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INSIDE STORY

At the March council meeting, the president read a letter of sympathy he had written to Murray Chandler. The council unanimously endorsed the letter.

A few books have been sold from the stock held by the association but, due to changing circumstances of some councillors, difficulties were experienced. However, it is expected that council will be able to overcome these and the membership should be able to get some cheap chess books.

Arrangements for the Asian Under-16 event in Christchurch are well on the way. Shamnika Rupasinghe and Alexis Shead will play off for the North Island part of our entry and Matthew Vincent and Gideon Levy for the South.

If the 1989 Auckland-Otago match for the Bledisloe Cup did not take place by 31 March 1990, Otago will be deemed the winners. So far, only Canterbury and Auckland have entered this year's event. Since entries are supposed to be in by 31 March, the council's request to the other centres for entry could be illegal. It's those rules again. Feeling on council was that the format of the Bledisloe Cup needed changing. A sub-committee of Dive, Hampl and Aptekar will look into the idea of Rapid Chess Bledisloe Cups. YOUR club's comments, suggestions, but not abuse, are welcomed. No, are sought!

Looks as though we will not have a National Junior this year. A review of the whole area of junior chess was seen as merited.

Lev Aptekar has been very well received at schools and has achieved good publicity for chess in several areas.

1990 SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPS IN DUNEDIN

The special general meeting this month was even more sparsely attended than the last one. Perhaps we should stop meeting like this!

Nine clubs had taken sufficient interest to inform the council of their wishes, and fears, regarding the proposed revamp of the North Island Championship.

North Shore had sent an amendment which the president felt inclined to accept though there was doubt about the constitutional aspect. After receiving objections from the floor, the president declined the amendment. It was felt wrong, in principle, to allow an amendment that other clubs had not heard of and on which they could not formulate opinions.

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EDITORIAL

Morphy, Alekhine, Tal; names that conjure up thoughts of verve, originality and chess creativity but where are their successors today?

On looking around the local chess scene we see the nation's best, even against much weaker players, indulging in safety first play. If they are not agreeing quick draws with each other they are trying not to lose. They know many variations up to the nth move and are prepared to "follow the book" till their opponents lose their way. They get most of the wins but, Caissa, they are dull, dull, dull.

In a new book on Alekhine (review coming), his reported comments on style, which could be Capablanca-bashing, criticised the "positional" style initiated by Steinitz.

It will be remembered that in the early 1900s the positional camp held sway, brought to perfection, some say, by Capablanca till Alekhine "strode the world like a colossus" in the late 20s and early 30s, not with games but with creative masterpieces. His vigour, intuition and ingenuity blew fresh air into chess throughout the world.

Then, in the nick of time for this publication and editorial, Sir Robert Jones, head of the company that is our biggest sponsor, wrote an article for The Dominion in support of the Arts at university.

He was talking of life itself but this would not be the first time someone has seen a parallel between life and chess.

"Imaginative capability, the greatest asset anyone can possess" should be easily understood by chessplayers, even if the majority today do not seem to agree with the idea.

"Mindlessly churning out dull robotic engineers, doctors, architects, teachers, lawyers and accountants will not enhance our society" could be replaced with (for our purposes only) French, Nimzo, Grunfeld or whatever specialists will not enhance our chess.

Actually, the final sentence in The Dominion article says it all for us, and probably for Bob Jones too, but encapsulation tends to hide what is good for us.

"It is creative thinkers and not mere processors we need to build a better world."

CANDIDATES FINAL

TIMMAN-KARPOV

Kuala Lumpur 1990

Arthur Pomeroy has given us all the games from the Candidates final match which started on 8th March. Karpov won four games and drew five. Timman never had a look in.

Arthur got the games, and analysis, from a bulletin board dump at Victoria University. AT&T Bell Laboratories had something to do with it and the annotator is GM Ron Henley.

With the eighth game came the news that the World Championship is to be held in a place called New York on 8th October. It's a fair-sized city on the American northeastern seaboard. FIDE hadn't heard of it when they met in Poland or Puerto Rico but when the reluctant white knight showed up without a horse, something had to be done. As long as the participants remember to pack their geiger counters, they should be alright.

Timman-Karpov (1)

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 Nbd2 Bf8 12 a4 h6 13 Bc2 exd4 14 cxd4 Nb4 15 Bb1 bxa4 16 Rxa4 a5 17 Ra3 Ra6 18 Nh4 Normal is 10 Rae3 (Ivanchuk-Karpov, Linares 89) or 10 Nh2. **18...Nxe4!** A nice tactical stroke which secures Black at least equality. Timman spent 25 minutes on his next move. **19 Nxe4 Bxe4 20 Bxe4 d5!** Karpov recovers the piece with a comfortable position. **21 Rae3! Rae6! 22 Bg6!** Both 22 Qg4 and 22 Qd3 offer better chances for equality. Timman sacks a pawn and Karpov takes over the initiative. **22...Qxh4 23 Rxo6 Rxe6 24 Rxe6 fxe6 25 Be3 Qf6 26 Qg4!** GM Kouatly prefers 26 Bb1. **26...Bd6 27 h4 Nc6** Karpov now repositions his knight on the kingside. **28 Be8 Ne7 29 Bd7 Nf5 30 h5 Kf7 31 Bc8 Ke7 32 b3?! c5!** Now Black is a clear pawn ahead since 33 dxc5 Nxe3 34 fxe3 Bc5 offers no compensation. (Surely 33 dxc5 Qa1+ is decisive, ed) **33 Qe2 cxd4 34 Bd2 d3!** Now 35 Qxd3? Qa1+ 36 Qf1 Bh2+ loses the queen. **35 Qd1 Qh4 36 g3 Nxc3 0-1** After 37 fxg3 Qxg3+ 38 Kf1 Bc5, mate is inevitable. White used 1:57. Black 1:40.

Karpov-Timman (2)

King's Indian

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nf3 Bg7 4 g3 c6 5 Bg2 d5 6 cxd5 cxd5 7 Nc3 0-0 8 Ne5 e6 9 Bg5 Qb6 10 Qd2 Nfd7 11 Be3 Nc6 12

Nxc6 bxc6 13 Rc1 Qb4 14 0-0 Rb8 15 b3 c5 16 Rfd1 cxd4 17 Bxd4 Bxd4 18 Qxd4 Qxd4 19 Rxd4 Nb6 20 Rdd1 Bb7 21 e4 dxe4 22 Nxe4 Kg7 23 Rc5 Rfd8 24 Rxd8 Rxd8 25 Nc3 Bxg2 26 Kxg2 Rc8 27 Rxc8 Nxc8 28 f4 f5 29 Na4 Kf6 30 Nc5 Nb6 31 Nd3 Nd7 32 Nb4 e5 33 Nc6 a6 34 fxe5+ Nxe5 35 Nd4 Ke7 36 Kf1 Kd6 37 Ke2 Kd5 38 Nc2 Ke4 39 a4 Nf3 40 b4 Nd4 41 Nxd4 Kxd4 42 b5 draw.

Timman-Karpov (3)

Nimzo-Indian

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 f3 d5 5 a3 Bxc3+ 6 bxc3 c5 7 cxd5 Nxd5 8 dxc5 Qa5 9 e4 Ne7 10 Be3 0-0 11 Qb3 Qc7 Novelty. **12 Bb5 Nec6 13 Rd1 Na5 14 Qb4 e5 15 Ne2 Be6 16 c4** Both 16 Nc1 and 16 0-0 were analysed in the pressroom but neither is easy for White. **16...a6 17 Ba4 Nxc4 18 Bf2 Nc6 19 Qc3 Qa5 20 Bxc6 bxc6 21 Qxa5 Nxa5 22 0-0 Rab8 -+ 23 Nc3 Rb3 24 Na4 Rxa3 25 Nb6 Nc4 26 h3 h5 27 Rc1** Expected by Roshal and Ligterink was 27 Ra1, playing for a draw. **27...Nb2! 28 Rb1** Black returns the pawn for the initiative after 28 Ra1 Rxa1 29 Rxa1 Rd8! 30 Ra6 Rd1+ 31 Kh2 Rd2. **28...Nd3 29 Rfd1 f5! 30 exf5 Rxf5!** Now the black rook is active and he threatens e5-e4. **31 Rd2** Promising for Black is 31...a5! 32 Rbd1 e4! 33 fxe4 Rf2 34 Rd3 Raa2+ or 34 Rf2 Nf2 35 Kf2 a4 (GMs Rogers and Henley) since the a-pawn is getting close after 36 Rd6 Kf7 37 Rc6 Ra2+ 38 Kf3 a3. **31...Nxf2 32 Kxf2 e4 33 Re1** it would have been interesting to see how Karpov preserved his advantage after 33 Rd6. **33...e3+ 34 Rxe3 Rxe3 35 Kxe3 Rxc5** Black is close to winning now but time pressure is a problem. **36 Nd7 Rb5 37 f4 a5 38 Ne5 Bd5 39 Rc2 Rb8 40 g4 a4!** The last move of time control and the threat of a4-a3-a2 looks like a winner. **41 Rc3 h4** Played after 25 minutes thought. Now the pawn at h3 is fixed and if the white knight chases h4, the a-pawn will roll. **42 Ng6** Seemingly winning is now 42...Bb3 43 Ne7 Kf8 44 Nd5 cd5 45 Nd4 (??? ed) a2 46 Rc8 Kf7 47 Ra8 Bd5 48 Ra7 Rb7 49 Rb7 Bb7 50 Nb3 Bg2 but Karpov is the one doing the thinking here. **42...Rb3** Now 43 Ne7+ Kf7 44 Nd5 cxd5 45 Rxb3 axb3 46 Kd2 d4 47 Kc1 d3 is strong for Black. No better is 43 Rxb3 Bxb3 44 Kd3 a3 45 Kc3 a2 46 Kb2 c5! 47 Nxb4 c4 48 Nf3 c3+ 49 Ka1 c2; or 43 Kxd4 a3 44 Ne7 Kf7 45 Nd5 a2 46 Rxb3 a1Q 47 Nc3 Qg1+ with the idea Q+ and Qh3. **43 Kd2 Rb2+ 44 Kd3 Kf7 45 Ne5+ Ke8** Now 46 Nc6 Rh2 gives Black a big plus. **46 f5 Bg2 47 Kd4 Rb3 48 Ng6 Rb4+ 49 Ke5 Rb3 50 Rc2 Bxb3 51 Rxc6 Bg2 52 Re6+ Kd7 53 Nxb4 Ba8 54 Rg6 Re3+ 55 Kd4 Re1 56 Kc5 Re5+ 57 Kb4 Re7 58 Kxa4 Bb7 59 Kb4 Bc6 draw.**

Karpov-Timman (4)

