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## INSIDE STORY

## Special General Meeting

In opening the debate on the council's motion at the special general meeting to confirm the teams selected for the 1990 pointed out that the rula utilised by the originators (No 32) was not well drafted.

Though the original request was acceptable in respect to the number of clubs, the provision of exactly 150 players was difficult, if not impossible, to achieve. Accordingly, at the president's request, the council had agreed to exercise its ability to call a special general meeting

A letter from the North Shore Club was then read to the meeting claiming injustice to one of its members. It closed by awarding its votes in favour of the motion.
lan McElwee (Wellington), told the meeting of a vigorous debate at that club resulting in a narrow majority in favour of abstaining from voting on the council motion. He added that while a good majority were not in favour of a sidered the selected olympiad open team to be unfair.

Mr A Ker, not a delegate, then requested permission to speak to the meeting. This was granted by the chair. Mr Ker's submission recounted and compared past performances of certain players and their respective ratings. He closed by suggesting a challenge match be played for one place on the team.

Otago councillor Mr E G A Frost then conveyed a comment he had received on the matter from Otago but this was immediately challenged from the floor and a request to have the official Otago communication read to the meeting was met. The letter briefly reported that the Otago club unanimously supported the motion.

Before the counting of votes took place, the president replied that, since the council and its selection committee had endeavoured to perform their duties to the best of their ability, any criticism on a serious matter must be construed as a no confidence motion.

This was the standard practice in most other organisations and should anything go wrong because of decisions made, the officials are fired.

The motion was carried by 25 votes for, three votes against, with five clubs abstaining. continued on page 114

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## CROPPING THE PICK

When picking a representative team in any activity there are two methods. One can make rules when there is no need for a selector or one can "make" a selector when there is no need for rules. A third method we can envisage is by ballot. Governments are done this wayl

We consider the two appropriate methods to be mutually exclusive. To attempt to combine the two would mean that the rules picked some and the selector picked the rest. The result would be a composite team in which the individual parts may not combine since they were selected on different criteria.

Rules tend to make everything very neat and predictabie. Efficiency and stability are enhanced and everything is right with the world. At least till a change in circumstances or environment.

While it may be very desirable to have specified titleholders. champions or tourney winners in the team most years, it is possible one or more of them could be very undesirable one year due to a variety of causes many months before the Olympiad. We have not heard of anything preventing vicious criminals being good chessplayers! Or vice versa!! Extreme? Yes, but a lot less extreme may be equally undesirable in a team context.

Another factor in this problem is that the national organisets of chess have had the game recognised as a sport by the Hillary Commission, at least. This implies that the teams be selected, not chosen by the mechanical application of rules.

Criteria can include results and ratings but these are historical records which indicate past achevements. Like a horse's form line. they can be a useful guide but winning the Pukemanu Sprint does not guarantee a win in the Melbourne Cup. Class, fitness and attitude on the day come into the equation. And all of these can be seen only in the play; not in results which often occur because of losing for not playing) rather than winning!

## SOUTH ISLAND CHAMPIONSHIP 1990

## By Tony Dowden

The Westpac South Island Chess Championship was held at the Southern Cross Hotel in Dunedin from 19th to 24th August. As with last year, eight rounds were squeezed into live days and there were 34 entries.

Top seed and hot favourite was New Zealand co-champion Ben Martin. Kendall Boyd, with some excellent local results locked a likely challenger. Former Olympiad player Tony Love and ex-Aucklander Greg Spencer-Smith though missing recent matchplay, were the other players rated over 2000 and expected to figure in the finish
Richard Sutton, reigning champion, did not play, Tony Dowden, just returned from overseas, decided to DOP instead of play and Granam Haase was also not available.
The exotic entrant was Michael Schwass from Wellington and the popular was Ari Nyman who has played in every South island championship as far back as anyone can remember.

Interesting entries were Isodel Mcintosh, returning to competitive chess after a very long break and the only woman entrant and the two noticeably younger competitors Shaun Stephenson and David Guthrie.

Round 1: Third seed Boyd beautifully swindled an utterly lost ending against Duffield while Love and Mcintosh proved to be rusty indeed Round 3. Martin and Spencer-Smith had the only clean scores
Round 4: Spencer-Smith played actively and well to overcome a pawn structure weakness against Martin and a draw resulted Brian Nyman played as well as Boyd played badly to record a notable upset

Round 5: Spencer-Smith handed Love an easy win while Martin beat Brian Nyman in a sacrificial kingside attack.

## B Nyman v B Martin

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 e6 3 Nc3 Bb4 4 e3 c5 5 Bd3 Nc6 6 Nf3 Bxc3 7 bxc3 d6 8 e4 e5 9 dS Ne7 100 0 Ng6 11 Ne1 0 012 Rb1 b6 13 g3?! Bh3 14 Ng2 Nes 15 Qh5 Qd7 16 Qe2 i5 17 f3 Ni6 18 exf5 Bxif 19 Ne3 Bxa3 20 Qxd3 Nh5 White is reduced to passive defence, 21 Rb2 Ri7 22 Rbi2 Raf8 23 Ng2 Qh3 24 Bg5 Rt5 25 Be3 (See diagram)

Nxg31 26 hxg3 Rh5 27 Re2 Gxg3 28 Bd2 Rf4! 29 Be1 Oh2+ 30 KI2 Rg5 31 Rg1 Qg3+ 31 Nh4 is more clinical. $32 \mathrm{KI} 1 \mathrm{Rxf3}+\mathbf{0 - 1}$

Round 6: Martin decisively beat Love who played the Benko Gambit rather limply, thus effectively deciding the tournament. Boyd beat Foord while Rayner drew with B Nyman.

## B Martin v T Love

1 d4 Nf6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 b5 4 cxb5 a6 5 e3 g6 6 Nc3 Bg7 7 Ni3 0-0 8 a4 d6 9 Bct axb5 10 Bxb5 Na6 11 e4 Nb4 12 o-0 Bb7 in order to maintain pressure on the d5 square and prevent e4-e5 it is essential to insert e6 somewhere about nere. 13 Re1 Qc7 14 Bc41 Bat 15 Nb5 Bxb5 16

Bxbs Ribs?! 17 Baz Ng4 18 Bc3 66 A horrite concession - Black is strategically lost 19



Round 7: From a French Defenco Martin beat Boyd with a woll timed attack while spencer-Smuth crashed horribly against E Nyman This assured Martion of all the lirst prize and the title, Love beat foord who had the foughest draw of the event

## I Love v M Foord

1 e4c5 2 Ni3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 a6 5 Nc3 Qc7 6 Bd3 Nc6 7 Be3 But 8 h3 Ni6 9 $0-0$ Nxd4 10 Bxat Bes 11 Bxes Qxe5 12 Qe2 b5 13 a3 Bb7 14 Rae1 0015 f4 Qc5$16 \mathrm{Kh} \boldsymbol{\mathrm { Nh }} \mathrm{F}$ ? Biack runs out of ideas He needs play in the centre and on the queenside Perhaps ..Racs or ... 16 and ..Nd7. $17 \mathrm{Knz} \mathbf{~} 6 \mathbf{1 8} \mathbf{1 8} \mathbf{5} \mathbf{d 5}$ ? Anti-positional White punishes this move impressively 19 Qf2 Qxi2 20 Rxi2 Ng7 21 g4 Racs 22 Ne2 Rfas 23 Ndt Rc6 24
 31 axb5 axb5 32 Nxc6 Nxe6 33 BxbS Re7 Black plays on in the mutual time trovible but to no avail $34 \mathrm{Na4}+\mathrm{Ke} 735 \mathrm{Re} 1 \mathrm{Kd6} 36 \mathrm{Rxe6}+\mathrm{Kc5} 37 \mathrm{c3} \mathrm{Rcs} 38 \mathrm{b4f}$

