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NZ women's champion

Vivian Smith is NZ women's champion after scoring 6½/7 at Hastings, with Edith Otene 6, Rosaleen Sheehan 5½, Glenys Mills 4.

Civic Easter

Mark Noble 5/6 won the Civic Easter in Wellington from Scott Wastney and a newcomer from Yugoslavia, Rajko Mastilovic, 4½. Grade prizes: A, Richard Glover and Tom Plackic; B, Michael Nyberg.

Otago Easter

John Sutherland 5½/6 won the Otago Easter from Tony Love and David Guthrie 4½.

Wellington Junior

Shamnika Rupasinghe 6/6 won the Wellington junior title from Kent Wong 4½ and Michael Nyberg 4.

Auckland Easter rapid

Paul Garbett 6/7 won the Auckland Easter rapid (20/20) from Martin Dreyer and Ian McNally 5, half a point ahead of Leonard McLaren, Ortvin Sarapu and Nigel Hopewell.

Wairarapa graded rapid

Kent Wong 4½/5 won the inaugural Wairarapa open B and C grade rapid tourney, from Don Stracy 3½.

Cover: FIDE President Campomanes (left) featured in two major sensations at the FIDE Congress in Moscow - first by getting re-elected after not being a candidate, and second by resolving his differences with PCA World Champion Garry Kasparov (right), who led the Russian team to victory at the Olympiad. Hence this relaxed and jovial togetherness.

New Zealand Chess

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This is another overflowing issue, with a wide spread of international news and games, and the latest from around New Zealand. More than 60 games.

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... and coming up in the June issue

Reports and games from the NZ Women's Championship and Easter tournaments, how Anand has reached the PCA World Championship final (with all the games against Kamsky), how Zsuzsa Polgar beat Maia Chiburdanidze to challenge for the World Women's title, the May New Zealand rating lists, and a selection of NZ games, plus all our regular features.

1995 Latvian gambit tournament

By Paul Spiller

Chess players from as far away as Te Puke, Whangarei and Wanganui gathered at the Pakuranga Community Centre on March 12 to compete in the 1995 Latvian Gambit chess tournament. This year's format of splitting the tournament into two sections, Open and Under 1700, could be regarded as a success.

The Open section of 20 players had a rating spread from 1734 (Chris Burns) up to 2274 (Paul Garbett), with half the field rated above 2000. This meant there were more closely contested games, without the huge fluctuations in opponents' ratings from one round to the next. Incidentally, the top 4 boards played with the new DGTs.

The 38-player Under-1700 tournament also proved to be a very close and hard-fought contest. Both sections produced six rounds of fighting rapid chess.

Open section

Last year's winner, Paul Garbett, was top seed and favourite to retain his title from last year. Strong opposition was expected from Bob Smith, Leonard McLaren, Ortvin Sarapu, Ewen Green, Peter Green, Peter Stuart and Martin Dreyer to name a few.

The first two rounds saw a number of upsets, as expected in a tournament with a fast time-control. Ortvin Sarapu lost on time in an overwhelming position against Hilton Bennett, Martin Dreyer was held to a draw by 14-year-old Russell Metgfe, Peter Green lost to Ralph Hart and Paul Spiller blundered against Geoff Gill.

After a 3rd-round win against Peter

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Stuart, only Garbett had 3 points. Smith, Ewen Green, Dreyer and Nigel Hopewell (by virtue of win against Sarapu) were just behind on 2½. Russell Metgfe followed his success in round 1 by beating McLaren.

In round 4 the top board clash between Garbett and Smith ended in a hectic time scramble. Both players ended up having a minute or two to play a king and pawn ending. Both players queened pawns, which resulted in a K, Q and P v K and Q with Garbett having the extra P. Somehow in the scramble queens were exchanged, leaving Bob with a lost position and no time on his clock. Ewen Green beat Hopewell and Dreyer beat Peter Green to stay in contention. Leading scores: Garbett 4, E Green and Dreyer 3½.

In round 5 Garbett ended a notable run of 10 consecutive wins when he conceded his first ½-point in 2 years in this event. His draw with Ewen Green was still good enough for him to maintain the lead, since Dreyer also drew, against Smith. Stuart closed the gap by winning against Hopewell. Leading scores: Garbett 4½, E Green and Dreyer 4, Stuart 3½.

Lower down some players were finding the competition tough going. Hilton Bennett's luck ran out after round 1, to score 4 consecutive losses, while Burns and Spiller were also languishing on 1 point. On the other hand Geoff Gill (seeded 19/20) was having a marvellous tournament (wins over Nigel Metgfe and Spiller, draws against Hopewell and Ralph Hart and only 1 loss, to Dreyer). He finished the tournament on a high note, with a draw against Sarapu.

The top pairings for the last round were Garbett 4½ v Dreyer 4 and E Green 4 v Stuart 3½, followed by Smith v Hart and Sarapu v Gill, all on 3. All these games were drawn (some more quickly than others), so overall placings were not changed: 1 Garbett 5/7; 2= E Green and Dreyer 4½; 4 Stuart 4.

Paul Garbett was a deserving winner and took home the winner's cheque for \$500,

presented by the tournament and Howick-Pakuranga CC patron Janis Borovskis. Ewen Green and Martin Dreyer were the only other undefeated players and both took home cheques for \$250.

Under 1700

The Under-1700 tournament had no clear pre-tournament favourite, although Ben Giles on recent form at Congress had to be given a chance. The early running was made by Graham Pocock with 4 wins, followed closely by Robert Phillips, Robert Bennett and Rhys Starr on 3½.

After 5 rounds Pocock still held the lead on 4½, but the field had bunched up behind him with 5 players - Phillips, Giles, S Price, Bennett and Starr - on 4.

The unfortunate crunch for Pocock came in round 6 when he lost to Giles. Price and Phillips also won, resulting in a 3-way tie for 1st between Giles, Price and Phillips, who each received a cheque for \$166.65.

Special prize

A special prize was also introduced this year and was announced at the beginning of round 2. All first-round losers would enter a mini-tournament, and the top scorer in rounds 2-6 would win a \$100 prize. This was won by Howick-Pakuranga player Steven Price, who won all his remaining 5 games.

This year's tournament ran particularly well with no disputes. Bob Gibbons conducted proceedings in his usual professional manner and rounds were all played to schedule. Having a computer print-out draw helped speed things up considerably. Thanks again, Bob.

Howick-Pakuranga CC wishes to thank all competitors for competing and cordially invites them back next year. Scores:

Latvian Gambit Open: 1 P Garbett 5; 2= E Green and M Dreyer 4½; 4 P Stuart 4; 5= R Smith, L McLaren, O Sarapu, N Hopewell, R Hart, G Gill 3½; 11= P Green, R Metgfe 3; 13= N Metgfe, S Wastney 2½; 15= D Elliott, P Spiller, H Bennett 2; 18= G Banks, D Lam 1½; 20 C Burns 1.

Reserve: 1= R Phillips, B Giles, C Price 5; 4= B Tidey, G Pocock 4½.

JUNIOR PLAYERS OF THE YEAR

The Marsick Memorial Trophy for 1994 NZ Junior Player of the Year was shared for the second year in succession, with David Guthrie featured both times and sharing this time with Matthew Vincent.

Matthew's second placing in the South Island championship placed him in a strong position, but David's overall performance through the year - which included taking the Otago CC championship - lifted his rating and earned him a place in the NZ Championship.

David scored 3½ points in the NZ Championship, while Matthew scored 4 in the Reserve. His Championship points enabled David to earn sufficient credits to share the honours with Matthew.

NZ LIGHTNING CHAMPIONSHIP

The NZ lightning championship held at the Wanganui Congress on New Years Day was a testing ground for the new Digital Game Timers, which in FIDE events are at last replacing the antiquated technology of analog clocks. Incidentally, DGTs are essential for a fair game of Transfer.

The lightning champs comprised two preliminary groups, with the top two placegetters to play in a double round robin final (preliminary scores not counting). Sarfati won one group with a picket fence, while Wastney edged out Boyd and Sinclair for the second spot.

Ker and Barlow tied for first in the other, nosing out Stuart and van der Hoorn among others. The final was closely fought, with Ker and Sarfati narrowly beating off Barlow to tie for the title.

AUSTRALIAN CHESS FEDERATION

IM Guy West has retired from office as president of the Australian Chess Federation, intending to concentrate on playing the game. Guy is succeeded as president by former vice-president Ross Thomas, and Adrian Turner comes in as vice-president.

In an administrative switch, secretary Robert Shankly becomes treasurer and the treasurer, IM Robert Jamieson, takes over as secretary.

New Zealand Rapid Championship

By Ted Frost

The N.Z. Rapid Championship held at the end of Congress attracted 42 entries, and a quarter of them were in contention for places with the last round to play. Plenty of draws among the leaders kept the field tightly-packed throughout. Conventional clocks were used, and some of the draws were agreed with flags getting close to the vertical and players with positional advantage uncertain how

many seconds they had left. Some key results could have been different if digital timers had been in use.

In the end there was a three-way tie between Martin Dreyer AC, Mark Noble PE and Kendall Boyd OT, on 6½/9, but they took different routes to the top.

Dreyer was a leader throughout. He and Noble were the only players with straight wins in the first 3 rounds, and when they

			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
1 MP DREYER	AC 2123	W33	W21	W6	W2	D4	D8	D5	D9	D7		6½
2 MF NOBLE	PE 2234	W36	W19	W9	L1	W3	W6	D8	D4	D5		6½
3 KM BOYD	OT 2005	W34	W10	D4	D5	L2	D20	W15	W12	W8		6½
4 JD SARFATI	WE 2291	W20	W13	D3	D7	D1	D19	D11	D2	W10		6
5 PW STUART	NS 2171	W24	W16	D8	D3	D9	D11	D1	W19	D2		6
6 JC LACUNZA	unr	W23	W11	L1	W15	W7	L2	D19	D8	W16		6
7 M SINCLAIR	PE 2049	D26	W12	W17	D4	L6	W29	D9	W11	D1		6
8 RA DOWDEN	OT 2213	W27	D18	D5	W10	W12	D1	D2	D6	L3		5½
9 GA SPAIN	GA 2153	W31	W22	L2	D27	D5	W13	D7	D1	D14		5½
10 MB VINCENT	OT 1756	W30	L3	W24	L8	W32	D12	W13	W15	L4		5½
11 S WASTNEY	GA 1924	W28	L6	W38	D16	W22	D5	D4	L7	W24		5½
12 DJ COOPER	WA 1959	W38	L7	W18	W21	L8	D10	W20	L3	W19		5½
13 RE GIBBONS	GA 1954*	W32	L4	W30	D22	W17	L9	L10	W23	W21		5½
14 DJ BOYD	NS 1817	D39	W26	L15	D36	L29	W40	W30	W17	D9		5½
15 MJ BARLOW	NS 2137	W29	D17	W14	L6	D16	W36	L3	L10	W27		5
16 JL SUTHERLAND	OT 1849	W37	L5	W33	D11	D15	D18	D17	W31	L6		5
17 MJ POST	WA 1806	W40	D15	L7	W26	L13	W23	D16	L14	W28		5
18 DW GUTHRIE	OT 1879	W42	D8	L12	D19	D23	D16	D22	D27	W31		5
19 HP BENNETT	HA 1912	W25	L2	W28	D18	W27	D4	D6	L5	L12		4½
20 JE CATER	WT 1738	L4	W32	L27	W30	W34	D3	L12	L24	W35		4½
21 PAR VETHARANIAM	WA 1793	W35	L1	W31	L12	L36	W25	D29	W22	L13		4½
22 LR JACKSON	WE 1808	W41	L9	W29	D13	L11	W28	D18	L21	D25		4½
23 A LACUNZA	KP 1695	L6 *	L28	W35	W42	D18	L17	W26	L13	W30		4½
24 B MILLAR	GA unr	L5	W37	L10	L28	W42	W32	D27	W20	L11		4½
25 A DUNN	PT unr	L19	D36	L26	W39	D38	L21	W33	W32	D22		4½
26 A KOIA	1478	D7	L14	W25	L17	D28	D27	L23	W34	D29		4
27 KA WONG	PE 1579	L8	W42	W20	D9	L19	D26	D24	D18	L15		4
28 T VAN BODEGRAVEN	GA 1406	L11	W23	L19	W24	D26	L22	D34	W29	L17		4
29 LB FARRINGTON	WE 1514	L15	W40	L22	W38	W14	L7	D21	L28	D26		4
30 J STEWART	WA 953*	L10	W34	L13	L20	W39*	W38	L14	W36	L23		4
31 E FROST	WE 1516	L9	W41	L21	L32	W37	W34	W36	L16	L18		4
32 MR BURN	GA 972*	L13	L20	W41	W31	L10	L24	W40	L25	W39		4
33 G W POCOCK	GA 1494*	L1	W35	L16	L34	L40	W37	L25	W41	W36		4
34 G BELL	1473*	L3	L30	W40	W33	L20	L31	D28	L26	W41		3½
35 B MADDREN	WA unr	L21	L33	L23	L37	W41	D42	W38	W40	L20		3½
36 BJ GILES	NS 1603	L2	D25	W39	D14	W21	L15	L31	L30	L33		3
37 G JUDKINS	GA 1307*	L16	L24	L42	W35	L31	L33	L39	W38	W40		3
38 KR AUSTIN	NP 1469*	L12	W39	L11	L29	D25	L30	L35	L37	W42		2½
39 A CATER	WT 1303	D14	L38	L36	L25	L30*	L41	W37	W42	L32		2½
40 GJ SULLIVAN	UH 1139	L17	L29	L34	W41	W33	L14	L32	L35	L37		2
41 R POCOCK	NS unr	L22	L31	L32	L40	L35	W39	W42	L33	L34		2
42 GB GUERIN	CA 1331	L18	L27	W37	L23	L24	D35	L41	L39	L38		1½

met in round 4 Dreyer won to take sole lead. However, in the last five rounds Dreyer fended off a series of challenges but drew every game. Noble recovered from his loss with wins in rounds 4 and 5 against Boyd and second seed C Lacunza, a visitor and brother of Alvaro Lacunza KP. Noble shared the lead with Dreyer through the last 4 rounds, with a run of draws.

After his loss to Noble and a draw in round 6, Boyd was 1½ points off the pace, but wins against Matthew Barlow NS, Dave Cooper and defending titleholder Tony Dowden IN in the last 3 rounds lifted him up to share the title.

Top seed Jonathan Sarfati WE was unbeaten, and so was Peter Stuart NS, and they finished 4= on 6 with Lacunza and Mark Sinclair PE.

Dowden was unbeaten until the last round, and a win against Boyd would have given him a share of the title. He had to be content to share 8= on 5½ with Graeme Spain GA, Bob Gibbons GA, Scott Wastney GA, David Boyd NS and Matthew Vincent OT.

David Guthrie OT, John Sutherland OT and Marton Post WA shared the A grade prize on 5. A Dunn headed the B grade on 4½, ahead of Michael Burn GA, Tom Van Bodegraven GA and James Stewart WA on 4.

Dreyer, M - Noble, M

NZ Rapid Championship, 1995

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.Nc3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.Nf3 a6 7.a4 g6 8.e4 Bg7 9.Nd2 0-0 10.Be2 Re8 11.0-0 Nbd7 12.f3 Rb8 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Qxb6 15.Nc4 Qc7 16.Bf4 Bf8 17.Qd2 Nb6 18.Na5 Nh5 19.Bh6 Ng7 20.Nc6 Ra8 21.f4 f6 22.e5! f5 23.Rae1 Bd7 24.Bf3 Bxc6 25.dxc6 dxe5 26.fxe5 Rad8 27.Qe2 Ne6 28.Bxf8 Rxf8 29.Qxa6 Rd2 30.Nb5 Qb8 31.Rd1 Rfd8 32.Qa2 c4 33.Nd6 R8xd6 34.exd6 Qxd6 35.Qa7 Qc5+ 36.Kh1 Rxb2 37.Qb8+ Kg7 38.Qd6 Qxd6 39.Rxd6 Kf7 40.Re1 Nc7 41.h4 c3 42.Rc1 Nb5 43.Rd3 c2 44.Rd2 Na3 45.c7 Rb4 46.Bb7 Rxb4+ 47.Kg1 Kf6 48.Rd6+ Kg5 49.Rxb6 Rc4 50.c8=Q Rxc8 51.Bxc8 and White won.

BIG BATTLE

(To the editor)

Sir, Thank you for publishing details of the new game, Big Battle. Regrettably it seems likely the promised Big Battle national championship will have to be postponed owing to a lamentable shortage of trained warriors. Necessary training of a few local recruits is proceeding.

What is needed is a sufficient number of distinguished battlers such as say, Anthony Ker or Bobby Fischer.

At time of writing Ortvin, who has had only Merv to practise with, is World Champion (Merv is runner-up!). What is needed are a dozen or so top-notch national contestants to take on Ortvin.

