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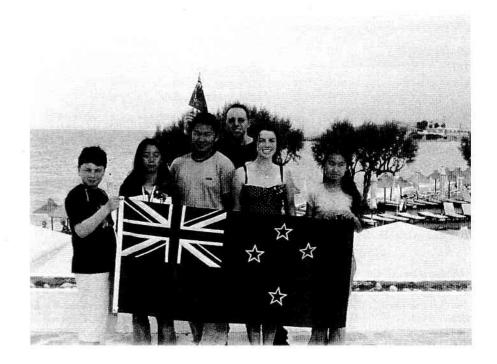
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by NM Peter Stuart

The 31st edition of the North Shore Open was held over the weekend of 16-17 October. While the overall numbers were reasonable. the entry for the A-grade was certainly disappointing. Of course, the fact that a few players preferred a holiday in Spain in October might not have helped. Nevertheless the top five seeds in a field of 14 were all rated over 2200 so a good contest was in the offing. The first round saw three upsets from seven games! On the top board IM Vernon Small was making a comeback after, I think, seven or eight years away from tournament chess. A mistake in a slightly better but probably drawn rook ending against Jeff McCrone left a roughly equal position where Small overestimated his chances and went down after losing a pawn. Gino Thornton upset Michael Steadman after the latter played a careless move on the queenside and Martin Sims defeated sixth seed Clint Wells.

> Sims - Wells French [C06]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.2d2 2f6 4.e5 2fd7 5.2d3 c5 6.c3 包c6 7.包e2 對b6 8.包f3 cxd4 9.cxd4 f6 10.exf6 2xf6 11.0-0 2d6 12.2c3 0-0 13.ቋe3 ቋd7 14.a3 ቋe8 15.ᡚe5 ቋh5 16.g4 鱼e8 17.世d2 世d8 18.f4 g6 19.Eae1 鱼f7 20.f5 2xe5 21.dxe5 2xe5 22.2h6 2xc3 [22... ②xg4!? 23. 鱼xf8 凹b6+ 24. 由 1 罩xf8 25.fxg6 hxg6 26.世e2 世d4 27.h3 包h6 28.且d1 **鱼f4 29.鱼xg6 凹e3 30.凹g2 鱼xg6 31.囯f3 凹e5** 32. 世xg6+ 空h8 and Black has still not quite been nailed down; after the text White wins in fairly short order] 23.世xc3 d4 24.世d2 exf5 25.gxf5 [25.\2xf8 was also good of course] 25... 星e8 26.fxg6 hxg6 27.鱼g5 星xe1 28. 對xe1 增d5 29.全xf6 星e8 30.增h4 1-0.

Second and third seeds Stephen Lukey and Paul Garbett won their second round games without too much trouble to share the lead with 2/2 while Leonard McLaren tried for a long time to win a slightly better ending

against Thornton but to no avail. The other first round winner, Sims, got the down-float which perhaps wasn't such a good idea as the floatee was Mr Small. Hair turned the tables on Wells's kingside attack.

> McCrone - Garbett Sicilian [B44]

1.e4 c5 2.\(\mathbb{Q}\)f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.\(\Delta\)xd4 \(\Delta\)c6 5.c3 d6 6.\(\textit{d}\)d3 \(\textit{Q}\)f6 7.0-0 \(\textit{d}\)e7 8.\(\textit{Q}\)d2 0-0 9.\(\textit{Q}\)2f3 e5 10.4xc6 bxc6 11.c4 d5 12.4xe5 世c7 13. 0xc6 世xc6 14.exd5 [14.cxd5!? 凹b6平] 14... 世c7 15.h3 图b8 16.世f3?! [the start of an unfortunate and time-wasting attempt to weaken Black's kingside] 16... 2d6 17. 2b1 公d7 18.世f5 g6 19.世f3 [unfortunately, there is no good square for the lady - Black is already winning, or at least close to it] 19... 2e5 20.世e2 4xd3 21.世xd3 鱼f5 22.世f3 鱼xb1 23. ah6 图fe8 24. axb1 對xc4 25.g3 對e4 26.世d1 图b5 27.图c1 图xb2 0-1.

> Thornton - McLaren Sicilian [B22]

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 對xd5 4.分f3 分f6 5.d4 e6 6.2e2 2e7 7.0-0 0-0 8.2a3 2c6 9.2f4 cxd4 10.cxd4 皆d8 11.包c4 b6 12.耳c1 皇b7 13. Oce5 Ob4 14.a3 Obd5 15.鱼g3 耳c8 16. 凹a4 国xc1 17. 国xc1 曾a8 18.h3 ②e4 19. a6 ②xg3 20.fxg3 单d6 21.皇xb7 世xb7 22.世c6 世xc6 23. Exc6 Ed8 24.g4 De7 25. Ec2 f6 26. Dc6 包xc6 27. Exc6 由f7 28.由f2 由e7 29.由e3 由d7 30.国c2 g5 31.由e4 由e7 32.国c4 息f4 33.国a4 型d7 34. 型c4 型d5 35.a4 b5 36. 型b4 a6 37.axb5 axb5 38.国b3 空d6 39.国a3 皇c1 40.国a6+ 空e7 41.b3 萬d6 42.萬a7+ 萬d7 43.萬xd7+ 含xd7 44.d5 e5 45.De1 \$\delta\$d6 46.Dd3 \$\d2 47.Df2 \$\d2 c3\$ 48. 2d3 2d4 49. 2b4 2c5 50. 2d3 2d4 1/2-1/2.

Wells - Hair Dutch [A84] 1.c4 f5 2.d4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.\(\bar{Q}\) f3 bxc4 5.e3 g6

6. exc4 包f6 7. 包c3 ea6 8. 世e2 eb7 9.0-0 eg7 10.里d1 曾b6 11.a4 a5 12.里a3 到a6 13.到b5 ወe4 14. ወe1 ወd6 15. 0xd6+ \underset xd6 16.e4 fxe4

17. 對xc4 0-0 18. 公d3 e5 19. ge3 国ac8 20. 耳c3 ②b4 21.包c1 由h8 22.包b3 凹b6 23.臭g5 d6 24. 国h3 由g8 25. 世h4 h5 26. g4 hxg4 27. 世xg4 图f5 28. \$h6 图f6 29. \$xg7 \$xg7 30. 對h4 图g8 31. 對h6+ 由f7 32. 對g5 国g7 33. 包d2 &c8 34. 国g3 \$f5 35.\$b3 @d3 36.\$c2 @f4 37.\$xf5 @e2+ 38. 中 2 里 x f 5 39. 里 f 3 夕 f 4 + 40. 里 x f 4 e x f 4 41.世g4 世xb2 42.包c4 世f6 43.由f1 国h7 44.因b1 亞xh2 45.亞b7+ 全g8 46.亞b8+ 全g7 47.亞b7+ **堂h6 48. 堂**g1 **罩g5 49. <b>豐**xg5+ **豐**xg5+ **50**. **堂**xh2 世xd5 51. 公xa5 世d2 0-1.

