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#### NZ South Team

*(which was ICM Michael Freeman, IM Vernon Small, Peter van Dijk and Erin Roughton) have just won the Australasian Internet Challenge with a score of 8/9. The NZ North team can join them if they win their final game with Northern Territory. A great result to finish ahead of all the Australian states. Full report in next issue.*

#### Olympiad in Bled Slovenia

*Russia won the men's event and China the women's. NZ men finished on 27/56 for 80 -87<sup>th</sup> place and the women on 15/42 for 85<sup>th</sup>.*

#### December Editorial

*A plea from the Editor. My Xmas wish is for all articles to be sent through by the end of November. Please check deadline. Due to printing arrangements the magazine can be published no later than 13th December so these dates are critical.*

#### Apology

*Humble apologies from the one 'where the buck stops'. Michael Stevenson writes the Book Review that we intend to become a regular feature. I attributed last month's article to Michael Freeman in error.*

#### 2002 Global Chess Enterprises Grand Prix

*Recent GP events, most notably the North Shore Open, have had a marked effect on the standings - especially in the Open division where Paul Garbett has taken a narrow lead over Bob Smith - setting things up for a fascinating finale at the Wanganui Congress. Full details next issue.*

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## North Shore Open

by NM Peter Stuart

In its 29<sup>th</sup> edition this tournament returned to its generic name with a new sponsor. After three years as the Birkenhead Licensing Trust Open the North Shore club was somewhat dismayed to find, earlier this year, that the Licensing Trust was making no grants this year while they implemented major changes to the trust's financial structure. The panic was short-lived, however, as the club was able to quickly arrange a new sponsorship deal with the Mad Dogs and Englishmen Gaming Foundation. This year the Open was also a class 1 2002 Global Chess Enterprises Grand Prix event.

As last year well over half the entries came in on the Saturday morning, many players taking advantage of the lack of any late entry surcharge to enter on the day even though most had obviously decided to play much earlier. Not surprising that the first round started ten minutes late.

The Open was not as strong as it might have been with notable absentees including Alexei Kulashko, Bruce Watson and Peter Green. On the other hand Fairin Zakaria, formerly(?) Malaysia, who has played twice in the New Zealand Championship was in the list together with Christoph Thurner and Jeffrey McCrowe who were new to New Zealand tournament play. Paul Garbett was the top seed with the strongest challenges likely to come from Leonard McLaren and Bob Smith.

The first round went according to plan for most of the top half but Bruce Wheeler conceded a draw to Mark Brimble in a very interesting game which bore some resemblance to losing chess the way both players jettisoned material. The only other upset was Antonio Krstev's loss to Wang but Puchen winning is not much of an upset these days.

### Spain - McNabb

Sicilian [B21]

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3 dxc3 4.♗xc3 e6 5.♗c4 ♗c5 6.♗f3 ♗c6 7.0-0 a6 8.♗f4 ♗ge7 9.e5 ♗g6 10.♗g3 0-0 11.♗c1 ♗e7 12.♗e4 ♗a7 13.h4 ♗b8 14.♗d6 ♗d8 15.♗d3

♗xe5? [15...f6!?: 15...♗xd6 16.exd6 ♗f6 17.♗d2 with compensation] 16.♗xc8 ♗b4 17.♗xe5 [17.♗xg6 ♗xg6 18.♗xb8 ♗xb8 19.♗d6 +-] 17...♗xe5 18.♗xe5 ♗xe5 19.♗d6 ♗xh4 20.♗e2 ♗c6 21.g3 ♗b4 [After a few less than best moves White's advantage has considerably diminished.] 22.a3?! ♗xb2 23.♗b1 ♗xa3 24.♗xb7 ♗ab8 25.♗xb8 ♗xb8 26.♗d2 [And now Black, with 4 pawns for the piece, stands better as White's initiative has disappeared.] 26...♗e5 27.♗d1 ♗f3+ 28.♗xf3 ♗xf3 29.♗c2 ♗f8?! [29...♗b3 is fine] 30.♗e1 ♗d5?? [30...♗c6 =] 31.♗c7 ♗e7 [31...♗a8 32.♗xd7 ♗f3 33.♗c1 g6 34.♗c3 ♗f6 35.♗c7 +-] 32.♗xb8 ♗xd6 33.♗xd6+ ♗xd6 34.♗a1 1-0.

### Wheeler - Brimble

Giucoco Piano [C54]

1.e4 e5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.♗c4 ♗e5 4.c3 ♗f6 5.b4 ♗b6 6.♗b3 ♗c7 7.d3 d6 8.a4 a6 9.0-0 h6 10.♗a3 ♗g8 11.♗h4 g5 12.♗f5 ♗xf5 13.exf5 g4 14.♗h1 g3 15.fxg3 ♗h5 16.f6 ♗xg3+ 17.hxg3 ♗g5 18.♗d1 ♗d7 19.♗f3 0-0-0 20.b5 axb5 21.axb5 ♗a5 22.♗c1 ♗dg8 23.♗xg5 hxg5 24.♗f2 g4 25.♗xa5 ♗h8+ 26.♗g1 ♗xa5 27.♗f5 ♗b6 28.♗xd7+ ♗xd7 29.♗d2 ♗h6 30.♗f1 ♗xf2 31.♗xf2 ♗xf6+ 32.♗e2 ♗f5 33.♗f1 f6 34.♗e3 ♗g5 35.♗d5 c6 36.bxc6+ bxc6 37.♗e4 d5 38.♗f5+ ♗d6 39.♗xg4 d4 40.cxd4 exd4 41.♗c4+ ♗e5 42.♗f3 ♗b4 43.♗f4 ♗c3 44.♗f5 ♗xf5+ [This should be losing but Black had just about run out of options] 45.♗xf5 ♗xd3 46.♗d6? [Unfortunate; from here the knight controls c4 but that is all. The right move was 46.♗a3, e.g. 46...c5 47.♗xf6 c4 48.g4 c3 49.♗e5 ♗e3 50.♗c2+ and 51.♗xd4 +-] 46...c5 47.♗xf6 [47.♗b7 c4 48.♗c5+ ♗e3 is hopeless; The best defensive try is 47.♗f4! c4 48.♗b7! (48.♗e4 c3) 48...c3 49.♗a5 c2 50.♗b3 ♗c3 51.♗c1 and White looks to have saved his bacon since after 51... 51...d3 52.♗e3 d2 53.♗e2] ♗b2 54.♗xd2+- he is actually winning. However, Black has a marvellous winning ma-

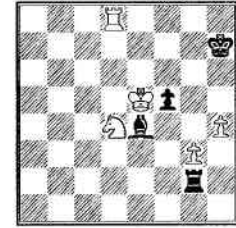
oeuvre in 51...f5! 52.♗f3 ♗d2! 53.♗b3+ ♗e1! and a new black queen is about to be born while the white king gnashes his teeth in frustration.] 47...c4 48.g4 c3 49.g5 c2 50.g6 c1 ♗ 51.g7 ♗f4+ 52.♗f5 ♗g4 [Or 52...♗e4 53.g4 (53.g8 ♗xf5+ 54.♗e7 ♗e5+ 55.♗d7 ♗d5+ 56.♗xd5+ ♗xd5+-) 53... ♗xg4 54.♗e7 d3 55.g8 ♗xg8 56.♗xg8 d2+] 53.♗e7 ♗xg2? [This capture is completely unnecessary and actually throws away the win; perhaps Black was now too short of time to complete the win and decided to scramble for the draw? Instead 53...♗c3 54.g8 ♗xg8 55.♗xg8 d3 56.♗e7 d2 57.♗d5+ ♗d4 is winning] 54.g8 ♗xg8 55.♗xg8 ♗e4 56.♗e6 d3 57.♗f6+ ♗d4 [58.♗g4! d2 59.♗f2 =] ½-½.

In round 2 Zakaria tenaciously defended his collection of weak pawns but excellent endgame technique by Garbett brought home the full point. The only other first round winner to double his score was Smith who was untroubled to take the full point against Hilton Bennett. McLaren gained a strong initiative against Kaushik Saksena but failed to make the most of it and came close to losing in the endgame. Wang and Graeme Spain had a half-day at the office while Wheeler trapped William Lynn's queen.

### Garbett - Zakaria

Sicilian [B33]

1.e4 c5 2.♗f3 ♗c6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♗xd4 ♗f6 5.♗c3 e5 6.♗db5 d6 7.♗g5 a6 8.♗a3 b5 9.♗d5 ♗e7 10.♗xf6 ♗xf6 11.c3 0-0 12.♗c2 ♗g5 13.a4 bxa4 14.♗xa4 a5 15.♗c4 ♗b8 16.b3 ♗h8 17.0-0 g6 18.♗h1 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.f4 ♗f6 21.♗f3 exf4 22.♗h3 ♗e5 23.♗h5 ♗b7 24.♗xf4 ♗e8 25.♗d5 ♗e7 26.♗xe8 ♗fxe8 27.♗g1 ♗g5 28.♗e3 ♗d7 29.♗d4 ♗xf4 30.♗xf4 ♗g6 31.♗xe7 ♗xe7 32.♗f2 ♗e5 33.♗d2 ♗f4 34.♗f3 ♗e6 35.c4 a4 36.bxa4 ♗xc4 37.♗xd6 ♗b3 38.♗b4 ♗xa4 39.g3 ♗c2+ 40.♗f2 ♗c3 41.♗d3 ♗e7 42.♗c5 ♗c2 43.♗e6 h6 44.♗d4 ♗e4+ 45.♗xe4 ♗xe4 46.♗xh6+ ♗g7 47.♗d6 ♗a7 48.♗e3 ♗a2 49.h4 ♗g2 50.♗f4 ♗f2+ 51.♗g5 ♗g2 52.♗d7+ ♗h8 53.♗d8+ ♗h7 54.♗f4 ♗f2+ 55.♗e5 ♗g2



56.♗e6! ♗xg3 57.♗f6 [The threat of mate in 2 forces Black to cede the exchange.] 57...♗g6+ 58.♗f7 ♗xe6 59.♗xe6 ♗h6 60.♗e5 ♗h5 61.♗f4 ♗g6 62.♗d6+ ♗h5 63.♗b6 ♗c2 64.♗b8 ♗d3 65.♗g3 ♗e2 66.♗h8+ ♗g6 67.♗f4 ♗g4 68.♗e5 ♗g7 69.♗b8 ♗g6 70.♗f4 ♗h5?! 71.♗b6! ♗h3 [An awful square; better was 71...♗e2 ] 72.♗g3 ♗g4? [72...♗f1 73.♗f6 ♗d3 74.♗f4 ♗c2 75.♗f8 ♗g6 and it seems doubtful to me whether White can make further progress] 73.♗f6! [Winning the black pawn by zugzwang] 73...♗d1 74.♗xf5+ ♗h6 [An interesting, because difficult, ending has arisen. Of course, ♗+♗ normally win easily against ♗ but here it is a rook pawn. If the bishop moved on the black squares the win would still be easy as White can sacrifice his pawn at the right moment and the black king will be in the dangerous corner. But in this game the bishop moves on the white squares!] 75.♗g5 ♗h5 76.♗f4 ♗d1 77.♗e5 ♗h5 78.♗g8 ♗f7 79.♗g5 ♗h5 80.♗f6 ♗d1 81.♗g8 ♗h7 82.♗d8! ♗h5? [The bishop's best station is on the b1-h7 diagonal: 82...♗c2! 83.♗g5 ♗e4 84.♗d7+ ♗h8 85.♗h6 (The hasty 85.h5? only draws: 85... 85...♗c2 86.♗h6 ♗g8! (86...♗b3? 87.♗d8+ ♗g8 88.♗g5 ♗g7 89.♗d7+ ♗h8 90.♗g6 ♗b3 91.♗h7+ ♗g8 92.♗c7 ♗h8 93.h6 ♗a2 94.h7 ♗b1+ 95.♗h6+-) 87.♗g7+ and now not 87... 87...♗h8? 88.♗c7 ♗f5 89.♗f7 ♗e6 90.♗e7 ♗c4 91.♗e8+ ♗g8 92.♗g5 ♗g7 93.♗e7+ winning as in the previous subvariation but 87...♗f8! when White cannot win as he is unable to get his king back to g4 without letting the black king back to the g-file since the square h5 is no longer available to him.) 85...♗g8 86.♗g7+ ♗f8 87.♗g5! (Preparing to extricate the king so the pawn can advance) 87...♗f7 88.♗g3! (On 88.♗h5 Black has 88... ♗f3+ but after the text

the white king can come back via g5 as the bishop is vulnerable on e4.) 88...♗c2 89.♖h5 ♖f6 (89...♗e4 90.♖g5 ♖g7 91.♖f4+ wins, or; 89...♗d1+ 90.♖g5 ♖g7 91.♗c3! and White wins without difficulty by advancing his pawn as the bishop is prevented from regaining the b1-h7 diagonal.) 90.♗g5 ♗d1+ (90...♗f5 91.♖h6 ♗c2 92.♗g2 and the black king will be forced to the e-file) 91.♖h6 ♖f7 92.♗g7+ ♖f6 (or 92...♖f8 93.♖g6 ♗c2+ 94.♖f6 ♗d1 95.h5! ♗xh5 96.♗h7+-) 93.♗g1 ♗c2 94.♗g2 ♗d3 95.♗f2+ and the win is clear] 83.♖g5 ♗e2 [83...♗f3 84.♗d7+ ♖h8 85.♖h6 ♖g8 86.♗g7+ wins as in the above note but the text makes it even easier as the white king can use the g6 square.] 84.♗d7+ ♖h8 85.♖g6 ♗c4 86.h5 ♗e6 [86...♗b3 87.♗h7+ ♖g8 88.♗e7! (88.♗b7? ♗c2+ 89.♖h6 ♗d3 draws as above) 88...♖f8 (88...♗e6 transposes to the game) 89.♗c8+ ♖e7 90.♖g7+-] 87.♗h7+ ♖g8 88.♗e7 1-0.

### Bennett - Smith

Irregular [A06]

1.♗f3 d5 2.b4 ♗f5 3.♗b2 e6 4.e3 ♖f6 5.e4 ♖bd7 6.a3 a5 7.b5 ♗d6 8.♗c3 0-0 9.d4 c6 10.♗b3 a4 11.♖xa4 cxb5 12.cxb5 ♖a5+ 13.♗c3 ♖e4 14.♗d2 ♖xd2 15.♖xd2 ♖b6 16.♗d3 ♗fe8 17.♗xf5 ♖c4+ 18.♖d3 exf5 19.♗hb1 f4 20.♗c1 [20.e4!? dxe4+ 21.♖xe4 ♞] 20...♗e3 21.♗e3 ♖d8! 22.g3 [22.♖xd5 ♖g5 23.e4 ♖xg2 24.♗e3 ♖h3 also favours Black] 22...♗f6 23.♗a2?! ♖g6+ 24.♖e2 ♖a5 25.♖c2 ♗xc3 26.♖xc3 ♖xb1 27.♗b2 ♖e4 28.♗c2 ♖c4 29.♖b3 ♖g2+ 30.♖d3 ♖f1+ 31.♖c3 ♗c8 0-1.