Grunfeld

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nf3 Bg7 4 g3 c6 5 Bg2 d5 6 cxd5 cxd5 7 Nc3 0-0 8 Ne5 e6 9 0-0 Nfd7 10 f4 Nc6 11 Be3 f6 12 Nd3 Nb6 13 b3 Qe7 14 a4 Bd7 15 Bc1 Rfd8 16 e3 Be8 17 Ba3 Qf7 18 Rc1 Bf8 19 Bxf8 Qxf8 20 g4 Qe7 21 Qd2 Rac8 22 Ne2 Rc7 23 Rc5 Nc8 24 f5! "Crisis time" (Ligterink). "Very pleasant, without risk for Karpov" (Romanishin). **24...g5 24...gxf5 25 Ndf4 Nd6 26 Nxe6! 25 Ng3 e5 26 Qc1?** Better is simply 26 Bxd5+ Kh8 27 Rfc1 exd4 28 e4. **26...b6 27 Rc2 e4 28 Nf2 Nd6 29 Qd2 Rdc8 30 Rfc1 a5** Preferable was 30...Na5 31 Qc3! (Ligterink). **31 Bf1 Nb4 32 Rc3 Qd7 33 Nd1 Rc6 34 Rxc6 Rxc6 35 Rxc6 Qxc6 36 Nc3 Kf8 37 Kf2 Ke7 38 Ke1 Kf8 39 Kd1 Qc8 40 Ke1 Kg7** Black has possibilities of h7-h5 or b6-b5; White has an utterly static position. In fact, Timman should have played 40...h5! right away. **41 Na2** According to Hans Ree, the position is now actually better for White - 41...Nxa2 42 Qxa2 Qc3 43 Kf2 b5 44 axb5 Bxb5? (44...Nxb5 is unclear) a5 Nh5 Kf8 46 Bxb5 Nxb5 47 b4! The consensus was that Timman missed his best chance for a meaningful edge. **41...Nxa2 42 Qxa2 Qc7 43 Kf2 Kf8 44 Qb2 Ke7 45 Be2 Kd8 46 Ke1 Kc8** Romanishin liked 46...b6! **47 Kd2 Kb7 48 Qc1 Ke7 49 Ke1** Of course not 49 Qa3? Nf5 **49...Bd7 50 Kf2 Ne8 51 Qh1!** Simpler was 51 Qc3 to maintain the position. Karpov elects to seek active play even at the price of his queenside pawns. Timman accepts the challenge. **51...Qb4 52 h4 Qxb3** (a) 52...gxh4 53 Qxh4 Qb3 54 Qh7 Qa5 55 g5 f5 56 Qe7 Qc6 57 Nh5 a4 58 f6 or (b) 52...h6 53 hg5 hg5 54 Qh7 Kc8 55 Qf7 Qb3 56 Ne4 Ba4? 57 Ba6+ Kd8 58 Nf6. **53 hxg5 fxg5 54 Qxh7 Qxa4 55 Qe7 Qc6 56 Qxg5** Black must be better here. **56...a4 57 Qe7 Qd6 58 Qxd6 Nxd6 59 Bd1! Bb5?** A terrible blunder just before time control. After 59...b5!, Romanishin and Ligterink thought Karpov was lost. Later Karpov said he thought that he could hold the position after ...b5 but that ...Bb5 was a mistake. **60 Ne2 a3 61 Nc1!** Timman sealed after 22 minutes thought. The position was unclear with chances for both sides and two days to analyse. None of the seconds attended the fifth game which, naturally, turned out to be one of the most exciting of the match. We were all too busy with the extremely complicated adjourned position. Many observers thought Timman stood better at adjournment - not a word from the Karpov camp. **61...Kc7 62 Kg3 Nc4 63 Be2 Be8 64 Kf4!** Karpov used 15 minutes to make his choice here. Interesting is 64 g3 Nd4 65 Kf4 Nc2 (if 65...Ng2 66 Ke5 Nh4 67 g6! Bxg6 68 fxg6

Nxg6 69 Kf5 +-) 66 Ke5 Nb4 67 Kf6 Kd6 68 g6 Nc6 69 Bb5 e3 70 g7 Ne7 71 Bxe8!! e2 72 Nxe2 a2 73 Nc3! Ng8 74 Kf7 Nh6 75 Kf8 a1Q 76 Nb5 mate (Plugtaets). We discovered that Black could draw after 64 g5 Kd6! 65 Bc4 (Otherwise Black has counterplay after 65 Kf4 Nb2!) dc4 66 Na2 Ba4 67 Nc3 Bb6 68 Nb5+ Ke7 69 Na3 c3 70 Kf4 b3! 71 Ke4 b4 72 Kd3! ba3 73 Kc3 Bd5+ (Karpov team). The text gives Black more problems. **64...Nb2?!** Because Timman missed the upcoming 72 Bg8!, he thought his counterplay here would be enough to draw. Better is 64...b5! 65 Na2 Nb2 (Not 65...Kd6? 66 g5 Nb2 67 g6 b4 68 Kg5! (68 Nb4? Nd3!) 68...b3 69 Nc1 Ba4 70 g7 a2 71 g8Q a1Q 72 Qh8+ Kd7 73 f6!, and now 73...Qc1 allows 74 Bg4+ Kc6 75 Qc8 +-). Our analysis leaned toward 66 f6 Nd3+ 67 Kf5 b4 68 Bd1 with some promise for White. **65 Kg5! Nd3 66 Nb3!** The knight is a better stopper at a1 than on a2. **66...a2 67 Na1 b5 68 Bd1 b4** Worse is 68...Kd6 69 Bb3 Nc1 70 Kh6! b4 71 f6 Ke6 72 Kg6 Nb4 73 Nb3 Ba4 74 Nc5+! Kd6 75 f7 a1Q 76 f8Q and mates. **69 Bb3 Nc1 70 Bxd5 Kd6 71 Bc4 Bb5?** Better is 71...Ba4 72 f6 b3 73 Kh6! b2 74 f7 Bxa1Q 75 f8Q when White has at least a perpetual. **72 Bg8!! Ke7 73 Kh6 Kf8 74 Be6 Bd7 75 g5 b3 76 g6 1-0.** Mate results from 76...Bxe6 77 fxg6 b2 (77...Kg8 78 e7) 78 g7+ Ke7 79 g8Q bxa1Q 80 Qf7+ and 81 Qd7.

Timman-Karpov (5)

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 Nbd2 Bf8 12 a4 h6 13 Bc2 exd4 14 cxd4 Nb4 15 Bb1 bxa4 16 Rxa4 a5 17 Ra3 Ra6 18 Rae3 a4 19 Nh4 c5 20 dxc5 dxc5 21 Nf5 Bc8 22 e5 Nfd5 23 Rg3 Nf4 24 Qf3 Bxf5 25 Bxf5 Ne6 26 Bb1 Nd4 27 Qg4 Nbc2 28 Qe4 f5 29 Qd3 Nxe1 30 Qxa6 Rxe5 31 Re3 Qg5 32 Kf1 Rxe3 33 fxe3 Qxe3 34 Qc4+ Kh7 35 Ba2 Nd3 36 Qg8+ Kg6 37 Qf7+ Kh7 38 Qg8+ draw.

Karpov-Timman (6)

Benoni

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 e6 4 Nc3 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 e4 g6 7 Nf3 Bg7 8 Bd3 0-0 9 h3 a6 10 a4 Nbd7 11 0-0 Qc7 12 Bf4 Re8 13 Re1 Rb8 14 Bc4 Nb6 15 Bf1 Nfd7 16 a5 Na8 17 Nd2 b5 18 axb6 Naxb6 19 Bxa6 Bxa6 20 Rxa6 Ne5 21 Qe2 c4 22 Bxe5 Bxe5 23 Qe3 Rb7 24 Na4 Nxa4 25 Rxa4 c3 26 bxc3 Qxc3 27 Nf3 Qxe3 28 Rxe3 Rb1+ 29 Re1 Reb8 30 Rc4 Rxe1+ 31 Nxe1 Rb1 32 Kf1 f5 33 exf5 gxf5 34 Ke2 Kg7 35 Nc2 Kg6 36 g3 Rh1 37 Kf3 Rd1 38 Ne3 Rd2 39 Rc2 Rd4 40 Rc4 Rd2 41 Rc8 f4 42 gxf4 Bd4 43

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NZ CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP 1989-90

By J D Sarfati

The RJI 1989-90 NZ Chess Congress was organised by the Wellington Chess Club. The venue was Samuel Marsden Collegiate School, a well-known girls' day and boarding school.

The NZ Women's championships and the under-1300 event had to be cancelled because of the small number of entries. The players were added to the Major Open.

The turnout was disgracefully low for a relatively central venue - only 71, just five more than in remote Dunedin last year. Low patronage from local clubs (eg one from Upper Hutt) didn't help.

This was the first in which the new FIDE time control - 40 moves in two hours and 20 moves an hour thereafter, six-hour first session - was used.

Tim Frost directed the NZ Championship. He is also President and Treasurer of the Wellington Chess Club and the person who did most of the organisation for the congress.

The first round games were all draws. R Smith had R Dive busted but, in mutual time pressure, he threw away a half point. He even missed a mate in one! Not a good argument for the faster time control. Both players have been opposed to it from the start. G Spain tossed a piece in a good position but his opponent, C Ker, allowed a RP and wrong-coloured bishop ending. M Hampl-A Ker and B Martin-P Garbett were hard fought; O Sarapu-P Green and M Dreyer-J Sarfati were not.

R Smith - R Dive

1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4 Nf3 g6 5 Bc4 c6 6 0-0 Bg7 7 Bb3 dxe5 8 Nxe5 0-0 9 c4 Nc7 10 f4 Nd7 11 Qe2 c5 12 d5 e6 13 Nc3 exd5 14 cxd5 Nf6 15 Be3 b6 16 Rad1 Ba6 17 Bc4 Bxc4 18 Qxc4 Qd6 19 Bf2 Rfe8 20 Rfe1 Rad8 21 Bh4 Ra8 22 h3 h6 23 a4 g5 24 Bg3 Nh5 25 Ne4 Qd8 26 d6 Ne6 27 Nxf7 Kxf7 28 f5 Bd4+ 29 Rxd4 cxd4 30 fxe6+ Kg6 31 d7 Rh8 32 Bc7 Qf8 33 Rf1 Nf4 34 Bd6 Qg7 35 g3 Nxf3+ 36 Kh2 g4 37 Qd3 Rhf8 38 Nf6+ Kg5 39 Bxf8 Rxf8 40 Ne4+ Kh5 41 Rxf8 Qxf8 42 Qe2 Qe7 43 Nd2 Ng5 44 Qe5 Qxe6 45 Qxd4 Qe2+ Draw.

In round two, all games were hard fought. Green won a pawn against C Ker and later the game; Garbett gained a big advantage over Sarapu but a careless pawn move dissipated it; A Ker's queen penetrated into Martin's position but Martin equalised with neat tactics; Spain played the Morra Gambit against Smith and achieved a position with Black having a bad bishop and White a knight on d5 blockading Black's extra (worthless and backward) pawn but Smith managed to draw; Hampl made a common mistake as Black in the Nimzoindian and Dreyer quickly punished him.

A Ker - B Martin

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 Bg5 c5 5 d5 d6 6 e3 Bxc3+ 7 bxc3 e5 8 f3 Nbd7 9 Bd3 Nf8 10 Ne2 Ng6 11 0-0 h6 12 Bxf6 Qxf6 13 Qc2 0-0 14 Ng3 Qg5 15 Bxg6 Qxe3+ 16 Kh1 fxg6 17 Qxg6 Rf6 18 Qe8+ Kh7 19 Rad1 Rg6 20 f4 Bg4 21 Qxa8 Bxd1 22 f5 Rxc3 23 hxg3 24 Rb1 Qxg3 25 Qe8 Draw.

J Sarfati - R Dive

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 c5 4 d4 cxd4 5 Nxd4 d6? Allowing e4 so easily is a gift for White.

