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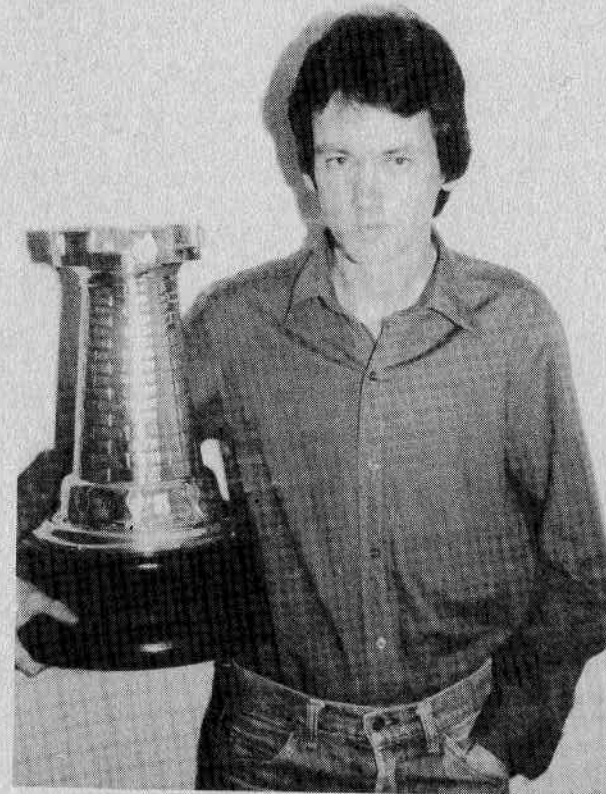
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COMMONWEALTH CH'P

New Zealand was represented in the Novag-sponsored Commonwealth Championship from 15th to 28th January in Melbourne by three players. Our best result was achieved by IM Ortvin Sarapu who finished equal fifth in the twenty-player field with 6½/11 while Vernon Small and Paul Garbett were eighth equal a half point further back.

Australian IM Ian Rogers won the title on countback from his compatriot Greg Hjorth. Top seed Murray Chandler (England) tied for fifth in a disappointing result while equal second highest rated players GM Keene (England) and IM Johansen (Australia) tied for third.

There will be a full report in our April issue.

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ASIAN JUNIOR CH'P

New Zealand representative Mark Noble, who held second place at one stage, finished in fifth place at the 1982 Asian Junior Championship held in Baguio City just before Christmas.

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AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR CH'P

When the top two players from the 1982 New Zealand Schoolpupil Championship were unable to play in the Australian Junior Championship (Canberra, in January) the third and fourth place-getters, Ben Alexander and Michael Hopewell, got their chance.

Michael Hopewell finished in clear fourth place with 7½/11, a half point behind the triple winners. Ben Alexander did not fare as well, scoring 6 points for equal twelfth.

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USSR v NEW ZEALAND!

A number of readers have expressed a wish to see our team's games from the first round at Lucerne. Here they are, without notes.

KARPOV — SMALL, Sicilian Taimanov:
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nc6 5 Nb5 d6 6 c4 Nf6 7 Nlc3 a6 8 Na3 Be7 9 Be2 0-0 10 0-0 b6 11 Be3 Bb7 12 Qb3 Nd7 13 Rfd1 Nc5 14 Qc2 Qc7 15 Qd2 Rad8 16 Nc2 Ne5 17 f3 Ned7 18 Racl Nf6 19 Nd4 Qb8 20 Na4 Ned7 21 b4 Rc8 22 Bf2 Rfe8 23 Nb3 Bc6 24 Nb2 Bb7 25 a4 d5 26 exd5 Bd6 27 g3 exd5 28 c5 bxc5 29 bxc5 Bf8 30 Bd4 Qa8 31 Nd3 Bc6 32 Ral Be7 33 Na5 Nb8 34 Bfl Bd7 35 Rdcl Nc6 36 Nxc6 Bxc6 37 Nb4 Bb7 38 Bh3 Rc7 39 Qf4 Qd8 40 a5 Nh5 41 QF5 Bf6 42 Qd3 Bxd4+ 43 Qxd4 Nf6 44 c6 Bc8 45 Bfl Qd6 46 Qc5 Qxc5+ 47 Rxc5, 1 - 0.

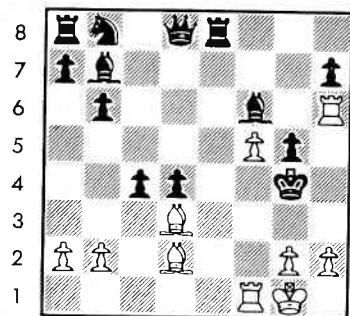
SARAPU — KASPAROV, Sicilian Najdorf:
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bc4 e6 7 Bb3 Be7 8 0-0 b5 9 a3 0-0 10 Be3 Bb7 11 f3 Nc6 12 Nxc6 Bxc6 13 Qd2 Nd7 14 Rfd1 Qc7 15 Qf2 Rfe8 16 Ne2 Ne5 17 Nd4 Bd7 18 c3 Nc4 19 Bcl Bf8 20 h3 Qb7 21 Bc2 Rac8 22 Kh1 g6 23 Nb3 Bg7 24 Nd2 d5 25 Nxc4 bxc4 26 Rbl Bc6 27 exd5 Bxd5 28 Be3 Red8 29 Bb6 Rd7 30 Ba4 Bc6 31 Rxd7 Bxd7 32 Bc2 Bc6 33 Be3 Bd5 34 Kgl Qb8 35 Qe2 Rd8 36 Bf2 h5 37 Qel Rd7 38 Ba4 Rb7 39 Qd2 Be5 40 Bd1 Bh2+ 41 Kf1 Bd6 42 Bd4 Bxa3 43 Ral Bd6 44 Rxa6 Bf4 45 Be3 Bxe3 46 Qxe3 Rxb2, 0 - 1.

POLUGAEVSKY — NOKES, Modern Benoni:
1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 e6 4 Nc3 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 Nf3 g6 7 Nd2 Bg7 8 e4 0-0 9 Be2 Re8 10 0-0 Nbd7 11 Qc2 Ne5 12 b3 g5 13 Bb2 g4 14 Nd1 Nh5 15 f4 gxf3 16 Nxf3 Nf6 17 Bb5 Rf8 18 Nxe5 dxe5 19 Rf3 Qb6 20 Bc4 Kh8 21 Ne3 Rg8 22 Kh1 Bd7 23 g3 Nh5 24 Nf5 Bxf5 25 Rxf5 Qh6 26 Qf2 Nf6 27 Qf3 Ne8 28 Bxe5 Bxe5 29 Rxe5 Qg7 30 Qf4 Nd6 31 Rel Rad8 32 Re7 b5 33 Bfl c4 34 e5 Nc8 35 Rxf7 Qg6

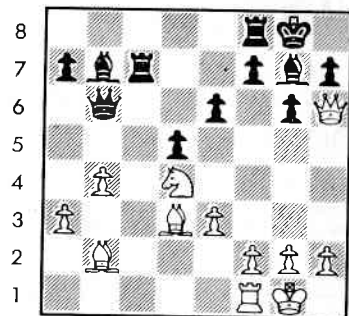
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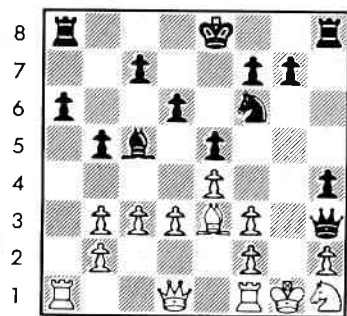
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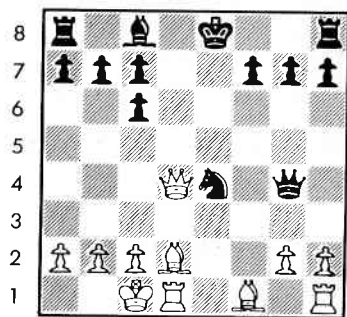
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No. 1 White to move



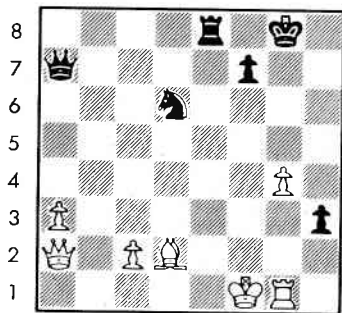
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No. 2 White to move



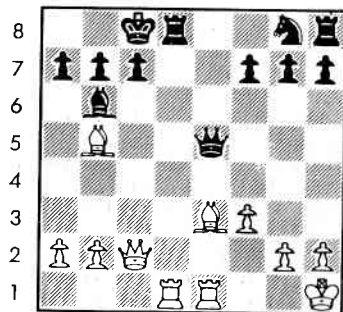
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No. 3 Black to move



a b c d e f g h
No. 4 White to move



a b c d e f g h
No. 5 Black to move



a b c d e f g h
No. 6 White to move

GOLLOGLY & GARBETT SHARE N.Z. TITLE!

REPORT: DAVID GOLLOGLY & PETER STUART

Editor's note: while both authors collaborated on the whole report which follows, David Gollogly was mainly responsible for the round-by-round story while the Editor wrote most of the introductory part and conclusion.

The 90th New Zealand Championship was organised by the Otago Chess Club without the benefit of sponsorship which has normally been available for a number of years. For both writers this was our first Dunedin Congress and unfortunately, if we can be permitted a little snivel this early in our report, we neglected to take the Auckland weather with us. Apparently reliable information suggests that Dunedin is some 3000 miles from the South Pole but to us it seemed much closer! Three or four blankets and bedcover with the heaters on was the story for the first few days ... distinctly chilly place. To be fair there was also some rather good weather and, of course, daylight until after 10 pm - I shudder to think about when the sun rose!

The tournament room was not as spacious as it might have been but, bearing in mind the relatively small number of competitors this year, it was adequate. Apropos of Robert Smith's complaint regarding the canteen at the last Congress, there were certainly more 'edibles', including sandwiches, available; the canteen, however, was only open for about half an hour per round as for most Congresses before last year's.

The Tournament Director was former Championship player John Harraway who did much more than direct the two tournaments. Ever-helpful, John was especially kind to those of us who stayed in the on-site hostel accommodation.

As already intimated, the Congress did not attract as many players as usual; undoubtedly a factor was the high cost of travel from the North Island centres where the majority of the country's chess players reside. Nevertheless, thirty-two out of the total of fifty-eight competitors came

from the North Island. Outside of the host club there was reason to be disappointed with the response of the other South Island clubs - just five players from Canterbury and one from Timaru!

The field for the New Zealand Championship was certainly the weakest for a good many years. This was partly due to the expense involved but also to the proximity of a couple of other events. For example Ortvin Sarapu and Vernon Small were playing in the Commonwealth Championship tournament starting in mid-January in Melbourne while Robert Smith only returned from the Olympiad a few days before Christmas. Jonathan Sarfati left entering until a week after entries closed and thus missed out while Tony Love (for the second time!) failed to send the entry fee with his entry. Love was lucky, however, since Graham Haase, one of the twelve players in the Championship field, withdrew at the eleventh hour in order to be able to assist with the running of the Congress; Love, as top seed in the Premier Reserve, then found himself in the Championship.

It was hard to go past Richard Sutton, Paul Garbett and, perhaps, Mark Levene for tournament favourites. There was, however, a question mark hanging over each of them. Sutton, the highest rated player in the field, had already won three New Zealand Championships (1962/63, 1970/71 & 1971/72) but had not played in a tournament of this calibre since the Burroughs international in Wellington nearly four years ago; could he maintain the necessary consistency through the eleven rounds? Paul Garbett, twice winner of the title (1973/74 & 1974/75), has had some very poor results since then, e.g. 11th place last year. Levene, the second seed, had only played in one previous Championship where a very bad start saw him with no chance to finish better than fourth equal; with his style any result is possible for Mark.

In terms of play at this level, only Tony Dowden and Peter Stuart could really be expected to mount a challenge,

the former in particular having the advantage of playing in Lucerne a month earlier. Players such as David Gollogly, Tony Love, Bernard Carpinter and Adrian Lloyd had all had some excellent results in lesser events but lack of experience was likely to tell.

So much for the theory now let's see what happened in practice!

Round 1 - 28 December

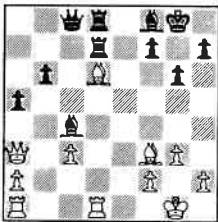
Gollogly	- Garbett		
Sutton	Sicilian, Scheveningen	1-0	(60)
	- Spiller		
Turner	Slav Defence	1-0	(38)
	- Levene		
Lloyd	Sicilian, Dragon	0-1	(39)
	- Love		
Stuart	Slav, Exchange	½-½	(29)
	- Dowden		
Lynn	English Opening	½-½	(20)
	- Carpinter		
	Queen's Pawn	0-1	(19)

After Garbett declined Gollogly's respectful draw offer on move 12, it transpired that White had a large advantage which eventually netted two pawns and the game.

Sutton gradually assumed the initiative and went on to win but neither player had noticed a snap win for Spiller on move 17!

Levene handled his favourite Dragon well and won all Turner's pawns for an exchange, though both players had earlier missed an equalising try for White. Lynn looked out of touch and lost quickly.

Stuart-Dowden was a cautious draw unlike Lloyd-Love in which, after 26 moves, the following position was reached:



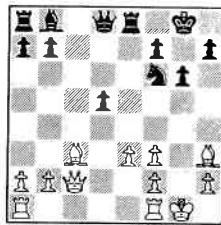
There followed
27 Bxf8 Rxd1+ 28
Rxd1?? (28 Bxd1
was necessary) 28
...Rxd1+ 29 Bxd1
Qxf8? (Love had
missed 29...Qh3!
winning a piece
after the forced
30 Be2 Bxe2 31 Qcl

Kxf8), ½ - ½.

SUTTON - SPILLER, Slav Defence:

1 d4 d5 2 c4 c6 3 Nf3 e6 4 Nbd2 Nf6
5 e3 Nbd7 6 Bd3 Bd6 7 0-0 0-0 8 Qc2
e5 9 cxd5 cxd5 10 dxe5 Nxe5 11 Nxe5

Bxe5 12 Nf3 Bb8 13 Bd2 Bg4 14 Bc3
Re8 15 Bf5 Bxf3 16 gxf3 g6 17 Bh3?



17...Nh5? (Both
players missed 17
...Qc7 18 f4 d4!)
18 Qd2 Qh4 19 Qd4
Qxd4 20 Bxd4 f5
21 Rfd1 Bd6 22 f4
Kf7 23 Bg2 Nf6
24 Bxf6 Kxf6 25
Bxd5 Ke7 26 Bxb7
Rab8 27 Bd5 Rxb2

28 Bb3 Rc8 29 Rd4 Rc6 30 Rad1 Rcb6
31 Rcl Kd7 32 Rd5 a6 33 Kg2 Ke7 34
Rc8 Kf6 35 Rh8 Bb4 36 Rxb7 Bel 37
Rd6+ Rxd6 38 Rf7 mate, 1 - 0.

GOLLOGLY - GARBETT, Sicilian:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4
e6 5 Nc3 Qc7 6 g3 a6 7 Bg2 d6 8 0-0
Bd7 9 a4 Be7 10 Nb3 Nf6 11 a5 0-0
12 f4 Nb4 13 Be3 Bc6 14 Rf2 d5 15
Bb6 Qc8 16 e5 Ne4 17 Re2 f5 18 exf6
Bxf6 19 Nd4 Be8 20 Nxe4 dxe4 21 c3
Nd5 22 Rxe4 Nxb6 23 axb6 Qc5 24 Kh1
Qxb6 25 Qe2 Bg6 26 Rxe6 Qc5 27 Bxb7
Rab8 28 Bg2 Bxd4 29 Rc6 Qb5 30 Qxb5
Rxb5 31 cxd4 Rxb2 32 Bd5+ Kh8 33
Rcxa6 Rbb8 34 Ra8 Bf7 35 Bg2 Bg8 36
Rxb8 Rxb8 37 h4 Rd8 38 Ra4 g6 39 Kgl
Kg7 40 Kf2 h5 41 d5 Rd6 42 Rd4 Be6
43 Ke3 Bd7 44 Rb4 Kf7 45 Rb7 Kf6 46
Kd4 Bf5 47 Rc7 Rd8 48 Rc6+ Ke7 49
Be4 Bxe4 50 Kxe4 Kf7 51 Ke5 Re8+ 52
Re6 Ra8 53 Rf6+ Kg7 54 Rb6 Re8+ 55
Re6 Ra8 56 Re7+ Kf8 57 d6 Ra3 58 Kf6
Rd3 59 Re6 Kg8 60 Ke7, 1 - 0.

