½	½	0	½	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	x

Category 9 GM = 10½, IM = 7½, FM = 5½.

29 axb3 Kd8 30 Qe4 Kc7 31 Ra1 a5 32 Ra4 Qb5

A half-trap. 33 Bc6 would allow ... d5 and some activity at minimal cost.

33 Kg2 Rd8 34 Rf2 Kb8

The natural mercenary in me had trouble resisting the h7 pawn all this time I can tell you!

35 Rc4 Rf8 36 Rf5 Rd8 37 Qd3 Qa6 38 b4 Rc7 39 bxa5 Rxc4 40 Bxc4 Qxa5 41 Bd5 Qb6

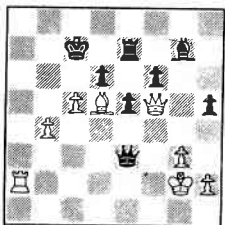
Ever since move 22 there has been no safe place for the black king, and now it must run again before the rook swings around.

42 Rf2 h6 43 b4 Rd7 44 Qg6 Kc7 45 Ra2 Qe3 46 Qf5 h5 47 c4 Re7

47... Qd4 was the last chance to make things awkward, but the advance of the c-pawn will still be decisive in the long run.

48 c5

The sealed move. Chandler resigned without resuming since 48... dxc5 49 bxc5 and there is no way to stop 50 Ra7+ K moves 51 Ra8+ and Qc8.



The final position.

From the Auckland Easter Tournament, two games featuring Lindsay Cornford.

P. Weir - L. Cornford, Sicilian
Annotations by P. Weir
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 Bb5+ Nc6

Black can also opt for 3...Bd7 or 3...Nd7

4 0-0 e5

Black has decided to play the position as if it has come from a Ruy Lopez.

5 c3 Nf6 6 d4 Bd7

6...Nxe4 fails to 7 dxe5 dxe5 8 Qxd8+ Kxd8 9 Bxc6 bxc6 10 Nxe5

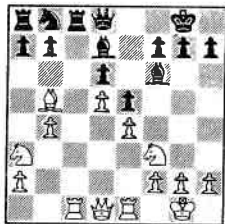
7 Re1 Qc7 8 Na3

With the idea of placing the knight on c4 to put pressure on e5 and later to transfer the knight through e3 to f5. Also good was 8 Nbd2.

8...Be7 9 Bg5 0-0 10 d5

Blocking the centre with a view to exchanging all the minor pieces except for the Na3 and the Be7. In the resulting endgame the knight would be more active than the bishop, which will be blocked by the pawn structure c5, d6, e5.

10...Nb8 11 b4!? cxb4 (Perhaps better is 11...Bxb5 12 Nxb5 Qb6, followed by Nbd7 to capture on c5 with a piece should white exchange. Ed) 12 cxb4 Rc8 13 Rcl Qd8 14 Bxf6 Bxf6



White has advantages in space and development and black cannot attempt to attack the base of white's pawn chain by playing f5 as this would only create weaknesses on his king-side due to the placing of most of his pieces on the queen's wing.

15 Qd3 a6 16 Bxd7 Nxd7 17 Nc4 Nf8 18 Rc3 Ng6!

Black aims to control his f5 square from e7, while at the same time threatening Nf4.

19 g3 Rab8

It was necessary to prepare ...Qd7 to reactivate the bishop through d8 without allowing Nb6.

20 Re1 Qd7 21 Kg2 Bd8! 22 h3 h5!?

An attempt to create counterplay on the king-side. Passive moves allow white to play Ne3 followed by Nf5 and h4-h5, with a crushing position.

23 Qc2 Qe7 24 Ne3 Rxc3 25 Qxc3 Qd7 26 Nf5 Ne7!? 27 Nxe7+

Played after long thought. Both Lindsay and I had analysed the position arising after 27 Nxe5(!) dxe5 28 Qxe5 Nxf5 29 Qxb8 Ne7 and decided that the position offered nothing for white as neither of the centre pawns can move forward. In fact there is a strong resource for white in this position as Bob Gibbons pointed out later in 30 b5! ab 31 Rb1 and 32 a4 and white is winning.