6 e4 a6 7 Be2 Be7 8 0-0 0-0 9 Be3 Qc7 10 Rc1 b6 11 f4 Bb7 12 Bf3 Nbd7 13 f5 e5 Forcing Black to leave a hole on d5 is a success for White. Also, now an eventual b5 would leave Black virtually a pawn down. A good plan for White is to prepare g2-g4-g5, which fights for control of d5 (not to mention its attacking force). However, 14 g4 may allow h6, Nh7, Bg5 leaving White weak on the dark squares. 14 Nde2 Qd8 15 Ng3 Rc8 16 b3 Nc5 17 Re1 Bc6 18 b4 Ncd7 19 Nd5 White has chosen another plan. 19...Nxd5 If 19...Bxd5 White could play cxd5 and exploit the outpost c6. 20 exd5 Bb7 White wants to prepare c5 or a kingside attack. Black would like to strike with ...b5 at the base of White's pawn chain but definitely not if White can answer with c5. 21 Ne4 Nf6 22 Nf2 No swaps 22...b5? 23 c5! e4 23...dxc5 24 d6 wins material. 24 Nxe4 Nxd5 25 cxd6 Rxc1 26 Qxc1 Bh4! 27 g3 Nxe3 28 Qxe3 Bxe4 29 Qxe4 Bf6 30 Qc6! Black has done his best but the pawn on d6 will decide matters, even with the opposite colour bishops. 30...Bd4+ 31 Kg2 Qg5 32 Re8 g6 33 d7 Qd2+ 34 Be2 Be3 35 Kf1 Bg5 36 Qc5 Bh6 37 d8-Q 1-0

Green took the lead on 2 1/2 when Smith blundered in a drawish position. C Ker made too many pawn moves against Garbett's Centre Counter; Garbett won efficiently. Spain's Dutch became a bit loose, especially when he blundered a pawn. Martin won well against Dreyer and Sarapu played rather passively with White, allowing A Ker BvN with rival pawn majorities and control of the open file. However, Ker's penchant for active king play let him down and Sarapu's queen and rook broke in. Hampl-Sarfati was a quick draw.

C Ker - P Garbett

1 e4 d5 2 exd5 Nf6 3 c4 c6 4 dxc6 Nxc6 5 f4 e5 6 fxe5 Ng4 7 Nf3 Bc5 8 d4 Nxd4 9 Be2 Nxf3+ 10 Bxf3 Qxd1+ 11 Bxd1 Nxe5 12 Ba4+ Bd7 13 Bxd7+ Kxd7 14 Rf1 Rad8 15 Nd2 Kc8 16 Nb3 Rhe8 17 Bd2 Nf3+ 18 Kd1 Nxd2 0-1

Round 4 saw Dreyer, like A Ker, justifiably refusing Sarapu's draw offer and, like Ker, losing. C Ker inexplicably blundered away a pawn - "for nothing, as they say in English" (D Bronstein) - against his brother in an opening he knows well (QGD). Smith castled into Garbett's attack and lost quickly. Spain had a terrible bishop from his Stonewall Dutch but Sarfati couldn't break through. Green-Dive was a straightforward draw.

P Garbett - R Smith

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 d6 6 g4 Nc6 7 g5 Nd7 8 Be3 Be7 9 h4 a6 10 Rg1 Qc7 11 h5 g6 12 Rh1 Nxd4 13 Qxd4 0-0 14 0-0-0 Ne5 15 f4 Nc6 16 Qd2 Re8 17 hxg6 fxg6 18 Nd5 exd5 19 Qxd5+ 1-0

Smith played the anti-French gambit favoured by Korchnoi and Nunn in the fifth round but allowed A Ker to consolidate and win. C Ker played badly against Dreyer's French and was a piece down by move 20. Dive gained the advantage against Garbett's Leningrad Dutch (his choice for this tourney) but allowed Garbett dangerous attacking chances. However, after a time scramble, Dive emerged with a won endgame. Sarfati had a difficult fight to draw with Martin. Spain always had a small advantage with his favourite exchange Ruy Lopez; on the other hand, his opponent, Green, never looked like losing. Sarapu spoilt a good position against Hampl by blundering a pawn. Hampl could possibly have refused the draw.

R Dive - P Garbett

1 d4 f5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 g3 g6 4 Bg2 Bg7 5 0-0 0-0 6 b3 d6 7 Bb2 c6 8 c4 a5 9 Nbd2 Na6 10 a3 Nh5 11 b4 Nc7 12 Qb3 a4 13 Qd3 c5 14 e4 Rb8 15 Rfe1 f4 16 Qc2 cxd4 17 Bxd4 Bxd4 18 Nxd4 e5 19 N4f3 fxg3 20 hxg3 Ne6 21 Nf1 g5xg3 22 Rad1 Qe7 23 Ne3 g4 24 Nxg4 Nef4 25 Nh6+ Kh8 26 Nf5 Bxf5 27 exf5 Rg8 28 Qe4 Qg7 29 f6 Qxf6 30 c5 Qg7 31 cxd6 Nxg3 32 Qxe5 Nge2+ 33 Rf1 Qxe5 34 Nxe5 Rxc2 35 Rxe2 Rbg7 36 Nf7+ Kg7 37 Re4 Kxf7 38 Rxf4 Ke6 39 Re4+ Kd7 40 Re7+ Kc6 41 Rc7+ Kb6 42 Rxf7 Rg1+ 43 Ke2 Rxd1 44 Kxd1 Rg5 45 d7 Rd5+ 46 Ke2 Kb6 47 Rh5 1-0

B Martin – J Sarfati

1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 c5 3 d5 b5 4 Bg5 Ne4 5 Qd3 Nxc5 6 Nxc5 e6 7 h4 c4 8 Qe3 Bb7 9 Nc3 h6 10 dxe6 fxe6 11 Nge4 Bb4 12 Qf3 Bxe4 13 Qxe4 Bxc3+ 14 bxc3 Qf6 15 Rh3 d5 16 Qe3 0-0 17 Rf3 Qe7 18 Rxf8+ Kxf8 19 g3 Nc6 20 Bh3 Re8 21 Kf1 Kg8 22 Rb1 a6 23 Qb6 Nb8 24 Rd1 Kh7 25 e4 Nd7 26 Qe3 Nf6 27 e5 Ne4 28 Bg2 Nc5 29 f4 Rf8 30 Kg1 Na4 31 Bh3 Qc5 32 Qxc5 Nxc5 33 f5 exf5 34 Rxd5 Ne4 35 e6 g6 36 h5 Ng5 37 Rd7 Kg8 38 Bg2 gxh5 39 Bd5 Re8 40 Rf7 Kh8 41 Ra7 Nxe6 42 Ra6 Nc7 43 Rxc6+ Kg7 44 Rd6 Nxd5 45 Rxd5 Ra8 46 Rb5 Draw.

In round six Dive's position couldn't stand both kingside weaknesses and careless loss of two tempi; his opponent, A Ker, exploited his advantage well. Sarfati had an advantage against Green throughout but only won after mutual endgame slip-ups and thus replaced him as co-leader. C Ker didn't hold a slightly inferior endgame against Hampl while the other games, Dreyer-Smith, Martin-Sarapu and Garbett-Spain were hard-fought draws.

Progress scores: Sarapu, Sarfati, A Ker 4; Martin, Garbett, Green 3.5; Dreyer, Hampl, Dive 3; Spain 2.5; Smith 1.5; C Ker 0.5. These scores show that the field was closely matched except that Smith was badly out of form and C Ker off form and outclassed.

In the seventh round Martin had a win by default against C Ker (at least he may as well have, Ker, with White, blundered a pawn on the fifth move and resigned). Sarapu and Sarfati had a short draw while Green lost to Garbett in a time scramble. A Ker blundered a piece against Spain, momentarily forgetting that a piece pinned against the king doesn't protect much (at least under the Congress rules. Current FIDE rules have nothing to say on the matter...) [You know, I know, everybody knows but if you keep talking about it you may get a law passed to make us do what we've always done! ed] Dreyer managed to draw despite Dive's strong pressure. Smith had his only win of the tourney, against Hampl, and was awarded the Best Game Prize for it. The game score appears on the next page.

Sarapu beat C Ker easily in the eighth round. Smith threw away a better position against Martin at the second time control and his flag fell as well. Sarfati gained a big plus against Garbett but blundered a pawn to a simple queen fork but still drew. Dive outplayed Hampl from the Black side of a Petrov. They reached the instructive endgame of R+f,g,h pawns versus R+N and g and h pawns. Surely Black should win easily?! But Black allowed the pawn structure f2,g3,h4 versus g6 and h5. Dive couldn't find a forced win here but Hampl kindly blundered in the third session. A Ker-Green and Dreyer-Spain were hard-fought draws.

Leaders: Martin, Sarapu 5.5; Garbett, Sarfati 5; A Ker 4.5. The field had spread out, slightly.

Round nine and Garbett had his first win (but by no means his first winning position) over A Ker. Ker's protected passed pawn on d5 was no match for Garbett's protected passed Bishop on d6 and big space advantage. Hampl was in big trouble after misplaying the declining of Spain's Morra Gambit – exchange down on move 16 but Spain threw away material later on and only drew – probably time pressure. C Ker decided not to play as weakly against Sarfati as he had against the others and drew. Dive was soon in trouble against Martin with his king not castled.

Hampl-Green and Sarapu-Dive were quick draws; Dreyer-Garbett was a longer draw; Sarfati-A Ker was a still longer draw – Sarfati had pressure but not enough to win. C Ker-Smith was the longest draw of the tenth round. Ker's attack led to a won endgame which he didn't win, Martin moved into joint leadership by beating Spain. His pawn sac for the two bishops and dark square control looked sound.

Leaders: Garbett, Martin, Sarapu 6.5; Dive, Sarfati 6.

The last round and a few positional errors by Green allowed Martin to start a strong attack. He reached a position with queen and good bishop with connected passed pawns versus two

rooks, a knight and irrelevant pawns. Sarapu stayed with him by beating Spain. (Some shrewd psychology here – see previous issue) Garbett achieved nothing against Hampl's open Ruy Lopez. Dive caught up with him by beating C Ker. Sarfati had little chance of beating Smith from the position he got. Dreyer played the Budapest terribly; A Ker soon won the exchange and a pawn. However, he dissipated his advantage in time pressure, as happened so often in this tournament.

Martin, Sarapu 1st 7.5; Dive, Garbett 3rd 7; Sarfati 5th 6.5; A Ker, Dreyer 6th 5.5; P Green 8th 5; M Hampl, G Spain 9th 4.5; R Smith 11th 4; C Ker 12th 1.5.

BEST CONGRESS GAMES

By Tim Frost

Five games were submitted from the New Zealand Championship, 13 from the Reserve and eight from the Major Open. These games were printed in the Congress bulletins, as were all other games from the Championship and Reserve events.

Because the game scores were available from the bulletins, the publisher extracted them from the bulletins and printed them in a format that disguised the authorship from the adjudicators and which allowed me to identify them with code letters. The three adjudicators, to whom we extend our gratitude, were Lev Aptekar, Mark Noble and Andrew Stanton.

Comments made by the adjudicators suggest that some entrants have an excessive opinion of the standard of their games. This view can be seen also in the number of games submitted by certain players where it would be reasonable to expect that each player might select the one game of the tournament which they believe to be their best. There were, however, some good games in the collection.

After collating the results from the adjudicators, the following games were awarded the prizes, with winners' name in parenthesis.

Championship: Smith-Hampl (Smith)

Reserve: Hawkes-Frankel (Hawkes)

Major Open: Heperi-Wigbout (Heperi)

Game of the Tournament: Smith-Hampl

Jonathan Sarfati kindly ran off some light notes to the top game.