## K Boyd v B Martin



 activity but coolly activates the pieces he can and only advances his pawns when it really counts. Possibly White is now lulled into a false sense of security - assuming that his attack will win. 21 Be3 Kb8 22 Nc5 Ec8 23 Gd2 n6 24 Rtbl Qd8 25 at g5 26 fugs Bxg5 27 e5 lif2 28 Na3 Bxe3 29 Qxe3 R2f3 30 Qd2 Qh4 Suddenly the Black pieces have swarmed in. See diagram
31 Ngi Rit! 32 Nuf? Ruft 33 NI3 Ref3 34 Rft Hud4 35 Rxf3 Nxf3 36 Og2 筑xes 37 Re1 Gg 5 38 Qc2 Nc4 39 Rg1 Qut White loses on time in a lost position. 0-1

Round 8: Martin won again against a psychedout Sinton. Love and $B$ Nyman beat Rayner and Vincent respectively to secure a second place tie

$a b c d e f g h$ while Spencer-Smith and Boyd aiso won to share fourth place

Further down the field Eric Rayner scored $5 / 8$ to win the B grade and Shaun Stephenson broke $50 \%$ to convincingly win the C grade Shaun fought most tenaciously against much higher rated players and is certainly a player to watch in the ruture
Our congratulations to a popular winner, Ben Martin and thanks to Arthur Patton, Otago Chess club president, for his energetic and efficient organisation, promotion, venue and sponsorship getting.
Two outstanding aspects of the tourney were that there were no short draws and no disputes! doubt if anyone enjoyed the punishing piaying schadule but the novelty of having a house-bar didn't attract any orickbats.

|  | Westpac | South | Island |  | Championship |  |  | August, 1990. |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Rating | Club | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 8 |  |
| 1. | Martin B.M. | 2291 | OT | W22 | WII | w9 | D4 |  | w2 | W5 | W7 | $71 / 2$ |
| 2 | Love A.J. | 2185 | OT | D12 | wio | D3 | w17 | W4 | 4 | wa | W6 | 6 |
| 3 | Nyman B. | 1993 | CA | W30 | WIS | D2 | W5 | 41 | D6 | W4 | W10 | 6 |
| 4 | Spencer Smith | 2060 | OT | W32 | W6 | W8 | D1 | $L 2$ | WII | L3 | W13 | $51 / 2$ |
|  | Boyd KM | 2131 | OT | W19 | W13 | D17 | L3 | w7 | W9 | LI | W12 | $51 / 2$ |
| 6. | Rayner E | 1639 | OT | W25 | L4 | W16 | D10 | wit | D3 | W8 | L2 | 5 |
| 7. | Sinton P.J. | 1797 | OT | D21 | W12 | 018 | W20 | 15 | W16 | W17 | LI | 5 |
|  | Sutherland J. | 1836 | OT | W20 | W26 | L4 | W14 | 49 | Wio | L6 | W 18 | 5 |
| 4. | Foord M.R.R | 1752 | OT | W23 | W27 | LI | W15 | W8 |  | L2 | D17 | $41 / 2$ |
| 10 | Vincent $M$ | 1687 | or | W31 | L2 | W29 | D6 | W13 | L8 | W15 | L3 | $1 / 2$ |
| 11. | Heperi D | 1673 | Or | W24 | L1 | D25 | W19 | W18 | 14 | LI2 | W22 | 41/2 |
|  | Vecousky P. | 1551 | OT | D2 | $\llcorner 7$ | - 19 | W31 | W24 | W14 | WII | L5 | 41/2 |
| 13 | $M^{c}$ caughan D. | 1650(p) | OT | W16 | $L 5$ | W28 | D18 | Lio | W2 | W 23 | L.4 | 41/2 |
| 14 | Me Intash I | 1603 | OT | L27 | W31 | W30 | 18 | 021 | 12 | W25 | W23 | $41 / 2$ |
| 15 | Gloistein BN | 1628 | $C A$ | W34 | L3 | W33 | 19 | W25 | D23 | L10 | W24 | $41 / 2$ |
| 16 | Stephensson $S$ | 1269 | AS | L13 | W32 | L6 | W33 | $w 19$ | $\llcorner 7$ | 022 | W 26 | $41 / 2$ |
| 17 | Nyman A | 1811 | CA | W33 | W28 | 05 | 2 | $L 6$ | $\omega 22$. | 47 | D9 | 4 |
| 18 | Schwass $M$ | 1704 | CI | $L 28$ | W23 | 57 | 013 | LII | $\omega 29$ | W20 | L8 | 4 |
|  |  | 1505 | OT | 45 | D25 | 12 | LII | 1.16 | W27 | D21 | W29 | 4 |
|  | Stone R.G | 1428 | OT | L 8 | W29 | W26 | 57 | 22 | W28 | 48 | W27 | 4 |
| 21. | Edwards $R$ | 1423 | OT | 07 | L33 | 22 | 128 | 14 | 13 | D19 | W25 | 4 |
| 22 | Mackway Jomes | 1589 | IN | LI | 024 | D 21 | W29 | W20 | Li7 | D 16 | LII | $31 / 2$ |
|  | Keeling $R$ | 1395 | As | L9 | L18 | W34 | W24 | W26 | D15 | L13 | L14 | $31 / 2$ |
|  | Rosie E | 1282 | OT | LII | D22 | W31 | $\underline{L} 23$ | 12 | W30 | + | L 15 | $31 / 2$ |
|  | Cartwright J | 1267 | AS | L5 | D19 | D 11 | W30 | $L 15$ | +6.15 | 1 | L21 | 3 |
| 26 | Gold H | 1609 | OT | W29 | $L 8$ | L20 | W27 | L23 | -1548 | Wat | L16 | 3 |
|  | Ng. L | 943 | AS | W14 | 19 | L10 | L26 | W32 | 419 | W34 | 20 | 3 |
| 28 | Clarkson R | 1305 | OT | W18 | 417 | $L 13$ | L21 | W33 | L20 | L24 | W34 | 3 |
| 29 | Reid D | 1182 | OT | L26 | L20 | W32 | $L 22$ | W30 | 418 | W33 | L19 | 3 |
| 30 | Wylie | 1450 (p) | IN | 13 | W34 | L14 | 125 | 129 | L24 | W32 | W31 | 3 |
| 31 | Chang A | 1292 | OT | $L 10$ | L14 | L24 | L12 | 6.134 | colt | Uast | L30 | 2 |
| 32 | Gibb J D. | 1471 | OT | L4 | L16 | L29 | W34 | 127 | Us304 | 1.30 | W33 | 2 |
| 33 | Preston J | 1426 | IN | $L 17$ | W21 | $L 15$ | 416 | L28 | D34 | 1.29 | L32 | $11 / 2$ |
| 34 | Cuthrie D. | 1220 | OT | L15 | L30 | L23 | L32 | L.31 | 033 | 1.27 | L. 28 | $1 / 2$ |

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| 1 | M | Dreyer | W8 | W7 | D4 | W2 | D6 | W12 | D3 | W5 | 6.5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | R | Smith | W10 | D4 | W3 | L1 | W5 | D6 | D7 | W13 | 5.5 |
| 3 | B | Martin | D14 | W5 | L2 | D6 | W13 | W4 | D1 | W7 | 5.5 |
| 4 | A | Ker | W15 | D2 | D1 | W13 | W7 | L3 | D6 | W10 | 5.5 |
| 5 | M | van der Hoorn | D12 | L3 | W8 | W10 | L2 | W13 | พ9 | L1 | 4.5 |
| 6 | G | Spain | W13 | D16 | D7 | 03 | D1 | 02 | D4 | D11 | 4.5 |
| 7 | p | Green | W11 | L1 | D6 | W12 | L4 | W10 | D2 | L3 | 4 |
| 8 | J | Cater | L1 | W11 | L5 | W24 | L10 | L9 | bye | W15 | 4 |
| 9 | W | Lynn | L16 | L13 | bye | L1.5 | W11 | w8 | L5 | W14 | 4 |
| 10 | H | Bennett | L2 | W15 | D12 | $L 5$ | W8 | L7 | W13 | L4 | 3.5 |
| 11 | P | Spiller | L7 | L8 | D15 | bye | L9 | W14 | D12 | D6 | 3.5 |
| 12 | K | Boyd | D5 | D14 | D10 | L7 | ผ15 | L1 | D11 | L2 | 3 |
| 13 | B | Walsh | L6 | W9 | W14 | L4 | L3 | L5 | L10 | bye | 3 |
| 14 | J | Robinson | D3 | D12 | L13 | L8 | bye | L1d | W15 | L9 | 3 |
| 15 | P | Tuffery | L4 | L10 | D13 | w9 | L12 | bye | L. 14 | L8 | 2.5 |
|  |  | Hopewell | W9 | D6 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1.5 |