In the meantime it is planned to conduct an Auckland Championship. [Auckland Chess Centre made facilities available for this on the first two days of Easter weekend. - Editor]

Also planned is a complete set of newly-designed pieces to give contestants who wish to play both chess and Big Battle visual reminders that Big Battle is not chess.

Due to the heavy cost of tooling for making complete new sets of plastic pieces the new sets will not be available for some time. However, local enthusiasts are managing very well with a combination of home-made Princes and old-fashioned chess pieces. Changeover Big Bat kits comprising four home-made Princes and four chess pawns are available in Auckland at present.

My experience so far seems to suggest, if not necessarily to prove, that a player can enjoy both games without being handicapped by confusion in playing serious chess. In fact, I think the new exercise encourages chess enterprise, sharpens alertness, and enhances tactical acuity.

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Games from the 102nd N.Z. Championship

Round 8

Garbett returned Spain's Morra Gambit pawn for an eventually decisive counter-attack. Van der Hoorn's promising position gradually deteriorated to allow Ker to win. Dreyer won a pawn against Wastney who never stood a chance after that. Barlow-Guthrie, Boyd-Sarfati and Stuart-Sinclair were all drawn in under 20 moves.

Ker and Dreyer were leading on 5%, with Garbett, Sarfati, Stuart & Sinclair on 5.

Dreyer, M - Wastney, S
[A87]

1.d4 f5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 g6 4.c4 Bg7 5.Nc3 0-0 6.Nf3 d6 7.d5 Qe8 8.0-0 Na6 9.Nd4 Bd7 10.e4 fxe4 11.Nxe4 Nxe4 12.Bxe4 Nc5 13.Bg2 e5 14.dxe6 Nxe6 15.Nxe6 Bxe6 16.Re1 Rf5 17.Bxb7 Rb8 18.Bd5 Re5 19.Rxe5 Bxe5 20.Rb1 Qf7 21.Bxe6 Qxe6 22.b3 Rf8 23.Be3 Rf7 24.Qd5 Qf5 25.Rd1 Qg4 26.Rd2 h5 27.Kg2 Qf5 28.h4 Qg4 29.Qc6 Kg7 30.f4 Bc3 31.Rc2 Be1 32.Qf3 Qxf3+ 33.Kxf3 c5 34.Re2 Bc3 35.Bf2 Kf6 36.Re8 Re7 37.Rxe7 Kxe7 38.g4 hxg4+ 39.Kxg4 Kf6 40.Be3 Be1 41.Bc1 Bc3 42.Ba3 Be1 43.Bb2+ Kf7 44.h5 gxh5+ 45.Kxh5 Bd2 46.f5 Bf4 47.Kg4 Bh2 48.Kf3 1-0

Spain, G - Garbett, P [B21]

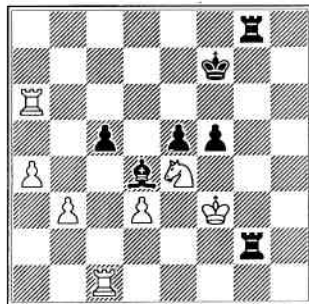
1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.Nxc3 Nc6 5.Nf3 d6 6.Bc4 a6 7.0-0 Nf6 8.Bg5 e6 9.Qe2 b5 10.Bb3 Be7 11.Rfd1 Qb6 12.Rac1 0-0 13.Bxf6 gxf6 14.Rd3 Kh8 15.Nb4 Bd7 16.Qh5 Rg8 17.Qxf7 Raf8 18.Qh5 Rg5 19.Qh6 Ne5 20.Rh3 Rf7 21.Nf3 Bf8 22.Qh4 Rg4 23.Qh5 Rfg7 24.Rg3 Nxf3+ 25.gxf3 Rxf3+ 26.hxg3 Rxf3+ 27.Kf1 Rg6 28.Ne2 Qd8 29.Rc2 f5 30.Nf4 Rh6 31.Qf7 Rf6 32.Qh5 fxe4 33.Qh4 Be7 34.fxe4 Qf8 35.Nd3 Rf3 36.Qg4 Rxd3 37.Bxe6 Bxe6 38.Qxe6 Qf3 39.Rc8+ Bf8 40.Rc1 Rd2 0-1

van der Hoorn, M - Ker, A [B08]

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.h3 Bg7 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Be3 a6 7.a4 b6 8.Bc4 8.Bd3 Nbd7

Concluding the report by Jonathan Sarfati

9.0-0 c5 10.d5. 8...Nxe4 9.Nxe4 d5 10.Bd3 dxe4 11.Bxe4 Ra7 12.h4 12.a5 b5 13.d5 Rb7 14.Bd4. 12...Nd7 13.h5 Nf6 14.Bd3 Ng4 14...Nxb5 15.Rxb5 gxh5 16.Ng5 h6 17.Qxh5. 15.Ng5 15.hxg6 hxg6 16.Bg5 Bxd4 17.Nxd4 Qxd4 18.Qf3. 15...Nxe3 16.fxe3 Qd5 17.Nf3 17.Nxh7 Qxg2. 17...Bf5 18.Qe2 Bxd3 19.Qxd3 c5 20.e4 Qd7 21.hxg6 hxg6 22.dxc5 Qxd3 23.cxd3 hxc5 24.Rc1 Rc8 25.b3 Rb7 26.Nd2 Bf6 27.Ke2 Kg7 28.Rc2 28.Nf3 Bb2 29.Rc2 Rxb3 30.Rb1 Rcb8 31.Rxc5. 28...Bd4 29.Rb1 Rcb8 30.Rc4 e5 31.Rcc1 f5 32.exf5?! gxf5 33.Rf1 Kg6 34.Rbc1 Kf6 35.Rh1 Rg7 36.Rh6+ Kf7 37.Kf3 Rbg8 38.Rxa6 Rxf2 With unstoppable mate either on f2 or g3. 39.Ne4 Or has White delayed the inevitable with a piece sacrifice?



39...fxe4+? 39...R8g3+! [No! Tony Dowden pointed this out] 40.Nxg3 Rf2+. 40.Kxe4 R2g4+ 41.Kd5 Rd8+ 0-1

Round 9

The two leaders met, with Dreyer opening with the Budapest and sacrificing the exchange. But Ker managed to keep the material, perhaps because Dreyer's Q-side could not co-operate in the attack. Garbett beat Barlow after the latter walked into a mate. The best that Garbett should have had was perpetual check, after losing three pawns while misplaying a promising attack.

Sinclair's B-pair co-ordinating with his passed P was too much for Spain. Guthrie at last won against the Benkó

Gambit, when van der Hoorn's game proved not to be as good as it looked. Sarfati's outside passed P was not enough to win, although it probably should have been. Wastney-Boyd was a hard-fought draw.

Ker was sole leader on 6%, with Garbett and Sinclair close behind on 6, and Sarfati, Dreyer and Stuart on 5%.

Guthrie, D - van der Hoorn, M [A57]

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 c5 4.d5 b5 5.cxb5 a6 6.e3 d6 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.a4 axb5?! 9.Bxb5+ Bd7 10.Ra3 0-0 11.0-0 Ne8 12.Qd3 Nc7 13.Re1 Nba6 14.Bxd7 Qxd7 15.e4 Nb4 16.Qe2 e6 17.dxe6 fxe6 18.Be3 Qc6 19.Rc1 Qb6 20.Nb5 Nxb5 21.axb5 Rab8 22.e5 Qxb5 23.Qxb5 Rxb5 24.Rb3 Rxf3 25.gxf3 Bxe5 26.Bd2 d5 1-0

Ker, A - Dreyer, M [A52]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 Ng4 4.Nf3 Bc5 5.e3 Nc6 6.a3 a5 7.b3 0-0 8.Bb2 Re8 9.Be2 Ngxe5 10.Nc3 Nxf3+ 11.Bxf3 Ne5 12.Be2 Ra6 13.Qd5 Ba7 14.c5 Rg6 15.b4 c6 16.Qe4 f5 17.Qd4 Rxf2 18.Kf1 Rg6 19.Bh5 b6 20.Bxf6 bxc5 21.bxc5 hxg6 22.Ne2 Qe7 23.Qxe5 Qxe5 24.Bxe5 Rxe5 25.Rg1 Rxc5 26.Rxf6 Ba6 27.Ra2 Rd5 28.Ke1 Bxe2 29.Kxe2 Kf7 30.Rg1 Rb5 31.Rd2 Rb7 32.Rg5 Kf6 33.h4 Bc5? 34.e4 Bxa3 35.Rxf5+ Kg6 36.Rxa5 Be7 37.h5+ Kh6 38.Rd1 d6 39.Rf5 c5 40.Rg1 Bf6 41.Rd1 Rb4 42.f3 Bd4 43.f4 Rb3 44.Rd3 Rb2+ 45.Kf3 Rf2+ 46.Kg4 Re2 47.Rf8 g6 48.hxg6 Kxg6 49.Rg3 Rb2 50.Rf5 Rh2 51.Kf3+ Kh7 52.Rf7+ Kh8 53.Rg6 Rf2+ 54.Kg4 c4 55.Rxd6 Bg7 56.Rd8+ Kh7 57.Rdd7 Rg2+ 58.Kf3 Rg6 59.Rxf7+ 1-0

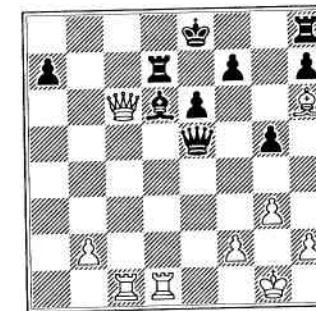
Round 10

Boyd and Ker drew a fairly hard game, so Garbett, with Black, caught Ker by grinding down Guthrie in a R-endgame. Van der Hoorn halted Dreyer after the latter went pawn-hunting with his Q at the cost of K-side development. Stuart demolished Wastney in 18 moves, while Barlow-Sinclair was drawn in 12. Sarfati was probably fortunate to escape with a draw after repeating van der Hoorn's Schliemann experiment against Spain.

The leaders going into the last round were Garbett and Ker on 7, with Stuart and Sinclair on 6%, and Sarfati on 6.

van der Hoorn, M - Dreyer, M
[B01]

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Qxd5 3.Nc3 Qa5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nf3 Bf5 6.Bd3 e6 7.0-0 c6 8.Ne5 Bxd3 9.Qxd3 Nbd7 10.Bf4 Nxe5 11.dxe5 Nd5 12.Rad1 Be7 13.Nxd5 cxd5 14.c4 Rd8 15.cxd5 Rxd5 16.Qb3 Rb5 17.Qg3 g6 18.Bb6 Qxa2 19.Rc1 Rd5 20.Qc3 Qa5 21.Qc8+ Rd8 22.Qxb7 Qxe5 23.Qc6+ Rd7 24.Rfd1 Bd6 25.g3 g5



26.Bg7!+- Qxg7 27.Rxd6 0-0 28.Rxd7 Qxb2 29.Rxa7 h6 30.Rd1 Kg7 31.Rad7 Qe5 32.Kg2 g4 33.h3 h5 34.h4 Kg8 35.Qc2 Qf6 36.Rh1 Qf3+ 37.Kg1 Ra8 38.Rd3 Qf6 39.Rd2 Qe5 40.Rbd1 Kg7 41.Re2 Qf6 42.Qb2 e5 43.Qxe5 1-0

Stuart, P - Wastney, S
[A04]

1.Nf3 f5 2.e4 fxe4 3.Ng5 d5 4.d3 Qd6 5.Nc3 Bd7 6.dxe4 d4 7.Nb5 Bxb5 8.Bxb5+ c6 9.Bd3 e5 10.Qg4 Nf6? 11.Qc8+ Ke7 12.Qxb7+ Nfd7 13.Bc4 h6 14.Nf7 Qc5 15.Nxb8 Qxc4 16.Ng6+ Kf6 17.Nxf8 Nxf8 18.Qb3 1-0

Round 11

Stuart, needing to win at all costs, played rather recklessly with Black to give Ker the full point. Garbett looked like tying after gaining a clear advantage against van der Hoorn, but he blundered a pawn and was fortunate to draw. This resulted in Ker winning the title outright and \$1400 with 8, and

Garbett earning \$900 as runner-up on 7½. Sinclair sacrificed unsoundly against Guthrie, who generously accepted his draw offer. This gave him outright third and \$600, as Sarfati could only draw from a much superior position against Barlow. So Sarfati and Stuart tied for 4th which earned them \$150 each. Dreyer became much worse against Boyd, who let him off with a split point. Wastney could not handle Spain's well placed knights.

Ker, A - Stuart, P
[D70]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.f3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nb6 6.a4 a5 6...Bg7!? 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.Be3 Nc6?! 8...0-0. 9.Bb5 0-0 10.d5 Nb4 11.Nge2 c6 11...e6 12.d6. 12.dxc6 Qxd1+ 13.Kxd1 bxc6 14.Bxb6 cxb5 15.axb5 Be6 16.Rxa5 Bb3+ 17.Kd2 Bh6+ 18.f4 e5 19.g3 Rac8 20.Ra7 f5 21.Ba5 Nc2 22.Nd5 Bxd5 23.exd5 Nd4 24.Nxd4 exd4 25.d6 Rb8 26.d7 g5 27.Rf1 1-0

Garbett, P - van der Hoorn, M
[A28]

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.d3 Be7 5.a3 0-0 6.e3 d6 7.Be2 h6 8.0-0 Be6 9.b4 a6 10.Bb2 Nh7?! 11.d4 exd4?! 12.exd4 d5 13.cxd5! Bxd5 14.Nxd5 Qxd5 15.Ne5! Nxe5 16.dxe5 Rfd8 17.Qxd5 [17.Bf3] 17...Rxd5 18.Bf3 Rb5 19.Rfd1 Nf8 20.a4?! Rb6 21.a5 Rb5 22.Be2? Rxb4 23.Ba3 Re4 24.Bf3 Rxe5 25.Bxb7 Ra7 26.Bc6 Bxa3 27.Rxa3 Rc5 28.Be4 c6 29.f3 f5 30.Bb1 Nd7 31.g4 f4 32.Bg6 Nf8 33.Bb1 Rb7 34.Bd3 Ra7 35.h4 g5 36.Bf5 gxb4 37.Ra4 Rb7 38.Rxf4 Rxa5 39.Be4 Rf7 40.Rxf7 Kxf7 41.Bxc6 ½-½

CONGRESS UPSET PRIZE

Austin, K - Wong, K

Notes by Ortvin Sarapu

Usually you see a young chessplayer beating an older player. But sometimes it is the reverse. Ken Austin, at 80, is still playing strongly and in this game he outlasts his younger opponent to win on time and take the upset prize.

Chess has a clear advantage over all other sports - you can compete on equal terms at 8 to 80-plus!

Sicilian Defence (B40)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 a6 5.a3 Here I prefer 5.Bd3, also popular is 5.c4, or 5.Nc3. White prevents Bb4 for loss of a tempo. 5...Qc7 6.g3 Nf6 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.Bg2 Be7 It is almost a theoretical position, with a3 involved. 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.0-0 0-0 11.b4 Also good here is Be3. 11...d5 12.exd5 exd5?! Preferable here is to take with the other pawn. Black would have c-file pressure. 13.Bf4 Qa7 14.Ne2 White now has a clear advantage. Black has weak pawns on d5 and c6. 14...Bg4 15.Re1 Rad8 16.h3 Bh5 17.g4 Bg6 18.Nd4! Qd7? A bad mistake by the co-winner of the Major Open. Better is the natural Qb7. 19.Qe2! The double attack now wins a pawn. 19...Rfe8 20.Qxa6 c5 Black is totally lost. 21.Nc6 cxb4!? There is nothing better. Ra8 loses to Nxe7+ etc. It is possible to resign here! 22.Nxe7+ Also a mistake, by White this time. There was nothing wrong with Nxd8! winning the exchange. 22...Rxe7 23.axb4 Bxc2 The material balance is restored. White still has some advantage, two bishops and a dangerous b-pawn. 24.Bg5 Better is Rxe7, Qxe7 and b5, followed by Qc6! 24...Re6 25.Rxe6 fxe6 26.Qa7 Bd3 White has lost some of his advantage. The e6 pawn defends d5. 27.Qxd7 Rxd7 28.Bf1 Bxf1 29.Kxf1 Ne4 30.Ra8+? This loses the b-pawn and with changing fortunes it is Black who now has a much better game. 30...Kf7 31.Rd8 Here Be3 provokes d4. 31...Rb7 32.Be3 Rxb4 33.Rd7+ Kg6 Black is in time trouble after getting a winning position. 34.h4 h6 35.h5+ Kf6 36.f3! Ng5 37.Bc5! Threatening also Be7+!. Black lost on time. After 37...Rb1+ 38.Ke2 Rb2+ 39.Ke3 Rb3+ 40.Ke2 e5! Black is on top. 1-0

CHESS RECOGNISED AS A SPORT

The Australian Chess Magazine report on the 1995 Australian Open chess tournament says "the West Australian Government is one of very few in Australia that recognise chess as a sport."