R Smith-M Hampl

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e3 c5 5 Ne2 cxd4 6 exd4 0-0 7 a3 Be7 8 d5 exd5 9 cxd5 Bc5 10 Nd4 Re8+ 11 Be3 d6 12 Be2 a6 13 0-0 Nbd7 14 b4 Bb6 15 Rc1 Ne5 16 h3 Bd7 17 Qb3 Ng6 I don't usually approve of decentralisation. My taste is for White's position because of his space advantage. 18 Rfd1 Rc8 19 Bf1 Nh5 The same comment applies here. If Black could start an attack with these moves, it would be perverse to criticise them. But White's mobility makes this doubtful. 20 Na4 Rxc1 Black's plan is to show that the white pawn on d5 is weak. However, he overlooks White's 23rd. After 20...Ba7 White may have planned to prepare b5 or a similar combination to that which occurred (but not 21 Nc6 because of 21...Rxe3!). 21 Rxc1 Bxa4 22 Qxa4 Nhf4? 23 Ne6! fxe6 24 Bxb6 Qe7 25 Rc7 Qf8 26 dxe6 (+-) Ne5 27 Rxb7 Rxe6 28 Qb3 Kh8 29 Ba7 Re8 30 Qc3 h6 31 Bxa6 Qf6 32 Rb8 Rxb8 33 Bxb8 Kh7 34 Qc2+ Neg6 35 Bd3 Qa1+ 36 Kh2 Qe5 37 g3 Nxd3 38 Qxd3 Qb2 39 Kg2 d5 40 h4 h5 41 Qxd5 1-0

LOCAL NEWS

MT MAUNGANUI

A "fastchess" tournament held by the Mount Maunganui Chess Club on March 17 attracted a strong entry and results were: **G Spain and P Cooper** (Auckland) 1st- 5.5/7; P Himona (Rotorua) 3rd, 5.

Grade prizes were won by B Poddie (Papakura), A Shead (Devonport) and M Kimberley (Rotorua) 4 points each. - B Sullivan

WELLINGTON

The Civic Chess Club held its annual meeting in the bridge club rooms where they used to meet. Most discussion centred on finding new premises and the club finally settled on Turnbull House. It is quite an old building surrounded by trendy new ones and just across the road from the Beehive (maybe we could find another John Ballance or a John Mason!).

The room, apparently used by a philatelic society, is a good size, carpeted and will be an excellent base for the club. Whether the building remains there probably depends on the Historic Places Trust.

Last year's champion was Anthony Ker and Alan Winfield won the B grade.

The all-new executive included President, Russell Dive; Secretary, John Gillespie; Treasurer, Craig Goodwillie; Club Captain, Arthur Pomeroy. Management Committee, C McDonald, D Capper, B Southgate, M Schwass, A Winfield.

The Wellington Chess Club also had its annual meeting recently. Most talk was on the congress and Wellington Interclub. Congress was considered a successful event though costing the club a few hundred dollars. It appears someone in the club wants to see things happening but he was out on his own. Let's hope he can stand up to the inertia machine!

Paul Dunn won the club championship while Shamnika Rupasinghe won the B grade.

Elections: Patron, J A Eriksen; President, T Frost; Vice Presidents, A Feneridis, J D Steele, B Deben, E G A Frost; Auditor, J D Steele; Treasurer, G Lezard; Secretary, E G A Frost; Management committee, McElwee, Farrington, Pledger; Director of play, J D Sarfati; Librarian, T Stevenson; Match committee, T Frost, A Stanton; League delegates, J Sarfati, E Frost.

OTAGO

Richard Sutton convincingly won the club championship in 1989. He lost only three

games in the five mini tournaments that make up the competition. **R Sutton 1**, B Martin 2, K Boyd 3.

Two fast-improving youngsters, Matthew Vincent and Hamish Gold finished first and second in the Intermediate Cup, T Duffield gaining third place. Junior Cup: R Clarkson 1, D Reid 2, D Guthrie 3. Perpetual Handicap Cup (Most Improved Player), H Gold.

Unable to hold an interclub like Auckland and Wellington, Otago opt for a chess for fun social teams tournament. 1989 winners were: Evening Star Trophy, The Amateur Aristocrats; Sir John Walsh Cup, Woodpushers; Vern Haig Trophy, Otago Boys High School; Arthur Patton Trophy, Zugzwanged. This year there are twenty teams playing! - B Martin



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HASTINGS

Sergei Dolmatov won the Foreign & Colonial tournament over the New Year from an evenly matched field (a 30-point rating spread, British champion Michael Adams excepted). Dolmatov, runner-up in the 1989 U.S.S.R. Championship, scored 8½/14 in the double-round event.

Canadian GM Kevin Spraggett, a Candidate in the current cycle, shared second place with Yugoslavia's GM Predrag Nikolic on 7½ points. Candidate semi-finalist Jonathan Speelman was next on 7 while three players tied on 6½ points - GMs Boris Gulko (USA), Chandler (ENG) and Yusupov (USR). Adams was last on 6.

YUSUPOV - GULKO, Grünfeld Defence:

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 cxd5 Nxd5 5 e4 Nxc3 6 bxc3 Bg7 7 Bc4 0-0 8 Ne2 Nc6 9 0-0 b6 10 Bg5 Bb7 11 Qd2 Qd6 12 Rad1 Na5 13 Bd3 c5 14 d5 e6 15 c4 Ba6 16 Qc2 exd5 17 exd5 Qd7 18 Ng3 Rae8 19 Bd2 Nb7 20 Ne4 Nd6 21 Nxd6 Qxd6 22 Qa4 Bc8 23 Qxa7 Be5 24 h3 Bd4 25 Kh1 Qf6 26 Be3 Bxh3 27 Bxd4 cxd4 28 d6 Re5 29 f4 Re3 30 Qb7 Qh4 31 Kg1 Bxg2 32 Qxg2 Rg3 33 Be4 Rxx2+ 34 Bxg2 Qf6 35 d7 Qd6 36 f5 Qxd7 37 Bd5 Qe7 38 Rf3 Qe5 39 Rdf1 g5 40 f6 Re8 41 Kh1 g4 42 Rf5 Qe3 43 Rh5 Re5 44 Rh2 d3 45 Bxf7+ Kxf7 46 Rxx7+ Kg6 47 f7 Kxx7 48 f8Q, 0 - 1.

REGGIO EMILIA

The Italian organisers of this tournament, also held over the New Year, assembled their strongest ever field, the average rating of 2625 just missing category 16 by one rating point.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			
1 Ehlvest	USR	G	2620	x	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	7½		
2 Ivanchuk	USR	G	2660	½	x	½	½	½	½	½	½	6½		
3 Karpov	USR	G	2755	½	½	x	½	½	½	½	½	6		
4 Ribli	HUN	G	2605	½	½	½	x	½	½	½	½	5½		
5 Andersson	SWE	G	2635	½	½	½	½	x	½	½	½	5½		
6 Gurevich, M.	USR	G	2640	0	½	½	½	½	x	0	½	5		
7 Georgiev, Ki.	BUL	G	2590	0	0	½	0	½	½	x	½	4½		
8 Petursson	ICE	G	2560	0	0	0	½	½	½	½	x	4½		
9 Portisch	HUN	G	2600	½	½	½	½	½	½	0	0	4		
10 de Firmian	USA	G	2585	0	0	½	½	½	½	½	0	x	4	
11 Belyavsky	USR	G	2620	0	½	0	½	½	½	0	0	½	x	2

As could be expected the strong Soviet contingent dominated; the top non-Soviet players, Andersson and Ribli, predictably drew too many games. Surprising, however, was the relegation of Anatoly Karpov to third place and also the shocking result by Alexander Belyavsky

PORTISCH - DE FIRMIAN, Queen's Indian Defence:

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nf3 b6 4 e3 Bb7 5 Bd3 c5 6 0-0 Be7 7 Nc3 d5 8 b3 0-0 9 Bb2 Nc6 10 Re1 Rc8 11 Rc1 cxd4 12 exd4 Re8 13 cxd5 Nxd5 14 Nxd5 Qxd5 15 Be4 Qd7 16 Rxc6! Bxc6 17 Ne5 Qb7 18 Bxh7+! Kf8 19 Qh5 Bb4 20 Bd3 g6 21 Qh6+ Ke7 22 d5 Bxe1 23 Ba3+ Kd8 24 Qh4+ Kc7 25 dxc6 Qa8 26 Qf6 b5 27 Be5 Rcd8 28 Qxf7+ Kc8 29 Bxb5 a6 30 Qd7+, 1 - 0.

ANDERSSON - BELYAVSKY, Catalan:

1 Nf3 d5 2 d4 Nf6 3 c4 e6 4 g3 Be7 5 Bg2 0-0 6 0-0 dxc4 7 Qc2 a6 8 Qxc4 b5 9 Qc2 Bb7 10 Bf4 Nc6 11 Rd1 Nb4 12 Qc1 Rc8 13 Nc3 Nhd5 14 Be3 c6 15 Ne5 Qb6 16 Nxd5 exd5 17 Qd2 b4 18 Bg5 Rc7 19 Rac1 Rfc8 20 Rxc7 Rxc7 21 Re1 a5 22 Bf4 Rxc1+ 23 Qxc1 h6 24 Bf1 Ne4 25 Be3 a4 26 f3 Nd6 27 Bf2 Nb5 28 Qf4 Nd6 29 Qc1 Nb5 30 Nd7 Qc6 31 Ne5 a3 32 Qd2 Nxd4 33 Nxb7 b3 34 Na5 Qc2 35 Nxb3 axb2 36 Qxc2 Nxc2 37 Nd2 Bb4 38 Nb1 Na3 39 Bd4 Nxb1 40 Bxb2 Be5+ 41 Kg2 Nd2 42 a4 Nc4

43 Bc1 Ne3+ 44 Kf2 Nxf1+ 45 Kxf1 Kf8 46 g4 Ke7 47 h4 Kd6 48 Ke1 Kc6 49 Kd1 Kb6
50 Kc2 Bd4 51 h5 Bc5 52 Kb3 f6 53 Bd2 e5 54 Bb4 Kc6 55 Bxc5 Kxc5 56 Kc3 d4+
57 Kb3 Kc6 58 Kb4 Kb6 59 a5+ Kc6 60 Kc4 Kb7 61 Kb5 Ka7 62 a6, 1-0.

WIJK AAN ZEE

The annual Wijk aan Zee congress included two grandmaster tournaments. Viktor Korchnoi led the stronger Group A for much of the time but, after scoring just one point from his last five games, slipped down to the middle of the field. With two rounds to go five players shared the lead with 6½ points: Andersson, Dlugy, Korchnoi, Nunn and Portisch. Of this group only John Nunn managed to win even one of his remaining two games, an accurate reflection of the overall drawing percentage of 61.5.

Scores: 1 GM Nunn (ENG) 8/13; 2-3 GM Andersson (SWE) & GM Portisch (HUN) 7½; 4-6 GM Dlugy (USA), GM M.Gurevich (USR) & GM Petursson (ICE) 7; 7-10 GM Anand (IND), GM Dohojan (USR), GM Korchnoi (SWI) & GM Short (ENG) 6½; 11-12 GM Piket (NLD) & GM van der Wiel (NLD) 6; 13 IM Kuijff (NLD) 5; 14 IM Nijboer (NLD) 4.

Nigel Short and John van derWiel rarely eschew a good fight when they meet and the following encounter was no exception.

VAN DER WIEL - SHORT, Sicilian Defence:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nf6 3 e5 Nd5 4 Nc3 e6 5 Nxd5 exd5 6 d4 Nc6 7 dxc5 Bxc5 8 Qxd5
d6 9 exd6 Qb6 10 Qe4+ Be6 11 Bc4 Qb4+ 12 Nd2 0-0 13 0-0 Rae8 14 c3 Qb6 15 Nf3
h6 16 b4 Bxd6 17 Be3 Qc7 18 Bxe6 Rxe6 19 Qc4 Rfe8 20 Rad1 a6 21 a4 Re4 22 Qd3
Rbe6 23 a5 f5 24 h3 Qf7 25 Qd5 Kh7 26 Bc5 Bb8 27 Qd7 Qh5 28 Rd5 Be5 29 Qxe6
Bh2+ 30 Kxh2 Rxe6 31 Rd7 Qe8 32 Rxb7 Nd8 33 Ra7 Re4 34 Rd1 Ne6 35 Rdd7 Qb8+ 36
Bd6 Qb5 37 Nd4 Rxd4 38 cxd4 Kg6 39 Be5 Kh5 40 Rd6 Ng5 41 Bxg7 Qb8 42 Rax6 Ne4
43 Be5 Nxd6 44 Rxd6 Qg8 45 Bf4 Qg3+ 46 Bxg3!, 1-0.