THIRD ASIAN UNDER-16 CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

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## Results Table

|  |  | 1. | 2. | 3. | 4. | 5. | 6. | Total | Place |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| 1. John-Paul | Wallace | AUS | $x$ | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 |
| 2. Ahmed Ibrahim M. Abdullah | QTR | 1 | $x$ | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 2 |  |
| 3. Shamika | Rapasinghe | NZD | 0 | 1 | $x$ | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| 4. (none) | Hendry | RIN | 0 | 1 | 1 | $x$ | 0 | 4 | $2 \frac{1}{2}$ | 4 |
| 5. Mathew | Vincent | NZD | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | $x$ | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| 6. Alexis | Shead | NZD | 0 | 0 | 0 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 0 | $x$ | 4 | 6 |

NB. This toumament was seriously affected by the military situation in the Gulf, which caused non-attendance by two countries. Two others were also absent.

MANILA INTERZONAL
For the first time since 1970 the current world Championstip cycle saw just one Interzonal tournament. It was held at Manila in July, a 13 -round Swiss with 64 players. Not only was the format similar to the earlier GMA-World Open at Moscow but many of the leading contenders featured in both events

Two of the most disappointed players at Moscow would have been soris Gelfand and Vassily lvanchuk, ranked third equal in the world on the latest (1 July) FIDE rating list. At Manila thay made at least partiai amends by sharing firs place. It is interesting that Gelfand fought long and hard for his last round victory when a draw would have been ample to qualify - and his opponent was compatriot Jaan Ehlvest who thereby ended half a point short of qualifying.

With almost fifty grandmasters competing there were the inevitable flops and surprises - only eleven could qualify for the Candidates. With the exception of Robert Hübner (2585) all the qualifiers are rated 2600 or higher although several would not have been counted among the favourites. In particular the result of India's top player Viswanathan Anand stands out; he becomes Asia's second Candi date after Eugene Torre. Also the Soviet trlo of Dolmatov, Dreev and Yudasin have previously played under the shadow of their more illustrious countrymen.
obviously the unlucky list is longer. Mikhall Gurevich looked certain to make the top eleven but lost his last two games. In the last round he played the Exchange variation against Nigel Short's French but once again this drawish variation failed to deliver the goods against an opponent determined to win. Portisch and Vaganian languished well down in the bottom half, sharing the same score with untitled American youngster Gata Kamsky (2650!).

Scores (tied players listed in final ranking order): 1-2 GM Gelfand (USR) \& GM Ivanchuk (USR) 9; 3-4 GM Anand (IND) \& GM Short (ENG) B $\frac{1}{2}$; 5-11 GM Sax (HUN) GM Korchnoi (SWI), GM Hübner (BRD), GM Nikolic (YUG), GM Yudasin (USR), GM Dolmatov (USR) e GM Dreev (USR) 8; 12-20 GM M. Gurevich (USR), GM Damljanovic (YUG) GM Ki.Georgiev (BUL), GM Ljubojevic (YUG), GM Ehlvest (USR), GM Halifman (USR) GM Seirawan (USA), GM Shirov (USR) \& GM Hjartarson (ICE) 7i $; ~ 21-28$ GM de Firmian (USA), GM Rechl is (ISR), IM Spassov (BUL), GM Stohl (CZE), GM Adams (ENG), GM Dzindzihashyill (USA), GM Ftacnik (CZE) \& GM Gulko 7; 29-39 GM Lautier (FRA) GM Lputyan (USR), GM Illescas (SPA), GM Ivanovic (YUG), GM Torre (PHI), GM Agdestein (NOR), IM Marin (RUM), GM Tal (USR), GM Miles (USA), GM Sunye (BRA) \& GM A. Sokolov (USR) 64: $40-47 \mathrm{GM}$ Popovic (YUG), iM Cabrilo (YUG), GM Spraggett (CAN) GM Zapata (COL), GM Ye Rongguang (PRC), GM Lobron (BRD), IM Rachels (USA) \& GM Petursson (ICE) 6: 48-53 GM Portisch (HUN), GM Rogers (AUS), GM Vaganian (USR) Kamsky (USA). IM Lin Ta (PRC) \& GM Smyslov (USR) 5i ${ }^{\frac{1}{2} ; ~ 54-57 ~ G M ~ C h a n d l e r ~(E N G), ~}$ IM Mascarinas (PHI), IM Arencibia (CUB) E IM van Riemsdijk (BRA) 5; 58-59 IM El Taher (EGY) E IM Juarez (GUA) 4; 60-63 IM Plasetski (CAN), IM Hmadi (TUN), IM Afifi (EGY) \& GM Salov (USR) $3 \frac{1}{2} ; 64$ IM Thipsay (IND) 1.
salou and Thipsay both withdrew after seven rounds.

## GELFAND - NikOLIC, Slav Defence

 $9 \mathrm{Bg} 2 \mathrm{Nb} 4 \quad 100-0 \mathrm{Bc} 2 \quad 11 \mathrm{Od} 2 \mathrm{Bb} 3 \quad 12 \mathrm{a}$ a6 13 Na 4 e6 $14 \mathrm{~g} 5 \mathrm{Nd} 7 \quad 15 \mathrm{Nxd7} 0 \times \mathrm{Cl} 7$
 Bxes 23 Bd2 Nd5 24 KhI Qd7 25 Racl Qa4 $26 \mathrm{Qf} 3 \mathrm{c} 3 \quad 27 \mathrm{bxc} 3 \mathrm{Qxa5} 28 \mathrm{f} 5 \mathrm{Bch}$ 29 fxe6 Ne7 $30 \mathrm{Bxh7}+\mathrm{Kxh} 731 \mathrm{Qe} 4+\mathrm{Ng} 632 \mathrm{Qxc} 4 \mathrm{fxe6} 33 \mathrm{Qg} 4 \mathrm{Rxfl}+34 \mathrm{Rxfl} \mathrm{Qb} 5$ 35 c 4 Qc6t $36 \mathrm{Kg} 1 \mathrm{Kg} 8 \quad 37$ Qf3 Qd7 38 Rf 2 a 539 Qe 4 Ne 740 Qxas Nf5 41 Bdz , 1 : 0 .
GUREVICH - 5HORT French Defence:
1 e4 e6 2 d 4 d 53 exd5 exd5 4 Nf 3 Bg 4 5 h3 bh5 6 BeZ Bd6 7 Ne5 Bxe2 8
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Nf6 15 Qf 3 c. 16 Qt3 Qt6 17 Qxpo axb6 18 a 3 Ne4 19 Nxe4 Rxe4 20 Rfdi bs 21


 C3 $428 \times 14$ NF5, $0: 1$.
SHORT - TORRE, Sicilian Rauzer:



 $28 \mathrm{Rg}!$, 1 : 0.
CHANDLER - IVANCHUK, French winawer:


 22 BbGRcy 23 Nel fxe5 24 dxe5 Bd 725 Qc5 Re7 26 a6 bxas 27 Rxa6 Be8 28



LAUTIER - YUDASIN, Nimzoindian Defence:

