

CLUB DIRECTORY

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DOUBLE ISSUE PUBLICATION

Delays in publication of the February issue have carried over into April and June. In an effort to catch up the new Editors have decided to publish a double (April-June) issue. This issue contains local and international news that will bring readers up to date as far as the end of May 1986. Typed for the most part on the Association's new Sharp Electronic Typewriter, the magazine is the joint work of the N.Z.C.A. Council.

LONDON/LENINGRAD FOR KASPAROV/KARPOV

KASPAROV/KARPOV Round 3 will be played in London and Leningrad according to a communique released by FIDE. The rematch is due to begin on July 28.

The first 12 games will be held in London with games 13-24 in Leningrad. An article in the Information Sheet Soviet News reports that Kasparov and his team have completed a 4 week physical training session at Zagulba on the Caspian Sea. Kasparov's coach Norair GRIGORYAN, and his Doctor, Khalid GASANOV are reportedly very pleased with his physical condition. The champion, now 23 devotes 4 hours daily to sports. He does not smoke, nor does he touch alcohol. If anyone needed telling after the first KK match, it is clear that this time round the need for physical fitness in chess is well recognised.

Kasparov's chess team, GM Iosif DORGMAN Master Alexei NIKITIN and Master Alexander SHAKAROV, are carrying out an in depth analysis of Karpov's style, in preparation for the rematch. Kasparov has a full list of activities leading up to the match. In March he began giving lessons in a correspondence chess school for 10-17 year olds. He has joined his former teacher ex world champion Mikhail BOTVINNIK, in running the school. In June teacher becomes student as Kasparov sits the graduation exams at Azerbaijan Foreign Languages Teacher Training Institute where he studies. An invitation to Spain to receive his 3rd Chess 'Oscar' has been fitted in with a training match against a leading Grandmaster. Readers can look forward to lots of exciting chess in the months to come.

Maya CHIBURDANIDZE will defend her title against Elena AKHMYLOVS-KAYA who won the contender's contest in Malmo, Sweden with 9½/14. AKHMYLOVSKAYA will be the fourth Russian challenger to play CHIBURDANIDZE for the title, emphasising (if it needs emphasising) the strength of Soviet players of both sexes.

A new chess school accommodating 500 pupils has been opened in Saatly, Azerbaijan, the home of World Champion Garri KASPAROV. Chess is being reintroduced to secondary schools as Soviet surveys show that chessplaying pupils do better at maths and science!

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Editorial

The appearance of my name as Editor of New Zealand Chess, though it places me, some might say, in distinguished company, does not provide the sense of satisfaction which one might expect. The truth is that NZCA Council members have collectively taken up the burden that Zyg FRANKEL, through personal circumstances was obliged to lay down. The next issue may well see the name of another Council member at the masthead.

A new Editor is desperately needed. My professional life, added to my secretarial responsibilities will not permit the present situation to last for long, and other Council members are in much the same position. I see an obligation to keep faith with subscribers until December 1986 and will do everything possible to ensure that readers receive a full measure of interesting material.

Apart from that, the question must be asked "Is the magazine worth the effort?" It receives marginal support from fewer than 40% of registered players, and is highly labour intensive at a time when NZCA is deeply involved in other areas of chess promotion. Arguments about fluctuating quality and irregular appearance in recent times are superficially appealing, but the fact is that the magazine received only marginal support in the days when Peter STUART turned out an immaculate product on time nearly all the time. In the past weeks I have learned to fully appreciate the effort and dedication that Peter put into his job as Editor.

Of course the magazine is the banner of New Zealand chess, and the main vehicle for keeping the chess players of this country informed. Of course it deserves to be maintained, and of course the Council should keep up its production. If you think that, then be prepared to lend more than vocal support. Instead of writing letters of

complaint, send in an annotated game, or if you feel really upset about something, write your complaint at the foot of your annotations.

To sum up, we need an Editor now. We need material from you, now. We need to know that the effort is worthwhile. Don't tell us. Show us.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS

The Council of NZCA is concerned at the dearth of experienced tournament directors on the local scene. The same regulars have been around for many years but there are all too few 'new boys' coming on and even the more experienced old hands have things to learn.

Since Ted STALLNECHT left for Australia, New Zealand has not had a qualified International Arbiter. It might be a while before we get one. Meantime, something needs to be done to take some pressure off the "old guard".

Running a tournament is a matter of following simple sequences, but does involve detailed knowledge of pairing rules and of course the laws of chess!

Many players who might make very competent tournament directors lack the confidence to give it a try. Often the most difficult part of arranging a tournament is to find a DOP!

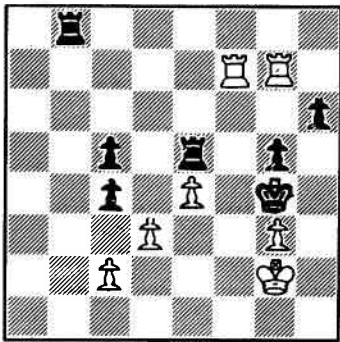
It is proposed that during 1987, a series of weekend seminars should be held in say, Auckland, Wellington, Christchurch and Dunedin. A small group of experienced tournament directors will provide basic "how to" information, and many of the finer points as well.

An application for part of the funding will be made to the Ministry of Recreation and Sport, but as is usual in such matters, the bulk of the cost will have to be met by the participants.

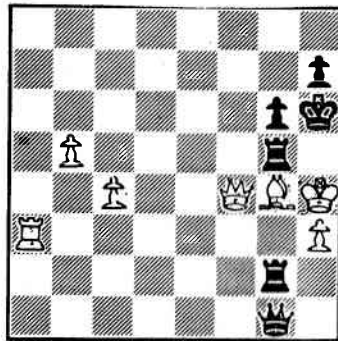
Let's have some feedback on this topic. How many Clubs would be interested in putting a member forward; and how many chess enthusiasts would be interested in taking part in a seminar of this sort?

Can You See the Combinations?

These diagrams from the library of Lev APTEKAR share a common theme. The answers are NOT provided in this issue. Try your hand using the diagrams only to develop your chess insight.



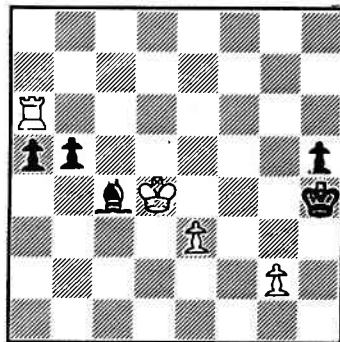
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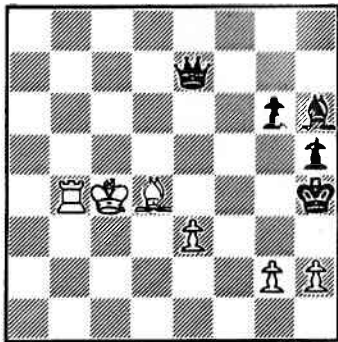
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Black to move

DURAO-CAROZZI
Dublin 1957

GEORGADZE-KUINDZHI
Tbilisi 1973



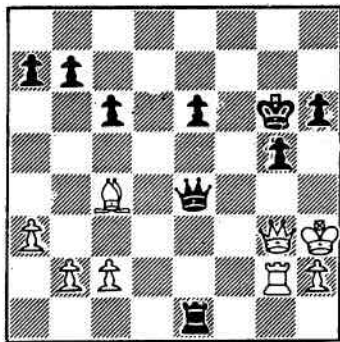
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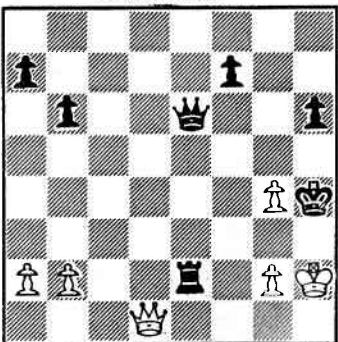
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White to move

MOLDOIARKOV-SANCHELOV
U.S.S.R. 1974

From study by
A. KAZANISEV



5.
Black to move



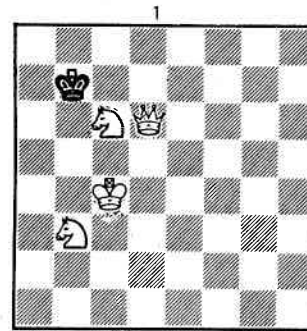
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White to move

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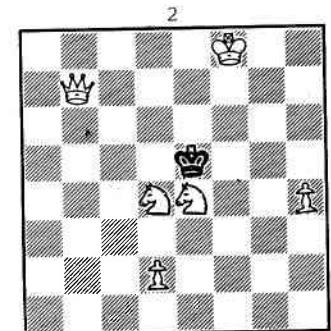
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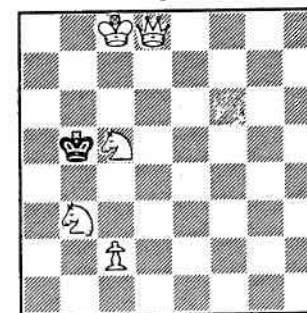
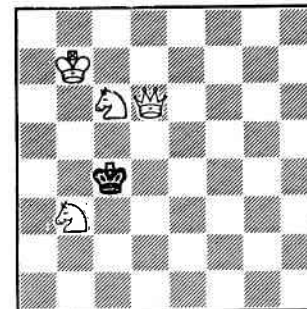
Just a bit of horsing about. You shouldn't need the board for these similar but subtly different Meredith problems provided from Lev APTEKAR's library. No solutions in this issue. Naturally, White to move and mate in two.



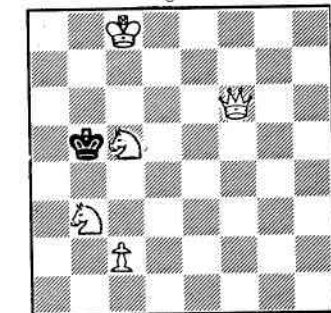
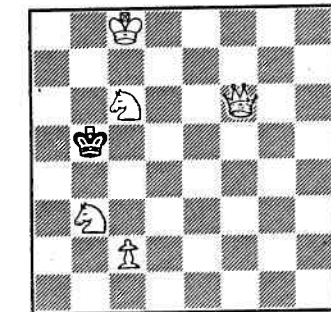
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LOCAL NEWS

AUCKLAND CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT

by Bob GIBBONS.

The Auckland Chess Centre hosted a small tournament over the Christmas holidays which saw 14 players compete for the 'Ortvin Sarapu Trophy'.

This cup was generously presented by Merv MORRISON with the aim of fostering chess competition in Auckland and it is hoped that the tournament will become an annual event.

The winners of the inaugural tournament were Simon FITZPATRICK and Martin DREYER with scores of 8½/10.

Results: 8½ S.FITZPATRICK, M.DREYER 7 P.COOPER, 6½ J.ROBINSON, 6 G.SPENCER-SMITH, 5½ R.BAUMGARTNER, 5 M.MORRISON, S.VAN DAM, 4½ G.MEARS, 3½ S.BAKER, D.PLUMPTON 3 E.LAWS 2 G.JONES 1½ J.SHIELDS.

WAITEMATA CHESS CLUB

Not surprisingly Robert SMITH is the 1985 Waitemata Chess Club Champion. He finished with 4½/5 ahead of Nick BRIDGES who held him to a draw in their last round game. The most notable feature was that the half point was the first that Bob had dropped at the Club all year. George WILLIAMS who turns out a first rate Club Bulletin found time to take the Reserve Championship with 4½/5 ahead of Charlie MOULE.

Junior Club Champion was Chris BAKER, while Andrew MALCOURONNE and Barry MARTIN-BUSS shared the 'Most Improved Player' award.

COMPUTER WINS!!

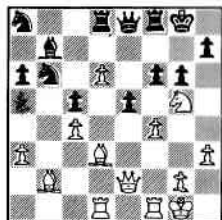
January 1986 marked a first for New Zealand chess when a Sci-sys Turbostar Kasparov Computer won a 5 round swiss at Papatoetoe Chess Club with 4½ ahead of R.BAUMGARTNER (3½) who took the prize as 'first human'. The Summer Cup Tourney in Feb - March also featured an upset when schoolboy Nathan BLAXALL beat off a higher rated field to win with 6/7. Results: N.BLAXALL 6; K.METGE, G.BANKS 5½ T.BRUMBY, J.WORN, R.FULLER, 4½; R.HAMPTON L.COLLINS, L.PETTI, P.McCARTHY, J.McRAE, A.WHITTAKER, 4; C.BLAXALL, P.CROSBIE, 3½; J.DALE, A.GOSLIN, T.MARARO, S.ALLEN, 3; J.HANSSSENS 2½; S.EAST, D.STEWART, M.ARMSTRONG, R.NOKES, 2.

AUCKLAND BUSINESSHOUSE TOURNEY 1985

Notes by Peter WEIR.

P.WEIR (Law) W.LEONHARDT (Airchess)

1 e4 b6 2 d4 Bb7 3 Nc3 e6 4 Bf4 Nf6
5 Bd3 d6 6 Nf3 Be7 7 Qe2 Nbd7 8 0-0
0-0 9 h3 a6 10.Rd1 b5 11 a3 Nb6 12 Bc1
Qe8 13 e5 Nfd5 14 Ne4 de 15 de Rad8
16 b3... Threatening 17 c4 winning the
knight at d5.
16....c5 17 c4 bc 18 bc Nc7 19 Nd6!
Bd6 Forced as 19...Qc6 fails to 20 Be4.
20 ed Nca8 Again a forced move and a
sad one as 20 ...Rd6 fails to 21Bh7+.
21 Ng5 g6 22 Bb2... Occupying the long
diagonal and threatening the devastating
23 Qh5! when mate is unavoidable ie: 23...
gh 24 Bh7.
22...e5 23 f4 f6



24 fe! fg 25 e6 ... Threatening 26 Qe5.
25... Rf1+ 26 Rf1 Qc6 27 e7 Resigns.

NORTH SHORE SUMMER CUP

The North Shore Club's 1986 pipe-opener was the usual 8 round Swiss Summer Cup. Forty two players entered but the event lacked several of the Club's top players.

Paul GARBETT won the tournament easily with a possible 8 points while Ralph HART took clear second a point behind, after a large slice of good fortune in the last round against Greg SPENCER-SMITH who obtained a winning Rook ending but then gave away his extra pawn and later blundered his lady in the ensuing Queen ending.

Results: 1.P.GARBETT 8; 2. R.HART 7; 3. G.PITTS 6; 4-5 A.DUHS, P.SNELSON 5½; 6-11 M.HOLLAND, J.MATHIESON, R.POOR, R.ROUNDILE, G.SPENCER-SMITH, P.STUART 5; 12-19 H.ALES J.CHANDLER, D.LANGLEY, G.MEARS, G.SCHRADER D.SHEAD, P.VAN DER MEY, M.ZAJAC 4½
.....42 players.

HASTINGS JUNIOR TOURNAMENT 1985

The 6th Hastings Junior Tournament drew 313 entries to the Hastings Indoor Stadium from 30 primary and intermediate schools. For the 6th year in a row Peterhead School of Flaxmere dominated with 75 entries, and took 6 first places. Steven Donnelly (St.Marys) won the junior open class for the 4th consecutive year. Other Results: Girls: 7 years Sarah Rice (Peterhead) 8 years Indiana Pirere (Peterhead) 9 years Mandy Michaelson (Flaxmere Primary) 10 years Lily Bourne (Peterhead) 11 years Rawinia Pirere (Camberley) Open Junior Linda Samuel (Flaxmere Intermediate)
Boys: 7 years Ryan Jennings (Raureka) 8 years Andre Chalmers (Greenmeadows) 9 years Greg Miller (Peterhead) 10 years Section A Stefan Rea (Peterhead) Section B Rowan Sapsford (Peterhead) 11 years Section A Arthur David (Ebbett Park) Section B Christopher Donnelly (St Marys) Open Junior Steven Donnelly (St Marys).

HASTINGS CHESS CLUB RESULTS 1985

Dave LYNCH who was recently awarded the NZ Master Title, showed his class by winning the three senior events - the P.D.LEE Swiss Open, the Lightning Tournament and the A Grade Trophy. Api ROBIN was second in the A Grade and also received the "most improved player" award. Mike EARLE was third. Paul TURNER won the B Grade ahead of Roy GORDON with Mike JENNINGHAM third.

PAPATOETOE CHESS CLUB

The 1985 A grade championship resulted in a tie for 1st between R.HAMPTON and R.BAUMGARTNER. Last year's winner G.BANKS was third. The B Grade provided a surprise when N.BLAXALL finished first ahead of life member C.GOLDWORTHY and C.BLAXALL. The Handicap tourney was won in a playoff by R.BAUMGARTNER who beat R.FULLER to take the trophy. D.STOREY won the annual Lightning competition ahead of R.TAYLOR (N.Shore) and S.HART.

Interclub Matches:
Remuera - Papatoetoe 3-3.
Howick - Papatoetoe 4½-3½.

WANGANUI CHESS CLUB

The 1985 A Grade Championship was won for the tenth time by Howard WHITLOCK who played his usual steady brand of chess. Prince VETTERANIAM was denied a share of first when held to a draw in the final game by David BURNHAM.

Numerous departures for other towns and overseas has depleted Club membership to the point where only Monday night play is feasible. Fewer members also created problems in our traditional home and away matches with Palmerston North. This year a single match played over 8 boards resulted in a 4½-3½ win to Wanganui.

The Wanganui City Council commissioned a giant chess set for public use on the forecourt of the Memorial Hall. A special display match between Club President Charles WARD and Mayor Doug TURNER was adjudged a draw when mayoral duties intervened with WARD in a powerful position.

Preparations for the 1986 - 1987 Congress are well under way. Wanganui is looking forward to the support of chess players from far and wide.

UPPER HUTT CHESS CLUB

Ross CORRY is the 1985 Upper Hutt Chess Club Champion. An unbeaten 7½/10 placed him ahead of Allan JOHNSON (7) and Simon BROWN (6½). Though by no means highest rated, he was tournament favourite having lost only one Club game all year.

The B Grade winners were Joe HOFSTEEDE and Brian BROWN with Chris BELL third. Ken HARRIS won the C Grade and Glen SULLIVAN scored a picket fence in the D grade.

A.BOUGHEN - R.CORRY.

1 d4 d5 2 Nf3 c5 3 e3 Nc6 4 b3 Nf6
5 Bb2 cd4 6 Nd4 e6 7 a3 Bd6 8 c4 0-0
9 cd5 ed5 10 Qc2 Bd7 11 Nc6 Bc6 12 Bd3
d4 13 Bd4 Bg2 14 Rg1 Bh3 15 Bh7+ Kh8
16 Rg5 Bf4 17 Bf6 Qf6 18 Rh5 Bh6 19 Qc3
Qe6 20 Bd3 Kg8 21 Bc4 Qg4 22 Rd5 Qg1+
23 Ke2 Qf1+ 24 Kf3 Bg4+ 25 Kg4 Qg2+
26 Kf5 Rae8 27 Re5 Qg6M.

Footnote: Of 72 games played in the C and D Grades of the Club Championship only one game was drawn. A sign of things to come? Let's hope so.

AUCKLAND CHESS CENTRE

The 1985 Centre Championship was run as a 9 round Swiss. Michael HOPEWELL made short work of the opposition in blazing through to 8½/9. He dropped the half point to N.Bridges in Round 7. Lindsay CORNFORD was always close behind but a loss to S.Vandam in the last round put him out of second place. P.WHITE also had chances of second place and was the only player to trouble the winner, but went astray in the adjournment and lost.

Results: 1 M.HOPEWELL 8½; 2 S.VANDAM 7; 3-4 P.WHITE, L.CORNFORD 6½; 5-6 N.METGE N.HOPEWELL 6; 7-13 N.BRIDGES, R.GIBBONS, J.BOJTOR, M.HARE, M.MORRISON, L.RAWNSLEY, C.ROSE 5½; 14-17 C.BYFORD, F.FISCHER, G.HAAG, I.MCNALLY 5...40 players...

M.HOPEWELL - N.METGE

Dutch

Notes by Nigel HOPEWELL.

1 d4 e6 2 c4 f5 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 Nf3 Bb4!?

5 g3 Bc3+ 6 bc3 b6 7 Bg2 Bb7 8 0-0 d6?

A weakness that Black's position cannot tolerate. 9 d5!+ The standard response. ...e5 10 Ng5 Bc8 Black's position is already unbearable. He could also try 10...Na6 followed by ...Nc5, swapping off the Ne6, however this line is likely to meet a similar fate to the text. 11 Ne6 Be6 12 de6 c6 13 Ba3 Ke7 14 e4!

By sacrificing a pawn, White opens up lines against Black's King. 14...fe4 15 f4! ef3 16 Qf3 Qc7 17 Rad1 Rd8 18 Qf5 Na6 19 g4 Resigns. The threat of 20 g5 cannot be met.

SUMMER CUP

The Auckland Chess Centre Summer Cup was convincingly won by Simon FITZPATRICK while Peter Green, playing strong and resourceful middle games came an easy second. Of the remaining players, Lindsay CORNFORD and Michael HOPEWELL played the most energetic chess.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1 S.FITZPATRICK	X	1	½	½	1	1	½	1	5½
2 P.GREEN	0	X	1	1	1	1	0	5	
3 L.CORNFORD	½	0	X	0	1	1	1	½	4
4 N.HOPEWELL	½	0	1	X	½	0	½	1	3½
5 M.HOPEWELL	0	0	0	½	X	1	½	1	3
6 N.METGE	0	0	0	1	0	X	1	1	3
7 M.DREYER	½	0	0	½	0	0	X	1	2½
8 P.WHITE	0	1	½	0	0	0	0	X	1½

Barry WILLIAMS took out clear first place in the B Grade with 6/7 ahead of M.HARE and S.McRAE on 4½.

The C Grade was a thirty player Swiss and C.BYFORD scored an effortless 6/7 to head off R.Jackson on 5½.

Games from the A Grade annotated by Nigel HOPEWELL:-

M.HOPEWELL - S.FITZPATRICK.

Alekhine's Defence

1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4 Nf3 Bg4 5 Be2 c6 6 Ng5 Be2 7 Qe2 de 8 de e6 9 0-0 Nd7 10 c4 Ne7 11 Nc3 Nf5

A standard Alekhine position where White has his usual spatial edge.

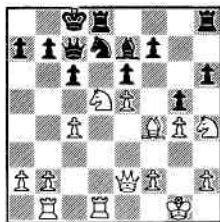
12 Rd1 Qc7 13 Nf3...

The different move order 13 Bf4 and then 14 Nf3 gives Black the opportunity to err with 13...h6? 14 Ne6! fe 15 Qh5+ Kd8 16 Qf7 eyeing e6.

13...Be7 14 Bf4 0-0-0 15 Rab1 h6 16 g4! Obligatory.

16...Nh4 17 Nh4 g5!!

A superb move! 17...Bh4 is obviously better for White after 18 Ne4; now however, it transpires, Black has the advantage. 18 Ng6 is the crucial test as after 18...fg6 19 Bg3 White has a clear advantage. Michael would have played this line had he not been otherwise tempted. Nonetheless Black has an excellent exchange sacrifice with 18...gf4! 19 Nh8 Rh8 20 Re1 Rg8 with the idea of Rg5, and h5. The reader will see that these possibilities, which favour Black arise because White's QB is relatively out of play and also, due to opposite castling acts as a catalyst to Black's K side initiative. Therefor deployment of the Bishop on the b2-h8 diagonal with 11 b3 intending Bb2, Nbd2, etc., was more accurate. 18 Ng5?!



A wild conception! The reader can analyse the position for himself!

