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### EDITORIAL

It appears there will be considerable discussion of some of the association's rules at the forthcoming congress. Some need to be discussed but there are others that should not (but, of course, will) see the light of day.

The recent changes to the time controls at a special general meeting (with a small attendance) are being challenged. Some want more time while others strive to copy overseas trends for tighter controls. In a sense, the former want better chess and the latter better competitions.

Adjournments are undesirable to organisers, publicists and the like. They are also undesirable to many players since adjournment analysis can turn a game around and it need not be by the efforts of one's opponent. One of the anomalies of chess is that consulting books or other players is illegal for a player during a game yet both are permitted to break the rules at adjournment. If then adjournments are seen as undesirable, perhaps time controls such as those employed in Active Chess are the fairest!

That old stalwart, money, raises its head in at least two remits both of which seem amply justified. Tournament levies should be constant so that there is no financial obstacle to players who improve their chess (and by that, maybe worsen their earning ability). Free or reduced entry fees for titled players, now common overseas, would cost the association very little.

Another remit aims to reinforce a now commonly-held view that fresh air is a catalyst! Many studies now being produced worldwide infer that the passive smoker is worse off than the smoker!

Breaking ties is a hoary old chestnut. However, making the resolution of these by matches mandatory could pose problems when one has a plane to catch. The method is desirable but is it practical?

An amendment to rule 111 appears to point out a mistake in mathematics. We may not understand all the subtitled formulas but the point made is pretty basic. We have even met it in picking horses by computer!

In an attempt to alter FIDE rules, there will be some pseudo-legal arguments put forward. It is to be hoped that the meeting will see the frailty of these arguments and throw the remits out. We do not want New Zealand to be a laughing stock.

# RATINGS

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## WHAT'S GOING ON AT NZCA

1 Perhaps the most important development during the immediate past has been the receipt of a cheque for \$10,000 from the Hillary Commission. This is to be devoted toward meeting the cost of team preparation and coaching development for the women's and open New Zealand Olympiad teams. In addition, the commission has approved a conditional grant of \$10,000 to be devoted to the Chess in Schools project. This offer is dependant on NZCA levying members or obtaining sponsorship for \$5000. This funding will be of immense importance for both the short and the long term development of chess in New Zealand.

2 Members of the Canterbury Chess Club have been active in assisting the Christchurch City Council to organise the Asian Under 16 Tournament which is to be held in Christchurch from 3rd to 16th September 1990.

3 A large number of remits has been received concerning rule changes desired by some members which will need to be approved by the Annual General Meeting on 6th January 1990. As the Special General Meeting on 20 September 1989 haggled for over two hours on only three rule changes, the AGM promises to be an extremely long one. To shorten it, it is proposed to hold a remit session on the afternoon of the AGM where some of the differences can be thrashed out and the AGM shortened accordingly.

4 Council has noted with pleasure that Anthony Ker has qualified as a New Zealand Master. Congratulations, Anthony.

5 At the November council meeting, Mr Lev Aptekar was appointed national coach. Considering his considerable experience and the provision of funds by the Hillary Commission, it is anticipated that both the future Olympiad teams and schools chess will receive a considerable boost in 1990

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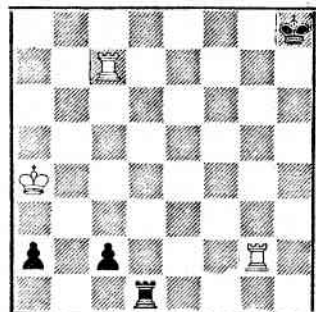
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Draw 3+4

Maksimovskikh's composition was judged first from 136 entries by 87 Soviet composers. In it, despite a rook deficit, Black's threat to queen with check appears unstoppable, so how is a draw possible?

### 1 Rc8+

If 1 Rh2+? Kg8 2 Rg2+ Kx8 3 Rf2+ Ke8 4 Re2+ Kd8 5 Rc8+ Kd7 (5...Kxc8? 6 Rxc2+ -) 6 Rc7+ Kd6 7 Rc6+ Kd5 8 Rc5+ Kd4 9 Rc4+ Kd3 and Black triumphs, "a beautiful thematic try".

### 1 ... Kh7

### 2 Rc7+ Kh6

Naturally 2...Kh8 3 Rc8+ and Black is only retracing steps.

### 3 Rc6+ Kh5

### 4 Rc5+ Kh4

### 5 Rc4+ Kh3

Here, at first glance, it looks as if all of White's remaining checks will bounce...

### 6 Rc3+

...but 6...Kxg2 7 Rxc2+ K any 8 Rxa2 trounces both upstart pawns.

### 6 ... Rd3

Touche! Black parries White's offer with one of his own. Now the blundering 7 Rxd3+ Kxg2 renders the decoyed rook a hapless bystander as one of the pawns queens, so what now?

### 7 Rh2+

Only this saves the day.

### 7 ... Kg3

The rook is immune as 7...Kxh2 8 Rxc2+ draws. After 7...Kg4 8 Rg2+ continues as in the main line.

### 8 Rg2+ Kf3

Black only backtracks after 8...Kh3 9 Rh2+ -.

### 9 Rf2+ Ke3

### 10 Re2+ Kd4

Upon 10...Kxe2 11 Rxc2+ Rd2 12 Rc1 Rd1 (12...Rb2 13 Ka3 Rb1 14 Rc2+ -.) 13 Rc2+ Rd2 14 Rc1 is a positional draw. The king, smarting from such rampant insubordination from the ramparts, runs for refuge.

### 11 Rc4+

...but there is no respite as the White rooks exchange roles.

### 11 ... Kd5

The harried monarch may well be tempted by 11...Kxc4 but 12 Rxc2+ draws the ending.

### 12 Rc5+ Kd6

### 13 Rc6+ Kd7

### 14 Rc7+ Kd8

### 15 Rc8+ Kd7

### 16 Rc7+

Drawn by perpetual check. The judge noted of this miniature "With his rooks ploughing furrows North-South and East-West, the composer has managed to put on view a pearl of the first magnitude."

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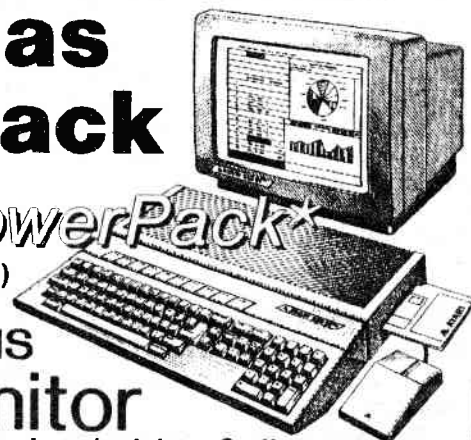
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# LOCAL NEWS

## AUCKLAND

Howick-Pakuranga may seem to feature prominently but that is because Paul Spiller is our only informant.

H-P have won both the Minor Leagues Trophy between Papatoetoe, Papakura and Howick and the new Quadrangular Trophy between Howick, Papatoetoe, Devonport and Waitemata. These two events are intended to promote competition between the smaller clubs without the big 2, Auckland CC and North Shore.

H-P club championships - A grade: **Graham Walden 1**, Paul Spiller 2, David Notley 3 (10 entries). B grade: **Stephen Price 1**, Theo Smith 2, Ken Williams 3 (10 entries). C grade: **Jim Porter 1**, Thomas Scherrer and Monty Kirkman 2- (7 entries).

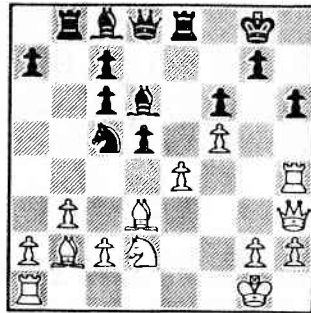
We have heard about Robert Baumgartner's great efforts in the Waitakere Open but not much hard evidence! Sorry Peter, yours is the only one we have.

**R Baumgartner - P Green**

**1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 exd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nxc6 bxc6 6 Bd3 d6** (Best is 6...d5) **7 0-0 Be7 8 b3! 0-0 9 Bb2 Nd7!** (To neutralise the bishop on b2 and free Black's game by Bf6) **10 f4 Nc5** (Better was 10...Bf6 immediately) **11 Nd2 Re8** (To stop White playing e5 after the freeing Bf6) **12 Qf3 Rb8?** (Black strays from keeping an eye on the centre. White can now push for an attack) **13 Qg3 Bf8 14 f5 f6 15 Rf4! d5** (A wing attack is best countered by an attack in the centre) **16 Rh4 Bd6** (16...dxe4 is crushed by 17 Bxc4+ Kh8 18 Rxb7+ Kxh7 19 Qh4 mate) **17 Qh3 h6**

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**18 Rxb6! gxh6 19 Qg4+!** (If 19 Qxh6 Qe7! 20 Bf6 Qh7 and White's attack breaks down) **19...Kf8** (Other tries lead to a draw or worse, eg 19...Kh8 20 Qg6 Be7 21 Qxh6 draws, 19...Kf7 20 Qg6+ Kf8 21 Bxf6 Be7 22 Qg7 mate, 19...Kf7 20 Qg6+ Kf8 21 Bxf6 Re7 22 Qxh6+ Ke8 and White has compensation or can settle for a draw with 21 Qxh6+ Kf7 22