TURNER - LEVENE, Sicilian Dragon:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4
Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Be3 Bg7 7 f3 Nc6 8
Qd2 0-0 9 Bc4 Bd7 10 h4 Ne5 11 Bb3
Rc8 12 0-0-0 Nc4 13 Bxc4 Rxc4 14 h5
Qc7 15 Nde2 Rc8 16 Bh6 Bh8 17 g4 Be6
18 hxg6 fxc6 19 Nf4 Qd7 20 Nxe6 Qxe6
21 e5 dxe5 22 Rh2 Rxc3 23 bxc3? (23
Qxc3!) 23...Qxa2 24 Qd3 e4 25 fxe4
Nxc4 26 Qd7 Qal+ 27 Kd2 Qxc3+ 28 Ke2
Qxc2+ 29 Rd2 Qxe4+ 30 Kdl Qf3+ 31
Rde2 Qb3+ 32 Rc2 Qb1+ 33 Bcl Ne3+ 34
Kel Qb4+ 35 Bd2 Nxc2+ 36 Kdl Qb1+ 37
Ke2 Nd4+ 38 Ke3 Qb3+ 39 Ke4 Qf3 mate,
0 - 1.

Round 2 - 29 December

Gollogly	(1) - Sutton	(1)
Spiller	(0) - Turner	(0)
Levene	(1) - Lloyd	(½)
	Ruy Lopez, Exchange	½-½ (15)
	Sicilian, Kan	½-½ (19)

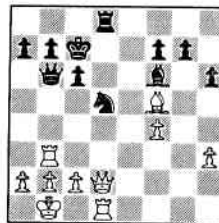
Love	(½) - Stuart	(½)
	Sicilian, 2 c3	½-½ (12)
Dowden	(½) - Lynn	(0)
	King's Gambit	½-½ (57)
Garbett	(0) - Carpinter	(1)
	Pirc Defence	½-½ (41)

Dowden - Lynn was the longest and most entertaining game in a round of draws; errors abounded and either side could have won. Garbett obtained a superficially attractive position from the opening but Carpinter's ugly pawn structure proved effective. In equal last position after two games, Paul was looking set for another disastrous Congress.

Spiller's temporary piece sacrifice simply led to a dead drawn ending. In the three 'grandmaster' draws Lloyd had a definite advantage while Gollogly and Love had rather smaller edges.

DOWDEN - LYNN, King's Gambit:

1 e4 e5 2 f4 exf4 3 Nf3 Be7 4 Nc3 d6
5 d4 Bh4+ 6 Ke2 Bg4 7 Bxf4 c6 8 h3
Bxf3+ 9 gxf3 Qf6 10 Qd2 Nd7 11 Rd1
Ne7 12 Rgl h6 13 Bh2 0-0-0 14 Qe3
Nb6 15 Kd2 Rhe8 16 Kcl Ned5 17 Nxd5
Nxd5 18 Qd2 Nc7 19 e5 dxe5 20 Bxe5
Rxe5 21 dxe5 Qxe5 22 f4 Qc5 23 Bd3
Bf6 24 Kbl Nd5 25 Rg3 Qb6 26 Bf5+
Kc7 27 Rb3



27...Nc3+ 28
bxc3 Rxd2 29 Rxd2
Qgl+ 30 Kb2 b5
31 Rd7+ Kb6 32
Rxf7 a5 33 a4 b4
34 Rxf6 gxf6 35
cxb4 Qd4+ 36 Kbl
Qxf4 37 bxa5+
Kxa5 38 Bg4 Qf1+
39 Kb2 Qf4 40 Rf3

Qd4+ 41 Kcl Qal+ 42 Kd2 Qxa4 43 c3
Qa2+ 44 Ke3 Qc4 45 Kf2 c5 46 Kg3 Qf7
47 Rf5 Kb6 48 Bf3 Qe6 49 Kg4 h5+ 50
Kf4 h4? (Probably the last chance to
win was 50...Qc4+ 51 Be4 Qxc3; with his
next few moves White sets up an impreg-
nable position) 51 Bd5 Qd6+ 52 Ke4
Kb5 53 c4+ Kb4 54 Kd3 Qg3+ 55 Rf3
Qe5 56 Kd2 f5 57 Kdl Qd4+, ½ - ½.

GARBETT - CARPINTER, Pirc Defence:

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7
5 Be2 0-0 6 0-0 c5 7 d5 Na6 8 Nd2
Nc7 9 a4 a6 10 Nc4 Bd7 11 e5 dxe5
12 Nb6 Bb8 13 Be3 Na8 14 Nxa8 Rxa8

15 Bxc5 Rc8 16 Bb4 Ne8 17 Ne4 Bf5 18
Nc3 Nd6 19 a5 Qc7 20 Rel Rfe8 21 Ra2
Bd7 22 Bd3 f5 23 f3 b5 24 Kh1 Red8
25 Qe2 Be8 26 Qf2 Rb8 27 Bc5 Nc8 28
g4 fxc4 29 fxc4 Bf7 30 Rf1 Rf8 31
Bb4 e4 32 Be2 Bxc3 33 bxc3 e3 34 Qg2
Qe5 35 Raal Bxd5 36 Rxf8+ Kxf8 37
Bf3 Bc4 38 Qg3 Qxc3 39 hxg3 Nd6 40
Rel Kf7 41 Rxe3, ½ - ½.

Round 3 - 30 December

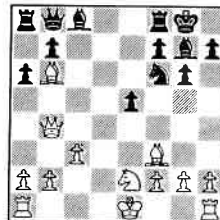
Turner	(½) - Gollogly	(½)
	Modern Defence	0-1 (20)
Lloyd	(1) - Spiller	(½)
	Slav, Exchange	0-1 (26)
Stuart	(1) - Levene	(½)
	English, Symmetrical	0-1 (40)
Lynn	(½) - Love	(1)
	Pirc Defence	0-1 (46)
Carpinter	(½) - Dowden	(1)
	English, Symmetrical	0-1 (38)
Sutton	(½) - Garbett	(½)
	Nimzoindian, 4 e3	0-1 (31)

An excellent round to be Black! In the clash of the favourites Sutton achieved a thematic central pawn advance but Garbett won in a complicated middle-game when, after mutual draw offers, Sutton erred in time trouble.

Levene sacrificed unsoundly but Stuart mishandled the defence in time trouble. Lynn achieved a probably won position and then allowed a two pawn advantage to become a one pawn deficit.

Dowden improvised in the opening and Carpinter missed a chance for a clear advantage although he still had slight pressure for most of the game until he blundered in severe time trouble.

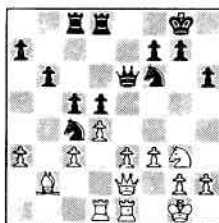
Lloyd's position expired shortly after his book knowledge while Turner collapsed in the following position, overlooking a four-move sequence winning a piece.



Black has just played ...e5 and the game concluded:

16 0-0? a5 17 Qh4
e4 18 Bxe4 g5 19
Bxh7+ Nxh7 20
Qh5 Ra6, 0 - 1.
With only two
pawns for the
piece, Turner decided to call it a day.

SUTTON - GARBETT, Nimzoindian Defence:
 1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e3 0-0
 5 Bd3 d5 6 a3 Bxc3+ 7 bxc3 c5 8 cxd5
 exd5 9 Ne2 b6 10 0-0 Ba6 11 f3 Qe7
 12 Ng3 Rd8 13 Ra2 Bxd3 14 Qxd3 Nc6
 15 Re2 Qe6 16 Rdl Rac8 17 Bb2 h6 18
 Reel Na5 19 Qe2 Nc4



20 e4 dxe4 21
 fxe4 b5 22 Bcl
 Re8 23 Qf3 Rcd8
 24 e5 Nd5 25 Nf5
 cxd4 26 cxd4 Ne7
 27 Ng3 Rd5 28 Ne4
 Nf5 29 Nc5 Nxd4
 30 Rxd4 Rxc5 31
 Rde4 Rxe5, 0 - 1.

STUART - LEVENE, Symmetrical English:
 1 c4 c5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 Nc3 e6 4 d4 cxd4
 5 Nxd4 a6 6 e3 Be7 7 Be2 0-0 8 0-0
 Qc7 9 Qc2 d6 10 b3 Nbd7 11 Bb2 b6
 12 Bf3 Bb7 13 Bxb7 Qxb7 14 Rfd1 Rac8
 15 Qe2 Rfd8 16 Qf3 Qc7 17 Rael Ne5
 18 Qe2 Qb8 19 e4 d5?! 20 exd5 Neg4
 21 g3 Bc5 22 Nc6 Bxf2+ 23 Kg2 Rxc6
 24 dxc6 Bc5 25 Rxd8+ Qxd8 26 Nd1 Qd6
 27 Bxf6? (27 h3! ±) 27...Nxf6 28 Nf2
 e5 29 Rdl Qxc6+ 30 Qf3 e4 31 Rd8+
 Bf8 32 Qe3 h6 33 h3 g5 34 Kh2 Kg7
 35 Nd1 Bc5 36 Qd2? (36 Qe2) 36...Qc7
 37 Ra8 Nh5 38 Qg2 Nxxg3 39 Nc3? Ne2+
 40 Kh1 Nxc3, 0 - 1.

Round 4 - 31 December

Gollogly (2½) - Lloyd (1)
 Ruy Lopez, Bird 1-0 (58)
 Sutton (1½) - Turner (½)
 Sicilian, Kan 1-0 (18)
 Spiller (1½) - Stuart (1)
 Sicilian, Taimanov ½-½ (24)
 Levene (2½) - Lynn (½)
 Latvian Gambit 1-0 (29)
 Love (2) - Carpinter (1½)
 Sicilian, 2 c3 ½-½ (17)
 Garbett (1½) - Dowden (2)
 French, Tarrasch 1-0 (28)

Garbett won convincingly, stranding Dowden's king in the centre after a book pawn sacrifice (see annotated games). Turner's dubious opening was very well exploited by Sutton.

Gollogly produced his worst game of the tournament against Lloyd; two hideous mistakes saw White shed a pawn which was regained after some under-

standably overconfident play by Black. Another error in time trouble left White with a difficult position which became drawish unless Lloyd tried something. Lloyd declined a draw offer ("Don't be stupid"), then 'tried something' a few moves later, after which White nominally won but chess was the loser.

Lynn returned to his round one form, dropping two pieces. Love achieved nothing more than an equal ending from his habitual 2 c3 Sicilian while Stuart equalised against Spiller, the players soon drawing by repetition.

Thus 1982 ended with Levene and Gollogly sharing the lead with 3½/4, a full point ahead of Sutton, Garbett and Love.

SUTTON - TURNER, Sicilian Kan:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 a6
 5 Bd3 Bc5 6 Nb3 Ba7 7 Nc3 Nc6 8 0-0
 Nge7 9 Qh5 Qc7 10 Kh1 Nb4 11 f4 Nxd3
 12 cxd3 g6 13 Qh4 f5 14 Bd2 b5 15
 Racl Qb6 16 Nd1 Kf7 17 Bc3 Qd8 18
 Qf6+, 1 - 0.

SPILLER - STUART, Sicilian Taimanov:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4
 Nc6 5 Nb5 d6 6 c4 Nf6 7 Nlc3 a6 8
 Na3 Be7 9 Be2 0-0 10 0-0 b6 11 Be3
 Bb7 12 Qb3 Nd7 13 Rfd1 Nc5 14 Qc2
 Nb4 15 Qd2 Qb8 16 Nc2 Nxc2 17 Qxc2
 Rfd8 18 Rd2 Qc7 19 Rad1 Rac8 20 f3
 Nd7 21 Qb3 Nc5 22 Qc2 Nd7 23 Qb3 Nc5
 24 Qc2 Nd7, ½ - ½.

Round 5 - 2 January

Stuart (1½) - Gollogly (3½)
 King's Indian, Orthodox ½-½ (16)
 Lloyd (1) - Sutton (2½)
 Réti System 0-1 (31)
 Lynn (½) - Spiller (2)
 French Defence ½-½ (36)
 Carpinter (2) - Levene (3½)
 Modern Benoni ½-½ (26)
 Dowden (2) - Love (2½)
 Hungarian Defence 1-0 (24)
 Turner (½) - Garbett (2½)
 Sicilian, Sozin 0-1 (30)

With both leaders drawing, Garbett and Sutton were able to narrow the gap to a half point. Gollogly's unambitious draw offer (his third in the 16 moves!) in an advantageous position was accepted while Carpinter-Levene reached a position in which both sides were con-

tent to repeat moves.

Garbett, helped by Turner's severe time trouble, won instructively and Sutton took advantage of Lloyd's passive play with the white pieces.

Love saw Dowden's pseudo sacrifice but, surprisingly, allowed it and got a very difficult game, eventually losing. Lynn's risky gambit turned out well enough to draw in the end.

LLOYD - SUTTON, Réti System:

1 Nf3 d5 2 c4 c6 3 b3 Bg4 4 e3 e6
 5 Bb2 Nd7 6 h3 Bh5 7 Be2 f6 8 cxd5
 cxd5 9 Nd4 Bf7 10 0-0 e5 11 Nc2 Bd6
 12 d3 Ne7 13 e4 d4 14 Nd2 Nc6 15 Na3
 Be7 16 f4 0-0 17 f5 Rc8 18 Rf3 Bb4
 19 Nabl Qe7 20 Nf1 Bc3 21 Ba3 Nb4 22
 Nxc3 Rxc3 23 Rg3 Rfc8 24 Bh5 a5 25
 Nd2 Nc5 26 Bxf7+ Qxf7 27 Bxb4 axb4
 28 Qe2 b5 29 Rdl Rc2 30 Qel Ra8 31
 Nf3 Raxa2, 0 - 1.

TURNER - GARBETT, Sicilian Sozin:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4
 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 Bc4 Be7 7 Bb3 0-0 8
 0-0 Na6 9 f4 Nc5 10 Qf3 a6 11 g4
 Nxb3 12 Nxb3 b5 13 g5 Nd7 14 Be3 Bb7
 15 Radl Qc7 16 a3 Rab8 17 Qf2 Re8 18
 Rd3 Nc5 19 Nxc5 dxc5 20 f5 Bd6



21 Rxd6 Qxd6
 22 Bxc5 Qd8 23
 fxe6 fxe6 24 Qf7+
 Kh8 25 h4 Rc8 26
 Rdl Qc7 27 Qxc7
 Rxc7 28 Bd4 Rd7
 29 h5 Re8 30 h6
 Rxd4, 0 - 1.

DOWDEN - LOVE, Hungarian Defence:

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bc4 Be7 4 d4 d6
 5 d5 Nb8 6 Nc3 Nf6 7 h3 c5 8 Be3 0-0
 9 Qd2 a6 10 a4 b6 11 g4 Bd7 12 Nxe5
 dxe5 13 d6 Bc6 14 dxe7 Qxe7 15 Bg5
 Rd8 16 Bd5 h6 17 Bxf6 Qxf6 18 0-0-0
 Re8 19 h4 Qf4 20 Qxf4 exf4 21 g5
 hxg5 22 hxg5 Bxd5? 23 Nxd5 Nd7 24
 Nc7, 1 - 0.

Round 6 - 3 January

Gollogly (4) - Lynn (1)
 Caro-Kann, Exchange ½-½ (45)
 Sutton (3½) - Stuart (2)
 Sicilian, Taimanov 1-0 (74)
 Turner (½) - Lloyd (1)
 QGD, Tartakower ½-½ (28)
 Spiller (2½) - Carpinter (2½)

Pirc Defence ½-½ (21)

Levene (4) - Dowden (3)
 French, Closed ½-½ (41)
 Garbett (3½) - Love (2½)
 Petroff Defence 1-0 (61)

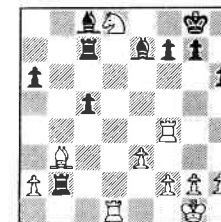
Again the two leaders drew while their closest rivals won to leave a four-way tie for the lead just past the half-way mark of the tournament.

Garbett and Love played a variation they had previously discussed in a correspondence game; Garbett won a pawn but Love made him work hard for the full point. A serious mistake by Stuart in the opening gave Sutton a large advantage which he exploited with sharp play, eventually winning two pawns.

Dowden played riskily against Levene and both sides missed chances; the draw was agreed after both players had examined the adjourned position. Lynn surprised by playing a Caro-Kann with all the solidity he could muster and drew.

Spiller and Carpinter took no chances, agreeing a draw in mutual time trouble in a sharp position.

Lloyd agreed a draw in the following position:



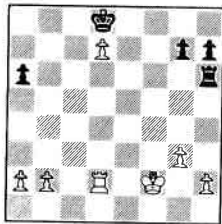
Turner had enjoyed the initiative for some time but, spotting the loss of a piece, offered a draw which was accepted. Of course, 28... Rd7 wins the piece because of the

back rank mate threat. This game seemed to affect Adrian's play; henceforth, with nothing to lose, he played rather wildly with varying success.

LEVENE - DOWDEN, Closed French:

1 e4 e6 2 d3 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 Ngf3 b6
 5 g3 c5 6 Bg2 Nc6 7 0-0 Be7 8 Re1
 0-0 9 e5 Ne8 10 Nf1 f6 11 Bf4 g5 12
 exf6 Bxf6 13 Bcl g4 14 N3d2 h5 15
 Ne3 Ng7 16 c4 Ne7 17 Qb3 Bb7 18 cxd5
 Nxd5 19 Ne4 Nxe3 20 Bxe3 Bd4 21 h3
 gxh3 22 Bxh3 Bd5 23 Qc2 Bxe3 24 Rxe3
 Nf5 25 Bxf5 exf5 26 Nc3 f4 27 Re5
 Bf3 28 Rael fxg3 29 fxg3 Qd4+ 30 Kh2
 h4 31 Rg5+ Kf7 32 Qb3+ Kf6 33 Qe6+
 Kxg5 34 Re5+ Qxe5 35 Qxe5+ Kh6 36
 gxh4 Rae8 37 Qg5+ Kh7 38 h5 Re6 39
 Ne4 Bxh5 40 Qh4 Rh6 41 Qe7+, ½ - ½.

