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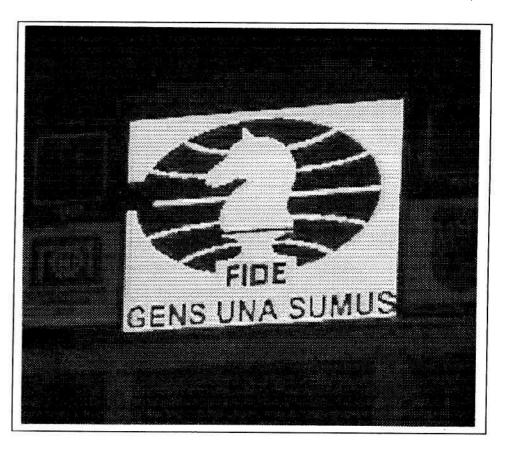
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#### NZ Championship entries

At November 30, the first closing date for entries, only 5 entries had been received for the New Zealand Championhip at the Dunedin Congres. The entrants were P Garbett, R Dive, T Dowden, W Kaspar and R Wansink. Late entries will be received and the final field decided just before start of play.

#### **NZ Master Games**

Entries for chess at the New Zealand Master Games in Wanganui in early February have reached 17, with 7 from outside Wanganui. The limit is 32 and entries can be sent to Gordon Hoskyn (tel 06 343 6101) or the Master Games, PO Box 500, Wanganui.

#### North Shore Rapid

4th leg results: Garbett 6/6: McLaren 5; Stuart, Krstev, Mistry, Jovic, Hair, Quin 4. This gave Garbett a winning 3-leg total of 17/18, just pipping McLaren on 16½ (he started with a 5½ and a 6). Krstev was 3rd on 13. Harry Cheng won the handicap section with 13.47, ahead of Garbett and Gunn 2= on 11, and Hair, Krstev and McLaren 4=. Unusually, this meant 5 of the top 6 were A grade players.

#### Compton in England

Alistair Compton, of Christchurch, is currently living in England and playing quite a lot of chess. He is playing in several chess leagues and has achieved a FIDE rating of 2015 with several wins not yet taken into account.

ON THE COVER: The FIDE logo glowed on the eldectronic scoreboard during the Chess Olympiad opening ceremonies at the stadium in Elista. However, as Michael Freeman reports, the opening of the Olympiad was not without its problems.

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#### Introduction

"Elista, Kalmykia; where's that?". I well remember that question at the Moscow Olympiad when the venue for this year's event was announced. Well, for Trivial Pursuit fans, its located in the south-east portion of Russia between the Volga and Don rivers. Kalmykia has a territory of 76,100 square km, a population of 300,000 and is 1836 km from Moscow.

Descended from the Oyrat, the Kalmyk people have had a turbulent past. Having settled in European Russia in the 16th century, they suffered under the early communist rule in the 1920's and 30's, and were finally exiled to Siberia in 1943 by Stalin. Permitted to return in 1957, they have boomed since becoming a republic within the new Russian Federation in 1992.

With oil revenues now available to Kalmkyia rather than the old Kremlin, funds are available to develop the Republic. We noticed that food was readily available, clothing was smart, and many Western goods were available in the shops. The population was housed, fed, and paid. However, some of the political and personal freedom that has encompassed Moscow and St. Petersburg has not filtered down to this region.

For this Olympiad, a very ambitious President decided to construct a "Chess City", better described as a new housing estate on the outskirts of Elista. Fenced off from the locals, the plan called for 87 new houses in Western style, two administrative buildings, and in the centre, the Chess Palace. This large five-storied building was designed to host the chess games and associated FIDE congress.

After the usual traumas with team selection, passports and visas, the bulk of the NZ team finally departed to Elista via Frankfurt and Moscow. Nearly abandoning Bob Smith at Moscow immigration when it was discovered by the bureaucracy that a photo had become unglued from his visa, we were joined by

Alexei Kulaskho and bussed across Moscow to an internal airport. There we boarded a YAK-42 operated by Karat Airways for the charter flight to Elista. Surprisingly, this flight was uneventful, despite having to land at dusk with no ground landing lights on a very recently extended runway. We were met in the airport that still smelled from the coat of paint applied that afternoon, by Olga, our team translator for the next 2 weeks.

Arriving in Chess City, we discovered that only one half of the houses were complete and the team would be divided. The men ended up being allocated a house earmarked for the Malaysian team, whilst the Women were taken out of the Chess City to a large apartment block seven minutes walk away. It was a nice apartment, but certainly on the cosy side. For all meals we were driven across town to a fancy restaurant. This resulted in us leaving behind a considerable amount of food brought from NZ just in case.

The next shock appeared in the light of day when we saw that the playing venue was not complete, with no roof and many walls missing. A captain's meeting later that day confirmed the obvious, and alternative venues and plans were mooted. In the end it was agreed that the event would drop one rest day and one round thereby giving another two days to the construction crew. Even then, plans of playing matches in the lounges of the various houses were put in place.

The opening ceremony was held in the local football stadium complete with cultural displays, a few speeches and parading of all the nations flags as one would normally expect at a Commonwealth or Olympic Games. It finished with a firework display.

Each team at the Olympiad was given a "Mother and Father", personally selected by the President from his population. New Zealand was adopted by the head of the local Inland Revenue and his staff.

Round/	Team/ Seed/	Kulash-	Smith	Green	Wastney	Krstev	Score
Match No. /Colour	Final Place	ko					
1/14/w	Hungary (14)	2650	2595	2540	2530		1/2/1/2
	(9)	0	0	1/2	0	15.	
2/38/b	Malta	2220	2115	2200		นกร	31/2/4
	(89) (102)	1	1	1/2		l	
3/28/b	Bangladesh	2500	2350		2335	2350	0/4
	(57) (53)	0	0		0	0	
4/41/w	Jamaica (104)	unr		unr	unr	unr	21/2/61/2
	(78)	1		1/2	1	0	
5/41/b	Iraq		2350	2325	2290	2125	1/71/2
	(68) (73)		0	1	0	0	
6/43/w	Uganda	unr	unr	unr		unr	2/91/2
	(98) (93)	1/2	1	1/2		0	
7/44/w	Libya		unr	unr	unr	unr	3/121/2
	(106) (86)		1	1/2	1/2	1	
8/38/b	Bolivia	unr	2350	2205	2035		4/161/2
	(79) (85)	1	1	1	1		
9/26/b	Poland	2655		2525	2530	2485	0/161/2
	(18) (15)	0		0	0	0	
10/39/w	Angola (101)	unr	unr	unr	unr		21/2/19
	(62)	1	0	1	1/2		
11/36/w	UAE	2335	2255		unr	2220	11/2/201/2
	(78) (75)	1	0		1/2	0	
12/38/b	Malaysia (97)	unr	2040	unr	2410		21/2/23
	(74)	1	1/2	0	1		21/12/51/
13/35/b	South Africa	2290	2215	2350	2125		31/2/261/2
	(66) (80)	1	1/2	1	1		
Results		+7=1-3	+4=2-5	+4=5-2	+4=3-4	+2=0-6	+21=11-20
Score		7½/11	5/11	61/2/11	51/2/11	2/8	
Percent		0.68	0.45	0.59	0.50	0.25	
White		31/2/5	4/6	3/5	5/6	1/4	161/2/26
Black		4/6	1/5	31/2/6	1/2/5	1/4	10/26

These people went out of their way to make our stay as comfortable as possible, driving us everywhere around Elista, providing us with drinks in various forms, and entertaining us on the first two days whilst the playing venue was worked upon. A very enjoyable trip into the countryside on one of those days for hunting and fishing (of sorts) had a tragic end when our host tripped and badly broke his ankle. Naturally, we had to endure the jibes from other teams over maiming tax inspectors. The friendship from our interpreter Olga, and "parents" Alexei and Byra would be hard to equal anywhere in the world.

Remarkably, enough of the building was completed after the two days' rest to allow the first round to be played in the venue despite a few holes. In fact, work continued each day on the building throughout the event. It was soon discovered that the architect had never been to a chess tournament, with the matches played on landings surrounding a central well with a wooden spiral staircase. The noise level proved a major distraction to all. Bob Smith, a strong anti-smoker, even resorted to using Edith Otene's cigarette filters as ear plugs to try to dim the racket. The top ten matches were eventually moved to another side room,

so small and hot that no-one except players in those matches was permitted to enter.

Games were played on electronic boards that automatically recorded the moves and with a Fischer time control on the electronic clock wired to the board. This was great, except that knocking over or even adjusting a piece required calling an arbiter to reset things. The technology appeared to be rather confusing to some of the older arbiters, leading to quite a bit of frustration at times for players and other officials alike.

To me, one sad part was that the whole event was not witnessed by the local population, who were only allowed past the armed guards at the City gates in groups on organised tours each morning. Our hosts seemed bent on keeping us away from the locals (or viceversa).

The team spirit was maintained throughout with the captain providing most of the silly acts to amuse the others. Included were boarding the wrong bus at the Moscow airport and nearly departing to Chechnya, getting locked in the bathroom in the house for two hours, and gallantly protecting the rest of the team from the vodka toasts on the first night. One bout of food poisoning did strike during the middle rounds and laid almost all of the team low for a few days whilst "Dr. John's" magic pills stemmed the flow.

I would thank all of the team members for their contribution to a very enjoyable trip, and on behalf of the team, thank very much all those clubs and individuals who contributed to the Appeal Fund to help defray our costs.

#### The Open Team

In the Open competition, the team consisted of Alexei Kulaskho, Bob Smith, Peter Green, Scott Wastney, Antonio Krstev, and Michael Freeman as Team Captain. This team was seeded 69th in a field of 110.

After the thirteen rounds a final placing of 56th, with a score of 26½/52, or +1 can be considered an excellent result. The top four boards all had satisfactory to pleasing results,

with Alexei Kulashko achieving the 10th highest Board One percentage. Peter Green also scored well.

A very decisive last round win over South Africa rocketed the team up the standings to finish ahead of neighbours Australia and tied with Vietnam, Bangladesh and Belgium.

An equally decisive win by Russia over Holland, whilst China was holding the USA to a draw, saw the Russians again take the gold medals on 35½. One point back were USA, followed another two points back by Ukraine and Israel.

The very narrow points range can be seen with the fifth place team China scoring 31½, New Zealand was exactly half way down on 26½ and the second to last team Seychelles scored 18.

#### The Women's Team

The Women's team was Vivian Smith, Teresa Sheehan, and Edith Otene with John Sheehan acting as Team Captain. This team was seeded 55th in a field of 72.

The final placing of 66th was affected by a tough last round pairing, and the non-pairing against the two easy-beat nations, met by all the other nations in their part of the draw. Teresa Sheehan had another excellent result and was 18th on Board Two. Having to play every round also proved tough on the team members.

The winners, China with 29 points made no race of it, to finish ahead of Russia and Georgia with 27. A shock 0-3 loss to Vietnam ruined the hopes of the favoured Georgians.

#### The FIDE Congress

The 69th FIDE Congress was remarkably non-political, with the restructuring of FIDE the main item for discussion. The FIDE structure and statues have been replaced. A new Executive Committee has been formed consisting of a President, two Vice President's, Secretary, and Treasurer elected by the delegates, Zonal Presidents, four Continental Presidents, and four delegates from each Continent. This still totals some sixty people.

### New Zealand Women's team results

Round/	Team/ Seed/	Smith	Sheehan	Otene	Score
Match No.	Final Place				
/Colour					
1/19/w	Armenia	2395	2230	2240	0/0
	(19)(21)	0	0	0	
2/34/b	Botswana	unr	unr	unr	2/2
	(69) (67)	0	1	1/2	
3/29/b	South Africa	unr	unr	unr	1/2/21/2
	(71) (62)	0	1/2	0	
4/30/w	Ireland	นทร	unr	unr	2/41/2
	(62) (51)	0	1	1	1
5/29/b	El Salvador	unr	unr	unr	11/2/6
	(68) (59)	1/2	1/2	1/2	
6/28/w	Brazil	unr	2045	unr	1/7
	(48) (52)	0	1	0	
7/30/w	Wales	2110	unr	unr	0/7
	(52) (64)	0	0	0	
8/33/w	Angola	unr	unr	unr	21/2/91/2
	(65) (68)	1	1	1/2	
9/30/b	Nigeria	unr	unr	unr	11/2/11
	(70) (63)	1/2	1/2	1/2	
10/30/w	Italy	unr	2095	2040	1/2/111/2
	(51)(61)	0	1/2	0	
11/34/b	Lebanon	unr	unr	unr	2/131/2
	(66) (71)	1	1	0	
12/32/b	Japan	2050	unr	unr	2/151/2
Life -	(56) (69)	0	1	1	
13/30/w	Mexico	2220	2075	unr	0/151/2
	(45) (46)	0	0	0	
Results		+2=3-8	+6=4-3	+2=4-7	+10=11-1
Score		3½/13	8/13	4/13	
Percentage		0.27	0.62	0.31	
White		1/7	41/76	11//7	7/20
			4½/6	11/2/7	7/20
Black		21/2/6	31/2/7	21/2/6	81/2/19

The Executive Council will meet once each year, with a full General Assembly of all nations every two years as part of the Olympiad.