18...cd5 19 cd5 gf4 20 Rdc1 Bh4

21 Rc7 Kc7 22 Qc4+ Kb8 23 Qf4 Bg5 24 Qg3 Rc8 25 f4 Bd8 26 d6 Rg8 27 Kh1 Rc4 28 Rf1 Bb6 29 Qb3 Rd4 30 Qf3 Rc8 31 Rf2 Rc1+ 32 Kg2 Rdd1 33 Re2 Rg1+ 34 Kh3 Nc5 35 Rd2 Rcf1 36 Qe3... The adjourned position, and an interesting one. There are many possibilities, eg; 36...a6 (to solve back rank problems) 37 d7! Nd7 38 Qb3 Re1 39 Rd7 Re3+ 40 Qe3 Be3 41 Rf7. However, FITZPATRICK finds an effective forcing variation. 36...Nd7! 37 Qe4 h5! 38 gh f5 39 ef Nf6 40 Qe2 Re1 0-1.

P.GREEN - M.HOPEWELL

Neo-Grünfeld

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 g6 3 g3 Bg7 4 Bg2 0-0 5 0-0 d5 6 c4 dc 7 Qc2 Be6 8 Na3 Nc6! 9 e3 Nb4 10 Qe2 Nd3?

The idea was to weaken d4 by forcing Nfd2, however 10...c5! was much better.

11 Nfd2 c5 12 Nac4 Nc1 13 Rac1 cd

14 ed Nd5 15 Rfd1 Rc8 16 Ne4...

Reaching an isolated QP position which in view of his excellently centralised Knights, favours White.

16...Bh6? A strong move were it not for White's brilliant refutation.



17 Nc5! Rc5

If 17...Bc1 White has more than enough compensation after 18 Ne6 etc.

18 dc Bc1 19 Rc1+ Qc7 20 Ne5 Rc8

21 h4... The next phase of the game can best be explained by Black's severe time trouble (3 minutes for 15 moves) and White's risky play to exploit it.

21...Qa5 22 h5 Rc5 23 Rd1 Nc3

24 bc3 Re5 25 Qf3 Rh5 26 Qb7 Qc5

27 Qb8+ Kg7 28 Qe8 Re5 29 Rd8 Re1+

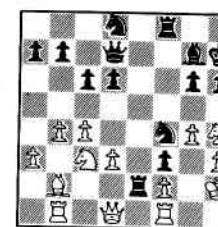
30 Bf1 Bh3 and Black lost on time.

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The above games were selected by the winners as their most interesting encounters. Nigel had recourse to his brother's post mortem notes. Nigel METGE had a lean tournament but the following position from his game against P.WHITE was one of

his better moments.

P.WHITE - N.METGE



Black has played very strongly; his last move 23...Re2!, has the immediate threat of Rxb2, whilst also serving as an interference in White's defence (note f3 is no longer under attack.) After White played the natural 24 d4... Black blew White's foundations apart with 24...Nh3!! Now if 25 Kh3 h5! with a powerful initiative. A probable variation runs 26 Rg1 Rf4 27 Ne2 Rg4 28 Rg4 Qg4 29 Kh2 fe2 with Qh4 to follow. Unfortunately, White, perhaps a little baffled, played 25 Ne2 Qg4 26 Nf3 Rf3 27 Ng1 Ng1 0-1 0-0-0

CHRISTCHURCH CHESS CENTRE 40-40

Report by Adrian LLOYD

Tony DOWDEN conducted a 40-40 tournament for Christchurch Chess Centre on 8-9 March 1986, and though the good advertising failed to attract some top Cantabrians it did bring a trio of Nelsonians in Tom van DYK John van GINKEL and Dennis BOYCE.

After three rounds only Adrian LLOYD had 100%, Tony DOWDEN having lost to promising youngster Dean EDWARDS in the first round. Tom and Peter van DYK split the point after a spirited tussle. Three rounds later LLOYD still had his picket fence and Stephen LUKEY joined DOWDEN and Tom van DYK on 4/6 Round seven destroyed hopes of a perfect score when LLOYD in the heat of a time scramble queened to find that van GINKEL's King was stalemated. Tony DOWDEN ran a first rate tournament but could not match the high standard at the board as well.

Results: 1 A.LLOYD 7½; 2-3 P.vanDYK, D. EDWARDS 5½; 4-6 A.DOWDEN, T.van DYK, S. LUKEY 5; 7-8 E.WILKINSON, T.JORDAN 4½; 9-11 D.BOYCE, B.McMULLAN, J.van GINKEL 4; 12-13 M.WILSON, R.van NOBELEN 3.5; 14-15 G.WAITE, J.CALDER 3; 16 S.TOMLINSON 2½; 17-18 J.HOSEASON, B.LEVETT 1.

CIVIC EASTER TOURNAMENT
by Rowan WOOD.

The 1986 Civic Easter was a six round Swiss in two grades, 12 players contesting the A grade and 10 in the B Grade. A discussion point was the implementation of a FIDE recommendation that a playing session be of six hours duration with two time controls: 40 moves in two hours then 20 moves in an hour. The Civic tournament committee believed that this would eliminate all but a few adjournments, and ensure that games were a one to one test of ability rather than a battle of seconds. In fact only one adjournment eventuated, while most other games that would have been adjourned under a four hour playing session were completed inside five hours. The A grade field was disappointing with a number of top players not competing, eg: Jonathan SARFATI, David BEACH (the D.O.P) Anthony KER (NZ Junior) and the defending champion, Tom VAN DYK.

David BEACH was both an efficient and capable Director, but his presence at the playing board was missed. The competition for the title was therefore expected to be fought out between the three NZ Championship players, Russell DIVE, Greg ALDRIDGE, and Leonard McLAREN. DIVE started favourite on the strength of his better Congress performance and a splendid win in the Howick-Pakuranga Tournament.

The first two rounds went much as expected with ALDRIDGE, DIVE and McLAREN winning both games to head the field. Round three saw the first clash of the top three; ALDRIDGE and McLAREN playing out a draw. This enabled DIVE to take an outright lead with a win over Andrew GRKOW. Scores: DIVE 3; ALDRIDGE, McLAREN 2½; MARNER 2. With wins over ALDRIDGE and Gavin MARNER respectively, DIVE and McLAREN were in a commanding position after four rounds. DIVE led with 4 points ½ a point ahead of McLAREN with ALDRIDGE a full point back in third place. In the only game to go to adjournment, McLAREN defeated DIVE in 72 moves to take over the lead.

Scores going into the final round were: McLAREN 4½; DIVE 4; ALDRIDGE 3½ Fenella FOSTER and GRKOW 3.

In round 6 McLAREN quickly settled for a draw with Fenella FOSTER, thus giving DIVE a chance to tie for first place. This he duly achieved, beating

Peter COLLINS. ALDRIDGE could only draw with Nathan GOODHUE and he was joined on four points in equal third place by GRKOW. Thus a fairly predictable result with none of the other players being able to make an impact beyond the odd draw, on the top three.

ALDRIDGE - DIVE
Petroff Defence

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 Ne5 d6 4 Nf3 Ne4
5 Nc3 Nf6 6 d4 d5 7 Bg5 Be7 8 Qd2 Bf5
9 Bd3 Bd3 10 Qd3 c6 11 0-0-0 Nbd7 12
Rhe1 0-0 13 Ne5 Re8 14 Re2 Nf8 15 Rde1
Qc7 16 Qf5?? Ne6 17 Be3 Bb4 18 Qd3 Ne4
19 bd2 Bc3 20 bc3 b5 21 Re4 de4 22 Qe4
23 d5 Nf8 24 Qf5 f6 25 Nc6 Re+ 26 Be1
Qd7 27 Qd7 Nd7 28 Bd2 Nb6 29 d6 Kf7
30 Be3 Ke6 31 Be5 Kd5 32 Bb6 Kc6 33
Bc7 Re8 34 Kd2 Re4 35 Ba5 Ra4 36 Bb4
Ra2 37 Kc1 Ra1+ 38 Kb2 Rh1 39 h3 Rh2
40 Bc5 a6 0-1.

DIVE - McLAREN
Queen's Gambit

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 Bg5 Be7
5 e3 0-0 6 Nf3 h6 7 Bh4 Ne4 8 Be7 Qe7
9 Qc2 Nc3 10 bc3 Nbd7 11 Bd3 dc4 12
Bc4 b6 13 0-0 Bb7 14 Qe2 c5 15 Rfd1
Rac8 16 Rac1 Nf6 17 Ne5 Rc7 18 Rc2 Rfe8
19 Bd3 Nd6 20 Bd3 Nd6 21 c4 cd4 22 ed4
Qg5 23 g3 Nf5 24 Bf5 Qf5 25 Rc3 Rd8
26 Qe3 Qe4 27 Qe4 Be4 28 f3 Bb7 29 c5
f6 30 c6 Bc8 31 Nd7 Bd7 32 cd7 Rc3 33
Rc3 Rd7 34 Rc4 Kf7 35 Kf2 Ke7 36 Ke3
Kd6 37 Rc8 Rc7 38 Rd8+ Ke7 39 Rg8 Kf7
40 Rb8 Rc3+ 41 Ke4 Ra3 42 Rb7+ Kg6 43
Re7 Ra2 44 Re6 Rh2 45 Rc6 Re2+ 46 Kd3
Re7 47 d5 Kf7 48 Kd4 Rd7 49 f4 Ke7
50 f5 b5 51 Kc5 Kd8 52 Re6 b4 53 d6 b3
54 Kc6 a5 55 Re3 a4 56 Re4 Ra7 57 Rb4
Ra6+ 58 Kd5 a3 59 Ke6 Ra8 60 Rg4 Ra7
61 Rb4 Ra8 62 Rg4? Ra5 63 Rg7 Re5+ 64
Kf6 a2 65 Ra7 Re1 66 Kg7 a1=Q 67 Ra1
Ra1 68 f6 Rg1 69 Kh6 Rg3 70 d7 Kd7
71 f7 Ke7 72 Kh7 Kf7 73 Resigns. 0-1.

DIVE - GOODHUE
Queen's Gambit

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Be7 4 Nf3 Nf6
5 Bg5 h6 6 Bh4 0-0 7 e3 b6 8 cd5 Nd5
9 Be7 Qe7 10 Nd5 ed5 11 Qc2 c5 12 Be2
c4 13 0-0 Nd7 14 b3 b5 15 a4 cb3 16
Qb3 ba4 17 Qd5 Nb6 18 Qc5 Qc5 19 dc5
Nd5 20 Nd4 Nc3 21 Bf3 Rb8 22 Rfc1 Nb5
23 Ra4 Nd4 24 ed4 a6 25 d5 Rb2 26 Rd4
Re8 27 h3 Rb3 28 d6 Bh3 29 Bd5 Re5 30
Bb3 Rg5 31 g3 1-0

The B Grade title was won by second seed

Steve ABURN who after winning his first three games, had the luxury of three draws to finish half a point clear of his rivals. Three players finished second equal: Peter KING, Michael SCHWASS and Phillip TOYE who was unbeaten in his first tournament; a fine performance for an unrated player.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOT	SOS
1 R.DIVE	CIV W6	W5	W4	W3	L2	W9	5	21.5
2 L.McLAREN	CIV W10	W9	D3	W7	W1	D5	5	19
3 G.ALDRIDGE	CIV W7	W4	D2	L1	W9	D6	4	21.5
4 A.GRKOW	UH W11	L3	L1	W12	W8	W10	4	16
5 F.FOSTER	WNU W12	L1	D8	D9	W7	D2	3½	
6 N.GOODHUE	HV L1	W12	L7	D8	L5	D3	3	
7 G.MARNER	WNU L3	W11	W6	L2	L5	D12	2½	18
8 A.BORREN	HV D9	D10	D5	D6	L4	D11	2½	16
9 P.COLLINS	WNU D8	L2	W10	D5	L3	L1	2	22
10 J.MAZUR	WEL L2	D8	L9	D11	W12	L4	2	16
11 A.WINFIELD	CIV L4	L7	D12	D10	L6	D8	1½	
12 R.WOOD	CIV L5	L6	D11	L4	L10	D7	1	

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NEW ZEALAND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

by Rowan WOOD

	1	2	3	4	5	6	TOT	SOS
1 A.KER	HV W2	W6	W4	D3	W5	W9	5½	
2 M.VAN DER HOORN	HV L1	W9	W10	W4	W3	D5	4½	
3 P.COOPER	WAN W5	D4	W7	D1	L2	D8	3½	23
4 M.WILSON	CAN W8	D3	L1	L2	W9	W6	3½	22
5 C.KER	HV L3	BYE	W11	W7	L1	D2	3½	18.5
6 M.CAPIE	HV W10	L1	L9	BYE	W11	L4	3	15.5
7 D.EDWARDS	CAN D9	W11	L3	L5	D8	BYE	3	14.5
8 P.DUNN	HV L4	L10	BYE	W11	D7	D3	3	14
9 C.TAN	WEL D7	L2	W6	W10	L4	L1	2½	
10 S.LUKEY	CAN L6	W8	L2	L9	BYE	L11	2	15.5
11 T.STEVENSON	WEL BYE	L7	L5	L8	L6	W10	2	14.5

The New Zealand Junior was held in conjunction with the Civic Easter under the same playing conditions. A small field of 11 players contested the Championship; 7 from Wellington, 3 from Canterbury, and Paul COOPER from Whangarei. Auckland players were noticeably absent. With the decline in numbers it seems inevitable and, I believe, necessary that this Tournament become an 8 player round robin with entry by selection.

Defending champion Anthony KER was the odds-on favourite to retain his title, though opposition from Mark WILSON and Paul COOPER was expected.

It took only two rounds for A.KER to take an outright lead in the championship. COOPER and WILSON shared the point in round two to be, along with

B.GRADE RESULTS: 1 S.ABURN (Wel) 4½; 2-4 M.SCHWASS (Ne1), P.TOYE (Wel) P.KING (Civ) 4; 5 S.MOORE (Wnu) 3½; 6 P. CUNNINGHAM (Wnu) 3; 7-8 J.SIMMONS (Civ), K CHIN (Twa) 2½; 9 H.JOHNSTON (Civ) 1½; 10 I.STONES (Civ) ½.

Dean EDWARDS, half a point behind. Round three saw the top seeds A.KER and M.WILSON meet. KER improved on his N.Z.Championship result by defeating WILSON to stay half a point clear of COOPER who beat EDWARDS for second place. Mark VAN DER HOORN and Charles KER were half a point further back on 2. In round 4 COOPER became the only player to take even half a point from A.KER. This enabled VAN DER HOORN and Charles KER with wins over WILSON and EDWARDS respectively, to join COOPER in second place.

While it seemed that first place was decided, the battle for second was hotting up. In round 5 VAN DER HOORN defeated COOPER, and consolidated second by beating C.KER in round 6. Thus, Anthony KER won the right to represent New Zealand at the World Junior in Norway, while Mark VAN DER HOORN won eligibility for the Asian Junior.

GAMES FROM NZ JUNIOR

M. WILSON-A. KER.

French Winawer

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5
5 Qg4 Kf8 6 Nf3 Nc6 7 Bd2 f5 8 Qf4
Nge7 9 Qc5 Ng6 10 Qg3 d4 11 Ne2 Bd2+
12 Nd2 Qa5 13 0-0-0 Qa2 14 Nb3 a5
15 Nbd4 Qa1+ 16 Kd2 Qb2 17 Nc6 bc6
18 Nc3 Kf7 19 Bd3 Rd8 20 Rb1 Qa3
21 Qe3 f4 22 Qf3 Ba6 23 Qc6 Bd3
24 Rb7+ Kf8 25 Rf8 Rd7 26 Qa8+
Ke7 27 c6 Be4+ 0-1.

M. VAN DER HOORN-A. KER

King's Indian

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7
5 Be2 0-0 6 0-0 Bg4 7 e5 de5 8 Ne5
Be2 9 Qe2!? Qd4 10 Nb5 Qd8 11 Rd1 Qc8
12 Bg5! a6 [better was h6 with the
thought of g5-Ne8-Nd6 - Ker] 13 Nc3 Kh8
14 Qf3! Ra7 15 Qe3? [better to double
Rooks on the d file - Ker] 15...b6
16 Bh6 Ng8 17 Bg7+ Kg7 18 Rd4 f6
19 Nf3 c5 20 Rh4 Rd8 21 Re1 Qc6 22
Qf4 e5 23 Qg3 Rad7 24 h3 b5 25 Ne4
Rd1 26 Rd1 Rd1+ 27 Kh2 Nd7 28 Qg4 Ra1
[If...f5 29 Ne5! with the idea of
g4. - KER] 29 Rh5 f5! 30 Rf5 Nh6 31
Qg5 Nf5 32 g4 Qe4 0-1.

C. TAN-M. VAN DER HOORN.

Dutch

1 d4 e6 2 c4 Bb4+ 3 Bd2 Bd2+ 4 Qd2 f5
5 Nc3 b6 6 0-0-0 Bb7 7 f3 Nf6 8 Nh3
0-0 9 Nf2 d6 10 e4 fe4 11 fe4 N8d7
12 Bd3 Qe7 13 g4 c5 14 d5 Ne5 15 g5
N6d7 16 Rhg1 Nf3 17 Qe2 Ng1 18 Rg1 Ne5
19 h4 Rf2 20 Ne2 Raf8 21 Qd1 0-1.

A. KER-P. COOPER

Grünfeld

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 Nf3 Bg7
5 cd5 Nd5 6 Qb3 Nb6 7 Bg5 0-0
8 e3 Be6 9 Qc2 Nc6 10 Rd1 Nb4
11 Qb1 f6 12 Bf4 N4d5 13 Bg3 Qc8
14 Rc1 e6 15 Bd3 Bf7 16 h4 Nb4 17 Be2
Qe8 18 a3 N4d5 19 Ne4 h6 20 Nc5 e5
21 Nb7 Qe7 22 Na5 e4 23 Nc6 Qe6 24
Nd2 Rfc8 25 Na5 f5 26 Nc4 g5 27 hg5
Bg6 28 Be5 f4 29 Bg7 Kg7 30 Rh6 fe3
31 fe3 Qc6 32 Nb3 Nc4 33 Rc4 Qd6
34 Kd2 Ne3 35 Rc8 Rc8 36 Rg6+ Qg6
37 Ke3 Qg5+ 38 Kf2 Qf4+ 39 Ke1 Qg3+
40 Kd2 Qb3 41 Qe4 Qb2+ 42 Ke1 Qc3+
43 kf2 Rf8+ 44 Bf3 Qd2+ 45 Kg3 Qg5+
46 Bg4 Qf6 47 Qe5 Qe5 48 fe5 Rd8
49 Be2 Rd5 50 a4 Re5 51 Bb5 Re4
52 Kf3 Rb4 53 Ke3 Kf6 54 Kf3 Kg5
55 Ke3 Kg4 56 Kd3 a5 57 Kc3 Kg3
58 Bc6 Kf2 59 Kd3 Kg3 60 Kc3 Ra4 ½-½.

C. TAN-A. KER

Pirc

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nc3 g6 3 e4 d6 4 Bc4 Bg7
5 f3 d6 6 Be3 b5 7 Bb3 a5 8 a4 b4
9 Nce2 Ba6 10 e5 Nd5 11 Qd2 de5
12 0-0-0 Ne3 13 Qe3 ed4 14 Nd4 Qc7
15 Nh3 0-0 16 Rhe1 e5 17 Ne2 Nd7
18 Qg5 Nc5 19 Ng3 Nb3+ 20 cb3 f5
21 Rd2 Rad8 22 Red1 Rd5 23 Nf1 Rfd8
24 Ne3 Rd2 25 Rd2 Rd2 26 Kd2 Qd6+
27 Kc1 Bf6 28 Qa3 f4 29 Nf5 Qc5+
30 Kd2 0-1.

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RANK XEROX OTAGO EASTER

The Otago Chess Club Rooms were the venue for the 1986 Rank Xerox Otago easter Open Tournament which drew 22 players.

Results: 1 A.LLOYD 5/6; 2-5 R.SUTTON, A.LOVE, B.MARTIN & B.ALEXANDER 4½/6 6-7 R.DOWDEN & J.SUTHERLAND 4; 8 G.AIMERS 3½; 9-13 K.BOYD, P.McKENZIE, A.McINTOSH, P.SIMON & T.KINGSBURY 3/6 14-17 J.MARTIN, R.GONIN, D.CAMERON, B.GLOISTEIN 2½/6; 18-19 W.JONES & J.CALDER 2/6 20 J.WILKES 1½/6; 21 V.HAY 1/6; 22 O.NIEUWENHUYSE 0/6.

Report by Ben MARTIN.

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PHILIPS TOURNAMENT.

The long weekend that included Anzac Day enabled Hutt Valley Chess Club to hold their annual round robin tournament on three consecutive days. Four groups of six players each played a round robin, whilst the remaining eight played a Swiss.

In Section A Anthony KER made short work of the opposition and dropping only a half point to Greg ALDRIDGE, won with 4½/5.

Tony BOSWELL down from Palmerston North shared 3½/5 with Andrew GRKOW, but won on Gelbfuhs.

In Section B, Mark CAPIE was obliged to default a game through work commitments but still came back to head home the field on tie break with 3½/5, ahead of Brett MULLAN and Ab BORREN.

In Section D, C.TAN won with 4/5, a half point clear of Peter KING. He dropped a game to Hutt Valley's R.McLEAN but was otherwise untroubled.

The 8 player Swiss was won jointly by Todd STEVENSON and V.ARNUL (Palm Nth) with 4/5. Full results on page 41

PHILIPS TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Section A	1	2	3	4	5	6	T	Section D	1	2	3	4	5	6	T	
1 A.KER	HV	x	1	1	1	1	4½	1 C.TAN	WN	x	1	1	0	1	4	
2 G.ALDRIDGE	CIV	½	x	½	1	0	3	2 P.KING	CIV	0	x	1	1	1	3½	
3 L.McLAREN	CIV	0	½	x	½	1	3	3 S.ABURN	WN	0	0	x	1	1	3	
4 R.DIVE	CIV	0	0	½	x	1	2½	4 R.McLEAN	HV	1	0	0	x	0	1	2
5 T.VAN DYK	NEL	0	1	0	0	x	0	5 K.CHIN	TWA	0	0	0	1	x	1	2
6 P.HAWKES	CIV	0	0	0	0	1	x	6 S.DOOLLEY	NEL	0	½	0	0	0	x	½

Section B	1	2	3	4	5	6	T	
1 T.BOSWELL	PN	x	1	½	½	½	3½	
2 A.GRKOW	UH	0	x	½	1	1	3½	
3 N.GOODHUE	HV	½	½	x	½	½	2½	
4 M. v d HOORN	HV	½	0	½	x	½	2½	
5 J.McDONALD	HV	½	0	½	½	x	2½	
6 J.ADAMS	CIV	0	0	½	0	0	x	½

Section C	1	2	3	4	5	6	T
1 M.CAPIE	HV	x	1	0*	1	½	3½
2 B.MULLAN	CIV	0	x	½	1	1	3½
3 A.BORREN	HV	1*	½	x	½	½	3½
4 R.KENT	HV	0	0	½	x	½	1
5 A.WINFIELD	CIV	½	0	½	x	0	1½
6 P.CUNNINGHAM	WAI	0	0	0	0	1	x

*default.

Section E	1	2	3	4	5	6	T
1-2 T.STEVENSON (WN), V.ARNUL (NEL)	4;						
3 I.STONES (CIV)	3;	4-5 G.CHAMLEY (HV)					
T.VINCENI (HV)	2½;	6 M.BERRY (HV)	2;				
7 C.NICHOLSON (HV)	1½;	8 G.SULIVAN (UH)	½.				