Round three, played on Saturday evening, always sees some half-point bye takers so there were only five games. The key clash was, of course, that between Garbett and Lukey:

> Garbett - Lukey Benoni [A43]

1.d4 2 f6 2.2 f3 g6 3.g3 2g7 4.2g2 0-0 5.0-0 c5 6.d5 d6 7.Qc3 Qa6 8.e4 Qc7 9.a4 a6 was safer] 13.axb5 axb5 14.\(\mathbb{Z}\)xa8 \(\Delta\)xa8 [14...\subseteq xa8 15.e5 \Qd7 16.exd6 exd6 17.\subseteq f4 b4 18. 2c4 ge5 19. gxe5 2xe5 (19...dxe5? 20.d6 21.2xc5 2xc5 22.2xe5+-) 20.2c2±115. 2xb5 曾d7 16.c4 曾xh3 17.e5 dxe5 18. Exe5 In the Sunday morning round McLaren and [White has the initiative – and keeps it to the end of the game] 18... 2b6 19. Exe7 2xc4 20.世c2 幻b6 21.世xc5 世f5 22.幻d4 世b1 23.Bel 2bd7 24.世c2 世a2 25.2c6 h5 26.2g5 型h7 27.目e7 包b6 28.目a7 世c4 29.世xc4 包xc4 30.b3 2b6 31.d6 2bd7 32.2xf6 1-0. So Garbett moved to 3/3 and enjoyed a one-point lead.

Thornton lost/sacrificed a pawn and soon won it back: Krstev later won another but was unable to force the win despite trying for more than 30 more moves. Small got typical pressure against Steadman's e-pawn in a classical Dutch Defence but the defence held and a draw resulted. On the two bottom boards Sims took full advantage of McCrone's numerous pawn weaknesses while David Evans, like Small making a come-back after about seven years inactivity. also doubled his score at the expense of Wells. The leading scores were now: Garbett 3; Lukey,

McLaren, Thornton, Sims and Evans 2; Small, Steadman, Krstev and Hair 11/2.

Krstev - Thornton

Oueen's Pawn [A50]

1.d4 b6 2.c4 2 f6 3.2 c3 e6 4.e4 2 b4 5.f3 c5 6.d5 d6 7.dxe6 @xe6 8.@f4 \Qc6 [8...@xc3+ 9.bxc3 0-0 10.\u00e4xd6\u00dac8 is also about equal] 9. axd6 aa5 10.e5 ag8 11. ba4+ ad7 12. bc2 ②xc4 13. axc4 当h4+ 14. 当f2 当xc4 15. 2ge2 世f4+ 19.国d2 &e6 20.国e1 [20.国hd1!?] 20...f5 21.gxf5 公xf5 22.星e4 世h6 23.f4 公xd6 24.exd6 盒d7 25.星e7 星hf8 26.世g2 查b8 27.世xg7 世xg7 28. Exg7 Exf4 29. Exh7 Ef1+ 30. Ed1 Exd1+ 31. 2xd1 \( \text{\$\text{\$\text{\$e}}6\) 32. 2c3 \( \text{\$\text{\$a}6\) 33. h4 \( \text{\$\exitt{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\exitt{\$\text{\$\ext{\$\text{\$\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\}\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\}\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\text{\$\}\$\text{\$\text{\$\ 单f5 35.国g7 国h6 36.国g5 单d3 37.包d5 由b7 38. 中d2 鱼e4 39. 白f4 星f6 40. 中e3 鱼b1 41.a3 中c6 42. 里g1 单c2 43. 里h1 星h6 44. 中f3 中b5 45. фg4 фa4 46. ጀከ3 ጀከ8 47. ᡚg6 ጀከ7 48. фg5 b5 49.h6 c4 50. 2f4 Ef7 51. Ec3 2e4 52. Ee3 56. Ee6 Exe6 57. 2xe6 2h7 58. 2d4 2a4 59. 由f4 b4 60.axb4 由xb4 61.由e3 c3 62.bxc3+ ቋቋር3 63. ወc6 ውc4 ½-½.

Garbett made peace very quickly, allowing Lukey, who won a pawn with a little combination against Sims, and Thornton, who did something similar to Evans, to close to within half a

Lukey - Sims

Queen's Indian [E12]

1.d4 2f6 2.c4 e6 3.2f3 b6 4.2c3 2b7 5.a3 鱼e7 6.世c2 d5 7.cxd5 exd5 8.鱼f4 c6 9.e3 0-0 10.2d3 Ee8 11.g4 2a6 12.2xa6 2xa6 13.2e5 国c8 14.世a4 ②b8 15.国c1 ②fd7 16. ②d3 鱼g5? [overlooking a tactic; after the better 16...a5 White has nothing special] 17.2xd5 exd5?! [better was 17... 2xf4 18. 25xf4 2h4 (with the idea 图xe3+) 19.由自 增xg4 20.图g1 (20.增xa7 **增/3) 20... 增h4 21. 增xa7 增xh2 and White is** only a tad better] 18. Exc8 曾xc8 19. 鱼xg5± 曾c4 20.曾xc4 dxc4 21. 2b4 a5 22. 2d5 2c6 23.0-0 f6 24.\(\textit{gf4}\) \(\textit{Qe7}\) 25.\(\textit{Qxe7} + \textit{Exe7}\) 26.\(\textit{Ec1} + - \text{b5}\) 27.a4 bxa4 28.星xc4 包b6 29.星c5 星b7 30.星b5

查17 31.单d6 查e6 32.单c5 查d7 33.星xb6 1-0.

#### Thornton - Evans Sicilian [B22]

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 当xd5 4.包f3 Qc6 5.d4 2g4 6.2e2 e6 7.4a3 4f6 8.2e3 cxd4 9.4b5 世d7 10. 公bxd4 a6 11.0-0 ad6 12.世c2 世c7 13.h3 鱼h5 14.世a4 0-0 15. 0xc6 bxc6 16.世h4 Qg6 17. Bad1 2d5 18. Qc1 2f4 19. Qxf4 Qxf4 20.g3 2d6 21.\( \text{dd} 2 \) e5 22.\( \text{Efd1} \) \( \text{Efd8}?? \) [the other rook was better, e.g. 22... \alpha ad8! 23. \alpha xe5 (or 23. axa6 ae7 24. 世g4 里xd2 25. 里xd2 f5 26. 曾a4 自h8) 23...自e7 24.国d7 曾xd7 25. 引xd7 皇xh4 26. 全xf8 至xd1+ 27. 皇xd1 全xf8 28.gxh4 and in both cases Black has at least a little compensation for the pawn deficit] 23.4 xe5 鱼e7 24. 图xd8+ 图xd8 25. 图xd8+ 鱼xd8 26. 世f4 世b6 27.鱼c4 鱼f6 28. 4 xg6 hxg6 29.b3 世a5 30.世b8+ 由h7 31.鱼xf7 世xc3 32.世g8+ 由h6 33. 当h8+ 由g5 34. 当h4+ 由f5 35. 当g4+ 由e5 36.世e6+ 由d4 37.世d6+ 由e4 38.鱼xg6+ 由f3 39.世f4+ 也e2 40.皇h5+ 1-0.