The Group B tournament was easily won by American GM John Fedorowicz with 9/11. Second was GM Hellers (SWE) on 7½. All three Polgar sisters competed in this group but without headline-grabbing results.

ROME

Tony Miles showed that he is back in form after several unsettled years by taking an undivided first place in a strong open tournament at Rome in February. The twenty-odd GMs included veterans Bronstein, Ivkov and Smyslov.

Leading scores: 1 GM Miles (USA) 7; 2-7 GM Bareev (USR), GM Chernin (USR), IM Oll (USR), GM Smyslov (USR), GM Todorcevic (YUG) & GM Vera (CUB) 6½; 8-19 GM Anand (IND), GM Barlov (YUG), GM Bronstein (USR), GM Dohojan (USR), IM Drasko (YUG), IM Dzandzava (USR), GM Farago (HUN), GM Ivkov (YUG), IM Lanka (USR), GM Razuvaev (USR), GM Suba (ENG) & GM Vaiser (USR) 6.

CANNES

The French Riviera resort town was the venue for a Scheveningen match on five boards between France and the Netherlands. Jan Timman (NLD) and Boris Spassky (FRA) both played just the first two rounds of the double round contest before withdrawing in favour of Sosonko and Kouatly respectively.

The Dutch team won the match 26½ - 23½. The top scorers were John van derWiel (NLD) and Joel Lautier (FRA) with 7/10. The young Frenchman gained his final GM-norm and becomes the world's youngest grandmaster. The only other player to exceed 50% was Olivier Renet (FRA) with 6 points.

LINARES

The year's first category 16 tournament (average rating 2629) took place in February/March. It proved to be another Soviet benefit with six of the top eight places. Nigel Short was the only non-Soviet player to exceed 50% although Boris Gulko did his bit by defeating Kasparov. Boris Gelfand's rise towards super-GM status continued and he joins a growing list of young grandmasters which should see Soviet players domina-

ting the world chess scene for many years to come.

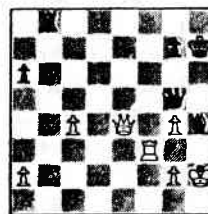
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
1	Kasparov	USR	G 2800	x	½	½	1	1	0	1	½	1	1	1	½	8
2	Gelfand	USR	G 2615	½	x	1	½	0	1	0	1	1	1	½	1	7½
3	Salov	USR	G 2645	½	0	x	½	1	½	1	½	1	½	1	½	7
4	Ivanchuk	USR	G 2665	0	½	½	x	½	½	½	1	½	1	1	1	6½
5	Short	ENG	G 2635	0	1	0	½	x	1	½	1	1	½	0	½	6
6	Gulko	USA	G 2610	1	0	½	½	0	x	½	0	½	1	1	1	5½
7	Yusupov	USR	G 2615	0	1	0	½	½	½	x	½	0	1	½	1	5½
8	Belyavsky	USR	G 2640	½	0	½	0	0	1	½	x	0	1	1	½	5
9	Illescas	SPA	G 2530	0	0	0	½	0	½	1	1	x	0	½	4	
10	Spassky	FRA	G 2560	0	0	½	½	½	½	0	0	1	x	½	4	
11	Portisch	HUN	G 2605	0	½	0	0	1	0	½	0	½	½	x	1	4
12	Ljubojevic	YUG	G 2625	½	0	½	0	½	0	0	½	½	½	0	x	3

After five rounds Kasparov and Gelfand led with 4½ points followed by Salov and Ivanchuk on 3½. This order stayed the same right to the end with minor variations along the way. Gelfand actually was tied with Kasparov going into the last round but had the black pieces against Ivanchuk while the World Champion had the somewhat easier task with white against the host country representative Illescas.

Kasparov's loss to Gulko in the eighth round came after he allowed the exchange of his King's Indian bishop in a line where he had sacrificed two pawns; a further mistake just left Gulko with a two pawn advantage which he found quite handy in a nervously played endgame.

IVANCHUK - KASPAROV, Sicilian Najdorf:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 a6 6 Bg5 e6 7 f4 Qb6 8 Qd2 Qxb2
9 Rb1 Qa3 10 f5 Nc6 11 fxe6 fxe6 12 Nxc6 bxc6 13 Be2 Be7 14 0-0 0-0 15 Rb3 Qc5+
16 Be3 Qe5 17 Bf4 Qc5+ 18 Kh1 Ng4 19 h3 e5 20 Na4 Qa7 21 Bc4+ Kh8 22 hxg4 exf4
23 Nb6 d5!? [Thus far theory. In the 1988 Candidates Sokolov continued here 23...Rb8
against Spraggett] 24 exd5 cxd5 25 Bxd5 Rb8 26 Nxc8 Rbxc8 27 Rh3 Qb6 28 Re1 Bg5
29 Re6 Qd8 30 c4 Rb8 31 Qd3 Bh4 32 Be4 Qg5 33 Bxh7 Rfd8 34 Qc2 f3 35 Rxf3 Rd2
36 Qe4 Rd1+ 37 Kh2 Re1 38 Qf5 Rxe6 39 Qxe6 Kxh7 40 Qe4+ [DIAGRAM]



40...g6? [Time trouble. Instead 40...Qg6 41 Rf5 Bg5 is decisive] 41 Rh3? [But Ivanchuk returns the compliment and Black is again winning without difficulty. Instead White could have saved the game with 41 Rf7+ Kg8 42 Qe6 Kh8 43 g3 Qh6 44 Kg2 Bg5 45 Qe5+ Kg8 46 Qe6 Rf8 47 Rf1+ Kg7 48 Qe5+ and now 48... Kg8 49 Qe6+ repeats but 48...Bf6? would lose to 49 Rxf6! Rxf6 50 g5. Or 41...Kh6 42 Qd4 Rg8 43 g3 Qd8 44 Qa7! Qd2+ (or 44...Rh8 45 gxh4 Qxh4+ with a draw) 45 Kh3 Bd8 46 Rh7+ Kg5 47 Qc5+ Kf6 48 g5+ when repetition by 48...Ke6 49 Qc8+ Ke5, 50 Qc5+ Ke6 looks forced] 41...Kg7 42 Qd4+ Kg8 43 Qe4 Qf6, 0-1.

KASPAROV - SPASSKY, Nimzoindian Defence:

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 Qc2 d5 5 cxd5 exd5 6 Bg5 h6 7 Bh4 c5 8 dxc5 Nc6
9 e3 g5 10 Bg3 Ne4 11 Nf3 Qf6 12 Bb5 Nxc3 13 Bxc6+ bxc6 14 a3 g4 15 Be5 Ne4+
16 axb4 Qf5 17 Bxh8 gxf3 18 Rg1 Qg4 19 Qd1 Ng5 20 Qd4 Ne4 21 Qe5+ Be6 22 Qf4
Qg6 23 Qxf3 f6 24 Qf4 Kf7 25 f3 Ng5 26 Kd2 Qf5 27 h4 Qxf4 28 exf4 Nh7 29 g4,
1-0.

GELFAND - GULKO, Queen's Gambit Accepted:

1 d4 d5 2 e4 dxc4 3 Nf3 a6 4 e3 Nf6 5 Bxc4 e6 6 Qe2 b5 7 Bd3 c5 8 dxc5 Bxc5
9 a3 Nbd7 10 b4 Be7 11 e4 Bb7 12 Nbd2 Qc7 13 Bb2 Rc8 14 0-0 0-0 15 Nb3 e5 16
Rad1 Rfe8 17 Na5 Ba8 18 Bb1 Bf8 19 Rfe1 h6 20 Nh4 g6 21 Ba2 Bxe4 22 f3 Qb6+
23 Kh1 Bf5 24 Nxf5 gxf5 25 Qd3 e4 26 fxe4 Rxe4 27 Qb3 Rcc4 28 Nxc4 bxc4 29 Qg3+
Rg4 30 Qe3 Bc5 31 Qxh6 Rg6 32 Qh3, 1-0.

SMALL IS BEAUTIFUL

Continuing the saga of the Olympiad 1988 in Thessaloniki, Greece. We climb the ladder but then find a snake to return to base!

Round 5 - v Argentina. Skopje 1972 2-2, Buenos Aires 1978 1-3. Rating 2485-2415. Seeded 14th, finished 10th.

The breakthrough! When Small won against Oscar Panno of Argentina and Sarfati and Dive drew with their grandmaster opponents, norms became a possibility. Small, of course, had the best chance as he would meet the best players but the others had some chances if they could meet, and beat, opponents rated highly enough. A draw with Argentina made that more likely.

Team: Small, Sarfati, Dive, Ker.
Result: 2-2

Small V - Panno O.

1 e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3. d2 b6 4. d3 f3
d6 5 e5 d7 6 c3 c5 7. b5 a6
8 a4 e7 9. h4 c7 10. e2 b7
11 h5 b5 12 ab5 a6 13 h6 g6
14 0-0 0-0 15. h2 ab5 16. e8
a8 17. b5 d6 18. d3 c8
19. g4 c7 20. e2 cd4 21. cd4
a4 22. e3 c2 23. f4 a5
24. e3 e4 25. e4 de4 26. d2
f5 27. ef6 d6 28. g4 g5 29. d1
d7 30. d4 c4 d4 31. d4 d4
32. b6 d8 33. e3 h6 34. c1
d5 35. c7 e6 36. d7 g7
37. g5 e8 38. d6 h8
39. e4 d4 40. e6 e6 41. d6
d7 42. f7 b8 43. b4 1-0

Barbero G - Sarfati J

1 d4 d6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 b5 4. d3 g6
5. d2 bc4 6. e4 d6 7. c4 g7
8 0-0 0-0 9. b1 a6 10. b3 a5
11 a3 c4 12. d4 a6 13. e1
d7 14. g5 d6 15. d2 f8
16. c2 d7 17. a4 d4 18. d4
e8 19. d2 e5 20. f4 d4
21. c4 d4 22. f1 c8 23. h3
d7 24. g4 h5 25. f5 hg4 26. hg4 e6

27. d3 g7 28. c3 c3 29. c3
e5 30. g2 h8 31. h1 e7
32. e3 h4 33. g3 h1
34. h1 g5 35. h5 16 36. f2
h8 37. h8 h8 38. h3 g7
39. h5 f7 40. h3 b7 41. h5
f7 42. h3 b7 43. c3 f8
44. e1 h7 45. a5 h4 46. d2
f2 47. c1 e3 48. b2 d4
49. a2 g7 50. a7 h6
51. a5 e4 52. d8 c2 1/2-1/2