ABBREVIATIONS:

CIV:CIVIC, HV: HUTT VALLEY, NEL: NELSON
PN: PALMERSTON NORTH, WAI: WAINUIOMATA,
WN: WELLINGTON, TWA: TAWA, UH UPPER HUTT.

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ABBREVIATIONS FOR TABLE BELOW:
A: AUCKLAND CHESS CENTRE, NS: NORTH SHORE,
WAI: WAITEMATA, HP: HOWICK-PAKURANGA,
PPK: PAPAURA.

AUCKLAND EASTER TOURNAMENT

Unfortunately we have no games to print with this tournament table. Hopefully some scores will come to light in time for the August magazine.

PLAYER	CLUB	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	T'tl	SOS
1 P.A.GARBETT	NS	W21	W15	W2	W3	D6	W5	W7	6½	
2 P.R.GREEN	A	W13	W4	L1	W5	W8	W3	W9	6	
3 O.SARAPU	NS	W16	W14	W7	L1	W4	L2	W8	5	
4 R.HART	NS	W19	L2	W20	W15	L3	W14	D6	4½	
5 B.MARTIN-BUSS	WAI	W11	D6	W14	L2	W10	L1	D12	4	32
6 P.W.STUART	NS	W20	D5	D10	W17	D1	L8	D4	4	28.5
7 M.G.HOPEWELL	A	W18	W9	L3	L8	W17	W16	L1	4	28.5
8 K.M.METGE	HP	D24	D22	W13	W7	L2	W6	L3	4	27
9 R.BAUMGARTNER	HP	W23	L7	W16	D10	D14	W15	L2	4	26
10 B.WHEELER	A	D22	W25	D6	D9	L5	D11	W18	4	23
11 SARGON III	-	L5	L20	W21	D12	W25	D10	W15*	4	22
12 L.D.RAWNSLEY	A	D25	D24	L17	D11	W13	W23	D5	4	20.5
13 J.CHANDLER	NS	L2	W19	L8	D18	L12	W21	W20	3½	25
14 SCI-SYS TURBOSTAR	-	W26	L3	L5	W24	D9	L4	W16	3½	24
15 G.J.SPENCER-SMITH	NS	W17	L1	W22	L4	W18	L9	L11*	3	27.5
16 G.W.MEARS	NS	L3	W26	L9	W22	W20	L7	L14	3	23
17 N.BLAXALL	PPK	L15	W21	W12	L6	L7	L18	W26	3	22
18 J.C.SIEVEY	A	L7	D23	W24	D13	L15	W17	L10	3	22
19 M.ASHE	WAI	L4	L13	D26	D21	L23	W25	W22	3	18.5
20 M.K.MORRISON	A	L6	W11	L4	W23	L16	D22	L13	2½	24
21 M.HARE	A	L1	L17	L11	D19	W26	L13	W23	2½	24
22 I.McNALLY	NS	D10	D8	L15	L16	W24	D20	L19	2½	21.5
23 A.MALCOURONNE	WAI	L9	D18	W25	L20	W19	L12	L21	2½	20.5
24 B.EMETT	NS	D8	D12	L18	L14	L22	L26	W25	2	
25 S.BAKER	A	D12	L10	L23	W26	L11	L19	L24	1½	21
26 A.J.HENDERSON	A	L14	L16	D19	L25	L21	W24	L17	1½	18.5

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIP 1986

NORTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIP NEW PLYMOUTH 1986.

By PETER STUART

		R.1	R.2	R.3	R.4	R.5	R.6	R.7	R.8	T'L	SOS	
1	GREEN P.R.	AC 2178	W25	W22	W7	D3	W2	L4	D6	W9	6	42
2	SARFATI J.D.	WE 2247	W35	W20	D6	W9	L1	W8	W7	D4	6	41
3	SARAPU O.	NS 2343	W13	W28	W11	D1	D8	D7	D4	W10	6	40½
4	METGE J.N.	AC 2163	W29	D19	D5	W33	W17	W1	D3	D2	6	40
5	STUART P.W.	NS 2135	W30	W17	D4	D6	D11	D22	W14	W8	6	39
6	ALDRIDGE G.J.	CI 2082	W26	W32	D2	D5	D10	W28	D1	W16	6	38½
7	HOPEWELL M.G.	AC 2121	W37	W18	L1	W29	W12	D3	L2	D15	5	39½
8	DIVE R.J.	CI 2149	W39	D9	W42	W10	D3	L2	W24	L5	5	37½
9	DREYER M.P.	AC 1923	W47	D8	W19	L2	D15	W17	W12	L1	5	37
10	DOWDEN R.A.	CH 2136	W43	D24	W23	L8	D6	W11	W22	L3	5	36½
11	HOPEWELL N.H.	AC 2002	W36	W16	L3	W32	D5	L10	D25	W24	5	36½
12	SPAIN G.A.	HA 2143	W40	D23	D24	W13	L7	W32	L9	W25	5	33½
13	MARTIN-BUSS B.	WT 1854	L3	W36	W31	L12	W29	L14	W39	W23	5	33½
14	SPILLER P.S.	HP 1995	L23	W40	W44	D18	D24	W13	L5	W22	5	33
15	COOPER P.R.	A 1922	D27	D31	W39	D22	D9	D21	W28	D7	5	32½
16	KER A.F.	HV 2197	D31	L11	W34	L17	W19	W42	W21	L6	4½	34
17	WHITEHOUSE L.E.	HA 1902	W41	L5	W43	W16	L4	L9	D30	W31	4½	34
18	O'BOYLE D.	UH 1760	W44	L7	W30	D14	L22	L23	W34	W28	4½	31
19	COLLINS P.W.	WN 1863	W45	D4	L9	L23	L16	W44	W42	W29	4½	30
20	BENNETT H.P.	HA 1931	W34	L2	L33	W44	W43	L24	D23	W32	4½	29½
21	VAN DER HOORN M.	HV 1865	D42	D27	L29	W46	W33	D15	L16	W30	4½	28½
22	GRKOW A.	UH 1909	W38	L1	W37	D15	W18	D5	L10	L14	4	38½
23	BOJTOR J.	HP 1659	W14	D12	L10	W19	L28	W18	D20	L13	4	37
24	GOODHUE N.	HV 1810	W46	D10	D12	D28	D14	W20	L8	L11	4	35
25	STRACY D.M.	TA 1701	L1	W34	L32	W40	D31	W35	D11	L12	4	33
26	BELL C.M.	UH 1621	L6	L42	W45	L30	W27	L39	W41	W37	4	27½
27	MCNALLY I.	NS 1571	D15	D21	L28	L35	L26	BYE	W40	W39	4	26½
28	GOFFIN P.B.	AC 1957	W33	L3	W27	D24	W23	L6	L15	L18	3½	37
29	WADDLE M.H.	ME 1677	L4	W41	W21	L7	L13	W33	D32	L19	3½	35
30	BORREN A.M.	HV 1693	L5	W38	L18	W26	D35	D31	D17	L21	3½	34
31	REID A.V.	NS 1707	D16	D15	L13	W36	D25	D30	D37	L17	3½	33½
32	MCDONALD J.	CI 1747	BYE	L6	W25	L11	W39	L12	D29	L20	3½	31
33	CUNNINGHAM P.D.	WN 1588	L28	W35	W20	L4	L21	L29	D43	W42	3½	30½
34	OKEY K.M.	NP 1580	L20	L25	L16	W45	W40	W38	L18	D35	3½	29½
35	MARSICK B.H.P.	NP 1710	L2	L33	W47	W27	D30	L25	D36	D34	3½	29
36	AUSTIN K.R.	NP -	L11	L13	W38	L31	L42	W47	D35	W44	3½	26½
37	WHITLOCK H.P.	WA 1637	L7	W46	L22	L39	W47	W43	D31	L26	3½	25
38	TRUNDLE G.E.	AC 1560	L22	L30	L36	D41	W46	L34	BYE	W43	3½	22
39	EDSON D.	HA -	L8	W45	L15	W37	L32	W26	L13	L27	3	32
40	BLAXALL C.	PK 1621	L12	L14	W41	L25	L34	W46	L27	W45	3	28½
41	MORRISON M.K.	NS 1544	L17	L29	L40	D38	D44	W45	L26	BYE	3	23
42	BLAXALL N.	PK 1517	D21	W26	L8	L43	W36	L16	L19	L33	2½	32
43	MEARS G.W.	NS 1597	L10	W47	L17	W42	L20	L37	D33	L38	2½	28
44	VALENTINE B.	NP -	L18	BYE	L14	L20	D41	L19	W47	L36	2½	26
45	BOWLER R.	NP 1375	L19	L39	L26	L34	BYE	L41	W46	L40	2	23
46	VINCENT T.	HV 1102	L24	L37	BYE	L21	L38	L40	L45	W47	2	21½
47	STOKELL W.	NP 1204	L9	L43	L35	BYE	L37	L36	L44	L46	1	

ABBREVIATIONS: AC = AUCKLAND CENTRE, CH = CHRISTCHURCH CENTRE, CI = CIVIC, HA = HAMILTON, HP = HOWICK-PAKURANGA, HV = HUTT VALLEY, ME = MEDICNESS, NP = NEW PLYMOUTH, NS = NORTH SHORE, PK = PAPA KURA, TA = TAWA, UH = UPPER HUTT, WA = WANGANUI, WE = WELLINGTON, WN = WAINUIOMATA, WT = WAITEMATA.

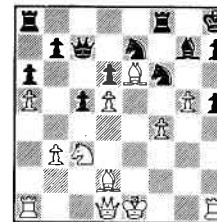
The New Plymouth Chess Club hosted the 1986 North Island Championship during the second week of the May school holidays at a venue which was quite familiar to many of the players - the New Plymouth Girls High School. Tournament Director Bob GIBBONS left home in Auckland at about 3am on the Monday morning and duly arrived five minutes early! He performed his tasks with his usual competence and the event ran very smoothly.

The field of 47 was both smaller and weaker than in some years although ten of the last NZ Championship field were playing. It was perhaps a pity that two late entries were accepted since this meant there was a bye in each round.

Paul SPILLER was the only victim of a first round upset when he blundered a Rook against BOJTOR - but Julius was to have a very good tournament which grossly belied his 37th ranking. There were several half victims, among them third seed Anthony KER in the following interesting game versus Andrew REID.

A.KER-A.REID
Modern Benoni

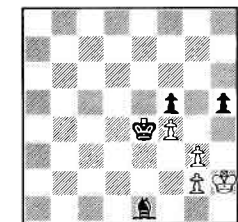
1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 Nc3 e5 4 Nc3 e5
5 cd5 d6 6 e4 g6 7 f4 Bg7 8 Bb5+
Nfd7 9 a4 a6 10 Bd3 0-0 11 Nge2
Qc7 12 Bc4 Nb6 13 b3 Bg4 14 Bd2 N8d7
15 h3 Be2 16 Be2 f5 17 a5 Nc8 18 ef5
Rf5 19 Bg4 Rf8 20 Be6+ Kh8 21 h4 Nf6
22 g4 Ne7 23 h5 gh5 24 g5



24...Nfd5 [Offering a piece which White should probably accept. The alternative...24...Nfg8 25 Qh5 h6 looks bad for Black but he still has defensive resources.]
25 Rh5? [No good was 25 Nd5 Nd5 26 Bd5 Qe7+! 27 Kf1 Qxg5! and White's King is the more exposed, but 25 Bd5!? looks

better.] 25...Nf4 [But not 25...Nc3? 26 Rh7+! and mate in two.] 26 Bf4 Bc3+ 27 Bd2 Bd2+ 28 Qd2 Ng6 29 0-0-0 [Late castling, especially with the White pieces, seems to be a common feature of KER's play.] 29...Qg7!? [Also interesting was 29...Rae8 gaining a tempo by hitting the Bishop and preparing Re7 to defend h7 if necessary.] 30 Rdh1! [White would win nicely by 30 Kh1 Nf4 31 Rh7+ Qh7 32 Qc3+ Qg7 33 Rh1+ etc were it not for the fact that Black captures on h7 with check!] 30...Qa1+ 31 Kc2 Qa2+ 32 Kc1 Qa1+ 33 Kc2 Qa2+ 34 Kd3!? [White decides to play for the win even at the cost of sacrificing his Queen.] 34...Nc5+! [The only move as 34...Nf4+ is refuted by 35 Qf4! while 34...Rf3+ loses to 35 Ke4! Rf4+ 36 Qf4! and White can escape from the Queen checks on the Kingside.] 35 Ke4! [35 Ke3 Rf3+ transposes to the game but other moves lose.] 35...Rf4+! [With his Queen and King both in mortal danger, Black finds a beautiful saving resource.] 36 Ke3 [The Rook cannot be taken: 36 Qf4 Qe2+! 37 Qe3 Qg2+ 38 Kf5 Rf8+ 39 Bf7 Qg4+ 40 kf6 Rf7 Mate.] 36...Rf3+ 37 Ke4 [Not Rf2+] 37...Rf4+ 38 Ke3 Rf3+ 39 Ke4 ½-½

Seven players managed to win their second game as well, mostly without serious difficulty. A strange hiccup in my own game might have cost me half a point; after White's 58th move (Kh2) the game WHITEHOUSE-STUART reached the following position:



Black has just won a piece but, in time trouble, forgot his intended plan of 58...Bc3 59 Kh3 Bf6 when the White King is locked out and Black wins easily. Instead play continued: 58...Ke3? 59 Kh3 Bf2 60 Kh4 Ke4 61 Kh3 [Len correctly realised that 61 Kh5 Bg3 62 Kg5 Bf4+ 63 Kh4 Bc5 was hopeless

for White] 61 ...Kd5 [Black's simple idea was to use his King to hold the fort on the Kingside until the Bishop can return but....] 62 Kh4 Ke6? [...it is not so simple. Only now did I realise that White can draw! Instead 62...Be1! gains a tempo, winning after either 63 Kh3 Ke6 64 Kh4 Kf6 65 Kh5 Bg3 or 63 Kh5 Bg3 64 Kg6 Ke4 65 Kg5 Bf4+] 63 Kh3? [Fortunately for me White also failed to perceive the effect of the Black King being on e6 instead of e4. White draws by 63 Kh5! Bg3 64 Kg5 since Black is in zugzwang!] 63...Kf6 64 Kh4 Kg6 65 Kh3 Bc5 66 Kh4 Be7+ 67 Kh3 Kf7 68 Kh2 Ke6 69 Kg1 Kd5 0-1

Graeme SPAIN tried to wear down BOJTOR in a drawn Rook ending but gave up trying after several sessions while KER featured on the wrong side of another upset when he misplayed the opening and met with forceful play by Nigel HOPEWELL.

N.HOPEWELL - A.KER

Queen's Gambit

1 d4 e6 2 c4 c5 3 Nc3 Be7 4 Nf3 Nf6 5 Bg5 0-0 6 e3 h6 7 Bf6 Bf6 8 cd5 ed5 9 b4 c6 [Better, according to KER, was 9...Qd6 aiming to play the pawn to c5 in one move] 10 Be2 Qd6 11 b5 c5 12 0-0 Bf5 [KER suggests that 12...Be6 was preferable] 13 dc5 Qc5 14 Qd5 Qc3 15 Qf5 g6 16 Qe4 Qa5 17 Rad1 [17 Qb7!?] 17...a6 18 Rd6 Bg7 19 Bc4 ab5 20 Bb3 Kh8 21 Ne5 Qc7 22 Rg6! Nc6 23 Rc6 bc6 24 Bc2 f5 25 Ng6+ Kg8 26 Ne7+ Kh7 27 Nf5 Rf5 28 Qf5+ Kg8 29 Qh7+ Rf8 30 Qg8+ Bf8 32 Qe6+ Be7 33 Qf7+ Kd7 34 Be6+ Kd6 35 Qf4+, 1-0

And then there were two... only Ortvin SARAPU and Peter GREEN, the fourth seed, managed three wins in a row, both victims this round being HOPEWELLS. GREEN's game developed along unusual lines:

M.HOPEWELL - P.GREEN

King's Gambit

1 e4 e5 2 f4 ef4 3 Nf3 d5 4 ed5 Nf6 5 Bb5+ Nbd7 6 c4 Qe7+ 7 Qe2 Qe2+ 8 Ke2 Bd6 9 d4 a6 10 Bd7+ Bd7 11.c5 Bb5+ 12 Kd1 Be7 13 Nc3 0-0-0 14 Re1 Rhe8 15 Ne5 Nd5 16 Nf7 Nc3+ 17 bc3 Ba4+ 18 Kd2 Rd5 19 Kd3 Rf5 20 Ne5 Bf6 21 Bd2 Be5 22 Re5 Ree5 23 de5 Bc6 24 Rf1 g5 25 Rf2 Re5 26 Kc4 Kd7 27 h4 h6 28 a3 Ka6 29 Kb4 Kf5, 0 - 1.

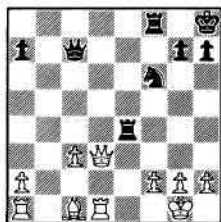
The game ALDRIDGE-SARFATI was notable only for its brevity - 11 moves but the game STUART - METGE was more exciting though also drawn:

STUART - METGE

English Opening

1 c4 e5 2 Nc3 Nf6 3 Nf3 e4 4 Ng5 b5 5 d3 ed3 6 Nb5 [6 cb5 is theory] 6...c6 7 Nc3 de2 8 Be2 Bb4 9 0-0 0-0 10 Qc2 d5 11 cd5 cd5 12 Rd1 Be6 13 Bf3 Qc7 14 Qe2 Bc3 15 Ne6 fe6 16 Qe6+ Kh8 17 bc3 Nbd7!?

[Nigel decided to offer a second pawn as 17...Qc3 18 Be3 is clearly better for White] 18 Bd5? [Too greedy. Simply 18 Be3 leaves White with the better position.] 18 ...Rae8 19 Qc6 Nd5 20 Qd5 Nf6 21 Qd4 [White has no really satisfactory Queen move. The text invites 21...Rd8 when 22 Bf4! restores White's fortunes; Nigel, however, came up with a much better reply] 21...Re4! 22 Qd3



22...Ng4! 23 g3 [Forced as 23 Qe4 allows mate in three while 23 Qg3 loses to 23 ...Qc5!] 23 ...Nf2 24 Rf1 Qc5? [This looks a winner but it meets with a surprising rejoinder. Correct, as pointed out by Peter GREEN, was 24...Re1! which would have ended the story at once] 25 Ba3! [A move born of desperation] 25...Qa3 26 Rf2 Rf2 27 Kf2?! [27 Qe4 was to be preferred. Time trouble was now a factor for both players.] 27...Qb2+ 28 Kf3 Re8 29 Rf1? [Re1] 29...Qh2 30 Rd1 Qa2 31 Kg4? [31 g4] 31 ...Qe6+ 32 Kh4 h6 [32...g5+ wins, eg. 33 Kg5 Rg8+ 34 Kf4 Qg4+ 35 Ke3 Qg3+ and Black obtains a simply won King and pawn ending] 33 g4 g5+ 34 Kg3 Qe3+ 35 Kg2 Qd3, ½ - ½.

Round four saw SARAPU play an unusual Stonewall set-up against GREEN's Catalan but the draw was agreed on move 18 with all 32 pieces still on the board. Second seed Jonathan SARFATI caught the leaders with a quick demolition of a defence he

plays himself:

SARFATI - DREYER

Queen's Gambit Accepted

1 d4 d5 2 c4 dc4 3 Nc3 a6 4 e3 e5 5 Bc4 ed4 6 ed4 Nf6 7 Qb3 Qd7 8 Nf3 b5 9 Be2 Be7 10 a4 0-0 11 ab5 Bb7 12 0-0 ab5 13 Ra8 Ba8 14 Qb5 Qd6 15 Rd1 Nbd7 16 Qf5 Qb6 17 Ne5 Nb8 18 Bc4 Qb7 19 f3 Nc6 20 Nf7! Nd4 21 Rd4 Qb6 22 Be3 Bc5 23 Qd3 Qb2 24 Ne5+ Kh8 25 Ng6+ hg6 26 Rh4+ 1-0

Russell DIVE also joined the leaders on 3½ points but I don't know how as the game score is missing. SPAIN won with a standard sacrifice:

SPAIN - MARTIN-BUSS

French Tarrasch

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7 5 Bd3 c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Ngf3 cd4 8 cd4 f6 9 ef6 Nf6 10 0-0 Bd6 11 Re1 0-0 12 Nb3 Qc7 [3 Qe2 a5 14 Bg5 Bd7 15 Rad1 Rae8 16 Ne5 a4 17 Bf6 gf6? 18 Bh7! Kh7 19 Qh5+ Kg8 20 Qg6+ Kh8 21 Rd3 1-0

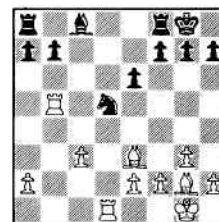
KER was in the wars again when he forgot about the clock and overstepped the time limit while making his 40th move in an unclear but probably winning position against WHITEHOUSE.

Round five was the fifth in three days so tiredness would have had its greatest effect here - the last three rounds were one per day. For the first time we had a sole leader in Peter GREEN who quickly obtained a strong initiative on the Queenside:

P.GREEN - J.SARFATI

Symmetrical English

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 Nf3 cd4 4 Nd4 e6 5 Nc3 Nc6 6 g3 Bb4 7 Bg2 Bc3+?! 8 bc3 0-0 9 0-0 Ne5? [this does not do much for Black's development] 10 c5 Ne8 [10...Qa5 11 Nb3 Qc3 12 Bg5 gives White ample compensation for the pawn] 11 Rb1 d5 12 cd6 Nd6 13 Bf4 Ncc4 14 Nb5! Nb5 15 Rb5 Qd1 16 Rd1 Nb6 17 Be3 Nd5



18 Bd4! [Much better than the immediate material gain by Bd5. White instead maintains his Queenside pressure] 18 Rd8 19 Rbb1! Rd7 20 c4 Nb6 [Perhaps 20...Ne7 offers more defensive chances but not 20...Nf6 21 Bf6 Rd1+ 22 Rd1 gf6 23 Rd8+ with a decisive advantage] 21 Bb6 ab6 22 Rd7 Bd7 23 Bb7 Rb8 [... Ra2? 24 Rd1] 24 Ba6 Kf8 25 Rb4 Bc6 26 f3 Ke7 27 c5 Bd5 28 a4 Kd7 29 e4 Bc6 30 cb6 Ra8 31 Rd4+ Ke7 32 Be2 e5 33 Rb4 Kd6 34 Bd1 Kc5 35 Rb1 Bb7 36 Rb5+ Kd4 37 Bb3 Bc6 38 Bd5 Bd5 39 Rd5+ Ke3 40 a5, 1 - 0.

SARAPU also looked set to win when he built up a commanding position against DIVE. This resulted in the win of a pawn but a time pressure mistake lost the pawn back and the game was eventually drawn. METGE, with an entertaining win over WHITEHOUSE, and Michael HOPEWELL, ditto over SPAIN, maintained their challenges but STUART and Nigel HOPEWELL drew in 20 moves to drop a little off the pace as did Greg ALDRIDGE who drew with Tony DOWDEN.