Meanwhile Philip Hair drew a dour Closed Sicilian versus Small and Steadman ended Krstev's interest in the main prizes with a direct attack after the latter castled queenside in a Benoni. With one round to go the leading scores were: Garbett 31/2; Lukey & Thornton 3; Steadman & McLaren 21/2

#### Steadman - Krstev

Benoni 1A701

1.d4 266 2.c4 c5 3.d5 e6 4.2c3 exd5 5.cxd5 d6 6.45 g6 7.4f4 a6 8.e4 b5 9.世e2 4h5 10. £g5 f6 11. £e3 2d7 12.h3 2g7 13. £h6 **鱼b7 14.g4 曾a5 15.包d2 c4 16.鱼g2 包e5 17.0-0** 0-0-0? 18.a4 b4 19. 2xc4 世c7 20. 2xe5 dxe5 21. 2d1 由b8 22. 2e3 自d6 23. 目fc1 皆e7 24.Qc4 g5 25.Qxg7 世xg7 26.Qa5 Bc8 27.世e3 国c7 28.曾b6 曾d7 29.皇fl 国hc8 30.公xb7 国xb7 31.\(\pi xc8+\Phi xc8\) 32.\(\phi xa6\) \(\phi e 7\) 33.\(\pi c1+\Phi b8\) 34. 對xb7+ 對xb7 35. 全xb7 由xb7 36. 其c6 b3 37. 查f1 鱼a3 38.罩c3 1-0.

Going into the last round the big question was whether Garbett, with the white pieces, would put young Gino in his place and make sure of an undivided first prize. Well, this is what happened:

#### Garbett - Thornton

French [C10] 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.4d2 dxe4 4.4xe4 4d7 5.4f3 Agf6 6.4xf6+ Axf6 7.4d3 4e7 8.0-0 0-

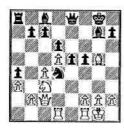
0 9.世e2 b6 10.囯d1 ab7 11.c4 世c8 12.d5 囯e8 13.dxe6 對xe6 14.對xe6 fxe6 15.皇e2 皇c5 16. 鱼f4 国ac8 17. 鱼e5? oops .... 鱼xf2+! ½-½. A rather sheepish Garbett was very happy to accept Thornton's draw offer; after 18, \$\Delta xf2\$ ව්යු4+ 19. එයු3 &xf3 20. එxf3 ව්xe5 21. එe4 White does have some compensation but maybe not enough.

So Thornton was sure of at least a share of third place while Lukey could now equal Garbett's score with a win against Steadman. This didn't look too likely out of the opening but a couple of mistakes by Michael allowed Stephen an, on the surface, convincing win.

#### Steadman - Lukey

King's Indian [E92]

1.d4 2f6 2.c4 g6 3.2c3 2g7 4.e4 d6 5.2f3 0-0 6. ae2 e5 7.d5 a5 8. ag5 2a6 9. 2d2 数e8 10.0-0 2d7 11.a3 f5 12.exf5 Exf5 13.2de4 **Dac5 14. 2g4 a4** [14... Dxc4 15. Dxc4 ቯf8 16.全e6+ 始h8 and, as Stephen put it after the game, "Black is positionally bust". I don't think it's as bad as that but maybe I'm just inured to playing inferior positions] 15.4xf5 gxf5 16. 0xc5 0xc5 17. 世c2 0b3 18. 星ad1 0d4



19.世d3? [19.萬xd4! exd4 20.公b5 世行 21.萬e1 is very good for White but the text move. which incidentally takes away the possibility of returning the exchange in the near future, allows Black enough counterplay 19...f4 20. 2e2

魚f5 21.皆d2 むb3 22.皆b4 皆b5 23.皆xb7 星c8 24. 2xf4 [forced] 24...exf4 25. 2xf4 2c5 [White is fine materially - R+3P for B+N but his queen is out of play, his queenside pawn majority is immobilised, and Black has the bishop pair. In other words, a murky position where both sides still have everything to play for. Sadly for White, his next move is a blunder which brings the game to a premature end.] 26.曾b4? [26.曾b5∞] 26... 公d3 27.曾d2 包xf4 [28. 對xf4 &e5 -+] 0-1.

McLaren equalized against Small whereupon the draw was agreed and McCrone, victor over Evans, joined him on three points and a share of fourth prize.

Probably it is fair to say that both winners, Garbett and Lukey, enjoyed some good fortune in the last round but that nobody else deserved to be up there with them at the end. For Thornton this was a major success - undefeated with a performance rating of well over 2200 - but maybe, Gino, you should have played on in the last round!

	Player	Club	Rating	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	Pts	ТВ
1	Garbett P.A.	NS	2254	W13	W <b>5</b>	W2	D4	D3	4	14.0
2	Lukey S.G.	WE	2284	W12	WIO	Ll	W7	W8	4	13.0
3	Thornton G.A.	NS	1865	W8	D4	D10	W11	D1	3.5	13.5
4	McLaren L.J.	NS	2201	W9	D3	HPB	D1	D6	3	12.5
5	McCrone J.	NS	1973	W6	L1	L7	W13	WII	3	11.5
6	Small V.A.	WE	2324	L5	W7	D8	D9	D4	2.5	13.5
7	Sims M.T.	WE	1854	W14	L6	W5	L2	D9	2.5	13.0
8	Steadman M.V.R.	AC	2240	L3	W13	D6	W10	L2	2.5	12.5
9	Hair P.I.	NS	1854	L4	W14	HPB	D6	D7	2.5	9.0
10	Krstev A.	NS	1984	W11	L2	D3	L8	D12	2	14.0
11	Evans D.J.	-	1775	L10	W12	W14	L3	L5	2	11.5
12	Wojnar J.	WE	1886	L2	L11	hpb	W14	D10	2	9.0
13	Tan E.C.	NS	1873	LI	L8	bye	L5	L14	1	10.5
14	Wells C.A.	NS	2004	L7	L9	L11	L12	W13	1	9.5

Burn - Book Sicilian [B85]

1.e4 c5 2.pf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.2xd4 2f6 5.4c3 a6 6.f4 e6 7.4e2 4e7 8.0-0 0-0 9.g4 Dc6 10.g5 De8 11.dh1 Ad7 12.鱼e3 国c8 13.曾d2 b5 14.包f3 Qa5 15.曾el 白c4 16.exc4 Exc4 17.白d2 Ec8 21. Qdxe4 exe4 22. Qxe4 世c7 23. 月ac1?

[23. Wel defends as the c-pawn is immune due to the reply Ec1: 23...d5 24.2g3 2c57| 23...d5 24.2g3 2xg5 25.世d2 鱼h4 26.白e2 世f7 27.世b4 星c4 28.世d2 世g6+ 29.由h1 世e4+ 30.由g1 国f6 31. 2g3 Eg6 32.b3 Axg3 33.hxg3 Exg3+ 34. 中h2 图xe3 0-1.