Garbett and McLaren did not make the same mistake of taking a half-point bye in the third round as they both did last year. In the clash of the top two seeds the equilibrium was virtually undisturbed until Smith erred at the time control in an equal ending. Once again Garbett displayed exemplary technique to garner the whole point and take the sole lead into the second day. Graeme Spain took an unshared second place on 2½ with his win over Wheeler while Zakaria scored a text book win over Saksena's King's Indian. Wang and McLaren liquidated to a pawn ending quite quickly, the latter's protected

passed pawn being neutralised by Wang's pawn sacrifice to give him a protected passer as well. Scores after round 3: Garbett 3; Spain 2½; Smith, McLaren, Zakaria, Bennett and Wang 2.

### Smith - Garbett

Sicilian [B20]

1.e4 c5 2.d3 ♖c6 3.♗f3 g6 4.g3 ♗g7 5.♗g2 e5 6.a3 ♖ge7 7.b4 d6 8.c3 a6 9.♗e3 b6 10.0-0 0-0 11.♗a2 h6 12.d4 exd4 13.cxd4 cxd4 14.♖xd4 ♖e5 15.f4 ♖c4 16.♗f2 ♗b7 17.♖d2 ♗c8 18.♖xc4 ♗xc4 19.♗c2 ♖c7 20.♗xc4 ♖xc4 21.♗f3 ♖c7 22.♖d3 b5 23.♗d1 ♖c8 24.♗d4 ♗e8 25.♗xg7 ♖xg7 26.♖d4+ ♖g8 27.♖d2 ♖c2 28.♗e1 ♖c7 29.h3 ♖b6 30.♖xb6 ♖xb6 31.♗d1 ♗c8 32.♖f1 ♖c4 33.♗d3 ♖f8 34.♖d2 ♖e7 35.♖xc4 ♗xc4 36.♗e3 ♗e1+ 37.♖f2 ♖d7 38.♗e2 ♗a1 39.♗d2 ♖e7 40.e5? [The last move before the time control; much better was 40.♗c2 ♖d7 41.♗d2 =] 40...♗xg2 41.exd6+ ♖d7 42.♖xg2 ♗xa3 [Material is equal but Black can round up the d-pawn] 43.f5 ♗c3 44.fxg6 fxg6 45.♗f2 ♗e6 46.♗f7+ ♖xd6 47.♗h7 h5 48.h4 ♖d5 49.♗f7 ♖e5 50.♗e7+ ♖d4 51.♗f7 ♖c3 52.♗f4 ♗c4 53.♗f6 ♗g4 54.♗xa6 ♖xb4 55.♗b6 ♖c4 56.♗c6+ ♖b3 57.♖f3 b4 58.♗e6 ♖c3 59.♗e3+ ♖c4 60.♖e2 ♗d4 61.♗e6 b3 [62.♗xg6 b2 63.♗b6 ♖c3 -] 0-1.

### Spain - Wheeler

French [C09]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♖d2 c5 4.exd5 exd5 5.♖g3 ♖c6 6.♗b5 ♗d6 7.dxc5 ♗xc5 8.0-0 ♖ge7 9.♖b3 ♗d6 10.♖bd4 0-0 11.c3 ♗g4 12.♖a4 ♗xf3 13.♖xf3 a6 14.♗d3 ♖g6 15.♗e1 b5 16.♖g4 ♖ce5 17.♖xe5 ♖xe5 18.♖h3 ♖xd3 19.♖xd3 ♖h4 20.g3 ♖h5 21.♗d1 ♗ae8 22.♗e3 [22.♖xd5?? ♗e1+] 22...♗e5 23.a4 ♖h3 24.♖f1 ♖xf1+ 25.♖xf1 ♗h5 26.axb5 axb5 27.♗a6 ♗e7 28.♗b6 b4 29.cxb4 ♗d8 30.h4 ♗e5 [30...♗f6!?] 31.♗d4 ♗e6 32.♗b7 ♖f8 33.♗a1 ♗c6? [Black still has some defensive chances after 33...♗d6 e.g. 34.♗a7 ♗e7 35.♗xg7+ ♖xg7 36.♗xe7 ♗xe7 37.♗xe7 ♗b8 38.♗e5 ♗xb4 39.♗xd5 ♗xb2 with a draw] 34.♗a7 ♗c1+ [34...♗e6 35.♗xe7 ♗xe7 36.♗c5 ♗de8 37.b5 wins easily] 35.♖g2 ♗e8 36.♗c5 ♗xc5 37.♗xf7+ ♖g8 38.♗xg7+ ♖h8 39.♗xh7+ ♖g8 40.bxc5 ♗xc5 41.h5 ♗e6 42.♗hd7 ♗e8 43.h6 1-0.

### Zakaria - Saksena

King's Indian [E94]

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 g6 3.♖c3 ♗g7 4.e4 d6 5.♖f3 0-0 6.♗e2 ♖bd7 7.0-0 e5 8.d5 h6 9.♖e1 ♖c5 10.f3 a6 11.b4 ♖cd7 12.♗e3 ♖h5 13.e5 f5 14.♖d3 f4 15.♗f2 g5 16.♖b2 ♖e7 17.♖ca4 ♖h7 18.♖c4 ♖hf6 19.cxd6 cxd6 20.♖ab6 ♗b8 21.♗c1 ♖xb6 22.♖xb6 ♗d7 23.♗c7 ♗fd8 24.♖c2 ♖e8 25.♗c3 h5 26.♗c1 ♖h6 27.a4 ♗f8 28.b5 axb5 29.♖xd7 ♗xd7 30.♗xb5 ♗a8 [30...♗dd8 31.♗b6 and the rook is still a goner] 31.♗b6 ♗a6 32.a5 g4 33.♗a4 ♖xb6 34.♗xb6 ♗d8 35.♗xe8 gxh3 36.♗xf3 ♗xe8 37.♗c7 ♖d8 38.♖d7 ♖xd7 39.♗xd7 ♗b8 40.♗c3 1-0.

On Sunday morning the Garbett endgame juggernaut rolled over Spain from what looked suspiciously like a drawn rook ending and, in combination with other results, this left Paul assured of a two-way tie for first place at worst. On board two Zakaria retained the Benko Gambit pawn and later gained a lasting initiative on the kingside despite the exchange of a lot of material; Smith missed a few better defensive chances and eventually overlooked a snap mate. McLaren won a pawn against Bennett but the opposite colour bishop ending was quite easily drawn while Wheeler got to play the white side of his favourite defence, the French, against Wang. The frequent bane of this opening for Black, his white-square bishop, proved to be Wang's undoing in the ending, the win boosting Wheeler into a share of third place.

Scores before the final round: Garbett 4; Zakaria 3; McLaren, Spain, Bennett, Wheeler and Beach 2½; Smith, Krstev, Thurner, McNabb and Wang 2.

### Garbett - Spain

Slav [D12]

1.♖f3 d5 2.d4 c6 3.c4 ♖f6 4.e3 ♗f5 5.♖c3 e6 6.♖b3 ♖b6 7.c5 ♖c7 8.♖h4 ♗g6 9.♖xg6 hxg6 10.f4 ♖bd7 11.♗d2 ♗e7 12.♗e2 b6 13.cxb6 axb6 14.0-0 0-0 15.♖c2 ♗f8 16.g4 ♗b4 17.♗f3 ♗xc3 18.♗xc3 c5 19.♖f2 ♖e4 20.♗xe4 dxe4 21.f5 cxd4 22.exd4 gxf5 23.gxf5 e5 24.dxe5 ♖xe5 25.♖g3 f6 26.♗xe5 ♖xe5 27.♖xe5 fxe5 28.♗f2 e3 29.♗e2 ♗f8 [29...♗d8!? also looks okay: 30.♗xe3 (30.♖g2 e4; 30.♖f1 ♗f8 31.

♗xe3 ♗xf5+ 32.♖e2 ♗af8 favours Black if anyone) 30...♗d2 31.♗b3 (31.♗xe5 ♗xb2 32.a4 ♗b4 33.a5 ♗xa5 34.♗xa5 bxa5 35.♗xa5 ♗b6=) 31...♗c8!? 32.♗xb6 ♗cc2 33.♗g6 ♗xh2 34.f6 (34.b4 ♗xa2 35.♗xa2 ♗xa2 36.f6 ♗b2 37.♗xg7+ ♖f8 38.♗b7 e4 39.b5 e3 40.♖f1 ♗f2+ 41.♖e1 ♗xf6=) 34...♗xb2 35.♗xg7+ ♖f8 36.♗c1 ♗hc2 37.♗xc2 ♗xc2 38.♗a7 ♗c6 39.f7 ♗f6 40.a4 e4 41.a5 e3=] 30.♗xe3 ♗xf5 31.♗b3 ♗f6 32.a3 ♗d8 33.♗f1 ♗xf1+?! [Maybe Black should keep all the rooks on since the exchange leaves White with the more active pieces; 33...♗c6 looks okay for Black.] 34.♖xf1 ♗d6 35.♗b5 ♗e6 36.♖e2 ♖f7 37.♖e3 ♗h6 38.♖e4 ♗h4+ 39.♖d5 ♗xh2 [39...e4 40.♖d4 ♗xh2 41.♗xb6 ♗e2 42.a4 ♗e1 43.a5 e3 44.a6 is effectively the same position as after 44.♖e4 in the game] 40.♗xb6 ♗e2 41.a4 e4? [41...g5! looks the best chance, e.g. 42.a5 g4 43.a6 ♗e1 44.♗b3 ♗a1 45.♗a3 ♗xa3 46.bxa3 g3 47.g2 48.a8 ♖g1 ♖ should be drawn] 42.a5 ♗e1 43.a6 e3 [43...g5 44.a7 ♗a1 45.♗b7+ ♖g6 46.♖xe4 is similar to the game; the g-pawn's advance comes too late.] 44.♖e4 g5 45.a7 ♗a1 46.♗b7+ ♖g6 47.♖xe3 ♖f6 48.b4 ♖e6 49.b5 ♖d6 50.♗b6+ ♖c7 51.♗a6 ♗xa6 52.bxa6 1-0.

### Zakaria - Smith, Benko

Gambit [A59]

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 g6 6.♖c3 ♗xa6 7.e4 ♗xf1 8.♖xf1 d6 9.g4 ♗g7 10.♖g2 0-0 11.f3 ♖a6 12.♖ge2 ♖c7 13.♗g5 h6 14.♗f4 ♗a6 15.♖d2 h5 16.h3 e6 17.♗g5 exd5 18.exd5 ♖d7 19.♖g3 ♗b8 20.♗ab1 ♗ab6 21.b3 c4 22.♗xf6 ♗xf6 23.♖ce4 ♗g7 24.♖g5 h4? [Hard to understand; better was 24...hxg4 when 25.hxg4 ♖e8 (25...cxb3?? 26.♖f6+ ♗xf6 27.♖xf6 was obviously out of the question) 26.♖d2 cxb3 27.♗xb3 ♗xb3 28.axb3 is probably headed for a draw] 25.♖h5! [Perhaps Black was hoping for 25.♖xh4 cxb3 26.axb3 ♖xd5 which looks quite equal] 25...♗e8 [25...♖d8 26.♖xd8+ ♗xd8 27.♖xg7 cxb3! 28.♖e8!? ♖xe8 29.♗xb3 ♗xb3 30.axb3 with slightly better chances for White] 26.♖xg7 ♖xg7 27.♖xh4 ♖g8?! [27...cxb3 28.♗xb3 ♗xb3 29.axb3 ♗xb3 30.♗d1 is also better for White but with reasonable drawing chances for Black] 28.♗he1! cxb3 29.

**axb3** **xb3** 30.**xb3** **xb3** 31.**xf6+** **xf6** 32.  
**xf6** **b7** 33.**g5** [33.**h4!**?] 33...**a7?**  
 [Presumably overlooking the main threat. There  
 is still some life in the black position after 33...  
**xc8** 34.**g3!**? **f8** 35.**e4!**] 34.**e4** **a2+**  
 35.**g3** 1-0.

**Wheeler – Wang**  
 French [C13]

1.**e4** **e6** 2.**d4** **d5** 3.**xc3** **xf6** 4.**g5** **e7** 5.**e5**  
**fd7** 6.**h4** **h6** 7.**xe7** **xe7** 8.**f4** **a6** 9.**xd2** **c5**  
 10.**xf3** **xc6** 11.0-0 **b5** 12.**dx5** **xc5** 13.**xd4**  
**xd4** 14.**xd4** **xd4** 15.**xd4** **xb8** 16.**h3**  
**xc6** 17.**h1** **h5** 18.**e2** **xe7** 19.**a3** **h7** 20.**xa2**  
**g6** 21.**b4** **xa7** 22.**xc3** **hxc8** 23.**ddd3** **xc4** 24.  
**xf3** **xc3** 25.**xc3** **xc8** 26.**xd2** **xd8** 27.**xc1**  
**xc3** 28.**xc3** **xc7** 29.**xb3** **xb6** 30.**g4** **hxg4**  
 31.**hxg4** **xc6** 32.**h5** **gxh5** 33.**hxh5** **e8** 34.**xc5**  
**xd8** 35.**xb3** **xc6** 36.**xd4** **xd4** 37.**xd4** **xc6**  
 38.**c3!** [The immediate 38.**f5** **exf5** 39.**xf3!** (39.  
**exf6** 40.**xe8+** **xd6** is not so clear) 39...**xb7**  
 40.**xd5+** **xc6** 41.**xf7** **f4** gives Black some  
 counterplay though likely not enough to draw  
 but the excellent waiting move is quickly deci-  
 sive.] 38...**xb6** [38...**xd7** 39.**xc5** **xc7** is a bit  
 better for Black than the game but 40.**f5!** **exf5**  
 41.**e6** **fxe6** 42.**xe8** **f4** 43.**h5** is still winning  
 for White] 39.**f5!** **exf5** 40.**e6** **fxe6** 41.**xe8** **xc7**  
 42.**xe5** **xd8** 43.**xf7** 1-0.

The last round saw a marked change in fortunes as both leaders lost their games. Garbett was about equal against McLaren but a miscalculation cost him a pawn and Leonard duly converted the pawn into a point. Theoretically this gave Zakaria a chance to finish first equal but a blunder allowed Spain a quick forced win. This left McLaren and Spain sharing second place on 3½, a score which could still be matched by a winner in the game Bennett-Wheeler. The latter picked up no fewer than four pawns and the subsequent loss of a piece after some interesting tactics hardly mattered so Wheeler joined the group on 3½. Paul Beach could also have finished on 3½ had he managed to win against Smith in a game which could have gone either way. Beach, however, made the last mistake, turning a significant advantage into an instant loss.

