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COVER: A scene from the 1994 NZ Women's

Championship. With 21 players this was easily

the most successful women's tournament ever

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Russell Dive and Mark Sinclair 41/2/5

narrowly won the Kapiti 30/30 from others who

Danial Lam won the Auckland Easter with 5/6

NZCF has just received FIDE Master

certificates and badges for Russell Dive, Martin

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tournament and the 1993-94 Congress so that if they qualify applications will be lodged for

FIDE Master titles for them.

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conceded more draws.

Auckland Easter

competitors.

**FIDE Masters** 

occasions.

## **New Zealand Chess**

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#### Waitakere Licensing Trust N.Z. Women's Championship By Bob Smith

After many months of planning and preparatory work by the organising club, Waitemata, 21 female players turned out on Easter Friday for the Waitekere Licensing Trust's N.Z. Women's Chess Championship.

It was, without doubt, the largest gathering of female chess players ever in New Zealand - the turnout at Kelston Girls' High School was more than at the Auckland Easter tournament being held at the same time.

The players were involved in two tournaments: 12 contesting the NZ Women's Championship itself, and the other nine playing in a subsidiary two-day one-hour tournament lavelled the NZ Women's Major Open.

There were rewards aplenty to fight for, with \$1500 prize-money and automatic places in the NZ women's Olympiad team for the first two place-getters.

The Championship attracted most of the country's top female players and some aspiring juniors. The notable exception was Auckland's Katrine Metge, arguably New Zealand's third strongest female player, who for reasons unkown was unable to take part despite four months' advance notice.

On paper, the Championship field looked like two separate events - a race for the top two places between Fenella Foster and Vivian Smith, and a bunfight among the others for the minor money. At the previous women's championship, Fenella and Vivian had met in the first round (Vivian winning) and both had won all their other games. What odds on their

meeting in the first round again?

Well, you guessed it. At the opening ceremony the two front-runners again drew numbers that pitted them against each other in round one, with Vivian getting her fourth White out of four games against Fenella.

Round one: Unfortunately the tournament featured some terrible blunders throughout. In the first round they included Eva Tweddell sacrificing a piece for a lost game against Joyce Ong; Catherine Tan overlooking the loss of a piece and then a knight fork against Isabel McIntosh; and Julie Glamuzina getting her bishop pinned to her king by Lynn Parlane-Powell. Zoe Kingston did better, only blundering a pawn, and recovering to beat Edith Otene with a good attack.

In the top clash, Smith played solidly, but Foster gained a slight advantage and even with a pawn with a tactical trick in White's time trouble. However, the extra pawn meant little and Foster was happy to agree a draw without resuming.

#### Kingston, Z - Otene, E

1.c4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.e4 Nfd7 6.Be3 0-0 7.Be2 c5 8.0-0 b6 9.Qd2 Nc6 d2 10.Bh6 Re8 11.Bxg7 Kxg7 12.Nd5 e6 13.Ne3 Nf6 14.Ng5 Nxd4 15.Bd3 e5 16.Nd5 Nh5 17.f4 f5 18.fxe5 Rxe5 19.Rae1 h6 20.Nf3 Nxf3 21.Rxf3 Rb8 22.exf5 Bxf5 23.Rxe5 dxe5 24.Bxf5 gxf5 25.Rxf5 Qh4 26.Rxe5 Nf6 27.Re7+ Kf8 28.g3 Qd4 29.Qxd4 cxd4 30.Rxa7 Nxd5 31.cxd5 Rd8 32.Kf2 Rxd5

#### 1994 NZ Women's Championship

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Smith, V - Foster, F 1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bf4 Bg7 4.Nbd2 d6 5.e4 0-0 6.Bc4 Nbd7 7.0-0 c6 8.Bb3 Nh5 9.Be3 b5 10.c3 e5 11.Re1 Bb7 12.Bg5 Qc7 13.Nf1 Nhf6 14.Ng3 h6 15.Bd2 c5 16.dxe5 dxe5 17.c4 b4 18.Qe2 Nb6 19.Bc2 Rad8 20.Rad1 Rd7 21.b3 Rfd8 22.Be3 Nh7 23.Rxd7 Rxd7 24.Rd1 Nf8 25.Rxd7 Nbxd7 26.Qd2 Kh7 27.h3 Ne6 28.Nh2 Nd4 29.Bd3 Nb6 30.f3 Nc8 31.Ngf1 Nd6 32.Ng4 h5 33.Nf2 f5 34.exf5 Ndxf5 gxf5!? 35.Bg5 Bxf3! 36.Be4 Bxe4 37.Nxe4 Nd6 38.Nfg3 Nf7 39.Be3 Qe7 40.Qf2 Nh6 1/2

Round two: Otene gave Smith a slight scare, gaining an opening advantage. But she went wrong soon after and finally lost on time in a hopeless position. Foster kept pace with an easy win over Glamuzina. The round's other interest was provided by Isabel McIntosh's draw offer, when a piece up against Tweddell. The rumour was that socialite McIntosh had a date and couldn't be late!

#### Otene, E - Smith, V Notes by Bob Smith

1.e4 d6 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.d4 Bg7 5.Bc4 0-0 6.Be3 c6 7.a4 Nbd7 8.b4?! Ng4 Better 8...d5! 9.exd5 Nb6 10.Bd3 Nbxd5 11.Nxd5 cxd5 = +.9.Bd2 e5 9...d5. 10.d5 c5 11.b5 h612.Qc1 Kh7 13.h4 f5?! Opens up the kingside in White's favour; better Ndf6, Bd7 and later f7-f5. 14.h5 f4 15.hxg6 Kxg6 16.Nh4 Kh7 17.Nf5 Ndf6 18.f3?! Better 18.Nxg7 Kxg7 19.f3 Ne3 20.Bxe3 fxe3 21.Qxe3 ±. 18...Bxf5 19.exf5 Ne3 20.Bxe3 fxe3 21.Qxe3 Kg8 22. 23g4?! 22.Ne4 += 22...e4! 23...e4! 24.g5hxg5 25.Nxe4? Better 25.Oxg5 Rg8 26.Og6 Kf8 27.fxe4 ±; 27...Nxe4 28.Nxe4 Bxa1 29.Qxd6 Qxd6 30.Nxd6 ± 25...Nxe4 26.Qxe4 Re8 27.Qg4 Qa5 28.Kd1 Rh8 29.Rf1 Bf6 29...Bxa1 30.f4!? complicates, although Black should win. 30.Ra2?? Missing the threat. 30...Rh4 31.Qg3 Rxc4 32.Qh2 Rd4 33.Kc1 Rh8 34.Qe2 Be5 35.Rd1 Rxd1 36.Qxd1 Rh4 37.Qd3 Rh1 38.Qd1 Rxd1 38...Bf4. 39.Kxd1 Qc3 0-1 on time.

Tweddell, E - McIntosh, I



Draw agreed??

Round three: Smith played a good positional game against 15-year-old Stormie Neislon, while Foster won when another teenager, Howick-s Joyce Ong, blundered two pieces inside 14 moves.

Helen Courtney turned a drawn king and pawn ending into a loss to give Kingston the lead on 3/3.

Kingston, Z - Courtney, H



37...d4? 37...Kf6 draws easily. 38.Ke4 b5?? 38...b6 still draws. 39.g5? 39.b4! wins. 39...d3?? b4 40.f5+ Kf7 41.Kxd3 and White won.

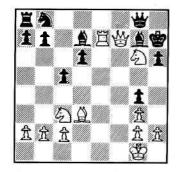
Round four: Kingston met her come-uppance when she allowed Smith a stranglehold on her castled position. Third seed McIntosh played a nice tactial trick against Foster, only to follow with the wrong knight move, letting her opponent's central paws advance unchecked.

Leading scores: Foster, Smith 31/2; Kingston, Courtney, Parlane-Powell 3.

Foster, F - McIntosh, I 1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Nf6 3.d3 d5?! The pawn on e5 often suffers in this line. 4.exd5 Nxd5 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.0-0 Bg4 7.c3 Bc5 8.b4 Bb6 9.a4 a5 10.b5 Nce7 11.Qe2?! Better 11.Re1 Neg6 12.Ba3 $\pm$ . 11...Ng6 12.h3 Ndf4 13.Bxf4 Bxf3 14.Qxf3 14.gxf3 Nxf4 15.Qxe5+ Qe7 16.Re1 Qxe5 17.Rxe5 Kd7 18.Rf5 $\pm$ . 14...Nxf4 15.Re1? 15.d4 15...Qf6 16.d4 0-0 17.dxe5 Nxh3+! 18.Kh2 Qxf3 19.gxf3 Ng5? 19...Nf4 and ...g5 and White's pawns are fixed. 20.Kg3 Rad8? Better 20...Ne6 and ...g6. 21.f4 Ne6 22.f5 Nc5 23.e6 fxe6 24.fxe6 fxe6 25.Bxe6+ and White won.

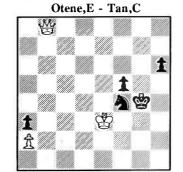
Round five: Smith showed her tactical awareness after an opening mistake by Courtney. Tan blundered two pieces in a dozen moves aginst Foster. McIntosh beat Otene nicely, and Neilson continued a horror start by losing her fifth straight game, this time from a pawn up (albeit doubled) in a pawn ending!

McIntosh, I - Otene, E 1,e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.Nf3 Bg7 5.Be2 0-0 6.0-0 c5 7.d5 e6 8.Bg5 h6 9.Bh4 g5 10.Bg3 Nh5? 11.dxe6 Nxg3 12.exf7+ Kxf7 13.fxg3 Kg8 14.Qd5+ Kh8 15.Rad1 g4 16.Nh4 Kh7 17.e5 Bxe5 18.Rf7+ Rxf7 19.Qxf7+ Bg7 20.Bd3+ Kh8 21.Re1 Bd7 22.Ng6+ Kh7 23.Re7 Qg8



24.Rxd7! Nxd7 25.Ne7+ Kh8 26.Nxg8 Ne5 27.Qf5 Nxd3 28.Qxd3 Bd4+ 29.Kh1 Re8 30.Ne2 Bf2 31.Nf6 Re7 32.Qxd6 Rxe2 33.Qf8++ 1-0

Round six: More wins for the two top seeds. Foster beat Tweddell when her opponent created a fork of her own queen and two rooks (!), while Smith struggled against bottom-seeded Glamuzina until the latter gave away bishop, queen and rook in four moves. Kingston lost a piece in the opening, but recovered to beat Ong. The upset of the round was Neilson's win over McIntosh after the latter blundered a pawn and then overlooked a pawn fork, while the draw agreed by Tan with Otene when a queen up for a knight and two pawns was almost as surprising.



After 36...Kd6

Draw agreed??

Leading scores: Foster, Smith 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; Kingston 5; Parlane-Powell 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.

Round seven: Kingston turned down a draw against McIntosh, preferring a lost ending. Foster comfortably outplayed Parlane-Power, and Smith won a pawn and the game against Ong.

Round eight: Smith won with surprising ease against McIntosh when the latter erred in the opening; Foster also had an easy win, against Courtney. Kingston inexplicably rejected another draw, a pawn down in a pawn ending, and lost after an unfathomable king retreat.

Leading scores: Foster, Smith 7<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; Kingston 5; McIntosh, Otene, Parlane-Powell, Courtney 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.

Round nine: Smith and Foster continued their march. Smith won easily when Tan blundered a pawn and soon after her queen. Foster had a harder time, being taken to adjournment (the first of the competition) by Otene. Foster was two pawns up, but there could have been some practical difficulties. The worst blunder of the round - and perhaps the worst of the tournament - came from Tweddell, who forgot to checkmate Kingston in one move and went on to lose.

Round ten: Tweddell wasted three tempi in the opening against Smith and paid the price. Neilson was also soon in trouble against Foster, falling for an early tactical trick. Kingston beat Parlane-Powell in a game that seemed to be one big tactical melee. The shock of the round was Ong's win over McIntosh, her best game of the tournament.

Ong, J - McIntosh, I 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Bd2 c5 5.e3 a6 6.Nf3 0-0 7.Be2 Nc6 8.0-0 Qc7 9.a3 cxd4 10.exd4 Bxc3 11.Bxc3 d5 12.Rc1 Bd7 13.b4 dxc4? Better was Qb6 or Qd6, maintaining the centre and preparing Rac8. 14.Bxc4 Ne7 15.d5! Qf4 15...Qxc4 16.Bxf6  $\pm$ ; 15...Nxd5 16.Bxd5 Nxd5; 17.Bxg7 $\pm$ . 16.dxe6 Bxe6 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.Qe2 Ned5 19.Qxe6+ Rf7? Better Kh8. 20.Ne5 Raf8 21.Nxf7 Rxf7 22.Bxf6 gxf6 23.Qxd5 Kg7 24.Rc3 Re7 25.Qh5 Re2 1-0

Leading scores: Foster, Smith 9<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; Kingston 7; Otene, McIntosh 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>.