M.HOPEWELL - G.SPAIN

Leningrad Dutch

1 d4 f5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 0-0 0-0 6 c4 d6 7 Nc3 c6 8 Qc2 Qc7 9 e4 fe4 10 Ne4 Ne4 11 Qe4 Bf5 12 Qh4 Na6 13 Bh6 e5 14 Rad1 Nb4 15 c5 Bh6 16 Qh6 Bg4 17 cd6 Qg7 18 Qg7+ Kg7 19 Ne5 Bd1 20 Rd1 Rad8 21 d7 Rf6 22 a3 Na6 23 d5 Rd6 24 Rc1 cd5 25 Bh3 Rf8 26 b4 Nb8 27 Rc7 Kf6 28 f4 h5 29 Rc8 Ke7 30 Ng6+ Rg6 31 Rf8 Nd7 32 Rf5 Rd6 33 Rh5 Nf6 34 Re5+ Kf7 35 Kf2 d4 36 Ke2 d3+ 37 Kd2 Nd5 38 Be6+ Re6 39 Rd5 Re2+ 40 Kd3 Rh2 41 Rd7+ Kf6 42 Rb7 Rh3 43 Ra7 Rg3+ 44 Kc4 Rf3 45 b5 Rf4+ 46 Kc5, 1 - 0.

The leading scores after five rounds were: GREEN 4½; SARAPU, METGE, DIVE & M.HOPEWELL 4; SARFATI, STUART, ALDRIDGE, N.HOPEWELL, GOFFIN & GRKOW 3½.

The sixth round produced a new leader when METGE defeated GREEN in a Nimzo-indian Saemisch. GREEN's early Kingside initiative soon fizzled out and left his development slightly in arrears and without the usual play on the Queenside.

N.METGE - P.GREEN

Nimzoidian Defence

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 a3 Bc3+ 5 bc3 c5 6 e3 b6 7 Bd3 Bb7 8 f3 Nh5

9 Nh3 Qh4+ 10 Nf2 f5 11 e4 Nf4 12 0-0 Nd3 13 Qd3 0-0 14 d5 ed5 15 cd5 c4 16 Qd4 Na6 17 a4 Nc5 18 Ba3 Rac8 19 Bc5 Rc5 20 a5 d6 21 ab6 ab6 22 Ra7 Rf7 23 Rfa1 Qd8 24 Nh3 Qh4 25 e5!? Qe7 [Perhaps better was 25... Qd4+ 26 cd4 Ra5!?] when the c pawn may provide counterplay] 26 e6 Rf8 27 Ng5 Rb8 28 Nf7 Qf8 29 Re1 Bd5 [After 29 ...Rd5 one way to win is 30 Qb6 Ba8 31 Qc7 Rc8 32 e7! Qe8 33 Qc8 followed by Queening] 30 e7 Qf7 31 e8=Q+, 1-0.

SARAPU also won a pawn but Michael HOPEWELL was later able to pick off one of Ortvin's several weak pawns; the veteran IM was, for the second time in a row, left pondering the might-have-beens. SARFATI reached a routinely winning Rook and pawn ending with an extra pawn but DIVE managed to drag out proceedings for a long time before blundering his Rook in an ending of Rook versus Queen.

STUART also failed to capitalise on his extra pawn against Andrew GRKOW to record his fourth successive draw but ALDRIDGE moved up to share second place when Peter GOFFIN's attack proved to be insufficient for the piece he had invested in it. Tony DOWDEN moved closer to the leaders at the expense of Nigel HOPEWELL.

Leading scores: METGE 5; SARAPU, SARFATI, GREEN, M.HOPEWELL & ALDRIDGE 4½.

METGE held onto at least a share of the lead in the penultimate round when he held a draw with the Black pieces against SARAPU who yet again reached a clearly advantageous position without being able to convert it to a full point. SARFATI won a typical IQP endgame versus Michael HOPEWELL to join METGE on 5½ points and ALDRIDGE could have done likewise had he not agreed a draw with GREEN in a winning position.

STUART set up a defensive wall of pawns from g6 to c6 and Paul SPILLER used almost all his time in a fruitless search for a refutation, only to lose a pawn in time trouble. DIVE and DOWDEN also came within half a point of the leaders with wins over GOODHUE and GRKOW respectively. Finally, Martin DREYER joined this group by winning an ending with N + 7P vs 2B + 4P against SPAIN.

The final round pairings were METGE v SARFATI (both 5½), DOWDEN v SARAPU (both 5), GREEN v DREYER (both 5), STUART v

DIVE (Both 5) and KER (4½) v ALDRIDGE (5). Bearing in mind the strength of opposition each of the players on 5 had already met, these pairings seem quite just but they do not fulfill the principle that the top half should be paired against the bottom half if at all possible. Bob GIBBONS later agreed with me that the pairings should have been: ALDRIDGE v SARAPU, GREEN v DOWDEN, and STUART v DREYER, leaving DIVE (the middle) to meet KER.

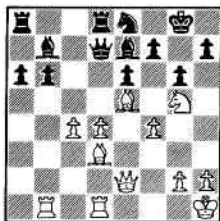
Predictably the two leaders opted for discretion rather than valour although SARFATI had to offer two draws in the course of the 11 moves before METGE would accept. It was now a matter of how many others could equal their six points; up to four could do so....and four did!

GREEN was the first to join them when a defensive error by DREYER ALLOWED Peter a winning combination.

P.GREEN - M.DREYER

Queen's Gambit Accepted

1 d4 d5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 c4 dc4 4 e3 e6 5 Bc4 c5 6 0-0 Nc6 7 Qe2 cd4 8 Rd1 Be7 9 ed4 Nb4 10 Bf4 Nbd5 11 Be5 0-0 12 Nc3 a6 13 a4 b6 14 Rac1 Bb7 15 Bd3 Qd7 16 Ng5 Rfd8 17 f4 g6 18 Kh1 Nc3 19 bc3 Qa4 20 c4 Qd7 21 Rb1 Ne8?



22 Nh7! f6 23 Qg4 fe5 24 Qg6+ Ng7 25 de5 Qe8 26 Nf6+ Bf6 27 Qh7+ Kf8 28 ef6 Qf7 29 Qh8+ Qg8 30 fg7+ Ke7 31 Qg8 Rg8 32 Rb6 Rab8 33 Rdb1 Bg2+ 34 Kg2 Rg7+ 35 Kf3 Rd8 36 Rb7+ Kf6 37 Rg7 Rd3+ 38 Ke4 1 - 0.

The next key game to finish was KER v ALDRIDGE in which Anthony made early attacking gestures on the Kingside; Greg however, eventually himself gained the initiative on that side of the board and broke through to KER's King just before the time control.

The two remaining games took rather longer. STUART gained the advantage

around the time control but only after DIVE had had slightly the better of it for much of the game. Both players promoted new Queens but STUART had too many extra pawns. The last game to finish was also closely fought. SARAPU carried an extra pawn into a Rook ending and, for once, he converted the pawn to a full point.

Thus six players share the 1986 North Island title, with a one point gap back to nine players on 5 points. There was not a lot of difference in the tie-break scores among the six winners but Ortvin SARAPU could be picked out as the one who could most easily have taken first place alone since he had clear advantages in three of four games he drew and was never in danger of losing. It was Peter GREEN, however, who won on tie-break and thereby qualified automatically for the next New Zealand championship.

The under 2000 grade prize was shared by Paul SPILLER, Martin DREYER and Barry MARTIN-BUSS while the under 1700 prize was split between Chris BELL Julius BOJTOR, and Ian McNALLY.

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CANDIDATES' PROFILES

With K-K preparing to slug it out in July it is perhaps timely to take a look at the two players who form the other pairing in the Championship cycle. The following profiles are taken from "Soviet News".

GM Artur YUSUPOV 2645

GM YUSUPOV is all about concentration. Strong will and sense of purpose are written into his face. His powerful build is reminiscent of a weightlifter or wrestler. However, the young Muscovite reserves his fighting spirit for the chess board and shows no lack of it there!

Born in 1960 he quickly progressed through the ranks of junior chess, making the Moscow Junior team at age 13 and reaching Grandmaster standard at age 20. He was World Junior Champion in 1977, and has been on the USSR junior team and the Olympic team, playing in the chess Olympics of 1982 and 1984.

Invariably during play, Artur is to be seen staring continuously at the chess board.

The challengers tournament is his first, but his excellent performance at

Tunis, and his demolition of Jan TIMMAN (games in this issue) show that much can be expected from him.

Artur's strong points are his rational positional style, his adeptness in endings and his excellent grasp of openings. He is not an inspirational player like VAGANIAN, laying greater emphasis on industriousness instead. YUSUPOV has maintained a businesslike friendship with GM Sergei DOLMATOV for many years. They regularly train together with mutual benefit. Undoubtedly this 25 year old Grandmaster is still improving. His fighting spirit and excellent form give him every chance to acquit himself well.

GM Andrei SOKOLOV 2595

GM Andrei SOKOLOV is one of the youngest Grandmasters in the world and an example of a practical minded chess player. He is a model of concentration and never shows signs of impulsiveness. He was World Junior Champion in 1982 and champion of USSR in 1984. He also took part in the World Chess Olympics in 1984 and the 1985 World Junior games.

Born in the northern city of Vorkuta in 1963, Andrei learned to play chess early. His first teacher was his father Yuri, an army officer and Candidate Chess Master. At the age of twelve, Andrei won the championship of Vorkuta, then when the family moved to Moscow, he joined a group at the Young Pioneer stadium coached by Vladimir YURKOV. YURKOV has played a substantial role in moulding SOKOLOV's career.

Andrei's first top level success came in 1980 when he won a minor Moscow Championship. This was followed by a larger open championship in which 13 Grandmasters participated. Though he demonstrated great fighting spirit, Andrei lacked experience and a full understanding of the niceties of positional play, and finished in the bottom half of the field. The next year he tied for third in the same tournament, but the breakthrough came in 1984 when he became Champion of the Soviet Union. In a crucial game against BELIAVSKY, his presence of mind showed impressively.

Subsequently the sceptics viewed his winning of the national title as a flash in the pan. His performance at Biel in 1985 certainly disproved that.

To reach the quarter finals in the world championship at his age shows that SOKOLOV's top-flight career has just begun.

National Ratings, 1 May 1986

Events rated since the last published list (15.2.85) are: 1985 NZ Junior Ch'p, 1985 Auckland Easter (A,B,C,D) 1985 Civic Easter (A,B), NZ Womens Ch'p, 1985 Otago Easter, 1985 Philips, Canterbury S'pupils Ch'p, 1985 North Island Ch'p, Not The NI Ch'p, Wellington Queens B'day (A,B,C), North Shore CC Rated T'mnt(A-D), Waitakere Trust T'mnt(A,B), All Wellington Ch'p(A,B), 1985 South Island Ch'p, NZ S'pupils Ch'p, Winstone T'mnt(A,B), Auckland CC Invitational, Canterbury CC Ch'p, Fletcher Timber Labour W'end(A,B), Auckland November T'mnt, All Canterbury Ch'p, Auckland Christmas T'mnt, NZ Ch'p, Premier Rsve, 1986 Auckland Easter, 1986 Civic Easter, 1986 NZ Junior Ch'p 1986 Otago Easter, 1986 Philips(A-E)

All players active within the last two years are included on the list. Asterisks denote provisional ratings based on fewer than 25 games.

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1	Small V.A.	2377	45 Lynch D.I.	2007	89 Martin-Buss B.	1854
2	Sarapu .O.	2343	46 Van Dyk P.	2007	90 Vetharanium P.A.	1853
3	Sutton R.J.	2334	47 Wilson M.C.	2007	91 Spencer-Smith G.J.	1852
4	Garbett P.A.	2326	48 Feneridis A.	2004	92 Stephenson J.R.	1850
5	Nokes R.I.	2280	49 Cooper D.J.	2002	93 Nijman B	1846
6	Lloyd A.J.	2262	50 Hopewell N.H.	2002	94 Wigbout M.	1845
7	Smith R.W.	2260	51 Hensman P.J	1996	95 Marnier G.	1844
8	Sarfati J.D.	2247	52 Sharko A.V.	1996*	96 Lancaster M.	1842
9	Levene M.	2246	53 Spiller P.S.	1995	97 Roberts M.H.	1837
10	Green E.M.	2235	54 Gibbons R.E.	1989	98 Rose C.A.	1836*
11	Gollogly D.A.	2226	55 Weegeenaar D.P.	1978	99 Rawnsley L.D.	1828
12	Beach D.H.	2211	56 Hampl M.	1961	100 Earle M.R.W.	1827*
13	Wansink R.	2208	57 Power P.W.	1961	101 Adams D.T.	1826
14	Love A.J.	2205	58 Turner G.M.	1958	102 Knightbridge W.	1821
15	Ker A.F.	2197	59 Goffin P.B.	1957	103 Robinson J.P.	1821
16	Green P.R.	2178	60 Hawkes P.D.	1948	104 Stewart E.	1821*
17	Clenance P.A.	2176	61 Walden G.J.	1948	105 Carter G.S.	1814
18	Metge J.N.	2163	62 Spiller T.W.L.	1937	106 Goodhue N.	1810
19	Anderson B.R.	2162	63 Bennett H.P.	1931	107 Connor B.P.	1809
20	Dive R.J.	2149	64 McKenzie P.	1930	108 Foord M.R.R.	1808
21	Cordue P.L.	2148	65 Corry R.J.	1927	109 Boswell T.J.	1804
22	Spain G.A.	2143	66 Calceña A.S.	1924*	110 Metge K.	1804
23	Dowden R.A.	2136	67 Dreyer M.P.	1923	111 Jackson I.	1800*
24	Stuart P.W.	2135	68 Cooper P.R.	1922	112 Ion G.J.	1799
25	Weir P.B.	2133	69 Leese M.	1920	113 Wilson R.T.	1796
26	Hopewell M.G.	2121	70 Foster F.	1917	114 Dunn P.	1793
27	Bates G.T.H.	2120	71 Kaspar W.	1911	115 Forbes G.	1793*
28	Freeman M.R.	2109	72 Grkow A.	1909	116 McIntosh A.D.	1787
29	Cornford L.H.	2108	73 Whitehouse L.E	1902	117 Nijman A.J.	1787
30	McLaren L.J.	2105	74 Van Pelt J.	1901*	118 Notley D.G.	1779
31	Noble M.F.	2094	75 Free T.J.	1900	119 Edwards D.W.	1777
32	Alexander B.J.	2088	76 Yee S.	1893	120 Mazur J.J.	1773
33	Aldridge G.J.	2082	77 Haase G.G.	1891	121 Garnett L.	1767*
34	Martin B.M.	2078	78 Wheeler B.	1888	122 Hepi L.	1765*
35	Pomeroy A	2074	79 Van Ginkel J.P	1886	123 Shead D.B.	1764
36	Baker C.P.	2048	80 Peasey R.A.	1883*	124 Capie M.	1763
37	Fitzpatrick S.P	2039	81 Lynn K.W.	1878	125 Frankel Z.	1761
38	Jackson R.E.	2037*	82 Van Der Hoorn M	1865*	126 O'Boyle D.	1760*
39	Walsh B.G.	2034	83 Collins P.W.	1863	127 Post M.J.	1758
40	Hart R	2032	84 Lukey S.	1862	128 Roundill R.L.	1756
41	Carpinter B.A.	2028	85 Ker C.M.	1859	129 Adams J.M.	1755
42	Steadman M.V.	2027	86 Boyd K.M.	1858	130 Poor K.L.	1755
43	Johnston A.J.	2023	87 Jordan A.W.	1856	131 Williams B.M.	1754
44	Van Dyk T.	2018	88 Brown S.A.	1855	132 Wilkinson E.M.	1753

133	Davies G.	1752	194	Christie D.	1623*	255	Shardy Z.	1521
134	Moule C.	1748*	195	Bell C.M.	1621	256	Blaxall N.	1517
135	McDonald J.N.	1747	196	Blaxall C	1621	257	Colthart R.	1515
136	Monrad P.G.	1746	197	Brumby T.J.	1621*	258	Bryant D.	1514*
137	Williamson H.G.	1745	198	Burridge D.	1621	259	Stewart M.I	1511
138	Booth A.J.	1743	199	Locke J.M.	1620*	260	Bradley N.	1510
139	Turner M.G.	1742	200	Murphy C.	1620*	261	Levy R.	1510
140	McRae S.A.	1741	201	Kelly S.	1619*	262	Dale J.	1509*
141	Smith V.J.	1739	202	Stretch W.R.	1617	263	Hampton R.	1509
142	Baumgartner R.	1737	203	Gifford-Moore D.	1613	264	Baldwin P.	1504
143	Drake A.S.	1737	204	Flett A	1612*	265	Lamb D.L.	1503
144	Mitchell R.S.	1737	205	Bennett P.E.	1611	266	Brown B.	1502
145	Boyce D.A.L.	1733	206	Lannie R.M.	1611	267	Henderson A.	1497
146	Fleming M.	1730	207	Grevers L.P.	1609	268	Ramsay W.	1494
147	Sutherland J.L.	1729	208	Wood R.J.	1609	269	Wilkes J.	1493
148	Pow K.	1728*	209	Bennell D.J.	1608	270	Wilcock P.R.	1492
149	Hall M.	1727*	210	Lee C.T.	1607*	271	Cook F.	1489
150	Sims M.T.	1723	211	Weston R.M.	1606	272	Petrie B.	1489
151	Vetharanium K.	1720	212	Mears G.W.	1597	273	Rowland N.	1489*
152	Jones C.	1719*	213	Barrow G.	1596	274	Schwass M.P.	1488
153	Aimers G.	1716*	214	Middleton J	1589*	275	Soon Y.T.	1487*
154	Weber E.	1714*	215	Cunningham P.D.	1588	276	McGregor L.	1485*
155	Hoskyn G.A.	1713	216	Sareczky G.	1587	277	Reid P.	1481
156	Marsick B.H.P.	1710	217	Brett B.	1586*	278	Langley D.B.	1479*
157	Martin J.	1707*	218	Downey B.	1585*	279	Jones W.	1478
158	Reid A.V.	1707	219	Hames A.	1584*	280	Schuster D.	1476
159	Ferguson R.T.	1706	220	Morgan B.	1581*	281	Talaic L.	1475
160	Stracy D.M.	1701	221	Spencer-Smith P.A	1581	282	Brannigan K.	1473
161	White P.	1701*	222	Okey K.M.	1580	283	Whibley P.	1473*
162	Van Dam S.	1699	223	O'Connor J.A.	1578	284	Wood B.	1470
163	Banks G.B.	1698	224	Kent R.	1576*	285	Atkinson I.E	1469
164	Sinton P.J.	1698	225	Duhs A.H.	1572	286	Charberlain M.	1469
165	Borren A.M.	1693	226	McNally I.	1571	287	Glass B.D.	1468*
166	Bridges N.P.	1693	227	Hare M.	1569	288	Blatchford J	1465*
167	Howard M.I.	1692	228	Kay J.B.	1568	289	Brett K.W.	1459
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169	Johnson Q.	1688	230	Thye K.	1565*	291	Schrader G.	1459*
170	Mullan A.B.	1688	231	Petch W.H.	1563	292	Gales A.E.	1458*
171	Snelson P.R.	1686	232	Trundle G.E.	1560	293	Simmons J.R.	1457
172	Boughen A.	1684	233	Aldridge A.L	1557	294	Grace K.	1456*
173	Waddle M.H.	1677	234	Morse D.F.	1557*	295	Fitzgibbon P.	1455*
174	Shuker R.	1675	235	Aburn S.	1555	296	Jones L.R.	1452*
175	Gloistein B.	1669	236	Toye P.	1553*	297	Hipkins B.	1450
176	Capper D.S.	1667	237	Brownlee L.R.	1547	298	McIntosh I.H	1446
177	Goodwillie C.	1661	238	Bennett D.	1546	299	Oldridge C.B	1446
178	Ruth S.	1660*	239	Morrison M.K	1544	300	Cole G.	1444*
179	Bojtor J.	1659	240	Seivey J.C.	1544	301	Healey R.	1443
180	Young P.	1659*	241	Winfield A.	1544*	302	Dowler C.S.	1442*
181	Tan C.H.	1658*	242	Kelly S.	1540	303	Gibb J.L.	1440*
182	Opfermann H.C.	1652*	243	Jackson R.	1539*	304	Wang S.	1436*
183	Mathieson J.S.	1651	244	Boswell W.	1538	305	Dalziel F.	1433*
184	Thomson O.N.	1647	245	Billing J	1536*	306	Glavin G.	1433*
185	Johnstone A.J.	1644*	246	Bell D.I.	1546	307	Martin L.M.	1430
186	Price A.J.	1640	247	King P.C.	1534	308	Currell A.	1429*
187	Clinton D.	1637*	248	Baker C.	1531*	309	Stewart B.K.	1427
188	Johnstone R.B.	1637	249	Byford C.	1531	310	Van Den Hoven H	1427*
189	Whitlock H.P.	1637	250	Crowe P.	1531*	311	Ward C.	1421*
190	Chandler J.	1631	251	McCormick I.R.	1530	312	Parlane L.N.	1420
191	Shanahan M.	1629*	252	Sangster A.	1527	313	Allen E.G.	1418
192	Gribben B.	1628*	253	McKee D.	1525*	314	Watson M.J.	1418
193	Waite G.S.	1628*	254	Bourke P.D.	1521*	315	Johnston H.S	1417*

316	Martin S.C.	1416	370	Watson R.	1301*	424	Clarke T.	1108*
317	Simpson G.	1413*	371	Millar K.	1301*	425	Hoseason J.	1106*
318	Uszakiewicz G	1413*	372	Meader A.J.	1294*	426	Smith B.	1103*
319	Takhar R.S.R.	1411	373	Tugby B	1293*	427	Vincent T.	1102*
320	Whitehouse T.	1408*	374	Laws E.T.	1289	428	Plummer B.	1090*
321	McAllister C.	1406*	375	Gordon M.A.	1288	429	Gold H.	1087*
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326	Baker S.	1400	380	Van Kooten M.	1275*	434	Barna I.	1059*
327	Gonin R.C.E.	1400*	381	Badger A.	1274*	435	Cooling G.	1059*
328	Kingsbury T.	1397*	382	Morris I.	1273*	436	Glowacki A.J.	1053*
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332	Booth S.L.	1383	386	Williams R.G.	1254	440	Webber C.H.	1039
333	Hall J.	1380*	387	Shields J.A.	1250	441	Sinclair M.M.	1037
334	Monson M.	1377*	388	Cameron D.	1248	442	Hince F.	1036*
335	Haag G.	1369*	389	Hill S.D.	1247	443	Zeigman F.	1036*
336	Erett B.	1368*	390	Sidwell W.	1244*	444	Smith T.A.	1030*
337	Boyd J.K.	1364	391	Clinton J	1239*	445	Burge D.	1024*
338	Hofsteede J.	1364	392	Scott R.L.	1239	446	Chamley G.	1023*
339	MacLean G.D.	1363*	393	Clarkson B.	1236*	447	Hay V.	1018
340	Copp J.	1362*	394	Pengelly R.A	1235*	448	Boyd D.J.	1004*
341	Stynman F.	1360*	395	McRae J.	1232*	449	Goslin A	1000*
342	Edwards R.	1356*	396	Hoolihan N.	1231*	450	Abadie A.	966*
343	Calder J.	1353*	397	Wehi D.	1231*	451	McIntyre I.M.	966*
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350	Borovskis J.	1336	404	Hemela J.	1223	458	Smeed J.	941*
351	Stevenson T.	1333	405	Newman B.	1219	459	Nicholson C.	937*
352	Thornley M.	1331*	406	Cooper M.	1218*	460	Riddering P.	920*
353	Sonogyvary L.	1328*	407	Jackson A.	1218*	461	Weyers R.	910*
354	Van Der Mey P.F	1325	408	Dunningham M.	1208*	462	Raymond G.	909*
355	Wagstaff G.	1325*	409	Jones G.M.	1205	463	Houlahan M.	890
356	Winter W.	1325	410	Pacitto D.	1199*	464	Berry M	858*
357	Lezard G.	1324*	411	Anderson D.T.	1196*	465	Urquhart T	855*
358	Stelco C.	1322*	412	Styche S.	1186*	466	Twiss J.	836*
359	Thornby B.	1321	413	McBride E.	1180*	467	Morrison N.	829*
360	Schultz A.E.	1320*	414	Arnall V.	1175*	468	Bolton C.	821*
361	Hillier R.	1314*	415	Bake J.	1175*	469	Candy W.	723*
362	Ashe M.	1312*	416	Peddie W.S.	1161*	470	Day R.K.	691*
363	Singh M.	1311*	417	Walker C.	1158*	471	Nieuwenhuys D.	671*
364	Bartocci K.D.	1310	418	MacKay M.	1152*	472	Savage D.	648*
365	Guerin G.	1309*	419	Sapsford E.	1150*	473	Vucetich D.G.	618*
366	Shields P.	1306*	420	Mowat R.J.	1144*	474	Lake T.	615*
367	Reilly N.	1304*	421	Jones W.D.	1139*	475	Meyer D.	541*
368	Tweddel E.	1304*	422	Stones I.F.E.	1125*	476	Otene E.	522*
369	Jones S.	1302*	423	Dooley S.	1124	477	Laagland M.	405*

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FENNIE'S FAVOURITES

Arcaadi FENERIDIS, former New Zealand Chess Champion and grand old man of the Wellington chess scene for more years than most of us have lived, still likes to look at games, both recent and not so recent. He describes the best of them as "Modern Immortals". See what you think of this one.