Continental meeting For Asia, the Continental meeting re-elected Khalifa Al-Hitmi of Qatar as President and Michael Freeman, along with delegates from Lebanon, UAE, and Japan as the representatives to the Executive Council. Very surprisingly, I received the Vice President nod.

New zone The other major item was the formation of new zone consisting of Australia, New Zealand, Fiji, and Papua New Guinea.

This zone will receive one place in the World Championship knockout event and one place in the new Women's knockout event. The Zonal President is Graeme Gardiner of Australia. As Zonal President, he also joins the FIDE Executive Committee. This zone must therefore organise a zonal event each year, and New Zealand must address its responsibilities in regard to this.

The Year 2000 Olympiad is to be held in Istanbul, and the Year 2002 event in Slovenia. The other major news was the possibility of chess being a demonstration sport at the Sydney Olympics.

# Games from the Elista Olympiad

Kulashko, A - Porter, R Round 4 [B31] Notes by A Kulashko

1.e4 c5 2.\( 2\)f3 \( 2\)c6 3.\( 2\)b5 g6 4.0\( -0\) \( 2\)g7 5.c3 e6?!

6.d4 cxd4 7.cxd4 2ge7 8.d5 2e5 9.2xe5 2xe5 10.2c3 0−0

After 5...e6 weak & structure on Black's &-side determines long-time advantage for White. The text move seems to be very natural but allows White to get excellent position with all convenience. 10...\( \Delta g 7 \) or 10...\( \Delta g 6 \) would be more resistant.

#### 11.2h6 Te8 12.dxc6 fxe6

Unfortunately for Black the d-\( \Delta \) is pinned and 12...dxe6 isn't possible.

13.Φh1

13.f4 is stronger, but at this point I didn't see that 13...Qxc3 14.bxc3 型b6+ 15.如1 型xb5 is in White's favour.

13...⊌b6 14.f4 £g7

14... \( \text{Qxc3} \) 15.bxc3 \( \text{Wxb5} \) 16.\( \text{Wd4} \) e5 17.\( \text{Wd6} \) (With the idea of 18.\( \text{Wf6} \) 17...\( \text{Wc4} \) (17...\( \text{Wb6} \) 18.\( \text{Wxe5} \) 18.fxe5 \( \text{We6} \) 19.\( \text{Ef6} \) \( \text{Wxd6} \) 20.exd6 \( \text{Df5} \) (20...\( \text{Dc6} \) 21.\( \text{Eaf1} \) and 22.\( \text{Ef8} \) +) 21.exf5 and after 21...\( \text{b6} \) 22.fxg6 hxg6 Black has to struggle in the endgame being two \( \text{As} \) down, because 21...\( \text{gxf5} \) loses immediately after 22.\( \text{Exf5} \) b6 23.\( \text{Eaf1} \) \( \text{Qa6} \) 24.\( \text{Eg5} + \) \( \text{Dh8} \) 25.\( \text{Qg7} + \) \( \text{Dg8} \) 26.\( \text{Qe5} + \)

15.@xg7 \Pixg7 16.f5?!

16. \$\end{a}\$d2 also leads to superior positions, but I wanted to open the centre before Black develops his \$\end{a}\$-side. However, White's attack is not as strong as I thought during the game. Practically, I didn't calculate anything before I played 16.f5. Fortunately, the player from Jamaica didn't check whether this sacrifice is sound or not.

16...exf5 17.exf5 2xf5 18.2d5 ₩d6?

18... 增xb5 19. 至xf5 gxf5 20. 增d4+ **\$\phi\$g8** 21. **£**1f6+ **\$\phi\$f7** 22. **£**2xe8 **\$\phi\$xe8** 23. **‡**h8+ gives great chances for White. But after 20... **\$\phi\$f7** 21. **‡**f6+ **\$\phi\$g8** 22. **£**2e7+ **Ē**xe7 23. **‡**xe7 f4 24. **Ē**e1 **‡**f5 White can't achieve more than a perpetual.

19.\(\psi \) b6 20.\(\psi \) c3+ \(\psi \) c5 21.\(\pri \) c7 \(\psi \) xc3
22.\(\pri \) xe8+ \(\psi \) f8 23.\(\psi \) xc3 \(\psi \) xe8 24.\(\psi \) ad1 \(\psi \) d8
25.\(\psi \) f2 \(\psi \) c7 26.\(\psi \) fd2 d6 27.\(\psi \) d3 \(\psi \) d7 28.\(\psi \) xf5
\(\psi \) xf5 29.\(\psi \) xd6 and White won on move 63.
29...\(\psi \) 8 30.\(\psi \) 6d2 \(\psi \) a3 1.\(\psi \) c1 \(\psi \) 5 32.\(\psi \) 1 \(\psi \) c6
33.\(\psi \) f2 \(\psi \) 5 38.\(\psi \) d1 a6 39.\(\psi \) 1 \(\psi \) f4 40.\(\psi \) 1 \(\psi \) 43.\(\psi \) d4 \(\psi \) f5
1.\(\psi \) 41.\(\psi \) b2 \(\psi \) f4 42.\(\psi \) d1 \(\psi \) 63.\(\psi \) d4 \(\psi \) 63.\(\psi \) d4 \(\psi \) 60.\(\psi \) f4
44.\(\psi \) 1d2 \(\psi \) f5 55.\(\psi \) xa4 \(\psi \) h3 56.\(\psi \) b3 \(\psi \) 60.\(\psi \) f4
45 62.\(\psi \) xg6 \(\psi \) f5 63.\(\psi \) 60.\(\psi \) f6
465 62.\(\psi \) xg6 \(\psi \) f5 63.\(\psi \) 66 \(\psi \) 51.\(\psi \)

Nsubuga, G - Smith, R Round 6 [A59] Notes by FM R W Smith

1.d4 2f6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 g6 6.2c3 2xa6 7.e4 2xf1 8.Φxf1 d6 9.g3 2g7 10.Φg2 0-0 11.h3 2a6

With the idea of ...2c7, watching the d5 A against a later e5, also to attack White's centre with ...e6.

12.\Bb1 2c7 13.2ge2 \Ba6 14.\d3 \d3 \d8

With pressure on the a8-g2 diagonal and down the a-file.

15.@e3 e6 16.dxe6 fxe6 17.f3 2d7 18.@f4 2e5 19.@xe5 @xe5 20.\d

Threatening b4.

20...置行!

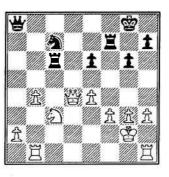
Protecting the  $\mathfrak{D}$ c7 and blocking the c4-g8 diagonal.

21.b4 d5! 22.\psixc5

22... \( \mathbb{Z} \) c6 23.\( \mathbb{Z} \) e3 d4 24.\( \mathbb{D} \) xd4 \( \mathbb{Q} \) xd4

Not 24...\(\mathbb{Z}\)xc3?! 25.\(\mathbb{Z}\)xc3 \(\Delta\)b5 26.\(\Delta\)xb5 \(\mathbb{Z}\)xc3 +-.

25.₩xd4



25...**2**b5! 26.₩d2

Better 26.9xb5  $\Xi c2+$   $(26... \mbox{$\mb$ 

26... \( \Pi x \) x c 3 27. \( \Pi h f 1 \) \( \Pi a 3 28. \Pi b 3 \) \( \Pi x \) b 3 0. \( \Pi d 8 + \pi g 7 31. \) \( \Pi b 6 \) \( \Pi c 4 32. \) \( \Pi c 5 \) \( \Pi x \) c 33. \( \pi c 5 \) \( \Pi d 4 34. \) f 4 \( \Pi b 3 \) 35. \( e 5 \) \( \Pi x \) c 36. \( \Pi c 1 \) \( \Pi c 7 \) 37. \( \Pi c 2 \) \( \Pi f 7 \) 38. \( h 4 \) h 5 39. \( \Pi h 3 \) \( \Pi a 6 40. \Pi b 2 \) \( \Pi c 3 \) 41. \( \Pi b 7 \) 42. \( \Pi g 2 \) \( \Pi c 7 \) 43. \( \Pi f 2 \) \( \Pi d 7 \) 44. \( \Pi b 8 \) \( \Pi d 5 \) 45. \( \Pi g 8 \) \( \Pi c 7 \) 46. \( \Pi g 7 \) \( \Pi e 8 \) 47. \( \Pi h 7 \) 50. \( \Pi a 7 \) \( \Pi f 8 \) 51. \( \Pi a 6 \) \( \Pi f 2 \) 28. \( \Pi a 6 \) \( \Pi f 2 \) 52. \( \Pi a 6 \) \( \Pi f 7 \) 56. \( \Pi f 6 + \Pi c 7 \) 57. \( \Pi a 6 \) \( \Pi f 2 \) 28. \( \Pi a 4 \) 40. \( \Pi b 6 \) \( \Pi g 3 \) 0-1

Green P. - Horvath Cs Round 1 [D86]

Notes by P Green

1.d4 \( \text{2f6} \) 2.c4 \( \text{g6} \) 3.\( \text{2c3} \) d5 \( 4.\text{cxd5} \) \( \text{2xd5} \) 5.e4 \( \text{2xc3} \) 6.bxc3 \( \text{2g7} \) 7.\( \text{2c4} \) c5 \( 8.\text{2e3} \) \( \text{9a5} \) 9.\( \text{9d2} \) cxd4 \( 10.\text{cxd4} \) \( \text{9xd2} + 11.\text{9xd2} \) 0-0 \( 12.\text{2e2} \) \( \text{2c6} \) 13.\( \text{Bhd1} \) \( \text{Ed8} \) 14.\( \text{9e1} \) \( \text{2d7} \) 15.\( \text{Eac1} \) 15.\( \text{Eac1} \) 16.\( \text{Ba} \) 16.\( \text{Ba} \) 16.\( \text{Ba} \) 16.\( \text{Ba} \) 17.\( \text{2e5} \) 18.\( \text{2b3} \) \( \text{Exc1} \) 17.\( \text{2e5} \) 18.\( \text{2b3} \) \( \text{Exc1} \) 17.\( \text{2e5} \) 18.\( \text{2b3} \) \( \text{Exc1} \) 17.\( \text{2e5} \) 18.\( \text{2b3} \) 17.\( \text{2e5} \) 18.\( \text{2b3} \) 17.\( \text{2e5} \) 18.\( \tex

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More New Zealand and international Olympiad games in next issue.

# New Zealand Junior Championship

By NM Peter Stuart

A field similar in size and strength to last year's Junior Championship competed for the various national junior and age-group titles at the Auckland Chess Centre rooms from 6th to 9th October. The event was organised by the Auckland Chess Association. A major disappointment was the fact that there was only one girl entered so it was not possible to award any girls' titles.

As far as the age groups go, it should be borne in mind that ages are taken at 1st January in the current year, in line with FIDE rules. It can mean that a player born in January counts as under-16 while he is actually close to his 18th birthday at the time of this tournament. The ages given in the scoretable are as at 1-1-98.

The main features of the results were lgor Bjelobrk's winning the main title with one round to go, Ryan Trass's recovery to take clear second place, and the excellent result achieved by 8-year old Wang Puchen.

Bjelobrk, an Auckland Grammar sixth former, was undoubtedly the tournament favourite following his fine result in the North Island Championship at Wanganui in July. He confirmed that favouritism by winning his first six games and was only really in any danger against Wang in round 3. By then Igor led by 1½ points so his last round loss to Ryan Trass served only to reduce his winning margin. In addition to the national junior title Bjelobrk also won the under-18 and under-16 titles as well as the N.Z. Schoolpupil title.

The following is probably Bjelobrk's best game, played in round 5:

# Bjelobrk - Macfarlane Nimzoindian [E43]

1.d4 \( \text{2}\)f6 2.c4 e6 3.\( \text{2}\)c3 \( \text{Q}\)b4 4.e3 b6 5.\( \text{Q}\)d3 \( \text{Q}\)b7 6.\( \text{2}\)f3 \( \text{2}\)e4 7.0\( -0\) \( \text{2}\)xc3 8.\( \text{bxc3}\) \( \text{Qxc3}\)
9.\( \text{E}\)b1 \( \text{2}\)c6 10.\( \text{E}\)b3 \( \text{Q}\)a5 11.e4 d6 12.d5 \( \text{2}\)b4?

12...2e7; 12...2b8.

13.dxe6 fxe6 14.\(\mathbb{\pi}\xb4\) \(\mathbb{Q}\xb4\) 15.\(\mathbb{\pi}\xb4\) \(\mathbb{\pi}\xb4\) 0-0 17.c5!? dxc5 18.\(\mathbb{\pi}\barba\) \(\mathbb{Z}\xb4\) 2ad8?

18... ae8 is about equal while the move played allows White a very strong initiative.