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by NM Peter Stuart

Paul Garbett claimed his sixth North Shore title after a very close race with Jeffrey McCrone. The former lost to Antonio Krstev but was otherwise rolling along very merrily except for round 9 when he drew with the latter. Paul finished his programme with 8½/10, having the bye in the final round while McCrone, with an undefeated 71/2/9, played Edgar Tan who had amassed one point from nine games. Unfortunately for Jeff, Edgar had left his best game until the last round though a couple of mistakes, probably due to last round nerves, didn't help his cause. So McCrone was runner-up on 71/2 while Krstev took third place on 7 points. Then followed: 4 Bruce Watson 6½; 5 Leonard McLaren 6; 6 Gino Thornton 5; 7 Prashant Mistry 4; 8 Fuatai Fuatai 3½: 9 Neil Gunn 3; 10-11 Edgar Tan & Clint Wells 2. Michael Howard successfully defended his Bgrade title and Daniel Johns was again second. Bob Mitchell and Milan Maric shared third place. New member Gary Gibson took the Cgrade title with Leo Grevers second. A few of the more interesting A-grade games follow:

### Garbett - Watson

Sicilian [B47] 1.e4 c5 2.¤f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.¤xd4 ይc6 5.4c3 世c7 6.f4 a6 7.4bf3 b5 8.4d3 4b7 9.0-0 国c8 10.世e2 むb4 11.a3 むxd3 12.cxd3 かf6 13.单d2 单e7 14.国ac1 對b8 15.由h1 0-0 16.b4 d6 17.国g1 国c7 18.g4 国fc8 19.g5 包h5 20.世e3 f5 21.gxf6 2xf6 22.d4 Wa8 23.Egel Ec4 24. 由g2 星f8 25.星f1 皇d8 26. 白g5 星f6 27. 当h3 图xd4? [27... 里h6 28. 世d3 里g6 and Black has the initiative; the text wins a pawn but White gains the initiative 28. 世xh5 邑xd2+ 29. 也g3 国d3+? [29...h6! 30.世e8+ 国(8 31.世xe6+ 也h8 32. ② f7+ ★h7 and White can (and maybe should) take the draw by 33. 對f5+ 由g8 (33...g6? 34. 智d7+-) 34. ②xh6+ gxh6 35. 世g6+ 由h8 36. 世xh6+ 由g8 37. 世g6+ etc] 30.国的 国x的+ 31.由x的 h6 32.世e8+ 国的 33. 世xe6+ 由h8 34. 包f7+ 由h7 35. 世f5+ 由g8

36. 4xh6+ gxh6 37. 世g6+ 由h8 38. 世xh6+ **bg8** and the position is similar to that in the last note except that here the g-file is unimpeded and White has mate in 5; so Black resigned, 1-0.

#### Thornton - Garbett

English-Dutch [A13] 1.4f3 e6 2.c4 f5 3.4c3 4f6 4.g3 b6 5.4g2 **2b7 6.0-0 2b4 7.d3 2xc3 8.bxc3 0-0 9.a4 a5** 10.世b3 世c8 11.星b1 d6 12.鱼a3 和a6 13.和d4 [Regaining the pawn, the (unsound) idea behind White's 15th; it can cost a piece but it does provide some cheapo potential] 16...c4 [maybe even better was 16... 異b8!? 17. 幽a2] 国xb1 18.国xb1 對a8+ 19.f3 對d5 20.對xd5 ②xd5-+] 17. 世xc4 d5 18. 2h6+ gxh6 19. 世h4 



21...dxe4? [better was 21... 世 g4 Δ22. f4 世 g6 干] 22.f4! [White has menacing attack now] 22... 世d8 23.fxe5 Exe5 24. 世xh7+ [24.d4!? 置e8 25. 世xh7+] 24... 中e6 [24...中e8? 25. 世u6+ **空d7 26.**異xf6+-] **25.皆h3+ 含d5** [25...**含**f7 26. 豆xf6+! 對xf6 27. 豆f1 對xf1+ 28. 由xf1 exd3 29. 世d7+ 也g8 30. 世xd3+-] 26. 国b5+ c5 27. 图xf6 +- exd3 28.c4+ \$xc4 29. 世 g4+? [better 29. 世h4+! 世d4 30. 耳f4 耳e2+ 31. 也h3+-; 29.国f4+!?] 29...曾d4 30.国f4?? [30.曾xd4+ 空xd4 31. 2b2+ 空d5 32. 2xe5 空xe5 33. 置行 **含d4** (or 33... 国d8 34. 国xa5 d2 35. 国f1 国d6!) 34. 基xa5 d2 35. 基d7+ 也c3 and Black is probably holding] 30...置e2+ -+ 31.查h3 [31.查f] 質f8! -+] 31...互h8+ 0-1.

#### Garbett - McCrone Petroff [C42]

1.e4 e5 2.pf3 pf6 3.pxe5 d6 4.pf3 2xe4 5.d4 \( \text{\text{\text{\text{\$e}}}\) 6.\( \text{\text{\text{\text{\$d}}}\) 4 \( \text{\text{\$f}}\) 6 7.c4 \( \text{\text{\text{\$g}}}\) 4 8.0-0 0-0 9.d5 2bd7 10.2bd2 2e5 11.2e2 2xf3+ 12.2xf3 2d7 13.世c2 皇f6 14.2g5 皇xg5 15.皇xg4 皇xc1 16.图axc1 包e5 17.皇h3 營h4 18.f4 包g4 19.營e2 회f6 20.皇f5 Bae8 21.발f3 g6 22.g3 발h6 23.皇c2 世h3 24.星ce1 包g4 25.星e2 星e7 [25...星e3!? 26. 世g2 世xg2+ 27. 里xg2 里fe8=] **26. 世g2** 世xg2+ 27. Exg2 目fe8 28. Qa4 目d8 29. Ec1 b6 30.ጀd2 a5 31.ውg2 f5 32.h3 ብf6 33.ውf3 h5 34.星e2 星xe2 35.dxe2 包e4 36.df3 d17 37.思d1 中f6 38.a3 目f8 39.思d4 目f7 40.ec2 公c5 41.\(\beta\)d2 \(\beta\)e7 42.\(\beta\)e2 \(\beta\)xe2 43.\(\beta\)xe2



43... **△d7!?** [The position looks as though it should be an easy draw as the knight has some good squares around the centre. But it is not at all easy for Black who plays some very ugly moves yet, in the end, holds the draw comfortably. During the game ! thought Black had to play 43... \$\precepe e7 but I didn't like the look of 44.g4! (harmless was 44.b4 \ a6 45.bxa5 bxa5 46. 由d2 包c5=; or 44. 由d2 a4 45. 由c3 由f6 46. \$\dot b\dot 4\dot e4!=) 44...hxg4 45.hxg4 fxg4 46. 2xg6 ©a4 47.b3 ©c3+ 48. \$12 and White is 30. \$14 + \$28 31. \$2e4 \$2d7 32. \$2d6 \$2h7\$ clearly on top] 44.b4 [44.\( \)a4 \( \)c5 ] 44...axb4 45.axb4 \( \Delta b8 \) [this looks awfully passive but it may well be best] 46. 2 c5!? [another awful-looking move that may well be okay: Black is very short of comfortable moves] 47.dxc6 ②xc6 48.\drawc3 g5!? [Let's weaken the kingside as well!] 49.2a4 De7 50.2e8 h4 51.gxh4 gxf4 [51...gxh4 looked forced to me but the text seems to hold the position okay] 52. \$\psi d3 \$\psi e5 53.h5 \$\Omega g8 54.\$17 \$\Omega h6 55.\$\Omega d5\$ **由f6 56.由e2 由g5!** [56...由e5 57.由f3 b5 58.h4 型d4 59.cxb5 型xd5 60.型xf4 is close to winning for White according to Fritz] 57. ±13