 O-0 0-0 16 Rfel 9617 Re3 Rc8 18 Rd1 Bct 19 Rf 3 Nd 7,20 Of4 Rf8 21 Rh3 Qxb2
 Kh8 29 Qg4 Rh7 30 8g6 f5 31 Qf4, i : 0.
GEORGIEV - DREEV, QGD Semi-5iav:

 $\mathrm{Nf5} \mathrm{Ec} 5 \mathrm{I} 15 \mathrm{Na} 4 \mathrm{Bxf} 2+17 \mathrm{Kxf} 2 \mathrm{Neg} 4+18 \mathrm{Bxg} 4 \mathrm{Nag} 4+19 \mathrm{Kf} 3 \mathrm{NXh} 2+20 \mathrm{KF2} \mathrm{Ngit+}$ $21 \mathrm{Ke} \mathrm{Qh}_{2} 228 \mathrm{~g} 5 \mathrm{Ba} 623 \mathrm{Nc} 5 \mathrm{Qg} 1+24 \mathrm{Kd} 2 \mathrm{Pfd8}+25 \mathrm{Bxd} 8 \mathrm{Rxd8}+26 \mathrm{Kcl} \mathrm{Rxdl}+$


 0 :
DE FIRMIAN - YUDASIN, Sicilian Najdorf


 $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Re8 } \\ 22 \text { NxeB Bxe2 } & 23 \text { Nexf6+ Bxf6 } & 24 \text { QxfG, } 1: 0 .\end{array}$
ILLESCAS - KAMSKY, Caro-Kann Defence:


 Kc8 $21 \mathrm{RcI+}, 1: 0$.
LAUTIER -- SHIROV, King's Indian Defence:

 $\mathrm{Ne} 716 \mathrm{Nd} 4 \mathrm{Rxd5} 17 \mathrm{Bxd5} \mathrm{Nxd5} 18 \mathrm{Nf} 5 \mathrm{Bxf5} 19$ Qxd5 Exh3 20 Rfdl Re8 21 RaCl


GIJREVICH - TAL, QGD Tarrasch:





Ne6 34 Qe5 Qc2 35 Rf3 Kf8 36 Rb3, $1: 0$
hJartarson - tal, sicilian Rauzer:




 Rxd1+ $35 \mathrm{Kxd1}$ Qa4+, 0 : 1.
HJARTARSON - POPOVIC, Grünfeld Defence:



 28 g 3 b 4 , 0 : 1.

## KASPAROV v PSAKHIS

World champion Gary Kasparov thrashed former compatriot (now Israeli) GM Lev Psakhis 5-1 in a match played at Murcia in Spain during July. Psakhis had some winning chances in game 2 which was eventually drawn and he also drew the third game.

## BIEL.

The main event of this annual congress was a double round-robin of eight grandmasters. Anatoly Karpov took a comfortable first place with an undefeated $9 \frac{1}{2} / 14$ while the solid Swede Ulf Andersson was also unbeaten in taking clear second on 8 points.

Tony Miles continued his recent good form in tying for third place with west German GM Matthias Wahls on $7 \frac{1}{2}$ while Vlastimil Hort (CZE) and Lev Polugaevsky (USR) scored 7. Bringing up the rear were Nick de Firmian (USA) on 5 and Joel Lautier (FRA) on $4 \frac{1}{2}$.

All told there were no fewer than 14 events in the congress. The i80-player Master Open was won by GM Gavrikov (USR) on 9 points followed by GM Vyzmanavin (USR) $8 \frac{1}{2}$ and then the trio of GM Kindermann (BRD), IM A.Kuzmin (USR) and IM Rosentalis (USR) on 8 points.

## BRITISH CHAMPIONSHIP

in the absence of Nigel Short and dohn Nunn favouritism in this year's British Championship at Eastbourne fell on the shoulders of Jon Speelman. The cournament was an 11-round Swlss with 74 players of whom 10 were GMs and 15 ins.

The surprise winner was GM Jim Plaskett, ranked only 158 h with 2445 rating.
Plaskett has always been an uncompromising player but his recard of nine wins and two losses was certainly unusual 10 g land lace Hodgson while Jonathan Mestel occupied third slot on 8 points. Wert was a bunch of four players on 71 $\frac{1}{2}$ : GM Adams (defending champion), IM Emms. GM King and Gif of four pl
\$peelman.
BUCKLEY - BASMAN, Irregular Opening:



 Be3 29 Nf 3 Nxf2 30 a3 Nxd1 31 Bxal Bxc4 32 Qb4 d2t 31 Nxal 2 mbi 34 axbl


## AMSTERDAM

The Crown group of the OHRA tournament in July-August was the now famillar 6player double round-robin. Despite his loss to Korchnol in the last round Alexar der Belyavsky maintalned a one-point cushion in the final standings. Portisch shrugged off his Interzonal debacle, placing second in the category 14 event.

|  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 2 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Belyavsky | USR | G 2605 | $\times$ |  | 11 |  | 0 | $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$ | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $6 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 2 | Portisch | HUN | G 2590 | 0 |  | $\times \times$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 1 | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $5 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 3 | Korehnoi | SWI | G 2630 | $\frac{1}{2}$ |  | $\frac{1}{2} 0$ | $\times$ | $\times$ | $\frac{1}{2} 0$ | $\frac{1}{2} 1$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 5 |
| 4 | Azmai parashvili | USR | G 2575 | $\frac{1}{2}$ |  | $0 \frac{1}{2}$ |  | 1 | $\times \times$ | $0 \frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $4 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 5 | Nunn | ENG | G 2610 | 0 |  | $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$ |  | 0 | $1 \frac{1}{2}$ | $\times \times$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | 413 |
| 6 | van der Wlel | NLD | G 2555 | $\frac{1}{2}$ |  | $\frac{1}{2} 0$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$ | $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{2}$ | $\times$ | 4 |

The Grandmaster group was a relatively low scoring 9 -round Swiss featuring Polgar sisters at both ends and the middle. Judlt Polgar tied for first place with Vladimir Tukmakov while Zsuzsa 5 cored $50 \%$ and Zsofia propped up the table

Leading scores: 1-2 GM Tukmakov (USR) \& WGM J. Polgar (HUN) 6; 3-8 GM Anand
(IND), IM Brenninkmeljer (NLD), GM Fedorowicz (USA), GM C.Hansen (DEN), GM Hellers (SWE) \& GM Uhlmann (DDR) 51 $\frac{1}{2}$; 9-11 GM Piket (NLD), IM Serper (USR) \& IM Stohl (CZE) 5; 12-15 GM Dorfman (USR), WGM Z.Polgar (HUN), GM Psakhis (ISR) \& IM van Riemsdyk (BRA) $4 \frac{1}{2}$.... 24 players.
KORCHNOI - BELYAVSKY, Queen's Gambit:
 Ne6 9 a3 Qa5 10 Nd2 $\quad$ Bb4 11 cxd5 exd5 12 Bd3 d4 13 O-0 Bxc3 14 Nc4 Qh5 15
 cxd5 Bxd5 22 Bxb5 Be4 23 Bc7 Rde8 $24 \mathrm{Rc} 1 \mathrm{Qg} 6 \quad 25$ Bd7 Rf8 $26 \mathrm{~h} 4 \mathrm{Kh} 8 \quad 27 \mathrm{Bf} 4$ Rad8 28 Rc7 f6 29 Qb4 Rf7 $30 \mathrm{hs}, 1$ : 0

PORTISCH - KORCHNOI, Grünfeld Defence
 $9 \mathrm{Be} 2 \mathrm{~h} 610 \mathrm{Nf} 3 \mathrm{dxc} 411 \mathrm{Bxc} 4 \mathrm{Nbd} 712 \mathrm{~h} 3 \mathrm{~g} 5 \quad 13 \mathrm{Bh} 2 \mathrm{c} 5 \quad 140-0 \mathrm{Rc} 8 \quad 15 \mathrm{Qe} 2$ cxd4 16 Nxd 4 Bg6 17 Bd3 Bxd3 18 Qxd3 Nc5 19 Qbl Nd5 20 Rfdl Bxd4 21 Rxd4 Nxc3 22 Rxc3 Qb6 23 Qc2 Rc6 24 D 4 Ne6 25 Rxc6 bxc6 26 Rc4 a5 27 Rxc6 Qxb4 28 Be5 Ng7 29 Rxh6 f6 $30 \mathrm{Qh} 7+\mathrm{Kf7} 31 \mathrm{Qg} 6+\mathrm{Kg} 8 \quad 32 \mathrm{Rh} 7 \mathrm{Rf} 7 \quad 33 \mathrm{Kh} 2,1: 0$.