Round eleven: A nervous Smith was gifted a piece by Parlane-Powell, but soon after returned it. She then had to win the game again, which she did after some help from her opponent. No such problems for Foster; Kingston gave her a piece early and that was that. Otene and McIntosh both reached 6½ points and fourth equal, in contrasting styles. Otene blundered an early peice to Neilson, but later took advantage of her opponent's lapses to win, while Courtney gave McIntosh material early and never recovered.

So Vivian Smith and Fenella Foster deservedly tied for first equal with 10 wins and a draw from 11 games. They each won \$400.00 and qualified for the NZ women's team to the next Olympiad. The co-champions were a full three points ahead of the field.

Throughout the tournament Smith and Foster showed they were in a different class from their rivals, both in terms of understanding and consistency. In clear third on 7 was Zoe Kingston. She began the championship rated tenth out of the 12 players, and can be well satisfied with her result. She nosed out Isabel McIntosh and Edith Otene, who scored 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>. It was a pleasing result for Otene, but perhaps a little disappoint for McIntosh. But at times she showed she could do better; perhaps a little more application was needed.

Of the others, Joyce Ong recovered well after a poor start to score 50% and finish sixth. She took the best junior prize and clearly has potential if she can steady her play and eliminate those blunders!

15-year-old Stormie Neilson also showed promise. She began nervously, losing her first five games. But her later play was much improved; with the right guidance she also has potential.

#### Major Open

The subsidiary Major Open tournament was won by 15-year-old Winnie Ong, with six straight wins. For her efforts over two days she took home \$200.00. Second equal were her sister Katherine, top seed Gwen Jones and Jenny Blacklock who made her return to serious chess in this tournament after a break of ten years.

IM Ortvin Sarapu was arbiter for both events, and the only incident at the tournament arose when a video camera distracted a player.

#### No easy wins

Ortvin Sarapu reports that in spite of the blunders which occurred in the NZ Women's Championship, there were no easy wins for the top players. Ortvin says it was unfortunate that Vivian Smith and Fenella Foster were drawn to play in the first round, but they responded to the extra pressure created after they drew their game, by winning all other games.

However, he says the play showed that the gap between the top players and the others is closing, which is a healthy sign for NZ women's chess.

Ortvin compliments Bob and Vivian Smith and the other Waitemata CC members on the organisation and says they did a great job. This included production of good daily bulletins.

## New Zealand Junior and Under-16 Championships

Otago players have continued their recent strong showing in New Zealand's premier youth tournaments. Matthew Vincent, who finished second equal in last year's New Zealand junior (under 20) tournament, went one better in this year's event held in Dunedin at Easter.

The 19-year-old Otago University student scored 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> points from five games to take out the title at his final attempt. Second equal on 3 were Aucklander James Turnbull, Matthew Edmonds of Christchurch and last year's corunner-up, David Guthrie, of Dunedin, who has just turned 17.

The national under-16 tournament, which was also held in Dunedin in conjunction with the junior event, also produced an excellent result for the host city. King's High School fifthformer, Aaron Batchelor, scored 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> from six games to finish first equal with 13-year-old Russell Metge, of Auckland.

Both tournaments produced spirited competition and some quality chess, but the disappointingly small fields are a matter of concern. The Junior attracted only six players, and the Under-16 only four, with the total half the combined entry in last year's events in Wellington. Because of the small fields, the events were held as separate round robins.

Here is the Junior Winner in action.

#### Ng, L - Vincent, M

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 b6 4.e3 Bb7 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.Bd2 Bxc3 7.Bxc3 Ne4 8.Bb4 This simply encourages Black's next move and is a waste of time. 8...c5 9.dxc5 bxc5 10.Bd2 0-0 11.Qc2 f5 12.Bd3 d6 13.Bc3 e5 14.Bf1 Black was threatening 14...Nxc3 15.Qxc3 e4. However 14.Be2 makes more sense. 14...Nd7 15.0-0-0 Rb8 16.Bxe5?! White tries desperately to gain some counterplay. However, the plan is

#### NZ Junior Championship

#### NZ Under-16 Championship

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By Tony Love

doomed to failure. 16...dxe5 17.Nxe5 Nef6 18.Qxf5 Qb6! 19.Nxd7 Or19.Rxd7 Be4. 19...Nxd7 20.Qc2 Black wins quickly after 20.Qxd7 Rxf2 21.b3 Qb4. 20...Ne5 21.h3 Be4 22.Qc3 Black also wins comfortably after 22.Qd2 Rfd8 23.Qc3 Qxb2+ 24.Qxb2 Rxd1+ 25.Kxd1 Rxb2. 22...Rxf2 23.Rd2 Not 23.Qxe5 Rc2+ 24.Kb1 Rxb2+. 23...Rbf8 24.Rxf2 Rxf2 25.Qxe5 Rc2+ 26.Kd1 Qd8+ 0-1

Here is the game between the joint winners of the Under-16 title.

Batchelor, A - Metge, R 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.g4 Bg6 5.h4 h5 6.e6 Qd6 7.exf7+ Bxf7 8.Be7 Nd7 9.a4 hxg4 10.Ra3 Nf6 11.Rb3 Qc7 12.Bd3 e5 13.c3 Bd6 14.Bf5 Bh5 15.Qc2 e4 16.Bxd7+ Kxd7 17.Ne2 Raf8 18.Rg1 Rf7 19.Ng3 Bg6 20.Bg5 Nh5 21.Nxh5 Bxh5 22.c4 Rhf8 23.cxd5 cxd5 24.Qxc7+ Kxc7 25.Be3 Be7 26.Nd2 b6 27.a5 Kb7 28.axb6 axb6 29.Rb1 Ra8 30.Nf1 Bd6 31.Kd2 Ra7 32.Bg5 Rxf2+ 0-1

For more games see Page 18

#### School-pupil championships

The four regional school-pupil championships will be held in the week starting May 9.

The Wellington event will be held at Central Bowling Club, Petone (Petone CC's club-room), as a six-round 60/60 event on the Monday and Tuesday, starting at 9.30 each day. Mark Noble is DOP and is taking entries (see Page 31). Auckland Chess Association, Canterbury CC and Otago CC are the organisers of the other events.

## **Blackburn Cup**

Papatoetoe have won the Blackburn Cup final against Wanganui by a comfortable margin, after eight of the 10 games had to be adjudicated.

The match was played by fax, and was due to run from 1pm to 11pm, but started late due to a misunderstanding over telephone numbers. With moves being sent in groups, *no game went beyond 23 moves!* - no further than 20-board Bledisloe Cup matches played decades ago by telegraph with an operator sitting in a corner tapping out the moves in morse code.

The match was arbited by Aidan-B Howard at Papatoetoe and Bob Bowler at Wanganui, and they have submitted reports to NZCF, with suggestions for improvements in future matches. Wanganui president, Gordon Hoskyn, has also submitted some positive proposals.

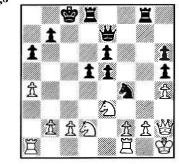
With eight games for adjudication, the match has provided an opportunity to look at how adjudications are carried out, and to assess the results. The eight positions (with players and teams not identified) were examined by a Wellington group of FMs, whose approach was to assume best play from both sides - which is unrealistic in practice but unavoidable unless wins are awarded only when a decisive winning line can be demonstrated.

On this basis, the match resulted:

Papatoetoe			Wanganui	
S East	1	a	Y Le	0
K Metge	1	a	D Cooper	0
G Banks	1/2	a	C Burns	<b>1</b> ⁄2
D Storey	1		T Boswell	0
F Fuatai	0	a	P Vetharaniam	1
C Wilson	1	a	S Hall	0
R Metge	<b>1</b> ⁄2	a	H Whitlock	<b>1</b> ⁄2
<b>R</b> Hampton	1	a	W Boswell	0
D Taylor	1/2	a	G Hoskyn	1/2
I Cameron	١⁄2		D Bell	1⁄2
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With so many adjudications, this match gives an opportunity for a good look at adjudication procedure. So we give all games, final positions and adjudicators' comments. By Ted Frost

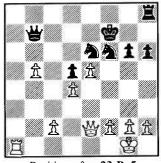
Board 1 Le, Y (W) - East, S (P) 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Bxf6 gxf6 9.Na3 h5 10.Nc4 Be6 11.a4 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Ne3 Be6 14.Bc4 Qg5 15.Bxe6 fxe6 16.Ne4 Qe7 17.h4 0-0-0 18.Qf3 Nd4 19.Qh3 Bh6 20.0-0 Ne2+ 21.Kh1 Nf4 22.Qh2 d5 23.Nd2 Rhg8



Position after 23...Rhg8 Win for Black

Difficult to judge, but Black's strong centre, open lines again the White king, and active pieces give him the edge (look at the White queen buried on h2!).

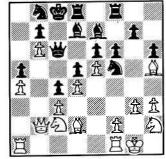
Board 2 Metge, K (W) - Cooper, D (P) 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.Bd3 f6 6.0-0 c4 7.Be2 g6 8.exf6 Nxf6 9.b3 b5 10.a4 Ba6 11.axb5 Bxb5 12.Na3 Bxa3 13. Bxa3 a6 14.Ng5 Qc8 15.Re1 Nd8 16.bxc4 h6 17.Nxe6 Nxe6 18.cxb5 axb5 19.Bxb5+ Kf7 20.Qe2 Ra7 21.Bd6 Rxa1 22.Rxa1 Qb7 23.Be5



Position after 23.Be5 Win for White

White is clearly winning, with 2 extra pawns, 2 bishops v 2 knights, and an exposed Black king.

Board 3 Burns, C (P) - Banks, G (W) 1.e4 c5 2.c3 e6 3.d4 d5 4.e5 Nc6 5.Nf3 Qc7 6.Na3 a6 7.Nc2 Nge7 8.Be2 Bd7 9.0-0 Ng6 10.Bg5 h6 11.Bd2 c4 12.Qc1 Be7 13.h3 Rf8 14.Nh2 0-0-0 15.b3 Na5 16.b4 Nc6 17.a4 Nb8 18.Qb2 f6 19.Bh5 Nh4 20.b5 a5 21.b6 Qc6 22.g3 Nf5

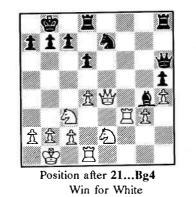


Position after 22...Nf5 Draw

Still much play left, impossible to judge, so drawn.

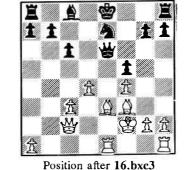
Board 4 Storey, R (P) - Boswell, T (W) 1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.e3 Bf5 4.c4 e6 5.Nc3 c6 6.Bd3 Nbd7 7.Bxf5 exf5 8.cxd5 Nxd5 9.Nxd5 exd5 10.Bd2 Bd6 11.Qb3 Nb6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Ba5 Bc7 14.Rac1 Nc4 15.Bxc7 Qxc7 16.Ne5 Rfc8 17.Rc2 a6 18.Rfc1 b5 19.Qd3 g6 20.b3 Nxe5 21.Rxc7 Rxc7 22.Qb1 Rxc1 23.Qxc1 Nd3 24.Qc6 1-0

Board 5 Vetharaniam, P (W) - Fuatai, F (P) 1.e4 e4 2.f4 exf4 3.Nf3 d6 4.d3 g5 5.h4 g4 6.Ng1 h5 7.Bxf4 Nc6 8.Nc3 Bh6 9.Qd2 Be6 10.g3 Qf6 11.Nge2 Ne5 12.0-0-0 0-0-0 13.Kb1 Kb8 14.Bg2 Ne7 15.Rhf1 Qg6 16.d4 Nf3 17.Qd3 f5 18.Bxh6 Qxh6 19.Bxf3 gxf3 20.Rxf3 fxe4 21.Qxe4 Bg4



White is a pawn up, so if there is no clear compensation for Black, the game should go to White, e.g., 22.Rf7 Nc6 23.R1f1 unpins the Ne2 23...Rde8 24.Qd3 Re3 25.Qc4.