**Bennett – Wheeler**  
 Sicilian [B30]

1.**xf3** **c5** 2.**e4** **xc6** 3.**xc3** **d6** 4.**g3** **g6** 5.**h3** **g7**  
 6.**g2** **e5** 7.0-0 **ge7** 8.**d3** 0-0 9.**h4** **e6** 10.**f4**  
**xd7** 11.**h2** **f5** 12.**xe3** **b6** 13.**xd2** **d5** 14.**exd5**  
**xd5** 15.**xd5** **xd5** 16.**xf3** **exf4** 17.**xf4**  
**xb2** 18.**bae1** **g7** 19.**c4** **xf3** 20.**xf3** **bae8**  
 21.**xd5+** **h8** 22.**h4** **xb4** 23.**xf3** **xd3** 24.**g2**  
**xc4** 25.**h5** **xa2** 26.**f2** **xf7** 27.**xd1** **xd8** 28.  
**fd2** **xd4** 29.**xd4** **xd4** 30.**xd4** **xd4** 31.  
**e5+** **g8** 32.**xd6** **xa2** 33.**xa2+** **xa2** 34.  
**xd5+** **f7** 35.**xa2** **gxh5** 36.**g2** **d3** 37.**xf3** **xc**  
**g7** 38.**xf7** **xf7** 39.**xb8** **a6** 40.**xc7** **b5** 41.**xa5**  
**xe6** 42.**xe3** **xe5** 43.**xd3** **f4** 44.**xc7+** **xf5** 45.  
**gxf4** **h4** 46.**xe3** **b4** 47.**e5** **a5** 48.**xd6** **b3** 49.  
**xa3** **h3** 50.**xf3** **h2** 51.**g2** **xf4** 52.**hxh2** **xe3**  
 53.**g2** **xd2** 0-1.

**Smith, R – Beach**  
 Benoni [A69]

1.**d4** **xf6** 2.**xf3** **c5** 3.**d5** **e6** 4.**c4** **exd5** 5.**exd5** **d6**  
 6.**xc3** **g6** 7.**e4** **g7** 8.**xe2** 0-0 9.0-0 **xe8** 10.  
**xd2** **a6** 11.**a4** **xb7** 12.**f4** **c4** 13.**xc4** **xc5** 14.  
**f5** **xcxe4** 15.**dxex4** **fxex4** 16.**fxex4** **fxex4** 17.  
**xd3** **h4** 18.**g3** **h5** 19.**fxg6** **fxg6** 20.**xe2** **xb6+**  
 21.**h1** **f5** 22.**a5** **xc5** 23.**xf4** **exd5?** [23...  
**xb2** 24.**a2** **xe5**] 24.**xb3** **h8?** [24...**xe6**  
 25.**xb7** **xa7** 26.**xa7** **xa7** 27.**xc4** **xe5**] 25.  
**xe3?** [25.**xf1!** **xd4** 26.**a4!** (26.**h1** **xe4+**  
 27.**xf3** **hb5**) 26...**xb2** 27.**xd5** **xe2** 28.**xc4**  
 ±] 25...**xc6** 26.**xf3** **hb5** [26...**xe6!**?] 27.**xf7?**  
 [27.**xd3!**?] 27...**d5??** [27...**xd7** 28.**xc4** **d5** 29.  
**h4** (29.**xd3** **xf5**) 29...**xd6** 30.**xd4** **xe6** 31.  
**hxg7+** **hxg7** 32.**xd4+** **g8**] 28.**xd4** 1-0.

**McNabb – Krstev**  
 Benoni [A67]

1.**d4** **xf6** 2.**c4** **c5** 3.**d5** **e6** 4.**xc3** **exd5** 5.**exd5** **d6**  
 6.**e4** **g6** 7.**f4** **g7** 8.**hb5+** **fd7** 9.**a4** 0-0 10.  
**xf3** **xa6** 11.**xa6** **bxax6** 12.0-0 **hb8** 13.**xc2**  
**xb6** 14.**a5** **xb3** 15.**xe2** **xc3** 16.**xa3** **xb5** 17.  
**xb5** **axb5** 18.**bxc3** **xe8** 19.**e5** **xb7** 20.**h1**  
**h8** 21.**a6** **xa8** 22.**xa5** **xb6** 23.**c4?** [23.**xb5**  
 was the natural move but Black enjoys an ini-  
 tiative after 23...**xd5**.] 23...**dxex5?**! [23...**bxc4**  
 24.**exd6** **xd6** 25.**xc5** **xd5** is clearly better for  
 Black but the position is not at all clear after the  
 text.] 24.**xb5** **xc4** 25.**xc5** **e4** 26.**xc4** **exf3**

27.**xc4** **fxg2** 28.**hxg2** **xe2+** [28...**xd5** 29.  
**xd5** **xd8** 30.**xf2** **xd5** 31.**xe3** **xd7**] 29.**h3**  
**h6** 30.**f5** **h2** 31.**fxg6** **hxg6** 32.**xf4** **xa6** 33.**d6**  
**xc6** [33...**a5** 34.**g4** (34.**d7??** **h5+** 35.**g4**  
**f5+** 36.**g3** **g2#**) 34...**h5** 35.**h4** **xc6** 36.**d7**  
**f5+** 37.**h3** **xd7** 38.**g3** **f4+** 39.**xd7** **fxg3** =]  
 34.**xc4??** [34.**d7** **xd7+** 35.**g3** **xf4** 36.**xf4**  
**xf6+** and a draw is the likely result] 34...**a3+**  
 35.**g3** **xd7+** 36.**h4** **xf5** 0-1.

**Saksena – Johnson**  
 Sicilian [B86]

1.**e4** **c5** 2.**xf3** **e6** 3.**d4** **exd4** 4.**xd4** **xf6** 5.**xc3**  
**d6** 6.**xc4** **a6** 7.**xf3** **xc7** 8.**xb3** **xe7** 9.0-0 **xc6**  
 10.**xc6** **bx6** 11.**g3** 0-0 12.**f4** **d5** 13.**exd5**  
**exd5** 14.**xe3** **xc5** 15.**xc5** **xc5+** 16.**h1** **xd7**  
 17.**h1** **fd8** 18.**f5** **h8** 19.**h4** **h8** 20.**f3**  
**xc6** 21.**g3** **e5?** [21...**h6** ∞] 22.**hxg7!** [22...**xc**  
**g7** 23.**g5+** **h8** 24.**xf6+** **g8** 25.**xd3** **fd8**  
 26.**g3+** **xf8** 27.**g7** **xe7** (27...**xd7** 28.**hxh7**)  
 28.**g8+** **hxg8** 29.**xe7** +-] 1-0.

So Paul Garbett took home \$500 while the three runners-up shared another \$630. This was a dominating performance by Paul whose unfortunate blunder came only when his sole remaining rival was in trouble on the next board. Of the three runners-up Spain met the strongest field, McLaren was very solid and Wheeler played some interesting games and was perhaps favoured by the draw. Bruce seems to be something of a nemesis for Wang if what I hear about Auckland Centre tournaments is correct, perhaps a "how-to" article for those of us who seem not to have "the knack" would be a nice idea! Puchen was not really very conspicuous in this tournament, only once playing among the top three boards, yet he played three of the four main prize winners on his way to winning the first under-2000 prize of \$150. Kaushik Saksena finished the tournament with a last round flourish and took the second under-2000 prize of \$100.

Player	Club	Rtg	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Pts	TB
1	Garbett P.A.	NS	2313	W13	W6	W7	W2	L3	4
2	Spain G.A.	GA	2156	W14	D5	W4	L1	W6	3½
3	McLaren L.J.	NS	2243	W10	D11	D5	D9	W1	3½
4	Wheeler B.	AC	2047	D15	W16	L2	W5	W9	3½
5	Wang P.	AC	1992	W8	D2	D3	L4	W13	3
6	Zakaria F.	-	2125	W12	L1	W11	W7	L2	3
7	Smith R.W.	WT	2308	W18	W9	L1	L6	W10	3
8	Krstev A.	NS	2089	L5	D15	D16	W12	W14	3
9	Bennett H.P.	HA	2052	W17	L7	W15	D3	L4	2½
10	Beach P.K.	AC	2008	L3	D17	W12	W11	L7	2½
11	Saksena K.	AC	1865	W99	D3	L6	L10	W18	2½
12	McCrowe J.	PT	2000	L6	W18	L10	L8	W15	2
13	Thurner C.	-	2020	L1	D14	D50	W17	L5	2
14	McNabb M.	AC	2005	L2	D13	D50	W16	L8	2
15	Brimble M.T.	WT	1894	D4	D8	L9	D18	L12	1½
16	Lynn K.W.	HA	1756	D50	L4	D8	L14	D17	1½
17	Hair P.I.	NS	1921	L9	D10	D50	L13	D16	1½
18	Johnson Q.J.	CA	2015	L7	L12	W99	D15	L11	1½

The larger B-grade event naturally featured closer scoring. Top seed Vivian Smith, regular competitor Graham Pocock and Jeremy Browne all started with two wins, drew in round 3 and won again in round 4 to share the lead going into the last round. A half-point behind, on 3 points, was a group of six players so

nine players had a clear interest in the top placings. Smith-Pocock was a closely fought draw which ended in repetition and Browne versus Daniel Johns followed a similar course so the three leaders all reached 4 points. Several other players could have joined them. On board 3 Evgenia Sharomova drew with Chris Riding in

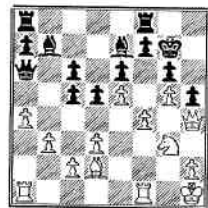
the longest game of the round (91 moves) while on board 4 Eric Book missed a forced win against David Xu in another junior clash. On board 5, however, Gino Thornton beat Hilton Jacobs to reach 4 points and share in a \$600 pay-out for the first place tie.

Thornton was top in the under-1500 grade with Terry Tangi second while Michael Zhang took the first under-1200 prize. The second under-1200 prize was shared six ways between Gwen Jones, Sue Maroroa, Alex Pan, Blair Robertson, Linton Rudkins and Michael Wu. Finally, Thornton won the special junior prize awarded to the top junior scorer in the B-grade tournament.

B-grade scores: 1-4 J.A.Browne, G.W. Pocock, V.J.Smith & G.Thornton 4; 5-10 J.E. Book, D.P.Johns, C.Riding, E.Sharomova, T.J.J. Tangi & D.Xu 3½; 11-15 M.Garland, J. Gesmundo, T.Gothorp, T.A.Maroroa & R. Stierand 3; 16-18 H.P.Jacobs, G.L.Judkins & M.Zhang 2½; 19-27 G.M.Jones, M.Krstev, J. Lin, S.Maroroa, M.K.Morrison, A.Pan, B.M.A. Robertson, L.R.Rudkins & M.Wu 2; 28 O.Lynn 1½; 29-33 G.C.Hansen, A.Maroroa, J.H. McRae, D.Smith & B.Turner 1.

**Tangi - Sharomova**  
Sicilian [B23]

1.e4 c5 2.♘c3 d6 3.f4 g6 4.♗f3 ♙g7 5.♙c4 ♘c6 6.♙b5 ♙d7 7.♙xc6 bxc6 8.d3 e6 9.0-0 d5 10.e5 ♘e7 11.g4 ♙b6 12.♘h1 h5 13.g5 ♗f5 14.♙e1 ♙b4 15.a3 ♙a5 16.♙d2 ♙a6 17.b3 ♙f8 18.♙f2 ♙e7 19.a4 0-0 20.♘e2 ♙c8 21.♘h4 ♘xb4 22.♙xb4 ♙b7 23.♘g3 ♘g7



24.f5! exf5 25.♙xf5 c4 [25...gxf5 is no improvement: 26.♘h5+ ♘g8 27.♘f6+ ♙xf6 28. ♙xf6 ♙fd8 29.♙g1+ ♘f8 30.♙h8#] 26.♘h5+!

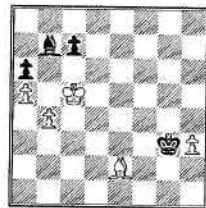
gxh5 27.♙xh5 c5 28.♙f6 d4+ 29.♘g1 ♙xf6 30. ♙xf6+ ♙xf6 31.♙h6+ ♘g8 32.exf6 1-0.

**Xu - Gothorp**  
Philidor [C41]

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 d6 3.♙c4 ♙e7 4.h3 h6 5.♘c3 c6 6.d3 ♙e6 7.♙b3 ♙xb3 8.axb3 ♙f6 9.♙e3 a6 10.0-0 ♘d7 11.b4 ♘e7 12.b5 cxb5 13.♘xb5 ♙c8 14.♘c3 ♙e6 15.d4 ♘g6 16.d5 ♙f6 17.♘e2 ♘h4 18.♘h4 ♙xh4 19.f4 ♙h5 20.c3 ♙e7 21. ♘g3 ♙xd1 22.♙fxd1 ♙c4 23.fxe5 ♘xe5 24.♙d4 0-0 25.♘f5 ♙c7 26.♙f4 ♙f6 27.♙dd1 ♙d8 28. ♙xe5 ♙xe5 29.♘f2 ♙c4 30.♘f3 h5 31.♘e3 ♙c7 32.♙a4 g6 33.♙c4 ♙de8 34.♙xc7 ♙xc7 35.♙a1 ♘f8 36.♙a4 ♘e7 37.♙c4 ♘d7 38.♙xc7+ ♘xc7 39.♘c4 ♙f6 40.♘f4 g5+ 41.♘f5 ♙d8 42.e5 ♙e7 43.e6 f6 44.♘g6 h4 45.♘f7 [Black lost on time but 45.♘f7 ♘d8 46.♘a5 is hopeless for him] 1-0.

**Riding - Xu**  
Nimzoindian [E21]

1.c4 e6 2.♘c3 ♘f6 3.d4 ♙b4 4.♙d2 0-0 5.♘f3 ♙xc3 6.♙xc3 b6 7.e3 ♙b7 8.♙c2 d5 9.cxd5 ♘xd5 10.♙d3 h6 11.♙d2 ♘c6 12.a3 ♙d6 13. ♙c1 e5 14.e4 ♘f6 15.d5 ♘a5 16.♙b4 ♘b3 17. ♙c3 ♘c5 18.♙xc5 bxc5 19.♘xe5 ♙fe8 20.f4 ♘d7 21.♘xd7 ♙xd7 22.♙xc5 ♙xd5 23.0-0-0 ♙c6 24.♙xc6 ♙xc6 25.♙he1 ♙ad8 26.g3 ♙d4 27.e5 ♙ed8 28.♙c2 ♙xd1+ 29.♙xd1 ♙xd1+ 30. ♙xd1 ♘f8 31.♘d2 ♘e7 32.♘c3 ♙b5 33.♙g4 ♙a6 34.♘d4 ♙b7 35.♘c5 g6 36.b4 h5 37.♙e2 f6 38.exf6+ ♘xf6 39.a4 a6 40.a5 g5 41.♙xh5 gxf4 42.gxf4 ♘f5 43.h3 ♘xf4 44.♙e2 ♘g3



45.♙xa6! ♙xa6 46.♘c6 ♘xh3 47.♘xc7 ♘g4 48.♘b6 ♙c4 49.a6 ♘f5 50.a7 ♙d5 51.b5 ♘e6 52.♘c7 ♙a8 53.b6 ♘d5 54.b7 ♙xb7 55.♘xb7

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**GLOBAL CHESS ENTERPRISES** invites entries for the inaugural Auckland International Open which will be held at the PAKURANGA COUNTRY CLUB, Botany Road, HOWICK from January 26 - 31, 2003. This will be an international open event with the number of entries limited to no more than 30. This will be an opportunity for unrated New Zealand chess players to achieve a FIDE rating and to play in an event against internationally rated competition. All New Zealand FIDE rated players are encouraged to participate in this exciting new event. A number of places are being reserved for overseas players but limited to 6 - 8 players. A maximum of approximately 10 unrated players will be able to enter. As there is a limit on the size of the field, priority will be given to early entries.