**Qg6+ etc) 20 Qg6 Be5 21 Qxh6+ Ke7 22 Bxe5 fxe5 23 f6+ Kd7** (23...Kd6 24 f7+ Re6 25 f8-Q winning) **24 exd5** (Threatening Bf5+) **24...Nxd3 25 Qg7+?** (A time trouble error. Both players had only a few seconds left. The winning move was 25 f7 with the threat of 26 Qe6 mate if the rook moves from the e-file as the following variations show: 25 cxd5 26 fxe8-Q+ and White's passed pawns should win after cxd3 and Rf1. Other tries are 25...Rf8 26 Qe6 mate, 25...Re7 26 Qxc6 mate, 25...Nf4 26 Qxc6+ Ke7 27 fxe8+ Qxe8 28 Qxc7+ and 29 Qxb8, 25...Nb4 26 fxe8-Q+ Qxe8 27 Ne4 (27...Qe7 28 Nf6+ Kd8 29 Qh8+ wins, 27...Qd8 28 Qe6 mate, 27...Qf7 28 Rf1 Qxd5 29 Qf8 mate, 27...Qf7 28 Rf1 Qe7 29 Nf6+ Kd8 30 Qh8+ etc). The rest is an amusing end in a mutual time scramble. **25...Kd6 26 f7 Rf8 27 cxd3 cxd5 28 Nf3 Qe7 29 Re1 Rxf7 30 Qg3 Rg7 31 Qf2 Ba6 32 Rc1 Rb5 33 a4 Rxb3 34 Qc5+ Ke6 35 Nd4+ exd4 36 Re1+ Kd7 37 Rxe7+ Rxe7 38 Qxd5+ Resigns.**

## WELLINGTON

The Queen's Birthday Weekend event was run by the Wellington Chess Club on behalf of the Wellington Chess League with J D Sarfati as DOP. It was the best turnout in years (thanks partly to Anthony Ker's publicity in his Evening Post column): 14 in the A grade with 10 in both the B and C grades. There was no lack of quality either, with Russell Dive and the two Kers playing as well as strong South Islanders Mike Hampl and Stephen Lukey.

I Dive and Hampl took the lead with 3/3. Their fourth round clash saw Dive outplaying

Hampl, missing an opportunity to win Hampl's queen and losing his own instead.

So, Hampl, with a point lead and the white pieces, had to face A Ker. Hampl gained the advantage in the ...Nf6...gaf6 Caro-Kann but he lost the game (the "equalising injustice of chess" at work, perhaps).

The final result was a four-way tie between the top four seeds, A Ker, R Dive, M Hampl and S Lukey. Max Wigbout's performance was excellent. Seeded 11th, he scored 60% against the top five seeds with wins over the Kers and Lukey.

Mooi Kok Onn (not Osrlic Mooi), an overseas student from Singapore, won the B grade with 5/5. Ross Powell was second on 3- with Keith Okey 3rd on 3 points.

The C grade was won by Philip Shaw, 5/5, with Marvin Jones 2nd on 4 and Richard Glover and Justin Shaw sharing third on 3.

## The Rebel Interclub

A number of players did not like the new interclub format to games played on Sundays in a remote venue. (32km ed) So Arthur Pomeroy, Peter Collins and myself organised an alternative event for the clubs Civic, Harbour City and Wellington. Some players played in both tournaments. The rebel tourney also gave the official event's DOP the chance to play interclub (for the HC B team). The rebel tournament was run in two grades with teams of three players.

The new club, Harbour City, had a strong A grade team led by Russell Dive and Mark Noble. They won the Rebel A grade as well as the official one.

Instead of defending its title in the official interclub, the Wellington club took out the rebel B Grade.

**J D Sarfati - A Ker Rebel A grade**

**1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Be2 0-0 6 0-0 a6?** (Mr Ker is obviously in an experimental mood since the game is not rated. However, when White is developing rapidly, such time-wasting manoeuvres give White more time to gain a stronghold in the centre. Only if White had also indulged in

non-developing moves such as 5 h3, then after 5...0-0 6 Be3 a6 is playable. White is not well enough developed for the attack which followed in the game Chandler-Gufeld, round 5, Plaza International Hotel, 1988: 7 a4 b6 8 e5?! Nf6 9 e6 fxe6 10 Ng5 Nf6 11 h4 c5 12 h5 cxd4 13 Bxd4 gxh5 14 Qf3 d5 15 Qe3 Nc6 16 Bxb6 d4! which stopped White's attack. White was fortunate to draw). **7 Re1 b5 8 e5 Nfd7 9 Bf4 Bb7 10 Bf1 Nc6 11 Bg3** (to stop ...Nxd4. Now White's centre divides Black's forces, just by standing there.) **11...Nb6 12 Ne4 Rc8** (development includes finding a good square for the queen, away from the "biff" of enemy pieces, so...) **13 c3! Na5 14 Qc2 c5?** (Black wants to get play somewhere but this move loses by force) **15 exd6 Bxe4 16 Qxe4 exd6 17 dxc5 dxc5 18 Rad1 Qe8 19 Qh4 Qc6 20 Rd6 Qb7** (20...Qc7 21 Rxb6 +-) **21 Re7 Rc7 22 Rxc7 Qxc7 23 Rxb6 Qb7 24 Rxb7+ 1-0**

## WELLINGTON CLUB

The club's C grade championship was won by **D Costello** with 4/4, F Hoffman, A Karvelas and M Spittal shared second place with 2/4.

**Tom Pledger and Shannika Rupasinghe** shared the honours in the B grade with 6/7. Philip Shaw was 3rd, 4/7.

The A grade event has not yet finished but **Paul Dunn** has already secured first place.

J D Sarfati

## Upper Hutt

Encouraged by the trend of increasing entries since 1986, Upper Hutt advertised the Labour Weekend tournament in three grades - but this optimism proved illfounded because only 22 players entered. The B and C grades survived but the A grade, with a highest rated player at 1889, was cancelled and all entries were reclassified as B grade.

The top seed, Paul Dunn, unfortunately withdrew but this was "remedied" by David Lillis' withdrawal after two rounds.

Paul Tuffery was a convincing winner with Don Stracy taking second place and Dave Capper, third.

Russ Crenshaw and Mooi Kok Onn shared the first place in the C grade with Chris McDonald third. Mooi would probably have acquitted himself well in the higher group but we did not have an official rating for him. His default (unintentional) against Crenshaw proved decisive in the final count.

**C McDonald - R Crenshaw**

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 g3 Bg7 4 Bg2 d6 5 Nf3 0-0 6 0-0 Nbd7 7 Nc3 e5 8 e4 exd4 9 Nxd4 Ne5 10 b3 c5 11 Ndb5 Ne8 12 Bb2 a6 13 Na3 Rb8 14 Qe2 Bd7 15 Rfd1 Qe7 16 Nd5 Qd8 17 f4 Bg4 18 Qd2 Bxd1 19 Rxd1 Nc6 20 Bxg7 Kxg7 21 Qb2+ f6 22 Nc2 Nc7 23 Nce3 Nxd5 24 Nxd5 Ne7 25 Ne3 Qc7 26 Ng4 Nc6 27 e5 dxe5 28 Bxc6 bxc6 29 fxe5 fxe5 30 Rd7+ Rf7 31 Rxc7 Re8 32 Rxf7+ Kxf7 33 Nxe5+ 1-0

**K O Mooi - C McDonald**

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 c5 5 a3 Bxc3+ 6 bxc3 Qc7 7 Bd2 Bd7 8 Qg4 Ne7 9 Nf3 Ng6 10 Bd3 c4 11 Bxg6 hxg6 12 a4 Nc6 13 Ng5 Rf8 14 Bc1 Ne7 15 Ba3 Rg8 16 Bd6 Qc8 17 Qh4 Nf5 18 Qh7 Nh6 19 h4 Bc6 20 h5 Qd7 21 Bb8 gxh5 22 Rxb5 Rxb8 23 Rxh6 Ke7 24 Rf6 Qe8 25 Rxf7+ Qxf7 26 Nxf7 Kxf7 27 Qh5+ Ke7 28 Qg5+ Kf7 29 f3 Rh8 30 Kf2 Rh6 31 a5 Rbh8 32 Qc1 g5 33 Qa3 Rh2 34 a6 b6 35 Qd6 Rc8 36 Kg3 Rh4 37 Rf1 1-0

**D Capper - P Tuffery**

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 g3 b5 3 Bg2 Bb7 4 0-0 g6 5 d3 Bg7 6 Nbd2 d6 7 Re1 c5 8 e4 Ng4 9 h3 Ne5 10 Qe2 Nbc6 11 c3 Qb6 12 Kh1 Ba6 13 Nxe5 Nxe5 14 f4 Nc6 15 Nf3 0-0 16 e5 dxe5 17 Nxe5 Nxe5 18 Bxa8 Nxd3 19 Qxd3 Rxa8 20 Kh2 b4 21 Qe3 e6 22 Rd1 Qc6 23 a3 Bb7 24 Rg1 Rd8 25 Bd2 c4 26 axb4 Rd3 27 Qe2 Qd5 28 Rad1 Qf3 29 Qe1 e5 30 fxe5 Bh6 31 e6 Bf8 32 exf7+ Qxf7 33 Rf1 Qd5 34 Rg1 Bc8 35 Bf4 Qd7 36 g4 Bd6 37 Rxd3 cxd3 38 Bxd6 Qxd6+ 39 Rg3 d2 40 Qd1 Ba6 41 Kg2 Bb7+ 42 Kf2 Qf4+ etc 0-1