Dive R - Rubineti J

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3. d3 e7 4. d3
d6 5. cd5 ed5 6. g5 c6 7. c2
d7 8. e3 h5 9. e7 e7
10. e2 g6 11 0-0 0-0 12. e8
d6 13. b4 e5 14. d3 d3
15. d3 a6 16. a4 d4 17. b5 ab5
18. ab5 e3 19. d2 d2 20. d2
d6 21. bc6 bc6 22. b6 c8
23. b2 e7 24. c1 d8 25. h3
d7 26. b7 b7 27. b7 d6
28. b1 d4 29. a4 g7
30. c5 c7 31. a6 c8 32. a2
d6 33. b6 e8 34. a4 h5
35. d3 d4 36. b3 c8
37. d4 e8 38. c6 e1
39. h2 c6 40. d6 d2 41. b7
d1 42. g1 d3 43. h2 d1
44. g1 e3 45. h2 d1 46. g1
h4 47. f3 d3 48. f2 e2
49. g1 e1 50. f2 f1 51. e3
d5 52. e2 c1 53. e5 d4
54. d2 g1 55. f7 g8 56. f4
g2 57. d3 e6 58. h4 g7
59. g4 g4 60. hg4 f6 61. d6
1. 2-1.2

Gomez Baillo J - Ker A

1. e4 d6 2. d4 d6 3. d3 g6 4. d3
g7 5. h3 0-0 6. e3 c6 7. a4 c7
8. a5 d7 9. d2 b5 10. ab6 d6
11. d3 d7 12. 0-0 f8
13. e2 d8 14. e1 e5 15. de5

de5 16. d4 e6 17. b3 d7
18. g5 d6 19. d1 d6
20. e6 e6 21. d1 e7
22. b6 d6 23. e5 c7 24. c3
e8 25. c5 e8 26. b4 e6
27. e6 c5 28. c5 d7
29. a5 a5 30. e1 a5 b8
31. e7 d6 32. e8 e8 33. e8
g7 34. e6 f6 35. f3 f8
36. f2 e7 37. e3 d6
38. e7 f6 39. c4 g5 40. c3 h6
41. b3 e7 42. a4 d8 43. b3
e7 44. e6 d8 45. e8 d8
46. c4 d7 47. e7 b8 48. a4
c8 49. c5 d8 50. d3 c7
51. e8 e7 52. d4 d8 53. e6
d6 54. c6 1-0

Round 6 - v Canada. No previous encounters. Rating: 2420-2365. Seeded 28th, finished 37th.

Small won again and Sarfati drew again but the others failed. The percentages tell a story; Small 68, Sarfati 50. A disappointment after the previous round.

Team: Small, Sarfati, Sarapu, Dive.
Result: 1.5-2.5.

Small V. - O' Donnell T.

1. d4 d5 2. c4 e6 3. g3 c6 4. g2
d6 5. d3 e7 6. 0-0 0-0 7. c2
b6 8. b3 b7 9. d1 d7 10. d3
c8 11. e4 c5 12. e5 d8 13. dc5
d5 14. b2 a6 15. e2 ac7
16. ac1 g6 17. d4 d7 18. db5
b5 19. b5 d7 20. d3 d4
21. b7 b7 22. e4 f8
23. d4 d7 24. d6 d6 25. ed6

f8 26. g7 g7 27. e5 g8
28. b4 c6 29. c5 bc5 30. bc5
c8 31. d4 a5 32. h4 f3
33. b1 c3 34. b5 a4 35. e4
c1 36. g2 c2 37. a3 d1
38. d4 a1 39. c6 1-0

Piaseski L. - Sarfati J.

1. c4 d6 2. g3 c6 3. d3 d5 4. b3
e5 5. b2 e6 6. g2 d7 7. d3
d6 8. d2 h6 9. d3 e7 10. 0-0
0-0 11. e1 e5 12. d4 e6 13. e4
de4 14. de4 e8 15. e2 fe8
16. e1 g4 17. d5 e5 18. ef5
e4 19. f3 c5 20. h1 e5
21. d8 d8 22. e5 e5 23. fe4
c3 24. d1 d1 25. d1 d4
26. g4 c2 27. h4 a2 28. d1
f2 29. d8 h7 30. h2 d4
31. e8 f6 1/2-1/2

Sarapu O. - Hergott D.

1. e4 e6 2. d4 d5 3. d2 d6 4. e5
d7 5. d3 c5 6. c3 d6 7. d3
b6 8. 0-0 cd4 9. cd4 e7 10. e2
g5 11. h3 h5 12. b3 g4 13. hg4
hg4 14. d5 d4 15. g4 d3
16. ab3 e5 17. e2 d3 18. d3
d7 19. e3 d6 20. f4 g5
21. fg5 h2 22. f2 h3 23. h1
g3 24. g1 h1 25. h1 c6
26. d2 d4 27. f4 g2 28. g2
f4 29. b7 b8 30. c6 f8
31. e7 b3 32. e3 f1 0-1

Nickoloff B. - Dive R.

1. d4 d6 2. c4 e6 3. d3 b4 4. d2
e7 5. g3 0-0 6. g2 d2 7. d2
d6 8. d3 e5 9. d1 c6 10. de5

de5 11. ♖d6 ♗d6 12. ♘d6 ♙e8
 13. b4 ♘bd7 14. ♚d2 ♛b8 15. 0-0
 ♜f8 16. ♞b3 ♟g4 17. h3 ♠f5
 18. ♞a5 ♞e6 19. e4 ♟g6 20. f4
 ef4 21. g4 ♙ed8 22. ♘d8 ♚d8
 23. e5 ♞e8 24. f5 ♠h5 25. ♞f2 f6
 26. ef6 ♞f6 27. ♞e2 ♛c8 28. ♛c1
 ♠f7 29. ♞b3 b6 30. ♞ed4 ♞f8
 31. ♞e3 ♛c7 32. ♞d3 ♠e8 33. c5
 ♞h5 34. ♛f1 ♠f7 35. a3 ♞f6
 36. ♞d2 ♠d5 37. ♠d5 cd5 38. c6 a6
 39. a4 b5 40. ab5 ab5 41. ♞2b3 ♞e4
 42. ♞a5 ♞d6 43. ♛c1 ♞e7 44. ♛c5
 g6 45. fg6 hg6 46. ♘d5 ♛c8
 47. ♞b5 ♞b5 48. ♛b5 ♞c6
 49. ♛b7 ♞f8 50. ♞c6 ♛c6 51. b5
 ♛c5 52. b6 ♛h5 53. ♛c7 ♛h3
 54. ♞e2 1-0

Round 7 - v Colombia. Siegen 1970
 .5-3.5, Nice 1974 2-2, Lucerne 1982 .5-3.5.
 Rating: 2480-2340. Seeded and finished 35th.

Small rested this time, leaving Sarfati in the
 hot seat. His opponent, A Zapata, played in
 all 14 rounds and had too much viva for
 Sarfati. The others did not fare any better,
 dropping the team back to, roughly, where it
 started.

Team: Sarfati, Sarapu, Dive Ker.
Result: 0-4.

Zapata A - Sarfati J.

1. e4 e5 2. ♞f3 ♞c6 3. ♠b5 a6
 4. ♠a4 ♞f6 5. d4 ed4 6. 0-0 ♠e7
 7. ♛e1 b5 8. e5 ♞e5 9. ♛e5 ba4
 10. ♞d4 0-0 11. ♞c3 a3 12. b3 ♠b7
 13. ♖d3 ♞g4 14. ♛e2 ♠d6 15. h3
 ♞e5 16. ♖d1 f5 17. f4 ♞g6
 18. ♛f2 ♖h4 19. ♖d3 ♛ae8
 20. ♠d2 ♖f6 21. ♛af1 ♞h8 22. ♞a4
 ♛e4 23. c3 ♖h4 24. ♞e2 ♠c6
 25. ♖a6 ♛a8 26. ♖d3 ♞a4 27. ba4
 ♛aa4 28. ♖b6 ♖e7 29. ♞d4 ♛a8
 30. ♞f5 ♖f6 31. ♖d5 ♛ae8
 32. ♞d6 cd6 33. ♖a5 ♞h4 34. ♖a3
 ♞f5 35. ♖a6 ♞g3 36. ♛b1 h6 1-0

Sarapu O. - Garcia G.

1. e4 e5 2. ♞f3 ♞c6 3. ♠b5 a6
 4. ♠a4 ♞f6 5. d4 ed4 6. 0-0 ♠e7
 7. e5 ♞e4 8. ♞d4 0-0 9. ♞c6 dc6
 10. ♠3 ♠f5 11. ♠b3 a5 12. ♖f3
 ♠g6 13. ♘d1 ♖c8 14. a4 ♞c5
 15. ♠c5 ♠c5 16. ♞c3 ♖f5 17. ♖f5
 ♠f5 18. h3 ♛ae8 19. g4 ♠e6
 20. ♛e1 ♠b3 21. cb3 ♠d4 22. ♛e4
 ♠e5 23. ♛ae1 f6 24. f4 ♠d4
 25. ♞g2 ♛e4 26. ♛e4 ♘d8 27. ♞f3
 ♞f7 28. ♞e2 f5 29. g5 ♞f6
 30. ♛e6 ♞f5 31. ♛e7 ♛c8 32. ♞f3
 ♠f6 33. ♘d7 ♞e6 34. ♘d3 ♘d8
 35. ♛e3 ♞f5 36. ♞e2 ♘d2 37. ♞g3
 ♞g6 38. ♞e4 ♛b2 39. ♘d3 b6
 40. ♞g4 h5 41. ♞f3 c5 42. ♞d2 ♞f5
 43. ♞c4 ♛b1 44. ♞e3 ♞g6 45. ♞d5
 ♛c1 46. ♞c7 c4 47. bc4 ♛c4
 48. ♞d5 ♛a4 49. ♞b6 ♘d4 50. f5
 ♞g5 51. ♛a3 ♠d8 52. ♞a4 ♞f5
 53. ♞c3 ♘d3 54. ♞g2 ♠c7 0-1

Henao R. - Dive R.

1. e4 ♞f6 2. e5 ♞d5 3. d4 d6 4. ♞f3
 g6 5. ♠c4 ♞b6 6. ♠b3 ♠g7 7. ♞g5
 d5 8. f4 f6 9. ♞f3 ♠g4 10. 0-0
 ♞8d7 11. ♞bd2 fe5 12. fe5 c5 13. c3
 cd4 14. cd4 0-0 15. h3 ♠f3 16. ♞f3
 ♞c4 17. ♖e2 ♛c8 18. ♠g5 ♛e8
 19. ♛f2 b5 20. ♠c2 ♖b6 21. ♠d3
 ♞f8 22. b3 ♞a3 23. ♛af1 ♞e6
 24. ♠e3 ♛f8 25. g3 ♛c7 26. h4
 ♛fc8 27. h5 ♞c2 28. hg6 hg6
 29. ♠g6 ♞ed4 30. ♠f7 ♞f7 31. ♞d4
 ♞g8 32. ♞c2 ♖g6 33. ♞d4 ♠e5
 34. ♞f5 e6 35. ♖d3 ef5 36. ♖d5
 ♖f7 37. ♖e5 ♛e8 38. ♖f4 ♛c6
 39. ♠d4 ♛e4 40. ♖e4 1-0

Ker A. - Gutierrez J.

1. d4 ♞f6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 e6 4. ♞c3
 ed5 5. cd5 d6 6. e4 g6 7. f4 ♠g7
 8. ♠b5 ♞fd7 9. a4 0-0 10. ♞f3
 ♞a6 11. 0-0 ♞b4 12. ♛e1 a6
 13. ♠f1 ♛e8 14. ♠e3 ♞f6 15. ♠f2
 ♠g4 16. ♛c1 ♛c8 17. ♠c4 ♞d7
 18. h3 ♠f3 19. ♖f3 ♞b6 20. b3
 ♞c4 21. bc4 ♖f6 22. ♞h2 ♠h6
 23. ♠g3 ♛cd8 24. ♞b1 b6 25. ♛c3
 ♠g7 26. e5 de5 27. fe5 ♖f3 28. gf3
 b5 29. d6 bc4 30. f4 g5 31. ♛c4 gf4
 32. ♠h4 ♘d7 33. ♛g1 ♞h8 34. ♛g7
 ♞g7 35. ♠f6 ♞g6 36. ♛c5 ♞f5
 37. ♞c3 ♞d3 38. ♛c7 ♞e5
 39. ♘d7 ♞d7 40. ♠e7 ♛c8 0-1

Round 8 - v Honduras. No previous
 encounters. All unrated. Seeded 100, finished
 79th.