Boris SIFF-GM Isaac KASHDAN
New York 1948
Nimzoindian

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 Qc2 d5
5 a3 Be7 6 cd ed 7 Bf4 c6 8 h3 0-
0-0 9 e3 Re8 10 Bd3 Nbd7 11 Nf3 Nf8
12 Ne5 Bd6 13 0-0 Ne6 14 Bh2 g6
15 Nf3 Ng7 16 Bd6 Qd6 17 Rfc1 Bf5
18 Nd2 Re7 19 b4 Rae8 20 Rb1 Bh3
21 gh3 Re3 22 Bf1 Bf5 23 fe3 Qg3+
24 Bg2 Qe3+ 25 Kh1 Ng3+ 26 Kh2 Qf4
27 Nf3 Re2 28 Ne2 Ne2+ 29 Kh1 Nh5
30 Qd2 Nhg3+ 31 Kh2 Nf1+ 32 Kh1 Qh2+
33 Nh2 Nfg3 Mate.

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"A GOOD GAME"

To any newcomer picking up the reins of editorial responsibility comes material that is difficult to source. The game below has been added as a post script to a letter to the former Editor as far as I can make out though the letter above has been removed. A cryptic note in Zyg's hand indicates that it is a good game and in line with my Editorial I like to receive annotated games. So, here it is. The players are Cantabrians I believe. Notes by the winner.

A.HURLEY-E.M.WILKINSON
Spike

1 g4 d5 2 h3 h5 3 g5 h4 4 d4 e6
5 Nf3 c5 6 c3 Nc6 7 Bg2 [A hard
decision] 7...Qb6 8 0-0 Bd6
9 dc Bc5 10 b4 Be7 11 Be3 Qd8 12
Qd2 f6 13 Qc2 [Eyeing g6 and vacating
d2 for the N] 13...f5 14 Nbd2 Bd6
15 Rad1 e5 16 Nc4 Bc7? [Black
is now lost. He should have captured]
17 Nfe5 Ne5 18 Ne5 Be5 19 Rd5 Qd7
20 f4 Bc7 21 Bc5 Qf7 22 Rfd1 Be6
[If22...Ne7 23 Qa4+ Nc6 24 R5d3!]
23 Qa4+ Resigns.

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GRANDMASTER MATCH

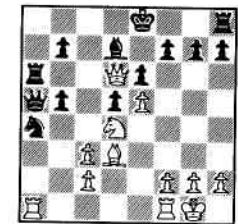
The idea of a match between Grandmasters Ian ROGERS and Murray CHANDLER, first mooted by Ian ROGERS during his 1985 visit, came to fruition in May when DRG CANON together with NZCA and New Zealand Chess Supplies sponsored a 4 game match with two games each to be held in Wellington and Auckland.

The Wellington end of the match brought substantial publicity to chess - about 1½ minutes on the evening news hour, and coverage in the local newspapers.

The first game was begun at the official opening by Sir John MARSHALL. Lev APTEKAR officiated as Arbiter in Wellington and Bob GIBBONS did the honours in Auckland. It is understood that GM ROGERS has agreed to annotate two Auckland Games, but meantime here is the first of the games played in Wellington.

GM CHANDLER - GM ROGERS
French Winawer

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5
5 a3 cd4 6 ab4 [Theory has it that this
line is inferior for Black since White
gets the two Bishops, a lead in develop-
ment, and attacking chances for his
pawn.] 6...dc3 7 bc3 Qc7 8 Nf3 Nd7
[ROGERS choice of opening has paid
off as CHANDLER has entered a weak
line for White with 7 bc3. 7 Nf3! is
favoured by theory, trading the pawn for
the initiative. With his ninth move
CHANDLER departs from a line chosen by
Em LASKER against MAROCZY New York 1924,
and benefits thereby.] 9 Qd4 Ne7 10
Bf4 Nb6 11 Bd3 Bd7 12 0-0 a6 13 Bg5
Na4 14 b5 ab5 15 Be7 Ke7 16 Qb4+
Ke8 17 Nd4 Qa5 18 Qd6 Ra6



19 Ra4 ba4 20 Ba6 ba6 21 Nc6 Bc6
22 Qc6+ Ke7 23 Qd6+ resigns. [There is
no answer to 24 Rb1.]

The second game at Wellington was drawn.

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CORRESPONDENCE CHESS

The New Zealand Correspondence Chess Association is once more an affiliated member of NZCA following a rule change at the 1986 NZCA AGM. The following game won the 1985 A Grade Best Game Award. Judge: Richard SUTTON.

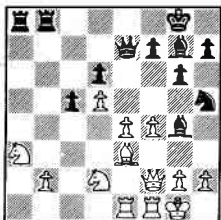
50TH NZCCA CHAMPIONSHIP

R.S. MITCHELL - J.R. JACKSON
Benoni.

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 c5 4 d5 ed5
5 cd5 d6 6 Nc3 g6 7 Bf4 ...

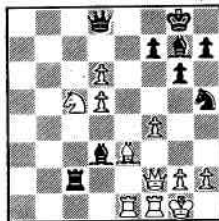
This old line is receiving more attention nowadays as Black finds resources in the main variations.

...a6 8 a4 Bg7 [...Bg7 on move 7 brings 8 Qa4+ Bd7 9 Qb3 Qc7 when White has a freer position - Sutton]
9 e4 o-o 10 Nd2 Nh5 11 Be3 Nd7 12 Be2 Ne5 13 0-0 Qh4 14 f4 Ng4 15 Bg4 Bg4 16 Qe1 Qe7 Swapping Queens here gives White a central edge. Black's action now moves to the Queenside.
17 Qf2 Rfe8 18 Rael b5 19 ab5 ab5 20 Nb5 Reb8 21 Na3...



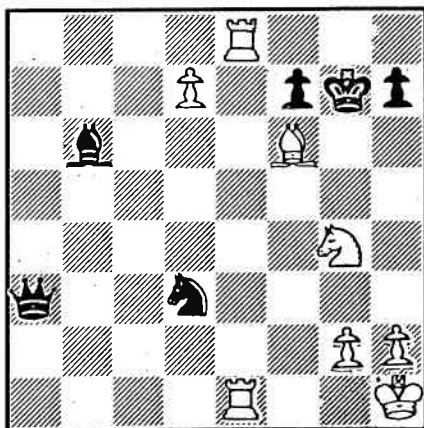
Up to here the game followed VUKICH-ILICH, Yugoslavia Championship 1980 which continued with 21...Nf6. Other games have continued 21...Rxb2 22 Nac4 with central pressure. Blacks elects to try something new. 21...Ra4?! 22 e5 Bf5 23 Nac4 Bd3 24 ed6 Qa8. The best square. White gains two tempi with his exchange offer. If 22 ...Rb2? 23 ed6 and Black will lose his c pawn as well.
25 b3 Rb3?! The idea of 25 b3 was to inhibit Black from using Nc4 as an appetizer before capturing on f1. Possibly better would be 25...Rc4 26 Nc4 Bf1 27 Kf1 Rb3 when White still has a positional edge. [It's a pity White's idea was not put to the test. There is a beautiful line for Black in 25...Ra2 26 Bc5 Bc4 27 bc4 Rb2 28 Qe3 Rd2 29 Qe8+ Qe8 30 Re8+ Bf8 31 Bf2 Kg7 32 d7 Rf2! If Black accepts the challenge

and takes the Rook: 26...Bf1 27 Rf1 Rb3 28 f5 and Black is under pressure eg; 28...Nf6 29 fg6 hg6 30 Bd4 or 28...Qd7 29 Nb6 and d7 - Sutton]
26 Nb3 Rc4 27 Nc5 Rc2?!



I believe ...Bf1 was better. I had planned 28 Qf1 Rc2 29 Nb7 Qc8 30 Rb1 Nf6 31 Qd3. After the text White must tie himself in a bow to save his Queen so the idea of a Queen offer presents itself. Then the star move isn't hard to find. [after...Bf1 28 Qf1 Rc2 why not 29 d7 Nf6 30 Qb5 threatening Bd4? - Sutton]
28 d7! Rf2 29 Bf2! Nf6 30 Bh4 Qf8! Since the threats on e8 kept Rf1 safe White has justified his sacrifice.
31 Nd3 Nd7 32 Re7 Bd4+ 33 Kh1 Nf6 34 Rfe1 Kg7 35 d6 Nd5 36 d7! Bb6 Forced.
37 Re8 Qa3 38 Ne5 Nf4 39 Ng4! g5! Losing elegantly in preference to ...Nd5 40 Bf2!
40 Bg5 Nd3 41 Bf6+ Resigns.

White had provided these conditional moves: 41...Kg6 42 Rg8+ Kf5 43 Rg5+ Kf4 44 g3+ Kf3 45 d8=Q Nf2+ 46 Nf2 Kf2 47 Qd2+ Kf3 48 Qf4M. The reader might enjoy finding quicker mates if Black strays from them.



OVERSEAS NEWS AND GAMES

By Peter Stuart

The field for the inaugural World Team Championship, played at Lucerne in November saw one change when the United States withdrew and its place was taken by France. With matches being played on six boards (instead of four as at the Olympiads) the dominance of the Soviet Union could be expected to continue - and it did despite a narrow loss to old rival Hungary in round 5. At that stage the U.S.S.R. led by only one point from Hungary and England and the Magyars actually gained half a point in round six. Then, however, the U.S.S.R. beat Africa 6-0 to open up a three point gap which the others could not close.

	01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	
1 U.S.S.R.	xx	2½	4	4½	3½	4	5	4½	3½	6	37½
2 Hungary	3½	xx	3½	4½	4½	3½	2½	3½	4	5	34½
3 England	2	2½	xx	4	2½	2	4	3½	4	6	30½
4 France	1½	1½	2	xx	3	4½	3½	4	3½	5	28½ (5½)
5 Rumania	2½	1½	3½	3	xx	2½	3½	3	4	5	28½ (5)
6 Switzerland	2	2½	4	1½	3½	xx	2½	3½	3	5	27½
7 China	1	3½	2	2½	2½	3½	xx	3½	3	5½	27
8 Argentina	1½	2½	2½	2	3	2½	2½	xx	4	5	25½
9 West Germany	2½	2	2	2½	2	3	3	2	xx	4½	23½
10 Africa	0	1	0	1	1	1	½	1	1½	xx	7

Missing from the winner's line-up was new World champion Gary KASPAROV, but Anatoly KARPOV headed a powerful team: KARPOV, YUSUPOV, VAGANIAN, SOKOLOV, BELY-AVSKY, SMYSLOV, CHERNIN and POLUGAEVSKY. The Hungarian team was: PORTISCH, RIBLI, SAX, PINTER, ADORIAN, CSOM, FARAGO and GROSZPETER. And the English, MILES, NUNN, SPEELMAN, SHORT, MESTEL, CHANDLER, PLASKETT and FLEAR.

France demonstrated that its high placing at Thessaloniki was not a fluke - here they achieved fourth place by virtue of a better match point total than Rumania. Of course, the format of the competition meant that (in addition to the U.S.) countries such as Yugoslavia and Bulgaria were missing. Boris SPASSKY, the French top board, does more than garner points for the team. Actually he has not been a great garnerer of points but rather his presence on board one provides a psychological boost for the rest of the team as

well as help in preparation and adjournment analysis. The team won one silver medal (MIRALLES) and two bronze medals (HAIK and SERETI).

Viktor KORCHNOI returned to form after his mediocre performance at Montpellier to take first prize on board one with a score of 7½/9. MILES and KASRPOV (both 5/7) took 2-3rd prizes. RIBLI was top scorer on board two with 6½/9, VAGANIAN on board three with 6/8, PINTER on board four with 6/9, HECHT on board 5 with 5/8, CHANDLER on board 6 with 5½/8, CHERNIN on board seven with 5/7 and POLUGAEVSKY on board eight with 5½/7.

KORCHNOI-PANNO
Symmetrical English

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 b6 3 g3 c5 4 Bg2 bb7
5 0-0 g6 6 Nc3 bg7 7 d4 Ne4 8 Ne4 Be4
9 d5 0-0 10 h3 Bf3 11 ef3 e6 12 Re1
Bd4 13 Eh6 Re8 14 Qa4 a6 15 f4 Ra7
16 Rad1 b5 17 cb5 Qb6 18 de6 de6 19
ba6 Rd8 20 f5 Ra6 21 Qc4 e5 22 Bg5
Rf8 23 Be7 Re8 24 f6 Qb2 25 Re2 Qb6
26 Qc1 Kh8 27 Qh6 1-0.

NUNN - KORCHNOI
French

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 Nc3 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7
5 f4 c5 6 Nf3 Nc6 7 Be3 cd4 8 Nd4 Bc5
9 Qd2 Nd4 10 Bd4 Bd4 11 Qd4 Qb6 12 Qb6
Nb6 13 0-0-0 Bd7 14 Bd3 h5 15 Ne2 Ke7
16 Nd4 g6 17 g3 Bc6 18 Rde1 Nd7 19 c3
Rag8 20 Rhf1 g5 21 f5 g4 22 Re2 h4
23 b4 hg3 24 hg3 Ba4 25 Kb2 Rh3 26
Rg1 Rgh8 27 Ka3 Rc8! 28 Kb2 [White
cannot take the Bishop as he then finds
himself in a mating net after 28...Rc3]
28...a6 29 Rgg2 Bd1 30 Re3 Nb6 31 Rf2
Rh1 33 Rd3 Re8 34 f6 Re2 35 b3 1-0.

PINTER - SHARIF
Queen's Gambit

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 d5 4. Nc3 Bb4
5. Bg5 Nbd7 6. e3 c5 7. cd5 ed5 8. Bd3
Qa5 9. Qc2 c4 10. Bf5 0-0 11. 0-0 Re8
12. Nd2 g6 13. Bh3 Be7 14. Rae1 Nf8 15.
Bc8 Rac8 16. f4 Qd8 17. Qd1 Qd6 18.
Qf3 Nbd7 19. f5 Qc6 20. fg6 fg6 21.
e4 de4 22. Nde4 Kg7 23. d5 Qa6 24. d6 1-0

CHANDLER - YE
Ruy Lopez

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 a6 4. Ba7 Nge7
5. c3 d6 6. d4 Bd7 7. Bb3 h6 8. Na3 g5
9. de5 de5 10. Bg5 hg5 11. Ng5 Be6 12.
Qf3 Bb3 13. ab3 f5 14. Ne6 Qd7 15. ef5
Nc8 16. Rd1 Qf7 17. Nc4 Nd6 18. g4 Rg8
19. h3 e4 20. Nd6+ cd6 21. Qe4 Kd7 22.
Kd2 Re8 23. Kc2 Kc8 24. f4 Kb8 25. Rhe1
Rc8 26. Kb1 Ne7 27. Nf8 Rgf8 28. Qe7
Qb3 29. Qd6+ Ka8 30. Qb4 Qb4 31. cb4
3Rc4 32. Rf1 Rb4 33. Rd3 Re8 34. f6 Re2
35. b3 1-0.

RIBLI - QUINTEROS
King's Indian

1. Nf3 c5 2. c4 g6 3. d4 Bg7 4. e4 d6
5. Nc3 Nc6 6. d5 Na5 7. Be2 Nf6 8. a3 b6
9. b4 Nb7 10. Bd2 0-0 11. 0-0 e5 12.
de6 Be6 13. Rc1 cb4 14. ab4 a5 15. b5
Nc5 16. Qc2 Re8 17. Rfe1 Bc8 18. Bd3 Bb7
19. Nd5 Bd5 20. cd5 Rc8 21. Nd4 Nd3 22.
Qd3 Rc1 23. Bc1 Nd7 24. Nc6 Nc5 25.
Qc2 Qd7 26. Ba3 Nb7 27. Kf1 Qg4 28. Qd3
Qh4 29. h3 Qf4 30. g3 Qh6 31. Kg2 Bf6
32. e5 de5 33. d6 Re6 34. Qd5 Qf8 35.
Ne7+ Be7 36. de7 Re7 37. Be7 Qe7 38.
Re5 1-0.

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TIMMAN V TAL

Jan TIMMAN became the fourth qualifier for the Candidates matches by virtue of his better tie-break score at Montpellier when he and TAL drew their playoff match 3-3. TIMMAN won the second game but blundered in a drawn rook ending to lose the fifth game. The other four games were drawn.

The Candidates semi-final pairings are thus YUSUPOV V TIMMAN and VAGANIAN V SOKOLOV and these matches are scheduled for January/February with the final to be played in March over 14 games. The Challenger's match between the loser of the return World Championship match and the winner of the Candidate's final will also be over 14 games. The 1986

World Championship Match is scheduled for December.

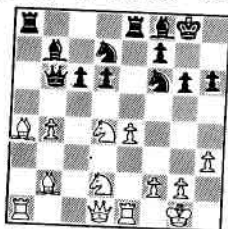
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KASPAROV v TIMMAN

KASPAROV played another exhibition match in December, this time against Jan TIMMAN. The World Champion won the first two games but TIMMAN pulled one back in the third. The next two games were drawn and KASPAROV won the sixth and last game to take the match 4 - 2.

TIMMAN - KASPAROV (3)
Ruy Lopez

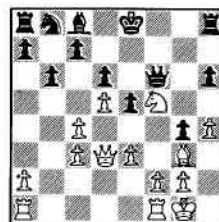
1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 a6 4. Ba4 Nf6
5. 0-0 Be7 6. Re1 b5 7. Bb3 d6 8. c3 0-0
9. h3 Bb7 10. d4 Re8 11. Ng5 Rf8 12. Nf3
Re8 13. Nbd2 Bf8 14. a3 h6 15. Bc2 Nb8
16. b4 Nbd7 17. Bb2 g6 18. c4 ed4 19. cb5
ab5 20. Nd4 c6 21. a4 Ba4 22. Ba4



The first game of the match reached this position after 20 moves, the 11th and 12th moves having been omitted. Black's last is an improvement over the 20...Rc8 21. Rc1 c5 with equality of TIMMAN -KARPOV, Tilburg, 1979. 23. Nc2 Game one continued 21. b5 cb5 22. Bb5 d5 23. Ra8 Ba8 24. Qa4 Nc5 25. Qc2 Rb8 26. ed5 Nd5 27. Nc4 Qc7 28. Ne5 Bg7 29. Nec6 Bc6 30. Bc6 Nf4 31. Bb5 Rb5 32. Nb5 Qc6 33. f3 Qb5 34. Bg7 Kg7 35. Qc3+ Kg8 36. Qe5 Nfe6 37. Ra1 Qb7 38. Qd6 h5 39. Kh1 Kh7 40. Rc1 Qa7 41. Rb1 Ng7 42. Rb8 Nce6 43. Qe5 Nd4 44. Rb1 h4 45. Qb8 Qe7 46. Qb4 Qf6 47. Qf8 Ne2 48. Rd1 Nf5 49. Qb8 Ne3 50. Qd8 Qf4 51. Re1 Nf1 0-1. 23...Qc7 24. Bb3 Ba6 25. Rc1 Bg7 26. Ne3 Bb5 27. Nd5 Nd5 28. Bg7 Kg7 29. ed5 ne5 30. Ne4! Nd3 31. Qd2 Ra3 32. Nf6 Re1+ 33. Re1 Kf6 34. Qc3+ Ne5 35. f4 Ba4 36. fe5+ de5 37. d6 Qd6 38. Qf3+ Ke7 39. Qf7+ Kd8 40. Rd1 Ra1 41. Qf6+ 1-0

KASPAROV - TIMMAN (6)
Queen's Indian

1. d4 Nf6 2. c4 e6 3. Nf3 b6 4. Nc3 Bb4
5. Bg5 Bb7 6. e3 h6 7. Bh4 g5 8. Bg3 Ne4
9. Qc2 Bc3+ 10. bc3 d6 11. Bd3 f5 12. d5
Nc5 13. h4 g4 14. Nd4 Qf6 15. 0-0 Nd3
16. Qd3 e5 17. Nf5 Bc8



18. Nd4! ed4 19. cd4 Qf5 20. e4 Qg6 21. Qc3 0-0 22. Rfe1 Nd7 23. e5 Bb7 24. Re3 b5 25. Qa5 Nb6 26. Qb5 Qc2 27. ed6 cd6 28. Re7 Rf7 29. Rf7 Kf7 30. c5 Qc4 31. Qb1 Qd5 32. Qh7+ Kf6 33. Qh6+ Kf7 34. Qf4+ Kg8 35. Qg4+ Kh7 36. bf4 Bc8 37. Qg3 dc5 38. Re1 Qf7 39. Qg5 Nd5 40. Qh6+ Kg8 41. Re5 1-0.

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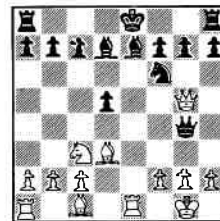
UNITED STATES CHAMPIONSHIP.

GM Lev ALBURT, the defending champion, won the 1985 U.S. Championship in October/November at Estes Park, Colorado. With only four rounds to play ALBURT held a two point lead but a loss to back marker Vincent McCAMBRIDGE followed by three draws allowed the field to close to half a point. Scores: 1. GM ALBURT 9½; 2. IM BENJAMIN 9; 3-4 GM CHRISTIANSEN, GM KAVALEK 8; 5-6 IM FEDOROWICZ, IM KOGAN 7; 7-8 GM BROWN, IM DLUGY 6½; 9-11 GM DE FIRMIAN GM KUDRIN, IM SHIRAZI 5½; 12-13 GM GUREVICH, WOLFF 4½; IM McCAMBRIDGE 4.

In finishing second, IM Joel BENJAMIN secured a Grandmaster norm. Iranian emigré Kamran SHIRAZI made amends for his dismal ½/16 last year by winning the first brilliancy prize for the following game:

SHIRAZI - KOGAN
Petroff Defence

1. e4 e5 2. Nf3 Nf6 3. d4 Ne4 4. Bd3 d5
5. Ne5 Nd7 6. Nd7 Bd7 7. 0-0 Qf6 8. Nc3
Qd4 9. Qh5 Nf6 10. Re1+ Be7 11. Qg5 Qg4



12. Re7+ Ke7 13. Nd5+ Kf8 14. Nf6 gf6
15. Qf6 Rg8 16. Bh6+ Ke8 17. Re1+ Be6
18. g3 Kd7 19. Bh7 Rge8 20. Bf4 Qh5

21. Qc3 Re7 22. Be4 c6 23. Bf3 Qh3 24. Qc5
Rc8 25. Bg5 f6 26. Qd4+ Ke8 27. Qf6 Rcc7
28. Re6 Qe6 29. Bh5+ Kd7 30. Bg4 1-0.