27...Qxe7 28 g4!?

Better is 28 a4 followed by a5 to increase white's space advantage on the queen-side and limit the scope of the Bd8.

28...hxg4 29 hxg4 Qd7! 30 Kg3 Qa4 31 a3 a5 32 g5 axb4 33 axb4 Bb6! 34 g6!

Threatening 35 Qc8+ followed by mate.

34...fxg6 35 Ng5

Once again threatening mate.

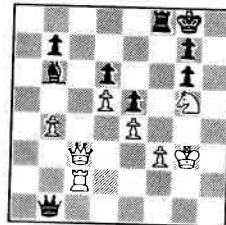
35...Rf8 36 f3 Qa2!

If 36...Bd4? 37 Qc7 Be3 38 Ne6 Rf7 39 Qd8+ Kh7 40 Rh1+ Bh6 41 Ng5 is mate.

After the move played the position is dynamically equal and after the moves:

37 Rc2 Qb1 38 Rcl Qa2 39 Rc2 Qb1

a draw was agreed.



L.H. Cornford - J. Jackson, Sicilian
Notes by the winner.
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nc6 5 g3(!?)

An innovation that started as a blunder. Better is Nb5.

5...d5!

Polugayevsky now gives 6 Bg2 dxe4 =

6 Nxc6 bxc6 7 Bg2 Ba6 8 Nd2! Qb6

If black can improve, we thought it here. Ideas were Qa5 and Nf6. However at b6 the queen threatens f2, guards a6 and c6 and allows Rd8, all highly plausible schemes. What surprised both players was the adequacy of white's plan. From black's 8th move we both began to take a lot of time. I was convinced I had a dismal game, while Jackson could not see a clear path to an equal position for himself! (8...Qa5 could prove awkward for white. e.g. 9 b3 Bb4 9 c4 Bc3 10 Rb1 dxc4 11 0-0 Qxa2 +- . White's best could be 9 Bf1 Nf6 10exd5 cxd5 11 Bxa6 Qxa6 12 Qe2 Qxe2+ 13 Kxe2 which leads to a slightly better endgame for black because of his good centre and queen-side pressure. Ed)

9 exd5 cxd5 10 c4! Nf6 11 Qa4+ Nd7 12 0-0! Rc8 13 b3 Bb4 14 Rd1 Qd4?

Black has a very difficult game before this move. 0-0 gives the Nd7, and the white queen escapes.

15 Ba3+- Bxa3 16 Qxa6 Bb2(Qc5 holds longer, although white is still clearly winning.Ed)

17 Qxc8+ Ke7 18 Qxh8 Bxal 19 Qxh7 1-0

Our post-mortem suggests that 5 g3 is not as serious a blunder as we both initially believed, and that 8 Nd2 is an idea that holds some promise.

M. Chandler - B. Spassky, Queen's Gambit
1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 d5

I was expecting a Queen's Indian Defence, against which I had planned to play, after 3...b6, a line with 4 Nc3 Bb7 5 Bf4!? that had been experimented with by Kavalek and myself at Bochum.

4 Nc3 Be7 5 Bg5 h6 6 Bh4 0-0 7 e3 b6 8 Be2

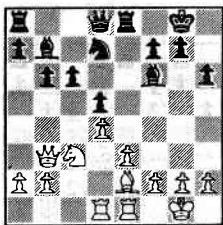
Black has chosen the fashionable Tartakower variation of the Queen's Gambit declined, a system with which Spassky has considerable experience. I choose here a line that received some attention in the latest Soviet Championship.

8...Bb7

Perhaps more accurate is 8...Nbd7 to discourage white from capturing on f6 so early, as black can then recapture with the knight.

9 Bxf6! Bxf6 10 cxd5 exd5 11 0-0 Nd7 12 Qb3 c6 13 Rfel Re8 14 Rad1

On 14 e4, planning 14...dxe4 15 Bc4, I could not see anything against 14...c5! After the text, however, white has quite a promising position.