Board 6 Wilson, C (P) - Hall, S (W) 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Be3 Qf6 6.c3 Nge7 7.f4 Nxd4 8.cxd4 Bb4+ 9.Nc3 Qc6 10.Qc2 d5 11.Bd3 dxe4 12.Bxe4 Qe6 13.Kf2 f5 14.Bf3 c6 15.Rae1 Bxc3 16.bxc3

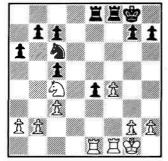


Win for White

Black is weak on the White squares, and has no defence to Bc1-a3, e.g., 16...0-0 17.Bc1 Qd6 18.Qb3+ Nd5 19.Ba3 winning the exchange.

Board 7 Whitlock, HP (W) - Metge, R (P) 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Be3 Qf6 6.c3 Nge7 7.Qd2 0-0 8.f4 d6 9.Be2 Qg6 10.Bf3 Bg4 11.Qf2 f5 12.Nxc6 Nxc6 13.Bxc5 Bxf6 14.Qxf6 fxe4 15.Qe2 dxc5 16.0-0 Rae8 17.Na3 a6 18.Rae1 Qe6 19.Qc4

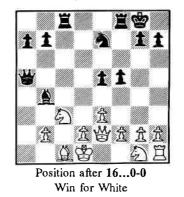
Qxc4 20.Nxc4



Position after 20.Nxc4 Draw

Black's extra pawn is doubled.

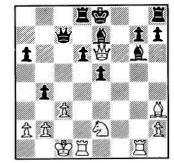
Board 8 Hampton, R (P) - Boswell, W (W) 1.g4 d5 2.Bg2 Bxg4 3.c4 c6 4.cxd5 cxd5 5.Qb3 Qc7 6.Nc3 e6 7.Qa4+ Nc6 8.Qxg4 Nb4 9.Ka1 Rc8 10.a3 Qa5 11.Rb1 d4 12.Qxd4 e5 13.axb4 Bxb4 14.Qg4 Ne7 15.e3 f5 16.Qe2 0-0



White is two pieces up for one pawn, and can unravel. He can even play 17.Qb5 Bxc3

18.Qxa5, exchanging Qs and transposing to an endgame one piece up.

Board 9 Hoskyn, G (W) - Taylor, D (P) 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Be7 8.Qf3 Qc7 9.g4 Nbd7 10.Bxf6 Nxf6 11.g5 Nd7 12.0-0-0 b5 13.Rg1 Nc5 14.f5 b4 15.Nce2 Bb7 16.fxe6 fxe6 17.Qg4 Rc8 18.c3 e5 19.Ne6 Nxe6 20.Qxe6 Bxe4 21.Bh3 Rd8 22.g6 Bxg6



Position after 22...Bxg6 Draw

White has supplied analysis 23.Rxg6 hxg6 24.Qxg6+ Kf8 25.Rf1+ Bf6 26.Rxf6+ gxf6 27.Qxf6+ Kg8 28.Be6+ Kh7 29.Bf5+ which leads to a draw by perpetual check. As this is White's declared intention, it means the game should be adjudicated a draw.

Board 10 Cameron, I (P) - Bell, D (W) 1.Nf3 c5 2.c4 Nc6 3.g3 d6 4.Bg2 Nf6 5.d3 e6 6.e4 Be7 7.Nc3 0-0 8.0-0 Rb8 9.h3 Bd7 10.Be3 a6 11.a4 e5 12.Nd5 Nxd5 13.exd5 Nd4 14.Bxd4 cxd4 15.a5 b5 16.axb6ep Qxb6 17.Ra2 a5 18.Qd2 a4 19.Rfa1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

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## Howick-Pakuranga's 1994 Latvian Gambit Tourney

It was decided this year to organise the Latvian Gambit Open as a one-day event in view of the fast time control that has always characterised this event and the growing popularity of one-dayers. The format was shortened to a 30-30 6-round Swiss and the venue transferred back to the Pakuranga Community Centre.

An initial slow trickle of entries ended with an avalanche of about 36 on the morning of the tournament, boosting the total to 65, including two players from Tokoroa who had driven up that morning after only receiving entry forms the day before.

The large number of late entries meant an inevitable delay of over half-an-hour for the first round. However, DoP Bob Gibbons, assisted by Paul Spiller, managed to get the rounds back to schedule by round 4.

Most of Auckland's strongest active players were present, including Garbett, Nokes, Smith, Sarapu, P Green, Dreyer, McLaren, Metge and Peter Stuart. NZ women's champion Vivian Smith, as well as former champion Fenella Foster and juniors Winnie and Katherine Ong and Amy Cater battled it out for the women's prize.

Some early upsets were probably due to inability to come to terms with the time control, although after an upset loss to David Vincent in round 1, Nigel Metge stormed back with 41/2 from the last five rounds. Also Fenella, with a round 1 loss, managed 4 from the last 5 to win the prize for the best result by a woman. Improving junior Daniel Lam suffered a second round loss to Vivian Smith, but in the end his total of 4 was enough to share the junior (under 20) prize with James Turnbull.

By round 4 only Garbett and Smith had maximum points, Garbett by virtue of a win over Peter Green in round 4 and Smith by beating Sarapu. They were followed closely by Nokes, McLaren and Stuart on 31/2. Martin Dreyer dropped out of contention with defeats against Peter Green in round 3 and Leonard McLaren in round 4.

The last 2 rounds produced some exciting

By Paul Spiller

chess and some very close finishes. Paul Garbett took sole lead in round 5 with a win against new NZ Master Bob Smith. Sarapu beat Stuart to stay in touch, as did Peter Green by despatching McNally. Roger Nokes had a nightmare last 2 rounds, losing to Leonard McLaren and then to Peter Green.

In round 6 the top pairings were:

P Garbett 5 vs L McLaren 41/2, G Ion 4 vs R Smith 4, R Goris 4 vs O Sarapu 4, R Nokes 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> vs P Green 4.

All interest focussed on the board 1 game. An interesting tactical battle ensued, Garbett declined McLaren's draw offer, went material ahead and won. Garbett completed a picket fence, the first time that this has been achieved in this tournament.

Smith and Sarapu picked up wins against lower-rated opponents, while Peter Green completed Roger Nokes' misery by winning to tie with Smith and Sarapu for second place. It was a convincing tournament victory for Garbett, to follow his win in the North Shore rapid late last year. Paul took home the winner's cheque of \$500, while Sarapu, Smith and Green won \$166 each.

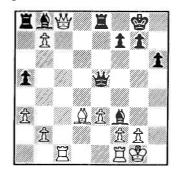
Other prizes were distributed as follows: Junior (under 20), D Lam and J Turnbull 4; best woman, Fenella Foster 4; grade 1, L Rawnsley, R Goris and G Gill 4; grade 2, B Giles 4; grade 3, R Phillips, A Starr and R Starr 3.

It is hard to choose games, as a lot of scores are illegible or incomplete as players stopped recording moves when they had only 5 minutes left. My prize for the best kept score sheets goes to Graham Banks!

This lets us have a look at his last-round game against Russell Metge.

Metge, R - Banks, G Notes by Paul Spiller 1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 Be7 5.Nf3 Nbd7 6.e3 c6 7.Rc1 0-0 8.a3 a5 9.cxd5 exd5 10.Bd3 Re8 11.Qc2 h6 12.Bf4 Nh5 13.Nxd5! Graham probably overlooked this. 13...Nxf4

14.Nxf4 Bd6 15.Ne2 Nf6 16.Ng3 Qe7 17.0-0 Ng4 18.Ne4 Bb8 19.h3 Nf6 20.NXf6+ Qxf6 21.d5 Bxh3 Russell might have been hoped for 21...cxd5?? 22.Rxc8 Rxc8 23.Qxc8+ 1-0. 22.dxc6 Bg4 23.cxb1 Bxf3 24.Qc8 These last few moves are really interesting. Did White have to play 24.Qc8? What about 24.bxa8(Q)? 24...Qe5 0-1



Why did Russell resign? This is completely baffling. White could try 25.Qxe8+ Qxe8 26.Rc8 which looks winning, but then 26...Bh2! 27.Kxh2 Rxc8 28.bxc8Q Qxc8 29.gxf3 Qb8+ 30.Kg2 and there is still lots of play.

#### Smith, R - Garbett, P

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nc6 5.Nc3 Qc7 6.Be2 a6 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Be3 Be7 9.Qd2 0-0 10.f4 d6 11.Nb3 b5 12.Bf3 b4 13.Ne2 Bb7 14.g4 d5 15.Ng3 dxe4 16.Nxe4 Rfd8 17.Nxf6+ Bxf6 18.Qf2 Bxb2 19.Rb1 Bc3 20.Bb6 Qxf4 21.Bxc6 Qxf2+ 22.Kxf2 Bxc6 23.Bxd8 Rxd8 24.Rbd1 Rc8 25.Ke3 Bd5 26.Rf2 Bf6 27.Re2 h6 28.h3 Rc4 29.Nd4 Be5 30.Rd7 g5 31.Rf2 f6 32.Nb3 Bf4+ 33.Ke2 Rxc2+ 34.Kf1 Bc4 0-1

Ion, G - Smith, R 1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Bg5 Bg7 4.Nbd2 d6 5.e4 0-0 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.0-0 e5 8.c3 h6 9.Bh4 Bd7 10.Re1 Qe8 11.b4 Nh5 12.d5 Nc7 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Nb3 Nf4 15.Bc2 Bg4 16.c4 Of6 17.Nbd2 h5 18.c5 Bh6 19.a4 Nxg2 20.Kxg2 Bxd2 21.Qxd2 Qxf3+ 0-1

1 PA GARBETT 20 SARAPU GREEN 3 PR 4 RW SMITH 5 LJ MCLAREN 6 PW STUART WHEELER 7 B 8 GB BANKS 9 JN METGE 10 HP BENNETT 11 R GORIS 12 BJ GILES 13 DKW LAM 14 GJ ION 15 G GILL 16 LD RAWNSLEY 17 J TURNBULL 18 FM FOSTER 19 RI NOKES 20 MP DREYER 21 P MISTRY 22 RC METGE 23 J BOJTOR 24 S EAST 25 A TAUPAKI 26 DJ BOYD 27 DC TAYLOR 28 SB TIDEY 29 VJ SMITH 30 1 MCNALLY 31 R PHILLIPS 32 JE CATER 33 P WALLIS 34 C 35 CS NORMAN BLAXALL 36 GW POCOCK 37 MK MORRISON 38 S PRICE HP L6 39 A STARR 40 AJ BOOTH 41 R STARR 42 J BOROVSKIS 43 M CARTER 44 W ONG 45 DJ ANNAN 46 R BEESLEY 47 DC RAWNSLEY **48 JCO TSEUNG** 49 M GARLAND 50 D PHILLIPS 51 R LEIH 52 A CATER 53 GC WAGSTAFF 54 G JUDKINS 55 R HAMPTON 56 J MCRAE 57 MJ LE BROCQ 58 DA VINCENT 60 J SYKES 61 K ONG 62 A MISA 63 B STAPLES 64 WS PEDDIE

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## **Otago Easter Open tournament**

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Tony Love won the Otago Easter tournament with  $5\frac{1}{2}$ , a full point ahead of Kendall Boyd. It was Tony's fourth win in Otago's premier open tournament, but there was a gap of 10 years back to his last success.

Boyd, seeded second, suffered an upset loss to Nick Cummings, of Christchurch, in round 2, but bounced back with  $3\frac{1}{2}4$  in the last four rounds to narrowly take second place on 12 A 41/2. Last year's winner, John Sutherland, shared third with Cummings and Hamish Gold on 4.

Hamish Gold won the B grade prize, and Victor Hay the C grade. Nick Cummings won the upset prize, the Alan Chang Memorial Cup. The field was a disappointing dozen, with only two players from outside Dunedin. Dennis McCaughan was director of play.