**VENUE:** The Oak Room, Pakuranga Country Club, Botany Road, Howick, Auckland

**DATES:** January 26 - 31, 2003

**FORMAT:** Nine Round Swiss

Sun 26 Round 1, Mon 27 Round 2 & 3, Tues 28 Round 4 & 5, Wed 29 Round 6 & 7, Thurs 30 Round 8, Fri 31 Round 9 using Fischer Time Control

**ARBITER:** Gary Bekker IA (Australia)

**ENTRY FEES:** Based on FIDE rating as follows:-

2300+ Free	2200+ \$50	2100+ \$75	2000+ \$100
Unrated \$125	Juniors (U20) \$100	GM's, IM's, overseas FIDE rated Free	FM's receive 20% discount off entry fee.

All entries should be accompanied with fee please.

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## Obituary: Dave Lynch

by Justin Davis

Sadly on 26 September 2002 one of New Zealand great players, Dave Lynch aged 92, passed away peacefully at the Hawkes Bay Regional Hospital.

"Most NZ Champions I have met were gentlemen but it will not be to their discredit that none of them have come up to Dave's level in this respect." - Zyg Frankel in NZ Chess Dec 86  
The above comment will be understood by anyone who had the pleasure of meeting Mr Dave Lynch. He was active in a great many organizations and charities, including bowls and Red Cross as well as being a local bridge champion. In his younger years, Dave was a keen sportsman trying his hand at hockey, tennis, golf and tramping. He also cycled around Europe in the 30's and was just able to get out when the war closed off the ports. He like so many of his generation was a Returned Serviceman.

### New Zealand Championships

Dave Lynch's national chess career started way back in the 1930's with his first NZ Championship in 1937. 1949 saw him win the North Island Championship and only missing out on winning the New Zealand title by a last round loss to his friend Alan Fletcher, costing Dave Lynch the title by half a point.

1951 saw Dave at his best, winning the New Zealand Championship.

"His strong defensive powers were in evidence when required while, once he got a winning advantage, by his strong positional play he seldom failed to capitalise on it." - Alan Fletcher in "New Zealand Chess player, Feb 1951"

1952 saw a new player on the New Zealand Chess scene Ortvin Sarapu. Fresh from overseas, where in 1949 he beat twice world chess challenger Bogoljubow. Such was Sarapu's strength above all other New Zealand players he was to win the New Zealand title the next six times he played for it - going on to win the New Zealand title a record twenty times and dominate New Zealand chess for decades to come. Back to the 1952 New Zealand Championship, no other New Zealand player could

match Sarapu and he mowed them down one after another to reach 10 out of 10. In the last round only the defending champion Dave Lynch (also unbeaten) stood in his way to a perfect 11 out of 11. Super solid Lynch held Sarapu back and when Sarapu could make no progress a draw was soon agreed. A great result looking back at Sarapu's results from this time. Sarapu himself went on to write:-

"Dave Lynch was at that time the next best player in New Zealand. He twice finished second to me in the championships. Only years later did his play decline, after his playing partner T G Paterson died in Hastings and Dave had few chess opportunities." - Sarapu in "Mr Chess" The Ortvin Sarapu Story "Dave was clearly my hardest opponent at the time" - Sarapu in "25 years of New Zealand Chess Championships"

Dave Lynch played in 17 NZ Championships between 1937 and 1963, winning in 1950/51 and finishing 2nd or 2nd= four times (1948/49, 1949/50, 1951/52 and 1953/54) and 3rd in 1957/58. Dave scored +72 =64 -56 in those 17 Championships. He was also a National Chess Master with 281 master points.

### Correspondence Chess

His many chess achievements don't stop there, he was also a very keen correspondence player, first joining the ranks of the New Zealand Correspondence Chess Association in 1939. David distinguished himself at correspondence chess winning the title of New Zealand Champion on three occasions in the 1940s and 1950s. He also achieved the title of National Correspondence Chess Master and served as the President from 1979 to 1998. It is indeed a unique occurrence that David honoured the Association and its members continuously over a period encompassing eight consecutive decades!

Dave played in 8 NZCCA championships: 13th, 3-4; 14th, 1st; 15th, 1st; 16th, 2nd; 24th, 1st; 25th, 4th; 41st, 10-11; and 42nd, 7th. He scored +51 =22 -13 in those events.

### Hawke's Bay Chess

After his days on the national scene Dave Lynch continued to be active in Hawke's Bay doing much to promote and raise the standard of chess in the Bay. The early 1980's also saw two grandmasters give simulms here, GM Chandler and GM Gufeld both were held to a draw by Dave. It wasn't until the 1980's when Dave was into his seventies that other players were able to complete with his great skill. Throughout this decade he continued to be the strongest Hawke's Bay player winning the regional championship and club championship many times. Even at this great age he was still the best rapid and lighting player winning the club tournaments numerous times in these events during this decade. Hawke's Bay for the last 23 years has run a very large junior tournament for school kids with over 400 kids playing. Dave would always been there helping out with an event which would have him on his feet all day, truly a great achievement in itself.

The 1990s saw Dave Lynch then in his eighties still able to win a strong Hawke's Bay Championship, interestingly enough, something a top new Zealand championship player (2100+) failed to do around this time.

In his mid-eighties he was still able to win the local club championship. He was still very active in the local chess club right up until the end of last year when he was in his nineties. Mr Dave Lynch is a great example of how chess keeps the mind sharp even at a great age, he was a true gentleman and his passing is a great loss for New Zealand and Hawke's Bay Chess. He will be sadly missed.

### Dave Lynch's games:

A sparkling effort from Dave who punished his opponent's early mistake very forcefully.

### Lynch, D - Belton,

C [D20]

47th NZ Chp, Dunedin, 1938

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.e3 c5 4.Bxc4 cxd4 5.Qb3 e6 6.Nf3 Nc6 7.0-0 Be7 8.Rd1 Bf6 9.Nc3 Qa5 10.Ne4 Qb4 11.Nxf6+ Nxf6 12.Qxb4 Nxb4 13.

Nxd4 Bd7 14.b3 0-0 15.Bb2 Nc6 16.Rac1 Kb8 17.Nb5 Ne8 18.Nd6 Nxd6 19.Rxd6 Rhg8 20.Rcd1 Kc7 21.e4 a6 22.f4 Na5 23.Be5 Kc8 24.Rxa6 bxa6 25.Bxa6+ Nb7 26.Rc1+ Bc6 27.Rxc6+ Kd7 28.Rc7+ Ke8 29.Rxb7 1-0

Here is Dave Lynch vs New Zealand best ever chess prodigy Rodney Phillips, who won the New Zealand title the year before in 1957 age 14! he was to win this event too but not before getting a chess lesson from Mr Lynch. This was his only loss in this event.

### Lynch, D - Phillips,

J [E62]

65th NZ Chp, Christchurch (2), 1958

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Nf3 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.g3 Bg4 7.Bg2 Nc6 8.Be3 e5 9.d5 Nd4 10.h3 Bxf3 11.Bxf3 Nd7 12.Bg2 f5 13.0-0 Nf6 14.f4 Nxe4 15.Bxe4 fxe4 16.Bxd4 exd4 17.Nxe4 c6 18.Qb3 Rb8 19.Ng5 Qd7 20.Ne6 Rf6 21.Rae1 Re8 22.Re2 Rfxe6 23.dxe6 Rxe6 24.Rfe1! Rxe2 25.Rxe2 Qxh3 26.Qd3 Qd7 27.Qe4 a6 28.b3 b5 29.Qe6+ Qxe6 30.Rxe6 Bf8 31.Re8 Kf7 32.Ra8 bxc4 33.bxc4 g5 34.fxg5 c5 35.Rxa6 Kg6 36.Ra3 Kxg5 37.Rf3 Bg7 38.a4 Be5 39.a5 d5 40.a6 Bb8 41.cxd5 Kg4 42.Kg2 c4 43.d6 c3 44.d7 Bc7 45.Rf4+ 1-0

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♙e4 ♖a8 ♗ and Black resigned on move 65, 1-0.

### Xu - Book Sicilian [B84]

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 ♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.♘e2 e6 7.0-0 ♘e7 8.♘e3 ♘c6 9.f3 ♘xd4 10.♘xd4 e5 11.♘e3 b5 12.a3 ♘e6 13.♗d2 0-0 14.♗fd1 ♗c7 15.♘d3 ♗ac8 16.♗f2 ♘d7 17.♗g3 ♘h8 18.♗f2 ♘c5 19.♘h1 ♗b8 20.♘xc5 dxc5 21.b3 c4 22.bxc4 bxc4 23.♗f1 ♘c5 24.♗e1 ♘d4 25.♗ab1 ♗a5 26.♗xb8 ♗xb8 27.♘d5 c3 28.♘b4 ♗xa3 29.♘xa6 ♗c8 30.♘d3 h6 31.♗b1 ♗e7 32.♘b4 ♗g5 33.h3 ♗f4 34.♘d5 ♘xd5 35.exd5 f5 36.♗b5 [36.♗c1!? ♘c3 37.♗e1 ♘d2 38.♗e2 ♗] 36...e4 37.fxe4 fxe4 38.♗xe4? [38.♗f1 ♗c3 ♗] 38...♗c1+ 39.♘h2 ♘g1+ 40.♘g3 ♗g5+ 41.♗g4 ♗e5+ 42.♘h4 ♘f2+ 43.g3 ♗f6+ [43...♗f8! 44.♗b4 ♘xg3+! 45.♗xg3 g5+ 46.♘g4 h5+ 47.♘xh5 ♗xg3+!] 44.♘h5 ♗e5+ ½-½.



**David I. Lynch** , (1951 New Zealand Chess Champion)  
"The Gentleman of New Zealand Chess"

### Obituary: GM Eduard Gufeld

by Paul Spiller

Eduard Gufeld was born in 1936, with his earlier chess years being spent in the highly competitive environment of the Soviet Union, without much chance to play abroad. He achieved the IM title in 1964 and the GM title in 1967. A lot of his best chess was played during those earlier years when he achieved international tournament wins at Gori and Tbilisi in 1971 and acted as Geller's second in the candidates matches. In later years Gufeld became much more of an international globetrotter and spent his last few years in the USA. He was a prolific writer and author of many chess books. GM Gufeld will be remembered by many New Zealand chess players for his visits to New Zealand during the 1980's, firstly his exhibition tour of NZ in the mid 80's when he played many simultaneous games (accompanied by Ortvin Sarapu), and then his return visit in 1988 when he competed in the Plaza International in Wellington, tying for first place with fellow GM's Spassky and Chandler, ahead of GM's Rogers, Christiansen and Susan Polgar.

I was not involved with his first New Zealand visit, but did watch him play in Wellington. Gufeld was one of those colourful characters that graced the world chess stage, called by some the "Friar Tuck" of the chess world, never-the-less a devoted and masterly practitioner of the noble game.

The following game GM Gufeld regarded as his personal "immortal game", just as every artist dreams of painting his Mona Lisa, this game remained Gufeld's realisation of that deep personal quest.

#### V.Bagirov - E.Gufeld

semi-finals USSR Championship, 1973

(Notes from Gufeld's annotations)

1 d4 g6 2 c4 Bg7 3 Nc3 d6 (His favourite King's Indian Defence, his consistent response to d4 based on the conviction that the defences' merits outweigh its defects.) 4 e4 Nf6 5 f3 0-0 6 Be3 Nc6 (At the time the contemporary method of fighting for the centre. Black aims directly at d4 and indirectly at the queenside (b5!) where the white king intends to hide)

7 Nge2 Rb8 (more usual here is a6) 8 Qd2 a6 9 Bh6 (Although thematic, Gufeld considered the exchange of Black's king bishop costs too much time and allows Black time for counterplay. Better was 9 Nc1, eg 9...e5 10 Nb3 exd4 11 Nxd4 Ne5 12 Be2! c6 13 Rd1 b5 14 cxb5 axb5 15 b4 Bd7 16 0-0 and white has the better game) 9...b5 10 h4 e5 (threatening Bxh6 and Nxd4, however this would still require energetic play to counter white's kingside attack) 11 Bxh7 Kxh7 12 h5 Kh8! (If 12...Nxh5 13 g4 Nf4 14 Nxf4 exf4 15 cxb5 axb5 16 Bxb5 Ne7 17 Qxf4 White is winning) 13 Nd5 (Better than 13 Qh6 because of 13...Ng8! and g5, blunting White's attack) 13...bxc4 14 hxg6 fxg6 15 Qh6!? (Analysis after the game showed the continuation 15 Nxf6 Qxf6 16 d5 to be stronger) 15...Nh5! (15...Rf7? allows 16 Qxg6 Qg8 17 Qxf6+) 16 g4 Rxb2! 17 gxh5 g5 18 Rg1 g4! (threatens Qh4+) 19 0-0-0 Rxa2 (The critical moment - later analysis showed that White's best chance lies in 20 Bh3! with the possible variation 20...Rxe2 21 Bxg4 Rf7 22 Bxc8 Qxc8 23 Nf6! Qb8! 24 Rg8+ Qxg8 25 Nxc8 Nb4!! 26 Rd2 Re1+ 27 Rd1 Re2 with a draw) 20 Nef4 exf4 21 Nxf4 Rxf4 22 Qxf4 c3! (Gufeld comments that the pawn at c3 remains a bayonet at the throat of the White king) 23 Bc4 (If 23 Qf7 Nb4 24 Bd3 Ra1+ 25 Bb1 Be6! 26 Qxe6 Qg5+ mates) 23...Ra3!! (After 23...Ra4 24 Bb3! stifles Black's attack. The key to the position seems to be the pawn on f3 eg 24 Rg2 Nb4 25 Kb1 c2+ 26 Rxc2 Rxf3 spells the end of White's resistance, so White removes this pawn) 24 fxg4 Nb4 25 Kb1(!) (White relied on this tactical stroke when playing 24 fxg4. If now 25...c2+ 26 Kb2 cxd1=Q 27 Rxd1 Black is momentarily a piece ahead but he must return it immediately because of the threat 28 Rf1!) 25...Be6!! 26 Bxe6 Nd3 (diagram) 27 Qf7 (If 27 Rxd3 Qb8+ leads to mate) 27...Qb8+ 28 Bb3 Rxb3+ 29 Kc2 Nb4+ 30 Kxb3 (30 Kc1 then 30...Rb1+ 31 Kxb1 Nd5+ mates) 30...Nd5+ 31 Kc2 Qb2+ 32 Kd3 Qb5+, 0 - 1

An extraordinary game by Gufeld.



## All Canterbury Chess Championship

The All Canterbury Chess Championship is over, and congratulations to Nick Cummings (1925) on winning the tournament with a Performance Rating of 2101. Next year the tournament should be FIDE, GCE, and NZCF rated. Arie Nijman won his last two games, as did Geoff Davies, to take 2nd and 3rd place respectively. Arie had a Performance Rating of 1905 and Geoff 1835. Brendan Reedy played well to win the Under 1700 Grade Prize, sharing 4th= with Ben Giles.