**D Stracy - A Borren**

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 f4 Bg7 5 Nf3 0-0 6 Bg2 c5 7 dxc5 Qa5 8 0-0 Qxc5+ 9 Kh1 Ng4 10 Nd5 Nc6 11 h3 Nf2+ 12 Rxf2 Qxf2 13 Be3 Qg3 14 Qf1 Bxb2 15 Rb1 Bd4 16 Nxd4 Nxd4 17 Nxe7+ Kg7 18 Bxd4+ Kh6

19 Bf6 Qe3 20 Bd3 Be6 21 Re1 Qc5 22 f5 g5 23 h4 Kh5 24 hxg5 Bxf5 25 exf5 Qb4 26 Be2+ 1-0

**AW Queen's Birthday**

**M Wigbout - A Ker**

1 f4 Nf6 2 Nf3 g6 3 g3 Bg7 4 Bg2 0-0 5 0-0 d6 6 c4 Nbd7 7 Nc3 e5 8 d4 Qe7 9 e3 c6 10 fxe5 dxe5 11 d5 cxd5 12 cxd5 Ne8 13 e4 f5 14 Ng5 Ndf6 15 Qb3 Nd6 16 Be3 Ng4 17 Bc5 Qxg5 18 Bxd6 Qe3+ 19 Kh1 Rf6 20 Be7 Rb6 21 Qb4 Kf7 22 d6 Qh6 23 h4 Ne3 24 Bg5 Nxf1 25 Rxf1 Qxg5 26 hxg5 Rxd6 27 exf5 gxf5 28 Bxb7 Bxb7+ 29 Kg1 Kg6 30 Qb4 Rb6 31 Qe7 Rf8 32 b3 Rf7 33 Qe8 f4 34 gxf4 exf4 35 Rxf4 Bxc3 36 Qxf7+ Kxg5 37 Rf5+ Kg4 38 Qh5+ Kg3 39 Qh2+ Kg4 40 Qf4+ 1-0

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**OVERSEAS NEWS**

**Candidates finals**

The two candidates semifinal matches were held during October at Sadlers Wells Theatre in London. Play was scrappy in both encounters for much of the time but the closeness of the scores retained interest till the bitter end. Both matches followed a similar course in that the favourite won an early game and the underdog later caught up for a tied match going into the eighth and final game - final, that is, if decisive.

Speelman lost two pawns for very little in the first game but held on to draw while in the sixth he copied a 1982 Korchnoi blunder which lost one pawn; again he managed to steal a half point with excellent endgame technique. In between, the Englishman blundered a piece for two pawns in the second and Timman did win that one. Games 3, 4 and 5 were of somewhat better quality, especially the interesting third game, but all ended in draws.

The equaliser came in game 7, a Ruy Lopez, Schliemann Defence, which followed a typically Speelmanesque murky course. Timman blundered a piece in a difficult position. Just when it looked likely that the match might go into overtime, Timman won a pawn in game 8 and converted it to a full point. All three decisive games were won by the black player!

**Speelman - Timman (2)**

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 e6 5 g3 Bb4+ 6 Nc3 0-0 7 Bg2 d5 8 0-0 dxc4 9 Bg5 h6 10 Bxf6 Qxf6 11 Ndb5 Nc6 12 Qa4 Qe5 13 Rad1 a6 14 e3 Bd7! 15 Rxd7 axb5 16 Qxb5 (White should have resigned himself to playing a pawn down after 16 Qc2 though he would still have some compensation in his rook on the seventh rank) 16...Bxc3 17 Rxb7 Qxb5 18 Rxb5 Na7 19 Rc5 Bb4 20 Rxc4 Rab8 (Thus Black emerges with a piece for two pawns and the win is not too difficult) 21 Rd1 Nc8 22 a3 Be7 23 b4 Nb6 24 Rc7 Rfd8 25 Rxd8+ Bxd8 26 Ra7 Kf8 27 Bc6 Nc4 28 Kf1 Bb6 29 Ra6 Ke7 30 Bb5 Nd6 31 Bd3 Ne8, 0-1.

**Timman - Speelman (3)**

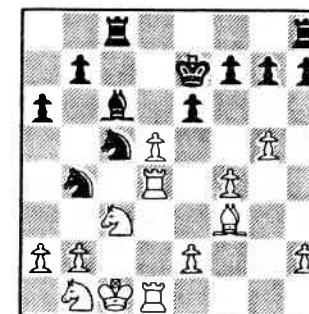
1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 f3 0-0 6 Be3 c5 7 d5 e6 8 Qd2 exd5 9 cxd5 a6 10 a4 Re8 11 Nge2 Nbd7 12 Ng3 h5 13 Be2 h4 14 Nf1 Ne5 15 Bg5 h6 16 g4 Qa5 17 Ng3 b5 18 0-0 b4 19 Nd1 c4 20 Be3 Nfd7 21 f4 Nc5 22 fxe5 Nb3 23 Qe1 Nxa1 24 Qf2 Rf8 25 Bxc4 Qxa4 26 exd6 b3 27 Bd4 Bxd4 28 Qxd4 Nc2 29 Qc3 Bd7 30 Nh5 gxh5 31 Qf6 Qxc4 32 Qg5+ Kh8 33 Qxh5+ Kg7 34 Qg5+ Kh8 35 Qh6+ Kg8 36 Qg5+ Kh8 37 Rf6 Qxe4 38 Rh6+ Qh7 39 Qf6+ Kg8 40 Rxh7 Kxh7 41 Nf2 Rae8 42 Nxb3 Re1+ 43 Kf2 Bb5 44 Nf4 Rf1+ 45 Kg3 Ne1 46 Qf5+ Kg8 47 Qg5+, ---.

**Timman - Speelman (7)**

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 f5 4 Nc3 fxe4 5 Nxe4 d5 6 Nxe5 dxe4 7 Nxc6 Qg5 8 Qe2 Nf6 9 f4 Qxf4 10 Ne5+ c6 11 d4 Qh4+ 12 g3 Qh3 13 Bc4 Be6 14 Bg5 0-0-0 15 0-0-0 Bd6 16 Nf7 Bxf7 17 Bxf7 Rhf8 18 Bc4 Rde8 19 d5 c5 20 Rhf1 Kb8 21 Bf4 Rd8 22 Bg5 a6 23 Bxf6 gxf6 24 Qxe4 Qxh2 25 Rh1 Qxg3 26 Rxh7 Rfe8 27 Qf5? (White's position is not enviable. As well as the threatened ...b5, White has to worry about a weak back rank as the sequel shows) 27...b5 28 Bf1 Re1 29 Qh5 Qf4+ 30 Kb1 Qxf1, 0-1.

**Speelman - Timman (8)**

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 Nc3 Nc6 4 d4 cxd4 5 Nxd4 e6 6 g3 Qb6 7 Ndb5 Ne5 8 Bg2 a6 9 Qa4 Rb8 10 Be3 Bc5 11 Bxc5 Qxc5 12 Qa3 Qxa3 13 Nxa3 d6 14 f4 Nc6 15 0-0-0 Ke7 16 Rd2 Nb4 17 Bf3 Bd7 18 Rhd1 d5 19 g4 Bc6 20 g5 Ne4 21 Rd4 Rbc8 22 Nab1 Nc5 23 cxd5



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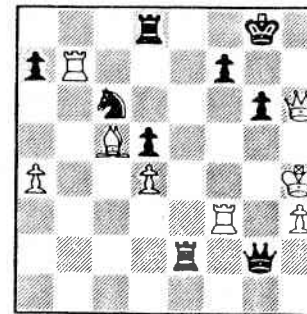
### Copenhagen

The 10th Politiken Cup tournament in the Danish capital in September featured all three Polgar sisters in the top half of the final table. Danish **GM Curt Hansen** took clear first place with 6-9 while Aussie GM Ian Rogers shared second with youngest Polgar, Judit, on 5-. Next came Zsuzsu Polgar on 5 and Zsolia Polgar on 4-. Then came 6-8 IM L Hansen, IM Schandorff and IM Mortensen 4; 9 GM Schussler 3-; 10 IM Hoi 2-.

The results of the talented Hungarian trio are no longer surprising. In fact, Judit was joint top seed, sharing a 2555 rating with GM Hansen.

### J Polgar - L Hansen

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e5 Ne7 5 a3 Bxc3+ 6 bxc3 b6 7 Qg4 Kf8 8 Nf3 Ba6 9 Bd3 c5 10 dxc5 Bxd3 11 cxd3 bxc5 12 0-0 Nd7 13 a4 Nc6 14 Ba3 h6 15 c4 Nxe5 16 Nxe5 Nxe5 17 Qg3 Nc6 18 Bxc5+ Kg8 19 Rab1 Kh7 20 Rb7 Qf6 21 cxd5 exd5 22 Qg4 Rhd8 23 h3 Kg8 24 d4 Re8 25 Qh5 Rad8 26 Rd1 Re4 27 Rd3 Re1+ 28 Kh2 Qxf2 29 Rf3 Qg1+ 30 Kg3 g6 31 Qxh6 Re2 32 Kh4 Qxg2?



33 Qg7+!! 1-0 (33...Kxg7 34 Rxf7+ Kg8 35 Rg7+ Kh8 36 Rh7+ Kg8 37 Rbg7 mate).

### Prague

A category 11 tournament (average Elo 2502) here in September was won by Soviet GM Alexander Chernin with 10/15. Czech GM

Ljubomir Ftacnik was clear second on 9 and then came IM Bischoff, IM Blatny, IM Conquest, IM J Horvath, IM Ilincic, GM Mokry 8; GM Jansa, GM Smejkal, IM Stohl 7-; GM Meduna, IM Pekarek, GM Plachetka 6-; IM Grunberg 6; IM Haba 5.