## Cumming, N - Love, T

Notes by Tony Love

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nc3 d5 3.Bg5 c5 4.Bxf6 exf6 5.e3 White has given up the pair of bishops but has double Black's f-pawns and aims to gain play aginst the potentially weak pawn on d5. If instead 5.dxc5, then 5...d4 6.Na4 Bxc5 7.Nxc5 Qa5+. 5...Be6 6.Qd2 Nc6 7.Nge2 cxd4 8.Nxd4?! White would retain a small but enduring edge after 8.exd4. 8...Bb4 9.g3 Black is fine after 9.a3 Qa5 10.Nb3 Bxc3 11.bxc3 Qc7. 9...Rc8 10.Nde2 Not 10.Bg2 Nxd4 11.exd4 Qa5. 10...Qa5 11.Bg2 0-0 12.0-0 Rfd8 13.Rad1 White is also in difficulty after 13.a3 Bxc3 14.Qxc3 Qxc3 15.Nxc3 d4 16.exd4 Nxd4. 13...Bxc3! 14.Nxc3 d4 15.exd4 Nxd4 16.Oc1? Black now has a simple win. A better try is 16.Bxb7 Nf3+ [16...Rb8 17.Qe3] 17.Bxf3 Rxd2 18.Rxd2. 16...Qxc3 Black should also win after 16...Rxc3 17.Rxd4! Rxd4 18.bxc3 Qxc3. However, this is simpler.17.bxc3 Ne2+ 18.MX1 Nxc1 19.Rxc1 b6 20.Rfd1 g6 20...Bxa2 is also an easy win. 21.Rd4 Rd7 22.Be4 Rxc3 23.Rxd7 Bxd7 24.Rd1 Be6 25.a4 Rc4 0-1

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1	AJ	LOVE	OT	₩5	W6	W4	D2	W3	W7	5%
2	KM	BOYD	OT	W9	L4	W3	D1	W8	₩6	41/2
3	JL	SUTHERLAND	OT	W7	W8	L2	W6	L1	W4	4
4	N	CUMMINGS	CA	W10	W2	L1	₩8	₩7	L3	4
5	HR	GOLD	OT	L1	W12	L6	W11	W10	W9	4
6	M₩	WYLIE	IN	₩12	L1	W5	L3	W11	L2	3
7	R	BERKELEY	OT	L3	W111	*W10	W9	L4	L1	3
8	MRR	FOORD	OT	W11	L3	W9	L4	L2	W12	3
9	Т	DUFFIELD	OT	L2	W10	L8	L7	W12	L5	2
10	V	HAY	OT	L4	L9	L7 -	W12	L5	W11	2
11	T	ROWELL	OT	L8	L7*	W12	L5	L6	L10	1
12	Α	MCCANDLESS	OT	L6	L5	L11	L10	L9	L8	0
	<pre>* = adjudicated</pre>									
	Note that adjudicated games are not rated									

Nick Cummings upset Kendall Boyd last year and repeated the performance this year.

#### Cummings, N - Boyd, K Notes by Tony Love

1.d4 g6 2.c3 Bg7 3.f4 b6 4.e4 Bb7 5.Bd3 f5 A logical follow-up to Black's earlier play, but it is certainly not worth the risk. 6.Qe2 fxe4 7.Bxe4 Bxe4 8.Qxe4 d5? This time Black definitely oversteps the mark. This move leaves him with gaping weaknesses on e5 and e6. Better is 8...Nc6. 9.Qe2 c5 10.Nf3 Qd7 11.Be3 c4 12...cxd4 13.Bxd4 is also good for White. 12.0-0 Nh6 13.Ne5 Bxe5 14.fxe5 Nf5 15.Nd2 a6 16.Bf4 Qe6 Black is understandably reluctant to play 16...e6 and saddle himself with a yawning hole on f6. 17.g4 Nd6 18.Rae1 Nf7 19.Rf2 0-0 20.Nf1 Nc6 21.Ne3 b5 22.Qf1 22.Qf3 allows 22...Ng5 23.Qg2 [23.Qxd5 Oxd5 24.Nxd5Nh3+] 23...Ne4. 22...Qd7 23.Qg2 e6 24.g5 The knight on e3 is headed for f6. 24...Kg7 25.Ng4 Qe7 26.Nf6 Nb8 27.Re3 Rh8 28.Ref3 Nd7 29.Rh3 Nd8 30.Rh4 Threatening 31.Qh3 and 32.Rxh7+. 30...Kf8 31.Be3 Nxf6 32.gxf6 Qf7 33.Bh6+ Ke8 34.Bg7 Rg8 35.Rxh7 Nc6 36.Qh3 Rc8 37.Bh8 Rxh8 Or 37..Qf8 38.Qxe6+. 38.Rxh8+ 1-0

## **Civic Easter tournament**

#### Thirtythree players from the southern North Island to Blenheim did battle in the "upmarket" atmosphere of the New Zealand Correspondence School in Civic's annual Easter tournament.

Visitors included the Sheehan family from Hastings, Michael Burn from Napier, Chris Burns from Wanganui. Tom van Bodegraven and Eddie Waddington from Masterton, and Peter Voss from Blenheim. From much further afield was Carl Martin, from Canada.

The result was decided (as it was two years ago) in the Dive v Noble game in round 4.

In the last round Rosaleen Sheehan gained well-deserved applause from the players and a fine compliment from her opponent, Don Stracy, for playing for 58 moves against a much stronger adversary.

Interest was not confined to the participants. Apart from the Sheehan parents, John and Barbara, at times there were 10-15 bystanders.

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There were few incidents, and the disputes committee was not called upon. The Canadian visitor lost his adjourned game from round one to Tom van Bodegraven, on time. During the adjournment session another player handled Carl Martin's score sheet and Carl quite rightly protested the next day that this was not acceptable behaviour.

By Dave Capper

During round 3, in the game between Russell Dive and Mark van der Hoorn, Russell pointed out that Mark's flag had fallen just as he pressed the clock for the 40th move. As there appears to be no satisfactory rule to cover this situation, it is being submitted for consideration by NZCF.

Prizewinners were: Russell Dive 51/2/6 1, Mark Noble 5 2, Scott Wastney, Mark van der Hoorn and Mark Sinclair 41/2 3=; B grade, Ted Frost 4 1, Alan Winfield 31/2 2; C grade, Eddie Waddington 4 1, Michael Burn and Patrick Harnett  $3\frac{1}{2} =$ ; Special under-16 prize, 5<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Raymond Chew.

#### Dive, R - Noble, M Notes by Russell Dive

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 Bxc3+?! A dubious novelty by Black, who had actually got one move ahead of himself!! 5.bxc3 0-0 6.e4 d6 7.Bd3 Nbd7 8.Ne2 e5 9.0-0 A 3½ reasonable alternative was 8.Bg5. 9...c5 10.h3 Re8 11.f4 cxd4 12.cxd4 exd4 13.Bb2 Also interesting is 13.Nxd4 Nc5 14.Re1 Qe7 L10 W21 L19 W28 D23 W24 3% 15.e5 dxe5 16.fxe5! 13...Nc5 14.Ng3 Bd7 If 14...h5 then 15.Bxd4 h4 16.Bxc5! 17.Ne2 gives White a clear edge because of his mobile pawn centre. 15.Rael Ba4 16.Ob1 b5! Black complicates the game before White gets a chance to consolidate his centre. 17.e5! Forced. All other moves hand Black 2½ the advantage. 17...bxc4 18.Bxc4 d5 19.Bxd4 Rb8 20.Qf5 Bd7 21.Qc2 Not 21.Qg5?? Ne6 winning a piece. 21...Ne6 22.Ba1 Qb6+ 23.Kh2 Rbc8 24.exf6 Rxc4 25.0d1? In time trouble. White misses the much stronger move 25.Qf5. 25...Nxf4 26.Rxe8+ Bxe8 27.Nf5 gxf6 28.Rxf4? Unfortunately, White has spent too long on getting his winning position and misses the

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winning move 28.Qe1! 28...Rxf4 29.Qd3 Not 29.Ne7+ Kf8 30.Nxd5? Qd6! 29...Qf2 30.Ne7+ Kg7 31.Nxd5 Rf5 32.Qe4! Leads to a draw with best play from both sides. If 32...Rxd5 33.Oxd5 Of4+ 34.g3 Oc1! 35.Oh1! Qc4 36.Qg2 Bc6 37.Qf2 drawing. 32...Bd7 33.Qg4+ Rg5??? With White in severe time trouble, Black commits the cardinal sin of playing too quickly in his opponent's time trouble, and blunders horribly. 34.Qxg5+ Kf8 35, Oxf6 Oxf6 36. Bxf6 and White blitzed to the time control, when Black resigned. 0-1

#### Stracy, D - Dive, R Notes by Russell Dive

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.d4 Nxe4 4.Bd3 d5 5.Nxe5 Nd7 6.Nxd7 Bxd7 7.0-0 Qh4 8.Nd2 Nxd2 9.Bxd2 0-0-0 10.Be3 Bd6 11.g3 Oh3 12.Re1 h5 13.Bf1 Qf5 14.Qd3 Qf6 15.Bg2 h4 16.Bxd5 g5 17.c4 hxg3 18.fxg3 Rxh2!? 19.Kxh2 Qh6+ 20.Kg1 Bxg3 21.Re2 f5 22.Rg2 Rh8 23.Rxg3 Qh2+ 24.Kf1 Qxg3 25.Qe2 Better is Qa3 or Qb3. 25...Re8 26.Bf2 Qh2? Black should play 26...Qh3+ 27.Bg2 Qxg2+ 28.Kxg2 Rxe2 with good chances of winning the endgame. 27.Qf3 f4 28.Bxb7+ Kd8 If Kb8 then 29.Ob3 Bh3+30.Bg2+! 29.Be4? 29.Qd5! makes it much more interesting. 29...Bh3+ 30.Ke1 Bf5 31.Kd2 Bxe4 32.Rh1?? If 32.Oe2 then 32...Bd5! 33.Qf1 Bxc4 wins. 32...Qxh1 0-1

#### Electronic chess timers

By Ted Frost

Chris Burns (Wanganui) took his electronic chess timer to the Civic Easter tournament, and it was used in his games. About the same time, NZCF received draft rules from FIDE on the use of electronic timers, together with sales information for an official FIDE chess clock and for another time from a European supplier.

NZCF will be looking in detail at this information, with a view to adopting suitable rules for use of electronic timers in New Zealand play. Arrangements will also be considered for importing the official FIDE clock. In the meantime, NZCF Council has decided that electronic timers can be used in NZCF competitions, subject to acceptance by both players in any game.

What might become a contentious element of play with electronic timers is their capacity to give sound warnings that time is almost up and that games are lost on time.

A novelty which can be introduced is the Fischer System, under which a player can earn premiums and gain extra time.

FIDE's marketing manager, Bachar Kouatly, advises that FIDE has endorsed the digital game timer produced by a Dutch company, DGT Projects B.V., which is being labelled the official FIDE chess clock and which is to be used in official FIDE tournaments.

The other electronic clock is produced by a French company, Electrald.

## **Coming events**

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	(Wellington).	Oct 22-
21-22	North Island Rapid, Civic	
June 4-6	Wellington CC Queen's Birthday	Dec 28
	Open.	-Jan 1
July 2-3	Waitakere Trust Open, organised	
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## Games

The feature game this month is from the Kellner Memorial tournament, played by correspondence between 1989 and 1991. Mark Noble gained an ICM norm in the tournament, and this game contributed. The game also attracted comment because Noble introduced an innovation which was also played by Kasparov about the same time. The question whether Noble or Kasparov played 23...d5! first remains unanswered.

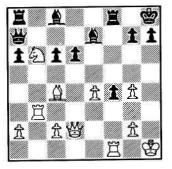
Gillam, Simon - Noble, Mark (Great Britain) (New Zealand) Sicilian Defence (Najdorf, Poisoned Pawn) Notes by Mark Noble 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Bg5 e6 7.f4 Qb6 8.Od2 Oxb2 9.Rb1 Qa3 10.f5 Nc6 11.fxe6 fxe6 12.Nxc6 bxc6 13.Be2!? Be7 14.0-0 0-0 15.Rb3 Qc5+ 16.Be3 Qe5 17.Bf4 Qc5+ 18.Kh1

When 16.Be3 was played, White's play was regarded well by theory books, but since the plan was fairly recent there was a chance that improvements for Black could be found.

18... Ng4!

If 19.Bxg4 e5 and Black wins back his piece.

19.h3	e5
20.Na4	Qa7
21.Bc4+	Kh8
22.hxg4	exf4
23.Nb6	



At this point we are still following book, but with eight days used in the correspondence game it seemed to be time to move away from the book?

23...

Kasparov played this move against Ivanchuk at Linares 1990, but did Noble find the move first or get lucky help from Kasparov?

d5!

#### 24.exd5

Ten days on this move; either Gillam didn't know the Kasparov game, or Kasparov hadn't played the novelty yet and Gillam didn't know what to play.

