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LATE NEWS

The association is still looking for a secretary though incumbent (by default) Bernie Newman has delegated the incorporation business and you will have to rely on the editor to keep you informed of what is going on at council.

There is a move afoot to make some fast changes to the rules. Council wants to have the North Island tournament (Hamilton) to be part of the basis for selecting Olympiad players, but it is considered necessary by some that the event, sometimes at least, be in two sections, a championship of 16 players and a reserve for the rest. Basically, the selection committee want to see probable Olympians playing each other or other strong players. A special general meeting could be held in early April. Oh yes, six-hour sessions, one game per day.

Mike Hampl welcomed on to Council as Canterbury rep. Haven't found him a job yet.

Upper Hutt 40/40 has not been granted qualification status for zonal Rapid Chess. No other contenders for the right but some councillors have reservations on recent decisions by the club committee. Hopefully, it will all be resolved by the time you read this.

An offer was received for the remainder of NZCA stock of books but was considered insufficient. Council members intend selling the stock and an ad could appear in this issue

Paul Garbett should be in Malaysia for the zonal championship by now. Verbal communications indicate that Russell Dive, Ben Martin and Ortvin Sarapu could be overseas too in the very near future. Congratulations and best wishes to all. Hope you write to us when you get back!

Know any Irish chessplayers? Mount Maunganui club is hosting a "Fastchess" event on 17th March, St Patrick's Day. Entry fee \$16, lunch \$5. Sarapu could be giving a simul demonstration at the same time.

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EDITORIAL

This issue will not contain what you may have expected. We have not been quick off the mark ourselves but there is still no sign of copy on the national championship, the reserve or the best game prize.

We do not say this as criticism. Perhaps the writers are being too thorough or too painstaking and forgetting that readers could be content with a little less a little sooner. Editors, of course, are continually facing this dilemma; the time constraints can be an excuse for dictatorship or just an adrenalin factory. The best way to avoid the former is to send copy in early. If it still does not appear, as has been alleged in a letter in this issue, then ask why not, promptly.

The editor does not, in himself, make a good magazine. It requires good distributors, good copy, good critics and a keen, participating readership.

We hope you like the present production. We are still using the Atari 1040ST and Atari's desktop publisher, Timeworks, but now produce the pages on an Atari laser printer (not ours, it belongs to Brighter Futures). The Olympiad material was cut from the bulletins. It came in very handy this time to fill out the issue. Hopefully, we will be able to include it even when you all rush in with copy!?



New Zealand Championship, 1989-90

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot	P1
1 O Sarapu	2257	x	½	½	½	1	1	½	½	1	½	1	7½	1=
2 B Martin	2221	½	x	0	½	½	1	1	½	1	1	1	7½	1=
3 R Dive	2284	½	1	x	1	0	0	½	½	1	1	½	7	3=
4 P Garbett	2275	½	½	0	x	½	1	½	1	½	½	1	7	3=
5 J D Sarfati	2285	½	½	1	½	x	½	½	1	½	½	½	6½	5
6 A Ker	2333	0	½	1	0	½	x	½	½	0	1	1	5½	6=
7 M Dreyer	2136	0	0	½	½	½	x	½	1	½	½	1	5½	6=
8 P Green	2257	½	0	½	0	0	½	½	x	½	½	1	5	8
9 M Hampl	2200	½	½	0	½	½	0	½	x	½	0	1	4½	9=
10 G Spain	2195	0	0	0	½	½	1	½	½	½	x	½	4½	9=
11 R Smith	2195	½	0	½	0	½	0	1	½	x	½	½	4	11
12 C Ker	2145	0	0	0	0	½	0	0	0	½	½	x	1½	12

NZ Championship Reserve, 1989-90

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot	P1
1 K M Boyd	1977	x	½	1	1	½	½	1	1	½	1	1	9	1
2 D P Weegenaar	2022	½	x	1	1	0	1	1	0	½	½	1	7½	2
3 P Dunn	1889	0	0	x	0	1	½	1	½	1	1	1	7	3
4 P Stuart	2123	0	0	1	x	½	½	½	1	½	½	1	6½	4=
5 N Hopewell	2083	½	1	0	½	x	½	0	1	1	0	1	6½	4=
6 S Fitzpatrick	2046	½	0	½	½	½	x	0	½	½	1	½	5½	6=
7 P Hawkes	2022	0	0	0	½	1	1	x	0	½	½	1	5½	6=
8 T Stevenson	1967	0	1	½	0	0	½	1	x	½	1	0	5½	6=
9 A Pomeroy	2025	0	½	0	½	0	½	½	½	x	½	1	5	9
10 B McNally	1977	½	½	0	½	1	0	½	0	½	x	0	4½	10
11 P Tuffery	2112	0	0	0	0	0	½	0	1	0	1	x	2½	11
12 Z Frankel	1868	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	x	1	12

BEST GAMES: Entries for prizes in all grades are now with the adjudication panel, and results will be published in the chess magazine. All games submitted have been published in the bulletin.

New Zealand Major Open, 1989 - 90

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	Tot	P1	
1 Robinson	1867	W18	W16	W5	D8	D4	W7	D2	W21	D3	D9	W12	8½	1=
2 van der Hoorn	1805	W17	W36	W3	L4	W35	W5	D1	D8	W6	W7	D9	8½	1=
3 Dorne	1900	W39	D12	L2	W18	W25	D6	W21	D4	D1	D5	W8	7½	3=
4 van Ginkel	1906	W43	W27	W22	W2	D1	D21	D9	D3	W5	D8	L6	7½	3=
5 Lim	1736*	W37	W10	L1	W13	W42	L2	W35	W9	L4	D3	W19	7½	3=
6 Capie	1820	L22	W48	W24	D12	W15	D3	D11	W14	L2	W23	W4	7½	3=
7 Whitlock	1743	W48	W24	D21	D35	W11	L1	W12	D10	W23	L2	W14	7½	3=
8 Edwards	1833	W32	D35	W15	D1	L21	W24	W13	D2	W11	D4	L3	7	8=
9 Turner	1795	W42	D25	L35	W39	W17	W10	D4	L5	W20	D1	D2	7	8=
10 Cooper	1961	D14	L5	W38	W22	W12	L9	W17	D7	D19	D11	D20	6½	10=
11 Elliott	1551	D23	D29	W14	W31	L7	W20	D6	W26	L8	D10	D16	6½	10=
12 Borren	1673	W46	D3	W23	D6	L10	W42	L7	W13	W21	D19	L1	6½	10=
13 Heperi	1399	L19	W38	W40	L5	W28	W23	L8	L12	W26	D16	W22	6½	10=
14 Vincent	1586	D10	D23	L11	W43	D20	W36	W31	L6	W22	W21	L7	6½	10=
15 Aburn	1593	W41	D25	L8	W16	L6	D25	W28	L19	W36	D17	W24	6½	10=
16 Gold	1671	W30	L1	D18	L15	W38	L22	W37	W31	D17	D13	D11	6	16=
17 Kay	1470	L2	W34	W19	D36	L9	W39	L10	W43	D16	D15	D18	6	16=
18 Hair	1512	L1	W30	D16	L3	W45	D26	L25	D28	W39	W27	D17	6	16=
19 Post	1758	W13	L22	L17	W37	L31	W45	W42	W15	D10	D12	L5	6	16=
20 Roberts	1789	L24	W37	L42	W32	D14	L11	W30	W35	L9	W25	D10	6	16=
21 Stracy	1811	W31	W28	D7	W25	W8	D4	L3	L1	L12	L14	D29	5½	21=
22 Powell	1495	W6	W19	L4	L10	D25	W16	L23	W27	L14	W35	L13	5½	21=
23 Wigbout	1957	D11	D14	L12	W30	W36	L13	W22	W25	L7	L6	D26	5½	21=
24 Rupasinghe	1437*	W20	L7	L6	W29	W27	L8	L26	W37	D25	W28	L15	5½	21=
25 Boyd	1598	W33	D9	W26	L21	L3	D15	W18	L23	D24	L20	W38	5½	21=
26 Marsick	1759	W40	D15	L25	D28	D22	D18	W24	L11	L13	W36	D23	5½	21=
27 Capper	1675	W44	L4	W32	L42	L24	D30	W38	L22	W31	L18	W35	5½	21=
28 Cunningham	1621	W47	L21	D39	D26	L13	W32	L15	D18	W38	L24	W37	5½	21=
29 Hoskyn	1695	D38	D11	L31	L24	D37	W34	D36	D39	D33	W42	D21	5½	21=
30 Koia*	858*	L16	L18	W41	L23	W43	D27	L20	W44	L35	W46	W42	5½	21=
31 Ramsay	1491	L21	W47	W29	L11	W19	D35	L14	L16	L27	W43	D32	5	31=
32 McDonald	1500	L8	W45	L27	L20	W41	L28	L39	W46	D43	W33	D31	5	31=
33 Hoffmann	-	L25	L42	bye	W40	D39	L37	D44	W45	D29	L32	D36	5	31=
34 Cowen	-	L36	L17	L37	bye	W44	L29	W40	L38	L42	W47	W46	5	31=
35 Mears	1641	W45	D8	W9	D7	L2	D31	L5	L20	W30	L22	L27	4½	35=
36 Bojtor	1599	W34	L2	W43	D17	L23	L14	D29	W42	L15	L26	D33	4½	35=
37 Petrove	1369	L5	L20	W34	L19	D29	W33	L16	L24	W41	W40	L28	4½	35=
38 Easterlow	1276*	D29	L13	L10	W47	L16	W40	L27	W34	L28	W39	L25	4½	35=
39 Morrison	1530	L3	W46	D28	L9	D33	L17	W32	D29	W18	L38	bye	4½	35=
40 Tuffery	1426	L26	D41	L13	L33	W46	L38	L34	bye	W47	L37	W44	4½	35=
41 Wong	-	L15	D40	L30	D46	L32	L44	bye	W47	L37	W45	D43	4½	35=
42 Crenshaw	1469*	L9	W33	W20	W27	L5	L12	L19	L36	W34	L29	L30	4	42=
43 Trundle	1536	L4	W44	L36	L14	L30	W47	W45	L17	D32	L31	D41	4	42=
44 Mills	1032*	L27	L43	D47	L45	L34	W41	D33	L30	W46	bye	L40	4	42=
45 Chandler	574*	L35	L32	W46	W44	L18	L19	L43	L33	bye	L41	L47	3	45
46 Rakoczy	980*	L12	L39	L45	D41	L40	bye	W47	L32	L44	L30	L34	2½	46=
47 Shaw	543*	L28	L31	D44	L38	bye	L43	L46	L41	L40	L34	W45	2½	46=
48 Schultz	1391	L7d	L6d	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

THE MAJOR OPEN

By Chris Bell

This event was late starting because of a perceived lack of access to and from chairs. A majority voted to leave the necessary rearrangement till after the first round. At 12.47pm, 47 players started their clocks in a tournament that was to have more than the usual number of surprises.

Howard Whitlock outperformed his rating by about 100 points and finished in a five-way tie for third place. No less outstanding were Darryn Elliott, Dallin Heperi and Matthew Vincent, who each scored 6.5 points. Heperi took the overall upset prize for beating Max Wigbout in round 6, and also beat Bruce Marsick, last year's winner of the Hookham Cup. Top seeds Dave Cooper and Wigbout had tournaments they would rather forget.