SUTTON - STUART, Sicilian Taimanov:
 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4
 Nc6 5 Nc3 Qc7 6 g3 a6 7 Bg2 Nf6 8
 0-0 d6 9 Re1 Bd7 10 Nxc6 bxc6 11 Na4
 Rb8 12 c4 c5 13 Nc3 Be7 14 f4 Bc6
 15 e5 Nd7? (15...dxe5 16 fxe5 Rd8 17
 Qe2 Nd7 is unclear according to ECO) 16
 exd6 Bxd6 17 Nd5! Bxd5 18 cxd5 e5 19
 Bh3 f6 20 Qg4 Nb6 21 fxe5 Bxe5 22
 Bf4 0-0 23 Bxe5 fxe5 24 Qe6+ Kh8 25
 d6 Qf7 26 Qxf7 Rxf7 27 Be6 Rf8 28
 Rxe5 Rfd8 29 Rd1 Nd7 30 Bxd7 Rxd7 31
 Rxc5 Kg8 32 Rc7 Rdd8 33 Rd2 Rb6 34
 d7 Kf7 35 Rc8 Ke7 36 Rxd8 Kxd8 37
 Kf2 Rh6



38 Ke3 Re6+ 39
 Kf4 Re1 40 Kf5
 Re3 41 g4 Re7 42
 g5 Rf7+ 43 Ke6
 Re7+ 44 Kf5 Rf7+
 45 Ke4 Re7+ 46
 Kd4 Kxd7 47 Kd5
 h6 48 h4 hxg5
 49 hxg5 Re6 50
 Kc5+ Kc7 51 a4
 Re5+ 52 Rd5 Re2 53 b3 Rg2 54 Rf5 g6
 55 Rf7+ Kd8 56 Kb6 Rg3 57 b4 Rg4 58
 Ka5 Rxc5+ 59 Kxa6 Rg4 60 Ka5 Kc8 61
 Rg7 g5 62 b5 Rh4 63 Rxc5 Rf4 64 Rg7
 Rh4 65 b6 Kb8 66 Kb5 Rh5+ 67 Ka6
 Rh8 68 a5 Rf8 69 Rg5 Ka8 70 Kb5 Rh8
 71 a6 Rb8 72 Rh5 Rg8 73 a7 Rc8 74
 Ka6, 1 - 0.

Round 7 - 4 January

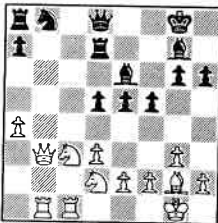
Carpinter (3) - Gollogly (4½)
 Pirc Defence ½-½ (17)
 Lynn (1½) - Sutton (4½)
 Blackmar-Diemer Gambit 0-1 (20)
 Stuart (2) - Turner (1)
 English Opening 1-0 (31)
 Dowden (3½) - Spiller (3)
 French, Advance 1-0 (43)
 Love (2½) - Levene (4½)
 Sicilian, 2 c3 ½-½ (22)
 Lloyd (1½) - Garbett (4½)
 English, Symmetrical ½-½ (18)

Sutton emerged as the clear leader with his win over Lynn when the latter's BDG failed to get off the ground. His three co-leaders all had quick draws; Lloyd and Carpinter held minimal edges although Carpinter missed a try for more. Levene equalised but no more versus Love's novelty

Dowden kept in touch with the leaders as Spiller, in his usual time trouble, relentlessly converted a winning position at move 29 into an untenable one at the adjournment. Stuart won the exchange with a nice combination.

LYNN - SUTTON, Blackmar-Diemer Gambit:
 1 d4 d5 2 e4 dxe4 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 f3
 exf3 5 Nxf3 Bg4 6 h3 Bh5 7 g4 Bg6 8
 Bg2 Nc6 9 0-0 e6 10 Bg5 h5 11 Qd2
 hxg4 12 hxg4 Qd7 13 Rael 0-0-0 14
 Bxf6 gxf6 15 Ne2 e5 16 Nh2 Bh6 17
 Qc3 exd4 18 Bxc6 bxc6 19 Qc4 Be3+ 20
 Kg2 Be4+, 0 - 1.

STUART - TURNER, English Opening:
 1 c4 Nf6 2 Nc3 g6 3 g3 Bg7 4 Bg2 0-0
 5 Nf3 d6 6 0-0 e5 7 d3 c6 8 Rb1 Bf5
 9 Bg5 h6 10 Bxf6 Bxf6 11 Nd2 Bg7 12
 b4 Be6 13 b5 f5 14 Qb3 Rf7 15 a4 Rd7
 16 Rfcl d5 17 bxc6 bxc6 18 cxd5 cxd5



19 Bxd5! Rxd5
 20 Nxd5 Nc6 (20...
 Bxd5 21 Rc8! +-)
 21 Rxc6 Bxd5 22
 Qc3 Qe8 23 Rc7
 Rd8 24 Rb5 Qe6
 25 Qa5 Bf6 26
 Qxa7 e4 27 Rb8 e3
 28 fxe3 Bg5 29
 Rxd8+ Bxd8 30 Rd7
 Qb6 31 Qxb6, 1 - 0.

Round 8 - 5 January

Gollogly (5) - Dowden (4½)
 French, Tarrasch ½-½ (35)
 Sutton (5½) - Carpinter (3½)
 Pirc Defence 1-0 (30)
 Turner (1) - Lynn (1½)
 Vienna Gambit 1-0 (20)
 Lloyd (2) - Stuart (3)
 Sicilian, Taimanov ½-½ (29)
 Spiller (3) - Love (3)
 Pirc Defence ½-½ (15)
 Garbett (5) - Levene (5)
 Sicilian, Dragon 1-0 (47)

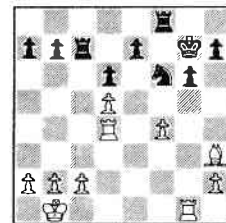
Accurate dynamic play saw Sutton dismantle Carpinter's Pirc in a queenless middlegame (see annotated games).

Garbett scaled Levene's Dragon in solid style in one of the best games of the tournament while Gollogly held the advantage for most of the game but Dowden again escaped with a draw.

Lloyd gained a clear advantage versus

Stuart but couldn't find a winning plan while Turner beat Lynn in a predictably fighting game. Lloyd lost his bottle, offering another quick draw - but for the last time in this tournament.

GARBETT - LEVENE, Sicilian Dragon:
 1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4
 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6 6 Be3 Bg7 7 f3 Nc6 8
 Qd2 0-0 9 g4 Nxd4 10 Bxd4 Be6 11 Nd5
 Bxd5 12 exd5 Qc7 13 g5 Nh5 14 0-0-0
 Bxd4 15 Qxd4 Rfc8 16 Rd2 Qa5 17 Kb1
 Qc5 18 Bh3 Qxd4 19 Rxd4 Rc7 20 Rel
 f5 21 gxf6 Nxf6 22 Rgl Rf8 23 f4 Kg7



24 f5 Rc5 25
 fxg6 hxg6 26 Bf5
 Rh8 27 b4 Rc3 28
 Rxc6+ Kf8 29 Rg3
 Rc7 30 h3 a6 31
 Kb2 Rh5 32 Be6
 Rh8 33 Rf4 Ke8
 34 a3 b5 35 a4
 Nd7 36 axb5 axb5
 37 Ra3 Nb6 38
 Ra6 Rb7 39 Kb3 Kd8 40 Rf7 Ke8 41 Rg7
 Kf8 42 Rg3 Ke8 43 Ra5 Nd7 44 Ra8+
 Nb8 45 h4 Kd8 46 Rc3 Rxb4 47 Rc8
 mate, 1 - 0.

TURNER - LYNN, Vienna Gambit:
 1 e4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 f4 d5 4 fxe5
 Nxe4 5 d3 Nxc3 6 bxc3 d4 7 Nf3 Bc5
 8 Be2 0-0 9 0-0 Nc6 10 Qe1 Qe7 11
 Qg3 f6 12 exf6 Qxf6 13 Ng5 dxc3+ 14
 Be3 Qe7 15 d4 Rxf1+ 16 Rxf1 Nxd4 17
 Bc4+ Be6 18 Nxe6 Nxe6 19 Bxe6+ Qxe6
 20 Bxc5, 1 - 0.

Round 9 - 7 January

Love (3½) - Gollogly (5½)
 Sicilian, Morra 0-1 (29)
 Dowden (5) - Sutton (6½)
 Bishop's Opening 0-1 (31)
 Carpinter (3½) - Turner (2)
 Pirc Defence ½-½ (27)
 Lynn (1½) - Lloyd (2½)
 Queen's Pawn 1-0 (37)
 Levene (5) - Spiller (3½)
 Sicilian, Pelikan 1-0 (27)
 Stuart (3½) - Garbett (6)
 Réti System ½-½ (16)

Sutton forged further ahead with his sixth consecutive win, his experience and superior understanding of symmetrical king pawn openings in evidence.

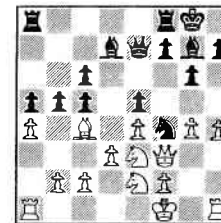
Garbett conserved energy with a

short draw of minor theoretical interest. Gollogly and Love, two players with numerous chicken draws to their credit, contrived to produce a fighting game; a barely recognisable Love advanced his kingside pawns, leaving both kings vulnerable. In severe time trouble Love left his queen en pris but was lost anyway.

Levene quickly obtained a decisive bind and won as he pleased. Lloyd improvised while Lynn attacked competently to register his first win. Carpinter won a pawn in the opening but then relaxed, allowing Turner to recoup his material with resolute play.

DOWDEN - SUTTON, Bishop's Opening:

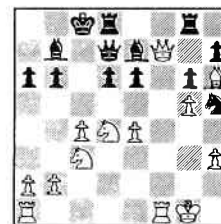
1 e4 e5 2 Bc4 Nf6 3 d3 c6 4 Nf3 Be7
 5 0-0 d6 6 h3 Nbd7 7 a4 0-0 8 Re1
 Qc7 9 Nc3 a5 10 Be3 Nc5 11 Bxc5 dxc5
 12 Nh4 Ne8 13 Nf5 Bf6 14 Qf3 g6 15
 Ne3 Bg7 16 g4 Qe7 17 Kg2 Nc7 18 Rh1
 Ne6 19 h4 Nf4+ 20 Kf1 Bd7 21 Ne2 b5



22 axb5 cxb5
 23 Bd5 Ra6 24 Ng3
 a4 25 h5 Qg5 26
 hxg6 hxg6 27 Rgl
 Rf6 28 Ngf5 Re8
 29 Nxc7 Kxc7 30
 Nf5+ Kf8 31 Qh1
 gxf5, 0 - 1,

LOVE - GOLLOGLY, Sicilian Morra:

1 e4 c5 2 d4 cxd4 3 c3 d3 4 Bxd3 Nc6
 5 c4 d6 6 Nc3 Nf6 7 h3 e6 8 Nge2 Ne5
 9 f4 Nxd3+ 10 Qxd3 Be7 11 Be3 a6 12
 0-0 b6 13 Nd4 Bb7 14 f5 Qd7 15 g4 g6
 16 fxe6 fxe6 17 Bh6 Rg8 18 g5 Nh5 19
 Qf3 0-0-0 20 Qf7



20...d5 21 Nxe6
 Qd6 22 Rf3 dxe4
 23 c5 Qe5 24 Re3
 Bxc5 25 Nxc5 Qxc5
 26 Rael Rge8 27
 Na4 Qc7 28 Rc3
 Bc6 29 Recl?
 Qxf7, 0 - 1.

LYNN - LLOYD, Queen's Pawn:

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nc3 c5 3 dxc5 e6 4 Bg5
 Bxc5 5 e4 Qb6 6 Qd2 Bb4 7 Bxf6 gxf6
 8 Bd3 Nc6 9 a3 Be7 10 Nf3 d6 11
 0-0-0 Bd7 12 Rhe1 Ne5 13 Nxe5 fxe5
 14 g3 0-0-0 15 h4 f6 16 Bf1 Kb8 17
 Bh3 Rc8 18 Re3 Rc4 19 Nd5 exd5 20
 Bxd7 Rd8 21 Qxd5 Qc7 22 Bf5 Rxc2+ 23

Kb1 Bf8 24 Rb3 b6 25 a4 Rc5 26 Qd2
Qc6 27 a5 h5 28 axb6 axb6 29 Qe2 b5
30 Qxh5 Kb7 31 Qf7+ Kb6 32 Ra3 Qc7
33 Qa2 Qb7 34 f3 Rb8 35 Be6 Qe7 36
Ra6+ Kc7 37 Qa5+, 1 - 0.

Round 10 - 8 January

Gollogly (6½) - Levene (6)
Sicilian, Dragon 1-0 (40)
Sutton (7½) - Love (3½)
Sicilian, Dragon ½-½ (40)
Turner (2½) - Dowden (5)
French, 2 Nc3 ½-½ (46)
Lloyd (2½) - Carpinter (4)
Pirc Defence 1-0 (29)
Stuart (4) - Lynn (2½)
English Opening ½-½ (69)
Garbett (6½) - Spiller (3½)
French, Tarrasch 1-0 (31)

Love slowed Sutton's progress in a sharp Dragon; Love's thematic exchange sacrifice gave equality at least.

Garbett played a new move in a similar pawn sacrifice variation to his game against Dowden in round 4, and won in a similar manner.

Gollogly, with an eye on third place, offered two early draws but Levene, needing the full point, declined and played his typical attacking chess, only to be left with fatal weaknesses.

Animated play gave Lloyd his first win - though by no means his first won position - against a tiring Carpinter. Dowden lost a pawn and was struggling throughout but the coup de grace eluded Turner. Lynn's sensible half emerged to draw with Stuart, though both sides had better chances in an interesting knight endgame.

TURNER - DOWDEN, French Defence:

1 e4 e6 2 Nc3 b6 3 d4 Bb7 4 Bd3 Bb4
5 Ne2 Nf6 6 0-0 d5 7 e5 Ne4 8 Nb1 f5
9 Nf4 Bc8 10 Qh5+ Kd7 11 Qf7+ Qe7 12
Qh5 Qe8 13 Qxe8+ Kxe8 14 f3 Ng5 15
Nxd5 Nh3+ 16 gxh3 exd5 17 a3 Be7 18
Nc3 c6 19 Rf2 g6 20 Rg2 Ba6 21 Be2
Kf7 22 Bg5 Bf8 23 Re1 Bg7 24 h4 h6
25 Bd2 Bxe2 26 Nxe2 Rg8 27 Nf4 Bf8
28 h5 g5 29 e6+ Kf6 30 Ng6 Bd6 31 h4
gxh4 32 Nxh4 Rxc2+ 33 Kxc2 Na6 34
Ng6 Nc7 35 Bxh6 Nxe6 36 c3 Rg8 37
Kh3 Bb8 38 Re2 Ng5+ 39 Bxc3 Kxc3 40
Ne7 Rh8 41 Nxc6 Kxh5+ 42 Kg2 Rh2+ 43
Kf1 Rh1+ 44 Kg2 Rh2+ 45 Kf1 Rh1+ 46
Kg2 Rh2+, ½ - ½.

With one round to go the top three had sorted themselves out: Sutton 8; Garbett & Gollogly 7½. With no need to look over their shoulders, the pair on 7½ could go for a win singlemindedly. The only question was what would happen in the game Levene-Sutton

Round 11 - 9 January

Spiller (3½) - Gollogly (7½)
Sicilian, Closed 0-1 (68)
Levene (6) - Sutton (8)
Giucoco Piano 1-0 (66)
Love (4) - Turner (3)
Pirc Defence 1-0 (66)
Dowden (5½) - Lloyd (3½)
English Defence ½-½ (68)
Carpinter (4) - Stuart (4½)
English, Symmetrical ½-½ (13)
Lynn (3) - Garbett (7½)
Blackmar-Diemer Gambit 0-1 (21)

The last round did indeed see a real fight on most boards. Only Carpinter and Stuart resisted the urge.

Sutton played somewhat over-ambitiously though, as he said afterwards, who could resist winning rook and three pawns for two minor pieces? Probably he held the advantage at that point but Levene's pieces gradually became more active and Sutton eventually lost after several mistakes (see annotated games).

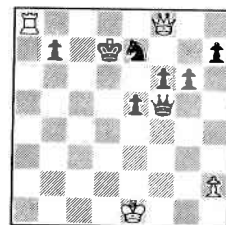
Garbett made very short work of Lynn's Blackmar-Diemer to make sure of at least equal second very early in the session. Meanwhile Gollogly, playing the black side of a Closed Sicilian, was pleasantly surprised when Spiller sacrificed a pawn for nebulous compensation. Gollogly was winning comfortably when he blundered the exchange in time trouble but he soon picked up two more pawns for a technical, although protracted, win.

Dowden-Lloyd was always closely fought with the former trying his utmost to squeeze out a win but missing at least one winning chance in a knight ending.