24... cxd5 25.Bxd5 Rb8 26.Nxc8 Rbxc8 27.Be4 The first new move ??? Ivanchuk played 27.Rh3! and reached an equal game before losing. 27... Bg5 Played after 12 days. The position is getting really interesting now. 28.Rb7?! A tempting move, but White forgets to keep an eye on his King. 28.Rh3 was okay. 28.... Qc5 29.Od7 Black looks to be in trouble here. 29.... Oe5 30.Bd3?? White thinks he is winning here and doesn't see what is about to happen to him Rcd8! 30... 31.Qc6 Rd6 32.Qf3 Rh6+ 33.Kg1 Be7! The best winning plan. White is dead. 34.g3 Qc5+ 35.Kg2 fxg3 36.Rxe7 Rh2+ 37.Kxg3 Rxf3+ 38.Rxf3 Od6+ 39.Rf4 Qxe7 40.Kxh2 Od6 0-1

In this game from the Under-16 Championship, Thor Russell missed a winning chance when only half a point from the lead, and allowed Batchelor to move into contention.

#### Batchelor, A - Russell, T Sicilian, Lowenthal Notes by Tony Love

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nb5 a6 6.Nd6+ Bxd6 7.Qxd6 Qf6 8.Qc7 Nge7 9.Bd3 White should play 9.Nc3 to keep control of d5. 9...d5 10.Nc3 Not 10.exd5?! Nxd5. 10...d4 11.Ne2 0-0 12.Bd2 Too slow. White should free his queen by 13.Qb6. 12...b5 13.0-0? This should lead to a decisive material disadvantage. 13.f4 is necessary. 13...Rb8 14.Bb4 Rb8 Otherwise 14...Rb7 wins the queen. 15.Bxe7 Nxe7 16.Qa5 Ng6 17.Qd2 Rd8 17...Nf4 is worth considering. 18.f4 exf4 19.Nxf4 Nxf4 20.Rxf4 Qe5 21.Rel Re8 22.Rf3 R7e7 23.Ref1 Be6 24.Qf2 Rd7 25.Qh4 f6 This move looks unnecessary, but it can hardly be bad. 26.g4 Qg5 27.Qf2?! Rf8 It is difficult to see what is wrong with 27...Qxg4+ 28.Rg3 Qh5 29.Qxf6 Rf7. 28.Rg3 R8f7 29.Kh1 Rd8 30.Rfg1 Qe5 31.Rh3 R8d7 32.Rh5 Qd6? 33.Rxh7 g6 Not 33...Kxh7? 34.e5+. 34.Rh6 Kg7 35.Qh4 g5 Better is 35...Qe5. However, both players are now in time trouble. 36,Oh5 Kf8 37.Rf1 Qe5 38.Rh8+ Ke7 39.Qh3 Kd6 40.Kg1 Rc7 41.a3 Bc4? 42.Rf5 Qe6 43.Ra8 Ke7 Or 43...Rc6 44.Qg3+. 44.Qh8 Rc6 45.Qd8 + + 1-0

Last year NZ Chess received a flow of games, many of them annotated and newsworthy in chess terms, and it has not been possible to publish them all. The flow has eased off, and this is the first opportunity there has been to publish some games which have been sitting in the editor's file.

## Dreyer, M - Metge, N

ACC Summer Cup, 1993 Caro-kann Notes by Nigel Metge 1.e4 c6 2.c4 d5 3.cxd5 cxd5 4.exd5 Nf6 5.Bb5+ Bd7 The so-called "English" system was introduced to me by Sarapu. In a 1992

game he continued 5.Oa4+ Bd7 6.Ob3 Na6 7.d4 e6 8.Nc3 exd5 9.Bg5 Nc7 10.Nf3 Bd6=. After 5.Bb5+, Nbd7 is usually given as the main line: 6.Nc3 a6 7.Oa4 Rb8! 8.Bxd7 Bxd7 9.Qf4 e6!? 10.Nf3 exd5 11.0-0 Be6= [Chandler-Speelman 1987]. 6.Bc4 Bg4!? Dreyer now sank into 30 minutes' thought. He remarked later; I have 200,000 games on ChessBase, 4000 with the Caro-kann, 100 on 5.Bb5+ and none on your move! Usual is 6...Qc7 or the immediate 6...b5. 7.f3 The point is 7.Qb3 Nbd7 8.Qxb7 Rc8 9.d3 Nc5 with ample compensation for the pawn. Now, of course, f3 is unavailable for White's Ng1. 7...Bf5 8.Nc3 Nbd7 9.d4 Nb6 10.Bb5+ Bd7 11.Bd3 Nbxd5 12.Nge2 g6! White is struggling with his IQP. 13.0-0 Bg7 14.Ob3 Bc6 15.Bg5 0-0 16.Rad1 h6 17.Bc1 Qb6 18.Qxb6 Nxb6 19.Be4 Nbd5 20.Rfe1 Rad8 21.Bb1 Rd7 22.Ne4 Rfd8! Careless. Better is 22...b6. 23.Nc5 Rc7 24.Nc3?! Essential is 24.Bxg6 fxg6 25.Ne6 etc, with an active position as compensation for the material deficit. 24...b6 25.Nd3 Nxc3 26.bxc3 Ba4 27.Rd2 Rxc3 28.Bb2 Slightly more complex is 28.Rxe7 Nd5 29.Rxa7 Bxd4+ 30.Kf1 b5! 28...Rc7 29.Rde2 Nd5 30.Ne5 Nc3 31.Bxc3 Rxc3 32.Rd2 Bxe5 0-1

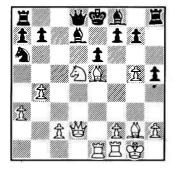
Another Nigel Metge Caro-kann, but not so successful this time.

#### McLaren, L - Metge, N Notes by Leonard McLaren

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nc3 Qb6 Avoids the complicated 4...e6 5.g4 Bg6 6.Nge2 c5 7.h4 5.g4 Bd7 6.Bg2 The usual move 6.Na4 looks like a waste of time to me, as after 6.Qc7 7.Nc5 e6 the N has to move yet again. 6...e6 7.Nge2 c5 8.0-0 h5 9.g5 9.h3? hxg4 9...Ne7? 9...cxd4 is fine. 10.dxc5 Now White gets a big lead in development. 10...Qxc5 11.Be3 Qc7 12.Nd4 Qxe5? Not 12...Ng6? 13.f4, but 12...a6 is correct. 13.Qd2 Threat Bf4. 13...Nf5 13...Ng6?! 14.f4 14.Rae1 Nigel had overlooked this when playing 12...Qxe5. All White's moves are straightforward development. 14...Nxd4 15.Bxd4 Qd6 16.Be5 16.Nxd5? Nc6 16...Qb4 17.a3 Qa5 18.b4 Qd8 18...Qxa3 19.Nxd5

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wins. 19.Nxd5 Na6



20.Nf6+ Simplifying. After the game Nigel suggested 20.f4, keeping Black tied up. 20...gxf6 21.Bxf6 Be7 22.Bxh8 Bb5 If 22...Bxg5 23.f4 23.Qxd8+ Rxd8 24.h4 Protecting the g-pawn and fixing Black's hpawn. White has an easily won ending. 24...b6 Black has insufficient compensation for the exchange after 24...Rd2 25.Rd1 Rxc2 26.Rc1 Ra2 27.Rfd1. 25.Rd1 Bxf1 26.Rxd8+ Bxd8 27.Bxf1 Nc7 28.Be2 Nd5 29.Be5 f6 30.Bxh5+ Kf8 31.Bd6+ Kg7 32.c4 Nc3 33.f4 Ne4 34.Bb8 a5 35.Kg2 axb4 36.axb4 Be7 37.Bc7 Bxb4 38.Bxb6 Bd6 39.Be3 Nc5 40.Kf3 Nd3 41.Be8 Nc5 42.Bd4 Nb3 Black's flag fell with three moves to the time control. 1-0

Promising Waikato junior Stormie Neilson has played many correspondence games to improve her chess skills, her opponents including Mark Sinelair and Brian Clark in Wellington and Alexis Shead in Auckland. One game, against Alexis Shead, took *four years*. It started when both players were 11 years old and ended in a draw. Here is the score:

#### Neilson, S - Shead, A Notes by W Paul Neilson

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d6 3.Nd2 c5 4.exd4 exd4 5.Bb5+ Nc6 6.Ngf3 Bd6 7.0-0 Nge7 8.dxc5 Bxc5 9.Ne5? 0-0 10.Nxc6 Nxc6 11.Nf3 Bg4 12.Be2 Re8 13.Bg5 Qb6 14.b3 h6 15.Bh4 Re4! 16.Bg3 Forced. 16...Rae8 17.Bd3 Nd4! 18.c3 Bxf3 19.gxf3 Re1!! A strong move. 20.Bh7+ A fine move, and the only saving resource. 20...Kh8! 21.Qd3 Rxa1 22.cxd4? Rxf1+ 23.Kxf1 Bxd4 24.Bf5 Qc5 25.Qd2 Bc3 26.Qf4 Be5 27.Qa4 b5 28.Qh4 Bxg3 29.hxg3 d4 30.Bd3 a6 31.Qf4 Kg8 32.Kg2 Qc3 33.Qf5 g6 34.Qd7 Re6 35.Be4 Qc5 36.Bd3 Kg7 37.Be4 Rxe4?? 38.fxe4 Qc3 39.e5!! Fight-back. 39...Qd3 40.Qd5! h5 41.e6 fxe6 42.Qxe6 Qf5 43.Qe7+ Kh6 44.Qd8 Qe4+ 45.Kg1 Qe5 46.Kg2 g5 47.Ql8 Q Qg7 48.Qd6+ Kh7 49.Qxa6! Qd7 50.Qf6 Qd5+ 51.Kf1 d3 52.Ke1 h4 53.gxh4 Qe4+ 54.Kd2 gxh4 55.f4 ½-½ Four years after the first move.

Next one from last year's North Shore Open. The game contributed to Peter earning 1 rating point (count it) for the tournament!

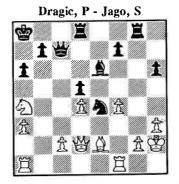
Weir, P - Ion, G North Shore Open, 1993 Notes by Peter Weir 1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qa5 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bc4 Bg4 6.h3 Bh5 7.g4 Bg6 8.d3 c6 9.Qe2 Nbd7 10.Bf4 e6 11.0-0 Be7 12.Nd4 Nd5 13.Bxd5 cxd5 14.Bg3 0-0-0 15.b4 A good move but played under an hallucination. I calculated 15...Bxb4 16.Rab1 Bxc3 17.Nc6 threatening 18.Ne7++ or Nxa5. If 17...bxc4 I intended 18.Rb8++ until I saw the reply Nxb8. Time to rethink! 15...Bxb4 16.Ncb5 e5 16...a6 17.Na7++ 17.Rab1 Rhe8 17...exd5 18.Rxb4 18.Rxb4 Oxb4 19.Nxa7+ Kc7 Forced. 20.Nah5+ Kc8 21.c3 Qc5 22.Rel? f6 Very strong was exd5 23.Qxe8 Qxb5 showing that 22.Rc1 was correct. If then 22...exd5 23.Na7+ Oxa7 24.exd5 + Nc5. Black is still much better but White has counterplay with 25.Qd2. 23.Qd1 Nb8 23...Nb6!? 24.Oa4 Na6 25.Nc6! A big surprise. 25...Bxd3 26.Nba7+ Kc7 27.Nxd8 Kxd8 28,Rd1 e4 29,Qb3 Re7 30,Bf4 Bc4 31.Qa4 Rd7 Missing the excellent 31...e3, e.g., 32.fxe3 Rxe3 and then either 33.Rd4 Re4 or 33.Kh1 Qxa7 34.Qxc4 Re1+ winning for Black. 32.Be3 Oc7 33.Nb5 Oc6 34.Oa5+ Ke8 35.Nd4 Od6 36.Nf5 Oc6 37.Rb1 Oc7 38.Rb6 Kf7 39.Qa3 g6? Nb8-c6-e5 consolidates. 40.Nh6+ Kg7 41.g5 Bd4 beckons. 41...g5 42.Ng4 d4 A good try, but White can now finish with a flourish. 43.Bxg5 Qxb6 44.Bh6+ Kf7 45.Qf8+ Ke6 46.Qf6+ 1-0

Our file is not empty yet - look forward to more games in coming issues.

## Positions worth a second look - and a third

One of the most rewarding aspects of chess study is analysis of critical positions, which can give extra enjoyment as well as help improve one's play.

Australian IM Robert Jamieson gives an insight into this in "On the Move," the journal of the Victorian Chess Association. As editor, Jamieson says he enjoys letters offering material for publication, and recently he received one containing the following position from a minor tournament:



White to move, played

1. Qb4

and Jamieson comments that the combination for Black looks "pretty routine."