Craig Hall also won his last two games to make up for his two (and rare) losses the previous day. Peter Fraemohs played solid chess to come 6th= with Craig Hall and Chris Wright on an even score 2.5/5. Chris Wright came 2nd in the Under 1700 Grade with a Performance Rating of 1718. Apparently the Club has a rule that no player can win two prizes, otherwise Geoff Davies would have been first in the Under 1700 and Brendan Reedy 2nd.

Chris Benson, who has had an excellent chess year, had two rare losses in the last two rounds. Chris came 9th= with Peter Kay, on a solid 2/5 score. And finally, Ngawati Heremaia and the promising Robert Tau scored their points from bye results to take out 11th and 12th place respectively.

Overall it was a good tournament, relaxed and enjoyable on a quiet labour weekend. There were some good games in what was a strong playing field. And next year, hopefully a trophy will be up for grabs!!

### Round 1

1. DAVIES 0.5 GILES 0.5
2. CUMMINGS 1 REEDY 0
3. WRIGHT 1 HALL 0
4. NIJMAN 1 KAY 0
5. HEREMAIA 0 BENSON 1
6. FRAEMOHS 1 TAU 0

### Round 2

1. BENSON 0 CUMMINGS 1
2. FRAEMOHS 0 NIJMAN 1
3. GILES 1 WRIGHT 0
4. HALL 0 DAVIES 1

5. REEDY 1 KAY 0
6. HEREMAIA 1 Bye
7. TAU 0.5 Bye

### Round 3

1. CUMMINGS 1 NIJMAN 0
2. BENSON 1 GILES 0
3. DAVIES 0 FRAEMOHS 1
4. WRIGHT 1 HEREMAIA 0
5. TAU 0 REEDY 1
6. KAY 1 Bye
7. HALL 0.5 Bye

### Round 4

1. WRIGHT 0 CUMMINGS 1
2. NIJMAN 1 BENSON 0
3. REEDY 1 FRAEMOHS 0
4. KAY 0 GILES 1
5. HEREMAIA 0 DAVIES 1
6. TAU 0 HALL 1

### Round 5

1. GILES 0.5 CUMMINGS 0.5
2. NIJMAN 1 REEDY 0
3. DAVIES 1 BENSON 0
4. FRAEMOHS 0.5 WRIGHT 0.5
5. HALL 1 HEREMAIA 0
6. KAY 1 TAU 0

### N.Cummings – A. Nijman

#### Round 3

#### Notes by Nick Cummings

This was the Saturday night game, the third of the day, the brain was a little numb so I wanted to play something with a straightforward plan 1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 d5 3.e3 e6 4.Bd3 Bd6 5.0-0-0 6.Nbd2 c5 7.b3

The Colle-Zukertort system, white has a simple but effective plan. Develop quickly, castle, place a knight on e5 support with f4, place something big and heavy on h3 and deliver mate on h7 7...b6 8.Bb2 Bb7 9.Ne5 Nc6 10.f4 cxd4 11.exd4 Ne7 12.Qf3

so far fairly standard, here Qe2 followed by Rf3 ,Rh3 was another way of playing 12...Qc7 13.Qh3 Bb4? waste of time 14.c3 Bd6 15.Rae1 Ng6 16.Re3 a5 17.Rf2 to avoid having to swap bishops if Ba6 17...a4 18.Nxg6 white is going all out for mate now hxg6 19.Qh4 axb3 20.g4 Bxf4? (Be7 is better) 21.Rh3 Bh6

by Chris Wright

Had to think here, g5 or Rxf6 still dont know which is best 22.Rxf6!? e5?!

Computers dont like this, but they were not playing the game! In practice it looks a good try, I was starting to worry, if white doesnt break through very soon the position will fall apart 23.g5 Qe7 24.Bxg6!!

if the rook had moved away Qxg5 would of ended the attack 24...fxg6 25.Rxg6 Rf4?? Qf7 was the only hope but white was still better. This game although far from perfect is a good example of the Colle Zukertort, black is subjected to a strong attack and any slip can be fatal, perfect for an evening game when both players are tired 26.Rxh6 1-0

### B.Giles - N.Cummings

#### Round 5

#### Notes by Nick Cummings

This is the last round game, I needed a draw to win the tourney, decided not to play my normal 1...a6 and chose the English defence, i was soon wishing i had played a6!

1.d4 e6 2.c4 b6 3.Nc3 Bb7 4.e4 Nc6 5.d5 Nb4 6.a3 Na6

Often in boxing matches they describe the fight as a game of chess. This was more like boxing. This game reminded me of the famous rumble in the jungle between Ali and Foreman. For non-boxing fans Alis tactics were to stay on the ropes and allow Foreman to punch himself out.

It worked and Ali eventually won 7.Bd3 Ne7 8.Nge2 Ng6 9.f4 Nc5 10.Bc2 a5 11.Be3 Be7 12.0-0 d6 13.Bxc5

White makes up his mind, he loses one of his best pieces but prevents black from castling and sets up an attack. The other option was a slower build up.

13...bxc5 14.Ba4+ Kf8 15.Ng3 Bf6 in order to carry out his attack white needs to liquidate in the centre, black is hoping that he can survive and end up with a great knight on e5 or rampaging bishops

16.dxe6 fxe6 17.f5 black is on the ropes now 17...exf5 18.Rxf5 Ne5 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.Qxd5 Rb8 21.Nh5 Ke7 22.Raf1 Rf8

White now misses the knockout punch, who wouldn't? Nxg7 Bxg7 Rxf8 Bxf8 Qg8 WINS Took a 2600 rated computer to find this 23.g4 White now sees the Nxg7 idea , wrongly thinking it works better when the knight is on g4

23...Nxg4 24.Nxg7!? Qc8 25.Rxf6 White misses his last chance to retain the advantage with 25.e5! Nxe5 26.Nh5 25...Nxf6 26.Qg5? Qg4+

Its all over for white now, once the queens come off black will have a fairly straightforward technical win. However i only needed a draw to win the tourney so offered one, my opponent had little choice but to accept 1/2-1/2

Place	Player	NZCF Rating	Score
1	CUMMINGS	1925	4.5
	NIJMAN	1801	4
3	DAVIES	1685	3.5
4th=	GILES	1996	3
	REEDY	1581	3
6th=	FRAEMOHS	1702	2.5
	WRIGHT	1532	2.5
	HALL	1806	2.5
9th=	BENSON	1765	2
	KAY	1350	2
11th	HEREMAIA	1159	1
12th	TAU	unr	0.5

## Chess Book Reviews

by Michael Stevenson

Summer's almost here and if it gets too hot you mightn't like to get your chess books and board out - so this month, let's cover some chess cds and a video.

**The Scheming Scandinavian with 2...Qxd5**  
Bad Bishop Chess Videos are a new company that have just started to make chess videos. In this their first video, Andrew Martin, who is a well known writer and teacher, will take you through all you need to know to start playing this defence. (Tape 2 hours and 18 minutes.) The 2... Qxd5 is the system Andrew shows you how to play - but don't worry if white goes off in a sideline, that is covered as well. Nineteen complete games are also covered so you can see how this defence works right from the opening through to the end game. Andrew's video is very professional and will give you enough knowledge to start playing this defence as black!

### Scandinavian - Chessbase Training cd

Curt Hansen is one of the top grandmasters who uses the Scandinavian as one of his main defences against e4. On his cd he shares some of his secrets about this easy-to-learn and play defence. 2...Qxd5 is covered as well as 1. e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6. There are some 29,000 games on his cd and around 500 are annotated, so it features something to cater for all chess tastes. If you don't know about Chessbase cds, Curt well covers the defence in plain English, with annotated, and unannotated games that are threaded through the "chapters" of his cd. He shows you the strategies of this defence. This cd, I believe, is best for advanced players or those who wish to learn about the 2...Nf6 line, and is a good buy. The video is more suitable if you are learning the defence from scratch.

### The Chess Machine Jose Raul Capablanca - Pickard & Son Publishers

In an Internet poll last year Capablanca come out in the top five of all-time chess players. Playing though his games you can see that he was a natural talent at the chess board and at writing about the game. In this cd, by Tim Sawyer, you not only get over 1,200 games (80 games annotated by Capablanca himself) but also 3 c-books as well. One of the books is "Chess Fundamentals" which all chess players should be encouraged to read. Tim's cd has photos, theme keys and music from Capablanca's good friend Andreas Segovia. A great buy that will give hours of fun and learning and you'll want to come back to it time and again.

### King's Indian with h3 - Chessbase Training cd

Are you looking for an attack against the KID? or does playing against the KID fill you with fear? Then this cd may be for you. This system with h3 is not well known by most club players - however, it's not as bad as it looks. In his cd Martin Breutigam, one of Germany's strongest players, shows how to play the opening through some 150 games in which the basic ideas are shown, that previously theory overlooked. The page 'Basic Knowledge', Structures and Motives in positions with e7 - e5, is a 'must read' for people who wish to play h3.

In the last column I wrote about downloading games etc from the Internet. In the next column, starting from the basics I intend to write about Chessbase 8 which is one of the best programs for storing games and more on your computer, together with Fritz 7 (the talking chess program) which is similar to having a grandmaster as your coach. Kosten's book on the English promised last time will be featured as well.

New Zealand Chess Supplies for all chess software and videos.

## Junior Chess

by Felicity Timings

The **Inter-schools Chess Team Competitions** updates are:

### Secondary:

**Westlake Boys High School**, Auckland, won against **St Paul's Collegiate**, Hamilton. In Wanganui the match between **Wanganui High School** and Wellington's **Tawa College** did not take place, unfortunately, as the players were involved in exams.

**South Island** - Winners of the South Island title are **Aranui High School**

### Intermediate:

Another North Island regional final was held, between **Southwell Intermediate** (Central North Is) and **Kokohuia Intermediate** (Wanganui). The results were:

Round 1 Southwell 1 - 3 Kokohuia  
Round 2 Southwell 1 - 3 Kokohuia

Kokohuia won 6 - 2

Then the winners of the regional matches - **Kokohuia**, **Remuera** (who had won the Auckland regional competition) and **Discovery Intermediate** (who had won against Masterton) all got together in Wanganui for a North Island Intermediate Final, which was won by **Remuera Intermediate**. See the report below.

Remuera will now play **Heaton Intermediate** (South Island Winner) in the National Final.

### Primary:

In the regional final between **Southwell** (Central North Island) and **St. George's** (Wanganui) Primary schools, the results were:

Round 1 Southwell 3 - 1 St. George's  
Round 2 Southwell 1 - 3 St. George's

Tie Break Southwell 0 - 4 St. George's

The North Island final was then held between **St Helier's Primary** (Auckland regional winners), **Eastern Hutt** (who had previously won against Carterton in their play-off) and **St George's Primary**. This was won by St Helier's. See the report below.

**St Heliers** will now play South Island finalists **Ilam Primary** for the national title.

### North Island Primary and Intermediate Schools' Final (Report by Allan Short, Wanganui Chess Club)

On Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October St. George's Prep School, Wanganui hosted the North Island Primary and Intermediate Schools' Chess Finals. Three Schools were represented in each section. St. Heliers (P) and Remuera (I) as winners of the Auckland regional competition. St. George's (P) and Kokohuia (I) as winners of the Central North Island play offs and Eastern Hutt (P) and Discovery (I) as winners of the Lower North Island play offs.

The schools competed in a double round robin event with a time control of 30/30. To many of our older chess players this may seem a strange 'rapid play' time control to use for a National Final however despite much encouragement, the students all failed to take heed of the advice to "slow down", and the clock was never in danger of deciding the result of any game!

The Primary competition result was never in any doubt after St. Heliers (Jason Wu, James Lo, Christian Tan, Emma Thomson-Hensman, Joseph Wu) whitewashed both of their opponents 4-0 in the opening two rounds. They played some excellent chess and fully deserved their victory. Credit must go to St. George's who remained undefeated after this early setback and actually held St. Heliers to a 2-2 draw in their reverse fixture, the only points St. He-

liers dropped in the day. Eastern Hutt School found the competition extremely tough but battled well to secure a draw with St. George's in their final match.

Kokohuia School were in the finals for the second year in succession and hopeful of taking the title outright this year. Their first game against Remuera ( Darius Ashrafi, Prathik Balakrishna, Swaminath Sadam, Timothy Lim) set the pattern for the day, too many players moving too quickly and promising positions wasted. The Auckland players capitalized on the errors and comfortably won 3-1. In the next game Discovery School was brushed aside 4-0 and Remuera were on their way to an Auckland double.

Complacency is often an unwelcome partner to success and this was highlighted in spectacular fashion as the Discovery Board 1 gave mate on move four against an embarrassed young Aucklander in their reverse match. However those of you following the Kramnik vs. Deep Fritz match in Bahrain will be heartened by the fact that even the greatest of us are human after all... Kramnik's extraordinary blunder of a whole piece in game 5 reminding us that 'Pride really does come before a fall', particularly if we move too quickly!!

All enjoyed the chess, the lunch and the Wanganui sunshine. Thank you to all of the teams for traveling to the event; to Kokohuia for billeting some players at their school; to Wanganui Chess Club for their support and to St. George's School for their organization and hospitality.

**Results:**

**Primary**

- 1<sup>st</sup> St. Heliers (Auckland)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> St. George's (Wanganui)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Eastern Hutt (Wellington)

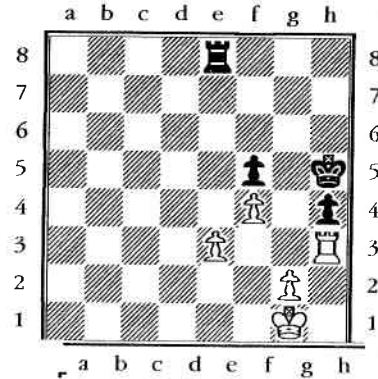
**Intermediate**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Remuera Int. (Auckland)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Kokohuia (Wanganui)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Discovery (Wellington)

**Chess Puzzle:**

Sadler-Onischuk, Cuxhaven, 1994.

White played 1 g3 Is it safe for Black to take on e3?



**Solution next issue.**

**Solution to August's puzzle:**

Here white can win with a kind of cascading knight fork, but to set it up he must first sacrifice his queen: 1. Qa8+ Kxa8 2. Nxb6+ Kb8 3. Nxd7+ and then 4. Nxf8. The white knight single-handedly annihilates the entire enemy army!