Bjelobrk's game against Wang was also well fought:

# **Bjelobrk - Wang**Queen's Gambit [D53]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.£c3 £f6 4.£f3 £c7 5.£f4 £gd6 6.£g5 £c7 7.c3 £bd7 8.£d3 c6 9.0-0 dxc4 10.£xc4 £d5 11.£xc7 ₩xc7 12.c4 £xc3 13.bxc3 0-0 14.£b3 e5 15.£c1 exd4 16.cxd4 £b6 17.h3 £e6 18.d5!? £ad8 19.£d4 £d7

20.dxc6 bxc6 = 21.\(\Psi\)f3 c5 22.\(\Delta\)f5 \(\Qarge\)xf5 23.exf5 \(\Psi\)f6 24.\(\Eac\)ac1 \(\Eac\)f68 25.\(\Eac\)ac4 \(\Eac\)65 26.\(\Eac\)xe5 \(\Psi\)xe5 27.\(\Psi\)c3 \(\Psi\)xe3 28.fxe3 c4 29.\(\Eac\)d1 \(\Eac\)xd1 \(\Delta\)d5

30...c3 31.Φf2 2d5 32.a3 and the only place the c−pawn is going is back in the box.

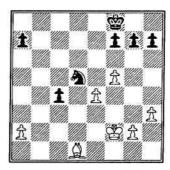
#### 31.¢f2 ¢f8

31...2c3 32.2e2. (see diagram, opposite)

#### 32.e4!

The best chance. White's pieces are awk-wardly placed; his king cannot approach the queenside without conceding the e-pawn, e.g. 32.a3 \$\phi 7 33.\phi 2 (33.e4 \$\partial c 3 34.\partial c 2 \$\partial c 5 \partial c 5 \partial

New Zealand Junior Championship, Auckland, 1998 Age 1 Bielobrk I. 1681 15 W20 W7 W11 L2 2 Trass R. 16 1537 D27 W18 W7 L12 W20 W11 W1 51/2 3 Dunn A.S. 1711 18 W6 W10 W5 L11 W4 W8 5 34 4 Wang P. 1521 7 W15 W16 L1 W14 L3 W23 291/2 17 5 Croad N. 1529 W24 W9 D8 L3 W28 W13 281/2 6 Wright C. 1189 19 L3 W29 D17 W27 W9 W12 27 7 Godfrey P. 18 1444 W32 L1 L2 W35 W28 W14 24 8 Savage P. 1515 12 W17 W28 W12 L1 D5 W10 L3 301/2 9 Ah-Chee L.M. 1350 13 W31 15 D10 W15 L6 W19 W27 41/2 27 10 Miller C. 1425 15 W33 W27 D9 W19 L8 41/2 25 11 Macfarlane A.L.1572 15 W30 W23 W13 W3 L1 L2 301/2 12 McNabb M. 1636 18 W19 W14 L8 W2 L13 16 30 13 Harris P. 1458 15 W29 W34 L11 W16 W12 L5 L4 251/2 14 Trass C. 1377 14 W25 L12 W30 L4 W15 L7 251/2 15 Yang J. 14 L4 unr W22 L9 W32 L14 W25 231/2 16 Hartigan C. 1342 12 W22 L4 W24 L13 D18 W17 L10 261/2 17 Bayer R. unr 14 L8 W31 D6 L19 W21 L16 25 18 Han D. unr 13 L2 L28 W34 D16 W20 L12 19 Kiriwattuduwa C. unr 17 W33 D23 W17 L10 W29 L9 231/2 20 Chilvers M. 1108 14 W32 W35 D23 L2 L18 W29 221/ 21 Hall C. 1468 18 W26 L18 L27 D29 L17 W30 W31 31/2 191/2 22 Sheehan S. 845 L16 L15 Bve L24 W32 11 D28 W27 31/2 17 23 Ramanakumar S 1396 19 W26 L11 D19 D20 W24 L4 L15 3 26 24 Stankovic B. 14 L5 W25 L16 W22 L23 W26 24 25 McCall S. 12 unr 114 L24 L32 Bve W34 L15 151/2 26 Zaza M. unr 12 L23 L30 L21 W33 W35 L24 15 15 D2 27 Lin H. unr W21 L10 L6 W31 L9 L22 21/2 281/2 28 Cheng H. 1225 15 W35 L8 W18 L5 D22 17 L17 29 McHardy G. 489 13 L13 L6 W34 D21 W30 L19 L20 23 30 Shepherd C. 16 unr L11 W26 L14 D31 L29 L21 Bye 21/2 191/2 L17 31 Smith S.A. 661 12 W33 D30 L27 L9 W35 L21 21/2 18 32 Quinlan J. 618 13 L7 L20 W25 L15 L22 Bye L26 2 21 33 McKechnie J. unr 13 L10 L19 L31 L26 Bye W34 L25 2 171/2 34 Smith D.M. unr 8 L13 L29 L18 L25 L33 W35 2 141/2 35 Freeman R. unr L28 Bye L20 L7 L26 L31 L34



Position after 31...\$f8

#### 32... 2c3 33. 2e2 2xc4+ 34. 2e3 c3 35. 2d3

35.\(\text{Qd3}\)!? \(\text{Qg3}\) 36.\(\psi\)d4 \(\psi\)e7 37.\(\psi\)xc3 had to be investigated. After 37...\(\psi\)f6 38.a4 h5 39.\(\psi\)b4 \(\pri\)xf5 (or 39...h4 40.\(\psi\)a5 \(\pri\)h5 41.\(\psi\)a6 \(\pri\)f4 42.\(\psi\)c2 \(\pri\)xg2 43.\(\psi\)xa7 \(\pri\)c3 44.\(\psi\)b3 \(\pri\)xf5 45.a5 g5 46.a6 +-) 40.\(\psi\xf5 \(\psi\)xf5 41.\(\psi\)a5 \(\psi\f4 42.\(\psi\)a6 \(\psi\)g3 43.\(\psi\)xa7 and White wins as he queens with check. Black, however, can improve with 37...\(\frac{f6}{f2}\)? 38.\(\psi\)b4 \(\psi\)d6 39.\(\psi\)a5 \(\psi\)c7 40.\(\psi\)a6 \(\psi\)b8 when he has nothing to fear.

35...**⊉g3** 35...**⊉**e7!?

**36.\@g4 \Delta e4 37.\@f3 \Delta d6 38.g4 \Delta b5 38...\Delta e7**.

#### 39.⊕d1

39.\( \text{\text{\text{9}}} \) 67 c2 40.\( \text{\text{\text{\text{d}}}} \) 2\( \text{\text{2}} \) 41.\( \text{\text{\text{\text{2}}}} \) 41...\( \text{\text{2}} \) 2xa2 and Black has won a pawn.

#### 39... \$\phie7 40.\text{\text{\text{2}}}\alpha 4 \text{\text{\text{2}}}\d6 41.\text{\text{\text{\text{2}}}}\d8

41.⊕c6!?

41...£e4+ 42.\(\psi\)d4 \(\Delta\)f2 43.\(\Delta\)b5 \(\Delta\)xh3 44.\(\Delta\)f1 \(\Delta\)g5 45.\(\Delta\)g2 \(\Delta\)d6 46.\(\Delta\)c4 \(\Delta\)e5 47.\(\Delta\)b5 \(\Delta\)f4 48.\(\Delta\)a6 \(\Delta\)xg4 49.\(\Delta\)xa7 \(\Delta\)xf5 50.a4 f6??

Allowing an unfortunate end to an interesting game. Black gives his knight a move (50...2e6? 51.\text{Qh3}+ and 52.\text{Qxe6} +--) but he is now lost. The knight should instead head for c7 when the game should be drawn: 50...\text{Pe5}! 51.a5 \text{Pd6} 52.\text{Pb8} \text{De6} 53.a6 \text{Dc7} and play might continue 54.a7 h5 55.\text{Qf3} h4 56.\text{Qg4} g6 57.\text{Pb7} f5 58.\text{Qh3} f4 59.\text{Qg4} g5 60.\text{Pb6} \text{Dc5} \text{2c7} and neither side can make progress.

51.a5 267 52.a6 2e5 53.4b8 2d7+ 54.4c7 2c5 55.a7 2e4 56.a8\(\psi\) 1-0.

#### Defender's late run

Ryan Trass, the defending champion, started with a quiet draw and fell further behind in round 4 with his loss to Matthew McNabb. Then came consecutive wins against Mark Chilvers, Alan Macfarlane who had started with 4/4 and, finally, Bjelobrk.

# R.Trass - Bjelobrk Modern [A41]

1.d4 g6 2.c4 \( \text{Q} g7 \) 3.\( \text{G} f5 \) 6.e4 \( \text{Q} f6 \) 7.\( \text{Q} g5 \) \( \text{Q} bd7 \) 8.b4 f4 9.h3 0-0 10.\( \text{Q} e2 \) h6 11.\( \text{Q} xf6 \) \( \text{Q} xf6 \) 12.\( \text{W} c2 \) a5 13.b5 \( \text{P} h7 \) 14.0-0 \\
-0 a4 15.a3 \( \text{Q} d7 \) 16.\( \text{E} d2 \) \( \text{W} b8 \) 17.\( \text{E} hd1 \) \( \text{E} d8 \) 18.\( \text{Q} f1 \) \( \text{Q} e8 19.g4 \) \( \text{Q} d7 \) 20.\( \text{P} b1 \) \( \text{Q} c5 \) 21.\( \text{E} e2 \) c6 22.\( \text{Q} a2 \) \( \text{cxb} 5 \) 23.\( \text{cxb} 5 \) \( \text{E} c8 \) 24.\( \text{W} b2 \) b6 25.\( \text{Q} e1 \) \\
\text{W} a7 \) 26.\( \text{Q} c2 \) \( \text{Q} b3 \) 27.\( \text{Q} b4 \) \( \text{E} c5 \) 28.\( \text{Q} c6 \) \( \text{Q} xc6 \) \( \t

37.h4!? Δ 38.g5.

37...2xb5 38.\dd 2d6 39.2f6+ \&xf6 40.\dd xd6 \\dd f8?

40...@g7 41.₩e6 ₩c3 =.

#### 41.c7 @g7 42.₩b5!

42.国d87 b5 〒 43.国xf87 bxc4 44.c8豐 ৬d2+ 45.Фb1 c3 →.

#### 42...⊮e1

42... 置c8 43. Ψxa5 bxa5 44. 置d7 Δ 45. Qa6 +--; 42... Ψa8 43. Ψxb6 Ψxe4 (43... Ξc8 44. Qa6 +--) 44. Qd3 +--.

#### 43.\(\mathbb{I}\)d8 \(\mathbb{U}\)xf2+ 44.\(\mathbb{U}\)e2 \(\mathbb{U}\)d4 45.\(\mathbb{I}\)xf8 1−0.

#### Five in tie

No fewer than five players tied for third place on 5 points. Top seed Alan Dunn was in the running until his round 6 loss to Bjelobrk. The ending of the next game is instructive.

#### Croad - Dunn Pirc [B08]

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.£c3 £g7 4.£f3 £f6 5.£c2 0-0 6.0-0 c5 7.dxc5 dxc5 8.h3 £c6 9.£c3 b6 10.₩c1 e6 11.∄d1 ₩c7 12.£g5 ₩c7 13.£f4 c5 14.£g5 £c6 15.£xf6 £xf6 16.£b5 ₩c7 17.c3 £fd8 18.₩c2 a6 19.£a3 b5 20.£xd8+ £xd8 21.∄d1 £xd1+ 22.£xd1 ₩d6 23.b3 c4 24.b4 £c7 25.£b1 a5 26.a3 axb4 27.axb4 £c4 28.£c2 £d8 29.₩d2 £c6 30.₩xd6 £xd6 31.£fd2 f5 32.£f3 £c4 33.g3 £c6 34.h4 £c7 35.£f1 f4 36.£g4

36.h5!?

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White presumably relies on the semiblocked position to be favourable for his knights but about the best safe square they have is a3! The rest of this game provides a good demonstration of the power of the two bishops.

#### 37... \$\psi xe6 38. \$\psi g2 g5 39.hxg5\$

There is no longer hope of blocking the kingside by 39.h5 e.g. 39...g4 40.f3 gxf3+41.\Psi xf3 \Politic gs5 42.g4 \Politic f6 43.\Politic h2 \Politic h4 44.\Politic gs 3 45.\Politic f1 \Politic e1 46.\Politic h3 f3 -+.

39...\Delta xg5 40.g4 \text{ \psi f6 41.f3 \Delta h4 42.\Delta f62 \text{ \psi g5} 43.\Delta f1 \Delta e1 44.\Delta f42 h5 45.gxh5 \text{ \psi xh5 46.\Delta f1 \Delta g3 47.\Delta g2 \Delta h4 48.\Delta g1 \Delta h3 49.\Delta h1 \Delta d7

50.Фg2 @e1 51.Фf1

#### 51...@xd2

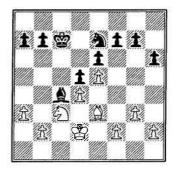
Black can afford to exchange a pair of minor pieces as his king can now penetrate.