Love won the exchange after some early complications and painstakingly broke down Turner's stern resistance over the next forty-odd moves.

SPILLER - GOLLOGLY, Closed Sicilian:
1 e4 c5 2 Nc3 d6 3 g3 Nc6 4 Bg2 g6

5 d3 Bg7 6 f4 e6 7 Nf3 Nge7 8 0-0
0-0 9 Be3 Nd4 10 Rb1 Bd7 11 Ne2
Nxf3+ 12 Bxf3 Qa5 13 c3 Bc6 14 g4
Rae8 15 b4 cxb4 16 cxb4 Qxa2 17 b5
Bd7 18 Nd4 Qa5 19 Ra1 Qc7 20 Rxa7
Nc8 21 b6 Qxb6 22 Nf5 Qc7 23 Nxg7
Kxg7 24 Qa1+ e5 25 Ra5 f6 26 f5 Ne7
27 Rf1 Bc6 28 Bg2 Qd7 29 Qb2 Ra8 30
Rba1 Rxa5 31 Rxa5 d5 32 Ra1 dxe4 33
dxe4 Qd3 34 Qc1 Bxe4? (34...Rd8 should
be decisive) 35 Bh6+ Kf7 36 Bxf8 Kxf8
37 Qh6+ Ke8 38 Ra8+ Kd7 39 Bxe4 Qxe4
40 Qf8?! (First exchanging pawns by 40
fxg6 gave better drawing chances) 40...
Qxg4+ 41 Kf1 Qxf5+ 42 Kel (With four
pawns for the exchange, Black must
be winning but his exposed king will
cause some technical problems)
42...Qb1+ 43
Kd2 Qb2+ 44 Kel
e4 45 Rd8+ Ke6
46 Re8 Qb4+ 47 Ke2
f5 48 Qg8+ Kd7 49 Rd8+ Kc7 50 Qe8
Kb6 51 Rd7 Nc6 52 Qe6 f4 53 Qf6 Qc4+
54 Kd1 Qb3+ 55 Kc1 Qa3+ 56 Kd1 Qb3+
57 Kc1 Qc4+ 58 Kd1 e3 59 Qb2+ Kc5 60
Qa3+ Qb4 61 Qa2 Kb6 62 Rf7 Nd4 63
Rf6+ Kc5 64 Qa7+ Kc4 65 Qa2+ Kc3 66
Kxf4 e2+ 67 Kel Kd3+ 68 Kf2 e1Q+,
0 - 1.



LOVE - TURNER, Pirc Defence:

1 d4 Nf6 2 g3 g6 3 Bg2 Bg7 4 e4 d6
5 Nc3 0-0 6 Nge2 e5 7 0-0 Nc6 8 dxe5
dxe5 9 Bg5 Be6 10 Nd5 Nb8 11 f4 Bxd5
12 fxe5 Bc4 13 exf6 Qxd1 14 Rfxd1
Bxe2 15 fxg7 Kxg7 16 Rd2 Bg4 17 e5
Nd7 18 Rf1 Kg8 19 Bh6 Rfd8 20 h3 Be6
21 Rfd1 c6 22 Bg5 Kf8 23 Bxd8 Rxd8
24 a4 Ke7 25 a5 a6 26 Rd4 Rb8 27 Re1
Rg8 28 Kh2 Re8 29 h4 Rd8 30 Red1 Rb8
31 Re1 Rd8 32 Kgl Rf8 33 Bf1 Rd8 34
Rf4 Re8 35 Bc4 Bxc4 36 Rxc4 Ke6 37
Rb4 Nc5 38 Rd4 Nd7 39 Rd6+ Ke7 40
Kg2 Rf8 41 Rd4 Ke6 42 Rb4 Rb8 43 g4
h6 44 Kg3 g5 45 hxg5 hxg5 46 Rbe4
Re8 47 R4e3 Re7 48 Rle2 Re8 49 Rb3
Rb8 50 Rbe3 Re8 51 c4 Rc8 52 b4 c5
53 b5 Ra8 54 b6 Rc8 55 Re1 Rb8 56
Rd1 Nxe5 57 Rd5 f6 58 Rxc5 Kd6 59
Rc7 Nc6 60 Rf3 Ke6 61 Re3+ Kd6 62
Rd3+ Ke6 63 Rd5 Ne5 64 Rd1 Nc6 65 c5
Nxa5 66 Rd6+, 1 - 0.

Thus, after a really dramatic last round, we have two New Zealand champions, both from the North Shore club.

For Paul Garbett it was a real rags-to-riches saga while David Gollogly's success must rank as the greatest upset since the victory of outsider Graham Haase in 1961/62. Garbett played very determinedly and did not let his poor start affect his play - along the way he beat all three of his highest rated opponents. Gollogly achieved his outstanding result despite himself; right up to the penultimate round he would have been happy with a minor placing. He got away to a terrific start but was always more than content to agree draws (even in better positions) versus those he regarded as his most dangerous opponents; three of them spurned his draw offers only to go on to lose and Gollogly went through as the only undefeated player. All those draw offers, however, tend to obscure the fact that his play was very good indeed and that he earned his share of first place by merit.

The hard luck story of the tournament obviously belongs to Richard Sutton. His play was far from convincing in the first three rounds but then came a great streak of six wins which took him to a one point lead with but two rounds to play. Sutton did not expect things to be easy over those last two rounds and deserves much credit for coming out fighting in the final round when a draw would have sufficed for at least a share of the title - a success which would have been fully deserved after his excellent play in the middle of the tournament.

Mark Levene looked to be in a fine challenging position at the midway point but, with his hardest games still to come, he was unable to maintain the pace when his Dragon was twice slain. While he beat Stuart and Sutton from probably lost positions, he scored several fine wins as well. Tony Dowden completed the list of prize winners; he handicapped himself in several games by playing obviously unprepared openings for which he often suffered for much of the game. Indeed he was arguably lost at one point in as many as eight games; that so many failed to nail him is a tribute to Tony's defensive resolve.

Stuart's opening preparation was also inadequate and after his third round loss to Levene he lost interest to some extent and was disappointed with his modest total, a feeling doubt-

less shared by a few others in the lower half of the table. Here are the results:

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1	Gollogly D A	North Shore	x	1	½	1	½	½	1	½	1	1	½	1	8½
2	Garbett P A	North Shore	0	x	1	1	1	½	1	½	½	1	1	1	8½
3	Sutton R J	Otago	½	0	x	0	1	1	½	1	1	1	1	1	8
4	Levene M	North Shore	0	0	1	x	½	1	½	½	1	1	1	1	7
5	Dowden R A	Otago	½	0	0	½	x	½	1	1	½	1	½	½	6
6	Stuart P W	North Shore	½	½	0	0	½	x	½	½	½	½	½	1	5
7	Love A J	Otago	0	0	½	½	0	½	x	½	½	½	1	1	5
8	Carpinter B A	Civic	½	½	0	½	0	½	½	x	0	½	1	½	4½
9	Lloyd A J	Canterbury	0	½	0	½	½	½	½	1	x	0	0	½	4
10	Spiller P S	Howick-Pakuranga	0	0	0	0	0	½	½	1	x	½	½	3½	
11	Lynn K W	Hamilton	½	0	0	0	½	½	0	0	1	½	x	0	3
12	Turner G M	Howick-Pakuranga	0	0	0	0	½	0	0	½	½	1	x	3	

In the final analysis the players finished very closely in order of their pre-tournament ratings with the glaring exception of Gollogly.

Perhaps there were a few more short draws than usual but the overall draw percentage of 45.5% was lower than in either of the last two championships. It would be natural, however, to expect fewer draws in a field such as this one with its wider than usual range of playing strengths.

White won 21 games, Black 15, and 30 were drawn. White's overall result was 54.5%, a very normal margin over Black.

With many short victories, nobody worked terribly hard for his points; in fact nobody averaged as many as 40 moves per game. Tony Dowden came closest at 39.18. At the other extreme Bernard Carpinter was 'laziest' with just 278 moves at an average of 25.27 per game.

As far as openings were concerned, open or semi-open games were far more popular than closed openings. There were 46 KP openings (+18 -7 =21, 62.0%), 11 QP openings (+2 -5 =4, 36.4%) and 9 flank openings (+1 -3 =5, 38.9%).

Easily the single most popular debut was the Sicilian Defence, played no less than 18 times for +6 -4 =8. Among the other semi-open games the Pirc Defence, played 8 times, scored +3 -1 =4 while the French Defence, played 7 times, scored +3 -0 =4 for White. The return for Black was even more meagre from the 9 symmetrical KP openings: +6 -1 =2 for White. Thus the Sicilian was not only most popular with Black - it was also the most successful by a fair margin.

The only other opening played more

than twice was the English which returned the comparatively poor figures of +1 -2 =4 for White - but this might have been because of the players concerned, rather than any intrinsic fault in the opening!

Although we are loath to mention it, there was one other social event during the Congress - the annual North Island vs South Island soccer match. Believe it or not the South Island could not field a team and the North Islanders had to lend their hosts four or five players! With a scoreline of 2-0 to North midway through the first spell, a rout looked imminent but a couple of hotly disputed goals (jerseys don't make the best goals!) allowed the South Island to sneak ahead 3-2 by the final whistle. South Island stars were Tony Dowden (a fit little bugger!), Duncan Watts (a fit big bugger!), David Bell(!) and Paul Garbett(!). Glenn Turner (in goal) Anthony Ker were perhaps the pick of the North team. It is reported that the North team for next Congress will start training in February.

THE A.G.M.

The Association's Annual General Meeting was held on 6th January 1983. The following officers were elected: President - P.W.Stuart; Vice-President - M.G.Whaley; Secretary - R.E.Gibbons; Treasurer - R.G.Steel; Councillors - P.B.Goffin, W.Leonhardt, P.O.Paris (Otago) & B.M.Winsor.

There were several remits but all failed to gain the necessary majority.



1982/3 Premier Reserve

		R.1	R.2	R.3	R.4	R.5	R.6	R.7	R.8	R.9	R10	R11	T'1	SOS
1	Ker A F	Pen	W18	W19	W43	W7	D4	D3	D8	D9	D2	W15	W6	8½ 73½
2	Alexander B J	C	W39	D24	D16	D18	W17	W5	W4	W8	D1	D3	W9	8½ 72
3	Cribbett P F	C	W20	W36	W27	L4	W13	D1	D9	W12	W8	D2	D5	8 73½
4	Weegenaar D P	O	W26	W29	W17	W3	D1	1.8	L2	W27	W23	D5	W11	8 72
5	Aldridge G J	Twa	L16	W21	W24	L23	W28	L2	W25	W29	W9	D4	D3	7 69½
6	Sims I M	O	W44	D16	D8	D17	W18	D11	D23	D10	W27	W13	L1	7 66
7	Bojtor J	HP	W28	W32	D10	L1	D19	L12	W24	L23	W41	W16	W17	7 64
8	White M	Civ	W40	W25	D6	W10	W15	W4	D1	L2	L3	L9	D13	6½ 75½
9	Foord M R R	O	L24	W12	D25	W20	W10	W27	D3	D1	L5	W8	L2	6½ 73½
10	Robinson J P	Wai	W34	W22	D7	L8	L9	W19	W18	D6	L13	W28	D21	6½ 67
11	Aandahl V S	O	W12	L17	W39	D16	W24	D6	L27	D14	W20	W23	L4	6½ 66
12	Aldridge A L	Twa	L11	L9	W42	W39	W43	W7	W14	L3	L15	D22	W23	6½ 64
13	Bell C M	UH	L25	W40	W44	W32	L3	D16	D17	W21	W10	L6	D8	6½ 63
14	Cooper P R	Wan	L30	W33	D20	W25	D16	W44	L12	D11	D17	W18	D15	6½ 61½
15	Marsick B H P	NS	W35	L43	W30	W28	L8	L23	W44	W32	W12	L1	D14	6½ 59
16	Jordan A W	Tim	W5	D6	D2	D11	D14	D13	D32	D17	D22	L7	W27	6 70½
17	Watts D W	O	W46	W11	L4	D6	L2	W20	D13	D16	D14	W27	L7	6 68
18	Boyd K M	O	L1	W37	W29	D2	L6	W33	L10	D19	W32	L14	W28	6 66½
19	Connor B P	HV	W37	L1	D26	W31	D7	L10	D22	D18	L28	W39	W29	6 63
20	Wilson M C	C	L3	W42	D14	L9	W21	L17	W30	W44	L11	W25	D22	6 63
21	Ong R	O	D31	L5	L23	W41	L20	W35	W34	L13	W33	W29	D10	6 59
22	Turner M G	C	W23	L10	L28	W38	L44	W40	D19	W26	D16	D12	D20	6 58½
23	Ker C M	Pen	L22	W34	W21	W5	L27	W15	D6	W7	L4	L11	L12	5½ 70
24	Brett K W	A	W9	D2	L5	W26	L11	D30	L7	W39	L29	D34	W33	5½ 64
25	Brown S A	UH	W13	L8	D9	L14	D29	W43	L5	D31	W26	L20	W34	5½ 62½
26	Stephenson J R	NS	L4	W45	D19	L24	L34	W36	W33	L22	L25	W35	W32	5½ 57
27	Metge Mrs K M	HP	W33	W30	L3	W43	W23	L9	W11	L4	L6	L17	L16	5 66½
28	Ramsay W	HV	L7	W41	W22	L15	L5	W31	L29	W30	W19	L10	L18	5 64
29	Ferguson R T	UH	W45	L4	L18	D34	D25	W39	W28	L5	W24	L21	L19	5 60½
30	Allen Ms E G	O	W14	L27	L15	W35	D32	D24	L20	L28	D36	W38	D31	5 57½
31	Schwass M P	Civ	D21	L39	W38	L19	D33	L28	W40	D25	D34	D32	D30	5 53½
32	O'Connor J A	Wai	W41	L7	W36	L13	D30	W34	D16	L15	L18	D31	L26	4½ 60½
33	Sutherland J L	O	L27	L14	W37	W36	D31	L18	L26	W35	L21	W41	L24	4½ 57
34	McIntosh A D	O	L10	L23	W45	D29	W26	L32	L21	W43	D31	D24	L25	4½ 55½
35	Bell D I	Wan	L15	L38	W46	L30	D36	L21	W42	L33	W37	L26	W39	4½ 50
36	Rudkins L R	A	W42	L3	L32	L33	D35	L26	W45	L41	D30	D37	W46	4½ 48½
37	Strickett R L	O	L19	L18	L33	W42	L39	L38	W46	W45	L35	D36	W40	4½ 46
38	Scott H M	O	L43	W35	L31	L22	L40	W37	L39	W46	D42	L30	W41*	4½ 45½
39	Sinton P J	O	L2	W31	L11	L12	W37	L29	W38	L24	W44	L19	L35	4 59½
40	Watson M J	A	L8	L13	W41	L44	W38	L22	L31	L42	W46	W45	L37	4 48
41	Edwards R	NP	L32	L28	L40	L21	W46	W45	W43	W36	L7	L33	L38*	4 47½
42	Cameron D	O	L36	L20	L12	L37	L45	W46	L35	W40	D38	W44	D43	4 45
43	Freeman B W	O	W38	W15	L1	L27	L12	L25	L41	L34	L45	W46	D42	3½
44	Boswell T J	Wan	L6	W46	L13	W40	W22	L14	L15	L20	L39	L42	L45	3 54½
45	Chang A R	O	L29	L26	L34	L46	W42	L41	L36	L37	W43	L40	W44	3 43½
46	Hay V	O	L17	L44	L35	W45	L41	L42	L37	L38	L40	L43	L36	1

Abbreviations: A = Auckland, C = Canterbury, Civ = Civic, HP = Howick-Pakuranga, HV = Hutt Valley, NP = New Plymouth, NS = North Shore, O = Otago, Pen = Pencarrow, Tim = Timaru, Twa = Tawa, Wai = Waitemata, Wan = Wanganui. An * denotes a default.

REPORT: TONY DOWDEN

A rather meagre field of 46 players entered the 1982/83 Premier Reserve Championship. Although there was a reasonable representation from the North Island, very few Nelson or Canterbury players came. A dearth of 'name' players in the 1800-2000 bracket meant that it was going to be a very weak Reserve.

The top four seeds David Weegenaar, Greg Aldridge, Bruce Marsick & Anthony Ker were the only players rated over 1800. It had appeared that Tony Love would run away with the tournament or perhaps even be excluded due to his rating being too high but the withdrawal of Graham Haase from the Championship precluded this, perhaps unfortunate, possibility. In the event it seemed that Weegenaar or All-Wellington Champion Ker could easily tear the field apart - given a good start.

Actually, this is what happened, except Weegenaar then nosedived with a couple of losses and Ker was becalmed in the drawing doldrums.

Ben Alexander, creeping along with several draws, then beat Weegenaar and Mike White and was suddenly the leader. White reacted badly to this his first loss and only scored another half point from the remaining three rounds.

After eight rounds the leaders were Alexander 6½; White, A.Ker & Peter Cribbett 6. In round nine Alexander drew with A.Ker, Cribbett beat White and Weegenaar joined the leaders when young Charles Ker ran out of material to sacrifice.