**歯xh5 58.歯xf4 歯g6 59.鼻e6 歯f6 60.鼻d7 匂f7!** [60... 中央 61.h4 中 66 62.h5 中 63. 全x 65 中 65] 64. de4 acc4 65.h6 and Black is not yet out of the woods | 61.2xf5 2e5 62.h4 2xc4 63.h5 the idea  $64... \triangle c6 65.b5 \triangle a7$  and  $66... \triangle xb5 = 1$ seems more to the point, e.g. 64.2c4 (64.b5 ②c4 intending ②a3=) 64...d5! 65, axd5 ②d3+ 66. \$\psig4 \Qixb4=] 64. \$\psiee4 \Qixb4=] 64...\$\$ [64...\$ [6!? 65.h6 De5 66.h7 Df7 67.b5 Dg7 68.Dd5 Dc5 69. 2c4 空h8 70. 2b1 空g7 71. 2a2 空xh7 easily] 65.\$\psi\$d5 [65.\$\psi\$d4 \$\Q\b5+! (65...\$\psi\$h6? 66. 象d3 b5 67. 由c3 looks too dangerous) 66.\$\d5 \Qc3+ 67.\$\d6 \Qa2 68.b5 \Qc3=1 65... 4b5 66. 2d3 [66. 2g6 4c3+67. 4xd6 4a2 68.b5 ②c3 △ ②xb5 =] 66... ②c3+ 67. ₾c4 ②a4 [67... 包d1!?] 68. 由b3 包c5+ 69.bxc5 [69.由c4  $\triangle$  a4 repeats | 69...bxc5 = 70. $\triangle$ c4  $\triangle$ h8 71.h6 75.Qc2 c3 76.de7 dh8 77.df6 dg8 78.h7+ 查h8 79.由行 ½-½.

#### Tan - McCrone Petroff [C42]

1.e4 e5 2.2f3 2f6 3.2c3 d6 4.h3 2e7 5.2c4 0-0 6.0-0 c6 7.d4 exd4 8.2xd4 b5 9.2d3 b4 10.Qce2 c5 11.Qf5 曾c7 12.Qxe7+ 曾xe7 13. 2g3 2e6 14.c4 2c6 15.b3 2d7 16.f4 f6 17.鱼b2 a5 18.曾c2 a4 19.且ad1 axb3 20.axb3 图a2 21.世b1 图fa8 22.图f2 图2a6 23.e5 dxe5 24.鱼xh7+ 由h8 25.鱼e4 图8a7 26.鱼xc6 图xc6 27.f5 [27.fxe5!? fxe5 28.星e1 皇f7 29.句f5 費e8 30.世c4±] 27...皇f7 28.星fd2 星cc7 29.世e4 公f8 33.公c8 [33.世f2!? 莒ac7 34.公c8! 世d8 35.莒xd7 图xd7 36. 图xd7 图xd7 37. 图xc5±1 33... 图e8? [33... 對d8 saves the exchange which White, it turns out, doesn't want! ] 34.4\(\text{d6}\) [What's wrong with 34. 2 xa7 winning the exchange? 34...曾18 [34...曾c7 35.曾f2 里ac7 36.全c8! - see note to 33rd move] 35.4xf7 增xf7 36.增f2 国xd2 37. 世xd2 国a2 38. 世d8+ 公f8 39. 国d2 **增h5?** [this kisses the c-pawn good-bye; Black should settle for equality after 39... 對a7! 40. 由 2 (the threat was 40... 里xb2! 41. 里xb2 **幽al+) 40... 幽b7] 40. 曾d5+ 由h7 41. 曾xc5 智xf5** 42. 世xf8 世b1+ 43. 由h2 国xb2 44. 国xb2 世xb2

45. ab4 e4 [Black looks to have excellent counterplay with his e-pawn but, in reality, it's just a lemon; bloody frustrating! 146. 455



46...世e2 [this looks wrong as it blocks his own passed pawn, yet alternatives seem to be worse: 46...e3? 47. 智h5+ 也g8 48. 智e8+ 也h7 49. 世xe3+-; 46... 世d4? 47. 世h5+ 也e8 48.曾d5+! 曾xd5 49.cxd5 f5 (49... 由f7 50.由e3 由e7 51.由f4 f5 52.由e3 由d6 53.由d4+-) 50. 型g3 g5 (50... 型f7 51. 型f4 g6 52.g4+-) 51. 由行 由行 (51... f4 52.g3 由行 53.gxf4 gxf4 54.h4+-) 52.空e3 空e7 53.g4+-; 46...空h6 47. 当15 当d4 48. 当d5! and White gains tempi to advance his own pawn] 47.世f5+ 由h6 48.世f4+ 空h7 49.c5 e3 50.世e4+ 空h6 51.c6 世d2 52.世f4+ 由h7 53.c7 世d7 [53...世c3 54.世f5+ g6 55.c8世+-] 54.世h4+ 虫g6 55.世e4+ 虫打 [55...f5 56.世xe3 世xc7+ 57.世g3+ 世xg3+ 58. 也xg3+-156. 世c4+ 也e7 57. c8世 世d6+ 58.由g1 世d1+ 59.世f1 e2 60.世c5+ 由d8 61.世f8+ 由d7 62.世xg7+ 由e8 63.世g6+ 由d7 64.世17+ 中c8 65.世e6+ 中c7 66.世exe2 世d4+ 67. 由h1 f5 68. 世xf5 世a1+ 69. 由h2 世d4 70.曾fe5+ 中c6 71.曾2b5mate 1-0.

#### The Lighter Side This little nugget was received from our Junior desk

We were celebrating the 100th anniversary of our church, and several former pastors and the bishop were in attendance.

At one point, our minister had the children gather at the altar for a talk about the importance of the day.

He began by asking, "Does anyone know what the bishop does?"

There was silence. Finally, one little boy answered gravely, "He's the one you can move diagonally."

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#### M.Kluge - Burn

Scandinavian [B01]

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 \$\Omega\)f6 3.d4 \$\Omega\)g4 4.\$\Omega\)e2 5.0xe2 世xd5 6.0-0 Qc6 7.Qbc3 世f5 8.Qg3 | 瞥d7 9.鱼e3 0-0-0 10.瞥e2 名xd4 11.鱼xd4 瞥xd4 12.目fd1 曾f4? [better was 12... 智b6] 13.且xd8+ 中xd8 14.世d3+ 中c8 [14...世d6 15.世c4 中c8 comes to much the same thing] 15.豆d1 曾d6 16.世b5 [16.世c4! 世e6 17.世xe6+ fxe6 18.分b5 a6 19.2d4 is better for White despite the pawn minus] 16...曾c6 17.曾d3 包d7? [17...曾d6 18. 古4! - see note on 16. 古4] 18. 全b5 中d8 [Forced as both king and queen are tied to defending the 2d7 so that a7 cannot be defended] 19. 公xa7 当d6 20. 当f3+- 当a6 21.b3 [21. 公e4! 世xa7 22.世d3 世a4 23.Qc5 世c6 24.Qxd7 世d6 (24... 由e8 25. 如f6+ and 26. 图d8#; 24... 由c8 25. ②b6+ and 26. 對d8#) 25. ②xf8 對xd3 26. 里xd3+ 含c8 27. 里a3+-] 21...e6 [21...f6 22.a4 e6 23.0b5 and despite his 21st move loss of tempo White is still well on top, but the text is worse] 22.世xf7 皇d6 23.世xg7 呂f8 24.世d4 呂f7 25. De4 e5 26. 曾e3 h6 27. Dc5?? [27.a4 was better, and was likely the idea behind White's 21st. The trapped knight has had a charmed life but would now emerge unscathed leaving White a couple of pawns up] 27...2xc5 [27...2xc5 28. 世xc5 世e2 looks decisive for Black at first glance but White is still in the game after 中c6] 28.世xc5 世e2 29.旦xd6+ cxd6 30.世xd6+ 查e8 31. 2e6+ 查f8 32. 2xh6+ 查e7 33. 2h4+ 查d7 34.h3 世e1+ 35.由h2 世xf2 36.世e4+ 世f5 37. \(\mathbb{U}\x\text{xf5+?}\) [It was better to keep the queens on the board, e.g. with 37. a4+; not only can Q+N can be a very potent combination but here the black rook penetrates immediately following the untimely queen swapl 37... \( \text{Zxf5} 38. \( \text{Qb5} \) 图12 39.公c3 [39.公a3!? e4 40.也g3 e3 41.公c4 \(\mathbb{\text{Exc2}}\) 42.\(\Delta\) xe3 \(\mathbb{\text{Exa2}}\) is double—edged and likely equal] 39... 2e6 40. De4 Exc2 41.a4 2d5 42. 2 f6+ \$\dd 43.h4 e4 44. 2 xe4 [44. 2 g4 e3 45. ชั่g3 e2 46. ชั่ f2 ชั่d3 47. ହିe5+ ชั่d2 48. ହିf3+ ddl wins easily] 44...dxe4 45.dg3 df5 46. 中h3 邑c3+ 47.g3 邑xb3 48.a5 邑a3 49.h5 **\$\primerrow\$g5 0-1.** An interesting game despite the mistakes.