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TRENCIANSKE TEPLICE

The Czechoslovakian International Championship in November/December was won by Soviet IM UBILAVE who gained a GM norm with his 10/14. The scores: 2 GM FTACNIK (CZE) 9½; 3 GM MOKRY (CZE) 8; 4-5 IM MEDUNA (CZE), IM POLGAR (HUN) 7½; 6-9 IM DIZDAR (YUG), GM KNEZEVIC (YUG), GM SMEJKAL (CZE), IM STOHL (CZE) 7; 10-11 GM LECHTYNSKY (CZE), VOKAC (CZE) 6½; 12 IM PRANDSTETTER (CZE) 6; 13 IM AMBROZ (CZE) 5½; 14-15 PECORELLI (CUB), GM PLATCHEITKA (CZE) 5.

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BOR

Soviet IM Vlasheslav EINGORN completed his GM title qualification when he shared first place with Yugoslave GM Petar POPOVIC; both players scored 9/13, well clear of third place getters Lev PSAKHIS and Daniel CAMPORA. Scores: 1-2 IM EINGORN, GM POPOVIC 9; 3-4 IM CAMPORA (ARG) GM PSAKHIS 7½; 5-7 GM MARJANOVIC (YUG) GM VELIMIROVIC (YUG), GM VUKIC (YUG) 7; 8 IM CVITAN (YUG) 6½; 9-10 IM MOROVIC (CHI), GM PLASKETT (ENG), 6; 11-13 IM BARLOV (YUG), GM JANSKA (CZE), GM MARTINOVIC (YUG) 4½; 14 IM Z. NICOLIC (YUG) 4.

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SMEDEREVSKA PALANKA

Sweden's Pia CRAMLING won this women's tournament in November with a score of 9/12. then followed: 2 ERENSKA (POL) 7½; 3 MAKSIMOVIC (YUG) 7; 4-6 ALEKSANDRIA (USR), MARIC (YUG), VEROCI-PETRONIC (HUN) 6½; 7-8 POLIHRONIADE (RUM) NUTU (RUM) 6. 13 players.

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WOMEN'S CANDIDATES

Elena AKHMILOVSKAYA (29) won the right to challenge Maya CHIBURDANIDZE for the

Women's World title by winning the Candidate's Tournament at Malmo, Sweden in February.

		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
1	AKHMILOVSKAYA	USR	x x	0 ½	½ 0	1 ½	1 ½	1 1	1 1	9½
2	ALEKSANDRIA	USR	1 ½	x x	0 1	1 0	0 1	½ 1	0 1	9
3	LITINSKAYA	USR	½ 1	1 0	x x	1 0	1 0	½ 0	1 1	8
4	CRAMLING	SWE	0 ½	0 1	0 1	x x	1 1	½ 0	1 ½	7
5	SEMEANOVA	USR	0 ½	1 0	0 1	0 0	x x	1 ½	1 ½	7
6	BRUSTMAN	POL	0 ½	½ 0	0 1	½ 1	0 ½	x x	0 1	6½
7	LEVITINA	USR	0 0	1 0	½ 1	0 ½	½ 0	1 0	x x	1 ½
8	WU	PRC	0 0	0 0	0 0	1 ½	0 ½	½ 0	0 ½	x x

Pia CRAMLING, the highest rated participant and the West's best hope for a senior individual World title had a disappointing tournament, scoring only 2½/7 in the first half.

Previous challenger Irina LEVITINA fared even worse, finishing second to last. LITINSKAYA was the early leader but a disastrous second half saw her drop back to finish in third place.

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REYKJAVIK

The Reykjavik Open in February/March attracted 22 GMs and 36 IMs in a field of 75. Predrag NIKOLIC won an undisputed first place with his 8/11 and picked up \$US12,000 in prize money.

Leading scores: 1 GM P.NIKOLIC (YUG) 8; 2-8 GM GHEORGHIU (RUM), GM HANSEN (DEN), GM HJARTARSON (ICE), GM LARSEN (DEN), GM MILES (ENG), IM SALOV (USR) & GM TAL (USR) 7½; 9-17 GM ALBURT (USA), IM ARNASON (ICE), GM CHRISTIANSEN (USA), GM DE FIRMIAN (USA), IM FEDOROWICZ (USA) GM KUDRIN (USA), GM H.OLAFSSON (ICE), IM VAN DER STERREN (NLD) & IM YRJOLA (FIN) 7.

LUGANO

The 11th International Open in this Swiss city saw 250 competing over 9 rounds; among them were 20 GMs and 39 IMs. Viktor KORCHNOI was joined by three others in first place but won narrowly on tie-breaks. The leading scores: 1 GM KORCHNOI (SWI), 7½; 2-4 IM GUTMAN (ISR), GM PLASKETT (ENG) & GM SHORT (ENG) 7½; 5-8 GM P.NIKOLIC (YUG), GM NUNN (ENG), GM SEIRAWAN (USA) & GM TUMAKOV (USR) 7; 9-20 GM BELJON (SPA), GM DOLMATOV (USR), GM GEORGIEV (BUL), GM GHEORGHIU (RUM), GM SAX (HUN).....6½.

YUGOSLAV CHAMPIONSHIP

The 41st Championship of Yugoslavia was held at Budva, on the Adriatic coast, in March. Two thirds of the 18 players were GMs, but it was an IM Dragan BARLOV who took the title for the first time. Defending champion Slavoljub MARJANOVIC was joined in

second place by Petar POPOVIC. Scores: 1 IM BARLOV 12; 2-3 GM MARJANOVIC & GM POPOVIC 11; 4-5 GM HULAK & GM VELIMIROVIC 10½; 6 GM GLIGORIC 10; 7 IM RUKAVINA 9½; 8-10 IM CVITAN, GM IVANOVIC & GM RAJKOVIC 9; 11-12 GM CEBALO & IM Z. NIKOLIC 8½; 13 IM DRASKO 7½; 14-15 GM KOVACEVIC & GM SAHOVIC 7; 16 GM DJURIC 6; 17 GM MARTINOVIC 5; 18 KOSANOVIC 2.

LONDON

One of the last acts of the Greater London Corporation (GLC), which was recently disbanded by the THATCHER Government, was to sponsor a Category 13 event in March at the Great Eastern Hotel.

Twelve of the fourteen competing were Grandmasters and most of these had to be rated a winning chance. This was not to be however. In one of the most surprising results in chess tournament history, the second lowest rated player in the event, 27 year old IM Glenn FLEAR, came out on top.

Murray CHANDLER was close to or in the lead for most of the tournament and was co-leader with FLEAR, on 8 points going into the last round. Then however, he lost on time, (in a lost position) to Jim PLASKETT (the lowest rated player!) while FLEAR drew with John NUNN.

As the cross-table on the next page shows, the tournament was a remarkable triumph for the British players who took four of the top five places.

The contrast between the results of SPASSKY and RIBLI on the one hand, (no

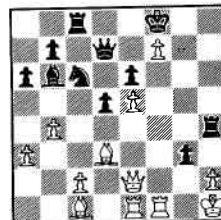
losses but only three wins between them) and PLASKETT on the other is

quite remarkable, the English Grandmaster having no draws at all!

			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
1	FLEAR	ENG	I	2485	x	½	½	½	½	0	½	1	1	½	1	1	8½
2	CHANDLER	ENG	G	2535	½	x	1	½	½	0	½	½	1	1	0	1	8
3	SHORT	ENG	G	2585	½	0	x	½	½	½	½	½	1	1	½	1	8
4	RIBLI	HUN	G	2585	½	½	½	x	½	½	½	½	½	1	½	1	7½
5	NUNN	ENG	G	2585	½	½	½	½	x	0	½	½	½	1	0	1	7½
6	PORTISCH	HUN	G	2610	½	1	½	½	1	x	½	½	½	½	0	1	7
7	POLUGAEVSKY	USR	G	2575	1	½	0	½	½	½	x	½	½	1	0	1	7
8	SPASSKY	FRA	G	2610	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	x	½	½	½	1	7
9	SPEELMAN	ENG	G	2560	0	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	x	0	½	1	6
10	VAGANIAN	USR	G	2645	0	0	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	x	0	6
11	LARSEN	DEN	G	2575	½	0	0	½	1	1	0	½	½	½	x	0	5½
12	PLASKETT	ENG	G	2435	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	x	5
13	DLUGY	USA	I	2545	0	0	½	½	0	½	0	½	0	0	1	x	4
14	MESTEL	FNG	G	2525	0	0	0	0	0	1	½	½	½	0	1	0	4

CHANDLER-VAGANIAN
French Winawer

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5
5 a3 Ba5 6 b4 cd4 7 Nb5 Bc7 8 f4 Bd7
9 Nf3 Bb5 10 bb5+ Nc6 11 0-0 Nge7 12
Bd3 a6 13 Kh1 h6 14 Qe2 Qd7 15 Bb2
Bb6 16 Rae1 Rc8 17 g4 g6 18 Nh4 h5
19 f5 hg4 20 fg6 Rh4 21 gf7+ Kf8
22 Bc1 Nf5 23 Bf5 d3 24 Bd3 g3



25 Qg2! [White finds an elegant way to finish off his attack] 25...Rh2+
26 Qh2 gh2 27 Bh6+ Ke7 28 Bg5+ Kf8
29 Bh6+ ke7 30 Bg6! Bc7 31 Bg5+ Kf8
32 Bh6+ Ke7 33 f8=Q+ Rf8 34 Bf8+ Kd8
35 Rf7 Qe8 36 Bg7 Ne5 37 Bf6+ 1-0.

NUNN-DLUGY
Caro-Kann

1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 Bf5 4 Nc3 h5
5 bd3 Bd3 6 Qd3 e6 7 Nf3 Nh6 8 0-0
Nf5 9 Ne2 Nd7 10 Ng3 Nh4 11 Nh4 Qh4
12 Be3 Qd8 13 Rfd1 Rc8 14 b3 c5 15
c4 cd4 16 cd5! Ne5[Or 16...de3 17 de6
ef2+ 18 Kf1 and Black has nothing better
than 18...fe6 when 19 Qg6+ Ke7 20 Rd6
is decisive]
17 Qd4 Qd5 18 Qa4+ 1-0.
[18...Qc6 loses to 19 Rc1].

BRUSSELS

Ten GMs and two locals made up a Category 13 field in the Belgian capital in March. The tournament was a great personal triumph for former World Champions Anatoly KARPOV who showed he has fully recovered from the two matches with KASPAROV. KARPOV annihilated the field in scoring seven wins and four draws, finishing two full points ahead of former title contender Viktor KORCHNOI who took second place.

One cannot but compare this event with the concurrent London tournament. While the English tournament certainly had a number of fighting players, the Brussels event had more. Unfortunately for the organisers KARPOV made sure that the race for first place was a non-event.

We give two examples of KARPOV's technique and a powerfully played game by Jan TIMMAN.

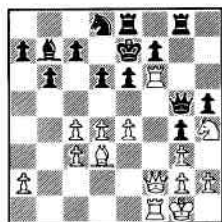
KARPOV-LJUBOJEVIC
French Tarrasch

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 Nf6 4 e5 Nf7
5 c3 c5 6 f4 Nc6 7 Ndf3 Qb6 8 g3 a5
9 a4 cd4 10 cd4 Bb4+ 11 Kf2 g5 12 h3
f6 13 Be3 0-0 14 Rc1 Rf7 15 Rh2 Bf8
16 Qd2 Qb4 17 Qb4 ab4 18 b3 b6 22 Rg2+
Rb1 gf4 20 gf4 Bh6 21 Bd3 b6 22 Rg2+
Kh8 23 Ne2 Ba6 24 Ba6 Ra6 25 f5 Be3+
26 Ke3 b5 27 ab5 Rb6 28 Rbg1 h5 29
Nf4 fe5 30 Ng6+ Kh7 31 Ng5+ Kg7 32
Ne5 Ne5 33 Nf7+ Kf7 34 de5 1-0.

WINANTS-KARPOV
Queen's Indian

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 e6 3 e3 c5 4 Bd3 cd4

5 e4 b6 6 0-0 Bb7 7 c4 Be7 8 Nbd2
 0-0 9 b3 d5 10 Bb2 Nc6 11 Qe2 Qd6
 12 Rad1 Rac8 13 Rfe1 Qf4 14 g3 Qh6
 15 Qf1 Rfd8 16 h3 Bb4 17 Re3 Bd2
 18 Rd2 Nb4 19 Ne5 Nd3 20 Rdd3 Ne4
 21 Rd1 f6 22 Ng4 Qh5 23 Nh2 dc4
 24 bc4 Rc4 25 d5 Rd5 26 Ng4 Ng5 0-1.



TIMMAN-MILES

Queen's Indian

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 Nc3 Bb4
 5 Bg5 Bb7 6 e3 h6 7 Bh4 g5 8 bg3 Ne4
 9 Qc2 Bc3+ 10 bc3 Ng3 11 fg3 g4 12
 Nh4 Qg5 13 Qd2 Nc6 14 Bd3 Rg8 15 0-0
 Ke7 16 Rf4 Raf8 17 raf1 h5 18 Qf2 Nd8
 19 Rf6 Re8 20 e4 d6

21 c5 bc5 22 Bb5 Ref8 23 e5 cd4 24
 cd4 c6 25 bd3 de5 26 Ng6+ Kd7 27
 Nf8+ Rf8 28 d5 ed5 29 Qc5 Ke8
 30 R1f5, 1-0.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
1 KARPOV	USR G	x	½	½	1	1	½	1	1	½	1	1	9
2 KORCHNOI	SWI G	½	x	0	½	1	1	0	½	½	1	1	7
3 TORRE	PHI G	½	1	x	½	½	½	½	½	1	1	0	6½
4 TIMMAN	NLD G	0	½	½	x	1	½	½	0	½	1	1	6½
5 MILES	ENG G	0	0	½	0	x	½	½	1	1	1	1	6½
6 ROMANISHIN	USR G	½	0	½	½	½	x	½	½	1	½	½	1
7 SEIRAWAN	USA G	0	1	½	½	½	½	x	1	½	½	½	0
8 LJUBOJEVIC	YUG G	0	½	½	1	0	½	0	x	½	½	½	1
9 ZAPATA	COL G	0	½	½	½	0	0	½	½	x	1	½	1
10 VEN DER WEIL	NLD G	½	0	0	0	0	½	½	½	0	x	½	1
11 WINANTS	BEL	0	0	0	0	0	½	½	½	½	½	x	½
12 JADOUŁ	BEL	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	½	x

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NEW YORK

Thirty-two grandmasters lined up at the start of the 1986 New York International Open in March/April. They were joined by 31 IMs and 32 FMs, making a total field of 95 - no 'patzers as Hungary's Andras ADORJAN perhaps unkindly commented. Altogether nearly one thousand players competed in seven separate events for \$US130,000 in prize money. The tournaments were all Swisses on nine rounds.

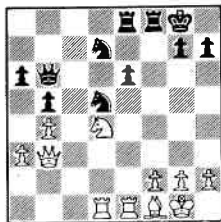
The lion's share of the Open prize fund left the shores of America. Joint winners with 7/9, were Gyula SAX and Jan SMEJKAL. These two shared \$US25,000 and then played a short match for another \$US1,000 and the title. The first two (30 minute) games were drawn but SMEJKAL won a lightning decider.

Leading scores: 1-2 GM SMEJKAL (CZE) & GM SAX (HUN) 7½; 3-6 IM BARLOV (YUG) GM DJURIC (YUG), IM FEDOROWICZ (USA), & GM H.OLAFSSON (ICE) 6½; 7-16 GM ADORJAN (HUN), IM BENJAMIN (USA), GM BENKO (USA), GM DE FIRMIAN (USA)

GM FTACNIK (CZE), GM GHEORGHU (RUM), GM HULAK (YUG), GM LOBRON (BRD) & IM MUREY (ISR) 6.

HULAK-SHAMKOVICH
Nimzoindian Defence

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 Qc2 c5
 5 dc5 0-0 6 Be3 Na6 7 a3 Bc5 8 Bc5
 Nc5 9 b4 Na6 10 e4 d5 11 e5 d5 12
 Nf3 Qc7 13 Qb8 14 Qc3 f6 15 ef6 Nf6
 16 Be2 Bd7 17 0-0 Nc7 18 Nbd4 dc4
 19 Bc4 Ncd5 20 Qb3 Qd6 21 Rfe1 a6
 22 Rad1 b5 23 Bf1 Rae8 24 Ne5 Qb6
 25 Nd7 Nd7



26 Re6! Re6 27 Qd5 Rf6 28 g3 Nf8 29
 Bh3 g6 [...Kh8 leaves the back rank
 too vulnerable] 30 Qa2 Kg7 31 Ne6 Ne6

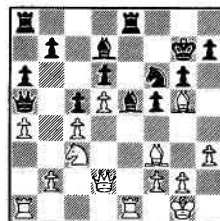
32 Rd7+ Kh6 33 Be6, 1-0

LOMBARDY-FORMANEK
Blumenfeld Gambit

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 c5 4 d5 b5
 5 de6 fe6 6 cb5 d5 7 g3 Qa5+
 8 Nc3 d4 9 Qa4 Qb6 10 Nb1 Bd7 11 Na3
 a6 12 0-0 Nh5 13 Qd2 f5 14 Bh6 Ne5
 15 ba6+ Kf7 16 Nc4 [White has ample
 compensation for the exchange but
 Black's next is a blunder.] 16...Nd5?
 17 Ne5+ 1-0.[17...Kg8 18 a7 Ra8 19 Qc6
 wins everything.]

BONIN-GHEORGHU
Modern Benoni

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 d6 4 Nc3 g6
 5 e4 Bg7 6 Nf3 0-0 7 h3 a6 8 a4 e6
 9 Bd3 ed5 10 ed5 Re8+ 11 Be3 Nbd7
 12 0-0 Nh5 13 Qd2 f5 14 Bh6 Ne5 15
 Ne5 Ne3 16 Bg5 Qa5 17 Rfe1 Bd7 18
 Be2 Nf6 19 Bf3 Kg7?



20 Re5! Re5 21 Bf6+ Kf6 22 Ne4+ fe4
 23 Qa5 ef3 24 Qc7 Ke7 25 Ra3 fg2
 26 Re3 Re3 27 fe3 b5 28 Qb7 Rf8 29
 cb5 ab5 30 a5 Rf1+ 31 Kg2 Rb1 32 a6
 Rb2+ 33 Kf3 1-0.

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U.S.S.R. CHAMPIONSHIP

The 53rd U.S.S.R Championship was held in Kiev in April. The tournament lacked most of the leading players and reached only a moderate Category 10 on the FIDE scale - an average FIDE rating of just under 2500.

The new champion is Vitaly TSESHKOVSKY (42) who finished a full point ahead of a bunch of six players. Scores: 1 GM TSESHKOVSKY 11/17; 2-7 GM BALASHOV, BAREEV, IM EINGORN, GM GAVRIKOV, IM LERNER & IM MALANIUK 10; 8 GM RASHKOVSKY 9; 9-10 IM GUREVICH, & IM YUDASIN 8½; 11-12 GM DOLMATOV, & IM HALIFMAN 8; 13-14 GM BELYAVSKY & GM LPUTIYAN 7½; 15 IM AZMAIPARASHVILI 7; 16-18 IM DVOIRIS, IM SMAGIN & YAKOVICH 6.

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DORTMUND

Zoltan RIBLI scored an undefeated 8/11 to win this Category 10 event in April. Pia CRAMLING scored a fighting 50% (only three draws) to edge former World Champion Vassily SMYSLOV by half a point. Scores: GM RIBLI (HUN) 8; 2-4 IM FEDOROWICZ (USA), GM HORT (BRD) & GM MILES (ENG) 7; 5-6 GM QUINTEROS (ARG) & GM SHORT (ENG) 6½; 7-8 IM CRAMLING (SWE) & IM KINDERMANN (BRD) 5½; 9 GM SMYSLOV (USR) 5; 10 IM HERTINECK (BRD) 4½; 11 KOHLWEYER (BRD) 3; 12 NIKOLAICZUK (BRD) ½.

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SARAJEVO

The "Bosna 86" tournament in April was chiefly notable for draws - not much more than one quarter of the games were decisive. Boris SPASSKY managed one win from his twelve games but Borislav IVKOV went one better drawing the lot for a perfect score! Scores: 1-3 GM GEORGIEV (BUL), GM PORTISCH (HUN) & GM PSAKHIS (USR) 7½; 4 IM CAMPORA (ARG) 7; 5 GM SPASSKY (FRA) 6½; 6-8 IM DIZDAREVIC (YUG), IM DRASKO (YUG) & GM IVKOV (YUG) 6; 9 GM PETROSIAN (USR) 5½; 10-12 IM DIZDAR (YUG), GM GLIGORIC (YUG) & GM VELLIMIROVIC (YUG) 5; 13 IM CEBALO (YUG) 3½.

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KASPAROV-MILES

The "Basler Zeitung" sponsored a short exhibition match between the World Champion and England's highest rated player, Tony MILES, in May. The Briton was treated even more harshly than Robert HUBNER, Ulf ANDERSSON, AND Jan TIMMAN in previous similar matches.

KASPAROV	USR	1	1	1	½	1	1	5½
MILES	ENG	0	0	0	½	0	0	½

The first game was an interesting struggle with both sides making mistakes in a Czech Benoni. Finally, MILES blundered away a draw on move 40, resigning just two moves later. The second game, a slav Defence, was also also interesting; in a long struggle MILES played for the win with Queen against two Rooks but overplayed his hand and eventually lost. Apart from one quiet draw KASPAROV was rampant in the remaining games, winning game four in 31 moves and the last two in 28 and 29 moves.

WORLD CH'P CYCLE

CANDIDATES SEMIFINALS

At Minsk the match between Rafael VAGANIAN (2645) and Andrei SOKOLOV (2595) was expected to go to the older (and higher rated) Armenian, but SOKOLOV won the best-of-ten games contest well inside the distance.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
SOKOLOV	½	1	1	1	½	½	½	1	-	-	6
VAGANIAN	½	0	0	0	½	½	½	0	-	-	2

After a draw in game one VAGANIAN played a somewhat unusual line in the Winawer but SOKOLOV gained a sizeable edge which he converted to a point when his Rooks infiltrated. SOKOLOV again won a better ending in game three and put the outcome of the match virtually beyond doubt in game 4 in which VAGANIAN improved on his play in game 2 and reached a better ending, only to lose eventually on time in a drawn position.

The other match between Jan TIMMAN (2645) and Artur YUSUPOV (2645) was played at Tilburg but the advantage of playing at home did not help the Dutchman.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
YUSUPOV	0	½	½	½	1	1	1	½	1	-	6
TIMMAN	1	½	½	½	0	0	0	½	0	-	3

TIMMAN had a good start when YUSUPOV failed to find the best defence after Black's exchange sacrifice. The favour was returned in game 5 when TIMMAN missed his best chance in a major piece ending. YUSUPOV sacrificed the exchange in game 6 and his Bishop pair soon controlled the board. Game 7 was a rout after TIMMAN's sharp opening play turned out to be simply bad; thus YUSUPOV emulated SOKOLOV with a hat trick and TIMMAN's resistance was effectively ended.