1. ... Qxc2

- 2. Rab1 Rxg2+
- 3. Kxg2 Rg8+
- 4. Kh1 Ng3+
- 5. Kg1 Nxe2+

6. Kh1 Oe4+ 0-1

But his enquiring editorial mind asked, "What if White doesn't take the rook on move 3?" That question led to this alternative line:

3. Kh1 Ng3+ 4. Kxg2 Qxe2+ 5. Kg1 and if Black plays 5. ... Rb8 6. Rb2 and White is o.k. But driving to work the next day, Jamieson

thought to himself, Instead of 3...Ng3+, what if 3. ... Rh2+ 4. Kxh2 Oxe2+

5. Kh1	Ng3+
6. Kg1	Qe3+
7. Rf2	Ne2+
8. Kh1	Qxh3+
9. Rh2	Qf3+

10. Rg2 Rb8

and Black's attack must be winning. That's Jamieson's latest judgment. But its not necessarily the last.

#### Fritz analysis supports players

Wellington CC has been using examples of play by Kasparov and Karpov, in their teens, in weekly coaching sessions, and they have proved popular as well as instructive.

However, a query arose when the following position was set up:



Leningrad, 1975 (Kasparov was 12) White to move

White played 1.Rxb7+ Kxb7 2.Qb6+ Ka8 3.Qxa6+ Kb8 4.Qb6+ and Black resigned in view of 4...Ka1 5.a6 Re7 [if 5...Rg8 6.Qxc6+ Ka7 7.Qxd6] 6.Qxd8+.

The young players asked, "Why doesn't White play Qb6 immediately?" and over-the-board analysis suggested that this was at least as strong as Rxb7. A rebuttal could not be found.

To check, Tim Frost set Fritz to analyse the position, and the computer worked through innumerable variations overnight. It concluded that the best move was the students' suggestion, giving the following line:

1.Qb6 Be7 2.Rxe7 Rxe7 3, Qxd8+ Bc8 4.bxc8 Rb7 5.Bxb7+ Kxb7 6.Qb6+ Kc8 7.Qxc6+ with an easy win.

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## New Zealand News

New Zealand junior champion Edward Swayne, whose aim is to qualify as an actuary, has taken up an opportunity to study at Macquarie University in Sydney. So he will be studying across the Tasman for several years.

Mr Chess, Ortvin Sarapu's biography published by NZ Chess Supplies, has been shortlisted by the judges of the New Zealand Book Awards, so is being considered for selection for the final awards.

#### Civic CC

Major change in Civic CC administration this year is election of Alan Aldridge as president. Alan moved smartly into action, heading the team which is preparing for the 1994 North Island Championship as a lead-up to the 1995-96 Congress.

#### Howick-Pakuranga

Paul Spiller was clear winner of the Fairhurst Pawn tournament with a picket-fence score of 7/7 in the first event on Howick-Pakuranga's 1994 calendar. Runners-up in the 23-player Swiss event were K Williams, D Rawnsley and K van den Bosch on 5, followed by A Booth, S Price and F Dagnino 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>; J Bojtor, J Porter, W Ong and A Nicoll 4; M Brimble and C Norman 3.

Winnie Ong's effort included wins over two 1700-plus players, the 1993 club champion Tony Booth and Mark Brimble.

#### North Shore

Peter Weir has been elected president of North Shore CC, with David Hall as secretary, Geoffrey Sullivan as treasurer, Peter Stuart as club captain, and Roger Nokes as school liaison officer.

#### Otago

Paul Vecovsky has been elected president of Otago CC, succeeding David Reid. Tony Love has been elected secretary, taking over from Lisa Hansen, who has moved to Hokitika.

#### Papatoetoe

A small double-round invitation tournament was held by Papatoetoe CC during the summer break. James Turnbull ran out winner of the double-round event, with 4/6, followed by Fuatai Fuatai 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, Stewart East 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> and Graham Banks 2.

#### **Petone - Upper Hutt**

Petone and Upper Hutt have played a 10-board match for the Giltrap Cup. Petone scored a clean sweep, 10-0.

#### Upper Hutt

Glen Sullivan has taken over from Chris Bell as secretary of Upper Hutt CC.

#### Wanganui

Michael Freeman has won the Wanganui CC Championship, with a final score of  $12\frac{1}{2}$  points. Michael scored  $3\frac{1}{2}/5$  in the second round (draws with Tony Boswell, David Cooper and Prince Vetharaniam), and this took him  $1\frac{1}{2}$ points clear of Cooper. Chris Burn was third on 10, followed by Tony Boswell  $8\frac{1}{2}$ , Martin Post 8 and Prince Vetharaniam 6.

The new executive team at Wanganui CC is headed by Gordon Hoskyn as president, with Kevin Yorston as secretary. Kevin has taken over from Chris Burns.

#### Wellington

An open lightning tournament run by Wellington CC was won by Mark Sinclair, with 7/7 in the final. Fikrat Karim 6 in second place and Kent Wong 5 third. In the B final Dave Lillis scored  $5\frac{1}{2}\frac{1}{2}$  to head off Roberto Paino  $4\frac{1}{2}$  and Tim Garmonsway 4. A junior lightning event was won by Michael Nyberg 6/7, followed by Raymond Chew 6 and Tam Rennie  $4\frac{1}{2}$ . NZCF regularly receives notices about fothcoming overseas events that may be of interest to New Zealanders. For further details of any of the following tournaments get in touch with NZCF promptly - there is not always a lot of warning given.

#### **1994 British Championship**

NZCF has received entry forms for the 1994 British Chess Championship, to be held in Norwich, August 1 - 13, together with the invitation to nominate a New Zealand player who would be exempt from the entry fee of 120 pounds (about 350.00).

Last year FM Ben Martin played and scored 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>, and BCF advises that he is eligible again and has been invited to play. NZCF expects that he will be playing.

In addition, FM Russell Dive, who has completed his qualifying examinations as an auditor, leaves after the North Island Championship for an extended trip to Europe to play top chess and hopefully gain IM norms.

Russell intends to play in the British Championship and the Lloyds Masters tournament which follows it. (NZCF understands that this will be the last Lloyds Masters, due to a change in Lloyds sponsorship programme).

#### **Junior Pacific Cup**

NZCF has been advised that a Junior Chess League has been set up in Queensland and has affiliated with the Queensland Chess Association.

The league is organising a Junior Pacific Teams Championship which will be conducted by computer or telephone, and it is proposed to have eight-player teams with four players between 14 and 18, and four under 14 years old.

The competition will be a round robin event, starting every two years. Each team will pay an entry fee of \$50.00 Australian, and share transmission costs with opponents. Other details will be settled as preparations advance.

Chess federations in 12 countries have been

approached, and NZCF Council has decided to show interest in the proposal, with congratulations to the Queenslanders on their initiative.

However, in the light of New Zealand experience with the Blackburn Cup, there are some reservations. On the other hand, Council will be anxious to learn anything that could assist us to improve the quality of Bledisloe and Blackburn Cup play at a distance.

#### 1994 Asian teams tournament

Several northern players, in particular Paul Spiller and Bob Gibbons, showed interest in competing in the 1994 Asian teams tournament, being held in Kuala Lumpur at the start of June.

A southern-based team competed with distinction in last year's event, but at the time of writing not enough players have indicated interest this year. The prospect of 1994 Olympiad players having to totally fund their own participation could have been a dampening factor.

#### Norfolk Island chess festival

One of the English-speaking world's most enterprising chess promotions is the annual chess festival held on Norfolk Island. The 11th festival is being held this year from July 2 - 9, and this year the Norfolk Island Open tournament is limited to players under 1600 rating - the promoters say they understand 83 percent of the world's players are rated at 1600 or less.

But there are other events and activities for players at all levels, including a lightning tournament, problem-solving competition, a coaching trophy, a computer challenge, and street chess contest.

Promoters of the event are the Norfolk Travel Centre. It is directed mainly to Australian players and IM Terry Shore and FM Craig Laird will be coaching and giving simuls. A leaflet on the event is available from NZCF.

## Peter Leko, the youngest-ever grandmaster

Peter Leko, the young Hungarian, has became the world's youngest-ever grandmaster on January 30 this year, at the age of 14 years 4 months 22 days.

This achievement, on the final day of the Wijk aan Zee category 14 tournament, took the record held by his compatriot, Judit Polgar, who achieved GM status at the age of 15 years 4 months, one month ahead of Bobby Fischer.

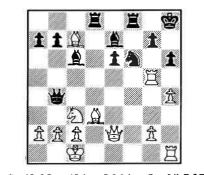
Leko needed 5 points at Wijk aan Zee to achieve the GM norm that would give him the title. After one loss, two wins and five draws in the tournament, Leko played the tournament winner, Predrag Nikolie (Bosnia) in the final round.

A draw suited Nikolic, and was agreed after 10 moves of the exchange variation of the French Defence. That was a grandmaster draw wholly justified by the circumstances.

Leko's two earlier GM norms were obtained in 1993 at Budapest and Leon in Spain.

Bernard Cafferty reports in British Chess Magazine that Leko made a favourable impression at the Lloyds Bank Masters tournament 18 months ago, an unassuming and friendly young man with none of the tensions associated with the young Fischer. Leko has been coached by the current Hungarian champion, Andras Adorjan, and by Dutch GM Gennadi Sosonko, who has been to New Zealand to coach IM Vernon Small. Here is a win at Wijk aan Zee that helped Leko reach the GM goal.

Morovic, I - Leko, P 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 Be7 8.0-0-0 Nxd4 9.Qxd4 0-0 10.f4 Qa5 11.Bc4 Bd7 12.Rd3 Rad8 13.Rg3 Kh8 14.e5 dxe5 15.fxe5 Bc6 16.Qe3 Ng8 17.h4 Qb6 18.Qe2 h6 19.Bd3 Qd4 20.Rg4 Qc5 21.Bf4 f5 22.exf6 Nxf6 23.Rg5 Ob4 24.Bc7



24...Rxd3 25.cxd3 hxg5 26.hxg5+ Nh7 27.g6 Bg5+ 28.Kb1 Bh6 29.gxh7 Qe7 30.Be5 Qg5 31.a3 Kxh7 32.Bd6 Rd8 33.Qxe6 Qg6 34.Qxg6+ Kxg6 35.Be5 Rxd3 36.Re1 Bxg2 37.Nb5 a6 38.Nd6 Rd2 39.Nc4 Rf2 40.Bg3 Rf1 41.Rxf1 Bxf1 42.Nd6 Bg2 43.Be5 Bg5 44.Kc2 Bf6 45.Bh2 Kh5 46.b4 Bc6 47.Kd3 b5 48.Bg1 g5 49.Bd4 Bxd4 50.Kxd4 g4 51.Nf5 Bd7 52.Ne7 Kh4 53.Ke3 Kh3 0-1

## NZ Chess Notational Style

NZ Chess applies the style of indicating all captures with an "x" and with pawn captures giving the square of arrival as well as the file of departure. Thus: "exd5" not just "ed."

This style is applied to be consistent, but also it greatly assists with setting up and checking games. Some players adopt the "ed" style, and so do some computer programmes, but when the editorial staff are under pressure (during publication of every issue), games which use the abbreviated "ed" version may be bypassed 'ecause of the extra time they take to process. Contributors are asked to use the full indication of captures with the "x" and square of arrival. As an additional matter of information, this also happens to be in accord with the Laws of Chess, which state that these details must be included in a correct game score.

One additional request from the editors: When writing out game scores (which is quite acceptable, and most contributors have a very clear hand), please clearly identify "e" and "e". They can very easily be confused.

## **International News**

#### **FIDE Candidates**

Five of the six matches went according to rating, the exception being Jan Timman's 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> victory over Joel Lautier, in which the Frenchman was actually rated 5 points higher. All matches were decided in the regulation 8 games, so no play-offs were required.

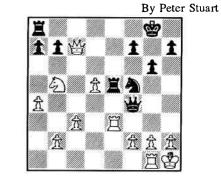
The most one-sided contest saw Valery Salov annihilate Alexander Halifman by the almost Fishcer-like score of 5-1. It would be hard to put one's money on anyone else but Karpov to go the full distance, though ill-health has often handicapped the 29-year-old Russian, who is now resident in Spain.

Viswanathan Anand, now FIDE's world number 2, accounted for Artur Yusupov  $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$ , while Vladimir Kramnik, the 18-year-old world number 4, beat Leonid Yudasin by the same score. Gata Kamsky (who is almost exactly one year older than Kramnik) also won by  $4\frac{1}{2}$ - $2\frac{1}{2}$  from surprise candidate Paul van der Sterren. The American won the first game with black, but inadequate adjournment analysis caused a second hiccup before Kamsky won the next two games and then coasted home with three draws.