14...Nf8 15 Bf1?!

I rejected 15 e4 because of 15...dxe4 16 Bc4 exf3 17 Bxf7+ Kh8 18 Rxe8 Qd7, with threats of 19...Qg4 and generally good compensation for the exchange. But afterwards I found that with 18 Bxe8! white can penetrate next move with 19 Qf7 with great advantage. So black would have to adopt something more passive, in which case white would stand better.

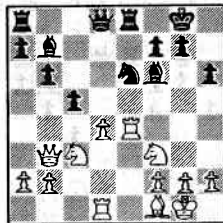
15...Ne6 16 e4 dxe4

Spassky thought for 45 minutes here,

and said he had been extremely worried about his position. But it seems to hold together, for on my intended 17 Nxe4!? Bxd4 18 Nxd4 Nxd4 19 Qg3! black has the amazing resource 19...Re6!! 20 Bc4 c5! as now 21 Bxe6? Ne2+ would win for black. Hence I chose the alternative capture.

17 Rxe4 c5!

A real 2635-rated move. Black now seizes a slight plus.



18 dxc5 Qb8! 19 Nd5 Bxd5 20 Rxd5 Nxc5 21 Rxe8+ Qxe8 22 Qb4?

A dubious move played quickly. With the time control at 50 moves in 2½ hours I already had visions of a dual time scramble. Instead 22 Qc2 Rc8 is only slightly better for black.

22...Qe6

Now if the rook moves the a2 pawn is hanging, while on the intended 23 Bc4 comes 23...Qe4. I decided to sacrifice a pawn rather than lose one.

23 Qd2 Ne4 24 Qd1 Rc8 25 Ba6 Rc5 26 Bb7 Bxb2 27 Rxc5 Nxc5 28 Qd8+ Kh7 29 Bd5 Qf5 30 g3 g5!

This move dispelled any attacking intentions I had against the black king.

31 Kg2 Kg7 32 h3 Bf6 33 Qa8 h5 34 Nd2 Bd4 35 Nf3 Bf6 36 Nd2 Nd3 37 Ne4 g4 38 hxg4 hxg4

Spassky is well-known as a player who much prefers to attack, but perhaps his kingside assault was a little hasty, particularly in view of the serious time trouble we were both running into. My queen can now get back into the game.

39 Qc6 Bd4 40 Qc4! Qf3+ 41 Kh2 Bxf2?

Overlooking my reply. On 41...Be5 white's birthday stocking would probably have

stayed empty.

42 Qc3+ f6 43 Qc7+ Kh6 44 Qf7!

I had about 20 seconds to go, Spassky a minute. Black really has to force a draw now.

44...Bg1! 45 Kxg1 Qe3+ 46 Kf1 Qe1+ 47 Kg2 Qe2+ ½-½



LOCAL NEWS

The Howick-Pakuranga 1981 Summer Swiss has been won by Paul Spiller with 7/8 (+6, = 2). The last few rounds saw an exciting race for first between Spiller and Strevens with Spiller emerging the winner after beating Katrine Metge in the final round, while Colin Strevens tried too hard and lost to Derek Lark.

The club President, Tony Booth, put in a good performance to finish 2nd= with a last-round win against the joint club champion, John Fekete.

Detailed results: P. Spiller(7/8)1; C. Strevens, D. Lark and A. Booth(6)2-4; D. Notley(5½)5; K. Metge, J. Fekete, R. Taylor, J. Bojtor and S. Varga(5)6-10; C. Stelco, A. Baldwin and K. Morton(4½) 11-13;...