### Vrshac

The annual Kostic Memorial tournament at Vrshac was won by Yugoslav **GM Ognjen Cvitan with 7/11**. Surprisingly for such a low-scoring event, second place was also unshared - Soviet GM Evgeni Vasiukov on 6-points. Next were IM Cabrilo, GM Damjanovic, GM Ivanovic, GM Popovic 6; GM Lalic, IM Miralles 5-; GM Romanishin, GM Velimirovic 5; IM Davies 4-; Capelan 3.

### Tilburg

One of **Gary Kasparov's** unfulfilled ambitions was to surpass Robert Fischer's peak rating of 2785 and he picked this tournament to make the final assault. It is perhaps ironic that Tilburg is really Anatoly Karpov's tournament, he having won it a number of times and competed each year while Kasparov was, I think, playing in the tournament for the first time.

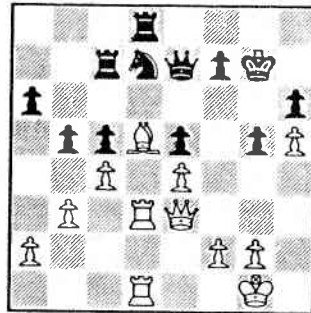
The result was one of history's greatest ever tournament results, comparable with Alekhine's San Remo 1930 (14/15) and Bled 1931 (20-/26) and some of Fischer's phenomenal results such as the 18-/21 in the 1971 Candidates matches. Kasparov conceded just four draws in scoring 12/14 in this double-round contest, leaving his rivals way behind.

Kasparov needed six rounds to shake off Viktor Korchnoi who had matched the World Champion's 4/5 start but he then rocketed ahead. Meanwhile, Korchnoi opened up a similar gap on the other players though his 11th round loss to Kasparov terminated any hopes of winning the event. He finished quietly with three draws.

At the halfway stage, Ivanchuk and Hjartarson shared third place but both slipped a little in the second half. Jeroen Piket, the Netherlands' youngest and newest grandmaster, was obviously set up as the tournament bunny

### Yusupov - Karpov (5)

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 e6 3 Bg5 c5 4 e3 b6? 5 d5! exd5 6 Nc3 Be7 7 Nxd5 Bb7 8 Bxf6 Bxf6 9 c3 0-0 10 Bc4 a6 11 0-0 b5 12 Bb3 d6 13 Qd2 Nd7 14 Rfd1 Bxd5 15 Bxd5 Rb8 16 Qc2 Nb6 17 Rd2 g6 18 Rad1 Qc7 19 Qe4 Kg7 20 h4 Qe7 21 Qf4 Be5 22 Nxe5 dxe5 23 Qg3 Rbd8 24 h5 Rd7 25 b3 Rfd8 26 e4 g5 27 Qe3 h6 28 c4 Rc7 29 Rd3 Nd7?



30 Bxf7! (White's compensation for the piece will lie in the mighty d-file pin which immobilises the Black forces) 30...Kxf7 31 Qd2 Ke8 32 Qa5 bxc4 (The match bulletin recommended 32...Rc6 33 cxb5 axb5 34 Qxb5 Qe6 as the best defence though White, with two pawns for the piece and the initiative, retains the advantage) 33 bxc4 (Time trouble was now a factor for both players. 33 Rd6 was probably better) 33...Rcc8? 34 Qa4 Rc7 35 Qxa6 Rb8 36 Qg6+ Kf8? 37 Rf3+, 1-0.

### Karpov - Yusupov (8)

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 d5 4 Nc3 Be7 5 Bg5 0-0 6 e3 h6 7 Bh4 Ne4 8 Bxe7 Qxe7 9 Rc1 c6 10 Bd3 Nxc3 11 Rxc3 dxc4 12 Bxc4 Nd7 13 0-0 e5 14 Bb3 exd4 15 exd4 Nf6 16 Re1 Qd6 17 Ne5 Nd5 18 Rg3 Bf5 19 Qh5 Bh7 20 Qg4 g5 21 h4 f6 22 hxg5 hxg5 23 f4 Rae8 24 fxg5 fxg5 25 g6 Bxg6 26 dxe5 Qe6 27 Bxd5 cxd5 28 Qxg6+ Qxg6 29 Rxg6+ Kh7 30 Rd6 Rc8 31 Re3 Rc2 32 Rd7+ Kg6 33 Rxb7 Re8 34 a3 d4 35 Rd3 Rxe5 36 Rxd4 Rg5 37 Rd6+ Kh5 38 Rh7+ Kg4 39 Rd4+ Kf5 40 Rd5+ Kg6 41 Rg7+ Kxg7 42 Rxg5+ Kf6 43 Rb5 a6 44 Rb6+ Ke7 45 Kh2 Kd7 46 Kh3 Kc7 47 Rb3 Kd6 48 g4 Ke5 49 Kh4 Kf6 50 Rb6+ Kg7 51 Kh5 a5 52 Rb7+ Kg8 53 a4, 1-0.

23...Nxa2+! (The tactical shot which effectively wins the match. White cannot play 24 Nxa2 because of 24...Nb3+ 25 Kc2 Ba4+ winning material) 24 Kc2 Nxc3 25 Nxc3 exd5 26 Nxd5+ Bxd5 27 Rxd5 h6 28 b4? (An over-hasty counterattack; White has better chances of holding after 28 h4) 28...Ne6+ 29 Kb3 Rc7 30 gxh6 Rxh6 31 Re5 Rxh2 32 Rdd5 g6 33 Rc5 Rd7 34 Rcd5 Rc7 35 Rc5 Rd7 36 Rcd5 Rxd5 37 Bxd5 b6 38 Bb7 Kd6 39 Rd5+ Kc7 40 Bxa6 Nxf4 41 Rd2 Rh5 42 Bc4 f6 43 Rd4 Rf5 44 Ka4 g5 45 e3 Ng2 46 Bb5 Nxe3 47 Rd7+ Kc8 48 Rf7 Rf4 49 Bd3 Nd5 50 Kb5 Kd8 51 Bh7 Ne7 52 Rf8+ Kc7 53 Ka6 Nd5 54 Rf7+ Nd5 55 Rf7+ Kd6, 0-1.

After a fairly quiet draw Yusupov made all the running in the next two games but still fell behind. In game 2, Karpov's position was critical when Yusupov inexplicably exchanged down to a drawn ending. Even worse was to come when Yusupov blundered in a tenable position after sacrificing a piece in game 3. Game four was a quiet affair but in game 5 Yusupov exposed a gap in Karpov's opening knowledge; later errors by the former world champion led to a bad position and then came the final blunder and instant resignation. Again Yusupov gained the advantage in game 6 where he eventually let slip a probably winning rook ending.

Game 7 was closely fought. Karpov ceded a pawn but the opposite-coloured bishop ending was easily drawn. Game 8 saw the third Lasker Defence to the Queen's Gambit and the third different ninth move on Karpov's part. This time he rapidly gained a strong initiative on the kingside, won a pawn, and made no mistake in the rook ending.

### Karpov - Yusupov (2) Nimzoindian Defence

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 Qc2 0-0 5 a3 Bxc3+ 6 Qxc3 b6 7 Nf3 Bb7 8 e3 d6 9 Be2 Nbd7 10 0-0 Ne4 11 Qc2 f5 12 Ne1 Qh4 13 f3 Ng5 14 f4 Ne4 15 Nf3 Qh6 16 Bd3 Ndf6 17 Qe2 Ng4 18 Qg1 Rae8 19 b4 e5 20 fxe5 dxe5 21 h3 Nef2 22 Be2 Bxf3 23 Bxf3 e4 24 Bd1 Nxd1 25 Qxd1 Nxe3 26 Qe2 f4 27 Bxe3 fxe3 28 Rxf8+ Rxf8 29 Re1 Rd8 30 d5 c6 31 dxc6 Qxc6 32 Qxe3 Qxc4 33 Qxe4, ---.



and, indeed, managed only one half point from his first five games; after that, however, he gradually became more competitive.

#### Kasparov - Agdestein

1 d4 e6 2 e4 d5 3 Nd2 b6 4 Ngf3 Bb7 5 Bb5+ c6 6 Bd3 Be7 7 0-0 dxe4 8 Nxe4 Nf6 9 Nxf6+ Bxf6 10 Bf4 0-0 11 Qe2 Qd5 12 Be4 Qh5 13 a4 Nd7 14 a5 bxa5 15 Bd6 Rf8 16 Qd2 Bd8 17 Ne5 Nxe5 18 dxe5 Ba6 19 Rfe1 f5 20 exf6 Bxf6 21 Rxa5 Bb5 22 c4 Rd8 23 Qb4 Rac8 24 cxb5 c5 25 b6 Rxd6 26 bxa7 Rdd8 27 Qa4 Be5 28 a8Q Qxh2+ 29 Kf1 Rxa8 30 Rxa8, 1-0.