The remaining match was won by Boris Gelfand, 5-3, over Michael Adams. One down after 6 games, the Englishman had chances to win game 7 with white, but Gelfand escaped with a draw. In the final game the must-win situation with the black pieces led only to a loss for Adams, but the match was much closer than the final score might suggest.

#### Yudasin, L - Kramnik, V Sicilian

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Nd5 Nxd5 8.exd5 Ne7 9.a4 Nf5 10.c3 g6 11.Be2 Bg7 12.0-0 0-0 13.Qb3 Re8 14.Qb4 e4 15.Bf4 Be5 16.Bxe5 Rxe5 17.Rad1 Nh4 18.Kh1 Qg5 19.Rg1 Bg4 20.Bxg4 Qxg4 21.Rde1 Qf4 22.Qxd6 Nf5 23.Qc7 e3 24.Rxe3



24...Qxe3! 25.Nd6 Re7 26.Nxf5 gxf5 27.Qd6 Qe5 28.Qb4 Rae8 29.Qh4 f6 30.h3 Qxd5 0-1

#### Timman, J - Lautier, J Queen's Gambit Accepted 1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e4 Nc6 4.Be3 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.d5 Ne7 7.Bxc4 Ng6 8.Bb5+ Nd7 9.Nge2 Bd6 10.Qd2 a6 11.Bd3 Qe7 12.f3 Nf6 13.h4 Nh5 14.0-0-0 Bd7 15.Kb1 b5 16.g4 Nhf4 17.h5 Nh4 18.Bxf4 exf4 19.Rdf1 b4 20.Nd1 Qf6 21.e5 Bxe5 22.Qxb4 g5 23.Nec3 Qe7 24.Qe4 Rb8 25.Re1 f6 26.Bc4 Qc5 27.d6 cxd6 28.Bd5 Kd8 29.Qd3 Rb6 30.Rh2 Qd4 31.Qc2

f5 32.Rd2 Qc5 33.Qd3 Re8 34.gxf5 Nxf5 35.Ne4 Qb5 36.Bc4 Qa5 37.Nxg5 Nd4 38.Nc3 Bf5 39.Nge4 Nxf3 40.Qxf3 Bxc3 0-1

#### PCA sponsorship

The Professional Chess Association recently announced a \$2.1 million sponsorship deal with micro-chip manufacturing giant Intel. About 70 percent of this ammount will go into a rapid chess grand prix featuring four 16-player tournaments in Moscow (mid-April), New York (June), London (August-September) and Paris (November).

The eight seeded players for Moscsow, personally selected by Kasparov, are Kasparov, Anand, Shirov, Kramnik, Kamsky, Short, Adams and Korchnoi. They are being joined by eight qualifiers.

While any doubts about the short-term viability of the PCA have been laid to rest, one has to wonder at the long-term prospects of a threeman meritocracy (Kasparov, Short and Bob Rice, Commissioner of the PCA), where factors

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other than merit appear to influence selection matters. No information was given on the criteria for selection though it appears that Karpov at least might have played at Moscow but for another commitment. Doubtless more will be made clear in the coming months.

The PCA Candidate quarter-final pairings are Short v Gulko, Kamsky v Kramnik, Anand v Romanishin and Adams v Tiviakov. The matches are scheduled for New York in June.

#### Linares

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As in the last two years, Linares became the chess capital of the world for a few weeks in March. Again Senor Luis Entero demonstrated that a gathering of elite grandmasters (category 18, average rating a new high at 2685) need not be a draw-fest; almost 64 percent of the games ended decisively!

Anatoly Karpov, perhaps stung by some many unfavourable comprisons of the FIDE title with Gary Kasparov's PCA title, turned in the best tournament perofmrnace of his careeer, indeed probably the best tournament performance ever. The top results of such greats as Alekhine, Tal and Fischer were completely overshadowed by the exploits of Kasparov at Belgrade (performance rating 2913) and Tilburg (2909) in 1989. Also, Kasparov's last two Linares results where he scored an undefeated 10/13 appeared to put him in a class of his own.

Yet Karpov's nine victories on the way to a score of 11/13 gave him a performance rating of 2972! He should gain about 35 points.

Karpov started with six wins followed by a draw with black aginst Kasparov, who was only one point behind at this stage. Karpov's momentum slowed a little with three further draws before a 20-move demolition of Belvavsky in the last round.

The 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-point margin back to second may make it appear that Kasparov was never really in the hunt, but he only fell away with losses in rounds 10 and 13. The second of these, a fine gfame by Joel Lauthier, allowed Alexei Shirov to catch him. The Latvian lost two of his first three games but then won four in a row to be in a challenging position, while Evegeny Bareev improved from -1 after round 9 to take fourth prize with a 31/2/4 finish.

Vladimir Kramnik, on the other hand, sustained consecutive losses in rounds 11/12 when a higher placing had looked possible. This was not an uncommon occurrence, however, as the top three place-getters had drawn consecutive pairing numbers and won 21 games between them.

Selecting the most interesting from the many fine games caused the usual headache; there are NO short draws in Linares! We'll start with a double exchange sacrifice.

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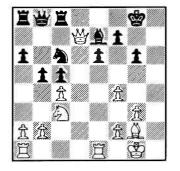
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3	Shirov A	LAT	g	2715	%∠	%∠		0	0	1	1	1	¥2	1	%₂	1	1	Y2	8½
4	Bareev E	RUS	g	2685	0	0	1		1∕₂	1∕2	%	1	1∕₂	1	0	1	%	1	7½
5	Lautier J	FRA	g	2625	0	1	1	1/2		Y2	0	1	1	0	%	0	1	Y2	7
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10	Ivanchuk V	UKR	g	2710	0	0	0	0	1	1∕2	Y2	0	1		⅛	1	%	1	6
11	Gelfand B	BLA	g	2685	0	¥2	1∕2	1	%	Y2	¥₂	0	Y2	1∕₂		0	1∕₂	1∕₂	5½
12	Illescas M	ESP	g	2590	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	¥₂	0	0	1		1	1	41/2
13	Polgar J	HUN	g	2630	0	0	0	%∠	0	0	1∕2	1	0	Y2	Y2	0		1	4
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#### Karpov - Topalov English

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.Nf3 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e6 5.g3 Nc6 6.Bg2 Bc5 7.Nb3 Be7 8.Nc3 0-0 9.0-0 d6 10.Bf4 Nh5 11.e3 Nxf4 12.exf4 Bd7 13.Qd2 Qb8 14.Rfe1 g6 15.h4 a6 16.h5 b5 17.hxg6 hxg6 18.Nc5 dxc5 19.Qxd7 Rc8



20.Rxe6 Ra7 21.Rxg6+ fxg6 22.Qe6+ Kg7 23.Bxc6 Rd8 24.cxb5 Bf6 25.Ne4 Bd4 26.bxa6 Ob6 27,Rd1 Qxa6 28,Rxd4 Rxd4 29,Of6+ Kg8 30.Qxg6+ Kf8 31.Qe8+ Kg7 32.Qe5+ Kg8 33.Nf6+ Kf7 34.Be8+ Kf8 35.Qxc5+ Qd6 36.Qxa7 Qxf6 37.Bh5 Rd2 38.b3 Rb2 39.Kg2 1-0

#### **Gelfand** - Karpov Caro-kann

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Nf3 Bb4 7.Bd3 dxc4 8.Bxc4 0-0 9.0-0 b6 10.Bg5 Bb7 11.Re1 Bxc3 12.bxc3 Nbd7 13.Bd3 Qc7 14.Rc1 Qd6 15.Bh4 Rfc8 16.Bg3 Qa3 17.c4 Nf8 18.Ne5 Ng6 19.Re3 Qf8 20.f4 Od8 21.Bb1 Ne7 22.Bh4 Ng6 23.Bg5 b5 24.Bxf6 hxg6 25.Rh3 Rc7 26.d5 exd5 27.c5 Bc8 28.Rb3 Qe8 29.Qd4 Bf5 30.Re3 Qf8 31.Bxf6 gxf6 32.Nf3 Be4 33.Nd2 f5 34.Rec3 a5 35.c6 Qb4 36.Nb3 Qd6 37.Qf2 b4 38.Rc5 a4 39.Nd4 Bd3 40.Qd2 Bc4 41.Qxb4 Qxf4 42.Qc3 Re8 43.Rd1 Re3 44.Qc1 Qe4 45.Qa1 Rc8 46.Ra5 Ra3 47.Qb1 Qe3+ 48.Kh1 Rxa2 49.Nf3 Bb3 50.Qc1 f4 51.Re1 Rc2 52.Qa1 Ob6 0-1

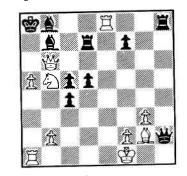
#### **Bareev** - Kasparov Benko Gambit

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Qa6 14.Qc2 Ne5 15.b3 Nfd7 16.f4 Nd3 17.a3 Bd4 18.Kh1 Rfc8 19.Rab1 c4 20.b4 Nf6 21.Ned1 Rcb8 22.Ne3 Rc8 23.b5 Qb6 24.Nxc4 Nf2+ 25.Rxf2 Rxc4 26.Rf3 Rxa3 27.Ob2 Nxe4 28.Qxa3 Nxd2 29.Qa2 Be3 30.Rc1 Qd4 31.b6 Rxc3 0-1

## Kasparov - Ivanchuk

Queen's Gambit, Semi-slav 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Nf3 e6 5.Bg5 dxc4 6.e4 b5 7.e5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Nxg5 hxg5 10.Bxg5 Nbd7 11.exf6 Bb7 12.g3 c5 13.d5 Nxf6 14.Bg2 Bh6 15.Bxf6 Qxf6 16.0-0 0-0-0 17.Nxb5 exd5 18.Nxa7+ Kb8 19.Nb5 Bg7 20.a4 Qh6 21.h4 Bf6 22.Qe1 Bxh4 23.Qa5 Be7 24.Qc7+ Ka8 25.Qa5+ Kb8 26.Qc7+ Ka8 27.Rfe1 Bd6 28.Qb6 Bb8 29.a5 Rd7 30.Re8 Qh2+ 31.Kf1



31...Qxg2+ 32.Kxg2 d4+ 33.Qxb7+ Rxb7 34.Rxh8 Rxb5 35.a6 Ka7 36.Rf8 Rxb2 37.Rxf7+ Ka8 38.a7 c3 39.Rf8 1-0

#### Kasparov - Anand Sicilian

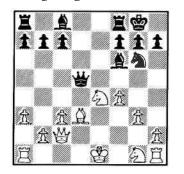
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#### **Topalov** - Shirov Caro-kann

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 c6 4.Nf3 d5 5.h3 Nh6 6.Bf4 f6 7.Be2 Nf7 8.Bh2 0-0 9.0-0 b6 10.Re1

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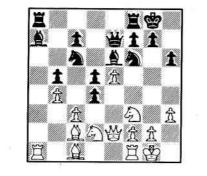
#### Topalov - Bareev French 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 dxe4 5.Nxe4 Be7 6.Bxf6 Bxf6 7.c3 Nd7 8.Qc2 e5 9.dxe5 Nxe5 10.f4 Ng6 11.g3 0-0 12.Bd3 Qd5 13.a3



13...Nxf4 14.Nxf6+ gxf6 15.Bxh7+ Kg7 16.Qe4 Re8 17.Qxe8 Bf5 18.Qxa8 Qe4+ 19.Kf2 Qg2+ 20.Ke3 Nd5+ 21.Kd4 Qd2+ 22.Kc5 Qe3+ 23.Kc4 Nb6+ 0-1

#### Kasparov - Lautier Notes by Jonathan Sarfati

Keene, with his characteristic overuse of superlatives, says this is "Possibly the worst defeat that Kasparov has ever suffered" 1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bb3 h6 7.h3 a6 8.Nbd2 Be6 9.Bc2 Ba7 10.Qe2 Qe7 11.b4 d5 12.a4 b5 13.0-0 0-0 14.axb5?! No need to hurry with this. However, Black is already comfortable. 14...axb5 15.d4? Black was threatening Bxf2+. But this is far too rash, because of Black's lead in development. 15...exd4 16.e5