**Solution to April's puzzle:**

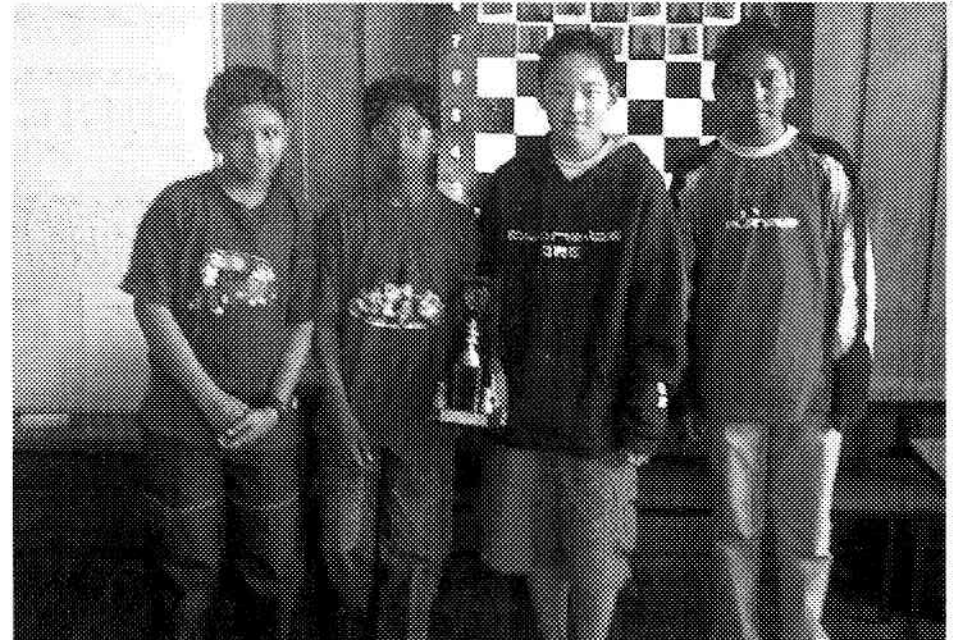
(Supplied by David Shead, Masterton Chess Club – Unfortunately this was not printed in the last issue)

**The solution to the Ljubojevic-Browne position is:-**

- 1. ... Kd5 !
- and after the pawns promote the bad position of the white king is fatal !
- 2. b4 f5 3. b5 f4
- 4. b6 Kc6 ! 5. Ka6 f3
- 6. b7 f2
- 7. b8(Q) f1(Q)+
- 8. Ka5
- (if 8. Ka7 Qa1#)
- 8. ... Qa1+
- 9. Kb4 Qb1+ and the queen is lost.



St. Heliers School ( Joseph Wu, Emma Thomson-Hensman, Jason Wu, Christian Tan and James Lo) – Winners of the North Island Primary Schools Competition 2002



Remuera Intermediate School (Darius Ashrafi, Swaminath Sadam, Timothy Lim and Prathik Balakrishna) – Winners of the North Island Intermediate Schools Chess Competition 2002

## Correspondence Chess

by Gordon Hoskyn

**The following profile is by long-time c.c. player, Ken Reed, of Christchurch:**

I began playing chess aged nine and was taught by the son of a woman who nursed me in hospital at around that time. I remember this college kid (bully?) giving me many hidings on the chessboard and taking great delight at the fact! Soon after, I was playing quite well and was rarely seen without at least a pocket chessboard in my hands. Appearing at school with it, I took on whomever during the breaks. This, at a time when chess was popular due to the publicity evoked in the Fischer-Spassky match 1972. In the 4th form, I played a simultaneous against 20 others in a classroom organized by my teacher, and won them all, much to my teacher's delight!

Not satisfied with beating all my friends at school, on the weekends I appeared at their homes and more often than not, beat up on their fathers as well! I was several times school champion.

For further experience, I played regularly at the Nelson Chess Club during my early teens. A highlight was playing a former N.Z. Champion (Tom van Dijk). The game dragged on and attracted quite an audience. Well into the end-game he beat me, then declared to all assembled: "He's pretty good!"

I joined the N.Z.C.C.A. in 1973, and apart from a short period, have been a member ever since. Having joined, I soon found that I was perhaps not so "pretty good" after all! Lethargic and indifferent play led to disappointing results. I would have to wait for another twenty or so years before any real success!

However, I have made some very good and long-term friendships, including Sandy Maxwell, Gordon Hoskyn, and Julian Larsen, (none of whom I have ever met!)

My play began to improve somewhat when I encountered Alan Fletcher in a TT3 round in the early nineties. He was very encouraging and full of support. He taught me that success really depends on working on your games and avoiding errors. I received further support from the

then D.O.P. Ken Austin who I will always regard as a very kind man. (These are the only two people I have met face-to-face in over a quarter century of correspondence chess play!) Perhaps because of his "seduction", I took over from him as D.O.P. for the Trophy Tourneys in 1993.

As Director, I always tried to be fair and concise with my decisions, and to reply to disputes quickly. Most importantly, I made decisions based on the rules of the Association and usually found that that was correct. I enjoyed my time as D. O.P, but both poor health and general commitments forced a rethink and I gave way to Peter Voss.

Curiously, during my time as D.O.P. when my administrative commitments might be expected to adversely affect my chess, the opposite was true, and I began to put more effort than ever into my games. Results were good, 1= in TT2 in 1998/99 and 4= in the Handicap Tourney 1996. It was a very successful, "creative" period for me.

Here's a pleasing win in TT2, 1998-99:

**Reed,K – Veldhuizen,J**

[D08]

NZCCA TT2, 1998

[Notes by Ken Reed]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e5 3.dxe5 d4 4.♗f3 ♘c6 5.♗bd2 ♘c6 6.g3 ♗ge7 7.♗g2 ♗d7 8.0-0 ♗g6 9.♗a4 ♘e7 10.♗b3 d3 11.♗d1 ♗gxe5 12.♗xe5 ♗xe5 13.♗xd7+ ♘xd7 14.exd3 0-0-0 15.♘e3? ♗g4 16.f3! ♗xf3 17.♗xf3 ♗xf3+ 18.♗g2 ♗e5 19.♗d4 f6 20.a3 g5 21.♗e1 ♗c6 22.♗ad1 ♗xd4 23.♗xd4 ♘xa3 24.♗e6!? ♗xb2 25.♗xd8 ♗xd8 26.♗b1 ♗d4 27.♗xb7 ♗d7 28.♗b5 c6 29.♗b7+ ♗d6 30.♗ee7 ♗a8

Veldhuizen: I thought I had the advantage up 'til move 30 when I played Ra8. I think pawn a5 would have given you a few headaches! But if 30...a5 31.♗bd7+ ♗c5 32.♗a7 ♗b4 33.♗a6 c5 34.♗ea7.

31.♗bd7+ ♗c5 32.♗xa7 ♗xa7 33.♗xa7 ♗b4 34.♗a6 c5 35.♗f3 h5 36.♗d6!

Threatening to win simply with 37.Rxd4 cxd4

38.Ke4 Kc3? 39.c5!

36...♗c3 37.♗e4 g4??

Losing! Better is 37...Be5!?

38.♗xd4 f5+

This doesn't make any difference because

White does not have to play 39.Kxf5.

39.♗d5 cxd4 40.c5 ♗xd3 41.c6 ♗e3 42.c7 d3 43.c8 ♗d2 44.♗c2! ♗e2 45.♗e5 ♗e1 46.♗xf5 d1 ♗47.♗xd1+ ♗xd1 48.♗g5 ♗e2 49.♗xh5 ♗f3 50.♗h4 ♗g2 51.♗xg4 ♗xh2 52.♗h4 ♗g2 53.g4 ♗f3 54.g5 ♗f4 55.g6 ♗f5 56.g7 ♗g6

Veldhuizen: We'll meet again. 1-0

This is perhaps my favourite game, played on board 8 for N.Z. against Sweden in an international teams match. My opponent was International Master Lars Andersson:

**Andersson,L – Reed,K**

[A00]

International teams

[Notes by Ken Reed]

1.b4!? e5 2.♗b2 ♘xb4 3.f4 exf4 4.♗xg7 ♗h4+ 5.g3 fxg3 6.♗g2 gxxh2+ 7.♗f1 hxg1 ♗+ 8.♗xg1 ♗g4 9.♗xh8 ♘c5+ 10.d4 ♗b6 11.♗c3 ♗c6 12.e3 ♗g5 13.♗d3 d6 14.♗f1! ♗ce7

In order to play ...Bf5.

15.♗e4 ♗g6 16.♗f6+ ♗xf6 17.♗xg6 fxg6 18.♗xf6 h5! 19.♗xe7 ♗xe7 20.♗e4 ♗e6! 21.a3 Not 21.Bxg6 Rg8!; or if 21.Bxb7 Rb8 22. Be4 Bxa2.

21...d5 22.♗d3 c5 23.c3

Not 23.dxc5 Bxc5 and White has weak pawns on black squares.

23...c4!

Fixing White's pawn on c3 where Black's Bishop can attack it and White's rook has to defend it.

24.♗b1 ♘a5 25.♗c1 ♗f8 26.♗g2 ♗g4 27.♗hf1 ♗xf1 28.♗xf1 g5!

It seems sensible to mobilise Black's king-side advantage.

29.e4!

And White creates a passed pawn in the centre.

29...dxe4 30.♗xe4 b5 31.♗f2

Not 31.♗c6? a6 32.♗b7 ♗d6 33.♗xa6 ♗c6 and

White has a trapped bishop.

31...♗c7?

Taking pressure of the c-pawn. Better is 31...h4!

32.♗e1 ♗d7?

Again, 32...h4 is possibly better – eg, 32...h4

33.♗c6+ ♗d6 34.♗xb5? ♗f3 should win.

33.♗b1 ♘a5 34.♗xb5 ♗xc3 35.♗e3!

With these moves the players are agreeing to a draw.

35...♗d1 36.♗c5 ♗b3 37.♗xg5 ♗b2 38.♗xh5

♗xa3 39.♗a5 ♗c1+ 40.♗e2 c3

A thoroughly absorbing game. Andersson: You defended yourself very well. ½-½

**Trophy tourney progress**

As at 25 October 2002.

69<sup>th</sup> Championship: G A Hoskyn and A J Short 6/10, T J Doyle 4/5, E G A Frost 3.5/7, M L Dunwoody 3 /4, P J Voss 2.5/4, J C Rapp 2.5/5, E N Roberts 2.5/7, B G Walsh 2/6, H P Bennett 1.5/3, P B Goffin 1.5/4, B W Millar 1/6.

Latest results: HOSKYN beat Voss, drew Walsh. SHORT beat Bennett, drew Voss, Walsh. DOYLE beat Walsh, drew Frost. FROST beat Walsh, Millar, drew Roberts. DUNWOODY beat Rapp, drew Millar. Voss beat Millar. RAPP beat Walsh, Goffin, drew Roberts. ROBERTS drew Walsh, Goffin. WALSH drew Millar. BENNETT beat Frost

Reserve Championship: R J Weston 6/6, G D Putt 1.5/5, B M Williams 1.5/6, K G Reed 1/1, B J Edwards 1 /2, D E Dolejs 1/3. G E Lovelock 0/1. Latest results: WESTON beat Putt, Edwards, Lovelock. PUTT beat Williams, drew Williams. WILLIAMS beat Dolejs. EDWARDS beat Putt. DOLEJS beat Williams.

TT2: W R Smillie 5/5, P E Rossiter 2/5, P C King 1 /2, W Anderson 1 /4, D I Bell 0/2. Latest results: SMILLIE beat Rossiter, King, Anderson. ROSSITER Beat Anderson, Bell.

TT3: S J Mannix 5/5, J W H Atkinson 1 /2, A W Hendry 1/3, G H Mills 0/1, Purvis 0/3.

Latest result: HENDRY beat Mills.

Overseas News

by Peter Stuart

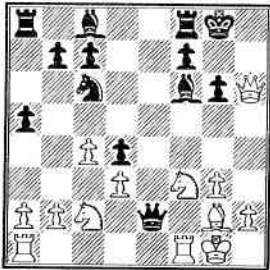
ELISTA

The Botvinnik Memorial comprised two 10-player round-robins. The A-tournament was won by GMs Janis Klovans (67, LAT) and Svetozar Gligoric (79, YUG) who scored 6 points. There followed: 3-5 IM Nikitin (RUS), GM Razuvaev (RUS) & GM Taimanov (RUS) 5½; 6 GM Vasiukov (RUS) 5; 7 IM Karasev (RUS) 3½; 8-9 IM Bykhovsky (RUS) & IM Zhukovitsky (RUS) 3; 10 GM Gaprindashvili (GEO) 2.

Vasiukov - Bykhovsky

Bird's Opening [A03]

1.f4 d5 2.♘f3 g6 3.g3 ♘g7 4.♘g2 ♖c6 5.c4 d4 6.d3 ♗h6 7.♗a3 0-0 8.♖c2 a5 9.0-0 e5 10.♙xe5 ♗g4 11.♘g5 ♗e8 12.♗d2 h6 13.♘xf6 ♗xf6 14.exf6 ♘xf6 15.♗xh6 ♗xe2



16.♙ae1! ♗xc2 17.♗g5 ♘g5 18.♗xg5 ♗b4? [18...♘d7 19.♗f2 ♗xd3 20.♘f1 ♗f5 21.♙xf5 ♘xf5 and Black is not without hope of a draw. After the text, however, White has a forced win.] 19.♙xf7! ♗xd3 [Or 19...♙xf7 20.♗xg6+ ♗f8 21.♗h6+ ♗g7 22.♗f6+ ♗g8 (22...♙f7 23.♗h8#) 23.♙e8+ ♗h7 24.♘c4+ and mate in 2] 20.♙xf8+ 1-0.

FRENCH CHAMPIONSHIP

Etienne Bacrot won his fourth consecutive title in a very close race with Joel Lautier. Going in to the last round Bacrot led by half a point but drew with third placed Josif Dorfman

while Lautier beat Bricard. The play-off comprised two games at 15 minutes per player plus 5 seconds per move; Bacrot won the first of these and drew the second.

Scores: 1-2 GM Bacrot & GM Lautier 7½; 3 GM Dorfman 6½; 4-5 GM Bauer & GM A. Sokolov 6; 6 GM Vaisser 5½; 7-8 IM Marcelin & WGM Skripchenko 5; 9-11 GM Degraeve, IM Fontaine & GM Fressinet 4½; 12 Bricard 3½.

RUSSIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

In the absence of most of the country's top grandmasters 25-year old GM Alexander Lastin took his first title with 6½ points in the 9-round Swiss. The event was a 50-player Swiss in which exactly half of the players were GM's. Equal second on 6 points were GM Korotilev, GM Rustemov, IM Smirnov and GM Yemelin.

RUSSIA vs REST OF THE WORLD

There were a couple of significant differences between this "Match of the New Century" and the two previous such encounters. In the earlier events it was, of course, the U.S.S.R. versus the rest of the world whereas this time it was "only" Russia and the opponent included the rest of the old Soviet Union. Also this event was played with a rapid time-control of 25 minutes plus ten seconds per move and the format was a Scheveningen match where each player was, theoretically, to play each member of the opposing team. I say "theoretically" since each team had two reserves who would take the boards of the players they replaced. The match was played over four days in the first half of September with two rounds on the first and last days, three on each of the other two days.

While the Russians were at full strength the world team lacked two of its top stars in Michael Adams and Veselin Topalov. Most experts gave the world team little chance of winning although the rating difference was small: Russia 2708, Rest of World 2695.

The first day probably changed a few minds about the eventual outcome as the world team

won the first two rounds 6-4 and 5½-4½ to take a three point lead into the second day. It would have been a 10-10 tie for the day if the two former world champions Gary Kasparov and Anatoly Karpov had managed just 50% but unfortunately they could score only half a point between them! Kasparov's loss was to Vassily Ivanchuk while Karpov lost to Ilya Smirin and Teimour Radjabov.