While nobody finished winless, only one player, John Robinson, was undefeated. Showing a preference for Black (5.5/6!), he steered for simplification and the endgame as often as possible. His 8.5 points saw him first equal with Mark van der Hoorn and he qualified for next year's Reserve by virtue of his higher tie-break score. Van der Hoorn played in his usual tactical style, producing some fine games. John van Ginkel started like a train but fell back with four consecutive draws. A last-round loss to Mark Capie saw him join the other players on 7.5 points.

Round 8

D Heperi - M Wigbout

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 d5 4 exd5 Qxd5 5 Nc3 Bb4 6 Be3 Qa5 7 Be2 exd4 8 Bxd4 Nxd4 9 Qxd4 Nf6 10 Bb5+ Qxb5 11 0-0-0 Qd7 12 Qxb4 Qf5 13 Rhe1+ Be6 14 Nb5 Rc8 15 Re5 Qg4 16 Qc5 Nd7 17 Nd6+ cxd6 18 Qxc8+ Ke7 19 Rxe6+ fxe6 20 Qxh8 Nf6 21 Qb8 Nd5 22 Qxb7+ Kf6 23 Qxa7 Qxg2 24 Qd4+ Kf7 25 Qe4 Qx12 26 Ng5+ 1-0

Round 3

B Lim - J Robinson

1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 d4 d6 4 c4 Nb6 5 exd6 cxd6 6 Nf3 g6 7 Be2 Bg7 8 Bf4 0-0 9 Qd2 Nc6 10 Bb6 Bg4 11 Bxg7 Kxg7 12 b3 d5 13 c5 Bxf3 14 Bxf3 Nc8 15 b4 a6 16 0-0 e6 17 Be2 Qf6 18 Rd1 N8e7 19 b5 axb5 20 Bxb5 Nf5 21 Bxc6 bxc6 22 a4 Rfb8 23 a5 Bb5 24 Nc3 Rbxa5 25 Rxa5 Rxa5 26 Qb2 Nxd4 27 Qb4 Nb3 28 Qxb3 Rxc5 29 Ne2 Rb5 30 Qd3 Rb2 31 Rb1 c5 32 Rxb2 Qxb2 33 Qc3+ Qxc3 34 Nxc3 Kf6 35 Kf1 Ke5 36 Ke2 d4 37 Nb1 Kd5 38 Nd2 e5 39 Nf3 f6 40 Nd2 e4 41 Nb3 c4 42 Na5 c3 43 Nb7 f5 44 Nd8 d3+ 45 Kd1 f4 46 Nf7 e3 47 fxe3 fxe3 48 Ng5 e2+ 0-1

Round 5

D Elliott - H Whitlock

1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nd2 dxe4 4 Nxe4 Nd7 5 Nf3 Nf6 6 Nxf6 Nxf6 7 Bd3 Be7 8 Qe2 0-0 9 Bg5 c5 10 0-0-0 cxd4 11 h4 Qa5 12 Kb1 Bd7 13 Nxd4 Rfd8 14 g4 g6 15 Nb3 Qc7 16 h5 Bc6 17 Rhe1 Nd5 18 Bxe7 Qxe7 19 hxg6 hxg6 20 Qe5 Qf6 21 Qxf6 Nxf6 22 Be2 Rac8 23 Rxd8 Rxd8 24 Rd1 Rxd1 25 Bxd1 e5 26 f3 Kf8 27 Na5 Bd5 28 c4 Bd6 29 Kc2 Bc8 30 Kd3 Ke7 31 b4 a6 32 c5 Nd5 33 a3 f6 34 Nc4 Bd7 35 Bb3 Bb5 36 Kd4 Nc3+ 37 Kd3 Nd5 38 Ke4 Bc6 39 Kd3 Nf4+ 40 Ke3 Nd5+ 41 Kf2 e4 42 Na5 e3+ 43 Ke1 Nf4 44 Nxc6 bxc6 45 Bc4 a5 46 bxa5 Kd7 47 a6 Kc7 48 a4 g5 49 a5 Kb8 50 Kf1 Ka7 51 Ke1 Kb8 52 Kd1 Ka7 53 Kc2 Kb8 54 Bd3 e2 55 Bxe2 Nxe2 56 Kd3 Ng3 57 Ke3 Ka7 58 Kf2 Nh1+ 59 Kg1 Kxa6 0-1

Round 9

D Edwards - D Elliott

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 Be7 6 Re1 b5 7 Bb3 0-0 8 c3 d5 9 exd5 Nxd5 10 Nxe5 Nxe5 11 Rxe5 c6 12 d4 Bd6 13 Re1 Qh4 14 g3 Qh3 15 Bxd5 cxd5 16 Qf3 Bf5 17 Qg2 Qh5 18 f3 Ra8 19 Be3 Bh3 20 Qf2 f5 21 f4 g5 22 Nd2 gxf4 23 Bxf4 Bx14 24 Qx14 Re2 25 Rx02 Qxe2 26 Qf2 Re8 27 Nf3 Qc4 28 Ne5 Qc7 29 Qf3 Kh8 30 Qh5 Rxe5 31 dxe5 Qc5+ 32 Kh1 Bg4 33 Qe8+ Kg7 34 Qd7+ Kg8 35 Qe6+ Kf8 36 Qf6+ Kg8 37 Qg5+ Kf8 38 Qf4 b4 39 h3 1-0

Chris Bell recommended more games than we show here, but all the others appeared in the bulletins. I know some of you may not have got the bulletins so, if anyone is prepared to do some notes to any of those games we will be happy to consider publishing the results. ED

THE ANNUAL GENERAL

The annual general meeting of the association was held on 6th January 1990 during the last congress.

Some concern was expressed about the deficit in the accounts but as no remits had been received that would remedy or alleviate this problem, it appears we will have more of the same.

Elections - PATRON: His Excellency the Governor-General, Sir Paul Reeves

VICE-PATRONS: A L Fletcher, G G Haase, R S Kent

PRESIDENT: W A Poole VICE-PRESIDENT: J Simmons

SECRETARY: Nonel TREASURER: C Bell
COUNCILLORS - Auckland: P W Stuart, Wellington: L Aptekar, B Carpinter, R Dive, T Frost, W Ramsay

Even after the first council meeting of 1990 we still have not got a secretary. Our suggestion of employing (part-time) a minute taker and correspondence clerk didn't seem to thrill the council.

Smoking: No more in playing rooms of association events. If one has bigger ideas like overseas tours, there's more of the same. FIDE passed the rule on 1st January 1990 and included officials, media people and spectators!!

Most other remits were lost except those that should have been. They were left to a new rules committee appointed by council.

Wanganui offered to host the 1990 North Island late last year but Hamilton came up with another offer at the meeting. Council have yet to decide.

Canterbury and Otago will joust for the right/responsibility to host the South Island. Howick-Pakuranga interested in congress 1990/91 but undecided as yet. National schoolpupils in Auckland if we can talk them into it. As a lead-up to the Asian under-16, Christchurch may host a South Island under-16 but the North Islanders haven't thought about it yet.

If anyone out there wants to run a tournament there's still the National Junior and though it has been suggested that the Upper Hutt 40/40 be a qualification event for zonal Rapid Chess, why not some more Rapid events?

Further comment can be had in the letters column from Vernon Small. He also wrote a report for the Canterbury newsletter about playing overseas and preparation for it with some emphasis on the New Zealand angle. I reckon if one were to send the Canterbury club a dollar or two to cover copying and postage, Michael Rocks would send a copy.

LOCAL NEWS

AUCKLAND

Charles Belton Memorial

Only 18 players contested the ninth annual Charles Belton Memorial tournament at the Auckland Chess Centre on November 11 and 12. Top seed was Orvin Sarapu whose main rivals seemed to be defending champion Bob Smith and Peter Stuart. As usual with the one hour time limit, upsets began early.

Stuart was the first casualty, drawing with Darryn Elliott in the first round. In the third round Smith took sole lead by beating Stuart while Sarapu drew with Simon Fitzpatrick.

Sarapu and Smith drew in the fourth round while Fitzpatrick won to share the lead. Then Smith and Fitzpatrick drew while Sarapu won in the sixth round, putting them all on 5/6.

In the penultimate round there was a shock when Sarapu walked into a selfmate against Stuart after achieving a winning position. Fitzpatrick and Smith won to take a one point break on the field.

In the final round Smith won against Bruce Marsick to take first place with 6/7 and Fitzpatrick drew with Stuart for second, a half point behind. Sarapu and Stuart shared third on five points.

The main grade prizes were won by C Blaxall, C Reynolds and G Gill.

R W Smith - B H P Marsick

Ruy Lopez

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 Be7 6 Re1 b5 7 Bb3 0-0 8 a4 Bb7 9 d3 d5? 10 exd5 Nxd5 11 axb5 axb5 12 Rxa8 Bxa8 13 Nxe5 Nxe5 14 Rxe5 Bf6 15 Re1 Ne7 16 Nd2 Nf5 17 Ne4 Be7 18 c3 Kh8 19 Bf4 Nh4 20 Bg3 Ng6 21 f4 f5 22 Nf2 b4 23 Qe2 bxc3 24 bxc3 c5 25 Bc4 Qc7 26 Nh3 Bd6 27 Ng5 Qb7 28 Nxb7 Kxb7 29 Qh5 1-0

WAITEMATA

1989 champion - R W Smith, runner-up S Fitzpatrick

Reserve champion - J Robinson. Most improved player - P Poortman. Junior (under 20) champion - R Goris.

Deciding game in the club championship

R W Smith - S Fitzpatrick

Alekhine Defence

1 e4 Nf6 2 e5 Nd5 3 c4 Nb6 4 c5 Nd5 White prepared this unusual line, hoping Black would not know it as well as his usual Alekhine Defence variations. 5 Bc4 e6 6 d4 b6 Also possible is 6...d6 7 cxd6 cxd6 8 Nf3 transposing to a fairly solid Sicilian variation 7 cxb6 Nxb6? The book gives 7...axb6 which seems to me more natural. Simon thought this new idea was interesting. 8 Bd3 Bb7 9 Nf3 c5

Eliminating the c-pawn which could come under pressure but also getting rid of White's backward d-pawn and opening up the d-file where there's a weak pawn on d7. **10 dxc5 Bxc5 11 0-0 Nc6 12 a3!** Black would like to regroup with Nb4-d5; White prevents this and now ...Ne7 is also impossible because of b4. **12...h6 12...Be7!? 13 Nc3 Qb8?!** This looks a little artificial. **14 Re1** Better was 14 b4 first, gaining space and keeping the option of developing the c1 bishop on b2. **14...d5 15 exd6 Bxd6 16 Ne4 Be7 17 Be3 Nd5 18 Rc1** Black is out of most of his difficulties. White has only a small advantage due to his Q-side pawn majority and better development. **18...Nxe3 19 Rxe3 0-0 20 Nc5 Rd8?** The critical position. With 20...Bxc5 Black could have maintained an approximate balance. **21 Nxb7 Qxb7 22 Qa1! Rd6** The black knight has nowhere to go and ...Rd8? loses to Ba6 **23 Be4 Qxb2** If 23...Rc8 24 Rc3 **24 Rxc6 Rd4** A piece down, Black tries a last swindle. If 25 Nxd4?? Qa1+ forces mate, but... **25 Qxd4 1-0**

NORTH SHORE

Peter Weir says he has been trying to win the North Shore championship for 20 years and 1989 was his first success in that event. He finished on 8.5 from nine games, two points ahead of David Evans and Gavin Ion. (How's the wintry north, Gavin?)