#### Kasparov - Sax

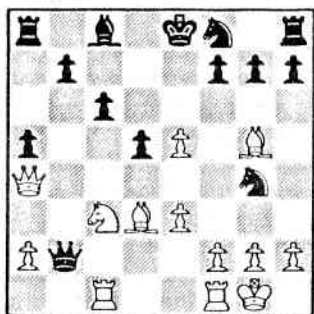
1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 g4 h6 7 h4 Nc6 8 Rg1 h5 9 gxh5 Nxf5 10 Bg5 Nf6 11 Be2 Bd7 12 h5 a6 13 Qd2 b5 14 a3 Be7 15 Be3 Nxf5 16 0-0-0 Nf6 17 Rxf7 Qb8 18 Nxc6 Bxc6 19 Qd4 e5 20 Qd3 Kf8 21 Rdg1 Qc8 22 f4 Qh3 23 R7g3 Qh2 24 Bf3 Rg8 25 Rxf8+ Nxf8 26 Ne2 Qh3 27 Ng3 exf4 28 Bxf4 Qh4 29 Qe3 Rc8 30 Nh5 Qh3 31 Bh6+, 1-0.

#### Ivanchuk - Korchnoi

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 g3 d5 4 Bg2 dxc4 5 Nf3 Nc6 6 Qa4 Bb4+ 7 Bb2 Nd5 8 Bxb4 Nxb4 9 a3 b5 10 Qxb5 Nxc2+ 11 Kd2 Nxa1 12 Qxc6+ Bd7 13 Qxc4 c5 14 Qa2 Qa5+ 15 b4 cxb4 16 Qxa1 Rc8 17 Ne5 Bb5 18 Ke3 Rc2 19 Bf3 0-0 20 a4 f6 21 Nd3 Bc4 22 Nd2 Qg5+ 23 Nf4 e5 24 Nxc4 exf4+ 25 gxf4 Qf5 26 Nd6 Qe6+, 0-1.

#### Hjartarsobn - Ljubojevic

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 d5 4 Bg5 Nbd7 5 cxd5 exd5 6 e3 c6 7 Bd3 Bd6 8 Nf3 Nf8 9 Ne5 Qb6 10 0-0 Bxe5 11 dxe5 Ng4 12 Qa4 Qxb2 13 Rac1 a5



14 Nb5 Ne6 (The knight cannot be taken: 14...cxb5? Rxc8+ Rxc8 16 Bxb5+ Nd7 (16...Rc6 17 Bxc6+ bxc6 18 Qxc6+) 17 Bxd7+ Kf8 18 Bxc8 winning a piece) 15 Nd6+ Kf8 16 Qxg4 Qxe5 17 Nxc8 h5 18 Nb6 hxg4 19 Nd7+ Ke8 20 Nxe5 Nxf5 21 Rb1 Ne6 22 Rxb7 Rh5 23 Nxf7 Nc5 24 Bg6, 1-0.

### Soviet championship

Rafael Vaganian won the Soviet Championship for 1989, played at Odessa in September/October. The field was not strong by the standards of the event, lacking such as Kasparov, Karpov, Ivanchuk and Elvest.

Scores: **GM Vaganian 9/15**; GM Belyavsky, GM Dolmatov, GM Eingorn, IM Gelfand 8-; GM Lerner, IM Oll 8; Aseev, Dreev 7-; Georgadze, GM Sokolov, GM Tukmakov 7; GM Balashov, IM Dvoiriz 6-; GM Malaniuk, Smirin 6.

(All overseas news was supplied by Peter Stuart who has returned to the fold. Apparently, his typing fingers had become very itchy. Welcome home Peter. ed)

From Emil Melnichenko, a game with an under-promotion that is neither "gratuitous nor sensationalist".

#### Gavrikov - Jaritonov, 55th USSR

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 d5 4 Nc3 Be7 5 Bf4 0-0 6 e3 c5 7 dxc5 Bxc5 8 cxd5 Nxd5 9 Nxd5 exd5 10 a3 Nc6 11 Bd3 Bb6 12 0-0 Bg4 13 h3 Bh5 14 b4 Re8 15 Ra2 d4 16 b5 Bxf3 17 Qxf3 dxe3 18 bxc6 Qxd3 19 cxb7 exf2+ 20 Kh2 Qxf1 21 bxa8-Q Qg1+ 22 Kg3 f1+N+! 23 Kh4 (23 Qxf1 Rxa8) 23...Bd8+ 24 Qxd8 Rxd8 25 Rf2 f6 26 Rxf1 g5 27 Kh5 (27 Rg4 Qd4) 27...Qc5 28 Be3 Qc4 29 Kh6 Re8 30 Bd2 Qf7 31 Qd3 Re2 32 Qd8+ Re8 33 Qd3 Re2 34 Qd8+ (34 Bc1 Qd7 35 Kh5 Qf7+) 34...Re8 35 Qd3.

## 1989 WORLD JUNIOR

### By Ben Martin

In August I represented New Zealand at the World Junior Chess Championships in Colombia, South America. It was my second trip to such an event; I played in the World Junior in the Philippines in 1987.

I was in Colombia when the crack-down on cocaine dealers began but there was little evidence of this in Tunja where the competition took place. Most Colombians spoke a little English (Spanish is the official language) and they were very friendly and enthusiastic about chess.

Tunja is situated in the Andes, about 8000 feet above sea level. The altitude took some getting used to. The town is celebrating the 450th anniversary of its founding by the Spaniards. There are many churches; the tournament itself was held in a restored convent.

Our accommodation at the Hotel Hunza was good. The tournament was well-run, though the playing hall was a little small and noisy.

There were two competitions: An open event and a women's tournament (both under-20). The open tourney attracted 50 entrants, three of the top four seeds were Soviets: GM Alexei Dreyev and IMs Alexei Shirov and Mijail Ulibin (first, third and fourth-rated). Zsuzsu Polgar, the only female competitor, was second seed.

The tournament started sensationally when 10th seed Jacek Gdanski (Poland) won his first five games but he lost to Dreyev in round 6. This was only a slight setback. After 11 rounds, Gdanski had 9-, one and a half ahead of the field.

Unfortunately for Gdanski, nerves finally caught up with him and he lost his last two games. This allowed Vasil Spasov (Bulgaria) to catch up on 9/13. Spasov took the title on tie-break.

24 players took part in the women's event. It was dominated by Ketimo Katiani (USSR) and Ildiko Madl (Hungary). Both were undefeated but Katiani dropped one less half point than Madl to come first with 11/13.

I had hoped for seven points but I started badly, two draws from four games. My first win came in round 5, against my room-mate David Zulu (Zambia). I won again in round 6 and then lost after over-pressing an advantage against Alejandro Kios of Colombia. Two draws and a win brought me back to 50%.

In round 11 I had a hard struggle against Arturo Martinez (Cuba) which ended in a draw. My best result, a win against Kostas Moutoussis (Greece), 2330, came in round 12. I lost my way in a complicated position but then swindled him. The last round was a disaster. Playing white against Carlos Boissonet of Argentina, I lost a pawn about move 7 and never really recovered. That left me on 67/13, 24th- out of 50.

I would like to thank the Otago Chess Club for providing financial assistance to help me attend the tournament.

#### Round 7

#### A Shirov (USSR) - M Stangl (FRG)

1 d4 g6 2 e4 d6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 f4 c6 5 Nf3 Bg4 6 Be3 Qb6 7 Qd2 Nf6 (7...Bxf3 is recommended) 8 Be2 d5? (8...0-0 or 8...Bxf3 are stronger) 9 e5 Nfd7 (9...Ne4 10 Nxe4 dxe4 11 Ng5 Bxe2 12 Qxe2 Qxh2 13 0-0 gives White good attacking chances) 10 0-0-0 Qa5? (Far too slow. Again 10...Bxf3 is necessary) 11 Ng5! Bxe2 12 Qxe2 h6 (Neither 12...0-0 13 e6 nor 12...e6 13 f5! and if 13...exf5 14 e6 or if 13...gxf5 14 Qh5 Rf8 15 Nxe6) help Black. 12...Nf8 prevents immediate disaster but leaves Black hopelessly cramped) 13 Nxf7! Kxf7 14 f5 gxf5 (if 14...Nf8 then 15 Rdf1 and if 15...Kg8 or Ke8 16 f6 wins back the piece) 15 Qh5+ Kg8 16 Rdf1 (Threatening 17 Rxf5, 18 Qf7+ and 19 Bxh6) 16...e6 17 g4 Qd8 18 gxf5 exf5 19 Rhg1 Qe7 20 Rxf7+! Kxf7 21 Rg1+ Kf8 22 Bxh6+ Rxh6 23

**Qxh6+ Ke8 24 Rg7 Qh4** (24...Qf8 25 Qe6+ and Rg8 wins) **25 a3 1-0**. The queen must leave the diagonal. After (eg) 25...Qxd4 26 Rg8+ mates.

Round 11

**R Koch (FRA) – J Gdanski (POL)**

**1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Bh4 4 e5 Ne7 5 a3 Bxc3+ 6 bxc3 c5 7 Qg4 Qc7 8 Qxg7 Rg8 9 Qxh7 cxd4 10 Ne2 Nbc6 11 f4 Bd7 12 Qd3 dxc3 13 Rb1** (Popular alternatives are 13 Qxc3 and 13 Nxc3) **13...0-0-0 14 Nxc3 Na5 15 Nb5 Bxb5 16 Rxb5 Kb8 17 g3 Rc8 18 Kd1 Nf5** (Black has good compensation for his pawn in the semi-open c-file and strong posts for his knights. White tries to dislodge one) **19 Bh3 a6 20 Rb4?** (20 Rb2 is forced. Black could continue 20...Nc4 21 Ra2 Qb6 with ideas of ...Qf2 or b1) **20...Nxc3! 21 hxg3 21 Rb1 Ne4** is no help) **21...Rxc3 22 Qe2** (After 22 Qxg3 Qxc2+ 23 Ke1 Qxc1+ Black recovers his material) **22...Rh8 23 Qf1 Qc5 24 Bb2** (The threat was 24...Rhxh3 25 Rxh3 Rg1. If 24 Bg2 then 24...Rxh1 25 Qxh1 Qf2 wins) **24...Nc4 0-1**. (Black still threatens Rhxh3 as well as ...Ne3+ and ...Nxb2+ followed by ...Qa3. After 25 Rxc4 Qxc4 26 Qxc4 dxc4 27 Bg2 Rxh1+ 28 Bxh1 Rg1+ Black is the exchange up).