LONDON
The Lloyds Bank Open in August saw a triple tie for first place between GM Adams, IM Conquest (both ENG) and IM Sturua (USR) on 8 points. Both IMs made GM Adarms. and Conquest also won the Lloyds Bank trophy on tle-break.
Sharing fourth place on $7 \frac{1}{2}$ were $1 M$ Gallagher (ENG), IM Levitt (ENG), GM Kaidanov (USR), GM Nunn (ENG) and GM Suba (ENG). Among those on 7 points were GMs Chandler (ENG), Hodgson (ENG), Speelman (ENG) and Timoshenko (USR).

## PRAGUE

A small tournament sponsored by GMA chairman Bessel Kok as a chess tribute to democracy was held in August-September. Hort and Kavalek are, of course, expatrlot Czechs. The scores: 1 GM Ttrman (NLD) 4; 2 GM Short (ENG) 31: 3 GM Ftacnik (CZE) 3; 4 GM Kavalek (USA) 2: 5 GM Hort (BRD) 1古; 6 GM Smejkal (CZE) SHORT - KAVALEK, VIenna Game:
 $\mathrm{Nad4} 9 \mathrm{NdS}$ d6 $10 \mathrm{Ne} 3 \mathrm{NfG} 11 \mathrm{c} 3 \mathrm{Bg} 4 \quad 12 \mathrm{Nag} 4 \mathrm{Nxg4} \quad 13 \mathrm{Rf} 1 \mathrm{Ne} 6 \quad 14 \mathrm{Qe} 2 \mathrm{Nxh2} 15$
 22 Rxh4 Nxh4 23 Kc2 Nf3 24 Rd1 Nxd2 25 Rxd2 Be3, $\frac{1}{2}$ : $\frac{1}{2}$ (why?).

## dadATcetce dita

By Graham Banks

The 5th Papatoetoe Open (25/26 August) had an entry of 46 which was split into six groups of six players and a final group of 10. The small groups played round-robins and the other a swiss.
Robert Smith and world champion commercial computer Mephisto Portorose won the top group, leaving the others well behind

Schoolpupil Darryn Elliot won the second group while Graham Banks and Chris Joel shared first place in group 3. Young players also figured prominently in the remaining groups, a good omen for Auckland's chess future.

Group 1: R Smith, M Portorose 4; G Spain 2.5; P Garbett, M Dreyer, PStuart 1.5 .

Group 2: D Elliot 3.5; I McNally, D Notley 3; P Weir 2.5; G Walden, N Blaxall 1.5.
Group 3: G Banks, C Joel 3.5; K Metge 3; D Brunton, D Storey 2; D Lark 1.

Group 4: M Chan 4.5; P Hair 3.5; G Thye 2.5; B Hooton 2; G Mears 1.5; T Dwyer 1.

Group 5: G Gill 5; F Fuatui 3.5; J Worn 3; M Morrison 2, P McCaithy 1.5; K Tennant 0.

Group 6: D Morrow, C Stott 4; N Easterlow 3; C Wilson 2; P Lynch D Lim 1.
Group 7: E Swayne, B Turner 4;

M Garland, T Renouf, P Tumer 3; N Paftinson, J McRae 2.5; K Wong 2;
TWoodhams 1; J Pratt O.

## A Smith v M Drayer

Queens Gambit Acc
Notes by $R$ Smith
1 d 4 Nf6 2 Nt3 d5 3 c 4 dxc 44

## Qa4t Bd7

BCO gives 4...c6 5 Qxc4 Bf5 6 Nc3 e6 7 g3 Nbd7 8 Bg2 Be7 $90-0$ $0-010$ Re1 Ne4 11 e3 Qbo6 12 Qe2 Rad8 $=$

## 5 Oxc4 Bc6 6 Nc3 e6 7 Eg5

 Be7 8 Rc1To prevent the simplifying ...Ne4; Black would lose the 77 pawn.
8...Nbd79e3 0-0 10 Bez

White reserves d3 for his queen. in some lines, where it can help enforce e4.
10..h6 11 Bh4 a6 120 O Rc8

Black prepares the simplifying Ne4.

13 Bxi6!? Nxf6
13...Bxf6 14 e4 and White has the centre.
14 Ne5 Bd5 If $14 \ldots \mathrm{Bd} 7$ or $\theta 8$, White can pressure the queenside with Bf 3 and Qb 3 , as in the game.

15 Nxd5 Nxd5 Better is 15...Qxd5 16 Bf3 Qxc4 17 Rxc4 c6.

16 Qb3 Nb6 17 Bf3 c6 18 Afd1
Bd6 19 Be4 White switches to the kingside, with Black occupied defending the other.

19 Bxe5 20 dxe5 Qc7 21 Bb1 Rfd8 22 Rd6 Nd5 23 Qd3 g6 24 Rcd1 Rxd6 25 exd6 Qb6 26 Qd2 e5 27 a3 Rd8 27...Qb3!?

a b c defgh
Black's idea is 30 Qxd6 Nxd1 31 Qxd1 Qxb2 32 Bb 1 Qxa3 and Black may even be winning, but..

30 Qxd6 Nxd1 31 Qxg6t Kht 32 Qxh6-32 Qf6+ is quicker! $32 \ldots$ $\mathrm{Kg} 833 \mathrm{Og} 6+\mathrm{Kh} 3 \mathrm{~B}_{4} \mathrm{Cfs}+\mathrm{Kh7}$ $35 \mathrm{BxT} 1-\mathrm{A}$.

PStuart v R Smith
English Opening
Notes by R Smith

1 C 4 Nr6 2 Nc 3 g 63 g 3 Bg 7 $4 \mathrm{Bg} 2 \mathrm{O}-05 \mathrm{Nf} 3 \mathrm{~d} 660-0 \mathrm{C} 5$ 7 d3 Nc6 8 Rb1 Bofl?
9 a3 Qc8 10 Re1 a5?! 10...Bh3.

11 Bg5 Be6 12 Nd2 12 Qd2
12...h6 13 Bxf6 Bxf6 14 Nd5 Bxd5 15 Bxd5 Qd7 16 Ne4 Bg7 17 Ncz h5! 18 h4 Ne5 19 Bg 2 Ng 4 20 Ndis Rae8 21 b4 axb4 22 axb4 0623 Nb 6 Qe7 24 bxc5 oxc5 25 Na4 Rb8 26 Ab 55527 e3 1428 exf4 Bd4 29 Hxe6 Bxf $2+30 \mathrm{Kh} 1$

$a b c d e f g h$
30.. Qxe6! 31 Bd5 Qxd5 32 cxd5 Plbe8 33 Rb1 Bxg3 34 Qb3 Rxif 34..Re2. 35 Nxc5 Ne3 36 Ne6 Rxh4+ 37 Kg 1 Rh2 38 Rtb2? Rc8 39 Rb1 R8c2 40 Nf4 Bx 441 $\mathrm{d} 6+\mathrm{Kg} 742 \mathrm{Qxb7}+\mathrm{Kh} 643 \mathrm{~d} 7$ Rhg2 $+44 \mathrm{Oxg} 2 \mathrm{Rxg} 2+45 \mathrm{Kh} 1$ Be7 $46 \mathrm{Hc} 1 \mathrm{Rh} 2+47 \mathrm{Kg} 1 \mathrm{Bb}$ ? ? 48 Robl? Mutual time scramble. Nether player knew the time controf had been reached but if $48 \mathrm{Kxh2}$ $\mathrm{Ng} 4+49 \mathrm{Kg} 3 \mathrm{Ne5}$ surprisingly Black still wins. $48 \ldots \mathrm{Fg} 2+49 \mathrm{Kh1}$ Hd2 50 Rxb6 Rxd3 51 Rb3 Rd1 +52 $\mathrm{Kn} 2 \mathrm{Ng} 4+\mathbf{0}-1$.