Russia made inroads on the second day, winning 5½-4½ in rounds 3 and 4 before tying the fifth round 5-5 to leave the world team leading 25½-24½ at the halfway stage. Kasparov finally won a game, in round 4 against Alexei Shirov, but in round 5 he lost (for the first time) to Judit Polgar who thereby got on the scoreboard after two losses (she was substituted in rounds 3 and 4). Vladimir Kramnik, who drew both games on the first day, lost to Shirov in round 3 and regained 50% with his round 5 win over reserve Vladimir Akopian.

On day three the world team held firm with 5-5 draws in rounds 6 and 7. In round 6 Kasparov blundered a pawn in the opening against Nigel

Short but managed to draw while Kramnik lost against Smirin in round 7. The world champions' woes were not over for the day as Akopian, like Polgar before him on 0/2, defeated Kasparov in round 8, a game played rather badly by the former champion who now stood at -2. The world team won round 8 by 6-4 so enjoyed a 3-point lead going into the last day.

In round 9 the World team won 5½-4½ to increase their lead to 4 points but it could easily have been Russia winning by the same score as Shirov won from a lost position against Alexander Grischuk. Shirov won both games on the final day to finish with 7 points, the best score of the whole event, while Karpov also won his two games to reach +1, an unlikely scenario 24 hours earlier. Kasparov and Kramnik both met Vishy Anand and Ruslan Ponomarev with all four games ending in draws. That last round was tied 5-5 to make the final score 52:48.

The following tables give the final scores, reserves indicated by asterisks:

World - 52	Bar	Mo	Gri	Svi	Kar	Dre	Kra	Kas	Khu	Rub	Mat	Zvj		
Shirov, Alexei	2697	½	1	1	½	1	½	1	0	½	-	1	-	7-3
Gelfand, Boris	2710	0	½	½	½	½	1	½	½	1	-	1	-	6-4
Ivanchuk, Vassily	2711	½	½	½	½	½	½	1	-	1	½	-	-	6-4
Ponomarev, Ruslan	2743	½	½	½	-	½	-	½	½	1	½	½	1	6-4
Leko, Peter	2722	½	1	½	0	½	½	½	½	½	-	1	-	5½-4½
Anand, Viswanathan	2755	½	½	-	½	0	-	½	½	½	-	1	1	5-4
Radjabov, Teimour	2610	1	0	0	1	0	½	-	½	½	-	1	-	5-5
Smirin, Ilya	2676	0	0	½	1	½	0	1	-	½	½	-	-	4-5
Short, Nigel	2682	0	0	½	0	½	-	-	½	½	½	-	-	2½-5½
Azmaiparashvili,	2681	½	-	½	-	-	½	-	-	½	-	-	-	2-2
Polgar, Judit	2676	-	-	0	0	-	0	½	1	-	0	-	½	2-5
Akopian, Vladimir*	2678	-	0	-	-	-	-	0	1	-	-	-	-	1-2

Russia - 48	Shi	Gel	Iva	Pon	Lek	Ann	Rad	Smr	Sho	Az	Pod	Ak	
Bareev, Evgeny	2726	½	1	½	½	½	0	1	1	½	-	6-4	
Morozevich, Alexan-	2716	0	½	½	½	0	½	1	1	1	-	6-4	
Grischuk, Alexander	2702	0	½	½	½	½	-	1	½	½	1	5½-4½	
Karpov, Anatoly	2687	½	½	½	-	1	½	0	0	1	-	5-4	
Svidler, Peter	2690	0	½	½	½	½	1	1	½	½	-	5-4	
Dreev, Alexei	2676	½	0	½	-	½	-	½	1	-	1	4½-3½	
Kramnik, Vladimir	2807	0	½	½	½	½	-	0	-	-	½	1	4-5
Kasparov, Gary	2838	1	½	0	½	½	½	-	½	-	0	0	4-6
Khalifman, Alexander	2690	½	0	-	0	½	½	½	½	½	-	-	3½-5½
Rublevsky, Sergei*	2658	-	-	0	½	-	-	½	½	-	1	-	3-3
Motylev, Alexander	2634	0	0	½	½	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	1-5
Zvjaginsev, Vadim*	2673	-	-	-	0	-	0	-	-	-	½	-	½-3½

**Ivanchuk - Kasparov**  
 Sicilian Defence [B90]

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 ♘f6 5. ♘c3 a6 6.♞g1 g6 7.g4 ♘g7 8.♙e3 ♘c6 9.f3 e5 10.♘xc6 bxc6 11.♙d2 ♙e6 [11...d5 was an alternative: 12.exd5 cxd5 13.g5 d4 14.gxf6 ♘xf6 15.0-0-0 ♘b7 (15...dxc3? 16.♙xc3 ♘d7 17. ♘h3 +-)] 16.♙e2 ♙e7 ∞] 12.0-0-0 ♙f8 [12...d5 13.g5 d4 14.gxf6 ♘xf6 15.♙h6 dxc3 16.♙xc3 ♙c7 17.♙c4 is better for White] 13.♘a4 h5 14. h3 ♘d7 15.♙c3 hxg4 16.hxg4 d5!?! [This now involves the sacrifice of a pawn but otherwise White would have played ♙c4 with a bind.] 17.♙xc6 d4 18.♙d2 ♙c8 19.♙b7 ♙b8 20.♙xa6 ♙a8 21.♙b5 ♙xa2 22.♙c4 ♙xc4 23. ♙xc4 ♙f6 24.g5 ♙d6 [24...♙xf3 25.♙df1 ♙xc4 26.♙xf7! ♙b7 27.♙e6+ ♘d8] 25.♘b1 ♙h3 26.♙gf1 ♙e7 27.b3 [27.♙h1! ♙xf3 28. ♙h8+ ♘f8 29.♙b5+ ♘d8 (29...♙d7 30.♙xd7+ ♘xd7 31.♘b6+) 30.♙a5+ +-] 27...♙a3 28. ♙c1 [28.♙h1 was still best] 28...♙b4 29.♙xb4 ♙xb4 30.f4 ♙h4 31.♙h1 ♙xh1 32.♙xh1 ♘e7 33.f5 ♙a6 34.♙h7 ♘c5 35.♙d2 [Or 35.♘xc5 ♙xc5 36.f6+ ♘e6 37.♙d2 ±] 35...♙xa4? [35... ♙xd2 36.♘xc5 ♙b6 (36...♙c6 37.♘d3) 37.♘d3

gxf5 38.exf5 (38.♘xe5 fxe4 39.♘c4 e3 40. ♘xb6 e2 =) 38...♙xg5! (38...e4 39.g6! exd3 40.♙xf7+ ♘e8 41.exd3 ♙c3 42.♘c2 ♙c6 43.♘d1 ♙b6 44.f6 ♙e6 45.b4 ♙xb4 46.♙b7 ♙xf6 47.♙b8+ ♘e7 48.g7 +-)] 39.♘xe5 ♙f6 and Black has drawing chances] 36.fxg6! ♙xd2 37.♙xf7+ [But not 37.g7?? ♙a8 38.♙h8 ♘e6! and Black is better. After the text, though, one of the white passed pawns will get through to the eighth.] 37...♘e6 38.♙f6+ ♘e7 39.bxa4 ♘xe4 40.♙f5 1-0.

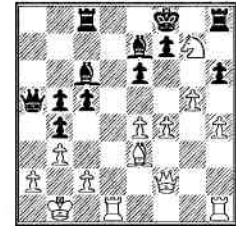
**Ponomariov - Zvjaginsev**  
 Sicilian Defence [B54]

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♘xd4 ♘c6 5.♘c3 a6 6.♙e2 d6 7.♙e3 ♘f6 8.f4 ♙e7 9.g4 d5 10.e5 ♘d7 11.g5 ♘xd4 12.♙xd4 b6 13.g6 ♙h4+ 14.♘d2 fxg6 15.♙hg1 ♘f8 16.♙d3 g5 17.♙af1 ♙d7 18.♘c1 ♙e7 19.f5 ♙c6 20.f6 gxf6 21.♙xf6 0-0-0 22.♙gf1 ♙e8 23.♙a7 g4 24.♙xa6 1-0.

**J. Polgar - Kasparov**  
 Ruy Lopez [C67]

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 ♘f6 4.0-0 ♘xe4 5. d4 ♘d6 6.♙xc6 dxc6 7.dxe5 ♘f5 8.♙xd8+ ♘

xd8 9.♘c3 h6 10.♙d1+ ♘e8 11.h3 ♙e7 12. ♘e2 ♘h4 13.♘xh4 ♙xh4 14.♙e3 ♙f5 15.♘d4 ♙h7 16.g4! ♙e7 17.♘g2 h5 18.♘f5 ♙f8 19.♘f3 ♙g6 20.♙d2 hxg4+ 21.hxg4 ♙h3+?! [21... ♙d8] 22.♘g2 ♙h7 23.♘g3 f6 24.♙f4! ♙xf5 25. gxf5 fxe5 26.♙e1! ♙d6 27.♙xe5 ♘d7 28.c4 [Winning a pawn by force] 28...c5 29.♙xd6 cxd6 30.♙e6 ♙ah8 31.♙exd6+ ♘c8 32.♙d5 ♙h3+ 33.♘g2 ♙h2+ 34.♘f3 ♙h3+ 35.♘e4 b6 36.♙c6+ ♘b8 37.♙d7 ♙h2 38.♘e3 ♙f8 39. ♙cc7 ♙xf5 40.♙b7+ ♘c8 41.♙dc7+ ♘d8 42. ♙xg7 ♘c8 1-0.



25.♘xe6+! fxe6 [25...♘e8 26.♘g7+ ♘f8 27. ♙xc5!] 26.f5 ♘e8 27.fxe6 [27...♙f8 28.♙e2 and Black has to start shedding material to prevent mate] 1-0.

**Shirov - Motylev**  
 Petroff Defence [C42]

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘f6 3.♘xe5 d6 4.♘f3 ♘xe4 5. ♘c3 ♘xc3 6.dxc3 ♙e7 7.♙f4 0-0 8.♙d2 ♘d7 9.0-0-0 ♘c5 10.♙e3 ♙e6 11.♘b1 a6 12.♘d4 ♙d7 13.f3 ♙e8 14.h4 ♘a4 15.♙g5 b5 16.♙d3 ♘b6 17.♙f4 c5 18.♘f5 ♙xf5 19.♙xf5 d5 20. ♙he1 g6 21.♙h3 ♙xg5 22.hxg5 ♙e7 23.♙g4 ♙e8 24.♙h1 ♙f8 25.♙f6 ♘d7 26.♙xd7 ♙xd7 27.♙xh7 1-0.

**Akopian - Kasparov**  
 Sicilian Defence [B30]

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 e6 4.0-0 ♘ge7 5.b3 a6 6.♙xc6 ♘xc6 7.♙b2 b5 8.c4 bxc4 9.bxc4 ♙b8 10.♙c3 d6 11.♘a3 e5 12.♘c2 ♙e7 13. ♘e3 0-0 14.d3 ♙e8 15.♙b1 ♙xb1 16.♙xb1 ♙d8 17.♘d2 g6 18.♘d5 f5 19.exf5 gxf5 20.f4 ♙f7 21.♙e1 ♙g7 22.♘f3 ♙g6 23.g3 ♙f7 24. fxe5 f4 25.exd6 fxg3 [and Kasparov resigned without waiting for 26.♙e8+ ♙f8 27.♙xf8+! ♘xf8 28.♘e5+ ♙f5 29.♙xf5+ ♙xf5 30.♘xc6 +-] 1-0.

**Shirov - Svidler**  
 Sicilian Defence [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.♘a4 ♙a5 13.b3 ♙c8 14.♘b1 ♘c5 15.♘xc5 dxc5 16.♘e2 ♙c6?! [16...♙d8 is probably better] 17.♘g3 ♘d7 18. f4 ♙e7 19.♙d3 ♘b6 20.♙f2 ♘a8 21.g5 ♘c7 22.♘h5 ♘b5 23.♙xb5 axb5 24.♘g7+ ♘f8

**SAN FRANCISCO**

American IM Varuzhan Akobian gained a GM-norm in winning this category 12 tournament at the Mechanics Institute in September. Scoring was very close with seven of the ten players finishing within a point of each other. Scores: 1 IM Akobian (USA) 5½; 2-5 GM Atalik (BIH), GM Baburin (IRL), GM De Firmian (USA) & IM Nakamura (USA)

5; 6-7 GM Wojtkiewicz (POL) & GM Yermolinsky (USA) 4½; 8-9 GM Fedorowicz (USA) & GM Shulman (BLR) 4; 10 GM Browne (USA) 2½.

**EUROPEAN RAPID CH'P**

This event, together with the European Blitz Championship, was played at Panormos, on the island of Crete. GMs Hristos Banikas (GRE) and Sergei Movsesian (SVK) scored 8½ points in the 11-round Swiss with the Greek player taking the title on tie-break points. Third equal were GM Milov (SUI) and IM Karjakin (UKR) on 7½. Movsesian confirmed his expertise in the faster forms of chess by convincingly winning the Blitz which was played as a 20-round Swiss with two games played in each round. Movsesian scored 28½/40 while GM Jaan Ehvest (EST) was second

on 26 and GM P.H.Nielsen (DEN) third on 24½.

### ISLE OF MAN

The 11<sup>th</sup> Monarch Assurance Open in Port Erin was a 9-round Swiss with over 60 players including 18 grandmasters. The event was won by Russian GM Vladimir Epishin with 7 points, a half-point ahead of three former Soviet players, GMs Rustem Dautov (GER), Daniel Fridman (LAT) and Sarunas Sulskis (LIT). Five more GMs shared fifth place: Goloschchapov (UKR), Hebden (ENG), Kogan (ISR), Neverov (UKR) and Shulman (BLR).

### KRAMNIK vs DEEP FRITZ

The "Brains in Bahrain" match in Manama was of eight games over 16 days in October. This was a chance for humanity to gain revenge for Deep Blue's 1997 victory over Kasparov. In that earlier match the dice were loaded against the human whereas this time the match conditions were much fairer. For one thing Kramnik had ample time to investigate the Fritz program and plan his strategy accordingly.

The first half of the match went very well for the human player and the Fritz team were rightly very worried about the final result. In the first game Kramnik had little trouble defending the black side of a Ruy Lopez, Berlin Defence and in the second game he ground out a win on the white side of a Queen's Gambit Accepted. The third game again saw the queen's disappear from the board quite early in a Scotch and Kramnik was soon two up. Fritz had little trouble holding the draw in a Tarrasch Defence in game 4.

The second half of the match was quite different. Kramnik's seemingly almost unassailable two game lead disappeared alarmingly quickly. Game 5 was probably headed for a draw when Kramnik blundered a piece on move 34. The sixth game was the most interesting of the match, made so by Kramnik's daring knight sacrifice for a kingside attack – just the sort of thing you avoid when playing a computer. It soon turned out that Kramnik had overlooked a "hidden" defence and Deep Fritz

was well on the way to equalising the match scores, which it did when Kramnik resigned on move 34. In an interesting parallel with the 1997 Deep Blue match it soon became clear that Kramnik should not have resigned as his practical drawing chances were quite good (see game). The last two games were anti-climactic, both being drawn fairly quickly.