Games from the tournament:

P. Spiller - R. Baumgartner, 1 g3
1 g3 d5 2 Bg2 c5 3 Nf3 Nf6 4 0-0 e6 5 c4 Be7 6 cxd5 exd5 7 d4 0-0 8 Nc3 Ne4? 9 Qc2 Bf5? 10 Qb3 Nxc3 11 bxc3 b6 12 dxc5 bxc5 13 Qb7 Nd7 14 Qxd5 Be6 15 Qd3 Rb8 16 h4 Bf6 17 Ng5 Bxg5 18 hxg5!? Re8 19 Be4 g6 20 Kg2 Kg7 21 c4! Ne5 22 Qc2 Nxc4 23 Rdl Qe7 24 Qc3+ Kg8 25 Bf3 Red8? 26 Rhl Qf8 27 Bf4 Rb5? 28 Rxh7! 1-0

D. Field - P. Spiller, French Defence
1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7 5 f4 c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Ndf3 cxd4 8 cxd4 Qb6 9 Ne2? f6! 10 g3 fxe5 11 fxe5 Bb4+ 12 Bd2 0-0!

13 Bg2 Ndx5! 14 dxe5 Nxe5 15 Nf4 Rxf4! 16 gxf4 Nd3+ 17 Ke2 Nxb2 18 Qb3 Bd7! 19 Bf1? Bb5+ 20 Ke1 Nd3+! 21 Bxd3 Qe3+ 22 Kdl Qxf3+ 23 Kc2 Bxd3+ 24 Kb2 Bxd2 25 Rhd1 Qe2 26 Ka3 a5 0-1

A friendly inter-club match between Howick-Pakuranga and Remuera in April was won 8-6 by Howick.

From Otago Tony Dowden reports that the Otago Chess Club championship has been won by Graham Haase and David Wee-genaar on 5/6, followed by T. Dowden(4½), M. Foord 3, J. Sievey 1½, A. Kwok and I. Dalsiel 1.

The B grade was won by P. Cullen, E. Puddle and J. Gibb, all on 4/6.

A game from the tournament:

G. Haase - T. Dowden, Modern Benoni.
1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 e6 4 Nc3 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 Nf3 g6 7 Nd2 Bg7 8 Nc4 0-0 9 Bf4 b6!? 10 Bxd6 Re8 11 e3 Ba6?!(11... Ne4 with the idea of b5) 12 Bg3 Ne4 13 Nxe4 Rxe4 14 Nd6 Rb4(14...Bxf1 15 Kxf1; not 15 Nxe4 Bxg2) 15 Bxa6 Nxa6 16 b3?! Bxa1?(16...f5! with the idea of 17... f4 18 Bxf4 Rxf4) 17 Qxa1 Rg4 18 Qe5 Nc7?! 19 Nb7 Qxd5 20 Qxc7 Qxg2 21 Rf1 a5?(Qf3! is unclear) 22 Ke2 Rb4 23 Rdl a4??(23... Qe4) 24 Nd8! Rxd8 25 Rxd8+ Kg7 26 Qe5+ Kh6 27 Bf4+ g5 28 Rd6+ Kh5 29 h3! Re4 30 Qf5 1-0

Light notes by T. Dowden.

The 1981 North Shore Chess Club Summer Cup has been won by Peter Weir with a 7-1 tally(+7, -1).

Sixty players took part, and Weir lost only once - to Matthew Barlow in round three - and finished with a fighting win over Wayne Power in the last round.

The biggest surprise was a fine second placing by Richard Steel, who conceded only a loss to Weir and a draw with top seed Peter Stuart.

Making a comeback after several years away from chess, Matthew Barlow looked set for a good result after his win over Weir, but could not maintain his consistency in the latter rounds after such a long break.

Peter Stuart dropped the whole point to David Evans in round four when he tried too hard to win a hopelessly drawn ending and was later lucky to gain draws against David Shead and Steel when 'immediate

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New Zealand Grading List.

This list includes only players active since January 1, 1979. Events up to and including the NZ Congress of 1980/81 have been rated, apart from the NZ Women's Champs.