## PGabett v G Spain

Leningrad Dutch
Notes by G Spain
1 d4 552 g 3 Nt6 3 Bg 2 g 64 Nh3 Bg7 5 Nc3 A new move which Paul told me Korchnoi has played with success recently. 5 ..0-0 6 Nf4 d6 6...Nc6 is better controlling the e5 square. 7 dst ch s ha Qes 9 Qdi3!? Na6?! Black should try $9 \ldots e 5$ to dxes d5. 10 dxce bxec 11 n5? Too hwo White can win a pawn with 11 Ocf+
d5 12 Ncxd5 cxd5 13 Nxd5 Be6 14 N*f6" exf6 15 Qxa6 Rc8 16 0-0! Rxc2 17 Qxa7 Rxe2 18 Bf3? 11... Abs! 12 hxg6 hxg6 13 e4 e5 14 Nfe2 d5 15 exd5 Nb4 16 Qd2 Nbxd5 17 Nxd5 No better is 17 b 3 e4 18 Bb2 e3 19 fxe3 Nxe3 20 Bf3 Ba6 when the powerful Black knight cripples the White position 17...cxd5 18 Bxd5+ Nxd5 19 Qxa5+ Be6 20 Qg2 Qb5 Black has excellent compensation for his pawn with better development and open lines. 21 Nc3 Qc4 22 Qh3 Kf7 23 Qt1 Qc6! 24 Nd1?? A blunder in a difficult position but White has no real defence against Black's threats. 24...Bc4 25 Qgl Qf3 0-1 After 26 Nc3 e4 wins

M Portorose vP Garbelt
Dutch Detence
1 d4 f5 2 Bg5 d5 3 e3 c6 4 Nc3 Qb6 5 Na4 $\mathrm{Qa5}+6 \mathrm{c} 3 \mathrm{e} 67 \mathrm{Be} 2 \mathrm{Na7} 8 \mathrm{~b} 4 \mathrm{Qc} 79 \mathrm{Nf} 3 \mathrm{Bd6}$ 10 NC5 Nalf $11 \mathrm{h3}$ h6 12 Bxif Nxf6 $130-00-0$ 14 Qc2 e5 15 dxe5 Bxe5 16 Nxe5 Qxe5 17 Na3 Qd6 18 Rad1 b5 19 Nc5 Qe7 $20 a 4$ a6 21 Ra1 Be6 22 Qd3 Ne4 $23 \mathrm{Nb} 3 \mathrm{Qf6} 24 \mathrm{Nd} 4 \mathrm{Bd} 7$ 25 Bf 3 Og 626 Rle 1 Kh8 27 Red1 Rfe8 $28 \mathrm{Kf1}$ Qd6 29 Bh5 R18 30 Ne2 g6 $31 \mathrm{~B} / 3 \mathrm{Ng} 532 \mathrm{Nd} 4$ Kh7 33 Kg 1 Ni 734 Be 2 f 435 e4 bxat 36 Ni a5 37 Rxa4 axb4 38 Rxb4 Ra2 39 exd5 c5 40 Rb7 Nd8 41 Qb1 Nxb7 42 Qxa2 Qe7 43 Bd3 Na6 44 Rel Of6 45 Qa7 RI7 46 Qxc5 Kg7 47 Cdi4 Nb5 48 Qxf6t Kxf6 49 Ne5 Nxc3 50 Nxf7 Kxf7 51 d $6 \mathrm{Na4} 52$ Re7 +K 1653 Rxd 7 Nc 554 Rh7 Ke 65 Bxg6 and white won

## D Elliot v D Nolley

Exchange French
1 e4 e6 2 d4 ds 3 exas exas 4 Bas

Bd6 $5^{7}$ Nf3 N16 8 0-0 Bg4 7 Re1+ Nge7 8 a3 t6 9 Nbd2 Qd7 10 b4 g5 11 Qb3 0-0-0 12 a4 h5 13 a5 Bf5 14 Bf1 Ng6 15 b5 Nce7 16 b6 a6 17 Kh1 g4 18 Ng1 h4 19 f3 h3 20 g3 gxi3 21 Ngxt3 c6 22 Ba3 Rdes 23 c4 dxc4 24 Nxc4 Bos 25 Ncd2 Nd5 26 Bc4 Rhg8 27 Rac1 Kd8 28 Bc5 Draw agreed.

## C Joel v D Lark <br> QGD

1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6 3 Ne3 Bb4 4 Nf3 Bxc3+ 5 bxc3 c6 6 cxd5 cxd5 7 e3 Bd7 8 c4 Bc6 9 Bd3 Nf6 10 at 0-0 11 a5 Qc7 12 cxd5 Bxd5 13 0-0 Bxt3 14 Qxi3 Qc3 15 Ba3 Rd8 16 Oxb7 Nbd7 17 Qb5 Rdb8 18 Qc4 Oxc4 19 Bxc4 Rcs 20 Ba6 ReB 21 Bd6 Ne4 22 BcT Re7 23 Bb7 Ndf6 24 Bxa8 Rxc7 25 Bxe4 Nxe4 26 Rfc1 Rxci+ 27 Rxc1 ge 28 Rc7 Nf6 29 Rxa7 Nd5 30 Ra8+ Kg7 31 a6 Nb4 32 a7 Nc6 33 e4 1-0

## D Lark v G Banks

$1 \mathrm{~d} 4 \mathrm{d5} 2 \mathrm{e} 3 \mathrm{Nf6} 3 \mathrm{c} 4$ e6 4 Nc c6 5 Nf3 Nbd7 6 Be2 Bd6 7 0-0 0-0 8 Qc2 b6 9 a3 Bb7 10 b4 duct 11 Bxc4 c5 12 bxc5 bxc5 13 Ng5 Bxh3+ 14 Kh1 h6 15 Nh3 Bbs 16 Ne2 Ng4 17 ft Qh4 18 Kg1 Ndi6 19 Bd3 cxd4 20 exd4 Bd5 21 Qd2 Ne4 22 Qe1 Qe7 23 Bxe4 Bxe4 24 Qg3 525 Ni2 Nxf2 26 Qxf2 Rcs 27 Bd2 Bde 28 a4 Rabs 29 Nc3 Bas 30 Rfe1 Bb4 31 Qe3 Bxc3 32 Bxc3 Bd5 33 Rab1 Rxb 34 Rxb1 Qa3 35 Rc1 Oxa4 36 Kh2 Qb3 37 Qd2 Rc6 38 Kg1 Raf 39 Ba5 Rc6 40 Rxc6 Bxc6 41 Qc3 Qd5 42 Qd2 Qe4 43 Kh2 h5 44 Bd8 Ki7 45 Qt2 Qd5 46 Bc7 a5 47 Be5 Qu8 48 Qg3 g6 49 Qc3 Bd5 $50 \mathrm{Bc} 7 \mathrm{Qb} 4+51 \mathrm{Kg} 1 \mathrm{Qg} 452 \mathrm{Qb} 2 \mathrm{~h} 453$ Kh2 Qg3 + 54 Kg1 h3 55 Bxa5 Bxg2 0 -

## BULLETIN BOARD

## From Arthur Pomeroy

On 11th August this game was shown live on West German TV. For the "German TV Cup", it was played between Judit Polgar and Rainer Knaak (East German champion on 2515). Time 1 hour each, colours random, draw counts as win for Black!