History of Wanganui CC's clubrooms

By Gordon Hoskyn

The first known home of the then Wanganui Chess and Draughts Club (which was founded in 1880) was a single-room, high-ceiling, gas-lit building in Cook's Gardens, below the observatory and fronting Gill Street.

The building dated back to 1900, or perhaps a few years earlier. At that time the Wanganui mayor and some councillors were members of the club and no doubt helped the club acquire the building.

The club-room was rather primitive and had no toilet. Howard Whitlock, who joined the club in 1928, doubts that the clubrooms ever had a building permit.

In 1964 the Wanganui City Council wanted to acquire the site for street widening and the erection of new City Council chambers. The council paid the chess club 150 pounds compensation and gave the club the lease for a site in another part of Cook's Gardens, the old circus site. It was decided to build new rooms by voluntary labour, and Archie Ives and A C van Raat drew up plans and obtained the permits.

Shared with camera club

We invited the Wanganui Camera Club to share the building with us. They accepted and paid half the costs, and were given half ownership in return. However, the lease remained with the chess club.

The joint ownership arrangement worked very well, with the chess club meeting on Mondays and Saturdays, and the camera club on alternate Wednesdays. The building was rented out, with the Inland Revenue Department and the Civil Aviation Department being prolific users.

Three years ago the Wanganui Amateur Athletic and Cycling Club formed a Trust Board to develop Cook's Gardens to the tune of \$3.5 million. The chess and camera clubs' presidents, Gordon Hoskyn and Ngairie Wilson, were called to an urgent meeting by the athletic club, and were told the club building was in the way of a proposed cycling velodrome and would have to be relocated.

This was the start of three years of very intensive negotiations and investigations by both clubs, heavily involving both presidents in scores of phone calls and dozens of meetings. Options looked at included relocating the building to another part of Cook's Gardens, or to another site in Wanganui; and either building, buying, sharing, swapping or renting another building.

Eventually, in December last year the joint clubrooms were sold to the Wanganui District Council, which in turn sold the building to the Wanganui Road Cycling Club. The chess and camera clubs went their separate ways after 30 years of togetherness.

Now the chess club rents a room (the old dining room) on the first floor of the Wanganui Commercial Club in St Hill Street. The venue is very suitable, and we have returned to the street where the club was located almost 100 years ago.

BLACKBURN CUP

(To the editor)

Sir, Papatoetoe CC would like an explanation as to the whereabouts of the Blackburn Cup. Members eagerly await its arrival for display purposes (and likely street parade). We re-entered the Blackburn Cup tournament before the end of March 1994, and as of now have not heard whom and when and we are due to play. Has the competition lapsed from want of interest and/or other reasons?

KATRINE METGE

Secretary, Papatoetoe CC

[NZCF has been trying for three years to track down the whereabouts of the cup, without success. There was a rumour that it was last heard of in Tawa, but the federation has been unable to confirm this. The competition has not resumed yet, partly because of other pressures on the federation's handful of officials, and partly through dissatisfaction with the failure of playing by fax to speed up play at a distance. - Editors]

New Zealand News

IM Ortvin Sarapu is planning another European trip this year, with the intention of playing again in the world senior championship, which is returning to Bad Worishofen in Germany. Ortvin hopes to play in tournaments in Estonia and Germany before competing in the world seniors, and might see the Kasparov-Anand PCA world championship final.

Auckland CC

Bruce Wheeler has been elected president of Auckland Chess Centre, with a two-to-one vote over incumbent Aidan Howard. Other officers elected are: Vice-president, Dave Taylor; secretary, Martin Dreyer; treasurer, Chris Jardine; club captain, Brian Latimer; executive, Brett Glover, Robert Goris, Edwin Simperingham.

The incoming executive has given a quick, practical demonstration of the new look they have brought to the club, with a working bee headed by president Bruce Wheeler painting the exterior of the club house and flats.

Howick-Pakuranga CC

Paul Spiller, president of Howick-Pakuranga CC, reports a successful year in 1994, with steady membership, a very successful open tournament, and launching the popular invitation allegro event, which will be a regular event.

The club received a \$150 grant from the Hillary Commission, which was used to

Upper Hutt CC reports the death of **Hugo Bennett**, an active member of the chess community for many years, and a person and player of character.

Wellington CC also reports with regret the death of **Arthur Schultz**, a long-term member and regular player in open tournaments run by the club.

Both players will be missed by the chess community.

help purchase 3 DGTs. The president comments that unfortunately the rules have changed for qualifying for these grants, and chess no longer qualifies.

Winners of the club's 1994 tournaments were: Championship, **Paul Spiller** and **Mark Brimble** 7/9; group B, **R Starr** 7/7; Parkinson Cup, **P Spiller** and **S Price**; Booth Shield, **A, J Bojtor**; B, **K van den Bosch**; Gentil Knight lightning tournament, **R Taylor**; Allegro 30/30, group 1, **R Smith** 9/9; group 2, **S Devlin** 7½/9; junior, **A Frampton**.

Waikato Open

For the record, last year's Waikato Open was won by **Scott Wastney**, with 4½/5.

Wanganui CC

Michael Freeman won the Wanganui CC championship for 1994 with a score of 10/13. **Yung Le**, who has moved to Australia, was runner-up with 8/14 and other scores were: 3= **Dave Cooper** and **Prince Vetharianiam** 7; 5 **Chris Burns** 6½; 6 **Martin Post** 6; 7 **Tony Boswell** 4½; 8 **Stephen Hall** 3. B grade: 1 **David Bell** 17/18 (2 draws); 2 **John Wilson** 13½; 3 **James Stewart** 13; 4 **Shaun Street** 12½; 5 **Bernard Nicholson** 11; 6 **Kelly Forrest** 7½; 8= **Bill Maddren** and **Kevin Yorston** 4; 10 **Peter Krauliz** 1. C grade: **Marcel Juventin** 5/6; 2 **Pascal Harris** 4; 3 **Hinemoa Ransom** 3; 4 **Peter Aim** 0.

Upper Hutt CC

Officers of Upper Hutt CC elected for 1995 are as follows: Patron, **Rex Kirton JP**, Mayor of Upper Hutt; president, **Gerald Carter**; vice-president, **Bob Stephens**; club captain, **Don Stracy**; assistant club captain, **Chris Bell**; treasurer, **Anton Reid** (life member); secretary, **Glen Sullivan**; committee, **Alan Drake**, **Eildert Boekholt** and **Stan Bridger**; auditor, **Brian Burge**.

Civic CC

Winners of Civic CC's championships for 1994 were **Anthony Ker** (A grade), **Manuel Pedreschi** and **Alan Aldridge** (B grade) and

Brent Southgate (C grade). The 1995 summer cup has been won by **Anthony Ker** and **Arthur Pomeroy**.

Officers elected at the annual meeting were: President, **Alan Aldridge**; club captain, **Alan Winfield**; secretary, **John Gillespie**; treasurer, **Julian Mazur**.

Renovation of Turnbull House in lower Bowen Street has caused the club to change its club-room. It is now meeting at Wellington Girls' College in Thorndon. The Tuesday club night is unchanged.

Wellington CC

Fikret Karim has won the Wellington CC's summer open tournament, with 5½/6, dropping only half a point in a draw with **Lawrence Farrington**. **Zyg Frankel** and **Ross Jackson** were 2= on 4, followed by **Michael Nyberg** and **David Capper** 4= on 3. **Michael Nyberg** scored 6/6 to win the junior summer open, clear of **Raymond Chew** and **Patrick Savage** on 3½, with **Keith Bauer**, **Arvind Vinjimore** and **Brian Kwang** on 3.

A junior lightning tournament resulted

in a triple tie, with **Raymond Chew** (loss to **Colin Chow**), **Roy Chow** (loss to **Chew**) and **Colin Chow** (loss to **Roy Chow**) all on 4/5. **Mitya Antonchich** and **Brian Kwang** were next on 3.

Wellington CC took part in the recent Karori Festival, with **Jonathan Sarfati** giving a three-hour simul in Karori Mall. In some 70 games against 30 or more players, **Jonathan** scored better than 97%, with a loss to **Elmer Agnar** and draws with **John Cook** and **Justin Phillips**.

LIGHT FIDE CALENDAR

The latest FIDE calendar includes FIDE world championship zonals, but there is no listing for zone 3.2, which includes New Zealand. The zonals are being played early this year, and **Anthony Ker** has been ready to play, but has nowhere to go.

The Asian zone calendar is also light, as venues and times have not yet been fixed for the Asian Junior and Asian Under-16 championships, or the Asian teams tournament.

Correspondence chess

NZCCA's 1995-96 season is under way, with 44 players competing in the five trophy tourney sections. The fields are:

Championship: **Nick Cummings** Chch, **Graham Banks** Auck, **Mike Steadman** L Hutt, **Hilton Bennett** Ham, **Mark Noble** L Hutt, **Jim Bishop** Morr, **Michael Hampl** Well, **Gordon Hoskyn** Wang.

Reserve (double round): **Chris Burns** Wang, **David Guthrie** Dun, **Murray Dunwoodie** Te Awa, **Graham Lovelock** Wgtn, **Peter Voss** Blen, **Chris Mold** Auck, **Ken Austin** N Ply.

TT 2: **Alistair Gemell** Gis, **R S Phillips** Auck, **Bill McBeath** Whang, **Tim Doyle** Well, **Peter King** Well, **Gavin Dawes** Chch, **John Veldhuisen** Tok, **Julia Larsen** Auck, **John Rapp** Auck, **Ken Reed** Chch, **Bill Anderson** Rot, **Earl Roberts** Lev.

TT 3: **Alan Hignett** Auck, **Duncan Hall** Taum, **Dan Dolejs** Nel, **Russell Metge** Auck, **M J Carter** Auck, **E Lui** Ham, **Barney Sullivan** Wark, **E A Gidman** Wark, **P T Shaw** Well, **I A Cameron** Auck, **Mario Anthony** Auck.

TT 4 (double round): **Bill Maddren** Wang, **Glenys Mills** Waik, **Tim Mitchell** Wang, **J D Carson** Auck, **John Goldfinch** Waik, **J Tini** L Hutt.

Play in the championships started on March 1 and continues for 13 months.

NZCCA officers

Officers of the correspondence association are: President, **D I Lynch** (Hastings); vice-presidents, **L J Kiley** (Lower Hutt), **Don McArthur** (Huntly) **A L Fletcher** (Hamilton), **D G Brunt** (Kawerau), **A N Hignett** (Mt Eden); chairman, **R Chapman** (Wellington); secretary-treasurer, **J W Maxwell**, Wellington; director of trophy tourneys, **K G Reed**, P O Box 33-156, Christchurch; director of overseas play, **B E Sinclair**, 53 Oriel Avenue, Tawa; director of handicap tourney, **M J Rocks**, 42 Brockworth Place, Riccarton, Christchurch.

New players can join the handicap tournament at any time.

1995 Australian Junior Championship

Four New Zealanders played in the Australian junior championships held in Canberra in January, in a change of direction for New Zealand chess from individual participation in world and Asian events. All four scored reasonably well, and informal reports to NZCF indicate that they all gained from the experience as well as having an enjoyable tournament.

The Australian junior age limit is under 18, compared with New Zealand's under 20, and David Guthrie on 1972 found himself top seed in the 62-player junior championship. Australia's ratings closely parallel those in New Zealand, and while David was top seed, 17 of Australia's 20 highest-rated juniors were playing.

While David was unbeaten in the first 9 rounds, he had 5 draws and this kept him off the pace. Losses in the last 2 rounds placed him 10= with a final score of 6½. The tournament was won by Charles Pizzato QLD, with 9/11, and P Kalokerinos QLD, who was one of 3 players on 8, took the under-16 title.

Russell Metge also scored an excellent 6½, the same score as N Pearce QLD, who took the under-14 title.

Aaron Batchelor scored a creditable 5½.

Girls' Championship

There was what was described as a disappointing field of 16 in the girls' championship, and Rosaleen Sheehan was second seed. Australia's top two girls elected to play in the open tournament.

None of the players in the girls' championship was rated above 1390, but the first report reaching "NZ Chess" from Australia remarks on the high standard of play and fighting spirit of all the players. The tournament was won by Jade Lauer-Smith VIC, with 9½/11, a point clear of the runners-up.

Rosaleen scored 6½, to finish 6=, and included a 71-move draw with Jade Lauer-Smith in round 6 after the tournament winner had started with 5 straight wins.

There were separate under-12 and girls' under-12 tournaments, with 39 and 23

players, respectively, so a total of 140 players meant a record entry, which was a surprise as it was not expected at a championship event in Canberra.

Lightning win

Guthrie showed his strength in the 92-player 9-round open lightning tournament, winning his first 7 games and drawing his last 2. The round 8 draw was with runner-up Eu-Jin Teh WA, who took the Australian junior lightning title. In round 9 David agreed a draw when a rook up against David Cordover VIC, who shared 3rd.

The tournament was held in Australian National University's Ursula College, and the New Zealand group were billeted together in a house some distance from the college. Rosaleen's father, John Sheehan, accompanied the group and supervised their playing, transport and billet arrangements.

Here is a Guthrie win, in round 4 against the Australian under-16 champion.

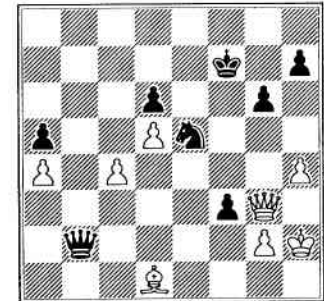
Kalokerinos, P - Guthrie, D

Notes by David Guthrie

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be2 6.Bc4 or Bg5 are more common. 6...e6 This transposes to the Scheveningen variation. 6...e5 is also perfectly playable. 7.0-0 Be7 8.Be3 0-0 9.f4 a6 10.a4 If White intends to play Qe1-g3 he should play it now, e.g., 10.Qe1 Qc7 11.Qg3 Nxd4 12.Bxd4 b5 13.a3, when White has a small edge. 10...Qc7 11.Qe1 A stronger line of play is 11.Kh1 Re8 12.Bf3 Rb8 with a complicated position as in Karpov-Kasparov, world championship match, 1985. 11...Nxd4 12.Bxd4 e5 13.Be3 13.fxe5 dxe5 14.Qg3 Re8 15.Kh1 Bd8! 16.Be3 Kh8 gave White no advantage in Tal-Andersson, 1976. 13...exf4 14.Bxf4 Be6 14...Qb6+ 15.Kh1 Qxb2 16.Qb3 is too risky. 15. Qg3 Kh8?! Not the best. 15...Nd7 16.Bh6 Qc5+ 17.Kh1 Qe5 equalises. 16.Kh1?! 16.e5 gives White the advantage as in Balashov-Ree, 1982.

16...Nd7 17.Nd5 During the game I was more worried about 17.Rad1 Ne5 18.Nd5 Bxd5 19.Rxd5 Bf6 20.Bh6, but after 20...Rg8 White cannot continue his attack. 17...Bxd5 18.exd5 Ne5 19.Rae1? 19.Bxe5 dxe5 would have given Black a good game due to his mobile e and f pawns. The move played is a mistake as it allows 19...Ng6!, threatening 20...Bh4 and so forcing White to exchange off his dark-squared bishop. Black can then post his remaining minor piece on e5, where it is better than the White bishop on e2. 19...Rae8?! 20.Rd1 Fixing his mistake, but c1 may be a better square. 20...f5 21.c4 Bf6 22.b3 Rf7 23.Qh3 White has no plan. 23.Bd3 is preferable. 23...g6 24.Qg3 Qd8 25.Rc1 Nd7! Exploiting the undefended e2 bishop to force the favourable exchange of dark-squared bishops. 26.Bd3 Be5 27.Bb1 Rfe7 Better is 27...a5, fixing White's queenside weaknesses. 28.b4 b6 29.Bxe5 Rxe5 30.Rce1 a5 31.bxa5 bxa5 32.Qc3 Kg8 33.Rxe5 Rxe5 Black is now clearly better. He has the superior minor piece while White's king

has few defenders and his queenside is very weak. 34.Re1 Qb6 35.h3 Rf7 36.Bc2 Qf2 37.Rxe5 Nxe5 Queen and knight combine more smoothly than queen and bishop. 38.Bb3 Qc5 39.Kh2 f4?! This creates an unnecessary weakness. 40.h4? Time trouble. 40...Qf2 41.Qh3 His sealed move, but a mistake. After 41.Bd1, Black would have great difficulty in winning, e.g., 41...Qxh4+ 42.Kg1 Qe7 [to prevent 43.c5] 43.Qxa5 Nxc4 and Black still has plenty of work to do. 41...f3 42.Qg3 The checks run out after 42.Qe6+ Kg7 43.Qe7+ Nf7. 42..Qb2? 42...Qd2 preventing 43.Qf4+ and threatening 43...f2 wins instantly. If 43.Kg1, then 43...Qe3+. 43.Bd1



43.Qxg2+ 43...f2 wins much more quickly, the tricky point being 44.Qf4+ Kg7 45.h5 Qd2!! 46.Qxd2 f1=N+. 44.Qxg2 fxg2 The endgame is a win, but Black made it very difficult for himself, taking 82 moves and almost 8 hours before notching up the full point. 0-1

AUSTRALIAN OPEN

The Australian Open held in Perth is noteworthy because of the manner in which the tournament was won by the Vietnamese player, Dinh Duc Trong, who had visa problems and did not arrive until three of the 11 rounds had been played.