In the tenth round Cribbett drew with Alexander while A.Ker beat Marsick. Weegenaar drew with G.Aldridge but only after forcing Aldridge to play on for several pointless hours in a very simple bishop and pawn ending with level material that was totally drawn. Martin Sims came into prominence with his win over Chris Bell. The leading scores going into the last round were: A.Ker, Alexander & Cribbett 7½; Weegenaar & Sims 7.

Round 11 saw Ker beat Sims, Alexander beat Malcolm Foord and Weegenaar beat Aandahl while Cribbett drew with Greg Aldridge.

Thus Anthony Ker and Ben Alexander shared first place, a half point ahead

of Cribbett and Weegenaar. Ker will qualify for next year's Championship by virtue of his higher tie-break score. His patient positional style will net him some points but he needs to learn to force the pace a little more. Ben Alexander was perhaps a little surprised to find himself leading at various points and must be an excellent prospect for the future; he showed an extensive knowledge of opening theory and was severe on people who tried to beat him.

There were rather too many draws in this tournament, especially between some of the younger players, but maybe this was a good energy saving tactic because the 'old school' of Marsick, Foord and Julius Bojtor never seriously challenged their younger rivals.

The New Zealand Women's Championship was unfortunately cancelled due to an extreme lack of entries. Katrine Metge and Liz Allen were the only women playing in the Premier Reserve. It seems that women in New Zealand must create their own organisational body, perhaps along the lines of the Australian Women's Chess League, to make much future progress.

Metge played exciting and uncompromising chess, showing that she would have been more than useful in the recent Women's Olympiad team had she been available. She won her clash with Allen as well as giving many of her victors nasty frights. "She's a crazy man", I heard one of them mutter!

Charles Ker from Pencarrow played razor sharp chess of the variety that all young players should play in order to improve. Big brother Anthony will have to remember to look over his shoulder in the future.

The tournament was directed by John Harraway who did an absolutely splendid job, not only in his D.O.P. capacity, but also as 'babysitter' to all the people staying at Selwyn College.

On the grade prize front Alan Aldridge (1382) 'stole' the under-1550 prize with 6½/11 while B.Connor, A. Jordan, K.Boyd and D.Watts crossed together in second place. In the under-1400 grade M.Wilson was first while S. Brown & C.Ker came second; however, commiserations to Ker who had 5½/8 but lost his last three games!

We follow with a selection of the most interesting games.

CONNOR - A.KER, Pirc Defence:

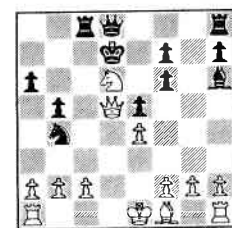
1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Bg5 Nbd7
5 Qd2 c6 6 O-O-O Qa5 7 Nf3 b5 8 e5
b4 9 exf6 bxc3 10 Qxc3 Qxc3 11 bxc3
Nxf6 12 Bxf6 exf6 13 d5 Bh6+ 14 Kb2
Rb8+ 15 Ka1 c5 16 Bc4 Bd7 17 Rhel+
Kd8 18 Nd2 f5 19 Nb3 Bg7 20 Rd3 f4
21 Na5 Re8 22 Rxe8+ Kxe8 23 Bb3 Bf5
24 Rf3 g5 25 Nc4 Kd7 26 Nb2 h5 27
Kb1 h4 28 c4 Bf6 29 Ba4+ Kc7 30 Rb3
g4 31 Rxb8 Kxb8 32 Be8 Bxb2 33 Kxb2
g3 34 hxg3 f3, 0 - 1.

A.KER - BOJTOR, Scotch Game:

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 exd4 4 Bc4
Bc5 5 O-O Nge7 6 c3 d3 7 b4 Bb6 8
Qb3 f6 9 a4 a6 10 Be3 Bxe3 11 fxe3
Ng6 12 Bf7+ Ke7 13 Bxg6 hxg6 14 e5
Qg8 15 c4 Qe6 16 exf6+ gxf6 17 Nc3
Kd8 18 Nd5 Ne7 19 Nd4 Qe5 20 Nf3 Qd6
21 Nf4 g5 22 c5 Qc6 23 Nxd3 Qe6 24
Qxe6 dxe6 25 Rad1 Ke8 26 Nd2 Ng8 27
Ne4 Ke7 28 c6 b6 29 a5 Rh4 30 Ndf2
e5 31 g3 Rh6 32 Nc3 Be6 33 Nd5+ Bxd5
34 Rxd5 Ke6 35 Rd7 Re8 36 Rfd1 Ne7
37 axb6 Nxc6 38 b7 Rb8 39 Rxc7 Nxb4
40 Rd8 Rh8 41 Rxb8, 1 - 0.

WEEGENAAR - ALEXANDER, Sicilian Pelican:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4
Nf6 5 Nc3 e5 6 Ndb5 d6 7 Bg5 a6 8
Na3 Be6 9 Nc4 Rc8 10 Nd5 Bxd5 11
Bxf6 gxf6 12 Qxd5 b5 13 Ne3 Bh6 14
Nf5 Nb4 15 Nxd6+ Kd7



16 Bxb5+ axb5
17 Qxb5+ Ke6 18
Rd1 Nxc2+ 19 Kf1
Nd4 20 Qd5+ Ke7
21 Rxd4 exd4 22 e5
fxe5 23 Qxe5+ Kd7
24 Qxd4 Rcl+ 25
Ke2 Rc2+ 26 Kf3
Rd2 27 Qa4+ Kxd6
28 Qa6+ Ke7 29
Re1+ Kf8 30 Qxh6+ Kg8 31 Re5 f6 32
Re8+ Qxe8 33 Qxd2 Qa8+ 34 Kg3 Qxa2
35 h4 Kg7 36 h5 Rb8 37 h6+ Kh8, 0 - 1.

WEEGENAAR - A.KER, Pirc Defence:

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 f4 Bg7
5 Nf3 c5 6 Bb5+ Bd7 7 e5 Ng4 8 e6
Bxb5 9 exf7+ Kd7 10 Nxb5 Qa5+ 11 Nc3
cxd4 12 Nxd4 Bxd4 13 Qxd4 Nc6 14 Qc4
Qb6 15 Ne4 Qb4+ 16 Qxb4 Nxb4 17 Kd2
Rac8 18 c3 Nd5 19 Ke2 Rhf8 20 h3
Ngf6 21 Ng5 h6 22 Nf3 Rxf7 23 Rd1 e6
24 Be3 Nh5 25 Bxa7 Nhxf4+ 26 Kf2 Ke7
27 Rd2 b6 28 g3 Nh5 29 Re1 Rcf8 30
Rd3 Kf6 31 c4 Rxa7 32 cxd5 e5 33 Rb3
Kg7 34 Rxb6 Raf7 35 Rb3 Nf6 36 Kg2
Nxd5 37 Rd1 Ne7 38 Rxd6 e4 39 Nd2

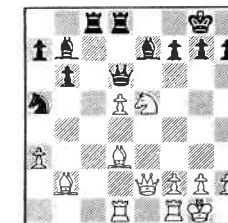
Rf2+ 40 Kgl Re2, ½ - ½.

CRIBBETT - WEEGENAAR, Queen's Indian:

1 Nf3 e6 2 c4 Nf6 3 g3 b6 4 Bg2 Bb7
5 O-O Be7 6 Nc3 c5 7 d4 cxd4 8 Nxd4
Bxg2 9 Kxg2 O-O 10 b3 d6 11 Bb2 Qc7
12 h3 Qb7+ 13 Kh2 Nbd7 14 Rcl Nc5 15
Qc2 Rac8 16 Qbl Nfe4 17 Nxe4 Nxe4 18
Qal Bg5 19 Rcd1 Qe7 20 Nf3 Bh6 21 e3
f5 22 Nel Qg5 23 Ba3 Rcd8 24 Qb2 Rf6
25 Rgl Qh5 26 Rd4 e5 27 Rd5 Rg6 28
b4 Bg5 29 Kg2 Bxe3, 0 - 1.

FOORD - WHITE, Queen's Indian:

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 e3 Bb7
5 a3 Be7 6 Nc3 d5 7 cxd5 Nxd5 8 Bd3
O-O 9 e4 Nxc3 10 bxc3 c5 11 Bb2 cxd4
12 cxd4 Nc6 13 O-O Rc8 14 Qe2 Qd7 15
Rad1 Rfd8 16 d5 exd5 17 exd5 Na5 18
Ne5 Qd6



19 Bxh7+ Kf8
20 Bf5 Rc7 21 Nxf7
Kxf7 22 Qh5+ Kf8
23 Qh8+ Kf7 24
Qxg7+ Ke8 25 Qh8+
Bf8 26 Rfel+ Re7
27 Qh5+, 1 - 0.

WATTS - K.METGE, Albin Counter Gambit:

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e5 3 dxe5 d4 4 Nf3 Nc6
5 Nbd2 Bg4 6 a3 Qe7 7 g3 O-O-O 8 Bg2
d3 9 O-O h5 10 exd3 Rxd3 11 Qa4 Rd8
12 Ne4 Bxf3 13 Bxf3 Nxe5 14 Bg2 Kb8
15 Be3 a6 16 Nc5 c6 17 Rad1 Nf6 18
Rxd8+ Qxd8 19 Rd1 Qc7 20 Nxa6+ bxa6
21 Qxa6 Be7 22 f4 Neg4 23 Bxc6 Qxc6,
1 - 0.

STEPHENSON - McINTOSH, King's Gambit:

1 e4 e5 2 f4 exf4 3 Nf3 g5 4 h4 g4
5 Ne5 Nf6 6 Nc3 d6 7 Nd3 Nh5 8 b3
Be7 9 Be2 Bxh4+ 10 Nf2 Ng3 11 Rgl h5
12 d3 Qf6 13 Bb2 Qd4 14 Qd2 Qxf2+ 15
Kxf2 Nxe4+, 0 - 1.

A.KER - B.FREEMAN, Pirc Defence:

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Bg5 Nbd7
5 f4 h6 6 Bh4 Nh5 7 Nge2 Nxf4?? 8
Nxf4 g5 9 Ne6!, 1 - 0.

A.KER - ALEXANDER, Max Lange Attack:

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 exd4 4 Bc4
Nf6 5 O-O Bc5 6 e5 Ng4 7 Bf4 O-O 8
h3 Nh6 9 Bxh6 gxh6 10 c3 d6 11 cxd4
Bb6 12 Nc3 Bf5 13 g4 Bg6 14 h4 h5
15 g5 Qd7 16 Nd5 Qg4+ 17 Kh2 Kh8 18
Rgl Qe4 19 Rel Qg4 20 Rgl Qe4 21 Rel
Qg4 22 Rgl, ½ - ½.

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International Ratings, 1 January

This list gives the top 101 players as at 1/1/83. All players are GMs except those marked with an asterisk (IMs).

Karpov	USR	2710	Tarjan	USA	2535
Kasparov	USR	2690	Adorian	HUN	2530
Ljubojevic	YUG	2645	Ivanov*	CAN	2530
Andersson	SWE	2635	Van der Wiel	NL	2530
Hübner	BRD	2625	Schmid	BRD	2530
Polugaevsky	USR	2625	Lerner*	USR	2525
Portisch	HUN	2620	Henley	USA	2525
Tal	USR	2620	Christiansen	USA	2520
Petrosian	USR	2605	Razuvaev	USR	2520
Timman	NL	2605	Evans	USA	2515
Spassky	USR	2605	Djuric	YUG	2515
Korchnoi	SWI	2600	Garcia G	CUB	2515
Seirawan	USA	2600	Byrne	USA	2515
Ribli	HUN	2595	Hulak	YUG	2515
Smyslov	USR	2595	Lobron	BRD	2515
Hort	CZ	2585	Lombardy	USA	2515
Miles	ENG	2585	Najdorf	ARG	2515
Romanishin	USR	2585	Quinteros	ARG	2515
Sosonko	NL	2585	Popovic P	YUG	2515
Psakhis	USR	2580	Taimanov	USR	2515
Torre	PHI	2580	Chekhov*	USR	2510
Tukmakov	USR	2580	Kurajica	YUG	2510
Geller	USR	2575	Gligoric	YUG	2510
Beljavsky	USR	2570	Kuzmin	USR	2510
Nunn	ENG	2570	Vogt	DDR	2510
Speelman	ENG	2570	Short*	ENG	2510
Yusupov	USR	2565	Farago	HUN	2505
Alburt	USA	2560	Csom	HUN	2505
Ftacnik	CZ	2560	Kudrin*	USA	2505
Kavalek	USA	2560	Knaak	DDR	2505
Smejkal	CZ	2560	Karlsson	SWE	2505
Sax	HUN	2560	Groszpeter*	HUN	2505
Tseshkovsky	USR	2560	Pfleger	BRD	2505
Kovacevic	YUG	2555	Mestel	ENG	2505
Larsen	DEN	2555	Rogoff	USA	2505
Dolmatov	USR	2550	Sveshnikov	USR	2505
Vaganian	USR	2550	Uhlmann	DDR	2505
Dorfman	USR	2540	Bagirov	USR	2500
Balashov	USR	2540	Franco*	PAR	2500
Browne	USA	2540	Chandler*	ENG	2500
Agzamov*	USR	2535	Makarichev	USR	2500
Pinter	HUN	2535	Inkirov	BUL	2500
Suba	RUM	2535	Panno	ARG	2500
			Murey*	ISR	2500
			Ree	NL	2500
			Wedberg*	SWE	2500
			Vladimirov*	USR	2500
			Yudasin*	USR	2500
			Stean	ENG	2500
			Georgadze	USR	2495
			Gheorghiu	RUM	2495
			Lputyan*	USR	2495
			Gurgenidze	USR	2495

Radulov	BUL	2495
Ney*	USR	2495
Olafsson F	ICE	2495
Rashkovsky	USR	2495
Spraggett*	CAN	2495

Of these 101 players, 34 are from the USSR (39 on the similar list a year ago). Other countries with more than three are: USA 12 (11 at 1/1/82); Yugoslavia 7 (9), Hungary 8 (7), England 7 (6), West Germany 4 (5) and Netherlands 4 (2).

Features of the list are Ljubojevic's highest ever ranking and the drop of Korchnoi to 12th and Larsen to 34th.

There are 14 New Zealanders on the list: B.R. Anderson 2230, L.Aptekar 2240, A.L.Carpinter 2210, R.A.Dowden 2245, P.A.Garrett 2265, E.M.Green 2310, C.Laird 2315, R.I.Nokes 2310, O.Sarapu 2305, J.D.Sarfati 2250, V.A.Small 2310, R.W.Smith 2270, P.W.Stuart 2250 & B.R.Watson 2260.

Interestingly, there are no less than four players tied for top spot on the Women's Rating List as at 1/1/83: Gprindashvili (USR), Cramling (SWE), Chiburdanidze (USR) & Aleksandria (USR) are all rated 2355. Next come Kushnir (ISR) 2330, Ioseliani (USR) 2295, Akhmirovskaya (USR) 2290, Litinskaya (USR) 2275, Hund (BRD) 2270, Polgar (HUN) & Lematchko (SWI) 2255, Miles (ENG) 2245, Muresan (RUM) 2240, Veröci-Petronic (HUN) 2235.

From New Zealand: Stretch, Burndred & Sievey 1905, Foster 1810.

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OVERSEAS NEWS

Naturally the Olympiads in Lucerne dominated the chess scene towards the end of 1982 but we neglected to report in the last issue on two strong events held shortly before the Olympiads.

The first TV WORLD CUP, played September in HAMBURG was won in a special tie-break session by World Champion Anatoly Karpov.

There were two preliminary groups of four players, scores as follows. First preliminary group: Karpov (USR) 4½/6, Nunn (ENG) 3½, Seirawan (USA) & Bouaziz (TUN) 2. Second preliminary group: Spassky (USR) 5½, Timman (NL) 3, Lobron (BRD) 2, Torre (PHI) 1½.

Thus Karpov and Spassky met in a two game final, the former winning the first game while Spassky employed the King's Gambit to take the second; so, 1 : 1. A second two game play-off, with each player having only 15 minutes for each game, was won by Karpov 1½ : ½.

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The 6th Interpolis tournament (September/October) in TILBURG had an all-GM cast of category 14 (2599 average rating):

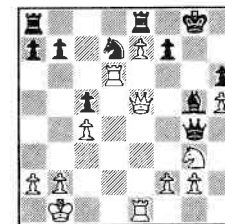
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1 Karpov	USR	x	½	½	½	1	½	1	0	½	1	1	7½	
2 Timman	NL	½	x	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	1	1	7	
3 Andersson	SWE	½	½	x	½	½	½	½	½	1	½	½	6½	
4 Sosonko	NL	½	½	½	x	0	1	0	1	½	½	1	6½	
5 Petrosian	USR	0	½	½	1	x	½	0	1	1	½	½	6	
6 Smyslov	USR	½	½	½	0	½	x	1	½	½	1	½	6	
7 Nunn	ENG	0	½	½	1	0	x	½	½	½	½	0	5	
8 Portisch	HUN	1	½	½	0	0	½	½	x	0	½	½	5	
9 Browne	USA	½	½	0	½	0	½	½	1	x	0	½	5	
10 Hübner	BRD	0	0	½	½	½	0	½	½	1	x	½	4½	
11 Torre	PHI	0	0	½	0	½	½	½	½	½	x	1	4½	
12 Larsen	DEN	0	0	0	0	½	½	1	0	0	½	0	x	2½

Karpov won his first three games (against Hübner, Petrosian & Torre) but then blundered in a winning position to Portisch. By the end of round six the World Champion led by a full point and he was never in danger of losing his lead although Timman, in a return to form after some bad results in 1982, finished close behind. Candidates Portisch, Hübner and Torre (also, to a lesser extent, Smyslov) had somewhat disappointing results.