SOKOLOV - VAGANIAN (2)

French Winawer

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 5 a3 Ba5 6 Bd2 Nc6 7 Nb5 Nd4 8 Nd4 Bd2+ 9 Qd2 cd4 10 Qd4 Ne7 11 Nf3 0-0 12 Bd3 Nc6 13 qe3 Qb6 14 Qb6 ab6 15 0-0 Rd8 16 Rfe1 Kf8 17 h4 h6 18 Nd2 Ra4 19 a3 Rd7 20 f4 Nd4 21 c3 Bb5 22 Bb1 Nc6 23 Bc2 Raa8 24 a4 Ba6 25 b4 b5 26 Reb1 Rac8 27 Bd3 Na7 28 Ra3 Rc7 29 a5 d4 30 cd4 Rd4 31 Nf3 Rd8 32 Kf2 Nc8 33 Be4 f5 34 ef6 gf6 35 Re1 Rc4 36 Rb3 b6 37 Bb1 Rd6

38 Rb2 ba5 39 ba5 Ra4 40 Ba2 Ra5 41 Be6 Bb7 42 h5 Bf3 43 Kf3 Ne7 44 Kg4 Rb6 45 Rd2 Ra7 46 Rd8+ Kg7 47 Bb3 R6b7 48 Re8 b4 49 Kh3 Rc7 50 f5 Kh7 51 Rf8 Rc3 52 Rf7+ Kh8 53 Rf8+ Kg7 54 Rf7+ Kh8 55 Rd1 Ra8 56 Re7 Rb3 57 Rdd7 Rb1 58 Rh7+ Kg8 58 Rkg7+ Kf8 60 Rb7 Kg8 61 Rh6 Rf8 62 Rhh7 Rd8 63 Rbg7+ 64 Ra7 Kg8 65 h6 1-0.

VAGANIAN - SOKOLOV (3)

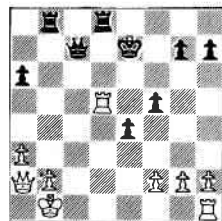
Nimzoindian

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e3 0-0 5 Bd3 d5 6 a3 dc4 7 Bc4 Bd6 8 Qc2 Nbd7 9 Nf3 c5 10 dc5 Bc5 11 0-0 b6 12 e4 Bb7 13 Bg5 Qc7 14 Qe2 Ne5 15 Bf6 Nc4 16 Bh4 Ne5 17 Rfd1 Nf3+ 18 Qf3 f5 19 b4 Bd6 20 Qh3 Be5 21 Rac1 Qf7 22 ef5 ef5 23 Ne2 Rac8 24 Rc8 Rc8 25 Bg3 Bb2 26 Bf4 Qe6 27 Qd3 Bf6 28 f3 Rd8 29 Qc2 Rd1+ 30 Qd1 Ba6 31 Kf2 g5 32 Bc1 Bc4 33 Qd2 Kf7 34 Ng3 b5 35 Ne2 f4 36 h4 h6 37 hg5 hg5 38 Qc2 a6 39 Qh7+ Kf8 40 Qh6+ Ke7 41 Qh7+ Kd6 42 Qc2 Qe5 43 Qd2+ Ke6 44 Qe1 Kf7 45 Qd2 a5 46 Qc2 ab4 47 ab4 Be7 48 Bb2 Qe3+ 49 Kf1 Bd3 50 Qd1 Bb4 51 Qb3+ Ke8 52 Qd1 Bc5 53 Ke1 Bc4 0-1.

SOKOLOV - VAGANIAN (4)

French Winawer

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 5 a3 Ba5 6 Bb2 cd4 7 Nb5 Nc6 8 Nf3 f6 9 Nbd4 Nd4 10 Nd4 Bb2+ 11 Qd2 fe5 12 Bb5+ Kf8 13 Nf3 Qd6 14 Qg5 e4 15 Ne5 Qe7 16 Qe3 Nh6 17 0-0-0 Nf5 18 Qc3 a6 19 Be2 bd7 20 Bg4 Rc8 21 Qb4 Bc6 22 Qb3 Qc7 23 Nc6 bc6 24 Bf5 ef5 25 c4 Ke7 26 cd5 cd5+ 27 Kb1 Rhd8 28 Rd5 Rb8 29 Qa2



29...Rb2+! 30 Qb2 Rb8 31 Rd2 Rb2+ 32 Rb2 Qd6 33 Rc1 Kf6 34 h4 Qa3 35 Rc6+ Ke5 36 Rc7 Qd3+ 37 Ka2 Qd5+ 38 Kb1 Qd1+ 39 Ka2 Qa4+ 40 Kb1 Qd1+ 41 Ka2 Qd5+ [Black apparently decides to go for the win since he eschews the three-fold repetition after 41 ...Qa4+ 42 Kb1 Qd1+] 42 Kb1 f4 43 Rbc2 Kd6 44 Kc1 Qb5 45 Rg7 e3 46 fe3 fe3 47 Rcc7 Qa4 48 Rh7 a5 49 Rcg7 Qc4+ 50 Kb2 Qe6 51 Ra7

Qe5+ 52 Kc2 qe4+ 53 Kc3 Qb4+ 54 Kd3 Qd2+ 55 Ke4 Kc6 56 Rab7, 1-0 (time)

SOKOLOV - VAGANIAN (8)

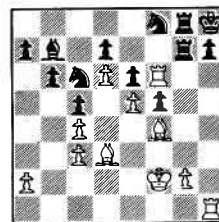
Alekhine Defence.

1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4 Nf3 Nc6 5 c4 Nb6 6 Be2 Bg4 7 ed6 cd6 8 d5 Bf3 9 Bf3 Nc5 10 Be2 g6 11 Be3 Bg7 12 Bd4 0-0 13 Nc3 Rc8 14 b3 e6 15 f4 ed5 16 fe5 dc4 17 0-0 de5 18 Bb6 Qb6+ 19 Kh1 Rfd8 20 Nd5 Qc5 21 bc4 b5 22 Rc1 Bh6 23 Bg4 Bc1 24 Bc8 Bg5 25 Qf3 Rf8 26 Bb7 bc4 27 Qg3 f6 28 h4 Bd2 29 Rf6 Rf6 30 Nf6+ Kg7 31 Ne4 Qc3 32 Qe3 Bc3 33 Bd5 c3 34 Bb3 Bd2 35 Kg1 1-0.

YUSUPOV - TIMMAN (1)

Queen's Indian

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 Nc3 Bb4 5 e3 Ne4 6 Qc2 bb7 7 Bd3 f5 8 0-0 Bc3 9 bc3 0-0 10 Ne1 c5 11 f3 Nd6 12 Ba3 Na6 13 e4 Qe7 14 e5 Nf7 15 f4 g5 16 d5 gf4 17 Nf3 Nh8 18 Rae1 Ng6 19 Bc1 Kh8 20 Qf2 Qg7 21 h4 Qh6 22 Ng5 Qh4 23 Qh4 Nh4 24 Rf4 Ng6 25 Rf3 Rae8 26 Rh3 Re7 27 Rh6 Rg8 28 Kf2 Nf8 29 d6 Reg7 30 Rf6 Nb8 31 Rh1 Nc6 32 Bf4

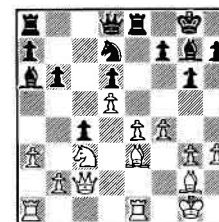


32...Rg5 33 Bg5 Rg5 34 Rf8+ Kg7 35 Re8 Ne5 36 Bf1 Ng4+ 37 Ke1 Nf6 38 Re7+ Kg6 39 Rh3 Bg2 40 Re3 Bc6 0-1.

YUSUPOV - TIMMAN (5)

Queen's Indian

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 a3 c5 5 d5 Ba6 6 Qc2 ed5 7 cd5 g6 8 Nc3 Bg7 9 g3 0-0 10 Bg2 d6 11 0-0 Re8 12 Re1 Nbd7 13 h3 Ne5 14 Ne5 Re5 15 e4 Re8 16 Be3 Nd7 17 f4 c4



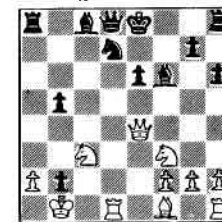
18 e5 de5 19 d6 Rc8 20 f5 Nc5 21 Bc5 Rc5 22 Ne4 Ra5 23 g4 Qd7 24 Rad1 Rc8

25 fg6 hg6 26 Qf2 Bb7 27 Nf6+ Bf6 28 Bb7 Qb7 29 Qf6 Qd7 30 Qe7 Rd8 31 Rf1 Rc5? [31...c3!] 32 Rf7 Qe7 33 Re7 b5 34 Ra7 Rc6 35 Rb7 Rdd6 36 Rd6 Rd6 37 Rb5 e4 38 Kf2 Rd3 39 a4 c3 40 bc3 Rc3 41 Re5 Rc4 42 a5 Ra4 43 Ke3 Kg7 44 g5 Kf7 45 h4 Kg7 46 Kf4 Kf7 47 Rb5 e3+ 48 Ke3 Ke6 49 Rb6+ Kf5 50 a6 Kg4 51 Rg6 Kh4 52 Kd3 Kh5 53 Rc6 Kg5 54 Kb3 Ra1 56 Kc4 Ke5 57 Kc5 Ra2 58 Kb6 1-0

TIMMAN - YUSUPOV (6)

Queen's Gambit

1d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 Nf3 Be7 5 Bg5 h6 bf6 bf6 7 Qb3 c6 8 0-0-0 dc4 9 Qc4 b5 10 Qb3 a5 11 e4 a4 12 Qc2 Nd7 13 d5 cd5 14 ed5 a3 15 de6 ab2+ 16 Kb1 fe6 17 Qe4



17...Bc3 18 Qa8 0-0 19 Qc6 b4 20 Bc4 Kh8 21 Qe4 Qc7 22 Nh4 Ne5 23 Bd3 Nd3 24 Ng6+ Kg8 25 Rd3 Rf2 26 Rf3 Rf3 27 gf3 Qd6 28 Qc2 e5 29 Nh4 be6 30 Rd1 Bd4 31 Qa4 Qd8 32 Qc6 Bd5 33 Rd4 ed4 34 Qb5 Qd8 35 Kb2 Qa2+ 36 Kc1 Qa1+ 37 Rd2 Qc3+ 38 Kd1 Bb3+ 0-1.

YUSUPOV - TIMMAN (7)

Grünfeld

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 cd5 Nd5 5 e4 Nc3 6 bc3 Bg7 7 Bc4 b6 8 Qf3 0-0 9 e5 Ba6 10 Bd5 c6 11 Bb3 Qc7 12 h4 e5 13 h5 cd4 14 cd4 gh5 15 Rh5 Bb7 16 Qd3 Rd8 17 Qh7+ Kf8 18 Ne2 Rd4 19 Bh6 1-0.

YUSUPOV - TIMMAN (9)

Grünfeld

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 cd5 Nd5 5 e4 Nc3 6 bc3 Bg7 7 Bc4 b6 8 Qf3 0-0 9 Ne2 Nc6 10 h4 Na5 11 bd3 e5 12 Ba3 Re8 13 h5 Qd7 14 Rd1 Qa4 15 Bc1 c5 16 d5 Qa2 17 Bh6 bh8 18 Bb5 Rd8 19 Bg5 Qb3 20 hg6 fg6 21 Rh7 Kh7 22 Qf7+ Bg7 23 Bf6 Rg8 24 Be8 1-0.

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CHESS QUOTE

The beauty of a game of chess is usually assessed, and not without good reason, according to the sacrifices it contains.

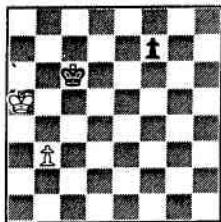
- SPIELMAN

(Source - Maxims of Chess - John W COLLINS)

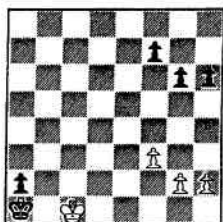
Should You Study Pawn Endings?

By Val ZEMITIS

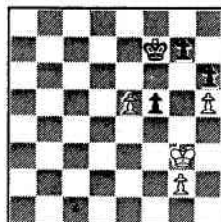
If you can assess these three positions correctly you need not concern yourself with pawn endings for the purpose of improving your pawn endgame technique.



1 Black to move



2 White to move



3 White to move

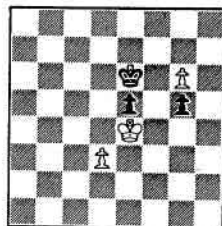
On the other hand, if you had difficulty seeing the intricate manoeuvres and possibilities hidden in these seemingly simple examples, don't despair. A CVETKOV has written a book in which he uses 121 positions to explain all you should know about pawn endings. It is a remarkably concise and lucid work. The book is entitled "Pawn Endings" and was published by Chess Enterprises, Inc. 107 Crosstree, Coraopolis, PA 15108 U.S.A. and costs \$US5.00.

All pawn endgame theory books follow the same method of presentation: first contrived positions are given to illustrate the basic theory, then to show hidden possibilities, endgame studies are shown, especially those composed by GRIGORIEV, MAROCZY, RETI, RINK, MATTISONS, FINE, KERES and other well known endgame composers; finally, examples from tournament games are presented. This book follows the same format and will teach you how to count moves, how to exploit distant opposition, explain the theory of corresponding squares, show how to arrange breaking through a pawn barrier, and most importantly, how to analyse pawn endings.

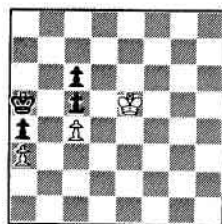
Because of very restricted material on the board pawn endings appear to be easy but the truth is that such positions conceal subtle moves and contain a wealth of hidden ideas. To add to the difficulty of playing such endings the player must see everything at the outset because the outcome of pawn endings almost always hinges on one tempo.

The following three studies illustrate the beauty and complexity of pawn endgames. All 6 diagrams on this page are taken from A. CVETKOV's Book. Solutions are given on page 65

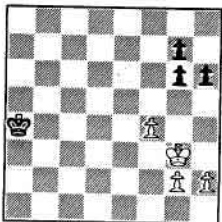
4 White to move



5 White to move



6 White to move



Monte Carlo 1903

(An unorthodox book review)

by
Val ZEMITIS

The third Monte Carlo tournament was held between February 10 and March 17, 1903 and was one of the strongest tournaments up to that time. Practically all participants were what we now term "super-grandmasters" with now calculated ELO ratings well over 2500. It was a 14 man two cycle affair.

The tournament was sponsored by Prince Dadien de MINGRELIEN, a vain and volatile individual. He declined Mikhail CHIGORIN (ELO 2600) participation, even though he was invited and duly arrived several days before the tournament. The Prince arranged for CHIGORIN to receive a sum of 1500 francs (more than 3rd prize money) and sent him on his merry way. CHIGORIN'S "crime" was that he had shown in writing that a brilliancy played by the Prince had gross errors and with correct play should have been won by the Prince's opponent.

Then, "The Water Carrier" an object d'art created another commotion. Made by the well known artist LEFEBRE, this object had won a special prize in Rome in 1897. According to the wishes of the Prince, the first and second place finishers Doctor TARRASCH and MAROCZY, should have played a short match to determine who should possess such a valuable "object d'art". Both players were of a different opinion and in addition to the object they wanted to compete for a purse of 3000 francs. The annoyed Prince thereupon arranged for the third place finisher, PILLSBURY, to receive the prize. As an insult to Dr TARRASCH the Prince, through one of his subordinates, handed Dr. TARRASCH a wine carafe - an item of little value. Such insults Herr Doctor was not willing to accept without comment. He wrote caustically about the affair, and was promptly "overlooked" when the invitations for the 1904 Monte Carlo tournament were sent.

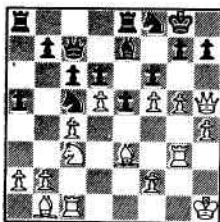
In spite of the faux pas committed by the Prince Dadien de MILGRELIEN, the tournament was ably managed by Arnous de RIVIERE, the same man who had battled Paul MORPHY in Paris in 1859. There were five rounds per week with the adjourned games session on Wednesdays. Players agreed to play seven hours each day from 10am to 2pm and then from 4pm to 7pm. No one objected to players themselves analysing games but no consultation was allowed.

Dr TARRASCH emerged as a winner despite three early losses. Considering the opposition his result 20/6 (77%) is remarkable. TARRASCH'S play at this tournament was characterised as 'conservative and careful' and was said to be 'interesting and instructive and at times not devoid of brilliancy.'

MAROCZY who achieved 19 points, was second. He played well and displayed 'good positional judgement and keenness of attack.' PILLSBURY placed third with 17½ points. As usual he was a dangerous opponent and could have emerged as a victor had it not been for a severe cold suffered in the second cycle of the tournament. The youngest participant, Frank MARSHALL, aged 26 placed ninth.

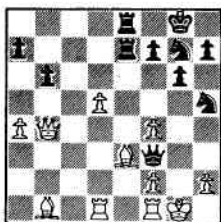
Now a hard-cover book about the Monte Carlo tournament has been published by the EDITION OLMS (Hagentorwall 7, D-3200 Hildesheim, West Germany). This book is a reprint from "The American Chess Weekly", Special series #1-5, Philadelphia, April 29 1903-June 18 1903. All 182 games are annotated and there are 49 diagrams dispersed throughout the 112 pages. Considering the excellent execution of the book, the price of DM/Sfr 38.00 (Approx US\$16) is a bargain. This is a book that will delight both the collector and the practical player alike.

The following three diagrams show how tournament winner Dr TARRASCH scored three losses in the early rounds of the tournament.



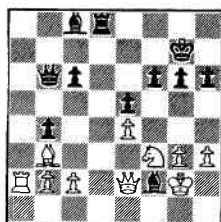
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Position after 22...Ra8



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Position after 35 Kg1



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Position after 34...Bf2?

1. SCHLECTER - TARRASCH: 23 Bc5! dc5 24 d6 Qd6 25 Ne4 Qd8 26 Rd1 Resigns.
(If 26...Nd7 then 27 gf6 and 28 Rd7! If Black moves the Queen then 27 gf6 decides.)
2. TARRASCH - TEICHMAN: 35...Nf5!(Threatening Nh4) 36 Bf5 gf5 37 Rd4 f6
38 Rc1 Qh3 39 White Resigned.
3. MARCO - TARRASCH: 35 Qc4! Rf8 36 Ra8(Threatening 37 Rc8 and 38 Qf7+)
36...Qb7 37 Rc8 Rc8 38 Kf2 and Black resigned on move 65.

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THE MYERS OPENINGS BULLETIN

A Book Review

by

Jonathan ADAMS

'THE MYERS OPENINGS BULLETIN' edited and published by Hugh E. MYERS, Iowa U.S.A.
(the issue reviewed is Volume 3 No 12, Oct-Nov 1985)

This fairly new arrival on the periodicals scene concentrates on opening lines that are off the beaten track. MYERS is an American openings exponent with a particular liking for rare debuts. The bulk of the contents of the M.O.B is openings analysis. The rest of the issue is made up of editorials, one full length book review, brief notes on several new books and a short 'miscellany' section.

Openings covered in this issue are the Lasker-Pelikan variation of the Sicilian Defence (less popular lines), Sicilian 2 Nf3 d6 3 e5 (dubbed Mengarini's Variation - the analysis is by Mengarini), Muzio Gambit, Bird's Opening with 1 f4 e5 2 Nh3 and 1...d5 2 e4. There is a slight lack of narrative in some of the analysis and a shortage of diagrams. Some of the contributors are not very well known, but a welcome international flavour is provided by Jim HENRI, a top rated player in the Correspondence Chess League of Australia, and Games Editor of its magazine, CCLA RECORD. Most of the analysis is of a high standard, though there are a couple of dubious verdicts.

MYERS is certainly not afraid of controversy. The material on the Muzio Gambit constitutes an at times impassioned debate between the author of previous articles, Stefan BUCKER, and Dutch practitioner Henk SMOUT. It's good reading as it all furthers knowledge and is well meshed together. But does it really warrant over seven jam-packed pages in a magazine of 27 pages? This is easily the largest section of this issue.

The controversy gathers momentum in the Editorials. The first is on 'KKK' (KARPOV/KASPAROV/KEENE), and argues the unusual view (for a Western world writer) that it would be tragic if KASPAROV were to win! MYERS complains strongly about one sided reporting of the premature close of the first K-K match, attributing it to the Batsford connection between KASPAROV, KEENE and others, and the KEENE family connection with the writer for Reuters and the Associated Press, David GOODMAN (KEENE's brother-in-law). The second editorial replies strongly to criticism of MYERS by Jan TIMMAN. MYERS calls him 'Prettyboy'. The third sees MYERS rebutting a letter from Arpad ELO, no less, on ratings. MYERS is not afraid to be rude to 'young grandmasters and elderly statisticians'.

MYERS is lucky to have the services of Anthony SOLTIS as a reviewer. He reviews a Swiss reissue of the tournament book of Vienna 1882 in a manner that would gladden

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MYER's heart, concentrating on the many unusual openings employed.

One criticism that I believe applies throughout this publication is that the Editor is too ready to interject his own comments (some lengthy) throughout other people's contributions. But this is niggling. It is a very full publication for its size and definitely useful if you are the sort of player who likes to surprise his/her opponent in the opening (and aren't we all). It is good value, too at an annual subscription of US\$11.25 letter rate (surface), US\$10.50 printed matter (surface) or US\$15.75, airmail for 6 issues. It can be ordered by writing direct to Hugh MYERS, 1506½ Harrison, Davenport, Iowa 52803-4808, U.S.A.

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SOLUTIONS TO 'SHOULD YOU STUDY PAWN ENDINGS?'

1 IJUBOJEVIC - BROWNE, Amsterdam 1972. It should read 'Black to move and win' but BROWNE played 39...f5? and after 40 Kb4 had to be satisfied with a draw. Black wins with 39...Kd5! I If 40 Kb4 Kd4! 41 Ka3 f5 42 Kb2 f4 43 Kc1 Ke3 44 Kd1 Kf2! 45 b4 f3 46 b5 Kg1 47 b6 f2 48 b7 f1=Q+. II If 40 b4 then f5 41 b5 f4 42 b6 Kc6! 43 Ka6 f3 44 b7 f2 45 b8=Q f1=Q+ 46 Ka5 Qa1+ and wins.

2 CHKONIA - SHIVOGIN, USSR 1954. White played 1 g4? and after f5 a draw was agreed, in view of the continuation 2 gf5 gf5 3 f4 h5 4 h4 which results in a stalemate. The win is achieved as follows: 1.Kc2! and now: I 1...g5 2g4. II 1...h5 2 h4 f6 3 f4: III 1...f6 2 h4 h5 3 f4, or if 2...g5 here then 3 hg5 and 4 g4: IV 1...f5 2g3 g5 3 g4, or if 2...h5 here, then 3 f4. In all cases White wins easily.

3 ILYIN-ZHENEVSKY - BOTVINNIK, Leningrad 1938. White played 66 Kf4(?) and after 66...g6 a draw was agreed. After 66 Kf3! White could have won easily: I 66...g6 67 hg6+ Kg6 68 Kf4 h5 69 g3, or II 66...Ke7 67 Kf4 Ke6 68 g3. In both cases Black is in zugswang and must lose.

4 Study by N.D.GRIGORIEV, 1923. 1.g7 Kf7 2 Kf5! (2 Ke5 kg7 3 Kf5 Kf7 4 Kg5 Ke6 draws) 2...Kg8 (Not 2...Kg7 because of 3 Kg5 and White wins) 3 Kg4! (Not 3 Kg5 e4! 4 de4 Kg7) 3...Kf7 (If 3...Kg7 then 4 Kg5; if 3...e4 then 4 de4 Kf7 5 Kf5 Kg8 6 Kf6 g4 7 e5) 4 Kg5! e4 (On 4...Kg7 follows 5 Kf5 e4 6 Ke4) 5 Kh6!! (Not 5 de4 Kg7) 5...Kg8 6 de4.