#### 52.2xd2 **\$q3**

#### 8-year-old with a reputation

Wang Puchen turned 8 in January but already had quite a reputation in Auckland chess, in particular in blitz games at the Auckland Chess Centre. He came into this tournament with a rating of 1521 and is undoubtedly considerably stronger than this; only against Dunn was he clearly outplayed. Wang collected the under-14, under-12 and under-10 titles!

Puchen is tactically alert but is still acquiring positional understanding; importantly he already displays maturity in the endgame as seen, notwithstanding an unfortunate hiccup, in his game against Bjelobrk. Here is another example, from round 6, after 33 moves of the game Ramanakumar-Wang:



Play continued: 34.g4?!

By no means a decisive mistake yet it leads to a weakening of White's kingside pawns of which Black makes the best use.

#### 34...a6 35. \$\Psic 2 \text{ Qf1 36.h4?}

But this probably is a decisive error. White is still okay after 36.\$\Phi\$d2 \text{ \$\text{\text{\text{Bh}}}37.f3.}

#### 36...@h3 37.f3

37.g5 h5! 38.f3 2g6 39.2g2 and the white f-pawn must go.

#### 37...2g6 38.g5

38.\(\textit{Q}\)f2 \(\textit{Q}\)g2 39.h5 \(\textit{Q}\)e7 and again Black wins a pawn.

38...②xh4 39.gxh6 gxh6 40.f4 40.@xh6 ②f5 →.

40...2f5 41.\(\text{\text{\phi}}f2\) \(\text{\text{\phi}}g4\) 42.\(\text{\phi}d1\) \(\text{\text{\phi}}gd1+\) 43.\(\text{\phi}xd1+\) \(\text{\phi}c6\) 44.\(\text{\phi}e2\) \(\text{\phi}b5\) 45.\(\text{\phi}d3\) h5 46.\(\text{\phi}3\) a5 47.\(\text{\alpha}4+\) \(\text{\phi}b4\) 48.\(\text{\phi}c2\) \(\text{\phi}a3\) 49.\(\text{\phi}c3\) h4 0-1.

The following game, from round 2, was one of the best of the tournament:

# Wang - Hartigan Sicilian [B90]

1.e4 c5 2.£f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.£xd4 £f6 5.£c3 a6 6.a4 e6 7.£e3 £c6 8.£d3 ₩c7 9.0-0 £e7 10.₩c2 0-0 11.f4 £d7 12.£xc6 bxc6?

12...@xc6 =.

13.\(\text{Q}\)xa6 \(\text{D}\)g4 14.\(\text{Q}\)xg4 \(\text{Z}\)xa6 15.\(\text{Q}\)g3 c5 16.f5 \(\text{Q}\)f6 17.\(\text{Q}\)g5 \(\text{Q}\)d4+

17... @xg5 18. 世xg5 f6 19. 世d2 ±.

#### 18.\$h1 @c6 19.\$h6 \$h8?!

Allowing tactics favourable to White. Much better was 19... 全5 20. 全4!? (20. 世 g4 exf5 21. exf5 世 b7 22. f6 全 xg2+23. 世 xg2 世 xg2+24. 中 xg2 gxh6 and White's queenside is under pressure.) 20... 全xf4 21. 至xf4 exf5 22. exf5 f6 23. 至d1 and White's advantage is minimal.

20.f6! @xf6 21.\(\mathbb{Z}\)xf6 gxh6 22.\(\mathbb{Z}\)xh6 f5? 22...f6+.

23.\(\mathbb{Z}\)xe6 +- \(\mathbb{Q}\)b7 24.\(\mathbb{Q}\)d5 \(\mathbb{U}\)b8 25.\(\mathbb{U}\)c3+ \(\mathbb{Q}\)g8 26.\(\mathbb{Z}\)e7 \(\mathbb{Z}\)f6+ 1-0.

Nicolas Croad, Paul Godfrey and Caleb Wright were the others tying for third place while Patrick Savage (13 in June) was among those on 4½, confirming that he too has a bright future. Of those making their first appearance in a rated tournament the most successful were two Mt Roskill Grammar boys, John Yang and Daniel Han.

A further selection of games follows.

# Han - Hall Caro-Kann [B18]

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.2c3 dxe4 4.2xe4 \( \text{Qf5} 5.2\text{g3} \) \( \text{Qg6} 6.2\text{f3} \) \( \text{2d7} 7.2\text{Qd3} \) \( \text{xxd3} \) \( \text{Wr7} 7.0-0 \) \( \text{2gf6} 10.\text{He}1 \) \( \text{e6} 11.\text{c4} \) \( \text{Qb4} 12.\text{Qd2} \) \( \text{Qxd2} \) \( 13.\text{Wxd2} 0-0-0 14.\text{Ha}1 \) \( 15.\text{h4} \) \( \text{Qf8} 16.\text{b4} \) \( \text{2g6} 17.\text{Wb2} \) \( \text{Wf4} 18.\text{b5} \) \( \text{c5} 19.\text{Wa3} \) \( \text{cxd4} 20.\text{c5} \) \( \text{Hd7} 21.\text{c6} \) \( \text{bxc6} 22.\text{Hxc6+} \) \( \text{Pd8} 23.\text{Wc5!} ?

Also worth consideration was 23. ☐ec1 ₩b8 (23...♠e8? 24. ☐ec8+ ☐d8 25. ☐xd8+ ♠xd8 26. ☐wa5+ and both 26...♠e7 27. ☐wa7+ ᡚd7 28. ☐ec7 ☐d8 29. ☐xd4 and 26...♠e8 27. ☐ec8+ ♠d7 28. ᡚe2 ☐wd6 29. ☐xd8 ᡚxh8 30. ☐wa7+ are winning for White.) 24. ☐wa5+ (24. ☐ec5 ᡚe7 25. ②e5! ☐d5 26. ᡚxf7+ ♠e8 27. ᡚxh8 ☐xc5 28. ☐ecc5 ∞) 24...♠e7 25. Юef! ?axb6 26. ☐xb6 ☐axb6 ☐a

#### 23...£e7

#### 24.2e5 2xc6 25.bxc6!

#### 25...Ec7

25... Id5 26. In a winning. If xe5 27. Ib1! is winning.

#### 26.\dagger\bar{\pi}\blue{1!+- \pi\d7

26...中c8 27.中b5 中d8 28.中b8+ 單c8 29.全xf7+

27.2xd7

27.型d6!

27...Ξxd7 28.exd7 Φxd7 29.Ξb7+ Φd8 30.Ψe7+ 1-0.

#### Ramanakumar - Macfarlane Sicilian [B85]

1.e4 c5 2.£f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.£xd4 £f6 5.£c3 a6 6.£c2 £c6 7.0-0 c6 8.£c3 £c7 9.f4 £d7 10.₩c1 £xd4 11.£xd4 £c6 12.£d3 b5 13.a3 ₩c7 14.e5 dxe5 15.fxe5 £d5 16.£xd5 £xd5 17.₩g3 £f8 18.£h1 £g6 19.£ac1 £h6 20.£c3 £g7 21.£f4 0-0 22.£cc1 £c4 23.£xc4 ₩xc4 24.£f2 £fd8 25.£g5 £d5 26.£f6 ₩d4 27.£cf1 £a7 28.c3 ₩c4 29.£f4 ₩c2 30.₩c3 £ad7 31.£4f2 £d1! 32.£xc2 £xf1+ 33.₩g1 £dd1 34.h3 £xg1+ 35.£h2 £xf6 36.exf6 £gf1 37.b3 £xf6 38.c4 bxc4 39.bxc4 e5 0-1.

# Savage - McNabb Ruy Lopez[C63]

1.e4 e5 2.£f3 £c6 3.£b5 f5 4.d4 exd4 5.0-0 fxc4 6.£e1 £f6 7.£g5 d5 8.£xd4 £d7 9.£c3 £xd4 10.£xd7+ \begin{array}{c} \pm xd7 11.£xf6 £xc2 12.£xd5 \\
£xc1 13.\begin{array}{c} \pm xd7 & \pm xd7 & \pm xd7 & \pm xd2 & \pm xd2 & \pm xd3 \\
£xc1 13.\begin{array}{c} \pm xd5 & \pm xd5 & \pm xd1 & \pm xd5 & \pm xd1 & \pm xd3 \\
£xc1 13.\begin{array}{c} \pm xd5 & \pm xd1 & \pm xd1 & \pm xd3 & \pm xd1 & \p

36.\partial xe7 \partial a7 37.\partial g2 \partial xd4 =.

36... \( \Pi g 7 + 37. \Pi f 2 \Pi g 4 \) 38. \( \Pi f 8 + \Pi e 4 \) 39. \( \Pi x b 8 \) \( \Pi x h 4 \) 40. e6

Black lost on time but his position was lost anyway:  $40... \, \Xi x f 4 + 41. \, \Phi g 3$  (but not  $41. \, \Phi e 2? \, \Phi d 5$ )  $41... \, \Xi f 3 + 42. \, \Phi g 2 + -. \, 1 - 0$ .

# Wang - Dunn Modern [B06]

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.c3 \( \text{Qg7} \) 4.\( \text{Qd3} \) e5 5.dxe5 \( \text{Qxe5} \) 6.\( \text{Qe2} \) \( \text{2c6} \) 7.\( \text{Qe3} \) \( \text{Qg7} \) 8.\( \text{Qd2} \) \( \text{2f6} \) 9.\( \text{h3} \) 0-0 10.0-0 \( \text{We7} \) 11.\( \text{Qg3} \) \( \text{Qd7} \) 12.\( \text{f4} \) h5 13.\( \text{Wf3} \) h4 14.\( \text{Qe2} \) \( \text{Qh5} \) 15.\( \text{Qd4} \) \( \text{Qg3} \) 16.\( \text{Ef2} \) \( \text{Eae8} \) 17.\( \text{Qe2} \) \( \text{Qf6} \) 18.\( \text{Qxg3} \) \( \text{hxg3} \) \( \text{hxg3} \) 19.\( \text{Ee2} \) \( \text{Qg7} \) 20.\( \text{Wxg3} \) \( \text{Eh8} \) 21.\( \text{Qb3} \) \( \text{Eeg8} \) 22.\( \text{Qd4} \) \( \text{Qf8} \) 23.\( \text{2xc6} \) \( \text{Qxc6} \) 24.\( \text{Qd4} \) \( \text{Qxd4} \) \( \text{Qxd4} \) \( \text{Qxd4} \) \( \text{Q5} \)

26.f5 g4 27.h4 \(\Pi\)xh4 28.\(\phi\)f2 \(\psi\)g5 29.\(\Pi\)30.\(\Pi\)g1 \(\Pi\)h1 31.e5?! \(\Pi\)xg1 32.\(\phi\)xg1 \(\Qx\)xg1 \(\Qx\)xg2! 33.e6 \(\Pi\)h3 0-1.

# Macfarlane - R.Trass Sicilian [B74]

1.e4 c5 2.£f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.£xd4 £f6 5.£c3 g6 6.£e2 £g7 7.£e3 0-0 8.0-0 £c6 9.£b3 a6 10.f4 ₩c7 11.₩e1 b5 12.a3 £b7 13.g4 b4 14.axb4 £xb4 15.£c1 ₩d7 16.g5 £e8 17.£f3 f5 18.£h3 e6 19.exf5 exf5 20.£d4 £c7 21.₩d2 £ad8 22.£f2 £fe8 23.£f3 d5 24.£g2 £c6 25.£xc6 £xc6 £c.£d4 £e6 27.£xg7 £xg7 £xg7 £xg2 ₩a7+ 29.£h1 £g8 30.£d3 £c5 31.£xd5+ £xd5+?

#### 32. 異xd5 學b7 33. 異d1?

33...2e4 34.\(\psi\)d4 \(\pi\)xd5 35.\(\psi\)xd5+ \(\psi\)xd5
36.\(\pi\)xd5 \(\pa\)f1 \(\pi\)xf4 40.\(\pi\)c7 \(\pi\)e6 41.c3 \(\pi\)h3 42.b4
\(\pa\)xg5 43.c4 \(\pi\)b6 44.c5 \(\pi\)xb4 45.c6 \(\pi\)c4
46.\(\pi\)c8+ \(\ph\)g7 47.\(\ph\)e2 \(\ph\)e4 48.c7 a5 49.\(\ph\)d3
\(\pi\)50.\(\pi\)a8 \(\pi\)xc7 51.\(\pi\)xa5 0-1.

# Godfrey - Macfarlane Sicilian [B21]

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.2xc3 2c6 5.2f3 d6 6.2c4 a6 7.e5 dxe5 8.\(\psi\)xd8+ 2xd8 9.2d5 2e6 10.2b6 \(\psi\b8 11.2xe5

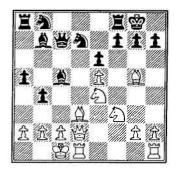
The opening is a victory for White; his lead in development and initiative far outweigh the pawn invested.