#### 13th Monarch Assurance Isle of Man International

by Paul Spiller

This strong event, held 25 Sept – 3 Oct 2004, had a truly International flavour with a total of 26 Grandmasters competing including Australia's Ian Rogers and expat kiwi Murray Chandler. After a small glitch in round 1 (a draw with Dietmar Kolbus of Germany (elo 2303) Murray Chandler surged into contention through rounds 3-5 with a win over GM Jonkman (2425), a draw with GM Baklan (2595) followed by a win over the strong female player IM Arakhamia-Grant. In round six Murray was paired with one of the top Chinese GM's Zhang Zhong. In a hard fought game Murray managed to fend off the counterplay and push home his advantage. This saw him paired against young and talented American Hikaru Nakamura in Round 7. Once again Murray held a slight advantage going into an ending. Nakamura managed to hold the draw after a long struggle.

This left him tied for the lead on 5.5/7 with Viktor Korchnoi and Nakamura going into the penultimate round.

Perhaps round 8 proved to be one of the most sensational of the tournament with Murray demolishing Korchnoi in 23 moves after the latter made a mistake on move 15 (Oc7) allowing a vicious tactic. Meanwhile GM Kotronias despatched Nakamura on second board to leave Murray in sole lead going into the last round. Unfortunately tragedy hit Murray in the final round when he got into extreme time-pressure and forfeited to GM Petr Kiriakov to dash hopes for a sensational victory. This allowed Iranian GM Ghaem Maghami to tie with Kiriakov by defeating GM Handke to finish on 7/9. Murray finished in a 4 way tie for third place with Kotronias, Zhang Zhong and British Champion Jonathan Rowson on 6.5 points. Nevertheless an excellent result for Murray and his 2640 performance rating should see a gain of quite a few elo points.

#### Chandler, M (2531) - Korchnoi, V (2568) ICI11

Monarch Assurance Isle of Man Port Erin IOM 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 Nc3 Nf6 4 e5 Nfd7 5 Nf3 c5 6

dxc5 Nc6 7 Bf4 Be7 8 Bg3 Nxc5 9 Bd3 Ob6 19 ..a6 has been played before; 9 ..0-0 10 0-0 a6 11 Re1 f6 12 exf6 Bxf6 13 Qd2 Nxd3 14 Qxd3 Bd7 was A.Ledger-S.Buckley, British Championship 1999 and was won by Black I 10 0-0 Nxd3 110 .. Qxb2 doesn't look very grandmasterly: 11 Nb5 gives the queen a headache. White can get at least a draw by giving 'perpetual check' to the queen, i.e. 11 ..0-0 12 Rb1 Qxa2 13 Ral etc. | 11 Qxd3 Bd7 12 a3 0-0 13 Rfe1 Rfc8 14 Bf4 (It is not entirely obvious at first sight what the intention is behind this move. It turns out that White is going to play b3, when he will need to play Bd2 to support the knight on c3.)

14 ..Na5 15 b3 15 .. Qc7?? [A cataclysmic error. It is the right idea (to put pressure on the c3 knight), but the wrong square from which to do it. Either 15 .. Qc5 or 15... Qc6 would have been better. 1 16 Nxd5!! (The initial idea is relatively easy to see. but it needs to be followed up precisely) 16 ..exd5 17 e6 Qd8 [In view of what happens now, you have to say that 17 .. Qxf4 would have been better. However, after 18 exd7 Rd8 19 Rxe7 Nc6 20 Re8+ Rxe8 21 dxe8Q+ Rxe8 22 Oxd5 White would be a clear pawn ahead with extremely good prospects of winning the endgame. Korchnoi undoubtedly saw this but probably reckoned his chances of holding it against a cool-headed, meticulous grandmaster of Chandler's experience as being negligible.] 18 exf7+! IA lesser player might have settled for 18 exd7 Oxd7 19 c4 which is also promising, but White has seen the combination through to the end.] 18 ..Kh8 [18 ..Kxf7 19 Ne5+ Kf6 20 Qxd5 is hopeless for Black 19 Rxe7! (Another crushing blow) 19 .. Qxe7 20 Ng5 Qxg5 [20 .. g6 21 Qd4+ and mate next move. 21 Bxg5 Be6 [The crisis is far from over for Black. He must do something about the threat of Be7 and f8Q winning the exchange. If 21 .. Nc6 22 Oxd5 Bg4 23 Bh4! with the threat of f3/h3 winning the bishop. | 22 Of3 Rf8 23 Rel! [23 Rel Bxf7 (23 .. Rxf7 24 Qc3 and two black pieces are attacked) 24 Be7 wins the

exchange | 1-0

## OCEANIA ZONAL CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP

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#### The Inaugural MIT / Papatoetoe Rapid Tournament

by D.O.P. Bob Gibbons

On the 28<sup>th</sup> November the Manukau Institute of Technology and the Papatoetoe Chess Club jointly organized a five round Grand Prix rapid. MIT was able to provide a good playing venue and generous sponsorship of the prize fund and the event attracted a combined field of 77 players in three grades.

The "A" grade was nominally over 1700 but several players under this rating were keen to try their skills and all of them were rewarded to at least some extent. In the there were not too many surprises in this section and the New Zealand Rapid Champion PuChen Wang walked away with first prize with Bob Smith finishing in second place. Paul Garbett was the only other undefeated player in the section and finished third equal with Hilton Bennett and Prashant Mistry.

The "B" section had thirty seven players and saw Vivian Smith walk away with five straight wins to take away first prize ahead of Nell Cruden, Gerald Shields, Segi Paea, Jaques Lei and Ben Kluge all on 4 points.

In the "C" section there were eighteen players most of whom were unrated. Tim Wang won this section with a score of 4.5 points with Sharon Wu second on 4 points. Richard Dare, Oscar Lynn and Daniel Shen finished third equal on 3.5 points.