The most exciting game was a cut and thrust affair from round 1 between Darryn Elliott as White and Weir as Black which reached this position.



Black, now desperately short of time, has been trying to hold a difficult position together by ingenious mating threats along the lines of Rf8-f4xc4; bxc4 Qc3+; Bxc3 Rb1! but is now lost as his king is exposed and Darryn could now win with 26 Rdg1. If Black exchanges with 26...Bxd2+ then 27 Rxd2 Rf1+ 28 Rx1 Bx1 29 Qf7+ wins the bishop at f1. White threatens 27 Rg5+ Kh4 28 R5g4+ and 29 Qh4 mate. Defence by 26...Rf5 fails to the

spectacular 27 Rg5+! eg: 27...Bxg5 28 Qh7+ Bh6 29 Qg6+ Kh4 30 Qg4 mate or 27...Rxg5 28 Qf7+ Bg6 29 Qf3+ Kh4 30 Rg4+ Kh5 31 Rxg5+ Kxg5 32 Qg4 mate.

However, White played the "obviously winning" **26 Rg4** threatening 27 Qh4 mate, having calculated that 26...Bxd2+ 27 Rxd2 Rf1+ failed to 28 Rd1 but on the stunning **26...Qxd2+** had to resign as 27 Rxd2 Rf1 is mate thanks to the pin from the bishop on h6.

HOWICK-PAKURANGA

The Jenkins Trophy, apparently a challenge affair, was won by Howick-Pakuranga for the first time last year.

P Spiller - R Hart

Bird's Opening

1 f4 b6 2 Nf3 Bb7 3 e3 Nf6 4 b3 e6 5 Bb2 Be7 6 Be2 (6 Bd3 is an aggressive alternative) **6...0-0 7 0-0 a5! 8 a4 Nc6 9 Ne5 d6 10 Nxc6 Bxc6 11 Bf3 Qd7 12 d3 Nd5 13 Qe2 Bf6 14 c4!?** Bxb2 (Forced since 14...Ne7 15 Bxf6 doesn't look good for Black) **15 cxd5 Bxa1 16 dxc6 Qe7 17 d4** (Trapping the bishop) **17...e5** (Now 18 Qa2 exd4 19 Qxa1 Qxe3+ 20 Kh1 and after 20...Qxf4 Black has rook and three pawns for two pieces. I had calculated on 18 Qd2 exd4 19 exd4 Qf6 20 Rd1, Na3 and Rxa1) **18 Qd2 exd4 19 exd4 d5! 20 Rd1 Rad8** (I was expecting 20...Qb4 21 Qd3 Bb2) **21 h3** (Not 21 Qa2? Bxd4+ 22 Rxd4 Qe1 mate) **21...Rfe8 22 Bd4 Qe3+** (A bad mistake) **23 Qxe3 Rxe3 24 Na3 Bb2 25 Nb5 Rxb3** (If 25...Re7 26 Rb1 picks up the bishop) **26 Nxc7 Ba3** (26...Rc3 27 Bd7) **27 Nb5 Rxb5** (Hoping for 28 axb5 Bd6 but ...) **28 c7! 1-0** since Black will lose both rooks.

Peter Green shattered an invitational tourney with six players during September and October by winning four games and drawing the last. Sarapu was second (two points behind) and the others, alphabetically, were: P Cooper, P Garbett, M Steadman, M Whaley.

Nigel Hopewell won the B group with 4 while Spiller and Simon Fitzpatrick had 3 points.

WELLINGTON

KAPITI

The 1989 A grade result depended on the last game between lowest-rated John Whibley and Ab Borren. John, a piece up, blundered giving Ab the Tom Powell Memorial Trophy. Tom Pyatt was runner-up.

Bill Pire outclassed the B grade field for the Borren Trophy with Leo Eichholtz in second place.

The C grade (Gufeld Trophy) was closely fought with Robert Shaw winning and Gerard Vander Burg runner-up.

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LOCAL NEWS

CANTERBURY

THE All-Canterbury championship resulted in a tie for first between Shane Hudson and Peter McKenzie with four points each. However, the crosstable, like others in the bulletin, is strange. For one thing, three entrants played four games each, four played five and the other six played six games. Are Christchurch running a new type of tournament we haven't heard about and are the games nationally rated? The second part of the question was seen as necessary after looking at the apparent pairings.

Also in the January bulletin was a full year's programme and additional events including the Asian under-16, time controls, tournament conditions and the basis of the club rating system (essentially the Harkness one). However, the real meat in this issue was an article by Vernon Small, including five games (not annotated) from his European stint in 1988. We expect plenty of copy on the congress so we just give brief quotes.

"Went on to autopilot and made mistakes." "Elo ratings, even FM titles, cut no ice and give entrants no benefits in terms of free entry or accommodation." "Rated players on the circuit are almost professional, are often better than their ratings and have their openings worked out to the nth degree." "...NZ opening preparation naive by European standards" "GM possible? ... would need at least two years on the circuit full time and a good slice of luck." "I hope to have a month or two in Europe before Novi Sad (Olympiad, Yugoslavia)."

Small also made some good friends in Europe and mentions, in particular, the Belgian IM Jadoul (helpful, likeable), the Greek FM Illia Kourkanakis and English GM Glenn Flear.

EDITOR'S FILLIN

We have received a letter (not for publication) and some comments from players on publication in **your** newspaper.

Points to note: Most journalists think knights wear armour and bishops wear long coats.

Sports journalists are very short-sighted; they can't see past third.

Most people consider sport to be kicking, punching, throwing ... or dancing with ribbons.

You and I know what a great game chess is but who cares?

If the editor isn't told there's a tournament, he won't send a reporter.

If there isn't a report handed in, you can write me again. Isn't this fun!

CHESS BY CORRY

By Bill Cox

Working from an idea by keen postal player Glenys Mills of Waikanae, the New Zealand Correspondence Chess Association has agreed to honour the late Tom Powell by naming one of the Trophy Tournaments in his memory.

Tom was an enthusiastic chess player, both postal and OTB. When he died last year he was treasurer of the Kapiti Chess Club.

He won the 1988 B grade with a picket fence and was formerly a driving force in the Tawa club. Tom was always able to find time to help young and inexperienced players and was a formidable correspondence player.

Director of overseas play, Brett Sinclair, is endeavouring to bring the correspondence rating system in line with the ELO set since it is somewhat difficult to reconcile the current system of grading with overseas opponents.

Looking through a collection of games in Chess International - about the best cory magazine around - some of the openings were Latvian, London, Sokolski, Bird, Marienbad, Nimzowitch, Alekhine (fairly popular), Philidor, Ponziani, Goring, Blackmar-Diemar, Colle etc. Of course, being able to access books is an advantage.

How do you keep track of your games? I use loose leaf photo pages. An enlarged diagram is put under the plastic film with Arty-Fax pieces (available from NZ Chess Supplies) which have a corner folded over so they can be moved. The game score is kept on a 14B8 looseleaf page alongside in the ring-binder.

Did you know the correspondence season starts in March each year? If you want to try chess by mail, drop a note to J W (Sandy) Maxwell, PO Box 3278, Wellington for full details.

(Sorry if you don't like that head, Bill. I couldn't resist it when I read your copy, ED)



BOOKS

Lev Aptekar must be New Zealand's most prolific chess book writer. First there was The Power of Chess Tactics, then The Labyrinth of Chess Attack followed by Wisdom In Chess, the book that went to almost every school in New Zealand above primary. A copy of the last-named can be found in most public libraries.

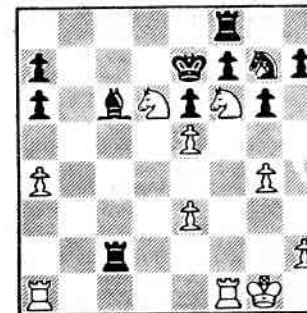
At present the author is working on another book and we have been given a special preview (really just a peek) at some of the material. We managed to scribble a few notes.

INTRODUCTION

This book is intended for the player who has a good grasp of the tactical motifs described in my earlier book "Wisdom in Chess", and who now seeks to develop an understanding of how such opportunities can be created in practical play.

CHAPTER ONE - Weak Squares

Weak squares on the 3rd (6th) rank



Boleslavsky - Smyslov 1950

White's advantage is self-evident. Both knights are well established on the 6th rank and have restricted the movement of Black's pieces.

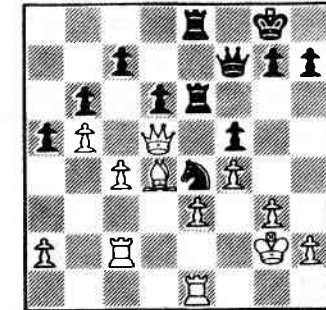
1 Rfc1 Rxc1+

2 Rxc1 Resigns

Black cannot stop the rook's penetration.

CHAPTER TWO - Occupation of Weak Squares

We have already considered a position where one side has arranged its pieces on the weak squares and then exploited such an advantage. Here we can also see the weak "light" squares in White's camp. On one of them has settled an "eternal" knight and the rest of Black's pieces rush in to occupy the others. So we can observe the entire process of occupation from beginning to end.



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1 ... h5

Black vacates the square h7 for the king. This allows the queen and rooks to be brought into action.

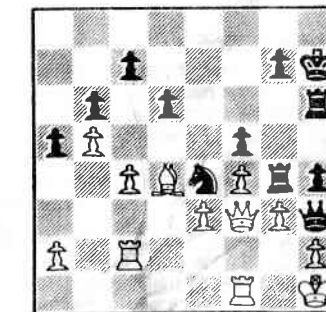
2 Kh1 Qg6
3 Rg2 Qg4
4 Bb2 Kh7
5 Qd1 Qh3
6 Qf3 Rh6

This is why the pawn went to h5. The square was reserved for the rook.

7 Bd4 R8e6
8 Rf1 Reg6
9 Kg1 Rg4

Black has finally fulfilled his plan to occupy the weak squares and apply unbearable pressure on White's defences.

10 Rc2 h4
11 Resigns

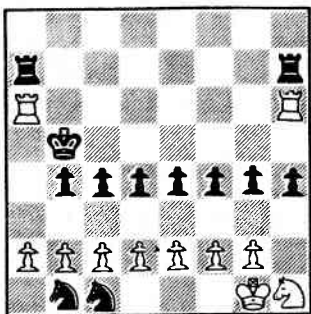


STUDY CORNER

By Emil Melnichenko

Schweizerische Schachzeitung
Informalturnier 1987/88. Lobe.
(Version).

E. Melničenko (NZL)



Black is poised to win being a piece ahead with more advanced pawns and corresponding greater control of space, so where lies White's saving clause?

1 h6b6? Kc5 2 Rc6+ Kd5 3 Rd6+ Ke5 4 Re6+ Kf5 5 Rf6+ Kg5 6 Rg6+ Kh5 and there is no perpetual check while 1 a6b6+ Ka5 2 h6g6 Nxd2 3 g3 (3 f3 g3 or 3 Kh2 Nxe2 both keep the king snared) 3...Nxe2+ 4 Kg2 (4 Kh2 h4xg3++ 5 Kg2 Rh2#) 4...f3+ 5 Kh2 Nf1# reveals how closely mate stalks White's king.