5 Study by SACKMANN, 1913. 1. Kf5! Kb6 2 Kf6! kb7 3 Kf7 Kb8 4 Ke6! Ka7! 5 Ke7! Ka6 6 Kd8 Kb7 7 Kd7 Kb6 8 Kc8 Ka6 9 Kc7 and White wins.

6 Study by H.M.MAITTISONS, 1929. 1.f5!(Not 1 Kg4 because of Kb5 2 h4 Kc5 3 h5 gh5 4 Kh5 Kd5 5 Kg6 Ke4 6 g3 h5! 7 Kg7 Kf5 Kh6 Kg4 9 f5 h4! 10 gh4 Kf5 or 7 Kh5 Kf5 8 kh4 g6 9 kh3 g5) 1...Kb5! 2 Kf4! Kc6 3 Ke5 Kd7 4 f6 Ke8 5 fg7 (5 Ke6? Kf8 6 g4 g5! 7 f7 h5 8 gh5 g4) 5...Kf7 6 g8=Q+ Kg8 7 Kf6 Kb7 8 g4! g5 9 Kf7! (Not 9 h3? h5! 10 Kg5 hg4 11 hg4 Kg7) 9...h5 10 h4! Kh6 11 Kg6 gh4 12 g5+ Kh7 13 Kf7 and White wins.

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QUOTES FROM David BRONSTEIN

"Variations can be interesting if they show the beauty of chess; they become useless when they exceed the limits of what a man can calculate; and they are a real evil when they are substituted for the study and clarification of positions in which the outcome is decided by intuition, fantasy and talent."

"Without technique, one cannot attain mastery of any form; it is no less impossible in chess."

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CHESS NOTATION

Notation is the alphabet of chess. Just as a student who does not understand the literary alphabet cannot read, so a chess player cannot study without a knowledge of chess notation. Algebraic is the official alphabet of chess adopted by FIDE. Though some use the pure form (e2-e4), most prefer an abbreviated form. This issue of N.Z.Chess has been typed in the ultra abbreviated form in order to compress the maximum information into the available space. Future issues will revert to the slightly fuller style favoured by FIDE and by many players.

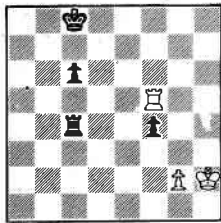
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KERES on Rook and Pawn Endings

by IM Ortvin SARAPU

The 6 hour playing sessions adopted by FIDE, with 40 moves in two hours and a second time control of 20 moves in a further hour, present new concepts to the game of chess. As Murray CHANDLER pointed out in the Listener (March 1-7), one cannot adjourn and look up the endgame books any more. One must be good in the endgame without the help of books and seconds!

As an example, the following recently played television game between two super Grandmasters HEUBNER and TIMMAN featured mistakes by both players with a win and a draw being missed!



Black (TIMMAN) to move continued...Kd7 40 g3 Rc2+ 41 Kh3 fg3 42 Kg3 Ke6??

[TIMMAN's mistake gives away the win. Correct, according to HORT, is 42 Re2! 43 Kf3 Re6 and here 44 Rh5 Kd6 45 Rh1 c5! or 45 Rh2 Kd5 etc. White can also play 44 Ra5 Kc7! (but not Kd6? 45 Ra1! c5 46 Ra6+) 45 Ra1 c5. If 45 Ra2 then Kb6 and "the White Rook has short legs". Also, HEUBNER's suggestion 44 Rf4 c5 45 Re4 Rd6 gives no escape] The game continued....

43 Rh5 Kd6 [Only now TIMMAN realises that 43...Re2 44 Kf3 Re1 45 Rf2!Re5 46 Re5+ Ke5 47 Ke3 leads to a dead pawn endgame.] 44 Kf3 Rc5 45 Rh6+ Kd5 46 Ke3 Kc4 47 Kd2 Kb3 48 Rd6 Kb2 49 Kd1 Rc1+ 50 Kd2 Rc2+

[Black is trying everything possible but he must eventually bring his pawn forward!] 51 Kd1 Rc3 52 Kd2 Rc2+ 53 Kd1 Rc4 54 Kd2 c5 55 Rd5?

[Now it is HEUBNER who makes the mistake! Here 55 Rb6+ leads to a draw - 55...Rb4 56 Rc6 c4 57 Rc8 Kb3 58 Kc1 Rb7 59 Kb1 and HORT claims that this position is known as a theoretical draw. I do not know how many chess players know this type of endgame or are familiar with this position?]

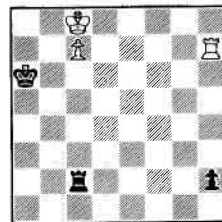
55 ...Rc2+ 56 Kd1 c4 57 Rb5+ Kc3 58 Rh5 Rg2 The White King is on the wrong side and HEUBNER resigned.

Endgames are difficult to play without good knowledge, and even top players make mistakes especially in Rook and pawns endgames. I have in my possession a rather long article by Paul KERES, printed in the Estonian language, and to my knowledge never previously translated into other languages. I wonder why. I believe it to be a great contribution to endgame theory written about 1974 just prior to his death. From here on in it is Paul KERES analysis and my translation.

The endgame is known as one of the most important parts of chess, where achieved advantages are realised. There are fewer pieces on the board, positions seem simple, and often it is possible to analyse every possible hidden complication to the end result. Not enough study, and a preference for spending time on the openings and middle game, are the reasons why not only amateurs but also professionals do not play endgames well. We will limit our examination to only endgames with Rook and a few pawns, where analyses are not easy irrespective of the simple look of the positions.

We begin with the famous position from World Champion Prof. Dr LASKER.

Diagram 1 E.LASKER Dt.Wochenschach 1890.



At first glance the position seems to be drawish. How can White achieve an advantage? When the White King moves away from his pawn, Black will check and then return to attack White's pawn again. Black's advanced pawn on h2 prevents the White Rook from defending his King from checks. White has still an interesting and instructive winning manoeuvre.

1 Kb8! Rb2+ 2 Ka8 Rc2 3 Rh6+Ka5

The Black King does better when it stays on the a file so that its Rook can check on the b file. After... 3...Kb5 4 Kb7 wins immediately.

4 Kb7 Rb2+ 5 Ka7 Rc2 6 Rh5+! Ka4

By repeating the previous manoeuvre White forces his opponent's King down another square. Visibly, nothing decisive has been achieved. The same manoeuvre must be repeated.

7 Kb7 Rb2+ 8 Ka6 Rc2 9 Rh4+ Ka3

The Black King is forced back far enough for White to begin the decisive manoeuvre.

10 Kb6 Rb2+ 11 Ka5 Rc2 12 Rh3+ Ka2 13 Rh2! and White wins.

This endgame of LASKER's is well known and very instructive, but has it also a practical use? It is unlikely that in a practical game we would get exactly the same position. In answering this question, one can safely say that LASKER's manoeuvre has not only theoretical, but also practical use. A good example is shown in Diagram 2. It happened in the game OPOCHENSKY-KERES Olympiad 1939 Buenos Aires.

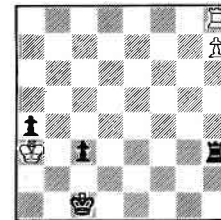


Diagram 2

The position here is clearly different from LASKER's endgame. Black has an extra pawn and White's Rook is in a stalemate position. But both positions have basic similarities. Black wins by using the same idea. White continued here 1 Ka4?

[From our point of view it is unimportant that White missed a draw with an interesting variation. 1 Rg8! If now 1...c2+ 2 Ka2! (not 2 Ka4? Rh7 etc) 2...Rh7 3 Rg1+ Kd2 4 Rg2+ Kd3 5 Rg3+ Kd4 6 Rg4+ and Black is forced to move away from the pawn whereupon the draw is easily obtained. Neither does the following variation help; 1... Rh7 2 Rg1+ Kd2 3 Rg2+ Ke1 4 Rc2 Rc7 5 Kb4! a3 6 Rc3 a2 7 Ra3 etc - draw.]

1...c2 2 Ka5

[In the game OPOCHENSKY played 2 Rg8 and was forced to resign after the

simple 2...Rh7 3 Kb3 Kb1.

After Ka5 Black's problems are somewhat more complicated. Knowing LASKER's manoeuvre, it is not difficult!]

2...Kb2

[Here it is interesting to note that because the White Rook is in a stalemate position in front of its passed pawn, Black can use another winning idea based on zugswang that is even faster than LASKER's manoeuvre. Black plays 2...Rh4! White cannot play his King to the b file so after 3 Ka6 Rh5 4 Ka7 Kb2 5 Rb8+ Ka3 6 Rc8 Rh7+ etc with an easy win.]

3 Rb8+ Ka3 4 Rc8 Rh5+ 5 Ka6 Kb3

All continues as in LASKER's endgame. Now the threat is Rh7, forcing White to check again.

6 Rb8+ Ka4 7 Rc8 Rh6+ 8 Ka7 Rh7+ and Black wins easily.

So far, the possibilities examined have been comparatively simple and easily understood, but the finesses in the position are not finished yet. Let's presume that White did not find the saving possibility 1 Rg8! and he did not continue with the weak 1 Ka4?, but instead played 1 Ka2. After this move we have a new interesting position as in Diagram 3. Here White has the same problems as in the game OPOCHENSKY - KERES. The position is changed by reversing the colours.

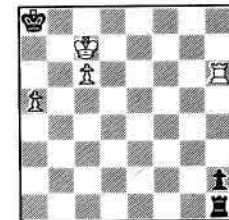


Diagram 3

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[How will White advance his passed pawn? First we look at the straightforward try. 1 Rh3 Ka7 2 Rh8 (White cannot recreate the starting position with 2 Rh6 as then Black will not play ...Ka8? but as in the game OPOCHENSKY - KERES, 2...Ka6! 3 Kc8 Rg8! and draws!) 2...Ka6 (Here the defence 2..Rg1 3 Rh2 Rg7+ is not sufficient. White continues 4 Kd8 Rg8+ 5 Ke7 Rg7+ 6 Kf6 or also 5..Kb8 6 Kd6 threatening Kd6 - c5-b6 etc) 3 Ra8+ Kb5 4 Rb8+ Ka5 Rb2.

It seems that White has achieved his objective as the threat 6 Kb7 cannot be defended. In reality, Black saves himself with a fine defensive manoeuvre 5...Ka4 6 Kb7 Ka3! If now 7 c7 then 7...Kb2 8 c8=Q Rb1! and now it is White who will look for saving perpetual checks. We realise now that White will not so simply reach his goal.]

1 Kc8!

[With this move White is taking advantage of the fact that 1...Rc1 2 c7 creates a mate threat by Ra6 and wins the h pawn. Also bad is 1...Rg1 2 Rh2 Rg8+ 3 Kc7 and the King will get to b6.]

1...Ka7 2 Rh7+!

[A necessary finesse to free escaping squares for his King in case of checks from the sides. After 2c7? Black will get the draw by 2...Rg1! as previously demonstrated.]

2...Ka8

[The same position as in the main variation will happen after 2...Ka6 3 c7 Ka7, where Black will not save himself by 3...Rg1 4 Kb8 Rb1+ 5 Ka8 Rc1 6 Rh6+ etc., as in LASKER's variation.]

3 c7 Ka7

[After 3...Rg1, White wins with 4 Kd7 Rd1+ 5 Kc6 Rc1+ 6 Kb6 Rb1+ 7 Ka6 etc]

4 a6!

[This advance is important to prevent 4...Rg1. If now 4...Rg1 there follows 5 Rh2 Rg8+ 6 Kd7 Rg7+ 7 Kd6 Rg6+ 8 Kd5 Rg5+ 9 Kd4 Rg4+ 10 Kd3 Rg3+ 11 Kd2 rg8 12 Rh6 with 13 Rc6 and White wins by going back with his King to the pawns]

4...Ka8

[After 4...Ka6 5 Kb8 we have the main line.]

5 Rh6

[Any other waiting move is also good except 5 Rh8]

5...Ka7 6 Rh8! Ka6

[Now Black is forced to capture as after 6...Ka8,7 Kd7+ etc wins for White. From this point in the text, the combination is known to us from LASKER's manoeuvre.]

7 Kb8 Rb1+ 8 Ka8 Rc1 9 Rh6+ Ka5 10 Kb7 Rb1+ 11 Ka7 Rc1 12 Rh5+ Ka4 13 Kb7 Rc1+ 14 Ka6 Rc1 15 Rh4+ Ka3 16 Kb6 Rb1+ 17 Ka5 Rc1 18 Rh3+ Ka2 19 Rh2+ and White has an easy win.

By comparison with LASKER's example, the preceding endgame was much longer and the solution was more complicated. It could be assumed that the LASKER idea is now exhausted of all possibilities, but it is interesting if we extend the idea by moving White's pawn

closer to the centre so that Black has more squares for his King to use and more mobility. Will LASKER's idea work again?

At first it seems that the idea is difficult to complete. For example, if White's pawn is on the d file, Black may place his King on the a file when in order to escape the checks, White must also go to the a file where he will be too far away to protect the pawn after Black plays...Rd1. By more detailed analysis we discover new unexpected possibilities for White which create serious defensive problems for Black. We start from Diagram 4.

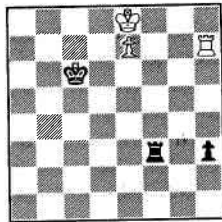


Diagram 4

Here the White pawn is on the e file but in spite of this White can achieve a decisive advantage. The position of Black's pawn, not on the second, but on the third rank is crucial as it allows White to vary his attacking possibilities. White has one rank fewer to force Black's King in order to achieve LASKER's manoeuvre. In addition, White can protect his King from checks in some variations. We will now examine how the game could continue from Diagram 4.

1 Kd8 Rd3+ 2 Kc8 Re3 3 Rh6+

[To begin with all goes according to LASKER's manoeuvre, but here it is not so clear as Black's King cannot be so easily forced to the lower ranks.]

3...Kc5!

[The best square for the Black King. Bad is 3..Kd5 on account of Kd7. After 3...Kb5 4 Kd7 Rd3+ 5 Rd6! and

White Queens with check! After the text White continues with LASKER's system, forcing the Black King back another rank]

4 Kd7 Rd3+ 5 Kc7

[Nothing can be gained by 5 Ke8 Re3! and if now 6 Rh8 then 6...Kd6! etc. LASKER's manoeuvre has to be repeated.]

5...Re3 6 Rh5+ Kb4!

[Now the Black King cannot stay on the c file, as after 6...Kc4 White repeats LASKER's manoeuvre with decisive

advantage: 7 Kd7 Rd3+ 8 Kc6 Re3 9 Rh4+ with 10 Rh3 to follow, winning]

7 Kd7 Rd3+ 8 Kc6 Re3!

[The Black pawn on the third rank prevents the check by 8...Rc3+ as after 9 Kb6 Re3 10 Rh4+ and 11 Rh3 Black loses. The text means that White can gain nothing by defending the pawn with his King since Black checks on the d file and White has made no progress.]

9 Rh4+!

[This check causes Black unpleasant problems. Naturally, the King cannot go to the third rank because of the 10 Rh3 threat but he cannot feel comfortable on a5.]

9...Ka5 10 Kd6 Rd3+

[The threat was 11 Rh3 etc. With 10...Kb6 Black could set a trap: 11 Rh3? Rh3 12 e8=Q Rd3+ with 13 ...Re3+ to force a draw. Instead of 11Rh3? White's best continuation would be 11 Rh8 winning.]

11 Kc5! Re3

[Naturally, 11...Rc3+ is hopeless as White replies 12 Kd4 Rc8 13 Rh3 and wins. Now White will use the mate position of the Black King on the side of the board to make a winning combination.]

12 Rh3!

[White wins, as after 12 ...Re7 comes 13 Ra3 mate. After 12 ...Re5+ 13 Kd6 it is an easy win. A pleasing combination.]

From this example we can see that LASKER's idea can be used even in more complicated positions. Here it is only one of the methods used by White to gain victory.

This is the first of several articles from KERES promised with translation, by IM Ortvin SARAPU. Other publications may feel free to make use of the material which is free of copyright.

CHess MAGIC!

Lev APTEKAR who provided this delightful study says that it is known in Russia as "The Iron Cage". Evidently a tale of a powerful and ruthless overlord who delighted in tormenting his victims provides a setting for a chess jewel.

Perhaps a reader can supply the complete story so that we can publish it along with the solution in a later issue! In the meantime the objective is to move as White in Diagram 1 to force the position shown in Diagram 2.

Diagram 1

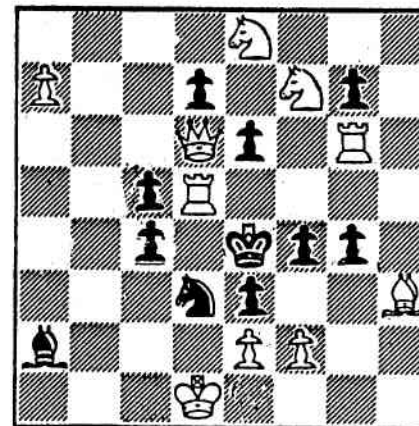
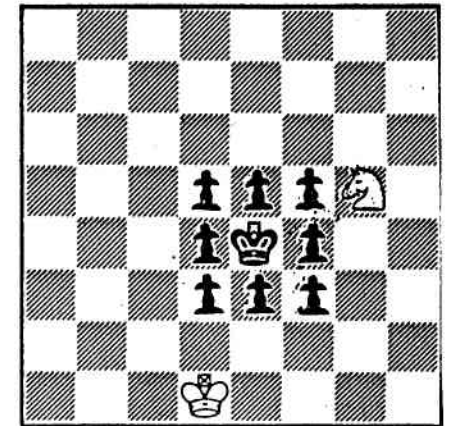


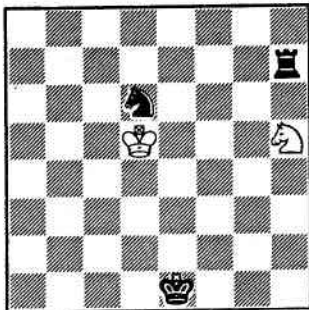
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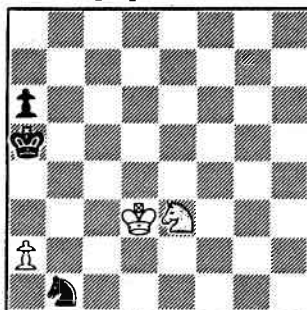
DECEPTIVELY SIMPLE OR SIMPLY DECEPTIVE?

Try to solve these problems without use of a chess board. No solutions are provided in this issue. Lev APTEKAR has provided six cases where hidden resources either save or win the day!

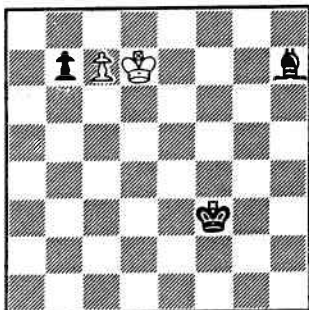
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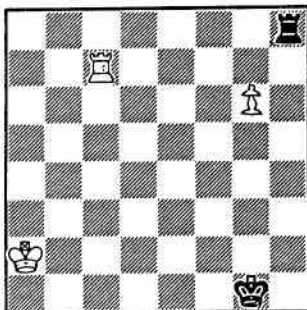
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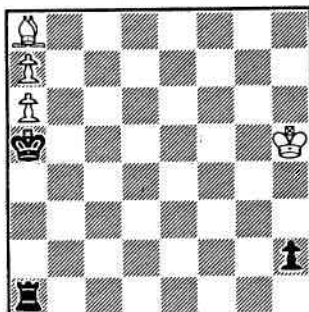
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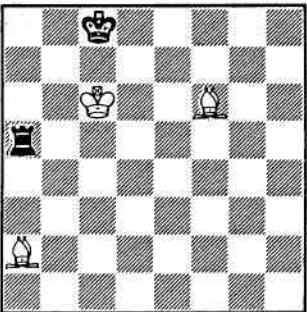
4. White to move and win
Study by GURGENIDZE.



4. White to move and win
Study by J. FRITZ



6. White to move and win.
Study by POSOSIANTS.



ATTENTION CONTRIBUTORS!

We need your material to keep the magazine alive and interesting.

Do not wait to be asked for a contribution about your Club's activities. Send one in right after the event. Make a habit of asking the tournament winner to annotate a couple of his 'best games' "for the magazine". Have the Club Secretary or the D.O.P (or anyone else, but SOMEONE!) write up a brief account of the tournament, highlighting interesting games and make sure the game score of those games is included with the report. Don't hoard those game scores,

send the best of them to us!

We prefer annotated games in algebraic notation but more importantly the scores must be CLEAR. Check those scoresheets for accuracy before you send them for publication. Provide a diagram sketch if you can or at least say where you would like them to be. Typed reports are best but if you send a handwritten report be sure it is legible. Use only one side of the paper to ensure that the gem on page 2 is not missed.

Finally, don't forget to sign the report or at least indicate who wrote it. We like to give credit where it is due.

COUNTRY ABBREVIATIONS

ALB Albania	FAI Faroe Islands	MAU Mauretania	SAL El Salvador
ALG Algeria	FIJ Fiji	MEX Mexico	SCO Scotland
AND Andorra	FIN Finland	MLI Mali	SEN Senegal
ANG Angola	FRA France	MLT Malta	SEY Seychelles
ANT Antigua & Barbuda	GAM Gambia	MNC Monaco	SIN Singapore
ARG Argentina	GCI Guernsey & Jersey	MON Mongolia	SPA Spain
AUS Australia	GRE Greece	MOR Morocco	SRI Sri Lanka
BAH Bahamas	GUA Guatemala	MRT Mauritius	SUR Surinam
BAN Bangladesh	GUY Guyana	NIC Nicaragua	SWE Sweden
BAR Bahrain	HKG Hong Kong	NLD Netherlands	SWI Switzerland
BEL Belgium	HON Honduras	NLA Neth. Antilles	SYR Syria
BER Bermuda	HUN Hungary	NLD Netherlands	TAI Thailand
BOL Bolivia	ICE Iceland	NOR Norway	TTO Trinidad & Tobago
BOT Botswana	IND India	NZD New Zealand	TUN Tunisia
BRD West Germany	IRE Ireland	OST Austria	TUR Turkey
BRU Brunei	IRN Iran	PAK Pakistan	UAE Utd Arab Emirates
BRZ Brazil	IRQ Iraq	PAN Panama	UGA Uganda
BUL Bulgaria	ISR Israel	PAR Paraguay	URU Uruguay
CAN Canada	ITA Italy	PER Peru	USA United States
CHI Chile	JAM Jamaica	PHI Philippines	USR Soviet Union
COL Colombia	JAP Japan	PLO Palestine CF	VEN Venezuela
CRA Costa Rica	JOR Jordan	PNG Papua - New Guinea	VGB Brit. Virgin Is.
CUB Cuba	KEN Kenya	POL Poland	VUS US Virgin Is.
CYP Cyprus	KUW Kuwait	POR Portugal	WAL Wales
CZE Czechoslovakia	LEB Lebanon	PRC People's Rep. of China	YAR Yemen Arab Rep.
DDR East Germany	LIB Libya	PRO Puerto Rico	YPR People's Democratic Rep. of Yemen
DEN Denmark	LUX Luxembourg	RIN Indonesia	YUG Yugoslavia
DOM Dominican Rep.	MAL Malaysia	RUM Rumania	ZAI Zaire
ECU Ecuador		SAF South Africa	ZAM Zambia
EGY Egypt			ZIM Zimbabwe
ENG England			