He was admitted to the tournament with three half-point byes allocated for the first three rounds, and conceded only one draw in the remaining 8 rounds, to win the tournament by half a point from IM Alex Wohl. Dinh beat Wohl in the crucial game of the tournament, in round 9.

FIDE-rated NZ players, January 1995

Dropping the base of the FIDE rating list to 2000 has led to an immediate increase in the number of New Zealand players rated. The latest list includes a number of significant changes in rating as well as the additions - relatively poor results from Ben Martin in British tournaments, and by Russell Dive in European tournaments (before the Olympiad) has seen their ratings slip.

Peter McKenzie comes on to the list at a relatively high level due to his success at the 1993-94 Congress (and the same will happen to Mark Sinclair in the next list), and Tony Love held his rating above 2300 to acquire the FM title.

Name	Jan93	Jan94	Jan95
Martin, Benjamin FM	2320	2410	2355
Clemance, Philip FM	2355	2355	2355
Ker, Anthony F FM	2330	2320	2335
Small, Vernon A IM	2390	2345	2330
Dreyer, Martin FM	2235	2345	2320
Sarfati, Jonathan FM	2305	2310	2315
McKenzie, Peter	-	-	2310
Love, Anthony J FM	-	2330*	2305

Coming events

Events listed in bold type have been notified to NZCF. Clubs are asked to confirm and advise other dates, for publication in NZ Chess and circulation to clubs for general information. All events are nationally-rated unless otherwise stated.

* Listing added or amended since last publication.

May 6, **Otago Westpac Autumn Rapid.**

May 15-19, **North Island Championship, Hamilton CC.**

May 20-21, **North Island Rapid** (tentatively Hamilton, awaiting confirmation).

June 3-5, **Wellington CC Q Birthday Open.**

June 3-5, **Invercargill QB Open.**

June 24, **Upper Butt CC 40/40.**

July 1, **Otago Westpac Winter Rapid.**

July 1-2, **Waitakere Trust Open, Waitemata CC, 3 sections.**

	Jan93	Jan94	Jan95
Garbett, Paul FM	2305	2310	2300
Sarapu, Ortvin IM	2350	2300	2300
Dive, Russell J FM	2300	2295	2295
McLaren, Leonard M	2275	2275	2275
Sutton, Richard J	2315	2275	2275
Smith, Robert W	2240	2255	2270
Lukey, Stephen G	-	2285*	2265
Green, Peter	2265	2265	2265
Boyd, Kendall	-	-	2260
Noble, Mark F FM	2320	2310	2260
Anderson, Bruce R	-	-	2235
Anderson, Bruce	-	-	2155
Spain, Graeme	2255	2240	2235
Pomeroy, Arthur	-	-	2215
Stuart, Peter W	2245	2210	2195
Haase, Graham	-	-	2155
Metge, J Nigel	-	-	2100
Abrahamson, Philip	-	-	2085
Sutherland, John	-	-	2085
Smith Vivian	-	2035*	2035
Foster, Fenella	-	2020*	2020
Metge, Katrine	-	2005*	2005

* rating at July 1994

The duplicated entry for Bruce Anderson will be corrected in the next list.

July 15 or 16, **Petone 30/30.**

July , **New Plymouth CC Open 40/40.**

August 21, **Petone 30/30.**

August 21-26, **South Island Championship, Otago.**

*August 26-27, **Papatoetoe Open, 40 in 90, 15 to finish.**

August 28-30 or 29-31, **NZ Junior and Age Group Championships, venue not decided.**

September 22-23, **North Shore Open.**

*October 21-23 (Labour Weekend), **Petone CC Open and All-Wellington B and C grades.**

October 21-23, **South Island Rapid, Dunedin.**

December 28, 1995-January 11, 1996, **NZ Championship Congress and NZ Rapid Championship, Civic, Wellington.**

Congress, 1996-97, North Shore, Auckland.

Congress, 1997-98, Hamilton (tentative application for centennial year).

More Moscow Olympiad Games

Round 7 v Iraq 2-2

Lukey, S G - Samer, M I 2270

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Bg5 dxc4 6.e4 b5 7.e5 b6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Nxg5 hxg5 10.Bxg5 Nbd7 11.exf6 Bb7 12.g3 c5 13.d5 Bh6 14.Bxb6 Rxb6 15.Qd2 Qxf6 16.Bg2 Ne5 17.O-O O-O 18.Qe3 Rxb2 19.f4 Rxb2+ 20.Kxg2 Nd3 21.Kg1 exd5 22.Nxb5 d4 23.Qe2 Rh8 0-1

Taha, S 2255 - Smith, R W

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 O-O 6.Be3 Nc6 7.Nge2 a6 8.Qd2 Rb8 9.Nc1 e5 10.d5 Nd4 11.Nb3 Nxb3 12.axb3 c5 13.b4 b6 14.b5 a5 15.g4 h6 16.O-O-O Kh7 17.g5 Ng8 18.gxb6 Bxb6 19.h4 Bxe3 20.Qxe3 Nf6 21.h5 Nxb5 22.f4 Qf6 23.fxe5 Qxe5 24.Be2 Kg7 25.Bxb5 gxb5 26.Rdgl+ Kf6 27.Qh6+ Ke7 28.Rxb5 Qf6 29.Qe3 Kd8 30.e5 dxe5 31.Rxe5 Bd7 32.Qg3 Kc8 33.Ne4 Qh6+ 34.Kb1 f5 35.Ng5 f4 36.Qf3 Qg6+ 37.Ka1 a4 38.Rge1 Qc2 39.Re7 Qb3 40.d6 Qxf3 41.Nxf3 Rf6 42.Rd1 Rb7 43.Rg7 Rf8 44.Ne5 Re8 45.Rd5 f3 46.Rg3 f2 47.Rf3 Be6 48.Rd2 Bd7 49.Rd5 Be6 50.Rd1 Bd7 51.Nxd7 Rxd7 52.Rxf2 Re6 53.Rfd2 Re4 54.Rc2 e6 55.Ka2 Rbxd6 56.Rxd6 Rxd6 57.Ka3 Kb7 58.Kxa4 Rd7 59.Re2 Rf7 60.Rg2 Rd7 61.Rf2 Rg7 62.b4 cxb4 63.Kxb4 Rc7 64.Re2 Rf7 65.Re6 Rg7 66.Kc3 Rd7 67.Rc6 Rd1 68.Rf6 Rd7 69.Rf5 Kc7 70.Rd5 Rh7 71.Rd3 Rg7 72.Rf3 1/2-1/2

Love, A J - Ghasi

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Bxc6 dxc6 5.O-O f6 6.d4 exd4 7.Nxd4 c5 8.Nb3 Qxd1 9.Rxd1 Bd7 10.Be3 b6 11.Nc3 O-O-O 12.Bf4 Ne7 13.Bg3 h5 14.h4 Nc6 15.Nd5 Ne5 16.Nd2 Bd6 17.Nf1 Rhe8 18.Nfe3 Kb7 19.Nf4 Rh8 20.Nf5 Bxf5 21.exf5 Rde8 22.Re1 Kc6 23.Re4 Ng4 24.Rxe8 Rxe8 25.Nxb5 Re2 26.Rc1 Bxg3 27.fxg3 Ne3 28.Nf4 Rd2 29.Re1 Nxf5 30.Re2 Rd1+ 31.Kf2 Nd4 32.Re7 Nf5 33.Re2 Nd4 1/2-1/2

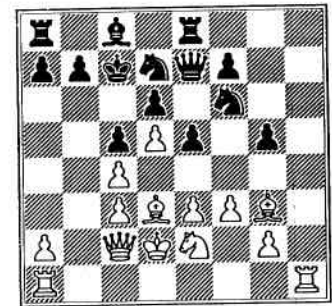
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Ker, A - David, A

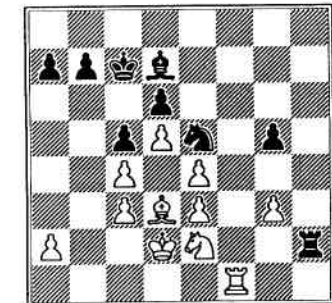
Notes by Jonathan Sarfati

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Bg5 b6 5.Bh4

c5 6.d5 Bxc3+ 7.hxc3 d6 8.e3 Qe7 9.Bd3 e5 10.f3 Nbd7 11.Qc2 Kd8 12.Ne2 g5 13.Bg3? 13.Bf2. 13...Re8 14.h4 Kc7 15.hxg5 hxg5 16.Kd2?



16.O-O-O 16...e4! 17.fxe4 17.Bxe4 Nb6. 17...Ne5 18.Bxe5 Qxe5 19.Raf1 Bd7 20.Rh6 Ng4 21.Rh7 Re7 22.Rxf7 Rxf7 23.Rxf7 Qh2 24.g3 Ne5 25.Rf6 Qg2 26.Qd1 Rh8 27.Qf1 Qxf1 28.Rxf1 Rh2



29.Kc2 b5! 30.cxb5 c4+. 29...Be8! 30.g4 Bd7 0-1

Berend, F - Smith, R W

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 Ne4 4.Bf4 c5 5.Nbd2 Nc6 6.dxc5 Nxc5 7.e3 Bg4 8.Be2 e6 9.c4 Be7 10.O-O O-O 11.h3 Bh5 12.Nd4 Bxe2 13.Qxe2 Bd6 14.Bxd6 Qxd6 15.Nb5 Qe7 16.cxd5 exd5 17.Nf3 Rac8 18.Rfd1 Rfd8 19.Nc3 Qe6 20.Qb5 Ne7 21.Rac1 a6 22.Qb4 b6 23.Ne2 Ng6 24.h4 h6 25.h5 Ne7 26.Nf4 Qf6 27.Qd4 Qxd4 28.Nxd4 Ne4 29.Nde2 Nf6 30.Rxc8 Rxc8 31.Nc3 b5 32.a3 Rc4 33.g3 Rc5 34.Kg2 g5 35.hxg6 fxg6 36.Nd3 Rc4 37.Nb4 Kf7 38.Nxa6 Ke6 39.Nxb5 Nf5 40.Nb4

h5 41.b3 Rc8 42.Nd4+ Nxd4 43.Rxd4 Rc1 44.Rd2 Rb1 45.Nd3 Kd6 46.b4 g5 47.Nc5 Kc6 48.Ne6 Ne4 49.Rc2+ Kd6 50.Nd4 g4 51.b5 Ng5 52.a4 Nf3 53.a5 1-0

Love, A J - Mossong, H

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.c3 Nf6 4.e5 Nd5 5.d4 cxd4 6.cxd4 d6 7.Bc4 Nb6 8.Bb5 d5 9.Nc3 Bg4 10.h3 Bh5 11.e6 fxe6 12.g4 Bf7 13.Ne5 Rc8 14.Bf4 Nd7 15.Rc1 g5 16.Bg3 Bg7 17.Qe2 O-O 18.Bxc6 bxc6 19.O-O c5 20.Nxf7 Rxf7 21.Qxe6 cxd4 22.Nxd5 Rxc1 23.Rxc1 Nf8 24.Qe4 e6 25.Nb4 Qb6 26.Nd3 Rd7 27.Be5 Qb7 28.Qxb7 Rxb7 29.Bxb7 Kxb7 30.Kg2 Kf6 31.Kf3 Ng6 32.Ke4 Rd7 33.Rc4 e5 34.Rc6+ Kg7 35.Re6 Rf7 36.Nxe5 Rxf2 37.Nxxg6 Re2+ 38.Kxd4 Rxe6 39.Ne5 Kf6 40.Nd7+ Ke7 41.Ne5 Rh6 42.a4 Rch3 43.Nc6+ Kd7 44.Nxa7 Rb3 45.Nb5 Rb4+ 46.Ke5 Rxxg4 47.Nd4 h5 48.Nf3 h4 0-1

Stull, N - McKenzie, P

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 b6 4.g3 Ba6 5.b3 Bb4+ 6.Bd2 Be7 7.Bg2 c6 8.O-O d5 9.Ne5 Nfd7 10.Nxd7 Nxd7 11.Bc3 O-O 12.Nd2 f5 13.b4 Nf6 14.Qa4 Bb7 15.Qb3 Bd6 16.a4 Bc7 17.Rfe1 Rc8 18.a5 bxa5 19.bxa5 Ba6 20.Bb4 Rf7 21.Qe3 Qe8 22.Bc5 Bb8 23.cxd5 cxd5 24.Qa3 Qd8 25.e3 Rfc7 26.Rab1 Rc6 27.Qa4 Qd7 28.Nf3 R6c7 29.Qa3 Rb7 30.Nd2 Rxb1 31.Rxb1 Qc6 32.Bf1 Bxf1 33.Kxf1 Qa6+ 34.Kc1 Nd7 35.Bb4 Rc6 36.Nb3 Bc7 37.Rc1 Rxc1+ 38.Qxc1 Qb7 39.Qc3 a6 40.Ne5 Nxc5 41.Qxc5 h6 42.h4 h5 43.Kf1 Kh7 44.Kg2 Bd8 45.Qd6 Qc8 46.Qf8 Qd7 47.Qc5 Qc7 48.Kf3 Kg6 49.Qf8 Qd7 50.Qh8 Bc7 51.Qa8 Qb5 52.Qc8 e5 53.Qe6+ Kh7 54.Qxf5+ Kg8 55.Qc8+ Kh7 56.Qxc7 e4+ 57.Kg2 Qxb4 58.Qd8 Qc4 59.Qg5 g6 60.Qe7+ Kg8 61.Qf6 Kh7 62.Qf7+ Kh8 63.g4 Qe2 64.Qf6+ Kh7 65.Qf7+ Kh8 66.Qxxg6 hxxg4 67.Qf6+ Kh7 68.h5 Kg8 69.h6 Qf3+ 70.Qxf3 gxf3+ 71.Kg3 Kh7 72.Kf4 Kxh6 73.Ke5 1-0

Round 9 v El Salvador 3½-½

Pineda - Ker, A

1.e4 d6 2.g3 c5 3.Bg2 g6 4.Ne2 Bg7 5.O-O Nc6 6.c3 e5 7.Na3 Be6 8.Nc2 d5 9.d3 Nge7 10.Be3 d4 11.cxd4 cxd4 12.Bd2 Qb6 13.b4

O-O 14.Qb1 a6 15.a4 Rfc8 16.Na3 Na7 17.b5 Qd8 18.f4 f6 19.f5 gxf5 20.exf5 Bd5 21.Bxd5 Nxd5 22.Nc4 Qd7 23.Qb3 Kh8 24.Rab1 axb5 25.axb5 Rc5 26.b6 Nc8 27.Rfc1 Bf8 28.g4 Ra6 29.Ng3 Ncxb6 30.Ne4 Rc6 31.Na5 Rxc1 32.Rxc1 Be7 33.Qd1 Ne3 34.Qf3 Nbd5 35.Nb3 Rc6 36.Ra1 Rc8 37.Kh1 Qb5 38.Nc1 Qb2 39.Nb3 Qxb3 0-1

Dive, R J - Velasquez, C

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 c5 4.d5 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.e4 g6 7.Nge2 Bg7 8.Ng3 a6 9.a4 O-O 10.Be2 Qa5 11.O-O b5 12.Bf4 b4 13.Nb1 Qc7 14.Nd2 Nbd7 15.Nc4 Ne8 16.Qd2 a5 17.Bh6 Ba6 18.Rac1 Bxc4 19.Bxc4 Nef6 20.h3 Rfe8 21.Bxxg7 Kxxg7 22.Rfe1 Qd8 23.Bb5 Ra7 24.b3 Ng8 25.f4 Qh4 26.Qf2 Qf6 27.Nf1 Kf8 28.Nd2 Rd8 29.Nc4 Ne7 30.Rcd1 Nc8 31.Qg3 Ndb6 32.e5 Qf5 33.Qh4 g5 34.Qh6+ Kg8 35.Nxb6 Nxb6 36.Bd3 1-0