1 Chandler M.	2391	54 McLaren L.	1894	107 Mazur J.	1756
2 Sarapu O.	2306	55 Brunton D.M.	1891	108 Kinchant K.	1755
3 Sutton R.J.	2272	56 Cook N.	1891	109 Kay B.	1751
4 Small V.	2266	57 Jiles Dr D.	1887	110 Bell C.	1743
5 Nokes R.	2254	58 Van Dijk P.	1886	111 Arbutnott J.	1736
6 Laird C.	2249	59 Roberts M.	1885	112 Keith D.	1735
7 Green E.M.	2247	60 Haase G.G.	1882	113 Adams J.	1729
8 Garbett P.A.	2244	61 Bennett H.	1882	114 Bennell D.	1729
9 Levene M.	2220	62 Free T.J.	1881	115 Borran A.	1722
10 Aptekar L.	2214	63 Marshall C.	1868	116 Koloszar P.	1721
11 Dekker K.	2193/15	64 Weegenaar D.	1867	117 Livingstone M.	1718
12 Beach D.	2166	65 Clark P.	1864	118 Ker A.	1718
13 Watson B.R.	2164	66 Stonehouse T.	1863	119 Rawnsley L.	1716
14 Jensen K.	2163	67 Hurley A.	1861	120 Nijman A.	1716
15 Metge N.	2159	68 Spiller T.	1856	121 Leese M.	1715
16 Smith R.W.	2155	69 Sell G.J.	1855	122 Field D.	1715/9
17 Stuart P.W.	2148	70 Hopewell	1854	123 Van Dam S.	1711
18 Weir P.B.	2120	71 Caukwell P.T.	1852/5	124 Stracy D.	1704
19 Carpenter A.L.	2118	72 Gibbons R.E.	1851	125 Moulin D.S.	1703/7
20 Anderson B.R.	2114	73 Hawkes P.	1845	126 Shead D.	1699
21 Paris P.	2077	74 Johnston A.	1843	127 Williams B.	1698
22 Cordue P.	2073	75 Hart S.	1833	128 Brimble M.T.	1697
23 Green P.	2066	76 Cairns D.J.A.	1833	129 Capper D.	1694
24 Beach P.	2062	77 Norton W.	1826/22	130 Post M.	1692
25 Mataga P.	2052	78 Goffin P.	1821	131 Johnstone R.B.	1688
26 Jackson J.	2025	79 Jones C.	1817/8	132 Storey D.J.H.	1683
27 Dowden R.A.	2023	80 Marsick B.H.P.	1814	133 Boyce D.A.L.	1681
28 Evans M.	2000	81 Dowman I.A.	1811	134 Mills R.L.	1680
29 Lloyd A.	1996	82 Fekete J.	1808	135 Ion G.J.	1679
30 Love A.J.	1991	83 Strevens C.	1806/9	136 Carter G.	1678
31 Gollogly D.A.	1984	84 Williamson H.	1803/14	137 Sims I.M.	1677
32 Feneredis A.	1981	85 Frost E.	1803	138 Bridges N.P.	1668
33 Van Dijk T.	1973	86 Winslade B.	1802	139 Trundle G.E.	1667
34 Hensman P.	1970	87 Whitlock H.P.	1802	140 Law G.J.S.	1665/14
35 Goodhall D.N.A.	1959	88 Cameron B.	1801/18	141 White M.	1662
36 Carpenter B.A.	1959	89 Wheeler B.	1800	142 Hollis W.K.	1662
37 Baker C.	1958	90 Van Ginkel J.	1797/15	143 Robinson P.G.	1659
38 Bates G.	1952	91 Noble M.	1792	144 Shuker R.	1659
39 Notley D.G.	1949/6	92 Lynn K.W.	1790	145 Stretch W.	1659
40 Sarfati J.	1945	93 Storchnegger O.	1788/23	146 McCormick Dr R.	1658
41 Steadman M.V.R.	1939	94 Davies R.	1785	147 Severinsen M.	1657
42 Perry R.	1936	95 Bloore R.G.	1781	148 Nijman B.	1654
43 Whitehouse L.E.	1929	96 Foster F.	1773	149 Mathias R.	1650
44 Sidnam G.	1919	97 Taylor R.	1772	150 Pitts G.L.	1650/21
45 Fleming M.	1914/18	98 Knegt J.	1771	151 Booth Dr A.J.	1649
46 Cater J.E.	1912	99 Gibson W.F.	1769	152 Wieboldt J.	1649/7
47 Cooper D.J.	1908	100 Evans D.J.	1765/22	153 Watson D.	1648/14
48 Power P.W.	1906	101 Vermeer J.	1765	154 Aldridge G.	1648
49 Wigbout M.	1904	102 Putt T.J.	1765	155 Waddle Dr M.H.	1646
50 Frankel Z.	1903	103 Nguyen N.	1764/7	156 Dolejs D.	1640
51 Freeman M.	1903	104 Knightbridge W.	1759	157 Pomeroy D.M.	1637
52 Spiller P.S.	1902	105 Gloistein B.	1758	158 Usmar J.	1633
53 Cornford L.H.	1896	106 Hutton I.	1756/5	159 Davies G.	1632