Exchanging rooks is equally hopeless. eg 1 Rxa7 Rxh6 2 Kf1 Nxd2+ 3 Ke1 c3 4 b2xc3 b4xc3 5 Kd1 f3 6 e2xf3 g4xf3 7 g2xf3 Rg6. Hence:

1 a4+ b4xa3ep

If 1...Kc5 2 a6c6+ and this time the rook chases the Black king forever.

2 h6b6+ Kc5
3 b4+ c4xb3ep

Not the blundering 3...Kd5? when 4 b6b5 is mate.

4 Rc6+ Kd5

Upon 4...Kb5 5 c6b6+ Kc5 6 Rc6+ and Black ms nerely treading water. The monarch flees kingside to escape perpetual check while commanding his infantry to capture en passant to avoid mate.

5 c4+ d4xc3ep
6 Rd6+ Ke5
7 d4+ e4xd3ep
8 Re6+ Kf5
9 e4+ f4xe3ep
10 Rf6+ Kg5
11 f4+ g4xf3ep
12 Rg6+ Kh5

White has driven the Black king to the edge of the board but for what purpose?

13 g4+ h4xg3ep
14 Nxc3+ Kh4

The seventh pawn has been sacrificed to enable the freed knight to gallop into the fray!

15 Nf5+

Both 15 a6b6? a7g7 16 Nf5+ Kh3 17 Nxc7 f2+ 18 Kf1 Nd2# and 15 a6f6? (as before until...) 17...Ne2+ 18 Kh1 Ng3+ 19 Kg1 f2+ lose.

15 ... Kh5
16 Ng3+

With perpetual check but not 16 a6f6? when Ne2+ 17 Kh2 Ra4 18 Rg8 Rg4 suffices to win.

Despite the artificial setting intrinsic to the expression of such a theme, this composition represents a world task record of seven consecutive en passant captures in a study. Easy to solve but difficult to compose!

BOOK SPECIALS

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LETTERS

Dear Sir,

I have opted out of chess administration for some time now so I have kept my peace (at least in public) on such matters but the latest NZCA annual meeting has moved me to write to the magazine.

The annual meeting: I listened to the debate and reports from 7.30pm till midnight. While some business was important and interesting, several hours were spent discussing relatively minor issues such as the how and why of smoking bans, reduced entry fees, breaking ties, reverting to the old time controls (even though the new control is international and has only just been introduced) etc.

It seemed a pity that, by midnight when I had to leave, there had been no discussion on more important matters facing NZ chess. A couple of these were touched on by delegates – the poor standard of schoolpupil chess and the need to develop a strategy for Rapid Chess promotion – and these may have been covered later but other pressing issues including sponsorship, promotion of junior chess, how to increase membership and the future of the magazine took a back seat. On the one occasion in the year when representatives from all clubs gather it was a pity that debate was dominated by remits which were, in the larger scheme of things, trifling.

Tournaments: While tournaments like the Plaza International are very welcome and the organisers should be praised for their efforts, the policy of inviting as many "name players" as possible and providing some local players as cannon fodder is counter productive if the aim is to promote chess in NZ.

It would be better to invite only a couple – say Spassky and a Polgar – and fill the rest of the field with weaker GMs and IMs. This would bring the same publicity while giving local players a chance of making norms and gaining experience without being blitzed by strong active players hot off the circuit.

The UK organises regular tourneys for title purposes using little known players from overseas and the results speak for themselves.

What is more, before any major event it would help immensely if local players could be provided with some training, ideally in the form of a small, weakish international swiss with a couple of invited IMs. This would enable them to at least get warmed up before facing fulltime professionals.

Not one local player beat an overseas player at the Plaza. This is bad publicity in itself but can do a great deal of harm to the

morale of those players.

The magazine: I think the magazine is potentially one of the best things about chess in this country but I agree with other correspondents who have mentioned that tournament reports have been too scanty or missing altogether. All events should be covered and major ones should be covered in detail with a report and a full list of results, if not a crosstable.

If the Olympiad is the major effort of the association why have we not seen a full report on the last Olympiad? The February 1989 issue report was far too brief. It contained no record of match results nor of individuals' results in detail, even though the men's team probably performed as well as we ever have. If we are to attract sponsors and assistance for the teams we should give their efforts a much higher profile in our own publication.

Incidentally, I wrote a lengthy report of my early tournaments in Europe in 1988 with some heavily annotated games and enclosed it in a letter to the secretary asking him to forward it to the editor. It never appeared so I think recent criticism of players not sending reports may not be the only reason for non-publication. Needless to say, a second item I wrote is still in London.

NZ chess play – We need to see more "fights" between our top players. In the past I suppose I have been as guilty as any of cruising but overseas experience has convinced me that it is only in battles between our top players that they will improve. Offering draws with White after a few moves should be reserved for special circumstances. The opportunities are too few to waste. This does not, as some seem to think, mean taking unnecessary risks – just backing yourself.

In general, I think our standard of preparation is much below equivalent overseas players. How many theoretical novelties, interesting ideas or imaginative plans were in the latest championships?

Yours faithfully
V A Small

Dear Sir,

Here are some notes to my last-round game with Graham Spain which was decisive for the title as was P Green-B Martin.

Before that, perhaps a point or two about the number of draws in Wellington is called for. Out of the 66 games, 36 were drawn. When Sarfati won in 1988 at Auckland with 7.5 points, there were 38 draws. Looking through Informator 47, I found 10 round-robin tournaments with 12 players. The number of draws in each ranged from 20 to 53. The average from the 10 events was 35.3!! Now, back to the game.

Before the last round I had some problems selecting a defence against Spain. Graham knows his favourite openings very well and this is a strong point in his game. I know he prefers 1 e4. If I play 1...e5 we would most likely have the Ruy Lopez exchange variation from which it is not easy to play for a win as Black. Remember Lasker-Capablanca, St Petersburg 1912!

If I play the Sicilian, he would most likely play the Morra Gambit where, for a pawn, White gets a lasting initiative (see Spain-Smith, Wellington 1990). Again difficult for Black to win. My eventual choice of 1...d6 was, I feel, the right one and I give the game as supporting evidence.

G Spain - O Sarapu Pirc Defence

1 e4 d6 2 d4 Nf6 3 Nc3 g6 4 Nf3 Bg7 5 Be2 0-0 6 0-0 c5 7 d5 Na6! Spain likes knights better than bishops so his next is expected. **8 Bxa6?!** bxa6 Two bishops are better than doubled a-pawns. **9 Be3 Rb8 10 Rb1 Ng4 11 Bd2 Qc7** Perhaps Black already has a better game. White has no plan. **12 h3 Ne5 13 Nxe5 Bxe5 14 Qe2 Bg7 15 Rfe1 e6!** Time to open lines for the bishops. **16 b3 Bb7 17 Rbd1 Rbe8 18 Qc4!** Preventing c5-c4 by Black. **18...Kh8 19 Kh1 Qe7 20 Kg1 Qh4 21 Qd3 Be5 22 Qf3 f5!** Now Black has a clear positional advantage. White's light-coloured squares are weak. **23 Re2?! fxe4 24 Qxe4 Qxe4 25 Rxe4 exd5** It had to come. Black has won a pawn and still has the two bishops. **26 R4e1 Bd4 27 Rxe8 Rxe8 28 Re1 Rxe1 29 Bxe1 Kg7** Now that rooks have been exchanged, it is easy for Black to convert his advantage into a win. **30 Ne2 Bf6 31 Ba5 Kf7 32 Bc7 Ke7 33 Kf1** On 33 Bb8 there follows 33...Kd7 34 Bxa7 Kc7. **33...d4 34 f3 Bc6 35 Ke1 Kd7 36 Ba5 Bd5 37 Bd2 Bf7 38 Nc1 Kc6 39 Nd3 Bd8 40 a3 a5 41 Nb2 a6 42 f4 Bd5 43 g4?** A mistake in a difficult position, losing another pawn. **43...Bg2 44 f5 gxf5 45 gxf5 Bxh3 46 f6 Bxf6 47 Bxa5 Bh4+ 48 Kd2 Bg5+ 49 Ke2 h5 50 Na4 Bg4+ 51 Kf1 Bd1 52 Nb6 Bxc2 53 b4 h4 54 Kg2 Be4+ 55 Kg1 h3 56 bxc5 Bf4 0-1**

Yours faithfully
O Sarapu

(Well, there you are. The country's two IMs can find time to think, annotate, write and post letters. What do you do all day?)

OUR MAN IN LONDON

By Leonard McLaren

The Hastings Challengers had about 100 players, including five GMs and several IMs. I scored 6/11. The winner was Tony Kosten (England) on 8.5.

L McLaren - J Goldberg Caro-Kann

1 e4 c6 2 d4 d5 3 e5 Bf5 4 Nc3 e6 5 g4 Bg6 6 Nge2 c5 7 h4 h6 (Better than 7...h5 8 Nf4 or 7...cxd4 8 Nxd4 h5 9 Bb5+ Nd7 10 f4 hxg4 11 f5 Rxh4 12 Rf1 with good compensation) **8 Be3 cxd4?** (This gives White central control. 8...Qb6 is right) **9 Nxd4 Nc6 10 f4** (10 Qd2!?) **10...Nxd4** (Removing a defender of the a4-e8 diagonal. 10...Be7 gives the possibility of 11 f5 Bxh4+ 12 Rxh4 Qxh4+ 13 Bf2 with murky play or of 11 Bf2 playing safe. A better try, perhaps, is 10...Nge7) **11 Qxd4 Ne7 12 f5!** (Temporarily sacrificing a pawn to undermine Black's centre and stifle the Bg6) **12...exf5** (12...Bh7 13 0-0-0 with advantage) **13 Bb5+ Nc6 14 Qa4** (Better than 14 Nxd5 or 14 0-0-0 which both allow 14...a6 with counterplay) **14...Be7** (Offering to return the pawn for a little relief after 15 Bxc6+ bxc6 16 Qxc6+ Kf8) **15 0-0-0 0-0 16 Nxd5 Nxe5** (16...Kh8 17 g5 h5 18 Nb6 winning the exchange) **17 Nf6+ Bxf6 18 Rxd8 Rfxd8 19 g5** (Material is level here but White retains the advantage because of his greater activity and attacking chances) **19...hxg5** (19...Ng4 20 gxf4 Nxe3 21 fvg3 leaves Black's kingside shaky) **20 hxg5 Be7 21 Qh4 f6** (Only move) **22 Ba4** (Threat: 23 Bb3+ N or Bf7 24 Qh8) **22...b5 23 Bb3+** (23 Bxb5 may also be good though the text seemed more direct) **23...Nc4 24 gxf6** (An interesting continuation is 24 Bxc4+ bxc4 25 Qxc4+ Bf7 26 Rh8+!? Kxh8 27 Qxf7. If now 27...Re8 28 Qh5+ Kg8 29 g6 winning the black g-pawn and driving the black king out into the centre. However, I could not see a clear win at the end of this line and also I did not want to give up such a strong piece as the Rh1) **24...Bxf6 25 Bg5** (Exchanging off a key defensive piece. Now 25...Bxb2+ 26 Kb1 wins easily) **25...Bxg5+ 26 Qxg5 Kf7 27 Qg2!** (Preparing to attack from the other side and undermine the Nc4) **27...Rab8** (If 27...a6 one possibility is 28 Qb7+ Kg8 29 Rg1 Kh7 30 Qh1+!) **28 Qc6** (Threatening Qc7+ combined with Rg1) **28...Rbc8 29 Qxb5 1-0**

In London in December I scored 5/6 in a quickplay. This gave me 4th- in a field of about 100 including a few IMs.