Zelaya, G - Lukey, S G

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4. c5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Ne7 7.Nf3 Bd7 8.Bd3 c4 9.Be2 Ba4 10.O-O Nbc6 11.Bg5 Qd7 12.Qd2 O-O-O 13.Bxe7 Qxe7 14.Rfb1 Rdg8 15.Qc1 Kb8 16.Nd2 Rc8 17.Nf1 f5 18.Ne3 g5 19.Nd1 Na5 20.Rb4 Bc6 21.Rab1 h5 22.Nb2 Ka8 23.Na4 Bxa4 24.Rxa4 Nc6 25.Qb2 g4 26.Qb6 Kb8 27.Qb5 f4 28.f3 Rhg8 29.Kf1 Rg7 30.Ra6 Ka8 31.Ra4 Qh4 32.Kg1 Qg5 33.Kh1 Qe7 34.Qb6 Kb8 35.Qb5 Qd7 36.Qc5 b6 37.Qb5 Qb7 38.Ra6 Kc7 39.Ra4 Ra8 40.Bxc4 dxc4 41.d5 exd5 42.Qxd5 Rd8 43.Qxc4 gxf3 44.Qxf4 fxxg2+ 45.Kg1 Kc8 46.Qf5+ Qd7 47.Qf3 Qd5 48.Re4 Qc5+ 49.Re3 Rf8 50.Qh3+ Kc7 51.e6 Ne7 52.Rd1 Nd5 53.e7 Rxe7 0-1

Smith, R W - Mina

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Nxd4 Bc5 5.Be3 Qf6 6.c3 Nge7 7.Bc4 Nxd4 8.cxd4 Bb4+ 9.Nc3 c6 10.O-O Bxc3 11.bxc3 d5 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Qd2 O-O 14.a4 Nb6 15.Bd3 Bf5 16.c4 Bxd3 17.Qxd3 Rfd8 18.a5 Nc8 19.Qb3 Rd7 20.a6 b6 21.Qa4 Rd8 22.Rad1 Ne7 23.Rd2 Rab8 24.Rb1 h6 25.h3 Qf5 26.Qc2 Qxc2 27.Rxc2 Nf5 28.Rd2 Kf8 29.Kf1 Rbc8 30.Ke2 Rd7 31.g4 Nd6 32.Rc2 Ne8 33.Rd2 Nc7 34.Ra1 Rcd8 35.Kd3 c5 36.Kc3 cxd4+ 37.Rxd4 Rxd4 38.Bxd4 Ne6 39.Be3 Ke7

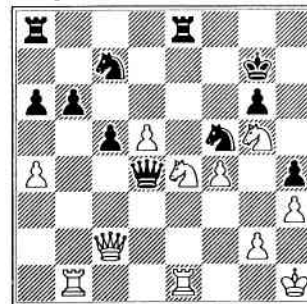
40.f4 Kd7 41.f5 Nc7 42.Bf4 Kc6 43.Be5 Ne8 44.Bd4 Rc8 45.Re1 Kd7 46.Kb4 Rc6 47.Be5 Rc8 48.Rd1+ Ke7 49.Rd5 Nc7 50.Bxc7 Rxc7 51.Kb5 Rc8 52.h4 Ke8 53.g5 hxxg5 54.hxxg5 Ke7 55.c5 bxc5 56.Rxc5 Rb8+ 57.Kc4 Kd6 58.Rb5 Rxb5 59.Kxb5 Kd5 1/2-1/2

Round 10 v Morocco ½-3½

Dive, R J - Hamdouchi, H GM MAR 2530

Notes by Russell Dive

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nge2 O-O 6.Ng3 c5 7.d5 e6 8.Be2 exd5 9.cxd5 My favourite variation against the Benoni has secured me a number of points in Europe, including a crushing win in the previous round. 9...Na6 10.O-O Nc7 11.Rb1 Prepares to dispute control over the queenside. 11...Re8 12.Re1 Nd7 13.Bf4 Ne5 14.Qd2 h5 15.h3 h4 16.Nf1 f5 17.Bg5? Inaccurate. 17.b4! should be played first, to force the variation 17...b6 178.bxc5 bxc5. 17...Bf6 18.Bxf6 Qxf6 19.f4 Nf7 20.Bd3 Bd7 21.a4 b6 22.Kh1 fxe4 23.Bxe4 Nh6 24.Nh2 Kg7 25.Nf3 Bf5 26.Ng5 This knight finally reaches a very nice square with the game finely balanced, although I have a sneaking position that Black's position is a little loose. 26...a6? It is hard to suggest a good plan for Black here, but this weakens his position too much. 27.b4! Qd4 28.Qc2 Bxe4 Not 28...cxb4?? 29.Ne2 Qc5 30.Qb2+ Kg8 31.Recl wins a piece. 29.Ncxe4 Nf5 30.bxc5 dxc5 30...bxc5 allows 31.Rb7 with a very nasty knight fork on e6.



31.Rxb6? I had 12 minutes [versus my opponent's 3 minutes] left before this

move, and my instincts told me that I had a winning plan involving d6, d7 and a rook to d1. I spent 9 minutes trying to work out all the variations and when I couldn't I decided to play safe [and not jeopardise my norm chances] by playing Rxb6. Unfortunately for me, 31.d6!! does lead to good winning chances, e.g., [a] 31.d6 Nxd6? 32.Red1 wins. [b] 31.d6 Nd5? 32.Nf3 wins. [c] 31.d6 Ne6! 32.Red1 Ne3 (32...Qe3 33.d7 wins) 33.Nxe6+ Rxe6 34.Ng5! Ree8 (34...Rf6 35.Rxd4 Nxc2 36.Rd2 Nd4 37.Rxb6+) 35.Rxd4 Nxc2 36.Rd2 Nd4 37.Rxb6+. 31...Ng3+ 32.Kh2 Nxe4 33.Rxe4 Rxe4 34.Qxe4 Qxe4 35.Nxe4 Nxd5 1/2-1/2 With a reasonably equal position and one minute left each, we decided to call it a day.

Bousfiha - Lukey, S G

Notes by Stephen Lukey

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd7 6.Be2 f6 7.O-O fxe5 8.dxe5?! Qc7 9.Bd3!? Nxe5 10.Nxe5 Qxe5 11.Re1 Qd6 12.Qh5+ Kd8 13.c4 Nf6 14.Qe2 d4 15.Nd2 e5! A good move, offering back the weak pawn. 16.Ne4! 16.Qe5 Qxe5 17.Rxe5 Bd6 gives Black a slight plus. 16...Nxe4 17.Qxe4 Bc6 18.Qg4!? 18.Qe5 Qxe5 is equal, as Bd6?! allows Rf5! 18...g6 19.f4 Qd7! An excellent move, blunting the attack. 20.Qg3 e4! 21.Bxe4 Bxe4 22.Rxe4 Bd6 Now Black has a slight plus. 23.Bd2 Kc7 24.Rae1 Rae8 25.Qf3 Rhf8 26.g3 Qc6 27.Kg2 Re4 28.Rxe4 g5? A really dumb move, giving White counterplay with a passed pawn. Saner was 28...Qa4 29.Qb3 Qxb3 or 28...Re8. 29.f5 Qa6 30.h3? The disease spreads. 30.Bg5 Qa2 or Qc4 then 31.Be7! decides. 30...Qxa2 31.Re2 Qb1! 32.f6 Qg6 With both sides in time trouble Black misses 32...d3 33.Re6 Qb2! [...Qb3 34.Rd6!] 34.Qf2 Qb3 and Black looks winning. 33.Re6 Qc2 34.Qe2 d3 35.Qe3 Rd8 36.f7 Qxb3 37.Rxd6 Kxd6 38.Qe8 Black lost on time. In the final position, after 38...Re8 39.fxe8=Q Qc4 White can draw by perpetual check. 1-0

Final Olympiad games in next issue

FIDE World Championship semi-finals

Gata Kamsky USA will meet FIDE World Champion Anatoly Karpov RUS for the FIDE title later this year, after beating Valery Salov RUS 5½-1½ in one semifinal. Karpov won the other semi-final, against Boris Gelfand BLR, 6-3.

However, Kamsky will not contest both the FIDE and PCA finals, for he lost the challenger playoff against Viswanathan Anand IND, 6½-4½.

Here are the games from the two FIDE semi-finals. Games from the Kamsky-Anand match will be given in the June issue.

Round 1

Gelfand - Karpov

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nf3 e6 5.Be2 c5 6.Be3 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Ne7 8.O-O Nbc6 9.Bb5 a6 10.Bxc6+ bxc6 11.c4 Qd7 12.Nc3 dxc4 13.Na4 Nd5 14.Nxf5 exf5 15.Bd4 Rd8 16.Qf3 c5 17.Nxc5 Qb5 18.a4 Qb4 19.e6 Bxc5 20.Bxg7 Rg8 21.exf7+ Kxf7 22.Bc3 Nxc3 23.Qxf5+ Kg7 24.Qg5+ Kf7 25.Qf5+ Kg7 26.Qg5+ ½-½

Kamsky - Salov

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.f4 Be7 7.Bd3 Nc6 8.Nf3 a6 9.a3 b5 10.O-O Bb7 11.b4 O-O 12.Bb2 a5 13.Nxb5 axb4 14.a4 d5 15.e5 Ne4 16.Kh1 Nc5 17.f5 exf5 18.Nfd4 Nxe5 19.Nxf5 Ncxd3 20.cxd3 f6 21.Qe1 Bc8 22.Nbd4 Rf7 23.Qg3 Kh8 24.Rae1 Rxa4 25.Nxe7 Qxe7 26.Nc6 Nxc6 27.Rxe7 Nxe7 28.Qc7 Be6 29.Qd6 Bg4 30.h3 Bb5 31.Re1 Ng8 32.Qxd5 Bg6 33.Re8 h6 34.Rb8 Raa7 35. Qd8 Bh7 36. d4 Rab7 37.Rxb7 Rxb7 38.d5 Bf5 39.d6 b3 40.Qe8 Kh7 41.g4 Rd7 42.gxf5 Rxd6 43.Qe3 Ne7 44.Qxb3 Nxf5 45.Qc2 Rd5 46.Bc3 Rc5 47.Qd3 Kg6 48.Kg1 Kf7 49.Bb4 Re5 50.Qc4+ Kg6 51.Bc3 Re3 52.Bd2 Re5 53.Bf4 Re7 54.Kf2 h5 55.Qd3 Re8 56.Kf3 Re6 57.Qb1 Ra6 58.Qg1+ Kf7 59.Ke4 Ra5 60.Qd1 Ne7 61.Qb3+ Rd5 62.Bd6 Kg6 63.Qa3 Kf7 64.Qb4 g5 65.Qc4 Kg6 66.Qc7 f5+ 67.Kf3 Rd3+ 68.Ke2

Anatoly Karpov	RUS	2765	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Boris Gelfand	BLR	2700	½	½	0	1	½	1	1	½	1	6
Gata Kamsky	USA	2710	1	½	1	½	1	1	½			5½
Valery Salov	RUS	2715	0	½	0	½	0	0	½			1½

Re3+ 69.Kf2 Kf6 70.Qd8 1-0

Round 2

Karpov - Gelfand (D73)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 c6 4.Bg2 d5 5.cxd5 cxd5 6.Nf3 Bg7 7.Nc3 Ne4 8.Qb3 Nxc3 9.bxc3 Nc6 10.Nd2 e6 11.Ba3 f5 12.e3 Na5 13.Qb2 b6 14.Bb4 Nc6 15.c4 Nxb4 16.Qxb4 Bb7 17.Rc1 Qd7 18.O-O Kf7 19.Rc3 Rbc8 20.Rfc1 Kg8 21.R1c2 Bf8 22.Qb2 Be7 23.h4 Rc7 24.Nf3 Bf6 25.cxd5 Rxc3 26.Rxc3 Bxd5 27.Qc1 Bb7 28.Ne1 Rc8 29.Bxb7 Rxc3 30.Qxc3 Qxb7 31.Nd3 Kf7 32.Nf4 Qd7 33.a4 h6 34.Qc4 g5 35.hxg5 hxg5 36.Nd3 Kg7 37.a5 b5 38.Qc5 Be7 39.Qe5+ Kh7 40.Nc5 Bxc5 41.Qxc5 a6 42.g4 fxg4 43.Qxg5 b4 44.Qh5+ Kg8 45.Qg5+ Kh7 46.Qh5+ Kg8 ½-½

Salov - Kamsky (E81)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 O-O 6.Bg5 h6 7.Be3 c5 8.dxc5 dxc5 9.Qxd8 Rxd8 10.Bxc5 Nc6 11.Nge2 b6 12.Ba3 e6 13.Rd1 Bb7 14.Nb5 Ne8 15.Nc1 Rxd1+ 16.Kxd1 Rc8 17.Nb3 a5 18.Kc2 Ba6 19.Kb1 a4 20.Nc1 Na5 21.b3 axb3 22.axb3 Bxb5 23.cxb5 Nxb3 24.Nxb3 Rc3 25.Ka2 Rc2+ 26.Kb1 Rc3 27.Ka2 Rc2+ ½-½

Round 3

Gelfand - Karpov

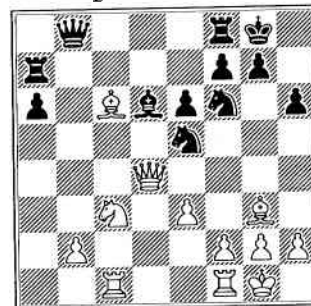
1. e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 Bf5 4.Nf3 e6 5.Be2 c5 6.Be3 cxd4 7.Nxd4 Ne7 8.c4 Nbc6 9.Qa4 dxc4 10.Na3 Qa5+ 11.Qxa5 Nxa5 12.Nab5 Nd5 13.Nxf5 exf5 14.Bd2 a6 15.Nd4 Bb4 16.Nxf5 O-O 17.Bxb4 Nxb4 18.O-O b5 19.f4 Rfd8 20.Rad1 Kf8 21.Nd6 Rab8 22.a3 Nbc6 23.Bf3 Rd7 24.Rfe1 Rc7 25.f5 Rd8 26.Bg4 h5 27.Bxb5 Rcd7 28.Bxf7 Rxd6 29.Rxd6 Rxd6 30.exd6 Kxf7 31.d7 Nb7 32.Re8 Nbd8 33.Kf2 a5 34.Ke3 Kf6 35.g4 Kg5 36.h3 b4 37.axb4

axb4 38.Kd2 Kf6 39.h4 g6 40.fxg6 Kxg6 41.h5+ Kh6 42.Kc1 Kg5 43.Rh8 Kf6 44.Rg8 Kf7 45.Re8 1-0

Kamsky - Salov

Notes by Jonathan Sarfati

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Be7 4.Nf3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 Nbd7 It is unusual to play both ...h6 and ...Nbd7. 7.e3 O-O 8.Rc1 c6 9.Bd3 dxc4 10.Bxc4 b5 10...Nd5 11.Bg3! avoiding exchanges - the disadvantage of ...h6. 11.Bd3 a6 12.a4 bxa4 13.Nxa4 Qe5+ 14.Nd2 Bb4 15.Nc3 c5 16.Nb3 Qd8 17.O-O cxd4 18.Nxd4 Bb7 19.Be4 Qb8 20.Nc6 Bxc6 21.Bxc6 The B pair give White a clear edge in this open position. 21...Ra7 22.Bg3 Ne5 23.Qd4! Bd6



24.Ne4! Nxc6? 25.Nxf6+ gxf6 Now Black's K-side is weakened, and most of his pieces are wasted on the Q-side. 26.Rxc6 Be5 27.Qg4+ Kh7 28.Qe4+ Kg7 29.f4 Bc7 30.Be1 Qb5 31.Rf3 Rd8 32.Rg3+ Kh8 33.h3 Qd5 34.Qc2 Bd6 35.e4 After 35...Qb5 or Qh5, 36.Rxd6 Rxd6 37.Qc8#. 1-0

Round 4

Karpov - Gelfand (D79)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.g3 c6 4.Bg2 d5 5.cxd5 cxd5 6.Nf3 Bg7 7.Ne5 O-O 8.Nc3 e6 9.O-O Nfd7 10.f4 Nc6 11.Be3 f6 12.Nf3 Nb6 13.Bf2 Bd7 14.e4 dxe4 15.Nxe4 Nd5 16.Re1 b6 17.Nc3 Nce7 18.Qb3 a5 19.a3 a4 20.Qd1 Nc7 21.Rc1 Ned5 22.Nd2 Re8 23.Nc4 Bf8 24.Ne4 Bb5 25.Re2 Be7 26.Rec2 Rb8 27.Qd2 Rf8 28.h4 Ne8 29.Ne3 Ng7 30.Nc3 Nxc3 31.Rxc3 g5 32.hxg5 fxg5 33.Ng4 gxf4 34.gxf4 Bd6 35.Rf3 Be8 36.Ne5 Nf5 37.d5

Bxe5 38.fxe5 Rb7 39.Kh2 Rg7 40.Bh3 Bh5 41.Rf4 Kh8 42.Bxf5 exf5 43.Bh4 Qe8 44.Bf6 Bg4 45.Bxg7+ Kxg7 46.Rc7+ Kh8 47.e6 Qh5+ 48.Kg1 Qg5 49.Kf2 Qh4+ 50.Ke3 1-0