11... £16 12.£xf7! \$\psixf7\$ 13.\$\mathbb{Q}f4\$ £\mathbb{Q}d7 14.£xd7 \$\pmxd7\$ 15.\$\mathbb{Q}xb8\$ g6 16.\$\mathbb{Q}c5\$ \$\mathbb{Q}g7\$ 17.\$\mathbb{Q}xg7\$ \$\pmxg7\$ 18.\$\mathbb{Q}xe6\$ £\mathbb{Q}xe6\$ 19.0-0 \$\mathbb{Q}d5\$ 20.b3 \$\mathbb{Q}c8\$ 21.\$\mathbb{E}ac1\$ \$\mathbb{Q}c6\$ 22.f4 \$\mathbb{Q}f6\$ 23.\$\mathbb{E}c5\$ \$\mathbe{C}c6\$ 24.\$\mathbb{E}e1\$ h5 25.\$\mathbb{E}cc5\$ \$\mathbb{E}e7\$ 26.\$\mathbb{E}1e3\$ \$\mathbb{Q}d5\$ 27.\$\mathbb{E}c3\$ \$\mathbb{E}d7\$ 28.\$\mathbb{E}ee3\$ \$\mathbb{Q}c6\$ 29.\$\mathbb{E}ed3\$ \$\mathbb{E}xd3\$? 30.\$\mathbb{E}xd3\$ \$\mathbb{Q}d5\$ 31.\$\mathbb{E}g3\$ \$\mathbb{Q}e4\$ 32.\$\mathbb{Q}f2\$ \$\mathbb{Q}d5\$ 35.b4 \$\mathbb{Q}c6\$ 36.g3 \$\mathbb{Q}h1\$ 37.\$\mathbb{Q}e3\$ \$\mathbb{Q}g2\$ 38.\$\mathbb{Q}d4\$ \$\mathbb{Q}f3\$ 39.\$\mathbb{Q}c5\$ \$\mathbb{Q}e4\$ 40.\$\mathbb{Q}e6\$ \$\mathbb{Q}f3\$ 41.\$\mathbb{E}c5\$ \$\mathbb{Q}d5\$ 42.\$\mathbb{E}c7\$ g5

43.\(\Pi\xb7\) \Qxb7 44.\(\Phi\xb7\) \Φf5 45.\(\Phi\xa6\) gxf4 46.gxf4 \Φxf4 47.\(\phi\xb7\) 1-0.

# Miller - Hartigan [B96]

1.e4 c5 2.£f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.£xd4 £f6 5.£c3 a6 6.£g5 e6 7.f4 b5 8.e5 dxe5 9.fxe5 ₩c7 10.£f3 £fd7 11.£e2 £c5 12.₩d2 0-0 13.0-0-0 b4 14.£e4 a5 15.£d3 £b7



16.2f6+!? 2xf6 17.2xf6

17.exf6 g6 18.\text{\$\text{9}}\text{h6} \text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$Z}\$}}}\text{d8} \infty.

#### 17...gxf6?

17...h6 18.\dag{4} gxf6 ∞.

#### 18.exf6 @d6?

19.425+ 1-0.

#### Informal blitz tournament

After the prize giving an informal blitz tournament attracted 22 entries, divided into three preliminary groups. Ten players qualified for the final where Igor Bjelobrk again showed last round frailty – except this time he won his first-seven games and then lost the last two, allowing Ryan Trass to catch upscores in the final: 1-2 I.Bjelobrk & R.Trass 7; 3 A.L.Macfarlane 6½; 4 N.Croad 6; 5-6 C.Hall & C.Miller 4½; 7 M.McNabb 4; 8 P.Savage 3; 9 S.Ramanakumar 2½; 10 C.Hartigan 0.

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1	3552	MARTIN BMS	ОТ	2386		2331				DUNN P		1948	1916
		KULASHKO A		2348	5	2251	7	60	3089	BENNETT HP	HA	1946 19	2017 6
3	3002	GARBETT PA	NS	2346	8	2317	12	61	3386	WHEELER B	AC	1940 9	2048
4	3088	SMITH RW	WT	2340	20	2301		62	4872	jbjelobrk i	AC	1937 27	1739 13
5	3459	DIVE RJ	CI	2335	13	2385	6	63	5019	FEENSTRA J	OT	1933*	1830 6
6	3016	SMALL VA	CA	2323		2375			4320	PHILLIPS J	WB	1933 6	1937
7	3383	KER AF	CI	2319	13	2294	6	65	3511	JORDAN AW	CI	1932	1970
8	3255	NOBLE MF	PΕ	2281	8	2299	6			VAN GINKEL J			1931* 6
9	3696	LUKEY SG	CA	2272	5	2226	6			BURNS CJ		1924 13	1855 11
10	3003	SUTTON RJ		2265		2255				LATIMER B		1922 5	1883*
		DREYER MP		2244		2251		69		CASILANG AS		1913	unr
		MCLAREN LJ		2230		2294	19	7.		GOFFIN PB		1913 6	unr
		WATSON BR		2226		2245				COMPTON AA		1905	1848
_		STUART PW		2200	5	2167	18			GIBBONS RE ZARKOVIC B		1904 11 1896	1986 unr
		GREEN EM		2198		2120				BEACH PK		1891 14	unr
		GREEN PR		2178		2230 2215				MISTRY P		1885 9	1867 19
		WANSINK R WASTNEY SC		2177 2175	10	2137				JOHNSON Q		1882 32	1792 23
		SINCLAIR M		2170		2216	6			DUNN AS		1878 19	1801 6
		GORIS R		2143	5	2210	•			HURLEY A		1876* 6	unr
		LOVE AJ		2137	•	2242	18			SEREBRIANY D			1988*
		HARE TG		2135	٠	1942				HAIR PI		1866 15	1763 19
		METGE JN		2131		2023		81	3913	GILL G		1862 9	1941
		HOPEWELL NH		2123		2124		82	5383	HEREMAIA D	UH	1856* 6	unr
		GUTHRIE DW		2112	13	2130	6	83	4953	HENDERSON M	AC	1851 20	1862* 7
		STEADMAN MVR				unr		84	5155	STEPANOVIC 8		1848* 5	1661*10
27	3148	DOWDEN RA	ОТ	2106	13	2129	5		3550	VETHARANIAM	PAR		
28	3291	BARLOW MJ	NS	2099	7	2147	6				WA.	1848 5	1858 6
	3101	HAWKES PD	GA	2099		unr				CUMMINGS NV		1846	2085 5
30	3001	SARAPU O		2096		2200				WINFIELD AW		1845 6	1624
31	3482	SPAIN GA		2091		2149	6			VINCENT MB		1843	1805
		COOPER DJ		2086		2042	11			BANKS GB		1838	1825
		HART R		2067	-	2088				BLAXALL CS		1835	1800
		WEIR PB		2056		1988	_			RUSSELL T NUVAL N		1834 9 1831	1900 6 1552*
		LEONHARDT W		2054		2050				NOTLEY DG		1828	1879
		SATONAN A		2052*		2100° 1927				GLADKIKH A		1824 21	1886* 6
		NIJMAN BF MONRAD PG		2042		1968				HOSKYN GA		1823 8	1649
		KRSTEV A		2031		1956	10			MACDONALD P		1823 15	1749*
		VAN DIJK P		2028	3	1937	1,	97		WARD K		1822 5	unr
•0		WALSH BG		2028	6	1791				CARTER GS		1815 6	1752
42		PERRY R		2026	-	1718				ASLAM N		1812*	1749
		MARNER G		2024		1928	•			COATES S		1811 21	1736 11
		VAN DER HOORI						101	3309	METGE KM	РT	1810	1833
		,,		2023		2007		102	3449	STANTON RA	ΚP	1808	1801
45	5337	JARINA MT	NS	2021*	4	1778*	6	103	3414	SCHWASS MP	OT	1802	1824
	42465	METGE RC	PT	2021		1848		104	3028	HAASE GG	OT	1800 13	1782
47	_	JACKSON JR	NE	2018	13	unr		105	4361	FRASER C	CA	1796 16	1746 6
48	3393	POST MJ	WA	2015	5	1874		106	4176	HUDSON S	CA	1793	1560
49	3454	SUTHERLAND JI						107		PEDRESCHI M		1792	1735
				2014		1968	12			SANTOSO B		1792*	unr
50	3013	POMEROY AJ	CI	2010		2051				SINTON PJ		1792	1855
51	3977	ELLIOT DB	NS	1999		1983			-	POWER PW		1791* 5	1710*
		DJORDJEVIC I				unr				HITT W	CI	1787	1679
		LIM BU		1976		1896		112		JOVANOVSKI S		1784* 5	1686*10
		LEE ES		1970*		unr				SIMS IM		1784 8	1705* 7
		SPILLER PS		1969	-	1975				BURRIDGE D		1779*	1847 6
56 4	1829 A	RANDJELOVIC 1	A AC	1961	•	2118	•	115	3412	ALDRIDGE AL	CI	1773 5	1798 5

NZ Chess

3700 BOYD DJ 117 3073 WILLIAMS 118 4309 EVANS DJ 119 4365 EDMONDS M 120 4068 MACKWAY-121 3973 RAYNER E 122 3259 BOOTH AJ 123 5208 TODD N 124 4333 JACKSON I 125 5127 TRASS R 126 4931 MACLEOD S 127 4656 TIDEY SB 128 5297 JTKATCHEN 129 5067 DAVIES RI 130 3032 LYNN KW 131 3117 CATER JE 3286 PRICE AJ 133 4261 WONG KA 134 3351 DOLEJS DI 135 3433 DAVIES G 136 4833 SAVAGE P 137 3461 MULLAN A 138 3987 MCNABB M 139 5021 VAN DER 1 140 3268 KING PC 141 5137 JOVIC Z 142 3064 STRACY D 143 4469 GILES BJ 3955 ROBERTS 145 4353 REWETI M 146 3670 BOSWELL 147 3633 BEESLEY 5248 COSGROVE 149 5083 CROAD N 150 3072 NIJMAN A 151 4997 HUGGINS 152 4128 LACUNZA 153 3055 FOORD MR 154 5141 LEE J 155 3194 FRANKEL 156 3071 MATHIESO 157 4371 PHILLIPS 158 4087 BENSON C 3793 POW K 160 4886 MACFARLA 161 3651 KELLY S 5328 LI O 163 5225 NICHOLSC 164 4451 NYBERG M 165 3644 ABURN S 166 3883 MORROW D 3962 WILSON C 168 4239 CRUDEN N 169 3439 BYFORD C 170 4796 GOUDIE D 171 4991 CHANDLER 172 4367 ROSSITER 173 4119 PRICE S 174 4164 FARRINGT