L McLaren - M Kobylka Sicilian

1 e4 c5 2 Nc3 e6 3 g3 Nc6 4 Bg2 g6 5 d3 Bg7 6 Be3 d6 7 f4 Nge7 8 Nf3 b8 9 0-0 0-0 10 Qd2 Ba6?! 11 f5 Nd4 12 Bh6 Nxf3+ 13 Bxf3 e5? 14 Bxg7 Kxg7 15 f6+! Kxf6 16 Qh6 Ng8 17 Nd5+ Ke6 18 Bg4+ f5 19 exf5+! Kxd5 20 Bf3+ Kd4 21 c3+ Kxd3 22 Rfd1+ 1-0

Other results from December include 3.5 from 6 for 2nd- in a relatively small quickplay and 11/15, also for 2nd- in a time handicap round robin.

In another time handicap event I came 4th on 9.5 from 14, the draw being against IM David Levy (no time difference due to rating similarity). A few days later Levy lost a match 0-4 to the computer Deep Thought!

LOCAL NEWS

UPPER HUTT

The Upper Hutt Chess Club is not what it was during the heady days of Fischerdom but they still manage four grades in their championships. Prizewinners included:

A grade: **Don Stracy**; B grade: **Richard Glover**; C grade: **Eildert Boekholt**; D grade: **Chris Rillstone**.

Most improved player: Richard Glover; Handicap winner: Paul Anderson; Most consistent player: Don Stracy.

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OVERSEAS NEWS

WORLD TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

Lucerne was again the venue for the 1989 World Team Championship in October/November. World Champion Gary Kasparov was a notable absentee from the Soviet team; he was actually engaged on a promotional tour in the United States where he said, inter alia, that he was no longer interested in team events as they "kill creativity." Despite this the U.S.S.R. had won the ten-team competition with a round to go. There was a small surprise when Yugoslavia pushed the English team out of second place.

Hungary lacked both Portisch and Ribli yet still took fourth place. The form of the team from Africa was a revelation; they defeated the Netherlands 2½:1½ and took points off most other teams.

Scores: 1 U.S.S.R. (Karpov, Belyavsky, Ehlvest, Vaganian, Ivanchuk & M.Gurevich) 27½; 2 Yugoslavia (Ljubojevic, Nikolic, Popovic, Velimirovic, Ivanovic & Damljanovic) 22½; 3 England (Short, Speelman, Nunn, Chandler, Adams & Hodgson) 21½; 4 Hungary 18½; 5 U.S.A. 17; 6 Switzerland 17; 7 Cuba 16½; 8 China 15½; 9 Netherlands 12½; 10 Africa 11½.

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BELGRADE

An all-GM tournament in the Yugoslav capital in November saw yet another fantastic performance from the World Champion. Kasparov annihilated the category 15 field with a score of 9½/11, a performance rating of around 2900 which will add a few more points to his already record rating. The scores:

			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12		
1	Kasparov	USR	2775	x	½	1	½	1	½	1	1	1	1	1	9½	
2	Timman	NLD	2635	½	x	½	1	½	½	½	1	½	½	½	6½	
3	Ehlvest	USR	2620	0	½	x	½	½	½	½	1	½	1	½	6½	
4	Yusupov	USR	2610	½	0	½	x	½	½	½	0	½	1	1	6	
5	Ljubojevic	YUG	2635	0	½	½	½	x	½	1	1	½	0	½	6	
6	Hjartarson	ICt	2555	½	½	½	½	½	x	1	1	½	0	0	5½	
7	Agdestein	NOR	2605	0	½	½	½	0	0	x	1	0	1	½	5	
8	Kozul	YUG	2560	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	x	1	1	1	5	
9	Nikolic	YUG	2600	0	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	0	x	½	4½	
10	Short	ENG	2660	0	½	0	0	1	1	0	0	½	x	1	4½	
11	Popovic	YUG	2550	0	½	½	0	½	1	½	0	½	0	x	4	
12	Damljanovic	YUG	2555	0	½	0	0	0	½	0	0	1	½	½	x	3

Jaan Ehlvest confirmed his place among the world's elite grandmasters while Zdenko Kozul had a remarkable result for such a tournament - no draws!

KASPAROV - POPOVIC, Symmetrical English:

1 Nf3 Nf6 2 c4 g6 3 Nc3 d5 4 cxd5 Nxd5 5 Qa4+ Bd7 6 Qh4 Nf6 7 e4 Bg4 8 Nc5 Bc6 9 f4 Bg7 10 Qf2 0-0 11 d4 Nc6 12 Nxc6 bxc6 13 h3 Qb8 14 Bd3 Rd8 15 Be3 Qb4 16 0-0 Rab8 17 Rab1 Ne8 18 e5 f5 19 Rfc1 Bf8 20 b3 Ng7 21 Na4 Bd5 22 Nc5 Qh6 23 b4 e6 24 Na6 Rbc8 25 a4 Qb7 26 Qf1 Qa8 27 Bc4 Be4 28 Rb2 Kh8 29 Bd3 Bd5 30 Kh2 Be7 31 Rbc2 Rd7 32 b5 cxb5 33 Nxc7 Qb7 34 Nxd5 Rxc2 35 Rxc2 Rxd5 36 Bxb5 Rd8 37 Qc1 Qe4 38 Rc3 h6 39 Bc6, 1 : 0.

SHORT - YUSUPOV, Ruy Lopez:

1 e4 e5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 Bb5 a6 4 Ba4 Nf6 5 0-0 Nxe4 6 d4 b5 7 Bb3 d5 8 dxe5 Be6 9 c3 Bc5 10 Nbd2 0-0 11 Bc2 Nxf2 12 Rxf2 f6 13 exf6 Bxf2+ 14 Kxf2 Qxf6 15 Nf1 Ne5 16 Be3 Rae8 17 Bc5 Nxf3 18 gxf3 Rf7 19 Bd3 Bh3 20 Ng3 h5 21 Bf1 Bg4 22 Bg2 h4 23 Nf1 h3 24 Bh1 Re4 25 Ng3 Rf4 26 Kg1 Qc6 27 Be3 Bxf3 28 Qf1 Re4 29 Qd3 Rg4 30 Bd4 Be4 31 Qe2 Qg6 32 Bxe4 dxe4 33 a4 Re3 34 axb5 axb5 35 b4 Rgxg3+ 36 hxg3 Rxxg3+ 37 Kh1 e3, 0 : 1.

KOZUL - HJARTARSON, Nimzoindian Defence:

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 Qc2 0-0 5 Bg5 c5 6 dxc5 h6 7 Bh4 Na6 8 e4 Bxc3+ 9 bxc3 e5 10 0-0-0 Nxc5 11 f4 Qb6 12 fxe5 Nfxe4 13 Bd3 Nxd3+ 14 Qxd3 d5 15 exd6 Bf5 16 Be7 Nxd6 17 Qxd6 Qb1+ 18 Kd2 Qc2+ 19 Ke3 Rfe8 20 Rd5 Qe4+ 21 Kf2 Rxe7 22 Nf3 Re6 23 Qc5 b6 24 Qd4 Qe2+ 25 Kg1 Be4, 0 : 1.

SHORT - LJUBOJEVIC, Sicilian Scheveningen:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nf6 5 Nc3 e6 6 g4 h6 7 h4 Nc6 8 Rg1 h5 9 gxh5 Nxb5 10 Be3 Nf6 11 Nf3 a6 12 Qe2 Qc7 13 0-0-0 b5 14 Ng5 Qa5 15 f4 b4 16 Nb1 Qxa2 17 e5 dxe5 18 fxe5 Nd5 19 Bg2 Re7 20 Nxf7 Kxf7 21 Be4 Ke8 22 Rxxg7 Bd7 23 Qg4 Kd8 24 Bxd5 exd5 25 e6 Be8 26 Bb6+ Kc8 27 Qf4 Ra7 28 Bxa7 Rxb4 29 Qg3 Qc4 30 Rxe7, 1 : 0.

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EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP

This event followed the World Team Championship and was played at Haifa as a nine-round Swiss with six-board matches. Most teams were lacking some top players and there were some surprising results. No surprise about first place though - the Soviet Union scored 36 points, three ahead of runner-up Yugoslavia. The bronze medals were won by West Germany on 31½ while Finland's 31 point tally sufficed for fourth place.

Next were Bulgaria and Rumania on 30½ and Czechoslovakia on 30. England was certainly below full strength but included former Rumanian champion Mihai Suba - they finished in 8th equal place with Israel and France on 29½.

Notable absentees from the championship were Denmark, East Germany, Iceland and the Netherlands.

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UNITED STATES CHAMPIONSHIP

Last year's U.S. Championship doubled as a Zonal tournament and was played at Long Beach, California, in November-December. In a field of 13 GMs and 2 IMs, untitled 20-year old Stuart Rachels tied for first place with Yasser Seirawan and Roman Dzindzhashvili, each scoring 9½/15. In sole fourth place, also qualifying for the Interzonals, was Boris Gulko on 9 points.

The other scores were: 5-7 GM Benjamin, GM de Firmian & GM Miles 8½; 8-9 GM Dlugy & GM Fedorowicz 8; 10 GM Rohde 7½; 11 GM Kudrin 7; 12 IM A.Ivanov 6½; 13 GM Browne 6; 14 IM I.Ivanov 5; 15-16 GM Alburt & GM D.Gurevich 4½.

Former Englishman Tony Miles picked up three of the five special prizes; the following game was awarded that for the best combination.

KUDRIN - MILES, Nimzowitsch Defence:

1 e4 Nc6 2 d4 e5 3 dxe5 Nxe5 4 Nf3 Bb4+ 5 c3 Bd6 6 Nbd2 Nxf3+ 7 Nxf3 Ne7 8 e5 Bc5 9 b4 Bb6 10 Bf4 0-0 11 Bc4 Ng6 12 Bg3 d6 13 exd6 Re8+ 14 Be2 Qf6 15 0-0 cxd6 16 Bb5 Rd8 17 Qd2 Bg4 18 Nd4 Rac8 19 Rac1 Ne5 20 Rfe1 Rc7 21 Bf1 a6 22 Re4 Qg6 23 Rce1 f6 24 Kh1 Rdc8 25 R4e3 Bd7 26 a4 h5 27 f4 Ng4 28 Re7 h4 29 Bxh4 Qh5 30 Bg3 Rxc3 31 Rxd7 Rxc3 32 h3 Qd5 33 Nf3 Qxf3 34 Bc4+ Rxc4 35 gxf3 Rxh3+ 36 Kg2 Rh2+ 37 Kg3 Rxd2 38 Ree7 Nh6 39 Rxc7+ Kf8 40 Rh7 Rcc2 41 Rh8+ Ng8 42 Kg4 Rg2+ 43 Kf5 Rg7 44 Rxd6 Rc6, 0 : 1.

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WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP CYCLE

This year is both the third and last of one cycle and the first of a new cycle. The Candidates final match between Anatoly Karpov and Jan Timman is scheduled for Kuala Lumpur starting on 7th March. Lyon is the confirmed venue for the World Championship match with a 7th October start.

Already several Zonal tournaments in the new cycle have been held. One, mentioned above, was the 1989 U.S. Championship. The South American Zonal at Sao Paulo in October was jointly won by GM Jaime Sunye and IM Herman van Riemsdijk, both from Brazil. Like the U.S.A. and U.S.S.R., Canada constitutes a zone by itself, though how anyone can justify it having two Interzonal places (the same as our zone) is beyond me; 1988 Candidate Kevin Spraggett won the 1989 Canadian Championship with a 2-point margin back to IMs Nickoloff and Piasetski.