| J Polgar v R Knaak |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 e4 | e6 |
| 2 d 4 | d5 |
| 3 Nc 3 | Bb4 |
| 4 e5 | C5 |
| 5 a 3 | Bre3+ |
| 6 bxc3 | Ne7 |
| 7 Qg 4 | Qc7 |
| 8 Bd 3 | cxd4 |
| 9 Ne 2 | Qxe5 |
| 10 Bf 4 | Qf6 |
| 11 Bg 5 | Qe5 |
| $12 \mathrm{cxd4}$ | h5 |
| 13 Qh4 | Qc7 |
| 14 Br 4 | Qa5+ |
| 15 Bd 2 | Qd8 (50) |
| 16 g 4 | e5 |
| $17 \mathrm{dxe5}$ | Bxg4 |
| 18 Rg1 | Qd7 (36) |
| 19 f3 (39) | Be6 (29) |
| 20 Nd 4 | Nbe6 |
| 21 Nxc6 | Nxc6 |
| 22 Rxg 7 (31) | Qc7 |

Here the commentators. Hort and Pfleger, pointed out that White cannot play 23 f 4 due to 23...Nxe5 24 fxe5 Qxe5+ winning a rook. What happened?

$$
23 \mathrm{f} 4 \quad \text { Nxe5 }
$$

24 fxe5
25 Kf 2 (25)
Now Black can pick up either rook. Will it do him any good? 25... Qxg7 (12) 26 Rg1 (21) Qb2 (5:44) 27 Bb 4 f6 28 Re1 (19) 0-0-0 (0:59)
$28 . . \mathrm{K} f 7$ is defeated by 29 Rxe6 Kxe6 30 Qh3 + Kf7 31 Qd7+Kg8 32 Qxd5+ Kg7 $33 \mathrm{Qd} 7+$ and mate next move.

| 29 Rxe6 | Kb8 | $(0: 39)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 30 Qxf6 | Qa2 |  |
| 31 Qd4 | Rc8 | $(0: 32)$ |

Hort: "Black probably has no time to resign."

| 32 Bd 2 | $\mathrm{Ka8} \quad(0: 27)$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| 33 Be 3 | $\mathrm{Rxc} 2+$ |
| 34 Bxc 2 | $\mathrm{Qxc} 2+$ |
| $35 \mathrm{Ke1}$ | $\mathrm{Qb1+}$ |
| $36 \mathrm{Kd2}$ | $\mathrm{Qa2}+$ |
| $37 \mathrm{Kd1}$ | $\mathrm{Qb1+}$ |
| 38 Ke 2 | $\mathrm{Qc} 2+$ |
| 39 Bd 2 |  |
| $40 \mathrm{Qxd5}$ | $1-0$ |

It was not clear whether Knaak resigned or lost on time. Next year they want to get Kasparov to challenge J Polgar for the cup!

The 1990 World Chess Championship is scheduled to commence On 8th October in the Hudson Theatre, New York. Tickets for each game were advertised at $\$ 100$, season ticket $\$ 1000$ but other information suggests singles at $\$ 50$ and $\$ 25$. Most credit cards are acceptable!

## RIURES

Dear Sir.
With reference to your paragrapn in Inside Story in the August issue, I don't know who the clubs are who are seeking assistance for losses on NZCA tournaments that they have run.

May I suggest a recipe to successfully run tournaments.

Take two accountants, make one the president, the other the treasurer and leave them to it. Of course, neither will be A, B or C grade players but they play the game for the game's sake.

Just over 18 months ago we ran the Robt Jones Investments Congress. After paying all expenses, including a well distributed prize list and supplying afternoon tea free, we made a small profit.

We have just finished hosting the Westpac South Island Championship and again we have made a small profit.

I maintain that all tournaments should pay for themselves and this has been the case in Otago for the past six years
If any clubs require any assistance in working out budgets, do not hesitate to contact us.

## Arthur J Patton President Otago CC

We also received a long letter from Don Stracy regarding comments in the August issue on the dispute between the Upper Hutt Club and Russell Dive. It is our
understanding that the clut has whitten to Mr Dive and that he considers the content of the letter to be acceptable to him.

It is possible that the word "rejected", as used in the published article, could have been misleading but as the core issue seems to have been resolved we will not pursue it

Our concern is to see that an entrant gets to play unless the whole tournament is cancelled. If this is denied because of rating cutoffs announced on the entry form, that is another reason not to announce cutoffs!

Now the hard part! We have to hand two letters on the subject of the chosen Olympiad teams. Is that sufficient to signal generai interest? As each letter advocates different teams would more letters choose more teams? Would three members of the teams and one not in the teams like to read criticism of their fitness?

After considering the above questions and the result of the special general meeting, we have decided not to publish the letters. However, from those letters and from comments made to the editor personally, it is evident that selection procedure may come up for discussion at the next AGM. Accordingly, we (the editor, not the association) consider that a cautionary view should be voiced through the editorial.

## IOCAI NIWS

## WELLINGTON

Scots College were dear winners of the Inter-college teams tourney, winning all matches and scoring 10/12. The team was Shamnika Rupasinghe, Kent Wong, Marvin Jones and Antony Sewhoy.

Rongotai were second, St Patrick's (Silverstream) third and Wellington fourth.

The Wellington Chess League, under the guidance of new president Peter Collins and secretary Ted Frost, is aiming to bolster junior chess in the capital with more toumaments and encouragement for the lower reaches to give the youngsters more avenues in which to participate.

## A B-GRADE CLASH

The editor has sometimes expressed the view that there is nol enough life or ideas in today's play. For quite a few years he used 1 Nf3 and spent the next four hours, or less if he blundered eariy, trying to figure out what was going on. Not now. Today he endeavours to play sharply (usually, dont count on it:) and, at a grade level, his opponents sometimes oblige.

Bruce Kay once played in the national championship and is usually very steady: slow, but steady. After this game he said: "That was a very good game for you," Not many opponents are that generous: thanks Bruce! Civic club champs, 1990.

## WRamsay u JBKay <br> French Winawer

1 e4 e6 2 d4 as 3 NC3 RO4 4 eswc5

5 a3 Bxe3 - 6 bxci Net 7 NIS Nbe6
The experd in attendance frowned at ins move but an opening book gives it as the second option though it indicates that 7. Bd7, the fourth option, is best for Black. 8 Bd3 Qc7 The move ... Qas seems to be used a lot in this variation. Pertiaps it is better than the text here. 9 Be3 cxd4 Another frown from the expert. White thought the pawn should stay on c5 to maintain the tension but the book often gives ...c4. 10 cxat Bat it now looked as if Black might cas lle tong 50 White got ready to shove the rooks to abc. He had been thinking also of h4 and 94 with the rook at home 11 0-0 Na5 Definitely a mistake. White was already thinking of Ng5 with a possible sacrifice on $f 7$ or 6 and taking a Black piece away from the action almost commits white to that plan. 12 Ng 5 n6 One idea White had was 13 N -h7-f6 but opted to strand the king in the ridide Biack saw the possibility but thought it wasn't viable 13 Nxi7 Kxf7 14 Qh5t g6 15 Qh4 The original intention was $15 \mathrm{OH}+\mathrm{N} / 516 \mathrm{~g} 4$ regaining the piece but the text seemed to keep more lines open and white wanted to have fun, not reach some kind of equality 15...Ng8 Not the best, as we shall see Rag8 or Rafs seem to be better but then 16 Bxh6 may keep the attack alive. 16 Bg5 Ris Taking the bishop was a possibility but Black wants to choose when to give back the material. 17 Bf6 suddenly, White glimpses the reward for his boldness: The bishop cannot be taken (sately) and there are mating possibilities. 17..Rh7 suppressing his excitement, White forces a calm. casual whisper (there are other games in progress) "i think it's mate in three." 18 Exg6 + Kxg6 19 Og4 + KI7 20 Qhs*

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Just prior to closing the meeting, the president reported the results of the Asian Under - 16 event in Christchurch (see p102 for the crosstable).