160 Hopewell N.	1631	218 Grevers L.P.	1519	276 Brownlee L.R.	1376/13
161 McNabb M.	1630/8	219 Brightwell D.	1517	277 Davidson S.	1375
162 Cornelissen R.	1630	220 Richardson N.	1516	278 Rudkins L.	1374
163 Lane R.	1628	221 Delowe S.	1516	279 Adams C.	1363/12
164 Porter W.	1625	222 Fraser R.J.	1512/16	280 Vartiainen J.	1358/17
165 Petch W.	1623	223 Colthart R.	1511	281 Phillips J.	1356
166 Wilson R.	1623	224 Stewart M.	1507/5	282 Day W.	1356/7
167 Watson R.	1618/15	225 Blundell K.	1504/11	283 Clowes C.	1350
168 Snelson P.R.	1617/23	226 Bunn D.	1502/8	284 Giles S.	1345/21
169 Mackley K.	1615/15	227 Bennett P.	1501/22	285 Drake A.	1338
170 Van Pelt J.	1613/10	228 Dalziel I.	1499	286 Ross J.	1333/8
171 Edson D.	1611/16	229 Moratti S.	1494	287 Flower G.	1332
172 Thomson O.N.	1610	230 Metge K.M.	1492	288 Boughan A.	1330
173 Lark D.	1610	231 Freeman R.	1492/16	289 Stewart M.	1325/8
174 Von'T Steen R.	1609	232 Steel R.	1487	290 Mathias J.	1322/7
175 Fisher G.	1607	233 Sareczky G.	1481	291 Thorby B.	1320/9
176 Turner M.	1607/18	234 Spencer-Smith P.	1475	292 Schuster D.F.	1319/16
177 Langrish T.	1605/18	235 Feasey R.A.	1474/7	293 Garland M.	1318
178 Morris N.	1605/15	236 Mitchell R.	1469/18	294 Baker J.	1313/16
179 Mathieson J.	1603	237 Knowles A.	1464	295 Scarr G.E.	1311
180 Dallow C.	1602	238 Hagg G.	1462/7	296 Windsor B.M.	1310/11
181 Henderson Dr A.	1602	239 Brown S.	1458/18	297 Chin P.	1306
182 Walsh B.	1601	240 Sacks M.	1456/7	298 Stewart B.	1306/20
183 Poord M.	1601	241 Wong J.K.	1455/22	299 Woodford R.G.	1305
184 Byford C.	1592/5	242 Rusbridge B.	1453/13	300 Martin L.	1305
185 Price A.	1591	243 Preston J.	1453	301 Sinton P.	1305/8
186 Bojtor J.	1589	244 Flower A.H.	1452	302 Robb J.	1303/13
187 Shardy Z.	1587	245 Ramsay W.	1450	303 Borrell D.H.	1301
188 Waterson M.	1583	246 Hampton R.	1446	304 Brightwell E.	1301/24
189 Kay J.B.	1582	247 Burridge D.	1445/17	305 Borovski J.	1300/12
190 Mears G.W.	1579	248 Kubatzki K.	1445/1	306 Hofsteede J.	1298
191 Fraemohs P.	1576/9	249 Severinson E.	1445	307 Brown B.	1298
192 Scott D.	1575	250 Brannigan K.	1445	308 Corbett P.D.	1297
193 Cribbett P.	1573	251 Bennett D.	1444	309 Carline L.V.	121296
194 Wilcock P.R.	1570/7	252 Costello T.	1443/15	310 Winter W.	1292
195 Crombie W.	1568	253 Hignett A.N.	1443	311 Salmen M.	1291/13
196 Grkow A.	1567	254 Benbow M.	1442	312 Spencer-Smith G.	1290/4
197 Clements T.	1565	255 McIntosh I.	1441/6	313 Bondy F.	1289
198 Haworth G.	1565	256 Potini G.	1439/21	314 Hill S.	1282
199 Shnaider P.	1564/8	257 Manetto L.	1438/8	315 Calder R.	1281/20
200 Middleton J.	1564/11	258 Austin P.	1431/8	316 Clark D.	1281/7
201 Johnston A.	1561	259 Franssen W.	1429/8	317 Hartley J.	1280/19
202 Worthington T.	1557/11	260 Talaic L.	1429/14	318 Donselaar M.S.	1279
203 Terry L.	1555/22	261 Stewardson P.	1428/18	319 Barnard B.	1278/5
204 Peters R.	1552/8	262 Flewellen M.J.	1423/6	320 Chandler K.	1274
205 Haak D.	1552/11	263 Hipkins B.	1421	321 Allen E.G.	1271
206 Lindsay C.	1551	264 Watt R.	1418	322 Jackson B.	1269/9
207 Miller G.P.	1550	265 Robbie C.G.	1411/24	323 Cook F.	1266/23
208 Aimers G.	1549/8	266 Palmer H.	1408/8	324 Harris K.	1266
209 Lannie R.M.	1547/7	267 Shaw M.	1407/8	325 Stiles T.	1260/17
210 Dixon H.	1544	268 Allsobrook A.J.	1406	326 Taylor H.	1260/8
211 Stanton B.	1538/13	269 Rogers M.	1405	327 Sullivan B.	1259/8
212 Jones S.	1537/14	270 Aldridge A.	1396/7	328 Jones G.	1257
213 Sharples N.	1535/12	271 Green Clive	1395/6	329 Dunwoody M.	1251
214 Ferguson R.	1534	272 Sims M.	1392/18	330 Younger J.	1250/15
215 Morrison M.	1531	273 Downey P.	1389/14	331 Reid P.	1248
216 De Groot J.	1525/11	274 Perry K.	1385/19	332 Jennings B.	1248/11
217 Watts D.	1525/19	275 Green C.	1382/7	333 Cookson J.	1239