The Zone 14 (Scandinavia) Zonal was held last July at Espoo, Finland. Norway's GM Simen Agdestein took first place while Icelandic GM Margeir Petursson won a three-way play-off with IM Yrjola and GM Larsen for the second Interzonal slot.

The Zone 11 (East Asia/Australasia) Zonal will be held in Malaysia from 27 February to 15 March.

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PALMA DE MALLORCA

The Mediterranean island of Mallorca, scene of a series of international tournaments in the late 1960s and early 1970s, hosted the third GMA qualification tournament in December. Of the 182 competitors in the nine-round Swiss, 164 were GMs.

Outright victory went to the young Soviet GM Boris Gelfand who did not even have a FIDE rating three years ago! The USA provided the joint runners-up though both players are emigres - 15-year old Gata Kamsky from the Soviet Union and the formerly English Tony Miles. Kamsky was one of the few untitled players in the field though that status will doubtless soon change.

The leading scores: 1 GM Gelfand (USR) 7½; 2-3 Kamsky (USA) & GM Miles (USA) 7½; 4-15 GM Anand (IND), GM Arnason (ICE), GM Balashov (USR), GM Dreev (USR), GM Goldin (USR), GM M.Gurevich (USR), GM Hansen (DEN), GM King (ENG), GM Makarichev (USR), GM Malaniuk (USR), GM Milos (BRZ) & GM Velimirovic (YUG) 6½.

Among those on 6 points were French IM Joel Lautier and GMs Ftacnik & Lputyan. Sharing 27th place on 5½ were GMs Adams, Chiburdanidze, Gavrikov, Eingorn, Petursson, Smyslov, Spraggett & Tukmakov. GMs Browne, Dlugy, Chernin, Psakhis & van der Wiel finished on 5 points. On 4½ were GMs Chandler, Dolmatov, Larsen & Polugaevsky.

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TIMMAN v SHORT

Timman's opponent in this year's KRO match in December was Nigel Short. The Dutch player had the best-of-six series pretty well tied up when he scored 2½ points from the first three games. Short, however, had other ideas and won games 4 and 5 to tie the match. The final game was drawn for a 3 : 3 result.

TIMMAN - SHORT (5), Sicilian Defence:

1 e4 c5 2 Nf3 Nc6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 e5 5 Nb5 d6 6 c4 Be7 7 N1c3 a6 8 Na3 Be6 9 Be2 Bg5 10 Bxg5 Qxg5 11 0-0 Rd8 12 Nd5 h5 13 Nc2 h4 14 Qd3 Bxd5 15 exd5 Nce7 16 Qe3 Qxe3 17 Nxe3 Nh6 18 f4 exf4 19 Rxf4 Ng6 20 Re4+ Kd7 21 Bg4+ Nxg4 22 Rxc4 Rde8 23 Nf5 Re2 24 b4 h3 25 c5 Ne5 26 Rxc7 dxc5 27 bxc5 hxg2 28 Rxc7 Nf3+ 29 Kf1 Re5 30 Nd6 Rxd5 31 Nxb7 Nxb2+ 32 Kg1 Nf3+ 33 Kf2 Rh3 34 Rg7 Ng5 35 Rg1 Rd2+ 36 Kf1 Rc3, 0 : 1.

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World's Top Ten in January 1990 FIDE Rating List

1.	Kasparov, Garry	g	URS	2800					
2.	Karpov, Anatoly	g	URS	2730	1.	Polgar, Judit	g	HUN	2550
3.	Timman, Jan	g	NLD	2680	2.	Polgar, Zsuzsa	g	HUN	2500
4.	Ivanchuk, Vassily	g	URS	2665	3.	Ioseliani, Nana	g	URS	2475
5-6.	Gurevich, Mikhail	g	URS	2645	4-5.	Chiburdanidze, Maya	g	URS	2470
5-6.	Salov, Valery	g	URS	2645	4-5.	Cramling, Pia	g	SVE	2470
7.	Beliaevsky, Alexander	g	URS	2640	6.	Gaprindashvili, Nona	g	URS	2435
8.	Short, Nigel	g	ENG	2635	7.	Donaldson-Akhmurovskaya, E.	g	USA	2430
9.	Andersson, Ulf	g	SVE	2630	8.	Polgar, Sofia	g	HUN	2410
10-11.	Kortschnoi, Viktor	g	SWZ	2625	9.	Akhsharumova, Anna	g	USA	2395
10-11.	Ljubojevic, Ljubomir	g	JUG	2625	10.	Madl, Ildiko	g	HUN	2390

OLYMPIAD 1988

One or two people have criticised this magazine for not producing reports on important events. One of the events was the Olympiad. I was there, of course, but didn't think I was qualified to give a decent picture of the play though I was in possession of a lot of material, mostly statistical.

Now, I am of the opinion that the results plus the games themselves, without notes, may be all that is required by most readers. Accordingly, unless I get a howl of protest, I will endeavour to give a run-down on three or four rounds in each issue. I would love to have given the women the full treatment but my records are woefully inadequate. Can former, or present, women players please let me know all they have on previous Olympiads.

THESSALONIKI, GREECE

November 12 - 30 1988

NEW ZEALAND OPEN TEAM: V Small (2340), J Sarfati (2315), O Sarapu (2335), R Dive (2265), A Ker (2295), L Aptekar (2200, unr).

Round 1 - v Botswana. No previous encounters. All unrated. Seeded 83, finished 98.

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

Seeded 44th from 107 teams, our first match was just a warm-up. Not much use in the "norm" stakes, either.

Hutcheson J. - Small V.

1.e4 c5 2.f3 e6 3.d4 cd4 4.d4
c6 5.c3 a6 6.e2 c7 7.f4
b4 8.c6 bc6 9.pd4 f8
10.e3 b8 11.b1 f6 12.0-0
b4 13.pd3 d5 14.ed5 cd5 15.a3
c4 16.pd2 c6 17.d3 c5
18.c5 c5 19.e2 0-0 20.d4
d8 21.c3 a5 22.f3 a4 23.c2
d7 24.pd1 a7 25.h1 d8
26.f3 h6 27.e3 c4 28.f5 ef5
29.f5 d4 0-1

Sarfati - Jones R

1.d4 f6 2.c4 d6 3.f3 g6 4.g3
g7 5.g2 bd7 6.c3 0-0
7.0-0 e5 8.e4 c6 9.e1 b6 10.h3
b7 11.e3 c7 12.c1 h5
13.b4 ad8 14.a3 ed4 15.d4
e5 16.pd2 a6 17.b5 b7
18.h2 c5 19.c2 f6 20.ed1
e8 21.d5 d5 22.d5 f5
23.ef5 f5 24.f4 d7 25.f5 gf5
26.pd5 d6 27.pf5 pe7
28.e1 pf7 29.g4 h8 30.g5
pc4 31.gf6 f6 32.c6 d5
33.fg1 e4 34.fg2 f6
35.e1 d4 36.d2 pf7 37.f3
ph5 38.dg5 h6 39.f3 pe8
40.e6 1-0

Tseleng E. - Dive

1.f3 f6 2.c4 e6 3.d4 b6 4.c3
b4 5.d2 b7 6.e3 0-0 7.d3
d5 8.cd5 ed5 9.a3 d6 10.c1 a6
11.pd2 bd7 12.0-0 e8
13.f1 e4 14.h3 f8 15.e2
g6 16.ce1 e6 17.h2 h2
18.h2 ph4 19.f1 ae8
20.e1 ph5 21.d1 c6 22.pb1
c8 23.f3 g5 24.f5 h3
25.h3 f4 26.f2 e2 27.d2
ph4 28.pe1 d4 29.pd1 f5
30.pb3 pc4 31.pd1 e3
32.e3 h3 33.h3 e3 34.f2
d3 35.pb1 h6 36.pe1 e6
37.pb1 pd4 38.pd2 c5 39.g3
e1 40.g2 ed1 41.b4 d2
42.pd1 f2 43.f2 d2 44.pe1

Ker A. - Brown E.

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.c3 f6 4.cd5
ed5 5.g5 bd7 6.e3 c6 7.d3
e7 8.pd2 0-0 9.ge2 e8
10.0-0 h6 11.h4 b6 12.f3 b7
13.g4 c5 14.f2 f8 15.dg3 cd4

16.ed4 d6 17.b1 c8 18.pd2
e6 19.e3 a6 20.f5 f8
21.h4 h7 22.fdg1 g5 23.h6
h6 24.h7 h7 25.hg5 fg8
26.f6 g7 27.f4 f8 28.f5
dg5 29.g5 pg5 30.pg5 fg5
31.f6 c7 32.d1 c8
33.e3 c4 34.c4 f5 35.c1
dc4 36.a6 g4 37.f6 e7
38.fg1 e6 39.g2 d6
40.c3 d5 41.a4 fg3 42.f6f3
fg4 43.a5 d4 44.f5 f5
45.f5 e4 46.f4 1-0

Round 2 - v Romania. Nice 1974 1-3.
Rating 2485-2455. Seeded 18, finished 25.

Even half points against the grandmasters would have been a bonus for any of our players.

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

Gheorghiu F. - Small V.

1.d4 f6 2.c4 g6 3.c3 d5 4.f3
g7 5.g5 e4 6.h4 c5 7.cd5
c3 8.bc3 pd5 9.e3 cd4 10.cd4
c6 11.e2 0-0 12.0-0 e5 13.de5
pe6 14.d4 pe5 15.c6 bc6
16.c1 e6 17.c4 d5 18.pd
c1 e6 17.c4 d5 18.pd
fe8 19.f1 ac8 20.h3 c4
21.pd4 pe6 22.pd4 e6
23.f7 a6 24.e7 f8 25.f8
h8 26.c4 e7 27.f6 f7
28.e4 e7 29.e5 b7 30.a4 b
131.h2 a1 32.f6 c7
33.f4 h5 34.f4 e8 35.e6
g5 36.f4f5 f6 37.e6 d7
38.e4 c8 39.fg5 b7 40.b
4 a7 41.f5 c5 42.c4
1-0

Sarfati J. - Ionescu C.

1.d4 f6 2.c4 e6 3.c3 b4 4.e3
b6 5.ge2 b7 6.a3 e7 7.d5 0-
08.dg3 e8 9.e2 d6 10.e4

bd7 11.0-0 c6 12.e3 f8
13.b4 pc7 14.c1 ac8 15.h3
pb8 16.pd2 a6 17.a4 a5 18.b1
pa8 19.f1 ab4 20.b4 pa5
21.f1 ed5 22.ed5 cd5 23.f5
pa8 24.cd5 c3 25.pd3 d5
26.pd4 e3 27.f3 g2 28.h2
c6 29.f5b2 g6 30.a2 g7
31.pf4 e5 32.pf2 f6 33.g1
d5 34.a3 pc8 35.f1 pc5
36.f3 c6 37.fdb3 a4
38.f6 g3 39.pg3 e3 40.pf2
e4 41.f8 g7 42.pb2 c3
43.h1 dg3 44.h2 f1 45.f
1 pe5 46.g1 c6 0-1

Marin M. - Dive R.