Salov - Kamsky (E32)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 O-O 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.Qxc3 b6 7.Bg5 c5 8.dxc5 bxc5 9.e3 d6 10.Bd3 Nbd7 11.Ne2 Rb8 12.O-O Qb6 13.Rfb1 a5 14.b3 Bb7 15.f3 Rfe8 16.Bh4 d5 17.Bf2 Ba6 18.Qc2 a4 19.bxa4 Qc6 20.Nc3 dxc4 21.Bf1 Nd5 22.Nb5 N5b6 23.e4 Rb7 24.Bg3 Nxa4 25.Nd6 Rxb1 26.Rxb1 Ra8 27.Nxc4 Nab6 28.Nxb6 Nxb6 29.Bxa6 Rxa6 30.Bf2 Nd7 31.Qxc5 Qxc5 32.Bxc5 f5 33.Bb4 fxe4 34.fxe4 Nf6 35.e5 Nd5 36.Bd6 Kf7 37.Kf2 Kg6 38.Rb7 Ra4 39.Ke2 h5 40.Bf8 Kf5 41.Rxg7 Kxe5 42.Kd3 Rd4+ 43.Kc2 Rc4+ 44.Kb3 Rc3+ 45.Kb2 Rc8 46.Bb4 Kd4 47.g4 hxg4 48.Rxg4+ Kd3 49.Bd6 Ne3 50.Rg3 Ke4 51.Bb4 Rc2+ 52.Kb3 Rxb2 53.a4 Nf5 54.Rc3 Nd4+ 55.Kc4 Ra2 56.Ba3 Nc2 57.Bc5 Nd4 58.Ba3 Nc2 59.Bc1 Rxa4+ 60.Kb3 Rd4 61.Kxc2 e5 62.Rh3 Rd5 63.Bd2 Kf5 64.Kd1 e4 65.Ke2 Rd3 66.Rh5+ Ke6 67.Be3 Ra3 68.Bd4 Rb3 69.Re5+ Kd6 70.Rxe4 Kd5 71.Rh4 Rb1 72.Be3 Ke5 73.Kf3 Rd1 74.Rh5+ Ke6 75.Ke4 Re1 76.Rh6+ Ke7 77.Ra6 Re2 78.Kd4 Kf7 79.Bf4 Re6 80.Ra1 Rb6 81.Rh1 Rb5 82.Rh7+ Ke6 83.Rh6+ Kd7 84.Bd6 Rb1 85.Bc5 Rd1+ 86.Ke5 Re1+ 87.Kd5 Rd1+ 88.Bd4 Kd8 89.Rh7 Rd2 90.Ke5 Rc8 91.Rh1 Kd7 92.Kd5 Kd8 93.Ra1 Kd7 94.Ra7+ Kd8 95.Ke5 Kc8 96.Be3 Rd7 97.Ra3 Rd1 98.Ke6 Kb7 99.Rc3 Rd8 100.Bc5 Rd1 101.Rc4 Kc6 102.Bd4+ Kb5 103.Kd5 Rh1 104.Rc5+ Kb4 105.Bc3+ Kb3 106.Be5 Kb4 107.Rc4+ Kb5 ½-½

Round 5

Kamsky - Salov (D20)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e4 Nc6 4.Be3 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.d5 Na5 7.Nf3 a6 8.Nxe5 b5 9.Be2 Bb4 10.Qd4 O-O 11.O-O Bb7 12.Ng4 Nxy4 13.Bxy4 Qe7 14.Rad1 Rad8 15.Bf4 Rfe8 16.Qe3 Bd6 17.Bxd6 Qxd6 18.Rfe1 Qe7 19.h3 g6 20.Qg3 Kg7 21.Ne2 h5 22.Bxb5 Qe5 23.Nf4 Kg8 24.Bxy6 fxg6 25.Qxy6+ Qg7 26.Qh5 Re5 27.Qh4 Qe7 28.Qg4+ Qg7 29.Ne6

Qxg4 30.hxg4 Rxe6 31.dxe6 Re8 32.Rd7 Rxe6
33.Rxc7 Rxe4 34.Rd1 Re8 35.Rdd7 Be4 36.f4
Nc6 37.f5 b4 38.f6 Rf8 39.g5 c3 40.bxc3
bxc3 41.Rd6 Nd8 42.Rxc3 Nf7 43.Rd4 Bg6
44.Rc7 Bf5 45.Rh4 Rd8 46.Ra7 Rd6 47.a4
Bd3 48.Ra8+ Nd8 49.Rb4 Kf7 50.Ra7+ Kf8
51.Rb8 Bg6 52.Rg7 Bf5 53.g6 Rxf6 54.Rh7
1-0

Gelfand - Karpov (C92)

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6
5.O-O Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 O-O 9.h3
Nd7 10.d4 Bf6 11.a4 Bb7 12.Na3 Nb6
13.axb5 axb5 14.d5 Ne7 15.Be3 c6 16.dxc6
Bxc6 17.Nh2 Ng6 18.Ng4 Be7 19.Qd3 Na4
20.Nxb5 Nxb2 21.Qe2 ½-½

Round 6

Salov - Kamsky

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.Qc2 O-O 5.a3
Bxc3+ 6.Qxc3 b6 7.Bg5 c5 8.dxc5 hxc5 9.e3
d6 10.Bd3 Nbd7 11.Ne2 Rb8 12.O-O h6
13.Bh4 Ne4 14.Bxd8 Nxc3 15.Be7 Nxe2+
16.Bxe2 Re8 17.Bxd6 Rxb2 18.Rfe1 Ba6
19.Bf1 Rc8 20.Bg3 Nb6 21.Rec1 Rd8 22.Be5
Rb3 23.a4 f6 24.a5 Nc8 25.Bc3 Nd6 26.Be1
Kf7 27.Be2 Ke7 28.Kf1 Rd8 29.h3 e5
30.Kg1 Rb2 31.Bd3 Ke6 32.h4 g5 33.hxg5
hxg5 34.Bf1 g4 35.Bc3 R2b3 36.Be2 f5
37.Be1 Rb2 38.Bd3 R2b3 39.Be2 Rb2 40.Bd3
Rh8 41.Rch1 Rbh8 42.Rxb8 Rxb8 43.Rc1 Rb3
44.Bc2 Ra3 45.e4 fxe4 46.Bd1 Kf5 47.Be2
Ra2 48.Kf1 Ra4 49.Rd1 Nxc4 50.Rc1 Bb5
51.g1 a6 52.Kh2 Nb2 53.Rc2 Nd3 54.Bd2
Nxf2 55.Be3 Nd3 56.Kg3 Ra3 57.Bxg4+ Kg6
58.Bd2 Nb4+ 59.Rc3 Ra2 60.Bc1 c4 61.Be6
Nd3 62.Bxc4 Bxc4 63.Rxc4 Kf5 64.Rc8 Ne1
65.Rf8+ Ke6 66.Re8+ Kd7 67.Ra8 Rxx2+
68.Kh3 Rc2 69.Bh6 e3 70.Ra7+ Ke6 71.Bxe3
Rc3 72.Kg4 Rxe3 73.Rxa6+ Kd5 74.Ra8 Ke4
75.a6 Ra3 76.a7 Nf3 0-1

Karpov - Gelfand

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6
g6 6.Nc3 Bxa6 7.e4 Bxf1 8.Kxf1 d6 9.g3
Bg7 10.Kg2 Nbd7 11.Nf3 O-O 12.h3 Ra6
13.Bg5 h6 14.Bd2 Qa8 15.Re1 Rb8 16.h3 Ne8
17.Re2 Nc7 18.Rc1 Ra7 19.Qc2 Na6 20.Na4
Nb4 21.Bxb4 Rxb4 22.Qd3 Ra5 23.Rec2 h5

24.Rc4 Rb8 25.Qd2 Rab5 26.R1c2 R5b7
27.Qe2 Ra7 28.Rd2 Ra5 29.Rd1 Qa6 30.Rd2
Bh6 31.Rdc2 Bg7 32.Qe3 Qa8 33.Rd2 Ra7
34.Rd1 Rb5 35.Qe2 Rb8 36.Nd2 Nb6 37.Nxb6
Rxb6 38.a4 Bh6 39.f4 h4 40.Qg4 hxg4 41.h4
Kh7 42.h5 Qg8 43.Rc3 f5 44.hxg6+ Qxg6
45.Qh4 Qf6 46.Rh1 fxe4 47.Rxx3 Rb4 48.Qg4
Ra8 49.Rgh3 1-0

Round 7

Kamsky - Salov

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 O-O 5.Bd3
d5 6.Nf3 c5 7.O-O Nc6 8.a3 Bxc3 9.bxc3
Qc7 10.cxd5 exd5 11.a4 c4 12.Bc2 Re8
13.Nd2 Bg4 14.f3 Bh5 15.Re1 Rad8 16.Nf1
Bg6 17.Ng3 Qa5 18.Bd2 a6 19.e4 dxe4
20.fxe4 Nh5 21.Nf1 Nf6 22.Ng3 Nh5 23.Nf1
Nf6 24.Ng3 ½-½

Gelfand - Karpov

1.c4 Nf6 2.d4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.e3 Bb7 5.Nc3
d5 6.cxd5 exd5 7.Bb5+ c6 8.Bd3 Be7 9.O-O
O-O 10.b3 Nbd7 11.Bb2 Bd6 12.Rc1 Re8
13.Ne2 Qe7 14.Ng3 g6 15.Qe2 Ba3 16.Rfe1
Qd6 17.Qc2 Bxb2 18.Qxb2 c5 19.Red1 Rac8
20.Ne2 Red8 21.Rc2 cxd4 22.Nexd4 Rxc2
23.Bxc2 Rc8 24.Rc1 Ne4 25.Bd3 Rxc1+
26.Qxc1 Qc5 27.Qd1 b5 28.Ne2 b4 29.Qa1
Qd6 30.Qd4 Qc5 31.Qa1 Qd6 32.h3 Ndc5
33.Bc2 Qf6 34.Qe5 Qxe5 35.Nxe5 f6 36.Nf3
Ne6 37.Ne1 Kf7 38.f3 N4c5 39.g4 a5 40.Kf2
Ba6 41.h4 h6 42.h5 gxh5 43.gxh5 Ke7
44.Ng3 Ng7 45.Bg6 Kd6 46.Kg2 Bb5 47.Nc2
Nce6 48.f4 Bd7 49.Kf2 Nc7 50.Nd4 Nb5
51.Nxb5+ Bxb5 52.Ke1 Bd7 53.Bd3 Bg4
54.Be2 Nf5 55.Nxf5+ Bxf5 56.Kd2 Kc5
57.Bd3 Bd7 58.Bc2 Be8 59.Bg6 Bc6 60.Bc2
Bd7 61.Bd1 Bh3 62.Bf3 Bf5 63.Kc1 Bd7
64.Kd2 a4 65.bxa4 Bxa4 66.Be2 Bc6 67.Bf3
Be8 68.Bd1 d4 69.Kd3 Bb5+ 70.Ke4 d3
71.Kf5 Bc4 72.Ke4 d2 73.f5 Bxa2 74.Kd3
Bh1+ 75.Kxd2 Bxf5 76.Be2 Be4 77.Kc1 Kd6
78.Kb2 Bd5 79.Bd3 Bf7 80.Be2 Ke5 0-1

Round 8

Karpov - Gelfand

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.e3 Bf5 5.Bd3
Bxd3 6.Qxd3 e6 7.O-O Nbd7 8.Nbd2 Be7 9.b3

O-O 10.Bb2 a5 11.Bc3 Qb6 12.Rfd1 Rfd8
13.Rac1 Qa6 14.a4 Rac8 15.Ne1 Qb6 16.Qc2
Qc7 17.Nd3 b6 18.h3 Qa7 19.Bb2 Qa6 20.Ne1
Bb4 21.Nef3 c5 22.dxc5 Bxc5 23.Qb1 Qb7
24.cxd5 Qxd5 25.Nc4 Qe4 26.Qxe4 Nxe4
27.Bd4 f6 28.Nfd2 Nxd2 29.Rxd2 e5 30.Bc3
Kf8 31.Rcd1 Ke7 32.Kf1 Nb8 33.Ke2 Rxd2+
34.Rxd2 Nc6 35.f4 exf4 36.exf4 Ke6 37.Kf3
h5 38.g4 hxg4+ 39.hxg4 Rh8 40.f5+ Ke7
41.Rd3 Rh1 42.Ke4 Rg1 43.Kf4 Rf1+ 44.Ke4
½-½

Round 9

Gelfand - Karpov (A20)

Notes by Jonathan Sarfati

1.c4 e5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 Nc6 4.Nf3 Bc5
5.O-O d6 6.Nc3 O-O 7.d3 a6 8.a3 Nd4 9.Nd2
c6 10.b4 Ba7 11.Bb2 Bf5 12.e3 12.b5.
12...Ne6 13.Nf3 h6 14.Qb3 Qd7 15.Rad1
15.b5? Nc5+. 15...Bg4 16.Rd2 Rad8 17.Rc1
Bxf3 18.Bxf3 d5 19.cxd5 cxd5 20.Na4 d4!

Women's games from Moscow Olympiad

Ovezova, M TKM 2115 - Smith, V

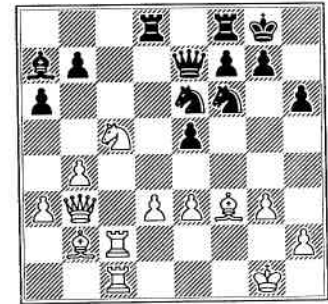
R4, notes by J D Sarfati

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.e3 Bg7 4.Bc4? c6
4...d5 5.Bd3 c5 [Black is effectively
playing with the White pieces]. 5.Nbd2 d5
6.Bd3 O-O 7.Ne5 Nbd7 8.f4 c5 Shows that
4...c6 is a loss of tempo. 8...Ne8 9.Ndf3
Nd6 10.O-O Nf6. 9.c3 cxd4?! Opens the
e-file for White, and removes her weak
Pe3. 10.exd4 Nxe5?! This allows White a
strong P centre and open f-file. If
Black wants to make this exchange, she
should do it before exchanging on d4, and
follow by challenging the Pe5 with f6.
11.fxe5 Ng4 12.Nf3 Nh6 13.Bf4 f6 14.Qd2
Nf7 15.O-O a6 16.Qe3 b6 17.Rae1 a5 Rather
time-wasting. 18.Qe2 Bb7 19.h4 Bc8 20.Qc2
Ba6 21.Bxa6 Rxa6 22.h5! gxh5 23.exf6 exf6
24.Re6 Qc8 25.Re7 Re8

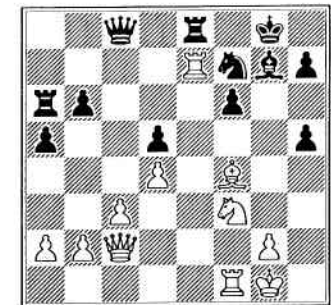
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26.Rxf7! Kxf7 27.Qxh7 Qg4 28.Ng5+! Kf8
28...fxg5 29.Bxg5+ Ke6 30.Qxg7+- 29.Bd6+
Re7 30.Bxe7+ 1-

21.Nc5 Qe7 22.Rdc2? 22.e4. 22...dxe3
23.fxe3



23...e4 24.Bxf6 gxf6! 25.Bxe4 Ng5 26.Bxb7
Bxc5 27.bxc5 Qxe3+ 28.Kh1 Rxd3 29.Qc4
Rfd8 30.Rf1 R8d4 31.Qxa6 Ne4 Black's
centralised pieces make a powerful
impression. 32.Rg2 Rd1 33.Bxe4 Qxe4
34.Qxf6 Qd5 35.Kg1 Rxf1+ 36.Kxf1 Rd1+
38.Kf2 Qd2+ 39.Kf3 Rf1+ 40.Ke4 [40.Kg4
Qd1+] Qe1+ winning the WQ. 0-1



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R10, Notes by J D Sarfati

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nc3 d6 4.d4 Nbd7
5.Be3?! 5.Bc4. 5...Be7 6.Bd3 c6 6...Ng4.
7.O-O Qc7 8.Re1 h6 8...b5. 9.h3? g5
10.Qd2 Nf8 11.Rad1 Ng6 12.d5 g4 13.hxg4
Bxg4 14.Bxb6? Bxf3 15.gxf3 Rg8 15...Qd7
with Qh3, mating quickly. 16.Kf1 Qd7
17.Ke2 Nh5 18.Rh1? White could try Ra1 to
hide her K on the Q-side. 18...Nhf4+
19.Bxf4?! Nxf4+ 20.Ke3? Bg5 0-1

International news

By Peter Stuart

Linares

Despite lacking not only Garry Kasparov but also the two PCA Candidates Viswanathan Anand and Gata Kamsky who were playing their match concurrently in Las Palmas, Linares maestro Luis Rentero still put together a category 17 field with an average rating of 2654. Also missing from last year's category 18 field were Vladmimir Kramnik, Evgeny Bareev, Boris Gelfand and Judit Polgar. Vassily Ivanchuk uncorked a withering final spurt of three consecutive wins to overtake Anatoly Karpov and record his third Linares super tournament victory (others were in 1989 and 1991), a mark he now shares with Kasparov.