So the match ended in a 4-4 tie, a better result for humankind than in 1997 but a disappointing one given Kramnik's substantial lead at the half-way stage.

### DEEP FRITZ – Kramnik (1)

Ruy Lopez [C67]

1.e4 e5 2.♖f3 ♘c6 3.♗b5 ♖f6 4.0-0 ♗e4 5. d4 ♗d6 6.♗xc6 dxc6 7.dxe5 ♗f5 8.♞xd8+ ♗xd8 9.♗c3 h6 10.b3 ♗e8 11.♗b2 ♗e7 12. ♗ad1 a5 13.a4 h5 14.♗e2 ♗e6 15.c4 ♗d8 16. h3 b6 17.♗fd4 ♗xd4 18.♗xd4 c5 19.♗xe6 fxe6 20.♞xd8+ ♗xd8 21.♗c1 ♗c8 22.♗d1 ♗d8 23.♞xd8+ ♗xd8 24.g4 g6 25.h4 hxg4 [Of course, Vlad wasn't going to fall for 25... ♗xh4?? 26.g5 and the bishop is lost] 26.♗g5 ♗xg5 27.hxg5 ♗e8 28.♗g2 ½-½.

### Kramnik – DEEP FRITZ (2)

Queen's Gambit Accepted [D27]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.♖f3 ♖f6 4.e3 e6 5.♗xc4 c5 6.0-0 a6 7.dxc5 ♞xd1 8.♞xd1 ♗xc5 9.♗f1 b5 10.♗e2 ♗b7 11.♗bd2 ♗bd7 12.♗b3 ♗f8?! 13.a4 b4 14.♗fd2 ♗d5 15.f3 ♗d6 16.g3 e5 17. e4 ♗e6 18.♗c4 ♗c7 19.♗e3 a5 20.♗c5 ♗xc5 21.♗xc5 ♗d7 22.♗d6+ ♗f8 23.♗f2 ♗xd6 24. ♞xd6 ♗e7 25.♗ad1 ♞hc8 26.♗b5 ♗c5 27.♗c6 ♗c4+ 28.♗e1 ♗d3+ 29.♞1xd3 ♗xd3 30.♗c5 ♗c4 [30...♗c2 31.♗d2 ♗xa4 32.♗d5+ is murderous] 31.♗d4+ ♗f6 32.♞xc4 ♞xc6 33.♗e7+ ♗xe7 34.♞xc6 ♗d7 35.♞c5 f6 36.♗d2 ♗d6 37.♗d5+ ♗c6 38.♗d3 g6 39.♗c4 g5 40.h3 h6 41.h4 gxh4 42.gxh4 ♗a7 [42...♗g8 43.♞xa5 and White has a head start in the race to queen] 43.h5 ♗a8 44.♞c5+ ♗b6 45.♞b5+ ♗c6 46. ♗d5! ♗c7 [Or 46...♗a7 47.♗d8 ♞c7 48.♞f8 ♗d6+ 49.♗b5 ♗e7 50.♞h8 and the black pawns start dropping] 47.♗b5 b3 [47...♗a7 48.♞c5+ ♗b7 49.♞c6 also wins for White] 48.♗d3 ♗a7 49.♞xb3 ♞b7+ 50.♗c4 ♗a7 51.♞b5 ♗a8 52.♗

d5 ♗a6 53.♞c5+ ♗d7 54.b3 ♗d6+ 55.♗c4 ♗d4+ 56.♗c3 ♗d1 57.♗d5+ 1-0.

### DEEP FRITZ – Kramnik (3)

Scotch [C45]

1.e4 e5 2.♖f3 ♗c6 3.d4 exd4 4.♗xd4 ♗c5 5. ♗xc6 ♞f6 6.♞d2 dxc6 7.♗c3 ♗e7 8.♞f4 ♗e6 9.♞xf6 gxf6 10.♗a4 ♗b4+ 11.c3 ♗d6 12.♗e3 b6 13.f4 0-0-0 14.♗f2 c5 15.c4 ♗c6 16.♗c3 f5 17.e5 ♗f8 18.b3 ♗b4 19.a3 ♗c2 20.♞c1 ♗xe3 21.♗xc3 ♗g7 22.♗d5 c6 23.♗f6 ♗xf6 24.exf6 ♞he8 25.♗f3 ♗d2 26.h3 ♗d7 27.g3 ♞e6 28.♞b1 ♞xf6 29.♗e2 ♞e6 30.♞he1 ♗c7 31.♗f1 b5 32. ♞ec1 ♗b6 33.b4 cxb4 34.axb4 ♞e4 35.♗d1 ♞xd1 36.♞xd1 ♗e6 37.♗d3 ♗d4 38.♗e2 ♞xd1 39.c5+ ♗b7 40.♞xd1 a5 41.bxa5 ♗a6 42.♗e3 ♗xa5 43.♗d4 b4 44.g4 fxg4 45.hxg4 b3 46.♗c3 ♗a4 47.♗b2 f6 48.♗f3 ♗b5 49.g5 f5 50.♗c3 ♗xc5 51.♗e2 0-1.

### Kramnik – DEEP FRITZ (4)

Queen's Gambit, Tarrasch [D34]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.♖f3 c5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.g3 ♗c6 6.♗g2 ♖f6 7.0-0 ♗e7 8.♗c3 0-0 9.♗g5 exd4 10.♗xd4 h6 11.♗f4 ♗g4 12.h3 ♗e6 13. ♗c1 ♗e8 14.♗xe6 fxe6 15.e4 d4 16.e5 dxc3 17.exf6 ♗xf6 18.bxc3 ♞xd1 19.♞fxd1 ♗ad8 20.♗e3 ♞xd1+ 21.♞xd1 ♗xc3 22.♗d7 ♞b8 23. ♗xc6 bxc6 24.♞xa7 ♞b2 25.♗a6 ♗d2 26.♞xc6 ♗xe3 27.fxe3 ♗f7 28.a4 ♗a2 29.♞c4 ♗f6 30.♗f1 g5 31.h4 h5 32.hxg5+ ♗xg5 33.♗e1 e5 34.♗f1 ♗f5 35.♞h4 ♗g6 36.♞e4 ♗f5 37.♞h4 ♗g5 38.♗g1 ♗g6 39.g4 hxg4 40.♞xg4+ ♗f5 41.♞c4 ½-½.

### DEEP FRITZ – Kramnik (5)

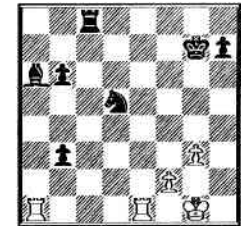
Queen's Gambit Declined [D57]

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3.♖f3 d5 4.♗c3 ♗e7 5.♗g5 h6 6.♗h4 0-0 7.e3 ♗e4 8.♗xe7 ♞xe7 9.cxd5 ♗xc3 10.bxc3 exd5 11.♞b3 ♗d8 12.c4 dxc4 13.♗xc4 ♗c6 14.♗e2 b6 15.0-0 ♗b7 16.♞f1 ♞ac8 17.♞a4 ♗a5 18.♞c3 c5 19.♞ac1 cxd4 20. ♗xd4 ♗xc3 21.♞xc3 ♞c8 22.♞xc8+ ♗xc8 23.h3 g6 24.♗f3 ♗d7 25.♞c2 ♞c5 26.♞e4 ♞c1+ 27.♗h2 ♞c7+ 28.g3 ♗c4 29.♗e2 ♗e5 30.♗b5 ♗xb5 31.♗xb5 ♞c5 32.♗xa7 ♞a5 33.♗g2 ♞xa2 34.♗c8 ♞c4?? [34...♗c4 or even 34... ♞e6 should draw] 35.♗e7+ 1-0.

### Kramnik – DEEP FRITZ (6)

Queen's Indian Defence [E15]

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 e6 3.♖f3 b6 4.g3 ♗a6 5.b3 ♗b4+ 6.♗d2 ♗e7 7.♗g2 c6 8.♗c3 d5 9.♗e5 ♗fd7 10.♗xd7 ♗xd7 11.♗d2 0-0 12.0-0 ♞c8 13.a4 ♗f6 14.e4 c5 15.exd5 exd4 16.♗b4 ♞e8 17.♗e4 exd5 18.♗d6 dxc4 [Fritz is prepared to sacrifice the exchange.] 19.♗xf7? [The product of 40 minutes thought but unfortunately Kramnik has overlooked something. The obvious 19.♗d5 was fine.] 19...♗xf7 20. ♗d5+ ♗g6 21.♞g4+ ♗g5 22.♗e4+ ♞xe4! 23. ♞xe4+ ♗h6 24.h4 ♗f6 25.♗d2+ g5 26.hxg5+ ♗xg5 27.♞h4+ [Kramnik originally intended to play 27.♞e6+ assuming that he would be clearly winning. After 27...♗f6 28.f4, however, Fritz was ready with the surprising 28... ♗h4!! 29.gxh4 ♞g8+ 30.♞xg8 ♞xg8+ 31.♗h2 ♗g4+ 32.♗g3 ♗e3+ 33.♗f3 ♗xf1 34.♞xf1 c3 35.♞f2 cxd2 winning. And no better for White is 28.♞h3+ ♗g6 (28... ♗h5 29.f4) 29.f4 ♗h6 30.f5+ ♗f7 31.♗xh6 c3 and the passed pawns are too strong.] 27...♗g6 28.♞e4+ ♗g7 29. ♗xg5 ♞xg5 30.♞fe1 cxb3 31.♞xd4+ ♗f6 32. a5 ♞d5 33.♞xd5 ♗xd5 34.axb6 axb6 0-1.



♞c6 b5 42. ♞ee6! b4 43. ♞b6 ♠f7 44. ♞xf6+ ♞xf6 45. ♞xb4 with a fortress draw; in this line 42... ♠f7 is met by 43. ♞xf6+ ♞xf6 44. ♞xf6+ ♠xf6 45. ♠f1 with an elementary draw) 41. ♞b1 ♞c5 42. ♞ec1 ♞d6 43. ♞d1 ♞c6 44. ♞dc1 ♞b7 45. ♞b5! ♠f7 (Black's problem now is how to force the advance of his b-pawn. On 45... ♠d7 White plays 46. ♞d1 threatening 47. ♞xd7 ♞xd7 48. ♞xb6+ and then setting up the fortress with 49. ♞b4 so Black tries to bring his king over to help) 46. ♞cb1 ♠d7 47. ♞d1 ♠e7 48. ♞e1+ ♠d6 49. ♞d1+ ♠c6 50. ♞db1 ♞a6 51. ♞5b4 ♞e2 52. ♞1b2 ♞d3 53. ♠g2 ♞d5+ 54. ♠g1 b5 and now 55. ♞xb5! ♞xb5 56. ♞xb5 ♠xb5 57. ♠g2 seems to draw as Black is unable to win the white pawns without his own pawn being lost or exchanged, e.g. 57... ♠c4 58. ♠f3 ♠d5 59. ♠g4 ♠e6 60. ♠g5 ♠f7 61. ♠h6 ♠g8 62. ♠g4 ♠e5 63. ♠g5 ♠g7 64. ♠f4 ♠f7+ 65. ♠h5 ♠f6 66. ♠h4 ♠e6 67. ♠h5 ♠d5 and although the white king cannot approach the black pawn White draws easily with 68. ♠g5 and 69. ♠g6. Obviously this analysis is not complete but it does illustrate the ideas.

### DEEP FRITZ – Kramnik (7)

Queen's Indian Defence [E19]

1.d4 ♠f6 2.c4 e6 3. ♠f3 b6 4.g3 ♠b7 5. ♠g2 ♠e7 6.0-0 0-0 7. ♠c3 ♠e4 8. ♞c2 ♠xc3 9. ♞xc3 c5 10. ♞d1 d6 11. b3 ♠f6 12. ♠b2 ♞e7 13. ♞c2 ♠c6 14.e4 e5 15. d5 ♠d4 16. ♠xd4 cxd4 17. ♠h3 g6 18.a4 a5 19. ♞ab1 ♠a6 20. ♞e1 ♠h8 21. ♠g2 ♠g7 22. ♞d3 ♞ae8 23. ♠d2 ♠h6 24.f4! ♞c7 25. ♠f1 ♠g8 26. ♞be1 ♞d8 27. ♠g1 ♠b7 28. ♞e2 ♠a6 ½-½.

### Kramnik – DEEP FRITZ (8)

Queen's Gambit Declined [D68]

1.d4 ♠f6 2.c4 e6 3. ♠f3 d5 4. ♠c3 c6 5. ♠g5 ♠e7 6.e3 0-0 7. ♠d3 ♠bd7 8.0-0 dxc4 9. ♠xc4 ♠d5 10. ♠xe7 ♞xe7 11. ♞c1 ♠xc3 12. ♞xc3 e5 13. ♠b3 exd4 14. exd4 ♠f6 15. ♞e1 ♞d6 16. h3 ♠f5 17. ♞ce3 ♞ae8 18. ♞e5 ♠g6 19. a3 ♞d8 20. ♞xe8 ♠xe8 21. ♞d2 ½-½.

### HYDERABAD

Vishy Anand won this FIDE World Cup event in October, beating Rustam

Kasimdzhanov 1½-½ in the final. There were four preliminary groups of six players with two players from each qualifying for the quarter-finals. There were no play-offs, ties being broken by individual results or tie-break points.

The event lacked most of the top stars and two of the three players who might qualify for that description were eliminated at the first hurdle. In Group 1 Vladimir Malakhov (RUS) was first with 3½/5 while there was a three-way tie for second involving Ye Jiangchuan (CHN), Bartolomiej Mavieja (POL) and Giovanni Vescovi (BRA) on 3 points. Ye qualified. Vassily Ivanchuk was top seed in the group but finished back on 2 points.

In group 2 Alexei Dreev won with 3½ while Sergei Rublevsky (RUS) and Teimour Radjabov (AZE) tied with 3 points, the former going through. Rustam Kasimdzhanov (UZB) won group 3 with 3½ points despite losing to Vishy Anand (IND) who finished clear second on 3 points (loss to third placed countryman Krishnan Sasikiran).

Group D saw the closest finish with three players scoring 3½ points. Alexander Belyavsky (SLO) and Nigel Short (ENG) qualified while Jaan Ehlovest (EST) was the unlucky one. In this group top seed Alexander Morozvich (RUS) finished last on 1 point.

The quarter-final winners were Belyavsky (1½-½ over Rublevsky), Dreev (2½-1½ over Short), Kasimdzhanov (1½-½ over Ye) and Anand (1½-½ over Malakhov). In the semi-finals Kasimdzhanov saw off Belyavsky 1½-½ but the other match required two pairs of tie-break games before a winner emerged, Anand eventually winning 3½-2½ over Dreev. The first game of the final was drawn with Anand taking the second to beat Kasimdzhanov 1½-½.

The similar Women's World Cup tournament running alongside was won by Antoaneta Stefanova (BUL) who beat Xu Yuhua (CHN) 1½-½ in the final. Among those to fall by the way-side were Maia Chiburdanidze, Pia Cramling, Alexandra Kosteniuk and Nana Ioseliani.

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