With only 1.5 from the last eight games, we
 had to drop down the rankings. May have
 expected four points this time but the Hon-
 duras team; all four played every round; were
 nobody's pushover. They never scored more
 than three points but never lost 4-0 either.

Team: Small, Sarfati, Sarapu, Dive.
Result: 3-1.

Small V. - Haces R.

1. c4 ♞f6 2. ♞f3 e6 3. g3 g6 4. ♠g2
 ♠g7 5. 0-0 c5 6. d4 0-0 7. ♞c3 d6
 8. b3 ♞c6 9. e3 a6 10. ♠b2 ♖c7
 11. ♛c1 b6 12. ♖e2 ♠b7 13. ♛fd1
 ♛ad8 14. h3 ♞e7 15. e4 ♞d7
 16. ♛c2 ♞c6 17. d5 ♞d4 18. ♞d4
 cd4 19. ♞b1 e5 20. b4 f5 21. ♞d2 f4
 22. ♞b3 ♛f7 23. g4 f3 24. ♠f3 ♛df8
 25. ♠g2 ♛f2 26. ♖f2 ♛f2 27. ♞f2
 ♖d8 28. ♞g1 a5 29. a3 a4 30. ♞c1
 ♠h6 31. ♞d3 ♠e3 32. ♞h2 ♖h4
 33. ♠c1 ♞f6 34. ♠f3 ♠c8 35. ♛g2
 h5 36. ♠e3 de3 37. ♛g3 hg4
 38. ♠g2 ♞h5 39. ♛e3 g3 40. ♞g1

♠h3 41. ♠h3 ♖h3 42. ♘d2 ♞f4
 43. ♞f4 ef4 44. ♛f3 g5 45. c5 bc5
 46. bc5 dc5 47. d6 ♖d7 48. ♛c3
 ♞f7 49. ♛c5 ♖a7 50. ♘dd5 ♖b6
 51. ♞g2 ♖b2 52. ♞f3 ♖f2 53. ♞g4
 g2 54. ♞f5 ♖c5 55. ♛c5 g1 ♖
 56. ♛c7 ♞e8 57. e5 ♖b1 58. ♞f6 f3
 59. e6 ♖b2 60. ♞g6 ♖b1 61. ♞f6
 ♖b2 62. ♞g6 ♖b1 63. ♞f6 ♖b2
 64. ♞g6 1/2-1/2

Velasquez H. - Sarfati J.

1. d4 ♞f6 2. c4 c5 3. d5 b5 4. a4 b4
 5. ♠f4 d6 6. ♞d2 e5 7. de6 fe6 8. e4
 ♞c6 9. ♠d3 ♠e7 10. ♞e2 0-0
 11. 0-0 e5 12. ♠g3 ♞h5 13. f4 ef4
 14. ♠f4 ♞f4 15. ♛f4 ♠f6 16. ♛b1
 ♞e5 17. ♞f1 ♞g4 18. ♛f3 ♞e5
 19. ♛f4 ♠d7 20. ♞e3 ♠g5 21. ♛f8
 ♖f8 22. ♞d5 ♖f7 23. b3 ♛f8
 24. ♞g3 ♖f2 25. ♞h1 ♠f4 26. ♞f4
 1/2-1/2

Sarapu O. - Fajardo G.

1. e4 e5 2. ♞f3 ♞c6 3. ♠b5 a6
 4. ♠a4 ♞f6 5. ♞c3 b5 6. ♠b3 ♠e7
 7. d3 d6 8. ♞d5 ♠e6 9. ♞e7 ♖e7
 10. ♠g5 ♠b3 11. ab3 h6 12. ♠h4
 g5 13. ♠g3 ♞d4 14. ♞d4 ed4
 15. 0-0 h5 16. e5 ♞g4 17. ed6 cd6
 18. ♖f3 0-0 19. h3 h4 20. ♖g4
 hg3 21. fg3 ♖e3 22. ♞h2 f5
 23. ♛f5 ♛f5 24. ♖f5 ♛f8 25. ♖g6
 ♞h8 26. ♛a6 ♖e7 27. ♘d6 ♛f7
 28. ♛e6 ♖f8 29. ♖g5 b4 30. ♖e5
 1-0

Deras R. - Dive R.

1. e4 ♞f6 2. e5 ♞d5 3. c4 ♞b6 4. c5
 ♞d5 5. ♞c3 ♞c3 6. dc3 e6 7. ♠e3
 ♞c6 8. ♞f3 b6 9. cb6 ab6 10. ♠d3

♖e7 11.0-0 ♖a6 12.c4 ♜b4
 13.♖e4 ♖c4 14.♖a8 ♖f1 15.a3
 ♖e2 16.♖e1 ♖f3 17.♖f3 ♜c2
 18.♖c1 ♜a1 19.♖a1 f6 20.♖b1
 f5 21.♖h5 g6 22.♖d1 0-0
 23.♖e2 d5 24.♖h6 ♖f7 25.b4 c5
 26.b5 ♖f8 27.♖e3 ♖a7 28.♖c1
 ♖b8 29.♖b2 c4 30.♖c1 ♖a8 31.h4
 ♖a3 32.♖a3 ♖a3 33.♖g5 ♖a1
 34.♖h2 ♖e8 35.h5 c3 36.hg6
 hg6 37.♖d3 ♖d1 38.♖e3 ♖e7
 39.♖g3 d4 40.♖d4 c2 0-1

Round 9 - v Andorra. Siegen 1970 3.5-5, Nice 1974 4-0. Rating: 2220-unrated. Seeded 69th, finished 86th.

A good result that put us back up the field and a welcome boost for morale. We didn't know it then, but Anthony Ker had changed into top gear.

Team: Small, Sarfati, Sarapu, Ker.
Result: 4-0.

Small V. - Garcia P.R.

1.e4 c5 2.♜f3 ♜c6 3.d4 cd4 4.♜d4
 ♜f6 5.♜c3 d6 6.♖c4 e6 7.♖e3
 ♖e7 8.♖e2 a6 9.0-0-0 ♖c7
 10.♖b3 0-0 11.♖hg1 ♜d7 12.g4
 ♜c5 13.g5 ♖d7 14.♖h5 ♖fc8
 15.♖g3 g6 16.♖h6 ♖f8 17.♖h4
 ♜d4 18.♖d4 ♜b3 19.ab3 e5
 20.♖b6 ♖c6 21.♖d2 ♖e6
 22.♖e3 ♖c7 23.♖b1 b5 24.f4
 ef4 25.♖f4 b4 26.♜d5 ♖d5
 27.ed5 a5 28.♖e3 ♖g7 29.♖h3
 a4 30.♖h7 ♖f8 31.♖g7 ♖g7
 32.♖d4 f6 33.♖f6 ♖a8 34.♖h8
 ♖f7 35.♖h7 ♖g8 36.♖c7 ♖c7
 37.ba4 ♖a4 38.b3 ♖a5 39.♖d8
 ♖aa7 40.♖c7 ♖c7 41.♖e2 1-0

Santamaria Mas V. - Sarfati J.

1.e4 e5 2.♜f3 ♜c6 3.d4 ed4 4.♜d4
 ♜f6 5.♜c6 bc6 6.♖d4 d5 7.♜c3
 ♖e7 8.ed5 cd5 9.♖g5 0-0 10.0-0-0

c5 11.♖d2 d4 12.♖f6 ♖f6 13.♜e4
 ♖e7 14.♖c4 ♖b8 15.♖he1 ♖b4
 16.♖e2 ♖f5 17.f4 ♖b8 18.g3 ♖b6
 19.b3 ♖a5 20.c3 dc3 21.♜c3 ♖f6
 22.♜b1 ♖c4 23.bc4 ♖b4 24.♖d5
 ♖b1 0-1

Sarapu O. - Rechi Perez F.

1.e4 c5 2.♜f3 e6 3.c3 ♜f6 4.e5
 ♜d5 5.d4 cd4 6.cd4 ♜c6 7.♜c3
 ♜c3 8.bc3 d5 9.ed6 ♖d6 10.♖d3
 h6 11.0-0 0-0 12.♖e2 ♜e7 13.c4
 ♖h8 14.♖d1 ♜g8 15.♖b2 ♜f6
 16.♜e5 ♖b8 17.h3 b6 18.♜c6
 ♖d7 19.♜b8 ♖b8 20.g3 ♖b7
 21.♖h2 ♖c6 22.f4 ♖e8 23.♖g1
 h5 24.♖af1 ♖g8 25.♖e3 a6
 26.♖e2 ♜e4 27.♖f3 f5 28.♖h5
 ♖e7 29.♖e2 g6 30.d5 ed5 31.♖d4
 dc4 32.♖c4 1-0

Salades Segura I. - Ker A.

1.e4 c6 2.♜f3 d5 3.ed5 cd5 4.d4
 ♜f6 5.♜c3 ♖g4 6.♖b5 ♜c6 7.h3
 ♖f3 8.♖f3 e6 9.0-0 ♖e7 10.♖e3
 0-0 11.a3 ♖c8 12.♖ad1 ♜a5
 13.♖d3 ♜c4 14.♖c4 ♖c4 15.♖g5
 ♖b6 16.b3 ♖c3 17.♖c3 ♜e4
 18.♖d3 ♖g5 19.f3 ♜g3 20.f4
 ♖h4 21.♖f3 ♜e4 22.g3 ♖e7 23.a4
 f5 24.c4 ♖a6 25.c5 ♖d3 26.♖dd3
 a5 27.♖f1 ♖f7 28.♖b1 ♖b8 29.b4
 ab4 30.♖b4 ♜c5 31.dc5 ♖c5
 32.♖bd4 ♖e7 33.♖f1 ♖d4 34.♖d4
 ♖d6 35.♖e2 ♖c5 36.♖d3 b5
 37.ab5 ♖b5 38.♖a4 ♖b3 39.♖e2
 ♖g3 40.♖a6 d4 41.♖e6 ♖e3
 42.♖e3 de3 43.♖e3 ♖c4 44.h4
 h5 45.♖e2 ♖d4 46.♖f3 ♖d3
 47.♖f2 ♖e4 0-1

CHess, BY CORRIE

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These two games were culled from the pages of Fernschach, the official magazine of the International Correspondence Chess Federation (ICCF). They are presented more to amuse than instruct, though there is something to be learned!

Hallier-Winckelmann

Irregular (B00)

1 e4 Nc6 2 Nf3 f5?!

Not the correct order, but original!

3 exf5 d5

4 Nh4 e5!

5 Qh5? g6

6 fxg6 Nf6

7 g7+ Nxh5

8 gxh8-Q Qxh4

9 d4?

Why not 9 Qxh7

9 ... Bf5!

10 Bd3

White does not see the danger - safer is 10 Qg8!

10 ... e4

11 Be2 0-0-0

Resigns.

Kulikow-Manaskutra

Latvian Gambit (C40)

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 f5 3 Nxg5 Qf6 4 Nc4 fxe4
 5 Nc3 Qf7 6 d3 d5 7 Ne5 Qf5 8 f4 Nf6 9
 dxe4 Nxe4! 10 Nb5

If 10 Nxd5 Bd6 follows.

10 ... Bc5!