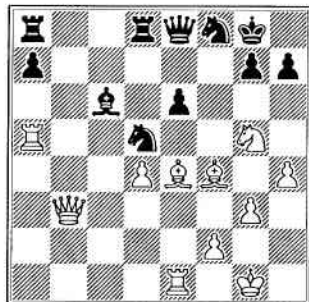
The early leaders were Alexander Belyavsky and Veselin Topalov, who both started with three wins and then a draw. The Ukrainian gradually fell off the pace, but Topalov shared the lead with Ivanchuk and Karpov after rounds 7 through 9. The FIDE World Champion had started quietly with four draws, but then came four wins and, after 10, sole possession of the leader.

Who could doubt that Karpov, with the relatively moderate field of Belyavsky, Ljubojevic and Illescas to play (two of them with white) would go on to score his second Linares victory? It was not to be, as Karpov could not win another game, while Ivanchuk moved from half a point behind to a whole point ahead. Indeed, Karpov, after sacrificing the exchange in the final round, found himself defending for the draw against the Spanish GM.

Ivanchuk - Tiviakov

Nimzoindian (E59)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e3 0-0 5.Bd3 d5 6.Nf3 c5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.a3 Bxc3 9.bxc3 dxc4 10.Bxc4 Qc7 11.Bb5 b6 12.Re1 Bb7 13.e4 Ne7 14.Bd3 Nd7 15.g3 Rfd8 16.Bf4 Qc6 17.a4 Nf8 18.h4 Qe8 19.a5 cxd4 20.cxd4 hxa5 21.Qh3 Bc6 22.Rax5 f5 23.Ng5 fxe4 24.Bxe4 Nd5



25.Nxe6 Qxe6 26.Bxd7+ Kxd7 27.Rxe6 Nxe6 28.Qc2+ Kh8 29.Qxc6 Nexf4 30.gxf4 Rac8 31.Qg6 Nxf4 32.Qg4 Rc1+ 33.Kh2 Rxd4 34.Rxa7 Ne6 35.Qxe6 Rxb4+ 36.Kg3 1-0

Topalov - Illescas

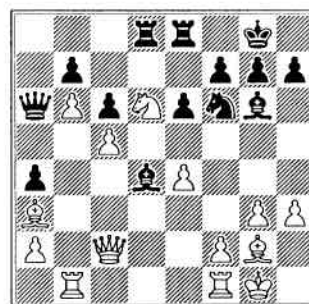
Sicilian (B33)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Ndb5 d6 7.Bg5 a6 8.Na3 b5 9.Bxf6 gxf6 10.Nd5 Bg7 11.c3 f5 12.exf5 Bxf5 13.Nc2 0-0 14.Nce3 Be6 15.Bd3 f5 16.Bc2 Bh6 17.0-0 Ra7 18.f4 Qh4 19.g3 Rg7 20.Nc7 exf4 21.Ng2 Qh3 22.Rxf4 Bxf4 23.Nxf4 Rxx3+ 24.Kh1 Qh6 25.Qxd6 1-0

Akopian - Belyavsky

Reti opening (A07)

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nf6 3.Bg2 c6 4.0-0 Bg4 5.b3 Nbd7 6.Bb2 e6 7.d3 Bd6 8.Nbd2 0-0 9.h3 Bh5 10.e4 dxe4 11.dxe4 Be5 12.c3 Bc7 13.Ba3 Re8 14.Qc2 a5 15.Nd4 Qh8 16.Rae1 a4 17.b4 Bg6 18.c4 Qa7 19.c5 Rad8 20.b5 Be5 21.b6 Qa6 22.Nd4f3 Bb8 23.Rb1 Ne5 24.Nxe5 Bxe5 25.Nc4 Bd4 26.Nd6



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1 Ivanchuk V. UKR g 2700	x	½	½	1	½	1	½	1	½	1	½	1	½	1	10
2 Karpov A. RUS g 2765	½	x	½	1	1	½	½	½	½	½	1	½	1	½	9
3 Shirov A. LAT g 2710	½	½	x	1	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	½	½	1	8
4 Topalov V. BUL g 2630	0	0	0	x	½	1	½	1	1	1	½	½	½	1	8
5 Halifman A. RUS g 2635	½	0	½	½	x	1	1	½	0	½	½	½	1	1	7½
6 Belyavsky A. UKR g 2650	0	½	½	0	0	x	1	½	½	½	½	1	1	1	7
7 Tiviakov S. RUS g 2625	0	½	½	½	0	0	x	1	½	½	½	1	½	½	6
8 Illescas M. ESP g 2595	½	½	½	0	½	0	x	½	0	½	½	1	1	½	6
9 Dreev A. RUS g 2650	0	½	½	0	1	½	½	x	½	½	0	0	1	½	5½
10 Sokolov I. BIH g 2645	½	0	0	0	½	½	½	1	½	x	1	½	0	½	5½
11 Ljubojevic L. YUG g 2580	0	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	0	0	x	0	½	½	5
12 Short N. ENG g 2655	½	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	½	1	x	½	½	0	5
13 Lautier J. FRA g 2655	0	0	0	½	0	0	½	0	1	1	½	x	0	½	4½
14 Akopian V. ARM g 2655	0	½	0	0	0	0	½	½	0	½	½	½	1	x	4

26...Rxd6 27.cxd6 e5 28.Rfd1 Nd7 29.Rb4 c5 30.Rxa4 Qxb6 31.Rh1 Qc6 32.Ra7 b5 33.Kh2 h5 34.f3 h4 35.Bf1 hxg3+ 36.Kg2 Rb8 37.Rxb5 Rxb5 38.Qa4 c4 39.Ra5 Bxe4 40.Qxb5 Bxf3+ 41.Kxg3 Qe4 0-1

Lautier - Belyavsky

Semi-slav (D48)

1.c4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Nf3 Nbd7 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 b5 8.Bd3 a6 9.e4 c5 10.d5 c4 11.Bc2 Qc7 12.0-0 Bc5 13.dxe6 fxe6 14.Qe2 Ne5 15.Bf4 Nxf3+ 16.Qxf3 e5 17.Bg5 0-0 18.Bxf6 gxf6 19.a4 Rb8 20.axb5 axb5 21.b3 Bd4 22.Nd5 Qg7 23.Rac1 Kh8 24.h3 Be6 25.bxc4 bxc4 26.Rh1 Rbd8 27.Rb5 Qg5 28.Nc7 Bg8 29.Rd1 Qh4 30.Rf1 Rd7 431.Nd5 Rg7 32.Nc3 Be6 33.Kh2 Rfg8 34.Rg1 Bxh3 35.Qxh3 Qxf2 36.Rf1 Qxe3 37.Qxe3 Rxx2+ 38.Kh1 Bxe3 39.Ba4 Bf4 0-1

Illescas - Short

French Defence (C02)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd7 6.Be2 f5 7.0-0 cxd4 8.cxd4 Nge7 9.h3 Nc8 10.Ba3 Bxa3 11.Nxa3 0-0 12.Qd2 Qe7 13.Nc2 Be8 14.b4 a5 15.b5 Nd8 16.Rfc1 Bh5 17.Nce1 g5 18.h3 Qg7 19.Rc3 Bxf3 20.Nxf3 h6 21.Rat1 Nb6 22.Nh2 Kh8 23.Nf1 a4 24.a3 Rf7 25.Ng3 Qf8 26.Nh5 Re7 27.Nf6 Nd7 28.Nh5 Nb6 29.Rc7 Nc4 30.Rxe7 Qxe7 31.Bxc4 dxc4 32.Rxc4 Qxa3 33.Rc7 Qf8 34.Qa2 a3 35.Nf6 Nf7 36.Qxe6 a2 37.Qxf7 a1=Q+ 38.Kh2 Qxf7 39.Rxf7 b6 40.Rh7# 1-0

Dreev - Short

Queen's Gambit (D37)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 d5 4.Nc3 Be7 5.Bf4

0-0 6.e3 c5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.a3 Nc6 9.Rc1 a6 10.cxd5 exd5 11.Bg5 d4 12.Nb5 dxe3 13.Qxd8 exf2+ 14.Ke2 Rxd8 15.Bxf6 Re8+ 16.Kd1 gxf6 17.Rxc5 Bg4 18.Nc3 Nd4 19.Bc4 Nxf3 20.Kc2 Bf5+ 21.Kb3 Nd2+ 22.Ka2 Be6 0-1

Karpov - Halifman

King's Indian (E60)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.g3 c5 5.Bg2 Qa5+ 6.Nc3 Ne4 7.Bd2 Nxd2 8.Qxd2 0-0 9.e3 d6 10.0-0 Nc6 11.h3 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Bd7 13.Rfd1 Nxd4 14.exd4 Bc6 15.Nd5 Qd8 16.Rac1 Rc8 17.h4 Qd7 18.b3 Rfd8 19.a4 Bxd5 20.Bxd5 b6 21.a5 e6 22.Bf3 b5 23.d5 bxc4 24.dxe6 Qxe6 25.bxc4 Qf5 26.Kg2 Bf6 27.a6 h5 28.Re1 Rc5 29.Bd5 Rb8 30.Rc2 Kg7 31.Be4 Qd7 32.Bb7 Qc7 33.Qd3 Rd8 34.Bd5 Qa5 35.Rb1 Qxa6 36.Rb7 Rf8 37.Re2 Ra5 38.Re3 Ra1 39.Rf3 Re1 40.Rxf6 Kxf6 41.Qf3+ 1-0

Short - Topalov

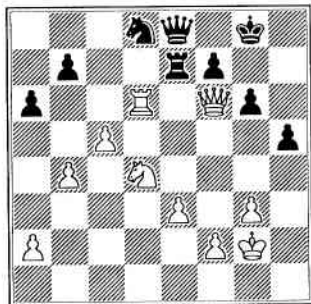
Sicilian (B78)

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Qd2 0-0 9.Bc4 Bd7 10.0-0-0 Ne5 11.Bb3 Rc8 12.g4 b5 13.g5 Nh5 14.Ncxb5 Nc4 15.Bxc4 Rxc4 16.Qd3 Rb4 17.Nc3 Qh8 18.Nb3 Be6 19.Qa6 Bxc3 20.bxc3 Rb7 21.Rd4 Rc8 22.Kd2 Qc7 23.Qd3 d5 24.Kc1 dxe4 25.fxe4 Bc4 26.Qd2 e5 27.Rd6 Nf4 28.Bxf4 exf4 29.Rd1 f3 30.Qf4 Qe7 31.h4 Be2 32.R1d5 Rbc7 33.Nd4 Bc4 34.Qxf3 Bxd5 35.Rxd5 Rxc3 36.Qf6 Qc7 37.Qf2 Qc4 38.Kb2 Qb4+ 39.Ka1 Rh3 40.Qf1 Re3 0-1

Lautier - Sokolov

Bogoindian (E11)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.g3 Bb4+ 4.Bd2 Qe7
5.Bg2 0-0 6.Nf3 c5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.0-0 Nc6
9.Nc3 h6 10.Bf4 d6 11.Na4 e5 12.Nxc5 exf4
13.Nb3 fxg3 14.hxg3 Be6 15.Rc1 Qd7 16.Qd2
Bh3 17.Rfd1 Bxg2 18.Kxg2 Rad8 19.Nbd4
Rfe8 20.Nb5 Ne4 21.Qc2 Qg4 22.Rh1 Rc8
23.Rh4 Qg6 24.Rxe4 Rxe4 25.Nxd6 Qxd6
26.Qxe4 Rd8 27.Rc3 Qf8 28.Rb3 Rb8 29.Rb5
g6 30.e3 a6 31.Rb6 Qd8 32.c5 Qf8 33.b4
Re8 34.Qf4 Nd8 35.Nd4 h5 36.Qf6 Re7
37.Rd6 Qe8

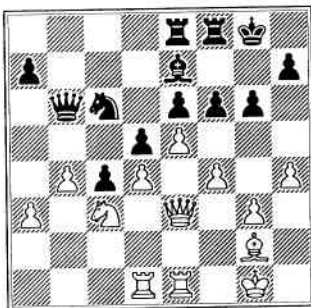


38.Nf5 gxf5 39.Qg5+ Kf8 40.Rh6 1-0

Karpov - Tiviakov

Queen's Indian (E15)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Bb4+ 5.Bd2
Be7 6.Nc3 Bb7 7.Bg2 c6 8.e4 d5 9.cxd5
cxd5 10.e5 Ne4 11.0-0 0-0 12.Re1 Nxd2
13.Qxd2 Ba6 14.a3 Nc6 15.b4 Bc4 16.Qe3 b5
17.Nd2 Qb6 18.Nxc4 bxc4 19.Rad1 Rae8
20.f4 g6 21.h4 f6



22.Nxd5 exd5 23.Bxd5+ Kg7 24.Bxc4 fxe5
25.dxe5 Rd8 26.Bd5 Qxe3+ 27.Rxe3 Rd7
28.Red3 Rfd8 29.Kf1 Bxb4 30.e6 Rd6

31.axb4 Nxb4 32.e7 Re8 33.R3d2 Nxd5
34.Rxd5 Rxd5 35.Rxd5 Rxe7 36.h5 Kf6
37.Ra5 Kg7 38.Kg2 Kh6 39.Kh3 Rf7 40.Kg4
Rb7 41.Kh4 Rf7 42.Ra6 Kg7 ½-½

Dreev - Ivanchuk

Nimzoindian (E21)

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.Nc3 Bb4 5.Qb3
c5 6.Bf4 0-0 7.e3 d5 8.Rd1 Nbd7 9.cxd5
Nxd5 10.Bg5 Qc7 11.Bc4 cxd4 12.Bxd5 Bxc3+
13.bxc3 exd5 14.cxd4 Ba6 15.Nd2 Rfe8
16.Qa3 Qb7 17.f3 Rac8 18.Qb3 Bc4 19.Qa3
Bb5 20.Rb1 Qa6 21.Qxa6 Bxa6 22.Kf2 Rc2
23.Rhd1 h6 24.Bf4 Rec8 25.a3 R8c3 26.Bd6
Rd3 27.Bb4 Bb5 28.a4 Bxa4 29.Ra1 Bb5
30.Ra3 Rxa3 31.Bxa3 Ba4 32.Bc1 b5 33.e4
b4 34.Re1 h3 35.Ke3 b2 36.Bxb2 Rxb2
37.exd5 Nb6 38.d6 f5 39.Nb1 Nd5+ 0-1

Lautier - Dreev

Semi-slav (D47)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e3 e6 5.Nf3
Nbd7 6.Bd3 dxc4 7.Bxc4 b5 8.Bd3 Bb7 9.0-0
a6 10.e4 c5 11.d5 Qc7 12.Bc2 Be7 13.dxe6
fxe6 14.Ng5 Qc6 15.Qf3 h6 16.Qh3 hxg5
17.Qxh8+ Kf7 18.Qh3 g4 19.Qh4 Ne5 20.f4
gxf3 21.gxf3 Ng6 22.Qg5 Rg8 23.e5 Nh4
24.Be4 Nd5 25.Qg4 b4 26.Ne2 Qc7 27.Qg3
Rh5 28.Bf4 Nf5 29.Qe1 c4 30.Kh1 Bh4
31.Qd2 Qe7 32.Rg1 g5 33.Bg3 Nxxg3+ 34.Nxxg3
Rh8 35.Nf5 exf5 36.Bxd5+ Kg6 37.Bxb7 Qxb7
38.Qd6+ Kh5 39.Raf1 g4 40.Qe6 Rf8 41.Rxxg4
Bg5 42.Rg3 1-0

Wijk aan Zee

The 57th running of the Hoogovens tournament saw the introduction of the now quite popular knock-out format combined with an open Swiss. By and large the favourites escaped unscathed from the first round of 32 players, but Michael Adams was upset by Christopher Lutz in round 2. This round also saw the interesting all-Dutch clash between national champion Jeroen Piket and long-time number one Jan Timman. Piket enjoys a 35-point advantage on the latest FIDE ranking list and shares 11= compared with Timman's 22=. The first pair of games was shared, a win apiece, the next pair (30

minutes each) was drawn and Timman won the sudden-death decider at 15min each.

The quarter-finals saw Nigel Short beat Sergei Tiviakov 1½-½, Alexei Dreev beat Yasser Seirawan 3-1, Alexander Halifman beat Lutz 2½-1½, and Evgeny Bareev saw off Timman 3-2.

There was an all-Russian final after Short lost ½-1½ to Dreev while Bareev scored 1½-½ against Halifman. The final was of four games, Dreev winning the first and the other three being drawn.