1.d4 f6 2.c4 e6 3.c3 b4 4.e3
c5 5.d3 c6 6.ge2 cd4 7.ed4
d5 8.cd5 d5 9.0-0 10.a3
e7 11.c2 b6 12.pd3 g6
13.h6 e8 14.ad1 b7
15.a4 c8 16.f1 a6 17.d5
pd5 18.f4 pa5 19.b3 f6
20.e6 d4 21.d2 pf5 22.pf5
f5 23.dg5 d6 24.f8 e8
25.f4 h6 26.h4 hg5 27.f6
e1 28.h2 e7 29.fg6 h8
30.f6 gf4 31.f7 e2 32.h5
e4 33.d1 g7 34.b4 a5
35.f3 d6 36.h3 ab4 37.ab4
e1 38.d5 e7 39.g4 e2
40.b5 f6 41.f6 g7 42.f3
f2 43.h6 g8 44.e4 1-0

Ker- Ghinda

1 d4 f6 2 c4 g6 3 c3 d5 4 cd5
d5 5 f3 g7 6 pb3 c3 7 bc3
c5 8 a3 cd4 9 cd4 c6 10 e3
pa5 11 d2 0-0 12 c1 e6
13 pb2 pd5 14 b3 fc8 15 c5
pd8 16 e2 b6 17 c1 d5
18 0-0 e5 19 de5 pg5 20 g3 pe5
21 pe5 e5 22 f3 c4 23 c4
c4 24 f2 e6 25 d2 c1

26. ♠c1 a5 27. ♠f2 b5 28. ♠b2 ♠f8
 29. ♠d4 ♠c8 30. ♠f6 ♠b4 31. ♠b2
 ♠a3 32. ♠d2 a4 33. ♠d4 ♠c1
 34. ♠e2 ♠d7 35. ♠e7 f5 36. ♠c2
 ♠e3 37. ♠e3 ♠e8 38. ♠b2 ♠e7
 39. ♠f4 h6 40. h4 ♠f7 41. ♠b5 ♠f6
 42. g4 g5 43. hg5 hg5 44. ♠g3 f4
 45. ♠f2 ♠e3 46. ♠d6 a3 47. ♠b6
 ♠e7 48. ♠a6 ♠c3 49. ♠e4 ♠c2
 50. ♠e1 ♠a2 51. ♠a7 ♠d8 52. ♠a8
 ♠c7 53. ♠a7 ♠c6 54. ♠d1 ♠c8
 55. ♠c1 ♠b6 56. ♠a4 ♠a1 57. ♠c2
 ♠d7 58. ♠b4 ♠a5 59. ♠b1 ♠a4
 60. ♠c1 ♠a2 61. ♠b7 ♠g2 62. ♠a7
 ♠b4 63. ♠b7 ♠b5 64. ♠d6 a2
 65. ♠a7 ♠a4 66. ♠b7 ♠c5 0-1

Round 3 - v Switzerland. Dubai 1986
 1-3. Rating 2595-2385. Seeded 16, finished
 20.

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

The first real success. Small held World
 championship contender Korchnoi to a draw
 and Sarfati stayed with him by drawing with
 Gobet.

Small V. - Kortschnoi V.

1. d4 ♠f6 2. ♠f3 g6 3. c4 ♠g7 4. ♠c3
 d5 5. ♠g5 ♠e4 6. ♠h4 c5 7. cd5
 ♠c3 8. bc3 ♠d5 9. e3 cd4 10. cd4
 ♠c6 11. ♠e2 0-0 12. 0-0 b6 13. ♠b3
 ♠b3 14. ab3 ♠b7 15. ♠a6 ♠a6
 16. ♠a6 ♠fc8 17. h3 ♠b4 18. ♠a4
 ♠d5 19. ♠a6 ♠c7 20. ♠a2 ♠f8
 21. ♠c1 ♠b5 22. ♠ac2 ♠c2
 23. ♠c2 ♠e8 24. ♠f1 ♠d7 25. ♠e2
 a5 26. ♠g3 e6 27. ♠e5 f6 28. ♠g3
 ♠f8 29. ♠d2 ♠e7 30. ♠c4 ♠d8
 31. f3 ♠c8 32. ♠d3 ♠a7 33. ♠e1
 ♠c6 34. ♠a3 ♠a8 35. ♠c4 ♠a7
 36. ♠c1 b5 37. e4 ♠b8 38. ♠a1
 ♠c6 39. ♠c2 ♠c8 40. ♠c3 b4
 41. ♠b2 ♠b6 42. ♠e3 ♠c7 43. ♠c4
 ♠d8 44. ♠c2 ♠e7 45. ♠d1 ♠a7
 46. ♠a1 ♠c6 1/2-1/2

Gobet - Sarfati

1. e4 e5 2. ♠f3 ♠c6 3. ♠c4 ♠c5 4. c3
 ♠f6 5. b4 ♠b6 6. d3 d6 7. 0-0 0-0
 8. a4 a6 9. ♠b3 ♠e7 10. ♠g5 ♠g6
 11. ♠bd2 h6 12. ♠e3 ♠e3 13. fe3
 d5 14. ed5 ♠d5 15. ♠c4 ♠g4
 16. ♠e1 ♠e7 17. ♠h1 ♠ad8 18. ♠c1
 e4 19. de4 ♠e4 20. ♠fd2 ♠e7
 21. ♠g3 ♠e6 22. ♠f2 ♠g5
 23. ♠g5 hg5 24. ♠a5 ♠e3 25. ♠e6
 fe6 26. ♠f8 ♠f8 27. ♠e4 b6
 28. ♠c6 ♠d1 29. ♠d1 ♠d1
 30. ♠b8 a5 31. ba5 ba5 32. ♠c6
 ♠b2 33. ♠c5 ♠c4 34. ♠g1 ♠f7
 35. ♠f2 ♠g6 36. ♠e2 ♠f4 37. ♠f3
 ♠d5 38. ♠e4 ♠g6 39. g3 ♠db6
 40. ♠c5 ♠f5 41. g4 ♠f6 42. ♠e4
 ♠g6 43. ♠c5 ♠f6 44. ♠e4 ♠g6
 45. ♠c5 e5 46. ♠e4 ♠f6 47. ♠f3
 ♠d5 48. ♠e4 ♠db6 49. ♠f3 ♠b2
 50. ♠e4 ♠e6 51. ♠a5 ♠2a4 52. c4
 ♠b2 53. ♠g5 ♠d7 54. c5 ♠6a4
 55. c6 ♠d6 56. ♠e4 ♠c3 57. ♠f5
 ♠d5 58. ♠e6 g6 59. ♠f6 ♠d6
 60. h4 ♠d5 61. ♠f7 ♠f4 62. ♠f8
 e4 63. ♠b3 ♠e5 64. ♠g6 ♠g6
 65. ♠g6 ♠d3 66. ♠d2 ♠f4 67. ♠e4
 ♠g4 68. h5 ♠f4 69. ♠f7 ♠h5
 70. ♠f6 1/2-1/2

Dive R. - Franzoni G.

1. d4 ♠f6 2. c4 e6 3. ♠c3 ♠b4 4. e3
 b6 5. ♠ge2 ♠a6 6. a3 ♠c3 7. ♠c3
 d5 8. b3 0-0 9. ♠e2 ♠c6 10. 0-0 dc4
 11. bc4 ♠a5 12. ♠a4 ♠e8 13. ♠b5
 ♠b7 14. ♠c2 a6 15. ♠c3 ♠c6 16. f3
 ♠c4 17. ♠d3 ♠d6 18. ♠b2 ♠b5
 19. ♠ac1 ♠c3 20. ♠c3 ♠fc8 21. e4
 h6 22. ♠f2 ♠d7 23. ♠b1 ♠h7
 24. ♠fd1 ♠e7 25. ♠b4 ♠d8
 26. ♠c3 ♠f8 27. f4 a5 28. ♠g3 f6
 29. ♠b2 ♠e7 30. d5 ed5 31. ed5 ♠d8
 32. ♠a2 ♠h8 33. a4 ♠f7 34. f5 ♠ac8

35. ♠f3 ♠h7 36. ♠d4 ♠g5 37. ♠d1
 ♠d7 38. ♠d3 ♠f7 39. ♠f1 ♠d6
 40. ♠c1 ♠f7 41. ♠d1 ♠d6 42. ♠b1
 ♠e8 43. ♠h3 ♠f7 44. ♠d3 c6 45. d6
 c5 46. ♠h4 ♠h7 47. ♠c4 ♠g5
 48. ♠g5 fg5 49. ♠e6 ♠c6 50. ♠h5
 ♠a4 51. ♠b3 ♠b4 52. ♠g3 ♠e2
 53. d7 ♠d8 54. ♠d6 ♠b3 55. ♠h6
 ♠g8 56. ♠h3 ♠g2 57. ♠f1 ♠c4
 58. ♠hd3 ♠d7 59. ♠d7 ♠f4 0-1

Wirthensohn H. - Ker A.

1. ♠f3 d6 2. d4 ♠g4 3. e3 ♠d7 4. c4
 e5 5. ♠c3 f5 6. ♠e2 ♠gf6 7. ♠g5
 ♠e7 8. ♠b5 ♠b6 9. ♠e6 ♠c8
 10. ♠f8 ♠e2 11. ♠e2 ♠f8 12. de5
 ♠e5 13. 0-0 a6 14. ♠d4 ♠f7
 15. ♠f3 ♠c5 16. b3 ♠he8 17. ♠b2
 ♠bd7 18. ♠d4 ♠c6 19. ♠c2 g6
 20. ♠g5 ♠g8 21. ♠b2 ♠f8
 22. ♠ac1 ♠ce8 23. b4 b6 24. ♠b3
 ♠g7 25. ♠h3 ♠b7 26. a3 c5
 27. ♠a1 ♠e5 28. ♠f4 cb4 29. ab4
 g5 30. ♠d5 ♠d5 31. cd5 ♠g6 32. b5
 ab5 33. ♠b5 ♠c8 34. ♠e5 de5
 35. d6 ♠c1 36. ♠c1 ♠c8 37. ♠d1
 ♠d8 38. d7 ♠c7 39. h3 ♠f6
 40. ♠d5 ♠e6 41. ♠b3 ♠e7 42. ♠b5
 ♠d7 43. ♠b2 ♠f7 44. ♠e5 ♠d1
 45. ♠h2 ♠d6 46. ♠d6 ♠d6 47. ♠f5
 ♠g6 48. ♠b5 h6 49. g4 ♠f6 50. ♠g3
 ♠e6 51. h4 gh4 52. ♠h4 ♠d7
 53. ♠h5 ♠c6 54. ♠b1 b5 55. f4 ♠c5
 56. f5 ♠b6 57. ♠f1 ♠f6 58. g5 hg5
 59. ♠g5 ♠f8 60. f6 b4 61. f7 1-0

Round 4 - v Zimbabwe. No previous
 encounters. Virtually unrated. Seeded 75, finished
 72.

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

Three players had minimum ratings. New
 Zealanders had to win if they had ideas about
 norms even though such low ratings do not
 help the calculations. More or less predictable
 but the real test was still to come, if we could
 get out of the swing from high to low and
 back again.