The winner and runner-up each played one particularly fine game:

KARPOV - HUBNER, Caro-Kann Defence:
1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 dxe4 4 Nxe4 Bf5 5

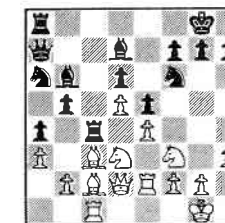
Ng3 Bg6 6 h4 h6 7 Nf3 Nd7 8 h5 Bh7 9 Bd3 Bxd3 10 Qxd3 Ngf6 11 Bf4 e6 12 0-0-0 Be7 13 Ne5 0-0 14 c4 c5 15 d5 Nxe5 16 Bxe5 Ng4 17 Bxg7 Kxg7 18 Qe2 Bg5+ 19 Kbl Nf6 20 dxe6 Qc8 21 e7 Re8 22 Rd6 Qg4 23 Qe5 Kg8 24 Re1 Nd7



25 Rxd7! Qxd7 26 Nf5 f6 27 Qd5+ Qxd5 28 cxd5 Bf4 29 g3 Bc7 30 Kc2 b5 31 Nxb6+ Kh7 32 Nf5 Rg8 33 d6 Ba5 34 Re6 Rg5 35 Rxf6 Rxb5 36 d7 Rh2 37 Ne3, 1 - 0.

TIMMAN - TORRE, Ruy Lopez:

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 Be7 6 Re1 b5 7 Bb3 d6 8 c3 0-0 9 h3 Na5 10 Bc2 c5 11 d4 Qc7 12 Nbd2 cxd4 13 cxd4 Nc6 14 a3 Bd7 15 Nb3 a5 16 d5 Nb8 17 Bd2 a4 18 Nc1 Rc8 19 Bc3 Na6 20 Nd3 Bd8 21 Rc1 Qa7 22 Qd2 Bb6 23 Re2 Rc4



24 Ndx5! dxe5 25 Nxe5 Rcc8 26 Nc6 Bxc6 27 Bxf6 gxf6 28 e5! f5 (Timman later maintained that 28...Qd7 gave Black good chances of holding; after the text he is probably lost) 29 Qg5+ Kf8 30 Qh6+ Ke8 31 dxc6 Nc5 32 Bxf5 Ne6 33 Bxe6 fxe6 34 c7 Rxc7 35 Rxc7 Bxc7 36 Qxe6+ Kf8 37 Re4 Qb6 38 Rf4+ Kg7 39 Qe7+ Kh8 40 Rf8+, 1 - 0.

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The Quick and the Dead

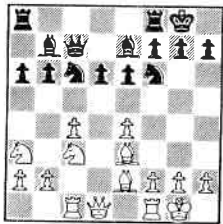
by the Editor

As in every previous Olympiad, that in Lucerne last November produced a host of short games ranging from the sublime to the ridiculous.

Starting with the ridiculous, we give a selection of these brevities where retribution for error follows swiftly indeed.

GUTMAN - AZZOPARDI, Irregular Opening:
1 Nf3 b6 2 g3 Bb7 3 Bg2 e5 4 0-0 d6 5 d4 exd4 6 Nxd4 Bxg2 7 Kxg2 Qd7 8 Qd3 Ne7 9.Nc3 Nbc6 10 e4 g6 11 Nxc6 Nxc6 12 Nd5 0-0-0?? (Allowing a simple combination winning a piece; after 12...Bg7 White would have a clear advantage but no forced win) 13 Qc3 Be7 14 Qxc6!, 1 - 0.

CHIBURDANIDZE - SLAVOTINEK, Sicilian:
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nc6 5 Nb5 d6 6 c4 Nf6 7 Nlc3 a6 8 Na3 Be7 9 Be2 0-0 10 0-0 Qc7?! (It is not yet clear that c7 is the best square for the queen; 10...b6 is normal) 11 Be3 b6 12 Rcl Bb7



13 Nd5! (A standard combination in the English or Sicilian; White utilises the latent pin on the c-file) 13...exd5 14 cxd5 Nxe4 15 dxc6 Bxc6 16 Qc2 Nc5?? (Perhaps

Black forgot that her opponent had already regained the piece! Instead 16...Rfc8 puts the onus back on White to prove her pawn sacrifice sound) 17 b4, 1 - 0.

This game was from the round one USSR v Australia match, yet Anne Slavotinek was described as a New Zealander in the round one bulletin - as if 0-4 wasn't enough!

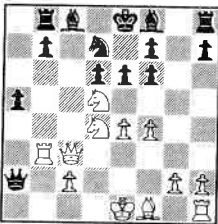
In the following games the losers' mistakes are less perceptible although the finales are no less devastating. The next two games came from the Netherlands' 3½-½ victory over Austria.

HÖLZL - TIMMAN, English:

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 b6 3 g3 Bb7 4 Bg2 g6 5 d4 c5 6 d5 b5! 7 b3? (White carelessly opens the long diagonal for the Bf8; he had to try 7 Nfd2 or maybe 7

0-0) 7...bxc4 8 bxc4 Nxd5! 9 cxd5? (9 Ne5! at least confines the deficit to a pawn) 9...Bg7 10 Qd2 Bxal 11 0-0 Qb6 12 Na3 Bg7 13 e4 d6 14 h4 Ba6 15 Rel Nd7 16 h5 Qb4 17 Qf4 Ne5, 0 - 1.

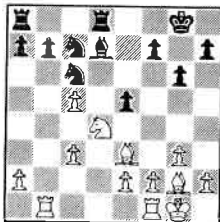
VAN DER WIEL - DANNER, Sicilian Najdorf:
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bg5 Nbd7 7 f4 Qb6 8 Qd2 Qxb2 9 Rb1 Qa3 10 Bxf6 gxf6 11 Nd5 Rb8 12 Rb3 Qxa2 13 Qb4 a5 14 Qc3 e6



(This line does not have a good pedigree and the conclusion of this game will scarcely help) 15 Bb5! a4 (16 0-0 & 17 Ra3 was one threat) 16 Qc7! exd5 (Or 16...Ra8 17 Nb6!) 17 Qxb8 Kd8 (Black now gets mated) 18 Bxd7 Kxd7 19 Rxb7+!, 1 - 0.

If the offensive weapon was a bludgeon in the last two games, then Swedish GM Ulf Andersson uses a rapier against his Malaysian opponent in the next:

ANDERSSON - LIEW, Symmetrical English:
1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 g3 Nc6 4 Bg2 d5 5 cxd5 Nxd5 6 d4 Nc7 7 Be3! g6 8 Nc3 Bg7 9 dxc5 Qxd1+ 10 Rxd1 Bxc3+ 11 bxc3 0-0 12 Nd4 Bd7 13 0-0 Rfd8 14 Rb1 e5



(This seems safe enough but Andersson has seen a move further and refutes the text neatly. Necessary was 14...Rab8 though Black's prospects remain unpleasant) 15

Rxb7!! exd4 16 Rxc7 dxe3 17 Rxd7 (The point which Liew overlooked - another victory for the Bg2!) 17...Rxd7 18 Bxc6 Rad8 19 Bxd7 Rxd7 20 Rb1 Rc7 21 Rb5 Kg7 22 f4, 1 - 0.

The Chinese player Liu perpetrated a fine swindle in this game:

GHEORGHIU - LIU, Modern Benoni:

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 e6 4 Nc3 exd5

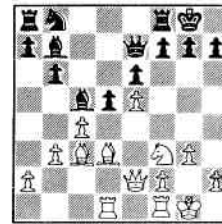
5 cxd5 d6 6 Nf3 g6 7 Nd2 Nbd7 8 e4 Bg7 9 Be2 0-0 10 0-0 Re8 11 a4 Ne5 12 Rel a6 13 f4 Neg4 14 Bf3 h5 15 Nc4 Nxe4! 16 Rxe4 Bd4+ 17 Rxd4 cxd4 18 Ne4 Qh4 19 Ncxd6 Qxh2+ 20 Kf1 Bf5 21 Nxf5 gxf5 22 Nf2 d3 23 Qxd3 h4



24 Qxf5?? (With two bishops for a rook White was winning quite comfortably but the Rumanian GM had overlooked a stunning reply. Simply 24 Bd2 was best) 24...Qgl+!, 0 - 1.

Even the Queen's Indian, long regarded as ultra drawish, produces exciting chess these days; here is one brief example:

CHRISTIANSEN - LIGTERINK, Queen's Indian:
1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 g3 Ba6 5 b3 Bb4+ 6 Bd2 Be7 7 Nc3 c6 8 e4 d5 9 e5 Ne4 10 Bd3 Nxc3 11 Bxc3 c5 12 dxc5 Bxc5 13 0-0 Bb7 14 Qe2 0-0 15 Rad1 Qe7? (Even after the better 15...Nd7 White has the advantage)



16 b4! d4 (On 16...Bxb4 17 Bxb4 Qxb4 White has the standard mating combination starting with 18 Bxh7+, e.g. 18...Kxh7 19 Ng5+ Kg6 20 Rd4 etc) 17 Bd2 Nd7 (Tantamount to resignation but 17...Bxb4 loses as before) 18 bxc5 Bxf3 19 Qxf3 Nxe5 20 Bxh7+, 1 - 0.

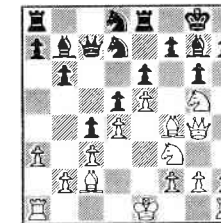
While it was no upset that the USSR beat England in round nine, the margin was somewhat surprising - 3½! The Soviets were ruthless with the white pieces:

KASPAROV - NUNN, Modern Benoni:

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 c5 4 d5 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 e4 g6 7 f4 Bg7 8 Bb5+ Nf7 9 a4 Na6 10 Nf3 Nb4 11 0-0 a6 12 Bxd7+ Bxd7 13 f5! 0-0 14 Bg5 f6 15 Bf4 gxf5? (Black's opening has not been successful but the end comes quickly after this; better was 15...Qc7) 16 Bxd6 Bxa4 17 Rxa4 Qxd6 18 Nh4! fxe4 19 Nf5 Qd7 20 Nxe4 Kh8 (20...b6 was the last chance for resistance) 21 Nxc5, 1 - 0 (Black loses the exchange after 21...Qxd5 22 Qxd5 Nxd5 23 Ne6).

BELJAVSKY - STEAN, Sicilian Najdorf:
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bg5 e6 7 f4 Qb6 8 Qd2 Qxb2 9 Nb3 Nbd7 (In the previous round Beljavsky won against Pinter's 9...Nc6) 10 Bd3 b5 11 0-0 Nc5 12 Nxc5 dxc5 13 Bxf6 gxf6 14 Rab1 Qa3 15 Nxb5, 1 - 0 (After 15...axb5 16 Bxb5+ Ke7 17 Rfd1 mate is unavoidable).

Now for a New Zealand example:
DOWDEN - RAMON-FORTUNE, Sicilian 2 c3:
1 e4 c5 2 c3 b6 3 d4 Bb7 4 Bd3 e6 5 Nf3 Nf6 6 Nbd2 d5 7 e5 Nfd7 8 Qe2 Nc6 9 a3 c4 10 Be2 Qc7 11 Ng5 g6 12 Qf3 Nd8 13 Qg4 Bg7 14 Ndf3 0-0 (Setting the stage for a vicious attack) 15 Bf4 Re8

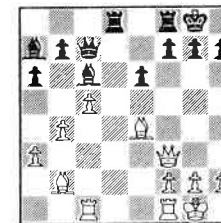


16 Nxh7! Kxh7 17 h4 Rh8 18 0-0 Nf8 (Black brings up what reinforcements he can - but ALL of the white pieces can participate in the attack) 19 h5 Kg8 20 h6 Bf6 21 h7+! Rxh7 22 exf6 Qd7 23 Ne5 Qe8 24 Rxh7, 1 - 0 (Black's position is quite hopeless, e.g. 24...Nxh7 25 Qh4 Kh8 26 Rh1 Qg8 27 Bh6!).

We wind up with a typical sacrificial attack on the king:

MILES - BROWNE, Queen's Gambit:

1 Nf3 c5 2 c4 Nf6 3 Nc3 e6 4 e3 Nc6 5 d4 d5 6 dxc5 Bxc5 7 a3 a6 8 b4 Ba7 9 Bb2 0-0 10 Rcl d4 11 exd4 Nxd4 12 c5 Nxf3+ 13 Qxf3 Bd7 14 Bd3 Bc6 15 Ne4 Nxe4 16 Bxe4 Qc7 17 0-0 Rad8?? (Hastening to complete his development, the American overlooks a nice combination; Black should have exchanged the bishops first)



18 Bxh7+! Kxh7 19 Qh5+ Kg8 20 Bxg7! Kxg7 21 Qg5+ Kh8 22 Qf6+ Kg8 23 Rc4, 1 - 0.

The 'average player' can take consolation that more than the odd grandmaster suffered a debacle in this selection of brevities!

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GAMES

The following five games were played in the recent New Zealand Championship at Dunedin.

D.A. GOLLOGLY — M. LEVENE

Sicilian, Dragon

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 g6

Levene's Dragon is widely respected; the main lines of the Yugoslav Attack in particular produce the kind of combative positions on which he thrives. It is, therefore, perhaps surprising that both Mark's losses in the Championship should result from Dragons. Significantly, in both these games White chose a solid line in which active moves were likely to rebound.

6 g3

A quiet positionally motivated move which generally offers White excellent chances for a small advantage, often based on a timely Nd5. If Black swaps on d5 White recaptures with the e-pawn when the Bg2 is excellently placed, fixing the weakness on e7 and supporting an outpost on c6 should Black move the b-pawn. Moreover Black can rarely achieve d6-d5, a common equalising move in the Sicilian.

I hoped to surprise Mark with 6 g3 but he played his next three moves rapidly and it was I who fell behind on the clock.

6...Nc6 7 Bg2 Bd7

White has two main lines, 7 Bg2 and 7 Nde2. After 7 Bg2 Black usually simplifies with 7...Nxd4. The text induces transposition to the second, more complicated, line.

8 Nde2 Qc8

Typical Levene; Black institutes his own 'Yugoslav Attack'. This setup looks artificial but after the game Mark said it was recommended by Levenfish.

9 0-0 Bg7 10 Nf4

Before either side could claim any advantage I offered a draw with a view to securing third place.

10...h5?!

It is axiomatic that one side cannot win by dint of willpower alone. White has played solidly so far and such unjustified aggression, especially from the second player, must lead to disadvantage. White will eventually place a piece on g5 which Black can now dislodge only by f7-f6 which would seriously weaken e6 and g6, a factor which would be accentuated if Black proceeded with the exchange of white squared bishops. Indeed, Black's kingside later proves weaker than White's.

11 h4 0-0 12 Ncd5 Nxd5 13 Nxd5

13 exd5 is inappropriate here as Black can provoke f3 interrupting the bishop's influence on d5. Now I somewhat hesitantly offered a second draw, with some advantage to back my claim!

13...Bg4 14 f3 Bh3?!

Consistent but inadvisable; White's kingside is never under serious threat despite the absence of the Bg2. Better was 14...Be6 15 c3 though White still has a clear advantage.

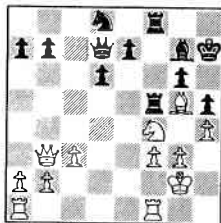
15 c3 Qd7 16 Bg5 f6?

After this final weakening it is doubtful that Black can survive. 16...Bxg2 17 Kxg2 Rfe8 leaves Black with a difficult but perhaps tenable position.

17 Be3 Bxg2 18 Kxg2 f5

Provoking a crisis, much in Mark's style though not surprisingly the complications favour White.

19 exf5 Rxf5 20 Bg5 Raf8 21 Qb3 Kh7 22 Nf4 Nd8



Mark criticised this move in the post mortem and later produced the double exchange sacrifice 22...Rxc5?! 23 hxg5 Rxf4 24 gxf4 Qf5. White's rooks make poor defenders and a convincing

refutation is difficult to find. This may have been Black's best chance but neither side realised that such desperate looking measures could be required. White should still win with careful play; one possible line is 25 Qxb7 Qxf4 26 Rg1.

23 Qc2

Now the white square weaknesses are glaringly obvious; Black cannot defend against the blunt threats of 24 Nxg6 or 24 Nxb5 followed by g3-g4.

23...Qe8 24 Nxb5 Qc6

Pointless, but 24...Qf7 25 Nxg7 Rxf3 26 Qe2 Rxf1 27 Rxf1 Qxg7 28 Rxf8 Qxf8 29 Qxe7+ is an easy win.

25 Nf4 Qe8

There was nothing better - 26 Nxg6 was threatened. The loss of a pawn has created further kingside weaknesses which are readily exploited. My main concern was the clock.