11 Nxc7+ Kd8

12 Nxd5

12 Nxa8? Bf2+ 13 Ke2 Qh5+ 14 Nf3 Re8 with advantage to Black.

12...Bf2+ 13 Ke2 Bd7 14 Kf3 Rf8 15 Bd3
 Qxe5 16 Bxe4 Bc5 17 Re1 Qh5+ 18 Kg3
 Qg5+!! 19 fxg5 Bf2 mate!!

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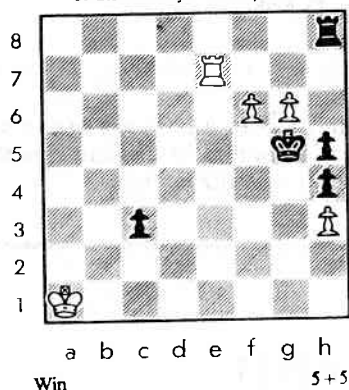
STUDY CORNER

By Emil Melnichenko

The most prolific and successful study composer currently on the international scene is David Gurgenidze, a star in the Georgian constellation of Soviet composers who is known for his rook and pawn endings.

This composition was one of several making him a close runner-up in the XIVth Soviet studies championship for the period 1977-78. The diagram shows material to be even yet the three passed pawns promise an exciting finale. For White to win, which pawn to push?

D. Gurgenidze
1st Prize, Thematic Tourney
of Shakhmaty v SSSR, 1977



If 1 f7? Ra8+ 2 Ra7 (2 Kb1? c2+ 3 Kxc2 Kxg6 4 Re8 Ra2+ 5 Kb3 Kxf7 -) 2...c2 3 Kb2 Rb8+ 4 Rb7 Rc8 5 Rc7 (5 Kc1 Kxg6 6 Re7 Rf8 -) 5...Rb8+ (5...Rxc7? 6 Kc1 Rc8 7 g7 is a clear victory) 6 Rb7 (6 Kxc2 Kxg6 -) 6...Rc8 exacts a draw by repetition.. Correct is..

1 g7 Ra8+
Both 1...c2 2 Kb2 Rb8+ (or 2...Rc8 3 g8Q+) 3 Rb7 transpose into the main line.

2 Ra7
The first surprise. This unexpected move does not give Black time to capture on f6. Obviously, not 2 Kb1? Kxf6 3 Ra7 Rg8 with a certain draw.

2 ... c2
Naturally, Black cannot allow his rook to be decoyed from the back rank by 2...Rxa7+ 3 Kb1 Ra8 (3...Rxc7 4 f6xg7 wins as in the given solution) as after 4 f7 the pawns' "lust to expand" cannot be controlled.

3 Kb2 Rb8+

Here 3..Rc8 4 g8Q+ is the main line condensed.

4 Rb7
Encore! However, 4 Kxc2? Kxf6 ensures a dead draw.

4 ... Rc8
Black is still unable to accept White's offer by either 4...Rxb7+ 5 Kxc2 Rb8 6 f7 or 4...c1Q+ 5 Kxc1 Rc8+ 6 Rc7 Rxc7+ 7 Kd2 Rc8 8 f7 when, in both instances, the pawns have slipped the leash.

5 g8Q+
A decisive combination. The alternative 5 Rc7? Rb8+ 6 Rb7 (6 Kc1 Kxf6 -) 6...Rc8 leaves White merely chasing a positional draw.

5 ... Rxc8
6 Rg7+ Rxc7
7 f6xg7 Kh6

Black has lost the skirmish but plays a last trump. If the pawn is crowned a queen by 8 g8Q? then 8...c1Q+ 9 Kxc1 stalemates Black; so what now?

8 g8R
The final subtlety. Underpromoting to either a bishop or a knight gives Black an easy theoretical draw. In the first case the Black monarch simply keeps within one step of his throne on h8 and White cannot marshal her remaining pawn home with the wrong-coloured bishop while, in the second, the knight is unable to protect h3.

Despite its natural and game-like appearance, this composition abounds in sharp play and conceals an attractive synthesis of various themes; a geometric motif involving repeated rook offers that are denied, positional draws and an underpromotion. Bravo!

From INSIDE STORY

Eventually, after a reading of all the objections raised by those opposing the motion, the business was passed 13-8.

Opponents mentioned various issues which will have to be addressed at an annual general meeting if the council is to get a firm lead on how it is to run chess in New Zealand. They included:

Lack of opportunities for those below the top echelon; less chance of rating advancement; financial (organisation and prize) aspects affected; change from champs to North Island as selection criteria for Olympiad undesirable; possible downgrading of South Island event and various ones on ratings.

TEST YOUR CHESS

By Roddy McKay, IM

(Scotland)

Those of our readers who are members of the correspondence association will have met this column before. Taken from Scottish Chess, to whom we are very grateful, it looks a very good column to us.

How to play: When it is your "partner's" turn to move, suggest the next move he (or she) should make. Score the number of points indicated for the correct move, or for worthwhile alternatives given. Add up your points at the end of the game and find out how well you have played.

To get a realistic score, don't look at the moves actually played before selecting your move and allow yourself an average thinking time of about three minutes a move.

Your partner is American GM (formerly Soviet GM) Lev Alburt, playing Black against American GM (formerly English GM) Tony Miles in round 7 of last year's World Open in Philadelphia. We join the game after these moves - **1 d4 Nf6 2 Nf3 c5 3 d5 e6 4 c4 b5 5 dxe6 fxe6 6 cxb5 Bb7 7 Nc3 Be7 8 e3 0-0 9 Bd3 d5 10 0-0**

10 ... Qd6

2 points. This is much stronger than 10...Nbd7 (0 points) when White could even play 11 Ng5. 1 point for the true gambit idea 10...a6 intending 11 bxa6 Nxa6.

11 Re1 Nbd7

1 point. More flexible than 11...e5 when White can counter with 12 e4.

12 b3

White over-estimates his position. Much safer would be... but that would be giving a clue to Black's next.

12 ... Ng4!

3 points. White should have seen what is coming and played 12 h3 to prevent the direct attacking idea. No points if you chose a slower move.

13 h3 Nxf2!

2 points. Again no points for anything else, eg. 13...Rxf3 14 hxg4 etc.

14 Kxf2 Bh4+

2 points. 4 points for 14...Qh2 which looks even stronger, though the possibility was not mentioned in the original report from which the game was taken. Sample lines such as 14...Qh2 15 Rg1 Ne5 16 Be2 Bh4+ 17 Kf1 Qg3 are not exactly attractive for White.

15 Kg1 Rxf3

2 points. Black regains material with the better game as 16 gxf3 Qg3+ is not playable.

16 Qxf3 Bxe1

1 point.

17 Bb2 Rf8

2 points. Black completes his development.

18 Bxh7+ Kxh7

1 point.

19 Qc5+ Kg8

1 point.

20 Rxe1 Qg3

1 point. Though White has won a pawn (again), Black's initiative persists.

21 Re2 d4

1 point. Less good are 21...Ne5 22 Ne4 and 21...Nf6 22 Qf3.

22 exd4 Bf3

2 points. The bishop has waited patiently since move 6, and now enters the game decisively.

23 Ne4 Bxe4

2 points. 1 point for 23...Bxe2 or 23...Bxh5 which (only) win the exchange.

24 Rxe4 Rf2

1 point.

25 Qe8+ Nf8

1 point. Now White's g2 square can no longer be defended.

26 Resigns.

Add up your score and find out your rating.

Less than 12 - beginner

13-16 - club player

17-20 - strong club player

21-22 - top NZ player

23-24 - IM strength

25-27 - GM strength.

CIVIC EASTER

We hope to deliver this copy to the printer on the Tuesday after Easter. This is cutting things pretty fine but this page is not yet filled so we are including some snippets from the above tournament.

Russell Dive won (again) with 5.5/6 after beating Anthony Ker in the fourth round. Dive's only draw was a 10 mover with Mark Noble in the fifth round (throwing away half his lead?) which helped Noble into a tie for second with Ker, Grade prizes; Under 1800 - Mike Turner, Under 1600 - Chris McDonald

Same time - same place. Shamnika Rupasinghe beat Alexis Shead 3-1.

Alan Winfield won the Civic B grade last year but managed to find an opening trap against Anthony Ker. Apparently well known by the big boys but we have seen the wrong end of it too.

A Ker - A Winfield

1 d4 Nf6
2 c4 e6
3 Nc3 Bb4
4 Bg5 d6?
5 Qa4+ Nc6
6 d5 etc

Chris McDonald, another Civic player, is young, keen and tries very hard. He is rated about 1500 but won't be for long. Here's how he demolished Jonathan Adams' Polish.

J Adams - C McDonald

1 b4 e5 2 Bb2 Bxb4 3 Bxe5 Nf6 4 e3 Nc6 5 Bb2 d5 6 Nf3 0-0 Black has three pieces out and has castled while White has only moved two pieces. We like better odds than that when White. 7 Be2 Re8 8 0-0 Bd6 9 c4 h6 Probably fears Ng5 in answer to Be6. 10 Nc3 Be6 11 d4 dxc4 12 e4 Bb4 Neither of the threatened pawn forks work now. 13 Qc2 Bg4 14 e5? Bxf3 15 exf6 Nxd4 16 Qc1 Nxe2+ 17 Nxe2 Bxe2 18 fxc7 Qd2 Covers all possibilities and he is a piece up. 19 Re1? Qxc1 Still winning but 19...Qxe1 made it a rook ahead. 0-1 eventually.

R Dive - B Carpinter

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 Qc2 c5 5 dxc5 0-0 6 a3 Bxc5 7 Nf3 Nc6 8 Bg5 Be7 9 e4 d6 10 Be2 b6 11 0-0 Bb7 12 Rfd1 a6 13 Rac1 Qc7 14 Nd5 exd5 15 cxd5 Rfc8 16 Qb1 Qb8 17 dxc6 Bxc6 18 Bd3 Qb7 19 Re1 h6 20 Bh4 g5 21 Bg3 Nh5 22 Nd4 Bd7 23 Bc4 Ra7 24 Bd5 Rxc1 25 Rxc1 Qb8 26 e5 Kg7 27 Bxf7 Kxf7 28 Qh7+ Ng7 29 e6+ Bxe6 30 Nxe6 Qg8 31 Qxg8+ Kxg8 32 Nxg7 Kxg7 33 Rc6 b5 34 Bxd6 Bf6 35 b3 Bb2 36 g3 Bd4 37 Kg2 a5 38 Bc5 Bxc5 39 Rxc5 Rb7 40 a4 bxa4 41 bxa4 Ra7 42 g4 Ra6 43 Kg3 Kg6 44 h4 Kf6 45 Rf5+ Kg6 46 h5+ Kg7 47 f3 Ra7 48 Kf2 Ra6 49 Ke3 Re6+ 50 Kd3 Rf6 51 Rxf6 Kxf6 52 Kc4 Ke5 53 Kb5 Kf4 54 Kxa5 Kxf3 55 Kb4 Kxg4 56 a5 Kxh5 57 a6 g4 58 a7 g3 59 a8=Q Kg4 60 Qe4+ Kg5 61 Qe3+ Kg4 62 Qxh6 g2 63 Qh2 Kf3 64 Qg1 Resigns.

BOOKS FOR SALE

The association has quite a few books left over from the days when it imported and sold chess books and equipment. We did have an arrangement to dispose of them but this has fallen down and the association hopes to get rid of all the books as soon as possible.

Accordingly, the magazine will run an advertisement or two to help out. Of course, you will be getting the books at very reasonable prices. At least one club has already told us they want \$250 worth, for prizes in club events so it is possible some titles will soon go out of stock.

This is part of the last stocktake that the editor did.

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