The tournament ran well despite a late start caused by the usual flood of last minute entries and a fairly tight schedule between the rounds. It was particularly gratifying to see the large contingent of junior players (and their parents) all playing with a high level of capability. The Papatoetoe Chess Club provided some elegant trophies and a number of spot prizes, which added to the interest.

Particular thanks must go to John McRae, Jason Bryan and Jim Cater for the efforts that they put into organizing the event, which we hope will become an annual feature.

Round										
No	Name		Rating	Total	Place	1	2	3	4	:
1	Garbett	Paul	2364	3.5	3rd=	12:W	6:D	8:W	3:D	2:1
2	Smith	Robert	2269	4.0	2nd	13:W	7:W	5:W	4:D	1:D
3	Watson	Bruce	2250	2.5		14:W	8:W	4:1.	I:D	5:1.
4	Wang	Puchen	2219	4.5	1st	15:W	9:W	3:W	2:D	7:V
5	Mclaren	Leonard	2188	3.0		16:W	10:W	2:L	H:L	3:V
6	Stuart	Peter	2137	2.0		17:W	1:D	7:L	10:L	19:1
7	Mcnabb	Matthew	2084	3.0		18:W	2:1.	6:W	13:W	4:1
8	Steadman	Michael	2051	3.0		19:W	3:L	1:L	18:W	21:1
9	Mistry	Prashant	1974	3.5	3rd=	20:W	4:L	22:W	15:W	11:1
10	McCrone	Jeffrey	1954	3.0		21:W	5:L	13:L	6:W	15:
11	Bennett	Hilton	1929	3.5	3rd=	22:W	12:L	14:W	5:W	9:1
12	Goodhue	Nathan	1929	2.5		1:L	11:W	15:L	20:D	16:1
13	Han	Daniel	1924	2.0		2:L	18:W	10:W	7:L	20:1
14	Thornton	Gino	1902	2.0		3:L	19:W	11:L	21:L	17:1
15	Lynn	William	1841	2.0		4:L	20:W	12:W	9:L	10:1
16	Spiller	Paul	1838	1.0		5:1.	21:L	19:D	17:D	12:1
17	Perry	Roger	1824	0.5		6:L	22:L	20:L	16:D	14:1
18	Eade	Don	1707	2.0		7:L	13:L	21:W	8:L	22:
19	Wright	Caleb	1677	2.0		8:L	14:L	16:D	22:W	6:D
20	Wu	Jason	1424	2,5		9;L	15:L	17:W	12:D	13:1
21	Chen	Andy	1383	2.0		10:L	16:W	18:L	14:W	8:L
22	Chen	Eachen	1227	1.0		111.	17:W	91.	19:1.	18:1

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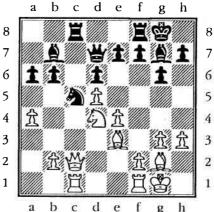
#### Baider, Daniel - Kim, Timur [E65]

World Youth Chess Championships 2004 Heraclio, Crete, Greece (6).

This was my 6th game. After a winning start I had lost 3 games in a row, followed by an easy win against a weak opponent. A good win would give me some confidence before the rest day. Also, it would be nice to finally win with White.

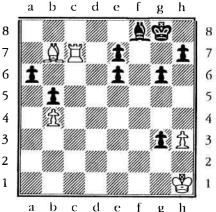
1.d2-d4 Ng8-f6 2.c2-c4 g7-g6 3.Ng1-f3 Bf8-g7 So, King's Indian it is. I prefer Fianchetto variation ... 4.g2-g3 d7-d6 5.Bf1-g2 0-0 6.0-0 The main line here is 6. ... Nbd7, however my opponent preferred 6...c7-c5 7.Nb1-c3 Nb8-d7 8.c2-e4 trying to take over the centre 8...Ra8-b8 9.h2-h3 I am preparing Be3 and don't want to allow him Ng4 9...b7-b6 10.Bc1-e3 a7-a6 11.a2-a4 preventing b5 11...c5xd4 12.Nf3xd4 Bc8-b7 13.Qd1-e2 Nd7-c5 14.Qe2-c2 Qd8-c7 15.Nc3-d5 Nf6xd5 Which pawn to re-take with? exd5 gives more room to my light-square bishop, but I decided to open the c-file.

16.c4xd5 Rb8-c8 17.Ra1-c1 Qc7-d7



My a4 pawn seems to be in trouble, under attack by two pieces. Defending it with 18. b3 does not work, because 18. ...Nxa4 discovers an attack on my Qucen. How do I defend my pawn? Well, maybe by blocking one of the attackers18.Nd4-c6! Bb7xc6 19.d5xc6 Qd7-c7

[19...Qd7xc6 20.b2-b4 and the black Knight is pinned 20.b2-b4 Nc5-e6 21.Rf1-d1 taking the d4 square away from Black. 21...Rc8-b8 22.f2f4 b6-b5? weakening the b6 square 23.a4-a5 Ne6-d8 24.Be3-b6 better was Of2 first, then followed by Bb6. Still, Black has to sacrifise an exchange 24...Rb8xb6 25.a5xb6 Qc7xb6+ 26.Kg1-h2 Nd8-e6 27.e4-e5! One pawn for an open d file and an open diagonal for my Bishop - it's a bargain. 27...d6xe5 28.c6-c7 Rf8-c8 29.Rd1-d7 e5xf4 30.Qc2-c6 f4xg3+ 31.Kh2h1 not allowing Black any checks. 31...Qb6xc6 32.Rc1xc6 Bg7-f8 33.Rc6xe6 just a temporary sacrifice. 33...f7xe6 34.Bg2-b7 and the Rook is re-taken. 34...Rc8xc7 [34...Rc8-e8 35.Rd7-d8] 35.Rd7xc7



Now I have a Rook for 5 pawns. Unfortunately for Black, his a and b pawns are about to go and he has two pairs of doubled pawns. 35...e6-e5 36.Rc7-c1 e7-e6 37.Rc1-b1 Kg8-f7 38.Bb7xa6 e5-e4 39.Ba6xb5 e4-e3 40.Kh1-g2 Bf8-d6 41.Bb5-e2 and black pawns are stopped. 41...g6-g5 42.b4-b5 Kf7-e7 43.b5-b6 Ke7-d7 44.b6-b7 Bd6-b8 45.Be2-f3 Kd7-c7 46.Kg2xg3 e6-e5 47.Kg3-g2 Bb8-a7 48.Kg2-f1 Ba7-b6 49.Rb1-c1+Kc7-d7 50.b7-b8Q e3-e2+ 51.Kf1xe2 Bb6-d4 52.Qb8-c7+ 1-0

by Mike Steadman

#### Purnama - Wang, P [A57]

Puchen Wang, 2004 [Puchem Wang]

#### 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.e3 axb5

I don't like the idea of e3 from my opponent. Isn't it more exciting to grab the a6 pawn instead of e3.

#### 6.Bxb5 Qa5+ 7.Nc3 Bb7 8.Bd2 Ob6

If 8...Nxd5 9.Nxd5 Qxb5 10.Nc7+ Black can pack up and go home.

#### 9.Bc4 e6 10.e4 Nxe4

Certainly White's 10th move is to strengthen the d5 pawn but I couldn't let him consolidate with an extra pawn. A timely exchange relieves the pressure. 11.Nf3 11.Nxe4 exd5. I get my piece back with an equal position.