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1961*	unr			4309 EVANS DJ		1771	unr			EDWARDS RE		1631 5	1533
1955	1606			4365 EDMONDS M		1770	1536			CLARK C		1628	1646 1603
1948	1916		120	4068 MACKWAY-JONE			1722 6			ADAMS JM EAST S	-	1627 1626 4	1869
1946 19	2017 6			2077 2310772 72		1769	1722 6 1759	1/9				1626 4 1626	1643*
1940 9	2048			3973 RAYNER EP		1766 1765	1491	101		MCPHERSON A MCDADE T		1621*	unr 1043
1937 27	1739 13			3259 BOOTH AJ 5208 TODD N		1764 * 6	1403* 6			DAVIS JM		1620 11	
1933*	1830 6			4333 JACKSON LR		1755 6	1750	102		STARR R	GA	1620*	1576
1933 6	1937			5127 TRASS R		1754 20	1801 6	184		BENNETT RH	wr	1614 5	1540
1932	1970			4931 MACLEOD S		1750	1809	101		HOWARD MI		1614 3	1533 12
1930 8	1931* 6	1		4656 TIDEY SB		1748 5	1672	186		HEPERI DJN		1613	1782
1924 13	1855 11	8 8		5297 TKATCHENKO S		1744* 5	unr			MCCAUGHAN DJ			1617
1922 5	1883*	1 8 -		5067 DAVIES RE		1742 13	1769*	188		KERRIGAN L		1612	unr
1913	unr	14		3032 LYNN KW		1741 6	1833			SNELSON PR		1612	1594 6
1913 6	unr	· · ·		3117 CATER JE		1740	1643 7	190		CARLEHED M		1611*	1658*
1905	1848			3286 PRICE AJ		1740	1633			HAMPTON R		1611	1439
1904 11 1896	1986		133	4261 WONG KA	PE	1732 8	1821	192	4148	EASTERLOW NL	WT	1610 5	1489
1891 14	unr unr			3351 DOLEJS DE		1729 16	1638 12	193	4580	BATCHELOR A	ОТ	1609	1684 6
1885 9	1867 19		135	3433 DAVIES G	CA	1726 12	1681		3103	MAZUR JJ	CI	1609	1653
1882 32	1792 23		136	4933 SAVAGE P	WE	1724 15	1558 12	195	4010	LILLIS D	CI	1606	1605
1878 19	1801 6		137	3461 MULLAN AB	CI	1723 6	unr	196	3996	DEVLIN S	NS	1602	1688*
1876* 6	unr		138	3987 JMCNABB M	CA	1717 22	1830 12		3733	JACKSON RK	AC	1602	1546
1871	1988*		139	5021 VAN DER WALT	G			198		GODFREY P	WT	1601 33	1556*
1866 15	1763 19				HP	1714 4	1833		4234	JOHNS DP	NS	1601 4	1603 12
1862 9	1941		140	3268 KING PC	CI	1703 5	1647		3317	PETCH WH	OT	1601	1579*
1856* 6	unr		141	5137 JOVIC Z		1699 8	1786 12			SMITH VJ			1719
1851 20	1862* 7		142	3064 STRACY DM		1696 19	1720			PORTOUGAL V	WT	1599* 5	unr
1848* 5	1661*10		143	4469 GILES BJ		1690	1777			BOAG PW		1597 23	1482
				3955 ROBERTS EN		1690	1653			DUFFIELD T		1595	1596 6
1848 5	1858 6			4353 REWETI M		1689 6	1497			COGHINI P		1593* 4	1616*
1846	2085 5			3670 BOSWELL W		1688	1650			WILLIAMS K		1590 5	1418 1434*
1845 6	1624'		147	3633 BEESLEY RA		1686 14	1777 unr	207		CALDER RJ HOLLOWAY J	NS	1589 22 1589*	1633*
1843	1805			5248 COSGROVE P		1686* 1683 15	1675	200		RIBERIO F	СТ	1586*	unr
1838	1825			5083 JCROAD N 3072 NIJMAN AJ		1681 27	1762 17			HARRIS P		1581 23	1476 11
1835	1800			4997 HUGGINS J		1677	unr			GUY M		1577 6	unr
1834 9	1900 6			4128 LACUNZA A		1676	1686			PARTRIDGE D		1576 13	1447
1831	1552*			3055 FOORD MRR		1674	1671 6			FROST EGA		1575 8	1608 6
1828	1879			5141 LEE J		1672*	1831*			OKEY KM		1575	1571
1824 21	1896* 6			3194 FRANKEL Z		1670 4	1866	215		BISHOP RF		1574	1591
1823 8 1823 15	1649 1749*			3071 MATHIESON JS		1669	1674		4160	SADLER M	CA	1574 7	1390
1822 5	unr			4371 PHILLIPS R		1665	1694	217	4978	PORTER J	HP	1573	1697*
1815 6	1752		158	4087 BENSON C	CA	1663 13	unr	218	5197	GUNN NJ	NS	1566 8	1820 12
1812*	1749	*		3793 POW K	AS	1663	1734	219	4243	LIM DH	AC	1564 5	1454
1811 21	1736 11	1	160	4886 MACFARLANE A	WT	1661 12	1561*		3367	STEWART MI	WT	1564 5	unr
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378 4612 RENNIE H

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		1654*				5184 TADDEI F	SP	unr	1067*						
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# **†** Howard Percival Whitlock

The death occurred in the Wanganui Hospital on October 16 of Wanganui Chess Club stalwart and life member, Howard Percival Whitlock, at the age of 85. Howard had been in indifferent health for some time, but his passing was both sudden and unexpected.

Howard joined the Wanganui Chess Club in 1927, and began a 71-year association with chess and the Wanganui Chess Club. During his playing career, which had moved into its eighth decade, he took part in many North Island Championship and national Congresses, and competed in the New Zealand Championship.

In a 21-year period from 1968 to 1989 Howard won the Wanganui CC A grade championship on 11 occasions. While many top New Zealand players have belonged to Wanganui CC, since the inception of the championship in 1900 no other player has won the title more than six times.

In inter-club games Howard's average stood at 54.8 percent. Many of his games were played at top board, where he met the strongest possible opposition.

His style of play was positional, positional, positional. No risky moves or unsound sacrifices for him. Each move was made with the object of reaching a favourable endgame. His endgame skill was of the highest order.

Howard also took an active part in club administration, and served several terms as president and secretary-treasurer.

# Loved correspondence chess

Howard loved playing correspondence chess and became expert at this mode of play, to which his style was admirably suited. He won the New Zealand Championship twice, in 1951 and 1990, and was made a correspondence life member in 1976. He held fourth place in the all-time NZCCA master points list. As a sportsman Howard had no equal. Described as Victorian by nature, he was a gentleman through and through.

Win, lose or draw, it was all the same to Howard; modest in victory, unperturbed in defeat. Of the old school, he shunned rapid play. In clock games he liked to use all the time available, yet I never saw him lose on time. A non-clock social game could last all evening. A fine player, grand sportsman and capable administrator, Howard was all of these. We are all much richer for having known him.

- Gordon Hoskyn

### Endgame technique

After a high placing in the Major Open at the 1949-50 Congress, Howard Whitlock was selected for the 1950-51 NZ Championship, played in Christchurch and won by David Lynch.

Howard placed 9= and his endgame play attracted favourable attention. A W Gyles, one of the country's strongest-ever players and a meticulous annotator, thought highly enough of the following game to annotate it for *New Zealand Chessplayer*.

# Whitlock,H - Turner,A

[E48]

58th NZ Champ, Christchurch, 1951 Notes by NM A W Gyles

#### 1.d4 2f6 2.c4 e6 3.2c3 2b4 4.e3

The Rubinstein variation.

#### 4...0-0 5.\d3 c5 6.\d2ge2

Following the theme of his third move, being to answer a possible 2xc3+ with 2xc3, thus avoiding double 4xc3+ (and also leaving the 4xc3+) free to move).

#### 6...d5 7.0-0 dxc4 8.\(\partial\)xc4 cxd4 9.exd4

Though the exchanges initiated by Black leave White with an isolated A, they free White's 學兒, give him more attacking chances, and retard e5 by Black.

#### 9...2bd7

Preparing to blockade the isolated A.

#### 10.學b3

This forces Black to come to a decision with his  $\Phi \mathfrak{D}$ . To exchange his  $\mathfrak{D}$  for a  $\mathfrak{D}$  now would leave White with "two  $\mathfrak{D}$ s" and a free game.

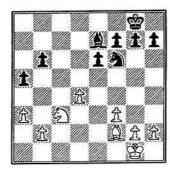
#### 10...**©**e7 11.**©**e3

Rather timid. Qf4 would have been better. If in reply ... 2h4, then 12. Qe3 would leave the 2 misplaced.

# 11...2b6 12.Qd3 Qd7 13.\(\mathbb{Q}\)c6 14.f3 \(\mathbb{Q}\)c8 15.a3 \(\mathbb{Q}\)bd5

Blockading the isolated & in correct Nimzovitch style. Black has been playing for this since his ninth move.

16.Qf2 \( \psi d7 \) 17.\( \psi a2 \) a5 18.\( \psi b1 \) b6 19.\( \phi e4 \) \( \phi b5 \)
20.\( \phi xf6 + \phi xf6 \) 21.\( \pm fd1 \) \( \pm xd3 \) 22.\( \pm xd3 \) \( \pm xc1 \)
23.\( \pm xc1 \) \( \pm c8 \) 24.\( \pm xc8 + \pm xc8 \) \( \pm xc3 \)
26.\( \pm xc3 \)



#### 26....\$f8

Black no doubt has been playing for the endgame in view of his opponent's isolated \( \Delta\). Unfortunately he now appears to have forgotten the theme of his play – to blockade the isolated white \( \Delta\). He has nothing better than 26...\( \Delta\)d4, which would practically force the draw.

#### 27.d5!

A fine move, taking advantage of Black's neglect in not blockading the \( \Delta \).

27...2xd5 28.2xd5 exd5 29.2xb6 a4 30.2d4

White has now completely turned the tables. He has isolated and blockaded a black A and has a majority of As on the side away from the As. To win an ending of this nature, White must get a passed wing A. This he proceeds to do.

30...f6 31.\$\psi f2 \$\text{Q}\$d6 32.h3 \$\psi e7\$ 33.\$\psi a9\$ \$\psi d7\$ 34.\$\psi d3 \$\psi e6\$ 35.\$\psi c3 \$\psi b5\$ 36.b4 axb3 37.\$\psi xb3\$ h5 38.a4+ \$\psi a6\$ 39.\$\psi c3 \$\psi b6\$ 40.\$\psi b4\$ \$\psi e5\$ 41.\$\psi c2 \$\psi c6\$ 42.g4 hxg4 43.fxg4 g5 44.\$\psi d3\$ \$\psi d7\$ 45.\$\psi c3\$ \$\psi c6\$ 46.\$\psi d4\$ \$\psi b7\$

White now proceeds to exchange  $\triangle$ s on the  $\triangle$ -side to facilitate entry of his  $\triangle$  in the final stages.

# 47.\(\text{Q}\)f2! \(\phi\)c6 48.h4 gxh4 49.\(\text{Q}\)xh4 \(\phi\)c5 50.\(\text{Q}\)e1 \(\text{Q}\)a1?!

This merely hastens the end. If instead 50... \( \text{\te}\text{\texi{\text{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\texi{\text{\text{\texi\text{\text{\texi}\tiex{\text{\ti}\text{\text{\ti

#### 51.@c3 1-0

Here is one of Howard's wins from his 1990 correspondence championship victory, against a player who has since become an IM.

# Whitlock,H - Dive,R

[B04]

56th NZ Corres Champ, 1990

1.e4 \$\( 266 \) 2.e5 \$\( 2d5 \) 3.d4 \$\( d6 \) 4.\$\( 267 \) 3 \$\( g6 \) 5.\$\( \lambda c4 \) 6.\$\( 265 \) 6.\$\

# New Zealand news

#### North Shore CC

Paul Garbett was in a class of his own in the 1998 North Shore Club Championship, played September-November, conceding just half a point and winning most of his games very convincingly. There was little between the next four with Leonard McLaren perhaps just a little more solid than the others though he did win a lost game against Peter Weir. Matthew Barlow, however, won a lost position against Darryn Elliott when the latter's unfamiliarity with the DGT led to his losing on time while Peter Stuart recovered from a lost position against newcomer Mario Jarina.

Scores: P A Garbett, 9½/10; L J McLaren 7½; M J Barlow 7; P W Stuart 6½; D B Elliott 5½; P B Weir, P I Hair 4; P Mistry 3½; M Jarina 3; Z Jovic 2½; N J Gunn 2.

The B-grade was played with two preliminary groups of 8 players, the top four from each carrying forward the results of their mutual encounters to the final which was won by Arnold van den Heuvel with 5½/6. Mark Le Brocq was second on 5 and he was followed by Brenton Emett on 4½ and David Simpson on 4.

The C-grade was won by schoolboy Harry Cheng with 6½/9 while fellow Westlake High pupil Russell Rutherford tied for second with Peter van der Mey on 5½.

#### Waitemata Chess Club

Perennial winner Bob Smith had to settle for first equal with improving junior Colm Hartigan on 5/6 in the club's Winter Cup, after a slip-up in the last round against Paul Godfrey, who finished third on 4½. A series of early morning shifts, combined with teaching junior chess before the game and some astute opening preparation by Godfrey combined to produce Bob's first loss at the club for 9 years.

Other scores: 4-8 B. Tidey, R. Calder, R. Harish, A. Tibble, K. Allpress (4); 9-14 V. Smith, B. Pollard, J.Kerry, L. Ah Chee, J. Lin, A. Wilson (3) ... 22 players.

Championship Preliminaries: John Kerry surprised in winning the 7-round swiss with 6½/7, followed by 2 L. Ah Chee 5½, 3 R. Calder 5, 4 C. Hartigan 4½, 5-9 A. Kesseler, P. Godfrey, B. Palmer, B. Pollard, K. Allpress 4 ...20 players. Kerry, Ah Chee, Calder, Hartigan, Kesseler, Godfrey and Pollard qualified for the 8-player round robin final, along with defending champion Bob Smith.

Championship Finals: Bob Smith retained his title for the 21st year in a row, with seven straight wins. Second was Rob Calder 4½/7, followed by Colm Hartigan 4.

Other awards: The Most Improved Player trophy for 1998 went to Lamar Ah Chee, while the Junior Cup for the best junior was won by Colm Hartigan.

#### Auckland CC

The Auckland Chess Centre Club Champtionship was broken into two groups. Group A was a 10-player round robin, while Group B was a 28-player Sswiss.

Group A was predictably won by Alexei Kulashko with 7½/8. He played many of his games in advance in order to be able to attend the Chess Olympiad. There was strong contention from Ortvin Sarapu for first place. In fact, it all rested on whether Brian Latimer's games would be counted or not. Brian withdrew from the tournament after playing 4 of his 9 games due to work commitments, so unfortunately his games didn't count. Ortvin's final score was 7/8.

Paul Macdonald produced probably his best result in such strong competition and finished clear 3rd with 4½, ahead of Bruce Watson, Bruce Wheeler, Paul Beach and Roger Perry.

Group B went hands down to the first seed, Keith Ward, with an amazing score of  $8\frac{1}{9}$  -  $1\frac{1}{9}$  points clear of his nearest rival.