My most interesting game.

Round 11

**B Martin (NZD) – A Martinez (CUB)**

**1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 e6 4 Nc3 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 Nf3 g6 7 Bf4 Bg7 8 Qa4+ Bd7 9 Qb3 b5?!** (A complicated and risky pawn offer) **10 Bxd6?** (The wrong pawn I think. 10 Nxb5 is slightly better for White. eg after 10...0-0 11 Nc3 with the threat of Bxd6 or 10...Qa5+ 11 Nc3 and now 11...Nxd5 12 Qxd5 Bxc3+ 13 Nd2! or 11...Ne4 12 Nd2! Nxc3 13 bxc3 Bxc3 14 Rc1 and 11...0-0 12 Nd2 all favour White) **10...Qb6 11 Bg3** (11 Be5 is possibly an improvement) **11...0-0 12 e3 c4 13 Qb4?!** (The safer alternative is 13 Qd1 b4 14 Ne2 Na6 but Black still has a strong attack) **13...Na6 14 Qd6 Qa5 15 Nd2 Nb4** (15...Rad8 threatening simply 16...Be8 and 17...Nxd5 causes serious problems. If 16 e4 then 16...Nxe4! 17 N (either)xe4 Bf5 18 Qf4 Bxe4 and White cannot recapture) **16 Rc1 Bf5 17 Qc5!** (Black threatened 17...Rd8 or 17...Nxd5 18 Nxd5 Nxd5 19 Qxd5 Rad8 20 Bd6 Rxd6 21 Qxd6 Rd8. Now White threatens 18 Bc7, 18 Qxb5 and 18 Nxc4) **17...Nc2+?** (17...Ne4 leads to a totally unclear position: 18 Ncxe4 (18 Ndx4? Bxe4 19 Bc7 Bxc3+ 20 bxc3 Qa3 21 Kd1 Qa4+; 18 Bc7? Nxc5 19 Bxa5 Nbd3+; 18 Qxb5? Bxc3! 19 Qxa5 Nc2+ are all better for Black) **18...Bxe4** (or 18...Rac8 19 Qe7 Bxb2 20 Nf6+) 19 Bc7 and now Black can play 19...Qxa2 20 Qxb4 Bxb2 or 19...Qa4 20 Nxe4 Bxb2 with compensation for the piece in either case. Alternatively, 17...Nd7 18 Qxb5 Qxb5 19 Nxb5 Bxb2 20 Rxc4 Nd3+ also gives Black play for his two-pawn deficit) 18 Kd1 (After 18 Rxc2 Bxc2 19 Nxc4 and 20...Qxb5, White has three pawns for the exchange but is undeveloped) 18...Rac8 (18...Nd7 19 Nxc4! Qxc3 20 Qxf8+ Kxf8 21 bxc3 bxc4 22 Rxc2 +-) **19 Qxb5 Qxb5 20 Nxb5 Nxd5!** (Black's best chance) **21 Nd6?** (White's other options were 21 Rxc2 Bxc2+ 22 Kxc2 c3! unclear and 21 e4! Nde3+! 22 fxe3 Nxe3+ 23 Ke2 Bxb2 24 Rb1 Nxf1 (24...c3 25 Kxe3 c2 26 Bc4! wins three pieces for a rook) 25 Kxf1 c3 26 exf5 c2 27 Kf2 and White should win though not without difficulty) **21...c3!**

(21...Bxb2? 22 Rxc2 Bxc2+ 23 Kxc2 and now neither 23...Rc6 24 N6xc4 nor 23...c3 24 Nxc8 cxd2 25 Nd6 save Black) **22 Nxc8** (Not 22 bxc3 Nxc3#! After 22 Nxf5 cxb2! 23 Rxc2 gxf5 Black's passed pawn gives him counterchances eg 24 Bc4 Nc3+ 25 Ke1 Rxc4 or 24 Bd3 Nb4 25 Rxc8 Rxc8 26 Ke2? Nxd3 27 Kxd3 Rc1) 24...cxd2 (24...cxb2 25 Rxc2 Bxc2+ 26 Kxc2 Rxc8+ 27 Bc4 Nb6 28 Kb3 a5 is also worth a try) **23 Rxc2 Bxc2+ 24 Kxc2 Rxc8+ 25 Kxd2 Bxb2** (The complications have burned out and Black has restricted his losses to a pawn. 26 Bd3 a5 27 Rb1 Bc3+ 28 Ke2 Bb4 29 Kf3 Rc3 30 Be4 Nf6 31 Be5 Nxe4 32 Kxe4 f5+ 33 Kf3 Rc2 34 Rb2 Rc1 35 h3 Kf7 36 Bd4 Ke6 37 Bb6 Rc6 38 Bd4 Kd5 39 Kf4 Ke6 40 Kg5 Rc7 41 Kf4 Rc4 42 Kf3 Rc1 43 g3 Rc4 44 Ke2 Rc1 45 h4 Re1+ 46 Kd3 Rc1 47 Ke2 Re1+ 48 Kf3 Rc1 49 Kf4 Rc4 50 Kg5 Rc7 51 Kh6 Bf8+ 52 Kg5 Be7+ 53 Kh6 Bf8+ 54 Kg5 Be7+ 55 Kf4 Bd6+ 56 Kf3 Bb4 57 Bb6 Rc1 58 Bd8 Rc8 59 Bb6 Rc6 60 Bd4 Rc4 (The adjournment at last. White makes a final attempt to win) **61 h5 gxh5 62 a3 Bxa3 63 Rb5 a4 64 Re5+ Kf6 65 Ra5+ Ke6 66 Re5+ Kf6 67 Re8+** (Unfortunately there are no more effective discovered checks. If 67 Rc5+?? then 67...Rxd4 wins (68 Rc6+ Rd6)) **67...Kf7 68 Rh8 Ke6 69 Rxh7 Bc5**  $\frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{1}{2}$  (70 Bxc5 Rxc5 71 Rxh5 (or 71 Ra7 Rc4) Ra5 is equal. 70 Bh8 is too risky, eg 70...Be7 71 Rxh5 a3 and Black's a-pawn becomes dangerous).

## LETTER

Dear Sir,

Having been out of circulation as it were for five months, I have only just looked through the June and August issues of the magazine; thus these following comments are perhaps a little tardy.

Your own letter (page 67, June) indicates a lack of understanding of our swiss pairing rules. First, I would point out that 6-round swisses are actually quite rare; most NZ swisses are of 5, 7 or 8 rounds. Secondly, the reverse pairing method is used for only half the rounds (just under half if an odd number of rounds). Thirdly, all swiss pairing rules are designed to "keep the rabbits in their burrows" in that they act as a sort of knockout tournament in the sense that losers no longer have 100% scores.

The easiest way to demonstrate the advantage of alternating between direct and reverse pairings is to take a simple example. Suppose the top two seeds (A and B respectively) draw their mutual encounter and win all their other games. If only direct pairings are used then A will always meet a higher rated opponent than B as long as there are other players in the same score group; the use of alternate reverse pairings is designed to overcome this problem.

As long as there are other players in the top score group, the top seed will meet weaker opposition than the "upsetting bunny". However, when those two players are out on their own, with equal points, the top seed is always paired with the highest rated available opponent in the nearest score-group so will tend to meet stronger opposition than the bunny.

In more lighthearted vein, I'm not sure whether to be amused or concerned that Nigel Metge appears to already have Informants 48 and 49. Perhaps he has a time machine!?

Finally, to the Hawkes-McLaren ending on page 70 (June). In the note to White's 47th Leonard gives simply 47 f5+? Kd6 implying a simple win. It is not so simple; during the game I actually thought it was a draw in view

of the line 48 Kd4 Kc7 (With all the pawns on the same side White should draw comfortably after 48...Bxf5 49 Nb5+) 49 Kc5 Kb7 50 Nb5 or 49...Bxf5 50 Nb5+ Kd7 51 Kd5. However, Black can improve with 49...Be8! 50 g3 Ba4 51 Kb4 Bd7 52 Kc5 Be8! and White has run out of moves so must give up the knight.

In retrospect, it seems that 46 f4, without the tactical justification of lines with f5(+), simply weakens the White pawns further. Therefore, better is 46 g3 which, I think,

should hold. Now 46...h5 is met by 47 g4! and 46...f5+ 47 Kd4 f4 by 48 g4 while after 46...g6 it is safe to play 47 g4 not fearing ...f5+ with the pawn on g6.

Yours faithfully  
Peter Stuart

(We consider 5 rounds and 6 rounds as equals in this respect. In both cases, the second round pits the lowest winner against the highest. In a large swiss this is obviously unfair and unlikely to improve the tournament. In the A and B demonstration we do not see any problem. The highest rated winner should play the highest rated eligible opponent. Why not? Finally, a high(low)-rated winner surely wants high(low)-rated opponents not just a tendency for them. ED)

## A CHESS DIAGRAM FONT

Recently, Adobe, one of the major computer font suppliers in the US, released into the public domain a font named Cheq, an excellent font for use with high quality PostScript printers. I have tested this with the Apple Macintosh computer and LaserPrinter but as the font is basic PostScript, it may also be used with IBM-compatibles and any other computer which can communicate with a PostScript-capable printer.