334 Ang M.	1236/8	359 Cameron D.	1150	384 Gubbins J.	1053/9
335 Ivancic	1227/8	360 Dinkgreve W.	1146/20	385 Scott R.J.L.	1048/13
336 Slobbe H.	1226/2	361 Dwight M.	1144/7	386 Meek L.L.	1042
337 Staples M.	1220	362 Bell D.	1143	387 Wong Marianne	1027/9
338 Brown M.	1220/15	363 McClory J.	1142/10	388 Smith Sandra	1027/9
339 Watson S.	1213	364 Newman B.	1138	389 MacMillan P.	1015/11
340 Winder S.	1213/4	365 Edmonds L.G.	1134/16	390 Hodder J.	1010/7
341 Hudepohl H.	1211/21	366 Cole N.	1132/13	391 Scott B.	994/11
342 Sievey J.	1210/14	367 Weston R.	1123/9	392 Fleming L.	986/9
343 Kinchant Mrs	1201	368 Best D.	1123/13	393 Prins J.A.	962/12
344 Earle F.	1200	369 Hughes T.	1114	394 Murray K.	952/5
345 Sinclair M.C.	1197	370 Williams R.G.	1113	395 O'Sullivan C.	923/7
346 Visser J.	1197/11	371 Cole R.	1106/5	396 Manetto L. jun.	894/7
347 Hall Prof. D.	1197/7	372 Bowler J.	1105	397 Schwass M.	873/9
348 Boyd J.K.	1191	373 Keith J.G.	1105/5	398 Nokes J.	808/7
349 Healey R.	1185/16	374 Anderson G.	1103/23	399 Ferguson P.	801/7
350 Borsje J.	1185	375 Southgate B.	1091/8	400 Evernden R.	789/19
351 Kutt A.	1178	376 Turner G.	1085/6	401 Stinson I.P.	782
352 McIvor A.G.	1174/5	377 Rawnsley D.	1084	402 Lynch P.	759/5
353 Cameron S.	1172/10	378 Blaikie J.	1083	403 Frost T.	747/11
354 Bates G.	1167/16	379 Verpoorte N.J.	1079/6	404 Svoboda D.	721/7
355 Martin S.C.	1167/17	380 Hay V.	1078	405 Ward A.N.	667/10
356 Takhar R.	1163/8	381 Clover R.	1069/7	406 Adams J.	660/10
357 Bartocci K.	1153	382 Symmans H.L.	1054/10	407 Boyd K.	644/8
358 Van der May P.	1151/7	383 Goodhall C.H.	1054	408 Baker N.	556/3
				409 Slater P.	523/6
				410 Buxton W.	487/4
				411 Greenslade E.	325/6