Kuwaza C. - Small V

1. ♠f3 ♠f6 2. c4 c5 3. g3 b6 4. ♠g2
 ♠b7 5. 0-0 e6 6. d3 ♠e7 7. b3 0-0
 8. ♠b2 d6 9. ♠a3 ♠bd7 10. ♠c2
 ♠c7 11. a3 ♠fd8 12. ♠d2 d5 13. ♠fc1
 d4 14. ♠d1 e5 15. e4 ♠e8 16. ♠e1
 ♠f8 17. b4 ♠e6 18. ♠ad1 a6 19. ♠c1
 ♠c6 20. ♠a1 ♠a4 21. ♠c1 ♠c2
 22. ♠c2 cb4 23. ab4 ♠b4 24. ♠d1 f6
 25. ♠h4 ♠c5 26. ♠a2 a5 27. ♠h3
 ♠h8 28. ♠h1 ♠f7 29. f3 ♠d6
 30. ♠c1 b5 31. ♠f5 ♠f5 32. ♠f5
 ♠a4 33. ♠f1 ♠c3 34. ♠b3 bc4
 35. dc4 ♠ab8 36. ♠c3 ♠c3 0-1

Sarapu O. - Cochrane M.

1. e4 c5 2. ♠f3 d6 3. d4 cd4 4. ♠d4
 ♠c6 5. ♠b5 ♠d7 6. ♠c6 ♠c6
 7. ♠c3 ♠f6 8. ♠g5 ♠b6 9. ♠f6 gf6
 10. ♠b6 ab6 11. ♠e2 ♠g8 12. g3 ♠a5
 13. ♠d4 ♠d8 14. ♠hd1 ♠h5 15. h4
 ♠g4 16. ♠f3 ♠g6 17. ♠de2 ♠h6
 18. ♠f4 ♠f4 19. ♠f4 ♠e5 20. f3
 ♠c7 21. ♠d4 ♠c5 22. ♠d3 e5
 23. ♠e3 ♠g3 24. b4 ♠c4 25. b5 d5
 26. bc6 d4 27. ♠f2 ♠h3 28. ♠d5 ♠c6
 29. ♠g2 ♠h4 30. c3 dc3 31. ♠c3 ♠c3
 32. ♠c3 f5 33. ♠g3 ♠h5 34. ♠c1 fe4
 35. ♠e4 ♠b5 36. ♠d6 ♠b4 37. ♠f7
 ♠a3 38. ♠b1 ♠f5 39. ♠d6 ♠f6
 40. ♠c4 ♠a2 41. ♠b6 ♠b6 42. ♠b6
 ♠b3 43. ♠d7 ♠c4 44. ♠e5 ♠d4
 45. f4 b5 46. ♠g4 ♠d5 47. ♠d3 h5
 48. ♠h5 ♠e4 49. ♠g5 ♠d3 50. f5 b4
 51. f6 1-0

Massanqu M. - Dive R.

1. e4 ♠f6 2. ♠c3 d5 3. ed5 ♠d5
 4. ♠f3 ♠g4 5. ♠d5 ♠d5 6. ♠e2 e6
 7. 0-0 ♠e7 8. d4 0-0 9. c3 ♠d7
 10. ♠f4 ♠ac8 11. ♠e1 ♠fd8 12. h3 ♠f5
 13. ♠b3 ♠b3 14. ab3 a6 15. b4 ♠e4

16 d2 d5 17. E5 d8 18 d3
 d3 19 d3 d6 20 d3 d6
 21. E5 a1 h6 22 d1 d7 23 d1
 d8 24. d2 d7 25. d5 d5
 26. d5 d5 27. f4 d8 28 g3 d8
 29. d4 d3 30. d7 d7 31 d3
 d6 32. g4 d7 33 b3 d5 34. c4
 d7 35. h4 d6 36. f1 c5 37. f5 c4
 38. f6 f6 39. g5 h5 40. h5 d6
 41. g6 b5 42. c5 d5 43. f7 d6
 44. d4 a5 45. f8 a4 46. b4 d7
 47. d3 b3 48. f1 d5 49. d3 b2
 50. d1 d5 51. d2 d7 52. d4
 d5 53. g2 d7 54. d5 d7
 55. d5 d7 56. d6 d7 57. d6
 d4 58. d5 g4 59. d2 g6
 60. d6 g4 61. d5 d4 62. d6
 g5 63. f6 d4 64. d6 d5 65. d5
 d4 66. d6 g1 67. f5 g4
 68. d6 d4 69. f2 g4 70. d5 g3
 71. f4 d3 72. g5 d1 73. d4
 d2 74. d4 d1 75. d4 d1
 76. f4 g2 77. f6 d2 78. d6 d3
 0-1



Ker A. - Zimuto N

1. d4 d6 2. c4 e5 3. d5 d4 4. e4
 d5 5. f4 d6 6. a3 d6 7. d3 d6
 8. d3 d7 9. d3 d6 10. d2
 d4 11. d2 d5 12. d1 d4
 13. 0-0 d6 14. d5 d6 15. h3
 d2 16. d2 0-0 17. g3 d7
 18. d4 d8 19. f1 d8 20. f2
 d8 21. b4 d7 22. d3 d8
 23. d3 c6 24. d3 d6 25. d3
 d6 26. d2 d8 27. h4 d7
 28. h5 d8 29. g4 f6 30. g3 d6
 31. d3 d8 32. d2 a5 33. d1

d6 34. d5 d7 35. d2 d4
 36. d4 d8 37. b5 d7 38. d4
 d5 39. d2 d5 40. c6 d3
 41. d3 c6 42. d5 d7 43. d3
 d8 44. d3 d5 45. d5 d1 46. d1
 d5 47. d5 d6 48. d6 d6
 49. d6 d7 50. d6 d8 51. d6
 d8 52. d4 d8 53. d7 d8
 54. d7 d7 55. d3 1-0

The bulletins did not give the last round games by New Zealand or Ker's 13th round game. Would the players please supply copies of these games to the editor if possible.

NEXT ISSUE: SMALL IS BEAUTIFUL!

1990 CIVIC EASTER

Social room,
 Correspondence School
 Portland Crescent,
 Thorndon, Wellington

**FRIDAY 13th APRIL
 to MONDAY 16th APRIL**

FRIDAY: 9am to 1pm, 2pm to 6pm.
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NAME

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1990 Registered Tournaments

Start-Close	City	Fed	Event	Cat	Ptr	Rnd
04.03 - 11.03	Tre Circoli	ITA	Tre Circoli Open	swiss		8
08.03 - 15.03	Kecskemet	HUN	Bacs Megye Champ.	3-5		
09.03 - 15.03	Reykjavik	ISD	Summit Match	team	48	6
10.03 - 18.03	Pleven	BLG	Women Ch. Semifinal	swiss		9
14.03 - 22.03	Bankja	BLG	Bankja Open	swiss		9
14.03 - 29.03	Varna	BLG	Women's Ch.	4	14	13
16.03 - 24.03	Budapest	HUN	6th Spring Festival	swiss		9
17.03 - 01.04	K. Marx-Stadt	DDR	1st BSG Lokomotive	5	14	13
17.03 - 29.03	Reykjavik	ISD	Summit Open	swiss		
22.03 - 02.04	Hamburg	FRG	Mephisto GM Trmt.	8w	12	11
23.03 - 25.03		USA	Nor' Easter Open		40	5
23.03 - 25.03	Albany	USA	N.Y. State Class Ch.	swiss		5
28.03 - 05.04	Oakharn	ENG	Oakharn Junior Intl.	swiss	48	9
30.03 - 01.04	Berkeley	USA	NCAA Masters & State	swiss		5
31.03 - 08.04	Debrecen	HUN	Univ. Students Open	swiss		9
-04 - -04	Berlin	DDR	3 Ernst-Thalman Mem.	10	10	9
05.04 - 14.04	Kassel	FRG	Hessen Master Trmt.		12	11
05.04 - 14.04	Kassel	FRG	Hessen Candidates	swiss	60	11
06.04 - 21.04	Burgas	BLG	Burgas International	5	14	13
07.04 - 11.04	Chartres	FRA	1 Chartres Intl Open	swiss	100	7
07.04 - 14.04	Celle Ligure	ITA	Celle Ligure Open	swiss		8
07.04 - 16.04	Malmö	SVE	1990 SVE Open Champ.	swiss	100	9
08.04 - 14.04	Kecskemet	HUN	Scheveningen Trmt. 1			13
12.04 - 23.04	Kusadası Aydin	TRK	1st Golden Pawn Open	swiss	500	9
13.04 - 30.04	Stara Zagora	BLG	Men's Championship	7	16	15
13.04 - 16.04	South-on-Sea	ENG	Southend-on-Sea Open	swiss	100	7
13.04 - 21.04	Bad Ragaz	SWZ	3rd Intl. Chess Open	swiss		9
14.04 - 22.04	Torcy	FRA	Val Maubue Intl Ope	swiss	100	9
16.04 - 22.90	Gausdal	NOR	Open Norwegian Ch.	swiss		9
17.04 - 28.04	Kecskemet	HUN	5th DUTEP 1990 Intl.	3-4		
20.04 - 17.07	Stockholm	SVE	SK Rockaden 1990 Elo		10	9
22.04 - 28.04	Amsterdam	NLD	OHRA Dutch Students	swiss	16	7
24.04 - 01.05	Gausdal	NOR	Arnold Cup 1990	swiss		9
25.04 - 03.05	Djuni	BLG	Djuni Intl. Open	swiss		9
28.04 - 09.05	Berlin	DDR	Lasker Memorial A	8	12	11
28.04 - 09.05	Berlin	DDR	Lasker Mem. B: Women	7	12	11
28.04 - 09.05	Berlin	DDR	Lasker Memorial C	5	12	11
28.04 - 09.05	Berlin	DDR	Lasker Memorial D	1	12	11
28.04 - 05.05	Roma	ITA	Scacchi A Roma	swiss		8
29.04 - 06.05	Saint Martin	FRA	1990 Intl Open	swiss	100	9
06.05 - 20.05	Goldan Sands	BLG	GM International	8	14	13
09.05 - 17.05	Rotterdam	NLD	VSJ - Euwe Memorial	14-15	4	6
10.05 - 18.05	Plovdiv	BLG	Plovdiv Intl. Open	swiss		9
15.05 - 31.05	Kecskemet	HUN	Scheveningen Trmt. 2			13
16.05 - 19.05	Primorsko	BLG	International Open	swiss		9
17.05 - 29.05	Budapest	HUN	POSTAS-DUTEP Intl.	3-4		
18.05 - 26.05	Schellenberg	LUX	8th Intl. Open	swiss		9
19.05 - 27.05	Torino	ITA	Soc. Scacco Torinese	swiss		9
30.05 - 04.06	Juan-les-Pins	FRA	1st Intl. Tournament	swiss	150	7

COMING TO NOVI SAD?

Two years ago we took the opportunity to attend an Olympiad for the first time and revisit our homeland. We enjoyed ourselves so much in 1988 that we intend doing it again this year.

What about you? The Olympiad is on from 16th November to 4th December. It is winter time, of course, but Greece in 1988 was quite pleasant at that time; we frequently walked to and from the hotel and playing hall.

We estimate it could cost one \$4000 to \$5000. It could be more if one didn't want to watch the Olympiad every day (chess must be the cheapest sport around) but there will be definite advantages in block booking.

The team, whoever they are, would appreciate some supporters. If you are interested, drop the editor a line.

By now, most people who know us will be aware that we favour the Bent Larsen approach to draws: Offering a draw is throwing away a half point. Remembering that, you may not be surprised when we list our possibles for the 1990 Olympiad, alphabetically.

Dive, Garbett, P Green, A Ker, McLaren, Martin, Small and Sutton. Of course, Sarapu and Sarfati must also be considered but they do not seem to be very hungry nowadays. Olympiads are full of hungry players.

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