The diagrams are similar to those used in German chess books and the fact that there are alternatives to the English keyboard mapping for the pieces, such as S(pringer) instead of N(ight) for knight, suggests a German origin. Here is a sample (J Polgar - M Gomez Salamanca 1989):



Solution: 1 Bxg7 (Brillianty!?) 1...Rxe1+ 2 Kh2 Bxg7 3 h6 Qf4 (Oh dear!) 0-1 (proving once again there is no justice in chess).

PostScript results are clearly the best, but quality bitmap printers (such as the HP LaserJet) can also produce excellent diagrams from large size bitmap scalings of the PostScript font.

For those who possess a copy of the Macintosh version of the chess database BookUp, I have written a small utility (Convert To Cheq) which will convert BookUp diagrams to Cheq format. If anyone wishes to obtain the PostScript font, bitmap screen fonts for the Macintosh and Convert To Cheq, I will gladly supply a copy if you send me a 3.5" disk.

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## NZ MASTER

In another letter to the association, Peter Stuart has informed us that Anthony Ker has attained the necessary points to be awarded the New Zealand Master title. His scores range from one point for the NZ Junior 1982 to 41 points for the NZ Championship 1988. Total, 119 points.

Further, Ben Martin qualified as a Candidate Master by exceeding 40 Master Points at the NZ Junior Championship of 1988.

Peter also reports that the long-promised tournament director seminars are likely to commence early next year in Auckland.

When one thinks about it, Peter, though he doesn't (usually) attend council meetings, must be one of the keenest and efficient workers on council.

How about Christchurch and Dunedin putting up another couple like him!

## NEW ZEALAND'S BIGGEST

The 10th City of Hastings Junior Chess Tournament, 1989, was held at the Hastings Indoor Stadium on Saturday, 30 September 1989. It attracted a record 595 entries from 37 primary and intermediate schools in Hawke's Bay.

There were six age groups for boys and girls from seven and under to open junior. The event was run on a knockout system.

Flaxmere schools again dominated with 17 of the 25 division winners and Irongate and Peterhead tied for the special award for the greatest percentage of entries per school roll (18%). Woodville School again won the award for travelling the greatest distance to compete.

A feature of this year's tournament was the presence of Lev Aptekar, the New Zealand Chess Association's coach, who presented the awards and noted the most promising players.

(Since this annual event is easily the biggest congregation of chessplayers in New Zealand, we make no apology for including a comprehensive list of results. Maybe, some day, many of these names will grace our pages on a regular basis. We extend our congratulations and admiration to Mike Earle, Hastings/Havelock North Chess Club and Hastings City Council.)

## GIRLS

Seven years: **Irene King - Irongate, 1**; Katrina Sunmmersby - Peterhead, 2; Teresa Barker - Peterhead, 3.

Eight years: **Nicola Ryan - Irongate, 1**; Chanelle Baggs - Flaxmere, 2; Julie Carew - Peterhead, Julie-Anne Simpson - Porritt 3-.

Nine years: **Gina Moon - Peterhead, 1**; Belinda Waaka - Peterhead, 2; Rosaleen Sheehan - Peterhead, Janine Morris - Frimley, 3-.

10 years - Section A: **Tracy Smith - Irongate, 1**; Tania Jacobs - Peterhead, 2; Loren White - Ebbett Park, Nadine Elers - Flaxmere, 3-.

Section B: **Melissa Geddes - Irongate, 1**; Darlene Tonihi - Flaxmere, 2; Virginia Campbell - Irongate, Kim Shallish - Irongate, 3-.

11 years - Section A: **Helen Au - Flaxmere, 1**; Kim Nardlof - Irongate, 2; Joan Haenga - Irongate, Athena Blake - Flaxmere, 3-.

Section B: **Lee Watene - Maraakataho, 1**; Catherine Dawson - Woodville, 2; Anna Cox - Peterhead, Soich Matthews - Sharenden, 3-.

Open Junior: **Adele Barker - Hastings, 1**; Pare-Marie Jacobs - Flaxmere, 2; Rachel Morris - Heretanga, Eileen Turner - Heretanga, 3=.

## BOYS

Seven years - Section A: **Andrew Morris - Frimley, 1**; Peter Ioane - Parkvale, 2; David Van Zyl de Jong - Parkvale, Campbell Jones - Irongate, 3-.

Section B: **Creamman Ratima - Irongate, 1**; Keepa Russell - Irongate, 2; John Bohm - Havelock North, 3.

Eight years - Section A: **Martin Brider - Irongate, 1**; Dean Herlihy - Flaxmere, 2; Joshua Lambert - Irongate, Ross Walker - Woodville, 3-.

Section B: **Brad Borrie - Hastings Central, 1**; Steven Astridge - Irongate, 2; Paul Wrigley - Havelock North, Nicholas Grimmet - Frimley, 3-.

Nine years - Section A: **Jonathon Sinclair** - **Hereworth**, 1; Richard Matton - Hastings Central, 2; John Mullany - Irongate, Todd Stenbridge - Mahora, 3-

Section B: **Shane Wicken** - **Irongate**, 1; Lance Doole - Ebbett Park, 2; Bevan Wilkie - Mayfair, Nicholas Richards - Mayfair, 3-

Section C: **John Smith** - **Irongate**, 1; David Wawatai - Irongate, 2; George Greig - Peterhead, Cameron Jones - Porritt, 3-

10 years - Section A: **Simon Taylor** - **Bledisloe**, 1; William Kyle, 2; Robert McGonigal - Taradale, Jade Wakely - Woodville, 3-

Section B: **Jason Christie** - **Irongate**, 1; Iain Girvan - Porritt, 2; Vaughan Michaelson - Flaxmere, Duncan Pryde - Woodville, 3-

Section C: **Stephen Brock** - **Greenmeadows**, 1; Willie Sargent - Hastings Central, 2; Brendan Arnold - Reignier, Nathan Howie - Irongate, 3-

Section D: **Richard Byers** - **Irongate**, 1; Ruben Staines - Mahora, 2; Matthew Bolton - Peterhead, Rhys Brady - Hastings Central, 3-

11 years - Section A: **Blair Herlihy** - **Flaxmere**, 1; Anderson Rewiti - Irongate, 2; Neil Billings - St Pats, Simon Ward - Havelock, 3-

Section B: **Nicolas Carew** - **Flaxmere**, 1; Jemal Dixon - Irongate, 2; Andrew Fifield - Heretanga, Trent Barber - Flaxmere, 3-

Section C: **Deighton Christie** - **Flaxmere**, 1; Simon Johnstone - Parkvale, 2; Glen Mullany - Flaxmere, Shane Forster - Greenmeadows, 3-

Open Junior - Section A: **George Huhu** - **Flaxmere**, 1; Daniel Dawson - Taradale, 2; Josava Iraia - Heretanga, Paul Gurney - Hastings, 3=.

Section B: **Nicky Shallish** - **Flaxmere**, 1; Greg Miller - Heretanga, 2; John Hine - Havelock North, Jacob Boston - Taradale, 3=.

Section C: **Andre Chalmers** - **Taradale**, 1; Richard Lawrence - Flaxmere, 2; Aarn Kerr - Hastings, David Tyson - Hastings, 3=.

## SPECIAL AWARDS:

Youngest Boy: **Craig Harris**, 5 years - Irongate.

Youngest Girl: **Christine Bargh**, 6 years, 6 months - Peterhead.

School with greatest percentage of roll: **Irongate** 18.75, Peterhead 18.53.

School with greatest entry: **Irongate**, 78.

Greatest distance travelled: **Woodville**.

Most Promising Girls: **Catherine Dawson** - **Woodville**, age 11; **Cathy Smith** - **Havelock North**, age 11.

Most Promising Boys: **Ross Walker** - **Woodville**, age 8; **Nicky Shallish** - **Flaxmere**, age 13; **Andre Chalmers** - **Taradale**, age 12.

Largest Family: **Smith** - Tracy, Hawea, 10; Wayne, John 9.

## CAPABLANCA

### From Edward Winter

The above author is producing a book on Capablanca to be published in the United States in December 1989, price \$47 (US presumably) including postage. The blurb in the title includes "A compendium of games, notes, articles, correspondence, illustrations and other rare archival materials on the Cuban chess genius Jose Raul Capablanca, 1888-1942."

The author has kindly sent copies of several games, mostly simultaneous, of which we show you one played in 1922 in a simultaneous exhibition. We asked Jonathan Sarfati to write a few notes, not realising he would do such a thorough job and spend so much time on it.