In reply to a question from the floor, he said that Darryiz Elliot (Auckland) won the New Zealand Schoolpupils Championship, Mark Sinclair (Rotorua) was second and Shane Hudson (Christchurch) was third.
it was reponted at the August council meeting that all the necessary signatures hat been received for incorporation but that another legal problem had suffaced. It appears that members can only be incorporated bodies or individuals. Under the first class, only seven or eight clubs (out of about 30) would qualify. The president undertook to meet with a suitable solicitor and the Hillary Commission on the matter.

Approaches have been made to GMA for details on running a World Cup event in 1992 . Someone pointed out that the Wellington Arts Festival was scheduled for March 1992 and it was suggested that it would be desirable to hold the tourney at that time.

Lev Aptekar said there were still places available for spectators on the airline to Yugoslavia. The teams will be leaving about 11 th November while the president, as delegate, and the editor, as women's captain, will leave on the 14th.

## CHESS BY CORRY

By Bill Cox
A garie from the Bulush LC Society's magazine Chess Post. It was played in the semifinal of World CC Championship XVI
V Sogaard (Denmark) v K Krantz (Sweden) Notes by Kjoil Krantz
1 d 4 Nf6 2 Nf3 abI? With the idea 3 c 4 c5 4 d 5 b 5 etc 3 Bf 4 Better is 3 Bg 5 3...b5 4 e3 bb7 5 Nbd2 Better is 5 h3 to provide an escape square for the bishop on 44. 5...Nh51 6 Bg5 h6 7 Bh4 g5 B Ne5 Ng7 9 eg3 d6 10 Nef3 10 NdЭ1? Nf5 11 a4 is unclear. 10...Nf5 11 c 4 b 4 A A compulsory pamn sacrifice. It 11...Qa7 12 Qb3 gives the advantage to White $12 \mathrm{Bd3}$ Qd7 13 Bxt5 Oxt5 14 Qa4+ Nd7 15 Oxb4 Rb8 16 ac3 Bg7 in my opinion Black has real compensation for the pawn. $170-0 \mathrm{~h} 518$ h 4 gxh 419 e4 Weakens the centre but 19 Nxh4 Og4 looking to $20 \ldots$ Bto was also problematcal. 19...Qg4 20 Nh 2 Qg6 21 Bxh4 Rg8

$a b c d e f g h$
22 Og3p A blunder. The "uws" 22 g3 was obligatory. Black has now many possibilities. 22... Bxe 4 with the idea 23 Nxe4 Qxe4 24 Re1 Oxt41 22...Oxg3 23 Bxg3 Bxd4 Advantage to Black because of the threat $24 \ldots$...kg3. 24 Nhf3 Bxt2 25 Rab1 Ba3 26 Rfe1 Bc5 27 Bf4 t6 28 Be3 Kf7 29 Nd4 o6 3014 fs 31 exf5 e5 0-1

The finish could be 32 fxe5 dxe5 33 N4f3 Bxi3 34 Rxb8 $\mathrm{Rxg} 2+35 \mathrm{Kf1}$ Bxe 3 36 Rxe3 with an easy win.

## STUDY CORNER

## By Emil Melnichenko

57 entries from 12 countries competed in a tourney dedicated to the memory of John Richard Harman. The product of his Sisyphean labour, the Harman index, systematically records many thousands of studies. Here is one of Aotearoa's finalists from that contest.
E. Melnichenko


White's material advantage is enormous yet the prognosis is grim in view of the apparently inescapable threat of mate once the knight on h7 moves.
1 b6+
Random checking is frowned upon but here it is the only reasonable move as obviously both 1 g 5 ? Neg5 and 1 Re8 Nf6 are suicidal.
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## Ka6

Naturally 1 ...Kxb6? 2 Rb8+ and 3 g8Q frees the White monarch.

## $2 \mathrm{Bb} 7+\mathrm{Kxb6}$

Black sidesteps both $2 \ldots \mathrm{~K} \times \mathrm{b} 7$ ? 3 Rb8 + and 2 Ka5? 3 Ra8+ when ge is vacated with an all-important check.

## $3 \mathrm{C5}+\quad \mathrm{Kb} 5$ <br> $4 \mathrm{Bc} 6+$

Not 4 Ba6+? Ka5 when Black is shielded long enough to detiver mate.
$4 \ldots \quad$ Kxc5
Of course the inferior $4 \ldots \mathrm{Kc} 4$ ? is met by $5 \mathrm{Ne} 5+\mathrm{Kxc} 56 \mathrm{~d} 4+$ forcing the hapless sovereign to face a fatal check from the turret on g8.

## $5 \mathrm{~d} 4+\mathrm{Kc} 4$

## 6 Bd5+

Here $6 \mathrm{Bb} 5+$ ? loses to Kb4 while $6 \mathrm{Ne} 5+$ ? fares no better after $6 \ldots \mathrm{Kc} 3$ 7 Rg3 + Nf3! 8 Rxf3 +Kd 29 Rd3 + (both $9 \mathrm{Nc} 4+\mathrm{Ke} 1$ and 9 Rxh 3 Rxh 3 $10 \mathrm{Nf} 3+\mathrm{Kc} 1$ fail to find reprieve for White) Ke1 10 Rxh3 (10 Rd1+ Kxd1 $11 \mathrm{Ba} 4+\mathrm{Ke} 112 \mathrm{Nf} 3+\mathrm{Kf} 2$ is also hopeless) Fxh3 11 Bg 2 h 6.

## $6 \ldots$ Kxd4 <br> 8 Bett

Both $8 \mathrm{Bc} 4+$ ? Kc 3 and $8 \mathrm{Ne5+}$ ? Kxe3 9 Rg3+ (if $9 \mathrm{Nc} 4+\mathrm{Kd} 410$ Rd2+ Kc3 11 Rd3+ Nxd3 wins) Kf2 10 Rxh3 Rxh3 render White defenceless.

## 8 ...

## Kxe3

## 9 Rg3+

Now 9 Re2+? Kxe2 $10 \mathrm{Bd} 3+\mathrm{Kf} 2$ 11 Nf8 Nxf8 mates.
$9 \ldots$

## Kf2

The weary monarch finds a haven from checks at last but not after 9. Nf3 10 Rxf3 +Ke 211 Rxh3 Rxh3 12. Bg2 Rh6 13 Re8+

## 10 Axh 3

The point of the thematic descending staircase becomes clear as White now challenges Black's
supromacy on the h-file!
10 ... Axh3
11 Nh 4
This desperate move celebrates the problemist's mousetrap theme! The decoyed rook is momentarily prevented from announcing mate or capturing the valiant knight as 11 ...Rxh4 is answered by 12 Bxh 7 . While closing the h-file, White has also opened the e4-h7 diagonal along which the bishop's sights are trained.
11 ... Nis

12 f8N
Neither 12 Bh7? Rxh4 13 f8N (else 13...Rxh7\#) Nd3 14 g5 Nxi4 15 g5xf6 (15 g6 Kgy 16 Nes Nog6年) Kg1 16 f 7 Kt 217 Ne6 Ng6\# nor 12 Bge? Rxh4+ 13 Bh5 Nxh5 14 Kh7 Nxi4\# saves the Maginot Line.

An unforgetable biunde: would be 13 Bh7? Nd3 14 g $5 \mathrm{~N} \times 14$ when Black smothers the king as in the previous note. However after the text white wins comfortably by force. eg, 13..Nxe4 i4 g5 or 13..Nxg8 $14 \mathrm{Kxg8} \mathrm{Rxg} 415 \mathrm{Ng} 5$ when queening can't be prevented.

The judge, David Friedgood, a FIDE OTB master and third-time wioner of the Lloyds Bank British Solving Championship, said: "An artificial position ( 8 WPP ) but the repetitive manoeuvre is great fun. the byplay shows considerable ingenuity and there is even an underpromotion. Most of the wood is consumed in the flames."

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