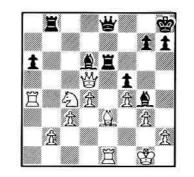
16...dxc3! Black gains a pawn armada for his picce. 17.exf6 Qxf6 18.Nb3 Nxb4 19.Bb1 d4 20.Rxa7 Desperation. 20...c2 20...Rxa7 21.Qe4 c2 22.Bxc2 Nxc2 23.Qxc2 Bc4 was also good. 21.Rxa8 21.Bxc2 Rxa7 22.Nbxd4 [22.Qe4 Nxc2 transposes to the previous note.] 22...Bc4. 21...cxb1Q 22.Rxf8+ Kxf8 23.Qxb5 23.Nc5 had to be a slightly better try. 23...Qxb3 24.Qb8+ Ke7 25.Qxc7+ Ke8 26.Bd2 Qd8 27.Qe5 Kf8 28.Nxd4 Nd3 29.Qe3 Qc4 0-1

#### Belyavsky - Kramnik Sicilian

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Bg5 e6 7.Qd2 Be7 8.0-0-0 0-0 9.f4 Nxd4 10.Qxd4 Qa5 11.Bc4 Bd7 12.Rhe1 Bc6 13.f5 b5 14.Bb3 b4 15.Ne2 Ba4! 16.Kb1 Bxb3 17.axb3 Rfc8 18.Bd2 Qc7 19.Qd3 exf5 20.exf5 d5 21.Bf4 Bd6 22.g3 a5 23.Bxd6 Qxd6 24.Nf4 a4 25.bxa4 Rxa4 26.Nxd5 Nxd5 27.Qxd5 Qc7 38.Qe4 Raa8 29.Rd4 Qa5 30.Kc1 b3 31.c4 Qb4 0-1

#### Kamsky - Polgar Ruy Lopez

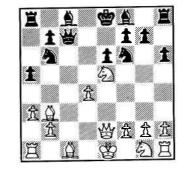
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25...Bxf4 26.gxf4 Rg6 27.Nd6 Bf3+ 28.Kf1 Bxd5 29.Nxe8 Rxb2 30.Re2 Rb1+ 31.Re1 Rb2 32.Re2 Rb1+ 33.Re1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>

Kasparov - Karpov Notes by Jonathan Sarfati The game between the two giants featured a strange double blunder.

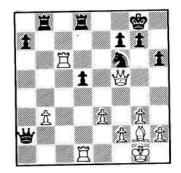
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13...a4? 13...Bxa3! [Alekhine did not miss a similar opportunity in his 1934 World Championship match with Bogolyubov, game 17.] 14.bxa3 [14.Bxh6 Bxb2 15.Bxg7 Qc3+ 16.Kf1 Rg8 17.Bxf6 Bxa1; or 14.Rxa3 Qxc1+] 14...Qc3+. 14.Bc2 Now Kasparov realises his blunder, so avoids the normal retreat to a2, when the combination is still on. After being forced into this passive retreat, his IQP is a weakness. 14...Bd7 15.Nxd7 Nbxd7 16.Qd1 Bd6 17.Ne2 Nd5 18.Bd2 b5 19.Nc3 Nxc3 20.Bxc3 Nf6 21.Qd3 Nd5 22.Bd2 Ke7 23.Rc1 Qc4 24.Ke2 Rhb8 25.g3 Qxd3+ 26.Bxd3 b4 27.Ra1 bxa3 28.bxa3 Rb3 29.Bc2 Rxa3 30.Rxa3 Bxa3 31.Ra1 Bb2 32.Rxa4 Rxa4 33.Bxa4 Bxd4 At last the IQP falls. But the bishop pair and the fact that the pawns are only on one wing assures White of a draw. 34.f4 Kd6 35.Kf3 f5 36.h4 Bb2 37.g4 fxg4+ 38.Kxg4 Nf6+ 39.Kf3 Nd5 40.Bc2 Bf6 41.h5  $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$ 

#### Kramnik - Illescas Queen's Gambit

1.d4 e6 2.c4 d5 3.Nf3 c5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.g3 Nf6 7.Bg2 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Bg5 cxd4 10.Nxd4 h6 11.Be3 Re8 12.Rc1 Bf8 13.Na4 Bd7 14.Nc5 Na5 15.b3 Rc8 16.Nxd7 Qxd7 17.Qd3 Nc6 18.Nxc6 bxc6 19.Rfd1 Qb7 20.Bc5 Bxc5 21.Rxc5 Qe7 22.Rc2 Qa3 23.e3 Red8 24.Qf5 Rb8 25.Rxc6 Qxa2



26.Rxf6! gxf6 27.Bxd5 Rxd5 28.Rxd5 Qxb3 29.Qg4+ Kh7 30.Rd6 Qb1+ 31.Kg2 Qg6 32.Qf3 Kg7 33.Ra6 Rb5 34.Rxa7 Rf5 35.Qe2 Qh5 36.g4 Qg6 37.Rxf7+! Kxf7 38.Qc4+ 1-0

## Sponsorship pays off

A comment noted recently in a newspaper financial column analysing the tough times being experienced by the British hotel industry: "Hotel institution the Savoy is barely making a profit. What profits are being made are from one-off gains such as hosting the [PCA] world chess championship..."

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## **NZCF Council Report**

#### **Hillary Commission**

The Hillary Commission has followed up its advice to NZCF that it will not assist with funding the Olympiad team this year with a decision that on July 1, 1996 the New Zealand Chess Federation will no longer be eligible for any grants.

The Hillary Commission states that its functions were changed by 1991 legislation which forced it to focus its attention on physical activities, rather than being involved in a whole range of recreational activities. At that time the commission agreed to continue supporting organisations such as NZCF until it thoroughly reviewed the situation, and now concludes that organisations which may be recreational in nature but cannot be said to involve physical leisure, will no longer be eligible for support.

NZCF Council is exploring the prospects for alternative funding by direct approach to the Lotteries Board (the initial response is not hopeful) or seeking a legislative review to broaden the scope of Hillary Commission responsibility which has become so narrowly restricted.

#### 1994 Olympiad

Following on from the Hillary Commission's earlier advice and absence of financial support from any other quarter, Council has considered whether any NZCF funds could be allocated to support for the 1994 Olympiad team. As NZCF has limited resources, basically provided by clubs, Council felt that any support it could give would be nominal at best. Council decided that in spite of the desire to maintain continuity of play in Olympiads, it cannot allocate funds for the purpose. It will ask clubs to give maximum support to fund-raising or grants to club members who represent New Zealand.

#### **Disciplinary matters**

Last year Council received a complaint that in an open tournament run by a member club, a player had committed what was described as a technical assault on an opponent. Council set up a judicial committee which received statements from various parties involved and recommended by Ted Frost, NZCF Secretary

a period of suspension for the player concerned. This decision was endorsed by council and suspension was imposed for a limited period.

Council agreed with the judicial committee that even though no personal injury is caused, deliberate physical contact is an assault, and neither this nor a threat to use physical force is acceptable.

While council believes that this was an isolated incident, it will continue to take a very serious view of any similar breach in the future.

#### NZ Women's Championship

Council was impressed with the standard of preparation and promotion of the 1994 NZ Women's Championship, leading to easily the largest women's tournament ever held in NZ. NZCF congratulations are being extended to Waitemata CC on its successful effort.

#### **Rating lists**

Council has accepted a Rating Committee proposal that in future the standard and rapid ratings be published in a combined list, with separate columns. This will make it much easier for tournament directors and players to check the current code numbers and ratings, and will also save space in publication of the lists.

#### University chess clubs

Otago University Chess Club has reported its revival after a period of hiatus, and is active in seeking a resumption of inter-university chess competition.

The club inquired about conditions of affiliation of university players, and Council has decided that to encourage players in universities and other tertiary institutions to play in NZCF and club events, and to conduct their own rated tournaments, the affiliation fee for bona fide students at these institutions should be the federation's junior rate, \$5.00 per player.

#### Blackburn Cup

Entries for the 1994 Blackburn Cup competition have been received from Papatoetoe, New Plymouth and Wellington CCs. Council has decided that late entries will be considered.

## **Affiliated Clubs**

Ashburton PO Box 204, Ashburton. Meets Mondays 7.30pm (Feb-Oct), Room 1 (upstairs), Public Library, corner Havelock and West Streets. Contacts, Roy Keeling (03)86-936, Stephen Taylor (03)85-761.

Auckland Chess Centre Meets Mondays 7.15pm, 17 Cromwell St, Mt Eden, Auckland 1003. Tel (09)360-2042 club-room.

Canterbury 227 Bealey Avenue, Christchurch. Meets Wednesdays, 7.30pm. Tel (03)366-3935 club-room. Pres, Mark Guy, 9 Bennett St (03)352-6991. Sec, Pat Jordan (03)338-4274. Civic Meets Tuesdays 7.30pm, Turnbull House, Lower Bowen St, Wellington. Sec, John Gillespie, 164 The Ridgeway, Mornington (04)389-2775.

Gambit Sec, Ted Frost, 17 Croydon St, Karori, Wellington 5 (04)764-098.

Hamilton Inquiries Pres, Hilton Bennett, 65 Te Aroha St (07)855-1037.

Howick-Pakuranga Meets Tuesdays 7.30pm, St John Ambulance Hall, Howick-Pakuranga Highway, Highland Park. Pres, Paul Spiller (09)535-4962.

Hastings-Havelock North P.O. Box 184, Hastings. Meets Wednesdays 7pm, Library, Havelock N High School, Te Mata Rd. Sec, Chris Smith (06)877-4583.

Invercargill Meets Wednesdays 8pm, staff room, South School, Ness St. Sec, Robert Mackway Jones, 5 Pine Cres, Invercargill (03)217-1154.

Kapiti Meets Thursdays 7.30pm, Block E Kapiti College, Margaret's Road, Paraparaumu. Pres, Ab Borren, P O Box 127, Paraparaumu (04)298-4167. Sec, Bill Cox, 25 Jeep Rd, Raumati Sth (04)298-8589

New Plymouth 11 Gilbert St, New Plymouth. Meets Tuesdays, 7.30pm. Pres, R P Bowler, 251 Coronation Ave (06)758-0797. Sec, Keith Okey, 253d Coronation Ave (06)758-8811.

Auckland Chess Assn, sec Aidan-B. Howard, 17 Cromwell St, Mt Eden, Auckland 1003; (09)360-042 (Auckland CC club-room). Pres, O Sarapu, 8 Barrington Rd, Auckland 2; (09)376-3083. North Shore P.O. Box 33-587, Takapuna, Auckland 9. Meets Wednesdays 7.30pm, Northcote Community Centre, cnr College Rd/Ernie Mays St, Northcote. Club capt, Peter Stuart, 24 Seacliffe Ave, Belmont (09)445-6377.

Otago 7 Maitland St, Dunedin. Meets Wednesdays and Saturdays, 7.30pm. Tel (03)477-6919 clubroom. Pres, Paul Vecovsky, (03)478-0345.

Papatoetoe Meets Wednesdays 7.30pm, St George's Anglican Church Hall, Landscape Rd, Papatoetoe. Club capt, Graham Banks, 49 Hutchinson's Rd, Howick (09)534-7951.

Petone Gambit Meets Thursdays 7.30pm Central Bowling Club, Roxburgh St, Petone. Pres, Mark Noble, 97 Seddon St, Naenae, Lower Hutt (04)567-0467.

Rotorua Meets Thursdays 7 pm, Wohlmann House, 3 Hinemoa St. Sec, Lorraine Willoughby (07)332-5683.

Upper Hutt Meets Mondays 7.30pm, Fraser Cres. School Hall, Redwood St. Sec, Glen Sullivan, 6a Totara Street, Upper Hutt (04)528-6783.

Waitemata Meets Thursdays 7.30pm, Kelston Community Centre, cnr Great North Rd and Awaroa Rd, Kelston. Pres, Bob Smith, 2 Autumn Ave, Glen Eden, Auckland 8 (09)818-4113 or contact Steve Lawson (09)818-5137.

Wanganui Meets Mondays, Chess and Camera Club, Cooks Gardens. Pres, Gordon Hoskyn, 7 Pehi St (06)343-6101; sec, K Yorston, 5 Mitchell St (06)343-37166.

Wellington Meets Saturday nights in Blind Social Club, Westbrook House, 181 Willis Street. Ring bell at right of door. 6pm, juniors; 7.30pm club play. Pres, Tim Frost, 1/51 Cornford St, Karori (04)476-3541. Sec, Ted Frost, 17 Croydon St, Karori (04)476-4098.

NZ Correspondence Chess Assn, P.O. Box 3278, Wellington. Sec, J W (Sandy) Maxwell, (04)237-4753.

Wellington District Chess Assn Inc., sec, Ted Frost, 17 Croydon St, Karori, Wellington 5; (04)476-4098.