#### Capablanca - Fairhurst

**1 e4 e5 2 Bc4 Nc6 3 d3 Nf6 4 f4** (trying to transpose into the King's Gambit Declined. Black could stop that by playing 4...exf4 5 Bxf4 d5)  
**4...Bc5 5 Nc3 d6 6 Nf3 Bg4 7 Bb5** (Unusual. 7 Na4 removes Black's strong Bc5. 6...a6 is now often played to stop that. Capablanca's move looks quite strong, however) **7...Nd7 8 Bxc6 bxc6 9 h3 Bxf3 10 Qxf3 exf4** (Black was probably worried about f5, so he makes another concession) **11 Bxf4 Qh4+ 12 Bg3 Qf6 13 Qxf6** (Capablanca never objected to a favourable endgame) **13...Nxf6 14 Rf1 0-0** (14...Rb8 is more aggressive) **15 Kd2 Rfe8 16 Rf5 Bb4 17 a3 Bxc3+ 18 bxc3** (What's wrong with 18 Kxc3, keeping the pawn structure intact?) **18...c5? 19 e5!** (Should not have been allowed unless Black could reply ...d5)  
**19...dxe5 20 Bxe5?!** (possibly overlooking Black's next resourceful move. 20 Rxe5 Rxe5 21 Bxe5 should win because of B v N and Black's weak pawns) **20...Ne4+! 21 dxe4 g6 22 Rf6 Rxe5 23 R1f1** (Black's game is still difficult. Active rooks count for a lot when there are many weak pawns)  
**23...Rxe4 24 Rxf7 Rd8+ 25 Kc1 Re1+ 26 Rxe1 Kxf7 27 Re5 c6 28 Rxc5** (The extra doubled pawn is almost worthless but the active rook is powerful) **28...Rc8** (28...Rd6 is better on principle; defend actively, cut the White king off. If 29 Ra5 Rd7 30 Ra6 Rc7 Black's king is not cut off from the fifth rank) **29 Kd2 Ke6 30 Kd3 Kd6 31 Ra5 Rc7 32 Kc4 Rf7 33 Ra6 h6 34 Kd4** (Idea - c4. If Black sits tight with 35...Rc7, White will play 36 c5+ Ke6 37 Ke4 and c3, Ra4-d4-d6+. If ...Rd7, Rd4 anyway - the extra pawn comes in handy) **34...Rf2 35 g4 Rh2 36 c4 Rxh3 37 c5+ Kc7 38 Rxa7+ Kb8 39 Rg7 Rh4 40 Rxc6 h5 41 Rxc6 Rxc6+ 42 Kd5 Ra4 43 Rh6 Rxa3 44 Kd6** (Now, without the pawn on c2, Black reaches a theoretical draw with ...Rc3. Here it is answered by 45 c6 and ...Rd3+ is impossible) **44...Rg3 45 Rh8+ Ka7 46 c6 Rb6+ 47**

(Our information suggests that the book will retail in New Zealand in excess of \$100. While many may be interested we doubt there will be a great demand. Pity. Ed)

# CORRESPONDENCE UPDATE

By Bill Cox

Not widely publicised is the fact that New Zealand gained two International Masters in 1989. Vernon Small was one and the Christchurch master got his due publicity. The other? Roger Chapman of Wellington.

Who, you ask? Roger Chapman, who gained his title in the hard field of correspondence chess. And his achievement has not been promoted very widely so far.

Chapman has been playing postal chess since 1980. He won the New Zealand CC championship twice from three tries (he was third in the other attempt) and has represented New Zealand in many NZCC team events. His latest major victory was in the Anglo Pacific Invitational earlier this year in which he scored 12.5/16.

Currently chairman of the New Zealand Correspondence Association, Chapman is 46 years old and a solicitor, married with one daughter. He learned his chess from an uncle when seven but has not played over the board since about 1968.

Chapman has won three of four games in the World CC Championship No 17 - and expects that is the only game he will lose though "several others are drawish", he said. He is also in the quarterfinals of championship No 16, which started at the end of November. The differences in the championship numbers is due to different paths to the finals. He is also playing in the Australian organised Kellner Memorial and has some other international games on hand.

Roger Chapman (NZ) vs Helmut Glaser (Singapore)  
Anglo-Pacific Invitational 1985-87

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 Bg7 4 e4 d6 5 f3 00 6 Be3 Nbd7 7 Qd2  
c5 8 d5 Ne5 9 Bg5 a6 10 f4 Ned7 11 Nf3 Rb8 12 a4 Re8 13 Be2  
h6 14 Bh4 Qc7 15 00 Nf8 16 h3 Bd7 17 Rae1 N6h7 18 e5 Bf5  
19 g4 Bd7 20 Kg2 h5 21 gh5 gh5 22 Bg3 Qc8 23 Ng1 h4 24  
Bxh4 Ng6 25 Bg3 de5 26 fe5 Bxe5 27 Bxe5 Nxe5 28 Bh5 Ng6 29  
Rxf7! Kxf7 30 Qh6 Nf8 31 Bxg6+ 1-0

Roger Chapman (NZ) vs Dr Andreas Longwitz (BRD)  
ICCF WT/M/274 1983-84

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 a3 Bxc3+ 5 bc3 e5 6 f3 b6 7 e4  
d6 8 Be3 Nc6 9 Bd3 Na5 10 Nh3 Ba6 11 Qe2 Qc7 12 Rc1 Rc8  
13 00 cd4 14 cd4 Bxc4 15 f4 d5 16 f5 de4 17 Bxc4 Nxc4 18 Bg5  
e3 19 fe6 fe6 20 Nf4 Qc6 21 Bxf6 gf6 22 d5 ed5 23 Qh5+ Kd8  
24 Qf7 Re8 25 Rfd1 Re5 26 Nxd5 e2 27 Nb4+ 1-0

NZCCA has several international matches in progress. The Michigan Chess Association match started in July 1987 and should be finished now, the latest score is 6-3 in NZ's favour. The match against America is in deep trouble, with the Yanks leading 17-2 - not surprising since they fielded a team of players with ratings of 2000 and above. My opponent was Dr David Street, former captain of Oxford University (England) chess team! Matches against the British CC Society and CC Association are under way and a match with Wales has just started. A match against Ireland is being organised for the new year.

Postal charges are not exactly cheap. A re-usable window envelope - which will make many trips - costs 40c and the association supplies the scoresheets to keep track of the games. Overseas mail has stabilised at \$1 for an aerogramme or postcard.

Don't get in too deep. At one stage I had 34 games on the go, in NZ and overseas, but had to resign some to keep things under control. It may seem a slow process playing by mail but, believe me, those envelopes can turn up in bundles!

My current commitments are three local, 12 overseas and two local skittle games (Suerely a contradiction of terms, Ed). And that's plenty.

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP LETTERS

GRANDMASTERS ASSOCIATION

Nov 29 1989

Dear Sirs,

We deeply regret that the board of directors of the Grandmasters Association in their meeting of 26 November 1989 in Belgrade, and after consultation with the players involved, decided not to select Wellington as the venue of the forthcoming World Chess Championship match.

On behalf of G Kasparov, President; and A Karpov/J Timman, Vice Presidents, I am,

Sincerely Yours

B Kok

Chairman of the Board

W A POOLE

President

New Zealand Chess Association

Nov 30 1989

As late as 26 November, international news services have been reporting that Wellington, New Zealand, was still under consideration as the venue for the 1990 World Championship. Usually, reports have been of "Lyon, Wellington and possibly another city".

We have been inquiring of FIDE about the question. The replies and a FIDE Forum (No 18a) have brought some clarification. A meeting was held between representatives of FIDE and the GMA on 7 November to agree on rules for the world championship. In particular, there is a schedule for the 1993-96 cycle. However, on 15 November, when FIDE Forum was printed, this was still a "proposed agreement".

With the situation still not completely clear, a further message was sent to FIDE advising that the NZ Chess Association would be willing to consider re-instating its bid. In the circumstances a copy was sent also to the GMA.

FIDE President Florencio Campomanes was attending the European Team Championship in Haifa at the time, but GMA board chairman Bessell Kok has advised that at a meeting of the GMA board of directors in Belgrade on 26 November a decision was made NOT to select Wellington.

The news reports evidently relate to these various meetings. The NZCA has not been issuing press statements, and in particular not one about being willing to consider re-instating its bid; instead, it has been trying to find out what it was that was being reported.

What should be said now is that the 1990 match will not be in Wellington, irrespective of the evidently confused state of the rules. Whether the rules made at Puerto Rico still stand, or have been overtaken by the proposed agreement out of the meeting of 7 November, if and when the proposed agreement may be signed, still is unclear.

With hindsight, it seems that though the World Championship 1990 will not be in Wellington, a lot has been accomplished, nevertheless. We have international recognition in chess that we did not have before we made the attempt and we have attracted a lot more public attention here in New Zealand. We have a platform to attract other internationally significant chess competitions to New Zealand.

We had unbelievable support from the Hillary Commission and the Wellington City Council. The Government was specially supportive in underwriting a financial package amounting to \$6.8 million so that commercial sponsorships could be built up. We were confident of full commercial sponsorship, and indeed faltered just once when a lead sponsor withdrew.



Nobody should be blamed for that; it was probably unavoidable given the extremely difficult negotiating conditions, the factionalism reigning in chess in recent times and an evident lack of eagerness in the core of the old world of chess to adventure out into a new world.

Disappointed though everyone undoubtedly is that there will be no World Championship match in Wellington next year, the gains are real and we must take positive advantage of them. We should not, by doing nothing, fritter away the advantages we have established. A lesser objective may seem less exciting, but the player whose mating attack has been halted does not stop trying to win the game. That's our situation - find something else to achieve.

#### ZONE 11 ZONAL

NZCA thanks the Auckland Chess Association and Auckland Chess Centre for taking a keen interest in organising the Zonal Championship. NZCA has been trying to assist with long-range information from FIDE Unfortunately, before a secure package was available from Auckland to put to FIDE, the Malaysian Chess Federation put in a firm offer which has been accepted by FIDE. In effect, Auckland showed a lot of promise but was gumpumped.

Yours faithfully

W A Poole

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