26 Rael Be5 27 Qb3 Qd7 28 Nd5 e6 29 Ne3 R5f7 30 Qc4 Nc6 31 Ng4 d5 32 Qd3 Rf5 33 f4 Bg7 34 Ne3 d4

Desperation, but 34...R5f7 35 h5 is the end. Mark continues until the time control is reached.

35 Nxf5 Rxf5 36 g4 Rf8 37 h5 Qd5+ 38 Kg3 Kh8 39 hxg6 Qxa2 40 Qe2, 1 - 0.

Notes by David Gollogly

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P.A. GARBETT — R.A. DOWDEN

French Defence, Tarrasch

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7 5 Bd3 c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Ngf3

A pawn sacrifice favoured by John Nunn which leads to a livelier game for White than the usual 7 Ne2.

7...cxd4 8 cxd4 Qb6 9 0-0 Nxd4 10 Nxd4 Qxd4 11 Nf3 Qb6 12 Qc2 h6

The alternative is 12...Qc5 when White can either recapture the pawn with 13 Bxh7 or play 13 Qe2 with better development and prospects on the c-file.

13 Bf4

This is more subtle than 13 Be3. White wishes to play Rcl before playing Be3 as Black will not then be able to

interpose with Bc5. However, 13 Be3 is also dangerous. An interclub game Garbett-Spiller (June 1982) went 13 Be3 Bc5 14 Rfel! Bxe3 15 Rxe3 Nc5 16 Bf1! Bd7 17 Rcl Ne4 18 Rb3 Qc6 19 Qb1 Qa4 20 Rxb7 Ng5 21 Rcc7 Rd8 22 Nxg5, 1 - 0.

13...g5!?

Black disrupts White's immediate plan of delaying Be3 but at the cost of giving up his chance to castle. Courageous but possibly unwise.

14 Be3 Bc5 15 Rfel!

As in the interclub game mentioned above. Black will be compelled to swap on e3 and the white rook becomes dangerously active.

15...Bxe3 16 Rxe3 Nc5 17 Be2?

A strange mistake as I had played the correct Bf1! in the above game. After 17 Bf1, when Black plays 17...Ne4 White is free to play 18 Rb3 as f2 is defended by the queen. After 17 Bf1 Bd7 18 Rcl Ne4 (not 18...Rc8 19 Rc3) 19 Rb3 Qc6 20 Qb1 White should be winning.

17...Bd7 18 h4!?

Risky but White did not want to let Black consolidate his position with Rc8 and Ke7.

18...Ne4?

Black misses his chance. I was afraid of 18...Rc8! which gives Black good play. If then 19 Rc3 Ke7! is most sound threatening Ne4. If 19 Qb1, hoping for 19...Ne4 20 Bd3 transposing to the game, then 19...Ke7! is again best as, if White captures on g5, Black gets a kingside attack. Best may be 19 Rf1 guarding f2 and freeing the other rook.

19 Bd3

Now White is fine.

19...Rc8 20 Qb1 g4 21 Bxe4 dxe4?

Best was 21...gxf3 22 Bxf3 but, with Black's king marooned in the centre, his prospects would not be bright.

22 Nd2 Qd4

Not 22...Bc6? 23 Nc4.

23 Nxe4 Qxe5 24 Qd3!

The point behind 19 Bd3. White's pressure in the centre is deadly; the threat is Nd6+.

24...Qxb2 25 Rd1 Rd8 26 Re2!

This clinches it. The point is that Black's queen must defend both f6 and b7; now it must give up one of them.

26...Qg7 27 Nd6+ Kf8

If 27...Ke7 then 28 Nf5+.

28 Nxb7, 1 - 0.

Notes by Paul Garbett

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P.A.GARBETT - P.S.SPILLER

French Defence, Tarrasch

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7 5 Bd3 c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Ngf3 Qb6 8 0-0 Be7

Probably a good move as, if White wishes to persist with his gambit, he must play 9 Re1 which may slow him down a little compared to the line 8...cxd4 9 cxd4 Nxd4 10 Nxd4 Qxd4 11 Nf3.

9 Re1 cxd4 10 cxd4 Nxd4 11 Nxd4 Qxd4 12 Nb3!?

A theoretical novelty, played partly because I wasn't too happy about what Paul Spiller might have prepared after 12 Nf3; but 12 Nb3 has its advantages anyway. It prevents 12...Qb6 13 Be3 Bc5 because of 14 Nxc5 Nxc5 15 Rcl. It also allows White's queen to attack with Qg4 or Qh5 in some cases. On the debit side it leaves Black's queen with the active option of Qa4 which is impossible after 12 Nf3.

12...Qh4

It is unclear whether this is better or worse than an immediate 12...Qa4.

13 g3 Qa4 14 Bc2 Qc4 15 Be3!

Important to contest the centre.

15...Nxe5

The alternative was to let White play Bd4 with a very strong grip on the position.

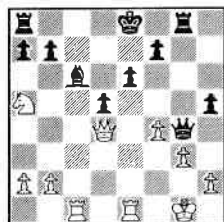
16 Bd4 Nf3+?!

Perhaps this knight is needed for defence but 16...Nc6 17 Bxg7 Rg8 18 Bc3 is very bad also - Black has problems finding a square for his Rg8 to hide on. Perhaps 16...Ng6 is the best chance for survival although White is clearly better.

17 Qxf3 Qxc2 18 Bxg7 Rg8 19 Bf6 Bxf6 20 Qxf6 Qg6 21 Qd4 Bd7 22 Rac1!

On 22 Qxd5 0-0-0! Black seems to survive. Now he must stop Rc7.

22...Bc6 23 Na5 Qg4 24 f4 h5



25 Nxb7!

A winning sacrifice based on the problems Black has defending e7. Less clear-cut was 25 Nxc6 bxc6 26 Rxc6 h4 27 Re3.

25...Bxb7 26 Rc7 Bc8

Black was in bad time trouble but found the only move. Now, if 27 Qc5 or 27 Qf6, then 27...Bd7.

27 Qxd5! Qxf4

If 27...Rb8 then 28 Qd6.

28 Qc6+ Kf8 29 Rxc8+ Ke7 30 Rc7+ Kf6 31 Rf1, 1 - 0.

Notes by Paul Garbett

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R.J.SUTTON - B.A.CARPINTER

Pirc Defence

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Be2 0-0 6 0-0 c5!?

Carpinter had played this against Garbett in an earlier round. Garbett then took space in the centre with 7 d5 but Carpinter manoeuvred well around the central wedge and got the better game. I consulted the Encyclopaedia of Chess Openings which recommended the exchange of pawns and the attempt to take tactical advantage of Black's backward development and weakening of his queenside; but this requires precise timing.

7 dxc5 dxc5 8 Qxd8 Rxd8 9 Be3 b6 10 Rfd1 Nc6

ECO would have Black meekly surrender the two bishops with 10...Bd7 11

Ne5 but Carpinter is made of sterner stuff than that.

11 Rxd8 Nxd8 12 Rd1

White has temporary control of the d-file, particularly the squares d7 and d5 through which the rook and knight want to come. This involves the advance e5 after which the e-pawns will be traded.

12...Bb7

Black has little choice since attempts to develop along the c8-h3 diagonal do not seem to turn out well for him, e.g. 12...Ne6 13 Bc4 Ng4 14 Bcl Nd4 15 Bd5 Rb8 16 h3 intending 17 Bf4. A different timing might have been thought better: 12...Nc6 intending 13 Bb5 Bb7 14 e5 Ng4 15 Rd7 Rb8 16 Rxb7 Rxb7 17 Bxc6 Rc7 gaining a pawn with good chances. However, this gives White time for 13 h3 and, if Black attempts to prevent the pawn advance by 13...e5, then 14 Rd6 and 15 Bg5 takes advantage of the open file.

13 e5 Ng4 14 Bg5 Nc6

If 14...Nxe5 15 Nxe5 Bxe5 16 Rd7 eventually recovering the pawn with a superior rook position since 16...f6 17 Bh6 Bd6 (or 17...Kf7 18 Nd5 Bxd5 19 Rxd5 with good play for the pawn) 18 Bc4+ Kh8 19 Bf8 Bc6? 20 Bxe7! turns out well for White.

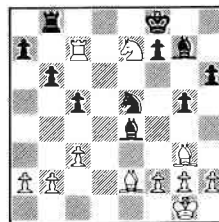
15 Rd7 Rb8 16 Nd5 Ncxe5

There was little joy in 16...e6 17 Nf6+ Bxf6 18 exf6, e.g. 18...h6 19 h3 hxg5 20 hxg4 and Black has no activity.

17 Nxe7+ Kf8 18 Nxe5 Nxe5 19 Rc7 h6

This weakening in the king's sector seems essential to loosen the grip of the dark squares and also to relieve the knight of the unpleasant threat f4.

20 Bh4 g5 21 Bg3 Be4 22 c3



The ability of White to make this

move is in strong contrast to the fixed character of the black queenside pawns.

We were now in a very difficult and intriguing position; for example, if Black plays the natural looking 22...Bd3 23 Bxd3 Nxd3 24 Bd6, there is no way he can rid himself of the discovery which will hang over him for some moves to come, for on 24...Rd8 comes 25 Nc6+ Rxd6 26 Rc8+ and mates next move.

Black's best seems to be 22...Rd8! 23 f3 Bh7 24 h4! Rd2 25 Bb5. Now if he plays the natural 25...Rxb2 then 26 Nc6! Bf6 (26...Nxc6 27 Bd6+ and wins) 27 Nxe5 Bxe5 28 Bxe5 Rxb5 29 Bf6 Ke8 30 Re7+ Kf8 31 Rd7 and mates. Better here is 25...Nd3! 26 h5! and now, after 26...Nxb2?, there is a quite extraordinary mating combination: 27 Rc8+ Kxe7 28 Re8+ Kf6 29 Be5+ Kf5 30 g4 mate. Who said there is no beauty in chess once the queens are exchanged? Obviously this is not a forced combination but an enticed one and Black could avoid it if he saw it.

Unfortunately Carpinter, who had been defending excellently up to this point, now missed the 22...Rd8! line and his position goes rapidly downhill.

22...Rb7? 23 Rxb7 Bxb7 24 Nf5 f6?

Blocking in the bishop, when the fight becomes hopeless. Better was 24...Nd7 25 Bb5! Nf6 26 Be5 though White has a strong initiative.

25 f4 Nc6 26 Nd6 Ba8 27 Bf3 a6 28 Nc8 b5 29 Nb6 Bb7 30 Nd7+, 1 - 0.

Black must lose two pawns without any alleviation of the miserable plight of his pieces.

Notes by Richard Sutton

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M.LEVENE - R.J.SUTTON

Giucco Piano

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bc4 Bc5 4 c3 Bb6 5 0-0 Nf6 6 d3 0-0

White plays a system similar to a Closed Ruy Lopez with Black's bishop on b6 instead of e7; thus Black's queenside play is much slower here although he has more play in the centre.

7 Nbd2 d6 8 Bb3 Be6 9 Bc2 a6 10 Rel!?

If White wants to avoid the storm

that is coming, 10 h3 is better.

10...Ng4! 11 Re2 Bxf2+!?

Black gets rook and three pawns for the knight and bishop but it was very difficult to assess whether White will have enough counterplay.

12 Rxf2 Ne3 13 Qe2 Nxc2 14 Rb1 Bxa2 15 b3 Bxb1 16 Nxb1 N2d4 17 cxd4 Nxd4

If 17...exd4 then 18 Bb2 regains the d-pawn.

18 Nxd4 exd4 19 Qg4

This position is a bit deceptive. Although Black has a slight material advantage, White's minor pieces can become very active if Black is not careful and the pawn on b3 stops the queenside mass in the meanwhile.

19...Qc8 20 Qg3 Qe6 21 Bf4! f5?!

On 21...Qxb3, 22 Bh6 is too strong but maybe a slower approach such as 21...f6 is better when Black's position is more solid than in the game and he will advance his queenside pawns sooner or later.

22 Nd2 fxe4 23 dxe4 Rf7 24 e5!

Now White has the initiative.

24...dxe5 25 Bxe5 Raf8 26 h3 Qh6?!

Better was 26...Qd7.

27 Re2! Re7?

Not 27...Re8? as 28 Bxg7! would follow, but 27...Qh5, 27...Qe6 or 27...Qb6 is better, although I feel White is at least equal now.

28 Bf4! Qf6 29 Bg5 Rxe2 30 Bxf6 Rxf6 31 Qg5!

After 31 Qd3, Rff2 seemed unclear.

31...Rd6

Now, on 31...Rff2 follows 32 Qd8+ Kf7 33 Qxc7+ Kg6 34 Qb6+! and wins.

32 Nc4 Rd7 33 Qg4 Ree7 34 Ne5! Rd8

35 Qh4 Ree8 36 Qf4!

The queen and knight cooperate nicely.

36...Rf8 37 Qc1! c6 38 Qc4+ Rd5 39 Nd3! Rd8

If 39...a5 then 40 b4 is strong.

40 Kf1 a5

If 40...Rd6 then 41 Ke1 b5 42 Qb4! and White has a strong bind.

41 Ke1 Kh8 42 Kd2 R5d6?

Blundering the exchange. After 42...Rf8 (with the idea ...g5 to prevent Nf4) then 43 g3 intending Nf4 and if 43...g5 then 44 Qc1 with the idea Qe1 activating the queen, but Black might still have sufficient drawing chances.

Editor's note: As this game was played in the last round there was no adjournment; the same applies to the game Spiller-Gollogly. As it was several players came close to missing their evening flight out of Dunedin!

43 Ne5

Now White is winning.

43...h6 44 Nf7+ Kh7 45 Qd3+ Kg8 46 Nxd8 Rxd8 47 Qc4+ Rd5 48 Qe2 Kf7 49 Qe4 d3 50 g4 h5 51 Qf4+ Kg6 52 Qc7! Rb5 53 Qd6+ Kg5 54 Qe7+ Kg6 55 Qe6+ Kg5 56 Qf7! hxg4

If 56...Kh6 then 57 Kxd3 with the idea Ke4-f4 and g5+ winning.

57 Qxg7+ Kh5 58 Qxg4+ Kh6 59 Qe6+ Kg5 60 Kxd3 Kh5 61 Ke4 Kg5 62 Kf3 Rf5+ 63 Kg3 Rb5 64 h4+ Kh5 65 Qf7+ Kh6 66 Kg4, 1 - 0.

One has to admire Richard for playing so sharply in the last round when he only needed a draw to come first equal!

Notes by Mark Levene

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36 bxc4 bxc4 37 Bxc4 Nb6 38 Bd3, 1 - 0.

DOWDEN - BELJAVSKY, French Advance:

1 e4 c5 2 c3 e6 3 d4 d5 4 e5 Qb6 5 Nf3 Bd7 6 a3 a5 7 Bd3 Nc6 8 0-0 a4 9 dxc5 Bxc5 10 Nbd2 f6 11 Qe2 Nge7 12 b4 axb3 13 Rb1 fxe5 14 Nxe5 Nxe5 15 Qxe5 0-0 16 Qe2 e5 17 Qxe5 Ng6 18 Qxd5+ Be6 19 Qh5 Rxf2 20 Rxf2 Bxf2+ 21 Kh1 Rd8 22 Ne4 Qa6 23 Qe2 Rxd3 24 Qxd3 Qxc4 25 Qd8+ Nf8, 0 - 1.

Local News

PHILIPS TOURNAMENT

The Hutt Valley Chess Club hosted the resurrected Philips Tournament on the weekend of 26/28 November. The format was a series of six-player round robins.

For a while nobody seemed interested in winning the A-grade with each player dropping a game at some point. In the end Mark Noble proved the most consistent and took first prize. Max Wigbout and Peter Hawkes shared second with the former getting the best game prize for his win over Ker. The performance of Rumanian emigrée Victoria Goga aroused some interest; she beat Feneridis and at one stage was winning a R & P ending against Hawkes - she eventually lost.

Fenella Foster and S.Yee shared the B-grade while Russell Dive took the C-grade. Dive could justifiably be called the 'wild man of Wellington chess' such are the bizarre positions he seems to steer most of his games into.

As well as the cash prizes for first and second in each grade; there were numerous LPs as consolation prizes. Wigbout's best game prize was a 'Maitre D' while Wanganui's Paul Cooper may have to wait a little to savour his prize for best game in the tournament's lower half - a shaver.

Bob Teece was DOP and a friendly team was on hand to serve refreshments. It is hoped that the Philips Tournament will continue, taking the Anzac Weekend slot in 1983.

Scores: A-grade - 1 M.F.Noble 3½/5; 2-3 P.D.Hawkes & M.Wigbout 3; 4 A.F. Ker 2½; 5 A.Feneridis 2; 6 V.Goga 1. B-grade - 1-2 S.Yee & F.Foster 4/5; 3 G.J.Aldridge 3; 4 S.A.Brown 2; 5 A.M. Borren 1½; 6 Z.Frankel 1. C-grade - 1 R.Dive 4; 2 C.M.Bell 3; 3 M.White 2½; 4-5 W.Ramsay & M.P.Schwass 2; 6 B.P.Connor 1½. D-grade - 1-2 A.B. Mullan & D.A.Gifford-Moore 3½; 3 B. Brown 2½; 4-5 P.Cunningham & R.McLean 2; 6 R.Stanton 1½. E-grade - 1-3 N. Owens, D.Low & P.Monrad 3½; 4 B.Craigie 3; 5 M.van der Hoorn 1½; 6 V.Boninan 0. F-grade - 1 P.R.Cooper 3/4; 2 P.King 2½; 3 C.M.Ker 2; 4 R.Edwards 1½; 5 J.N.Preston 1.