Terry Tangi produced an awesome result, finshing second and making the biggest jump in rating points in the whole tournament.

#### Canterbury

In the Canterbury CC championships, the A Grade was the most closely contested, with most of the field within half a point of the lead after four rounds. Top seed Jon Jackson took the sole lead in round 5 on 4, but he was eclipsed in the last two rounds by the eventual winners Colin Fraser and Quentin Johnson. These two met in round 1 and drew, then both lost to Geoff Davies in rounds 2 and 3, only to storm home with four consecutive victories.

1-2 Colin Fraser & Quentin Johnson 51/3/7; 3-4 Jon Jackson & Matthew McNabb 4; 5-6 Geoff Davies & Steve Coates 31/2; 7 Mark Guy 2: 8 Scott Nicholson 0.

The B Grade was dominated by Alexei Gladkikh, another recent addition to the club, who drew with Mark Sadler in round 1, then crashed through with six straight wins. Even so, Arie Nijman could have finished first had he beaten Alexei in the last round, but had to be content with second.

1 Alexei Gladkikh 6½/7; 2 Arie Nijman 5; 3-4 Mark Sadler & Chris Benson 3½; 5 Peter Boag 3; 6 Craig Hall 2½; 7-8 Derek Partridge & Gavin Dawes 2.

The C grade was convincingly won by new(ish) member, George Hanna, who led from the start and conceded only one draw - to Vladimir Tashkenov.

1 George Hanna 6½/7; 2-3 Vladimir Tashkenov & Bruce Donaldson 5; 4 David Pearson 4½; 5-10 David Wood, John Atkinson, Michael Stevenson, Grant Pearson, Jimmy Mac & Seamus Crummey 4; 11 Bryn Davis 3½; 12-13 Remi Pearce & Peter Cocker 3; 14 Martin Jefferys 2½; 15-16 Eddie Cook & Lou Wynyard 2; Oleg Vornik & Max Shelest both withdrew.

#### Ashburton

Ashburton CC has closed another successful; season with its closing night and presentation of trophies. After the final rounds of the rapid tournament and supper, president Roy Keeling presented prizes as follows:

A grade champion, King's Trophy, K Pow

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# Mid-Canterbury open rapid

Matthew McNabb CA added to the season's successes for junior players by winning the Mid-Canterbury open rapid chess tournament, sponsored by Brian Davidson Financial Services. Michael scored 5½/6 to finish ½ points clear of an experienced higher-rated group of 5 players on 4. They were D Burridge AS and the Canterbury quartet of A Nijman, S Coates, A Gladkikh and Q Johnson.

R Keeling AS won the B grade with 3½ points, ahead of B Donaldson CA. J Lyford AS and J Allen-Urbanski AS. Lyford won the upset prize with a rating difference of 663 points. 17 players took part.

# Club championship games

#### Deciding Waitemata game

When the following game was played, Calder had 4½/5, while Smith had 6/6, so it was the decider in the Waitemata CC championship.

### Calder,R - Smith,R [A44] Notes by R W Smith

1.d4 c5 2.d5 e5 3.dxe6?! fxe6 4.c4 4.e4
4...2f6 5.£c3 d5 6.g3?! 6.£g5!? 6...d4 7.£b5
a6 8.£a3 &d7 9.£f3 &d6 10.&g2 &c6 11.0-0
0-0 12.e3 e5 13.exd4 exd4 14.£e1 £bd7!
15.₩d3 15.£g5 &xg2 16.£e6 ₩c8 17.£xf8 ₩c6
18.£xd7 £xd7 with compensation. 15...₩c7
16.£c2 £ae8 17.b4 b6 18.a4 &e4 19.₩b3 ₩b7
Threatening ...d3. 20.£xe4!? £xe4 21.£fxd4
21.£cxd4 cxd4 22.c5+ &fxe4 23.cxd6 £c3!+-.
21...£xf2 22.&xe4 ₩xe4 23.&xf2 cxd4 24.c5+
&fxe4 25.£f4 25.cxd6 ₩c2+ 26.&g1 ₩d1+
27.&g2 £e2+ 28.&fxe3 ₩f1+ 29.&g4 £f6+
30.&g5 £e5+ 31.&fxe4 £fxe3 ₩xe3+ 29.₩xe3
£xe3 30.&xe3 bxc5 and Black won. 0-1

#### Rebuff for youthful aggression

Rising star Igor Bjelobrk helped Ortvin Sarapu's challenge in the Auckland CC Championship when his aggressive attack was coolly rebuffed.

# Sarapu, O -Bjelobrk, I Notes by IM O Sarapu

1.e4 g6 2.d4 \( \text{Q} g7 \) The Modern Defence. Igor also played it against Sinclair in the North Island Championship and won! 3.\( \text{2} c3 \) Sinclair played 3.c4. 3...c6 4.\( \text{Q} c4 \) b5 5.\( \text{Q} b3 \) a5 Black plays very aggressively. 6.a3 \( \text{Q} a6 \) 7.\( \text{2} f3 \) b4 8.axb4 axb4 9.\( \text{2} a2! \) Naturally 9.\( \text{2} e2? \) loses to \( \text{Q} xe2. \) 9...d6? Igor should continue in attacking style, but must improve his tactical calculation. 10.\( \text{Q} xb4 \) You do not have to be young to improve. Even at 75 you can get into good form. 10...\( \text{Q} e2?! 11.\( \text{A} xa8 \) \( \text{Q} xd1 \) 12.\( \text{Q} xc6 \) \( \text{U} c7 \) 13.\( \text{Q} xb8! \) Discovered check and mate are possible. 1-0

# Changes in rating system

(continued from page 30)

Following a recommendation of the Rating Committee the Council also decided to apply all the above changes retrospectively from 1989. There were several reasons for adopting this policy. In the first place numerous errors in data processing had been noted, including one event being rated twice, tournaments rated in the wrong period, and players with more than one code number. Each such mistake will have had flow-on consequences. Secondly, an anomaly in the application of the period limit rule has been corrected. This rule was designed to prevent a player making such a large number of relatively small gains in a single period that his new rating was higher than any of his individual tournament performance ratings. The way it has been applied, however, tended to dilute genuine rating gains too much, to the extent that a player might well be better off not playing again in a period following an exceptionally good performance. The third reason has an element of expediency in that the re-rating of the period since 1989 was found to address the evident rating list deflation close to optimally in that the players who have been most active in that period, i.e. those most exposed to the deflationary trend, generally gained the most.

The effect of the removal of tournament scaling from 1989 was found, after testing, to be minimally favourable for the great majority of players. A comparison of a large sample ratings of more active players on the published May 1998 list with those on the revised May 1998 list reveals that 97% of players gained rating points with gains of up to 132 points and only two players losing more than 10 points. It is, however, impossible to pin-point the exact reasons for any individual player's gain or loss in view of the existance of the type of error noted above.

One immediate side-effect of these changes is the increased number of players eligible for the New Zealand Championship tournament.

# Overseas news

By NM Peter Stuart

#### **Buenos Aires**

The Najdorf Memorial tournament in October was a 9-round Swiss with over 300 players. There was a five-way tie for first place involving GMs Mikhail Krasenkov (POL), Alexander Wojtkiewicz (POL), Pablo Ricardi (ARG), Carlos Garcia Palermo (ITA) and Bent Larsen (DEN), all scoring 7½ points. Swedish GM Ulf Andersson, the top seed, was among those finishing on 7.

#### Hoogeveen

Everything went according to rating in this four-player double round-robin in October. Judit Polgar's first round win with the black pieces against Jan Timman set her up for the tournament victory which she took convincingly with 5/6, allowing just two draws. Timman finished second on 3½ followed by Boris Spassky on 2½ and US former World Junior champion Tal Shaked on 1.

The young American has had many opportunities to play in top class tournaments without really making a mark. In the following game he gives Miss Polgar a bit of hurry-up but didn't hurry up enough!

# Polgar - Shaked French [C18]

25... ①xh7 26. 置xg6+ 中h8 27. 豐h6 置f7 28. 置g7+-.

26.\( \text{Qf3}\) \( \psi \text{c2} + 27.\text{dg3}\) \( \pm \text{gxf3} + ! 28.\text{dxf3}\) \( \psi \text{de4} + 29.\text{df2}\) and Black, with a forced draw by perpetual check on the board, lost on time, 1-0.

#### Cap d'Agde

The "Rapid World Cup" started with 16 players in two preliminary groups of eight with the top four from each qualifying for the quarter-finals. The time control was 25 minutes per player with 10 seconds added time per move. Anatoly Karpov won one group with Ian Rogers second but Judit Polgar only sharing fifth through seventh places. Vassily Ivanchuk and Boris Gelfand shared first place in the other group.

The knock-out stages were two-game matches with extra tie-break games when needed. Karpov won his quarter-final match against Utut Adianto (INA)  $2\frac{1}{2}$ - $1\frac{1}{2}$ , Etienne Bacrot (FRA) beat Rogers 2-0, Gelfand beat Hichem Hamdouchi (MOR)  $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$  and Ivanchuk beat losif Dorfman 2-0. Karpov and Gelfand then qualified for the final match by beating Bacrot and Ivanchuk with scores of  $1\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$  and 2-0 respectively.

So to the final where the first two games were drawn and the first pair of tie-break games was shared, Karpov losing game 3 and then catching up. The first game of the second pair of tie-break games was drawn and then the World Champion got lucky in a big way: a rook down in the ending, Karpov won on time with one second of his own time remaining!

#### Tilburg

The first tournament sponsored by Fontys (1996) was category 16, last year's edition was category 17 and this year's version reached category 18. Two of last year's three winners, Vladimir Kramnik and Peter Svidler, were present again but Gary Kasparov was not. Neither of those winners, however, was in the race for first place this time. Vishy Anand took sole possession of first place in round one and then showed a clean pair of heels to the field, much of the time enjoying a full point lead.

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 1 Anand V. IND g 2795 · ½ ½ ¼ 1 ½ 1 ½ ½ ½ 1 1 7½ 2 Leko P. % % 1 % 1 % % 1 HUN g 2665 1/4 · 3 Sadler M. ENG g 2660 ½ ½ % % % 1 % % % 4 Zvjaginsev V. RUS g 2650 ¼ ¼ ¼ · 0 1 ½ ½ ¼ ¼ 1 ½ 6 5 Kramnik V. RUS g 2780 0 0 ½ 1 · ½ ½ ½ ½ ½ 1 6 Piket J. NED g 2605 1/2 1/2 1/2 0 1/2 1/2 0 7 Adams M. ENG g 2715 0 0 0 1/2 1/2 1 1/2 1 1/2 8 Svidler P. RUS g 2710 ½ ½ ½ ½ ½ 1 0 NED g 2635 ½ ½ ½ ½ ¼ 0 ½ 0 · ½ ¼ 1 9 van Wely L. 10 Topalov V. BUL g 2700 ½ 0 ½ ½ ½ ½ 0 1 ½ 0 0 ½ 4½ FRA g 2625 0 1/2 1/2 0 0 0 1/2 1 1/2 1 · 1/2 41/2 11 Lautier J. 12 Korchnoi V. SWI g 2625 0 1/2 1/2 0 1/2 0 1/2 0 1/2 1

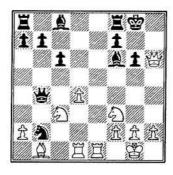
In the battle of the two top seeds in round 2 Kramnik speculatively sacrificed his bishop on f2 but Anand was able to surrender his lady for more than enough pieces. Kramnik won in round 3 but not again until round 9.

Veselin Topalov continued his good form from Elista at the start and was undefeated after six rounds but then followed three consecutive losses. By round 8 Peter Leko was in clear second place and he maintained his position to the end for one of his best tournament performances.

There have been six tournaments in 1998 of category 16 or stronger and Anand has won four of them and did not play in one. He shared first place with Kramnik at Wijk aan Zee and took undivided first prizes at Linares, Madrid and, of course, Tilburg. His only miss was at Dortmund where Kramnik, Adams and Svidler tied for first place. It is likely his rating will now reach 2800, a level only Kasparov has so far attained.