Bareev - Dreev

Slav Defence

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.Bg5
h6 6.Bxf6 Qxf6 7.e3 Nd7 8.Bd3 dxc4 9.Bxc4
g6 10.0-0 Bg7 11.Qc2 0-0 12.Ne4 Qe7
13.Bb3 Rd8 14.Rad1 a5 15.a3 Ra6 16.Rd2
Nf6 17.Nc5 Ra7 18.Ne5 Bd7 19.Rfd1 Be8
20.Na4 Raa8 21.e4 Qc7 22.Nf3 Rac8 23.e5
Nd7 24.Rc1 c5 25.Qe4 b6 26.g3 Qb8 27.d5
Nxe5 28.Nxe5 Qxe5 29.Qxe5 Bxe5 30.Nxb6
Rb8 31.Nc4 Bd4 32.Nxa5 exd5 33.Ba2 Rxb2
34.Rxb2 Bxb2 35.Rxc5 d4 36.Nc4 Bc1 37.Ne5
Bxa3 38.Rc7 Kf8 39.Nxf7 Ra8 40.Nxb6 Bd6
41.Rc2 d3 42.Rd2 Bb4 43.Rxd3 Rxa2 44.Ng4
Bc6 45.Ne3 Re2 46.Rd1 Bc5 47.Kf1 Bf3 48.
Re1 Ra2 49.h4 Kg7 49.Rc1 Bb6 50.Rb1 Bd4
51.Rc1 Kh6 52.Rb1 Bxe3 53.fxe3 Rg2 0-1

Shirov v Piket

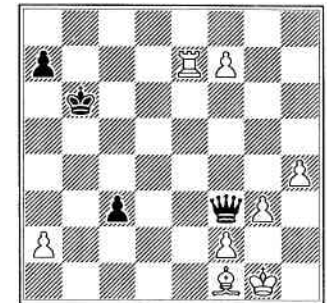
Aruba was the site of this match between Latvian 22-year-old Alexei Shirov and Jeroen Piket (26). After three draws Shirov won three in a row and won the match 5½-2½. The fourth game featured a nice finish to an interesting Botvinnik system:

Shirov - Piket

Semi-slav

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 e6 5.Bg5
dxc4 6.e4 b5 7.e5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Nxxg5 hxg5
10.Bxxg5 Nbd7 11.exf6 Bb7 12.g3 c5 13.d5
Qb6 14.Bg2 0-0-0 15.0-0 b4 16.Na4 Qd6
17.dxe6 Qxe6 18.Re1 Ne5 19.Qxd8+ Kxd8
20.Bxb7 Kc7 21.Bg2 Qd7 22.Bf4 Qxa4
23.Bxe5+ Kb6 24.Rad1 Rh5 25.Rd8 Rxe5
26.Rxe5 c3 27.bxc3 bxc3 28.Rb8+ Ka5

29.Rxf8 Qd1+ 30.Bf1 Qd6 31.Rfe8 c2 32.Re1
Qd1 33.R8e7 Kb6 34.h4 c1=Q 35.Rxd1 Qxd1
36.Rxf7 c4 37.Re7 c3 38.f7 Qf3



39.Rb7+ Kc5 40.Rc7+ Kd6 41.Bg2 Qd1+
42.Kh2 Kxc7 43.f8=Q c2 44.Qf4+ Kb6 45.Bf3
1-0

Bad Godesberg

Russian GM Igor Glek won this category 9 event convincingly with 8½/11, compatriot Yuri Piskov tying for second on 7 with Edvins Kengis. The Fritz 3 computer programme exceeded the IM-norm requirement by half a point in scoring 5½ and defeating Piskov.

Geneva

This January Open featured 15 GMs in a field of 77 and was won by 19-year-old Polish IM Tomasz Markowski whose 7 points was enough for a GM norm. 2= on 6½ were Beresovsky UKR, GM Cvitan CRO, GM Razuvaev RUS, GM Spraggett CAN and IM Zelcic CRO.

Bern

Julian Hodgson ENG won the Swiss-Volksbank-Open in February on tie-break from a group of eight players scoring 7/9. The others (all GMs) were Belyavsky UKR, Bellon ESP, Gallagher ENG, Kengis LAT, Razuvaev RUS, Suetin RUS and Tukmakov UKR.

Haifa

Russian was the mother-tongue of most of the players in this category 14 tournament in January-February. Israeli GM Yona Kosashvili (24) took first prize with 7/11, ahead of Leonid Yudasin ISR

and Sergei Dolmatov RUS on 6%. Remaining scores in the all-GM field: 4-6 Akopian ARM, Svidler RUS & Smirin ISR 6; 7-8 Alterman ISR & Psakhis ISR 5½; 9 Greenfeld ISR 5; 10-11 Grünfeld ISR & Milov ISR 4½; 12 M Gurevich BEL 3.

San Francisco

The Pan-Pacific International in January-February was a category 13 round-robin, a comparatively rare phenomenon in the USA, complete with mayoral proclamation. Viktor Korchnoi enjoyed a ½-point lead over John Nunn going into the last round when the pair met. Rapid simplification led to a drawn position, allowing Boris Gulko to catch Nunn.

Final scores: 1 GM Korchnoi SWI 8; 2-3 GM Gulko USA & GM Nunn ENG 7½; 4 GM de Firmian USA 6½; 5 GM Hübner GER 6; 6-7 GM Christiansen USA & Xie Jun CHN 5½; 8 GM Browne USA 5; 9 IM Waitzkin USA 4; 10-12 Ashley USA, IM Zso Polgar HUN & IM Tisdall NOR 3½.

Korchnoi - Polgar, Zso.

Catalan (E04)

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 e6 5.g3 dxc4 6.Bg2 b5 7.Ne5 Nd5 8.0-0 f6 9.NF3 Be7 10.e4 Nxc3 11.bxc3 a5 12.e5 f5 13.h4 a4 14.Ng5 g6 15.Rb1 Ra5 16.Re1 h5 17.Nh3 Kf8 18.Bg5 Bxg5 19.Nxg5 Kg7 20.Qc1 Qe7 21.Qe3 Re8 22.Bf3 Bb7 23.d5 cxd5 24.Qb6 Ra6 25.Nxe6+ Kh8 26.Qxb5 Bc6 27.Qxb8 Rxb8 28.Rxb8+ Kh7 29.Nd4 Qc7 30.Reb1 Qxe5 31.Rc8 Bd7 32.Rb7 Rd6 33.Nb5 Kh6 34.Rcc7 f4 35.Nxd6 Qe1+ 36.Kg2 fxx3 37.Kxx3 g5 38.Nf7+ Kg6 39.Nxx5 1-0

Hübner - Korchnoi

French (C11)

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.f4 c5 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.Be3 cxd4 8.Nxd4 Qb6 9.Ncb5 a6 10.Nf5 Bc5 11.Bxc5? Better was 11.Nbd6+, which led to a draw in the game Lengyel-Züger, Budapest 1994: 11...Kf8 12.Qh5 Nd8 13.Nxg7 Bxe3 14.Nxe6+ fxe6 15.Qh6+ Kg8 16.Qg5+ Kf8 17.Qh6+ Kg8 18.Qg5+ ½-½. 11...Nxc5 12.Nbd6+ Kf8 13.Qh5 Nd8 14.Nxg7 Qb4+ 15.c3 Qxb2 16.Rd1 Qxc3+ 17.Rd2 h6 18.Nge8 Ne4 0-1

Budapest

The February version of the regular "First Saturday" tournament was noteworthy for the two GM norms gained by Vietnamese players. In the category 8 GM tournament Dao Thien Hai (16) scored 7½/10 in coming second behind Russian GM Ibragimov on 8, while in the category 4 B-tournament Hoang Th. Trang (15 on Azac Day) gained her first WGM norm.

Cannes

The 9th Festival des Jeux featured a 92-player Open won by England's Matthew Sadler with 7/9, ahead of five players on 6½: IM Ikonnikov RUS, GM Minasian ARM, GM A Sokolov RUS, GM Solzhenkin RUS & IM Tkachiev KAZ.

Polgar v Chiburdanidze

The women's candidates final was played in St Petersburg by Zsuzsa Polgar and Maya Chiburdanidze. This time the Hungarian made no mistake, running out an easy winner 5½-1½ to earn a shot at the title held by Xie Jun. The Chinese player won the title from Chiburdanidze in 1991 and successfully defended against Nana Ioseliani in 1993 after the latter came back from the dead to beat Polgar by a spin of the roulette wheel.

REPORT ON FIDE CONGRESS

NZCF President Bill Poole has verbally reported to the annual meeting and Council on the FIDE Congress held in Moscow. He says it was evident that there had been a peace treaty entered into between FIDE President Campomanes and former FIDE World Champion Kasparov, and that while Campomanes had not been renominated he was out for re-election. As a result, rules were set aside and evidence presented of pressure being applied, with the result that Campomanes was re-elected president.

The president reports that FIDE's financial and other problems remain. In the meantime the headquarters remain in Athens, but its not a long-term venue.

Bill says that Armenia is enthusiastic about hosting the next Olympiad, but while conditions should be good, transport is likely to be a problem.

St Peter's de Beauvoir international tourney

By Ben Martin

This 10-player round robin was held in an interesting venue: the crypt of St Peter's de Beauvoir Church in north London. It was the sixth in a series of IM qualifying tournaments organised by the Four Nations Chess League. The English IM Neil McDonald had won the previous five, but he was badly out of form this time.

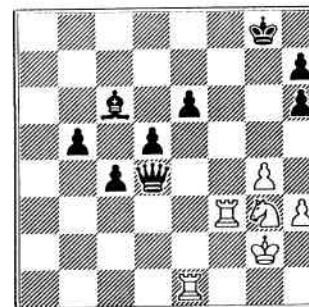
Final scores: FM B Martin NZL 6/9; I A Whiteley ENG 5½; IM N McDonald ENG 5 etc.

Chris Dunworth, Martin Olesen and I all looked in the running for the IM norm of 6½/9, but we ruined each other's chances: I beat Olesen, Olesen beat Dunworth, and Dunworth beat me!

I was disappointed not to have made the most of good positions in a couple of games, especially against McDonald.

McDonald, N - Martin, B

Notes by Ben Martin



Position after 32.Kxg2

Black should play 32...Qc5!, threatening 33...d4. After 33.Rxe6 d4 34.Ne4 Bxe4 35.Rxe4 d3 the pawns win: Black's Q denies the White Rs effective checking squares. Instead, I lost a vital tempo with 32...Bd7? White gave perpetual check after 33.Re1 Qb2+ 34.R1f2 Qg7? 34...Qb4

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should still win. 35.Nh5 Qe7 36.Nf6+ Kg7 37.Nh5+ Kg8 38.Nf6+ ½-½

Martin, B - Oleson, M

Notes by Ben Martin and Jonathan

Sarfati

1.Nf3 e5 2.b3 Nf6 3.Bb2 e6 4.g3 b6 5.Bg2 Bb7 6.0-0 Be7 7.c4 0-0 8.e3 Nc6 9.Nc3 a6 10.Qe2 d5 11.d3 Rc8 12.Rfd1 Rc7 12...dxc4 13.bxc4 Rc7 [13...Rd7 attacking the p on d3] 13.d4! cxd4 13...dxc4 14.dxc5 Rd7 15.Ne5! Rxd1+ [15...Nxe5 16.Bxb7] 16.Rxd1 Qc7 17.Nxc4 Bxc5 18.Na4. 14...Nxd4 Nxd4 15.Rxd4 Qc8 Black tries to make use of a tactical idea that is often seen in these Queen's Indian Defence-type positions. 16.cxd5! Rxc3 17.d6! The point. 17...Bxg2! 17...Rc2 18.Bxb7 Rxe2 19.Bxc8 Bxd6 [19...Rxb2 20.dxe7 Rxc8 21.Rd8+ +] 20.Bxa6 Rxb2 21.Rxd6 Ne4 22.Rxb6 Nxf2 23.Bf1+ 18.dxe7 Rxc8 19.Rxxg2 19.Rd8? Rc2! 20.Qxc2 [20.Rxc8 Rxe2 21.Bxf6 Rxc8 22.Rd1 Bd5] 20...Qxc2. 21.Bxf6 Bc6 19...Rc2 20.Rd2 Rxd2 21.Qxd2 White has several small advantages in this position: 1 Black's Q-side pawns are weak; White's B is better than Black's N; 3 White's R and Q will become very active. 21...Rxe7 21...Qb7+ 22.Kg1 Qxe7 23.Rd1 (Qd6) 23...h6 [23...Ne4? 24.Qd4] 24.Qd6 Nd5 25.Qxe7 Rxe7 26.e4 Nf6 27.Qxf6 gxf6 28.Rd8+ Kg7 29.Rb8 b5 30.Ra8. 22.Bxf6? 22.Rc1 Qb7+ 23.Kg1 Rd7 24.Qc3 h6 25.Qc8+ Kh7 26.Qxb7 Rxb7 27.Bd4 and White has a good game. 22...gxf6 23.Rd1 Qc6+ 23...Kg7! 24.Qd4 Qb7+! 25.Kg1 Rc7! 26.Qg4+ Kh6. 24.Kg1 Re8 24...Kg7 25.Qe2 (25.Qxa6 & Qg4+) 25.Rc1 Qb7 26.Qd6 Kg7 27.Rc7 Qe4 28.Rc4 Qb1+ 29.Kg2 h5 29...Qxa2 30.Rg4+ Kh8 31.Qd4! e5 32.Qd6 +. 30.Qxb6 Qxa2 31.h4 Qd2 32.Qxa6 Rd8 33.Qb7 Rd7 34.Qf3 Qe1 35.Qxb5 Rd1 36.Rg4+ Kf8 37.Qc5+ Ke8 38.Rg8+ Kd7 39.Qc8+ Kd6 40.Rd8+ Ke5 41.Qc7+ 41...Kf5 42.Qf4+ Kg6 43.Qg4+. 1-0

NZCF Council report

By Ted Frost

NZ Junior Championship

As Auckland Chess Centre did not respond to a request from NZCF for information about its plans for the 1995 NZ Junior Championship, scheduled for the May w vacation, Council decided to cancel the allocation of the event to ACC. The tournament, which includes the first national age group championships in place of the NZ Schoolpupils' final, was rescheduled for the week of August 28-31 or August 29-September 1, the slot previously filled by the schoolpupils' final.

Following the election of new officers in Auckland Chess Centre, the club has advised NZCF informally that because of its own reorganisation it does not expect to make a fresh application for the NZ Junior. The request to affiliates to consider holding this event remains open.

NZCF has received expressions of interest from several centres about regional junior championships, for which NZCF will provide playing materials and some book trophies.

Tournament directors

Council has confirmed that in NZ arbiters or directors of play should be designated as Tournament Directors, as stated in the federation handbook.

Council has also adopted recommendations from the technical committee on the duties of tournament directors. In addition to the schedule of duties laid down in the Laws of Chess, NZ tournament directors are responsible for overseeing the making of the draw and preparing and updating pairing cards, drawing up wall charts showing round-by-round results and in Swiss tournaments to include opponent rank numbers and colours. They are also required to preapred reports for NZCF that include information required for rating.

Single sessions and DGTs

The effects of the international trend towards single-session play and the

introduction of DGTs has been considered by Council, which feels that completing games without adjournments will become universal fairly quickly. Applying this to NZCF tournaments will require rule changes and prior notice to players. DGTs are also coming quickly into use in major tournaments, but clubs require time to buy and make use of the new equipment, while players also need time to become familiar with the equipment.

Accordingly, Council has made interim decisions regarding both developments.

Council requests that wherever possible DGTs be used in rated events, especially rapid tourneys. However, this should not be compulsory in the meantime, and Council recommends they be used if both players in any game agree to their use.

Council supports the trend towards single-session completion of games and recommends that clubs adopt this. Further consideration will be given to changing the rules for NZCF tournaments, but this will require rule changes which will be referred to clubs.

FIDE coaching book

Under an arrangement with FIDE, Karlo Scheppel in Hong Kong is producing a book "Chess for chess teachers," and the sample of content indicates that it will be extremely useful for coaches. NZCF has placed an interim order for copies and will consult affiliates about its use.

Chandler proposal

GM Murray Chandler has encountered booking difficulties which have upset his plan to bring a chessplayers' tour to NZ at next Christmas-New Year. He is looking at the possibility of a visit later next year, and in conjunction with this councillors hope to consider the possibility of launching a New Zealand Open tournament.

World seniors

Council has endorsed IM Ortvin Sarapu's entry in the 1995 World Seniors Championship.

Affiliated clubs

Ashburton PO Box 204, Ashburton. Meets Mondays 7.30pm (Feb-Oct), Room 1 (upstairs), Public Library, cnr 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, Wellington Girls' College, Pipitea Street, Thorndon. John Gillespie, 1 Wavell Street, Karori (04)476-3729.

Gambit Sec, Ted Frost, 17 Croydon St, Karori, Wellington 5 (04)476-4098.

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, Salvation Army Hall, Bluegum Rd. Paraparaumu Beach. 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.

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)478-0063.

Papatoetoe Meets Wednesdays 7.30pm, St George's Anglican Church Hall, Landscape Rd, Papatoetoe. Contacts, John McRae (09)278-4520 or Katrine Metge (sec) 278-7173.

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

Upper Hutt Meets Mondays 7.30pm, Hapai Club, 879 Fergusson Drive. 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 (09)818-4113 or contact Steve Lawson (09)818-5137.

Wanganui Meets Mondays, 1st floor, Commercial Club, St Hill St. 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 (04)476-4098.

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