A.KER - WIGBOUT, Scotch Game:

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 d5?! 4 Nxe5

dxe4 5 Bb5 Nge7 6 Nc3 a6 7 Bxc6 Nxc6 8 Nxc6 bxc6 9 Nxe4 Be7 10 0-0 0-0 11 c3 Bf5 12 Ng3 Bg6 13 f4 f6 14 b3 Re8 15 Qf3 Qd7 16 Be3 a5 17 Rad1 Bf7 18 Rd2 Bf8 19 Re1 a4 20 b4 Bd5 21 Qd1 Qf7 22 a3 f5 23 Bf2 Rxe1 24 Qxe1 Bd6 25 Be3 Re8 26 Qf2 h5 27 Re2 h4 28 Nf1 Qh5 29 Re1 Re6 30 Bc1 Rg6 31 g3 hxg3 32 Nxg3 Qh3 33 Re2 Rg4 34 Qe3 Be4 35 Qf2 g5 36 Rxe4 fxe4 37 Qa2+ Kg7 38 Qe6? Rxg3+, 0 - 1.

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WANGANUI C.C. CH'P

One of the strongest and most even fields ever contested the 1982 A-grade Championship for the G.F.Francis Trophy. The new champion is Gordon Hoskyn who conceded just three draws. Scores: 1 G.Hoskyn 7½/9; 2 T.Boswell 6½; 3 P.R.Cooper 6; 4 H.P.Whitlock 5½; 5 P.Vetharaniam 5; 6 D.Burnham 4½; 7 A.Sangster 4½; 8 H.Jones 3; 9 D.I.Bell 1½; 10 D. Shalav 1.

The B-grade (Alf Ratliff Memorial Trophy) was won by K.Vetharaniam and the C-grade (Frank Jacobs Memorial Shield) was won by D.Berry.

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CIVIC C.C. CH'P

Philip Clemanace dropped just half a point in winning the Civic Chess Club's 1982 A-grade Championship. Scores: 1 P.A.Clemanace 8½/9; 2 T.W.L.Spiller 7½; 3 D.H.Beach 6½; 4 P.D.Hawkes 6; 5 A.B. Mullan 5; 6-7 M.White & L.Wall 4; 8 P.G.Robinson 2½; 9 J.Herbert 1; 10 J.B. Kay 0.

The B-grade was won by H.Dixon with 7/8 ahead of B.Southgate & P.King on 6. Then came K.Fink-Jensen 5; L.Abbey 4½; I.O'Neill 4; D.McDonald 1½; B.Thorns & T.Fink-Jensen 1.

The Civic C.C. Lightning Championship was won by Leonard McLaren.

From the A-grade Championship:

CLEMANACE - T.SPILLER, Caro-Kann:

1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Nc3 dxe4 4 Nxe4 Bf5 5 Ng3 Bg6 6 h4 h6 7 Nf3 Nd7 8 h5 Bh7 9 Bd3 Bxd3 10 Qxd3 e6 11 Bf4 Ngf6 12 0-0-0 Be7 13 Rhel 0-0 14 Kbl Qa5 15 Bd2 Qc7 16 Nf5 Bd8 17 Nxb6+! gxh6 18 Bxb6 Ng4 19 Bxf8 Nxf2 20 Qe2 Nxd1 21 Bh6 Nxb2 22 Kxb2 c5? (22... Bf6) 23 Ne5 Nxe5 24 dxe5 Qb6+ 25 Kcl Qb4 26 Rfl Qd4 27 Kbl Ba5?? 28 Rf4!

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CHESS IN ISRAEL

MARK EVANS

Chess in Israel isn't as professional as might be expected, given the country's playing strength, its relative proximity to Europe, its history of hosting big events (such as Olympiads), and the continuing influx of emigre talent. Indigenous talent in Jerusalem, for instance, has been supplemented by a battalion of Lev Aptekars - horrendous thought - bearing out the popular view of the Soviet Union as a land populated entirely by chess masters.

Concealed at home beneath a blanket of grandmasters, these players only come to light if they can get out of the place. Yet in the 9 months I lived near the city, and a bevy of Levs notwithstanding, there was little chess activity in Jerusalem outside the usual club scene.

Tel Aviv and Beersheva seem to be marginally more go-ahead although, aside from international events, sponsorship, publicity, and prize money - or the lack of them - are all recognisable by NZ standards.

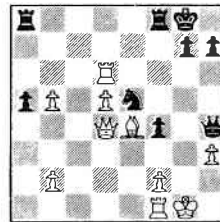
Beersheva were the runners-up in last year's final of the National Cup, Israel's premiere team competition. Incidentally, and apropos of nothing in particular, Beersheva lies in the middle of the Negev Desert - strange and illuminating to see clusters of modern apartment blocks sitting in a sea of sand.

Tel Aviv is a bastion of the weekend Swiss, staple diet of amateur chess. One such tournament last November attracted 56 players, including an IGM and 3 IMs. GM Yehuda Gruenfeld steamed through the field with 5/5.

I've filched one of his wins from Shahmat, along with notes by the editor. For the record, Shahmat, official magazine of the Israel Chess Federation, is on a par with NZ Chess in terms of content, maybe a little ahead in quantity of material, but behind in the quality of its paper, printing, and presentation.

WITMAN - GRUENFELD, Sicilian Najdorf:
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4
Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 g3 e5 7 Nde2 Nbd7
8 Bg2 Be7 9 0-0 b5 10 h3 Bb7 11 Be3

0-0 12 a4 b4 13 Nd5 Nxd5 14 exd5 a5
15 c4 (or 15 c3 Ba6!) bxc3 16 Nxc3 f5
17 Rcl? (17 f4 is required to avoid
...f4 by Black) Ba6 18 Nb5 f4! 19
gxf4 exf4 20 Bd4 Bxb5 21 axb5 Bf6
22 Be4 Bxd4 23 Qxd4 Ne5 24 Rc6 Qh4!
(24 ...Nxc6? 25 dxc6 and White is
better) 25 Rxd6 (White is ignoring



the strong attack
looming on him -
diagram)

25 ...Rf5!!
26 Bg2 Rg5 27
f3? (27 Qe4 is
much better,
avoiding Black's
next sacrifice.
It also prevents
27 ...f3 because

the black queen is unprotected) 27
...Rxcg2+ 28 Kxcg2 Qg3+ 29 Kh1 Qxh3+
30 Kg1 Qg3+ 31 Kh1 Nxf3 32 Rxf3
(forced) Qxf3+ 33 Kg1 Qg3+ 34 Kf1 f3
35 Re6 f2!, 0 - 1.

I query the editor's note to White's
27th, since after 27 Qe4 Qh3 White
looks to be lost.

I can't claim that this article gives
a complete picture of chess in Israel
since, living on a Kibbutz, my oppor-
tunities for first-hand observation
were limited. It was difficult to get
time off during the cotton harvest and
there were problems with transport.
Also, Kibbutz volunteers spend a fair
amount of their free time boozing and
wenching so there was a question of
priorities.

I managed one competition game,
standing in as a reservist for a friend
on a Jerusalem University team in a
second-division match against Patah
Tikva. Looking for adrenalin, to blow
the valves and so on after a long lay-
off, I settled for an obscure gambit
learnt the hard way from Craig Laird
a long time ago. Useful to stay a
little off the beaten track when you
get too lazy to keep up with theory.

In this case the opposition chewed
up a lot of time trying to find his
way through an interesting opening,
got the time-trouble jitters and blew
it. Old story.

EVANS - HELLWING, Sicilian Defence:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 c3 Nc6 4 d4 Nf6
5 Be2 cxd4 6 cxd4 Nxe4 7 d5 Qa5+
8 Nc3 Nxc3 9 bxc3 Nd8?!

(against Craig I tried 9 ...Ne5 and
lost - in addition to, not because of)

10 0-0 e5 11 dxe6 fxe6

(at first sight 11 ...Nxe6 looks
better, but after 12 Nd4 White can
quickly build an attack based on b5
and the open b-file or f5 and the open
e-file, depending on Black's response.
Black can try for an early endgame but
the pawn sac remains good, eg: 11
...Nxe6 12 Nd4 Nxd4 13 Qxd4 Qe5 14
Rel Qxd4 ((if 14 ...Be6 or 14 ...Bd7,
15 Qb4; or 14 ...Be7 15 Bb5+! Qxb5
16 Qxg7 Rf8 17 Rxe7+! Kxe7 18 Bg5+
Ke8 19 Qf6 etc)) 15 Bb5+ Kd8 16
Re8+ Kc7 17 cxd4 a6 18 Bc4 b5 19
Bd5)

12 Bf4 e5?! 13 Rel?! Be7

(White provoked Black's 12th with this
position in mind, since Black couldn't
go in for 13 ...exf4 14 Bb5+ Kf7 15
Qd5+, but maybe White's best was 13
Bg3 Be7 14 Bc4 Be6 15 Qb3)

14 Bxe5?! dxe5 15 Nxe5 Be6!?

(Not 15 ...Qxe5 16 Bh5+. The key
position arises after 15 ...0-0 16
Bc4+ Kh8. Both players thought Black
would be skittled, eg: 17 Qh5 Qb6
((17 ...Bf5 18 Ng6+ wins the queen))
18 Bd3 Qxf2+ 19 Kh1 Bf5 20 Rf1 Qh4
21 Ng6+! Bxg6 22 Rxf8+ Bxf8 23 Qxh4
Bxd3 24 Rd1, which is all very nice
but there's a hole - 18 ...Qh6! and
now what? Quick pressure against g7,
after ...Kh8, is another idea down
the tubes - 17 Nf7+ Nxf7 18 Rxe7
Ng5! 19 Qd4 Nf3+! 20 gxf3 Qg5+ etc.
So maybe White should aim for the
h-file - 17 Ng6+ hxg6 18 Rxe7 Qc5
((preventing 19 Qd4)) 19 Qe2 ((with
the threat 20 Re5, 21 Rh5+!)) 19
...Rxf2 20 Qxf2 Qxe7 21 Rel Qg5 22
Re8+ and 23 Qf8, and then again maybe
it's all rubbish!)

16 Bc4 Rc8??

(Black must castle, returning the

piece - 16 ...0-0 17 Bxe6 Nxe6 18
Qd7; but not 18 Qb3 Qb6 19 Qxb6 axb6
20 Nd7 Kf7!)

17 Bxe6 Nxe6 18 Qd7+ Kf8 19 Qxe6,
1 - 0.

There were endless bouts of casual
chess to be had, sessions of 6 hours or
more in the Kibbutz coffee house,
appropriately; mostly involving drub-
bings at the hands of the resident
champ. This character, by name of
Chaim Dror, is a student of statistics
and a Kibbutznik of sorts, venerated in
local folklore for the feat of
demolishing six neighbours in a simul-
taneous blindfold display whilst
solving a newspaper crossword and
conducting a game of whist.

Not an original idea, perhaps, but
still impressive and it caused quite a
splash among his fellow agrarians.
Maybe Pillsbury, or was it Black-
burne, took on more opponents, but I
bet he never tackled a crossword puzzle
in Hebrew.

Away from the board Chaim comes
across as large, very large, affable,
ingenuous, and generous. Very gener-
ous. I don't know what he's up to
these days but it's difficult to
imagine Chaim in his horn-rim specs
leaping around the hills of Lebanon
with an Uzzi machine-gun.

It's difficult to imagine Chaim
leaping anywhere. We met one evening
while he was on his rounds as the
rostered guard, a boring but necessary
job - earlier in the year the PLO
attacked the bus which ran between the
Kibbutz and Jerusalem, the ambush
occurring on a road behind the Kibbutz.
Chaim came ambling out of the dusk, a
book tucked under his arm and a WWII
vintage carbine dangling from his
shoulder.

"Hello, who comes?" he asked, the
old joke presented with an ear-to-ear
grin - which was quite a big grin
because his ears are a long way apart.

"Me. And you mean - halt, who goes?"
"Nobody goes. We both arrive." The
irrefutable logic of English as a
second language.

"Aha. Where's the magazine for the
rifle?"

"The what?"

"The thing with the bullets."

"Here ... somewhere ..." (Chaim

started to rummage through his pockets) "but it doesn't matter," he added, opening his book. "look here, this is a magazine, yes? and this game"

"Okay, but what will you do if Yasser Arafat wanders down the road? Hit him over the head with the latest wrinkle in the Ruy Lopez?"

"Maybe does he play chess?"

The game which follows was played on board one in a 33-board match pitting a team drawn from members of Kibbutzim in Northern Israel against a side from the south. The match, an annual event, was hosted by Kibbutz Shfaim in December 1981. Chaim's opponent, Uzi Geler, is a former Israeli champion.

DROR - GELER, French Tarrasch:
1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nd7

5 Bd3 c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Ne2 Qb6 8 Nf3 cxd4 9 cxd4 f6 10 exf6 Bb4+ 11 Nc3 Nxf6 12 0-0 0-0 13 a3 Bd6 14 Re1 Bd7 15 b4 Kh8 16 Na4 Qc7 17 b5? (*Over-looking the point behind Black's last two moves; better was 17 Bb2 and if 17 ...Rae8 18 Rcl*) 17...Nxd4! 18 Nxd4 Bxh2+ 19 Kh1 e5! 20 Nf3 (*Or 20 Kxh2 e4+ 21 Kgl Ng4 22 g3 Nxf2; also 21 f4 exf3+ doesn't help*) 20...Ng4 21 Ra2 e4 22 Bxe4 dxe4 23 Ng5 (*Hoping for 23 ...Nxf2+ 24 Rxf2 Rxf2 25 Qh5, if instead 23 Rc2 Nxf2+ 24 Rxf2 exf3, but 23 Rxe4 was a better try although it leaves f2 looking ripe for multiple contusions*) 23...Bg1! 24 f4 Nf2+ 25 Rxf2 Bxf2 26 Rxe4 Bf5 27 Re2 Rad8 28 Rd2 Qxf4 29 Nh3 Qh4 30 Rxd8 Rxd8 31 Qf3 Be4 32 Qb3 Rdl+!, 0 - 1 (*For if 33 Qxd1 Qxh3 mate, or 33 Kh2 Bg1+ 34 Khl Bd4+ 35 Kh2 Be5+ 36 g3 Rhl mate*).

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Qgl+ 29 Kb2, 1 - 0.

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1982 CLUB CHAMPIONS

We have received only brief details of the following club championships.

HUTT VALLEY

Club Champion: Mark Noble.

NORTH SHORE

Lightning Champion: Paul Garbett.
Junior Champion: Karim O'Driscoll.

TAWA

Club Champion: Greg Aldridge.

UPPER HUTT

Joint Club Champions: Simon Brown,
Ross Ferguson & Zyg Frankel.

WAITEMATA

Club Champion: Robert Smith (second,
John van Pelt). Reserve Champion:
George Williams. Junior Champion: N.
Dobbie.

WELLINGTON

Club Champion: Arcadios Feneridis

(ahead of Sarfati and McLaren).

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COMBINATION SOLUTIONS

- H. Johner-P. Johner, Frankfurt 1905:
1 Be4!! 1 - 0 (1...Bxe4 2 h3+ Kg3
3 Bel mate, or 1...Rxe4 2 h3+ Kg3 3
Rf3 mate; the 'Nowotny' theme of
problem composition).
- Gunsberg-Sellon, London 1887:
1 Qxg7+! Kxg7 2 Nf5+ Kg8 3 Nh6
mate.
- Meitner-Schlechter, 1886:
1...Rh6! 2 Bxh6 gxh6 & wins. White
is helpless against the threat of
Ke7 and Rg8+.
- Maczucki-Kolisch, Paris 1864:
1 Qd8+! Kxd8 2 Bg5+ Ke8 3 Rd8 mate.
- N.N.-Kostic, Cologne 1909:
1...Ne4 2 Bel Qf2+!! 3 Bxf2 Nd2
mate.
- Anderssen-Hillel, Breslau 1859:
1 Bg5! Qxg5 2 Qf5+! Qxf5 3 Rxd8+
Kxd8 4 Re8 mate.

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TOURNAMENT VENUES

The 1983 NEW ZEALAND JUNIOR CH'P
(Easter) will be organised by the Can-
terbury C.C. and the 1983 NORTH ISLAND
CH'P by the Hamilton C.C. More later!

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CIVIC C.C. meets 7.45 pm Fridays at the Aro St Community Centre, Aro St, Wellington. Contact: Grant Robinson, phone 726-348.

HUTT VALLEY C.C. meets 7.30 pm Tuesdays at the Hutt Bridge Club, 17 Queens Rd, Lower Hutt. Contact: Mrs Mary Boyack, phone 678-542.

PENCARROW C.C. meets 7.30 pm Thursdays (for seniors) at Louise Bilderbeck Hall, Main Rd, Wainuiomata. Contact: Brian Fester, phone 648-578.

UPPER HUTT C.C. meets 7.45 pm Thursdays in the Supper Room, Civic Hall, Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt. Contact: Anton Reid, 16 Hildreth St, Upper Hutt, phone 288-756.

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