# Kramnik,V - Lautier,J Round 3 [D30]

1.d4 d5 2.2f3 c6 3.c4 e6 4.\(\mathbb{U}c2 dxc4 5.\(\mathbb{U}xc4 \text{2f6 6.\(\mathbb{Q}g5 \text{2e7 7.e3 0-0 8.\(\mathbb{Q}d3 h6 9.\(\mathbb{Q}xf6 \text{2exf6 10.\(\mathbb{Q}c3 \text{2d7 11.\(\mathbb{U}d1 \mathbb{U} e7 12.\(\mathbb{Q}b1 e5 13.0-0 exd4 14.\(\mathbb{E}xd4 \text{2b6 15.\(\mathbb{U}d3 g6 16.\(\mathbb{U}fc1 \mathbb{U}\mathbb{U} \text{2exf} \text{2exf} 18.\(\mathbb{U}xh6 \text{2xb2}



19.\$\Pixg6! fxg6 20.\$\Pig5 \$\Pixg5 21.\$\Pixg6+ \$\Pih8\$ 22.\$\Pih5+ \$\Pig7 23.\$\Pixg5+ \$\Pif7 24.\$\Pic3\$

24.....ge6 25.罩de1 型d6 (25...罩ae8 26.罩f3+) 26.型h6 and Black is completely helpless. 1-0

### Piket - Lautier Nimzoindian [E21]

1.d4 2f6 2.c4 e6 3.2c3 Qb4 4.2f3 0-0 5.Qg5 c5 6.\(\mathbb{E}\)c1 cxd4 7.2xd4 d5 8.e3 dxc4 9.\(\mathbb{Q}\)xc4 2bd7 10.0-0 h6 11.\(\mathbb{Q}\)h4 2e5 12.\(\mathbb{P}\)b3 Qe7 13.\(\mathbb{E}\)fd1 2xc4 14.\(\mathbb{Q}\)c6! 2d2

14... ₩c7 15. 2xe7+ ₩xe7 16. ₩xc4 leaves the initiative firmly in White's hands.

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16...bxc6? 17.2c7 wins the queen.

17.2xe7+ ₩xe7 18.9xf6 gxf6 19.5c7 Had8 20.2c3 ₩e8

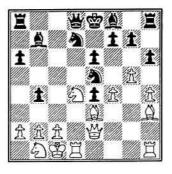
20...b6 21.\d1.

# 21.එe4 Фg7 22.එd6 ₩e7 23.h3

White could also have played 23.2xb7 but the text underlines Black's total helplessness. 1-0.

# Anand,V - Topalov,V Sicilian [B80]

1.e4 c5 2.£f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.£xd4 £f6 5.£c3 a6 6.£e3 e6 7.f3 b5 8.g4 h6 9.₩d2 £bd7 10.0-0-0 £b7 11.h4 b4 12.£b1 d5 13.£h3 £e5 14.g5 £fd7 15.₩e2 dxe4 16.f4



16...2d3+! 17.cxd3 exd3 18.\( \psi xd3 \) \( \pri c \)
19.\( \psi c \) \( \pri c \) \( \pri c \) \( \pri c \) \( \pri c \)
20.\( \pri x c 6 \) \( \pri x c 6 \) \( \pri x d 8 + \) \( \pri x d 8 \)
22.\( \pri x c 5 \)

22.\\h2 \Od3+ 23.\Pc2 \Od3+ 24.\Pb3 \Od3\h1∞.

22...\partial xc2 23.\partial xf8 \partial xf8 24.\partial xc2 hxg5 25.fxg5

# 25.hxg5 \d4.

# Kramnik - Leko King's Indian [E60]

1.d4 2f6 2.c4 g6 3.f3 e5 4.dxe5 2h5 5.2h3 2c6 6.2g5 2e7 7.2xe7 4xe7 8.2c3 4xe5 9.g4 2g7 10.f4 4e7 11.2d5 4d8 12.4d3 0-0

13.\(\psi\colon\) 2\(\epsi\colon\) 2\(\epsi\colon\) 2\(\epsi\colon\) 15.\(\emsi\colon\) 16.\(\emsi\colon\) 2\(\epsi\colon\) 17.\(\emsi\colon\) 2\(\emsi\colon\) 18.\(\emsi\colon\) 2\(\emsi\colon\) 15.\(\emsi\colon\) 17.\(\emsi\colon\) 18.\(\emsi\colon\) 2\(\emsi\colon\) 15.\(\emsi\colon\) 17.\(\emsi\colon\) 18.\(\emsi\colon\) 17.\(\emsi\colon\) 18.\(\emsi\colon\) 18.\(\ems

18...h6 19.0-0-0

35.\(\mathbb{Z}\)a1 \(\mathbb{Z}\)e3 \(\Delta\) 36.\(\mathbb{Z}\)c3.

35...Ξxd2 36.Ψxe8+ Φh7 37.Ψxf7+ Φh6 38.Φa4 Ξxa2+ 39.Φb5 Ψe3 40.Ωd5

40.Ψf8+ Φg5 41.Ψxc5+ Ψxc5+ 42.Φxc5 Φxf6-+.

# **Topalov - Leko** Caro-Kann [B19]

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.ይd2 dxe4 4.ይxe4 ይf5 5.ይg3 ይg6 6.h4 h6 7.ይf3 ይf6 8.ይe5 ይh7 9.ይd3 ይxd3 10.ይxd3 e6 11.ይf4 ይa5+ 12.c3 ይa6 13.ይf3 ይbd7 14.ይxd7 ይxd7 15.ይe5 ይe7 16.b3 ይhd8 17.c4 ይa5+ 18.ይe2 ይe8 19.ይhe1 ይf8 20.ይf1 ይd7 21.a4 ይad8 22.ይad1 ይg8 23.ይd3 ይe8 24.ይh5 ይd6 25.ይxg7 ይxg7 26.c5?

26.9f6+ and White has attacking chances after either 26...\$\phif8 27.9h7+ \$\Phie8 (27...\$\Phig8 28.9f6+ repeats) 28.d5! or 26...\$\Phi8 27.g4 (27.\Pe3? \$\Phif5) 27...\$\Phi8 28.9xd7 \Pixd7 29.d5.

32.\Pxe6+\Phid7 33.\Pd6+\Pc7-+.

32...\(\Pix\) xd3 33.\(\Pix\) xe6+ \(\phi\) d7 34.\(\Pi\) f6 \(\phi\) c8 35.\(\Pix\) xf7 \\
\Pid\) 1+ 36.\(\phi\) 1 \\
\Pi\) 2 37.\(\phi\) f4 \\
\Pi\) 1d7 38.\(\Pix\) xd7 \\
\Righta\) 29.\(\phi\) f8+ \(\phi\) c7 40.\(\phi\) f4+ \(\phi\) c8 41.\(\phi\) f8+ \(\Pi\) d8 42.\(\phi\) f5+ \(\phi\) b8 43.\(\phi\) f4+ \(\phi\) a8 44.g4 \(\phi\) 67 45.g5 \\
\Pi\) 18 46.\(\phi\) 28 \(\phi\) xe3 47.fxe3 \(\phi\) b8 48.g6 \(\phi\) c7

48...\$\psic 7 49.h5 (49.\$\psig 3 \$\psid 7 50.h5 \$\psic 6 51.h6 \$\psi 6 -+) 49...\$\psi h8 50.\$\psig 3 (50.g7 \$\psi xh5 + 51.\$\psi g 3 \$\psi 50..\$\psi xh5 + 51.\$\psi g 3 \$\psi 50...\$\psi xh5 51.\$\psi g 4 \$\psi h1 -+. \$\mathrm{0} -1\$

# **NZCF** Council report

By NZCF President Peter Stuart

#### **Annual General Meeting**

The Federation's annual meeting will be held at University College, 315 Leith Street, Dunedin at 7:30pm, Tuesday, 5 January 1999.

#### **Council Nominations**

The following nominations have been received from the North Shore club for Federation officers for 1999: President, Peter Stuart; Vice-President, Bob Gibbons; Secretary, Daniel Johns; Treasurer, Roger Perry; Councillors, Jim Cater, Martin Dreyer, Michael Freeman and Paul Macdonald. No nominations have been received for Regional Councillors (Canterbury, Otago and two Wellington).

Paul Frost (presently in Wellington) and Bob Smith (soon to be living in Australia) were not available while 1998 Treasurer Chris Jardine is taking a break from chess administration.

#### Remits

Two remits have been received for consideration by the annual general meeting at. Howick-Pakuranga has moved that Tournament Regulation 2.2.7 be replaced by: "The Council, or the Congress controlling authority with the consent of the Council, may invite overseas players. Such invitees will be so chosen as to enhance the status of the tournament or improve international title possibilities." The sole effect of this remit would be to remove the limit of three players from overseas.

The North Shore club has moved that Tournament Regulation 2.1.4 (Congress time controls) be amended by adding the words: ".. except that where a sufficient number of digital timers is available for a tournament the time control shall be 40 moves in 100 minutes followed by 20 moves in 50 minutes and then a ten-minute guillotine period with additional time of 30 seconds per move from move one." This time control was used at the Elista Olympiad.

#### Olympiad Appeal

The Olympiad Appeal stands at \$854 after receipt of one further donation:

Previously acknowledged \$754.00 W.A.Poole \$100.00

We apologise for the error in the "previously acknowledged" figure in the October issue; this should have been \$330. The total given as \$754 was correct.

#### November Rating List

Rowan Wood, who co-wrote the rating program in the early 1990s, has now produced an upgraded version incorporating the rule change decided by the Council earlier in the year – the elimination of tournament scaling. Two further changes have been made. The first of these, consequent on the removal of tournament scaling, was to increase the number of games required for an established rating from 15 to 20. With tournament scaling a five-round event rated with a "tournament factor" of 0.7, for example, was counted as only 3.5 games.

The other change is more significant, the setting of the maximum rating difference between two players to 365, which means that the maximum expected score in a single game will now be 0.9 instead of 0.99 (and, of course, the minimum will be 0.1 instead of 0.01). It can be noted that the maximum expected score until the early 1990s was 0.95 and that the maximums in FIDE, USCF and Australia are around 0.88 or 0.89. The divergence between FIDE and NZCF ratings has been growing over the last decade and, while our rating scale need not be closely aligned with anyone else's scale, it is inevitable that comparisons will be made and, indeed, must be made when overseas players compete in New Zealand. The Rating Committee felt that the increased maximum rating difference was a major contributor to ratings deflation.

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# **Affiliated Clubs**

Ashburton PO Box 204, Ashburton. Meets Monday 7.30pm (Feb-Oct), Room 1 (upstairs), Public Library, cur Havelock and West Streets. Contact, Roy Keeling (03)308-6936.

Auckland Chess Centre Meets Monday & Thursday 7.15pm, 17 Cromwell St, Mt Eden, Auckland 1003. Tel (09)630-2042 clubroom; contacts club captain Paul MacDonald (09)419-2015; secretary Tony Kesseler (09)412-8184.

Canterbury, PO Box 25-242, Christchurch. Meets Wednesday, 7.30pm., 227 Bealey Avenue; tel (03)366-3935 clubroom. Pres, Gavin Dawes (03)352-4851; Sec, Quentin Johnson (03)355-7166.

Civic Tuesday 7.30pm, Museum Room, Turnbull House, Bowen Street, Wellington 1. Pres, John Gillespie (04)476-3729; Sec, Brent Southgate (04)475-7604.

Gambit Sec, Ted Frost, 103 Koromiko Road, Gonville, Wanganui. Tel (06)347-6098.

Hamilton: Thurs, 7.15, Methodist Centre, 56 Landon Street. Inquiries Pres, Hilton Bennett, 65 Te Aroha St (07)839-6406 or (025)964-773.

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

Howick-Pakuranga Tuesday 7.30pm, St John Ambulance Hall, Howick-Pakuranga Highway, Highland Park. Pres, Paul Spiller (09)535-4962; sec, Kees van den Bosch (09)521-5828.

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

Kapiti Wednesday, 7.30pm, Salvation Army Hall, Bluegum Rd. Paraparaumu Beach. Sec, Rosemary Kingston, 51 Ames St, Paekakariki (04)292-8157.

New Plymouth 11 Gilbert St, New Plymouth. Tuesdays, 7.30pm. Pres, R P Bowler, 17a Hori St (06)753-6282. Contact, Bob Bowler.

North Shore P.O. Box 33-587, Takapuna, Auckland 9. Meets Wednesday 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. Wednesday and Saturday, 7.30pm. Tel (03)477-6919 clubroom. Sec, Dennis McCaughan (03)478-0160.

Upper Hutt Monday 7.30pm, Hapai Club, 879 Fergusson Drive. Sec, Glen Sullivan, 14a Crystal Grove, Birchville, U Hutt (04)526-5085.

Waitemata Thursday 7.30pm, Kelston Comm Centre, cnr Great North Rd and Awaroa Rd, Kelston; jun 6-7.30pm Thursdays, schooldays. Pres, Bob Smith, 2 Autumn Ave, Glen Eden (09)818-4113 or contact Bruce Pollard (09)818-2342.

Wanganui Monday, 1st floor, Commercial Club, St Hill St. Pres, Gordon Hoskyn, 7 Pehi St (06)343-6101; sec, K Yorston, 5 Mitchell St (06)343-7166.

Wellington Saturday 7,30pm, Lighthouse Centre, 235 Karori Road, Karori. 6pm, juniors, Pres, Tim Frost (04)473-1167. Sec, Ross Jackson (04)563-8013

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Huntly Tuesdays 7.30pm 14 Ralph Street.. Club capt, John Smeed, 140 Great South Road, Huntly. (07)828-7481.

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Palmerston North Tuesday, 7.30pm, Palm Nth Intermediate School, Ferguson St. Tournament Director, Tony Dowden (06)353-1354.

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

Whangarei Gambit Thursday 7pm, Whangarei YWCA. Contact, Geoffrey Gill (09)438-3035.

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