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execution' attempts in superior positions backfired horribly.

Scores: P.B. Weir(7/8)1; R.G. Steel(6½)2; P.W. Power, G.J. Ion, P.W. Stuart and D.B. Shead(6)3-6; M.J. Barlow, B.W. McIvor, K. D. Kinchant and R.B. Johnstone(5½)7-10; D. J. Evans, D.T. Adams, S.C. Moratti, W.R. Stretch, G.L. Pitts, R.G. Watt and R.A. Feasey(5)11-17; L.P. Grevers, R.L. Round-ill, M.I. Howard, P.A. Spencer-Smith, L. R. Brownlee, P.F. Van der Mey, D.I. Lamb, J. Miller and N.A. Bradley(4½)18-26;...

The Waitemata Chess Club Summer Cup for 1981 has been won by Robert Smith with 4½/5.

Smith conceded only a last-round draw. Second was G. Sareczky(3½), followed by A. Kessler and J. Van Pelt(3). Then came D. Body, N. Bridges, D. Stillaman(2) and J. Robinson and J. Shields(1).

The club's under 400 tournament was won by John O'Connor with five straight wins.

Second equal were A. Hill and P. Whibley (3½), followed by R.G. Williams, T. McCarthy, D. Barnes, D. Jones, R. Weyers (3); P. James, E. Lowe, P. Shields(2);

T. Wood and L. King(1).

The 47th NZ Correspondence Chess Championship has been won by Roger Chapman of Wellington.

Chapman scored 8/10, half a point ahead of two previous winners, Michael Freeman (Otago) and Robert Smith(Auckland).

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
1	R. Chapman	x	½	½	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	8
2	M. Freeman	½	x	½	½	1	½	1	½	1	1	1	7½
3	R. Smith	½	½	x	0	1	1	½	1	1	1	1	7½
4	L. Talbot	0	½	1	x	1	0	½	1	1	1	1	6
5	W. Alp	1	0	0	0	x	1	½	0	1	1	1	5½
6	D. Cooper	0	½	0	1	0	x	0	1	1	1	1	5½
7	M. Heasman	0	0	½	½	½	1	x	½	½	1	1	5½
8	R. Taylor	0	½	0	0	1	0	½	x	1	0	1	4
9	M. Brimble	0	0	0	1	0	0	½	0	x	1	1	3½
10	M. Sims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	x	1	2
11	J. Knegt	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x	0

The Auckland Schoolpupil Championship for 1981 has been won by Nigel Hopewell of Auckland Boys Grammar School with 7½/8.

Full report next issue.

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