#### 11...Nxd2 12.Oxd2 Be7 13.0 □ 0 0 □ 0 14.Rfe1 Bf6

With my bishop stationed at f6, I was exerting pressure against my opponent's queenside.

#### 15.Od3

15.Rad1 Na6 then 16.dxe6 (16.Ne5 Rad8 17.Qc1 Nb4 18.dxe6 dxe6 19.Nd7 Rxd7 20.Rxd7 Qc6 21.Rxb7 Qxb7) 16...Bxf3 17.exf7+ Kh8 18.gxf3 Bd4 Interesting and unclear.

#### 15...Na6 16.a3 Nc7 17.Rab1 Ba6 18.Ne5 Qd6 19.f4 Bxc4 20.Qxc4 exd5

For the moment I am a pawn up but his pieces are very active and centralized.

#### 21.Rbd1 Bxe5

If I try to keep the pawn, then [21...d4 22.Ne4 Qe7 23.Nxc5. I lose my pawn and with a hopeless position.

#### 22.fxe5 Qb6 23.Nxd5 Nxd5 24.Rxd5 Oxb2

Again I'm a pawn up but because of the intense pressure on my d7 pawn, I was forced to give back the pawn a couple of

moves later,

25.Rxd7 Qxa3 26.Rf1 Ob4 27.Od5 27.Rfxf7 Ra1+ 28.Kf2 Oxc4.

27...Qd4+ 28.Qxd4 cxd4 29.Rxd4 1/2 1/2

#### Junior News

Development of junior chess in New Zealand is gathering pace much faster than most players realise. In Auckland, Paul Spiller says he has never seen so many talented players in the 7 -12 age group. Howick-Pakuranga currently has over 90 juniors on the books, with Kees Van Den Bosch putting in sterling work on the coaching front and recently the club ran a Sunday afternoon programme conducted by Leonard McLaren. To cater for this explosion, the club is moving to new quarters this year, which will allow expansion of the coaching programme.

Vivian Smith has been regularly visiting a number of schools and she and husband Bob have been giving increased attention to coaching to meet the demand.

In Hamilton William Lynn and Gary Judkins have been expanding their activities and this is expected to continue this year.

In Wellington, in addition to Anthony Ker's work in Wellington CC, FM Scott Wastney has settled back in the capital and is coaching in a number of schools as well as giving private coaching to a number of young players. Contributions by Chess Friends are assisting meet the costs of engaging top players for special coaching sessions, with Australian IM Gary Lane to conduct a clinic for about 20 juniors in conjunction with the coming zonal tournament. Gary Judkins will be taking his top four juniors from Hamilton to take part. Chess Friends has been approached to assist another top-level clinic in conjunction with next year's inernational tournament in Queenstown. Hilton Bennett is negotiating with grandmaster Stuart Conquest, one of Britain's leading coaches, to conduct the clinic. Paul Spiller also reports that a grant from Mt

Wellington Licensing Trust will provide DGT equipment that will be used to broadcast live games from the coming zonal onto the Internet,

#### Mery Morrison Memorial 2004

The Auckland Chess Centre has decided to run a yearly tournament – this year was the first time the event was run. We named the event after the late Merv Morrison, a long time member of the Auckland Chess Centre, Because Merv spent a lot of his last years in the under 1700 rating category, this is where we wanted to focus the tournament, the trophy and a full equal share in prize money went to the Under 1700 division.

We took a leaf out of Hamilton's book and tried a Friday night round so that we could have a six round event. We allowed the players to opt for a bye in round 1 only, otherwise all rounds needed to be played. We decided to FIDE rate the Open section and the prize money ensured the event was a class 1 Grand Priz event. A quick survey of the players after the tournament showed that we are on the mark with the tournament format, so we'll try this again next year.

We had the usual late comers on Friday night that caused a half hour delay to Friday night kick-off, and we also had some low rated juniors who requested to play in the open as practice for some of the international youth tournaments coming up.

In the Open section Leonard McLaren and Alexei Kulashko played the smartest chess and walked away with the money. The Under 1700 section was much more exciting and went down to the wire in the last round. Jeremy Browne played the best chess overall and deserved his 1st place.

Open			
Player Name	Rating	Result	Place
McLaren, Leonard	2201	5	1st =
Kulashko, Alexei	2364	5	
Steadman, Mike	2240	4.5	3rd
Wu, Jason	1405	4	4th
McNabb, Matthew	2153	3	5th =
Wright, Caleb	1612	3	
Sims, Martin	1854	3	
Perry, Roger	1891	3	
Wheeler, Bruce	2145	2.5	9th
Yang, Stephen	1600	2	10th =

Gao, Judy	706	2	
Chen, Eachen	990	0.5	12th
Under 1700			
Player Name	Rating	Result	Place
Browne, Jeremy	1671	5.5	lst
Cruden, Neil	1661	5	2nd =
Brett, Rider	1374	5	
Taylor, Richard	1586	4.5	4th
Pelle, Dominic	1346	4	5th =
Cheng, Bobby	1300	4	
Cowen, Michael		4	
Zhang, Michael	1517	4	
Fairley, Natasha	1249	4	
Martin, Oscar	1404	3.5	10th
Steiner, Michael	1476	3	11th =
Tsoi, Nicole	744	3	
Holm, Gavin	948	3	
Chen, Nick		3	
Fairley, Donald	1287	3 3 3	
Maroroa, Andrew	1039	3	
Zhou, Jianying	1200	3	
Wu, Michael	1043	2.5	18th =
Tsai, Bruce	1000	2.5	
Young, Pat	1555	2.5	
Li, Michael		2	21st =
Li, Xiangwei		2	
Xie, Chen		2 2	
Zhang, William	1000	2	
Zhang, Leon	800	Ī	25th =

#### Games of the Open section winners:

Wu. Bill 794

Wang, Weber

#### McLaren, L - Steadman, M [C01]

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27th

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.exd5 exd5 5.Bd3 Ne7 6.Qh5 Nbc6 7.a3 Ba5 8.Nf3 Be6 9.0-0 Qd7 10.h3 0-0-0 11.b4 Bb6 12.Ne2 h6 13.b5 Na5 14.Ne5 Qe8 15.c3 g6 16.Qf3 Bf5 17.Re1 f6 18.Ng4 Rd6 19.Bf4 Re6 20.Ng3 Rxe1+ 21.Rxe1 Bxd3 22.Qxd3 f5 23.Be5 Rf8 24.Nxh6 Qd7 25.Bg7 Re8 26.Qe2 c6 27.a4 Nc4 28.Nf7 cxb5 29.axb5 Bd8 30.Bf6 Nd6 31.Nxd8 Kxd8 32.Qe5 Ndc8 33.h4 Qd6 34.h5 f4 35.h6 Qxe5 36.Rxe5 fxg3 37.h7 Nd6 38.Rxe7 1-0

#### Kulashko, A - Sims, M [B30]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d3 Nc6 4.g3 b5 5.a4 b4 6.Bg2 Bb7 7.0-0 Qc7 8.Re1 d6 9.c3 a5 10.d4 Rd8 11.d5 Ne5 12.Ng5 h6 13.Nh3 Nf6 14.f4 Ned7 15.c4 Be7 16.b3 0-0 17.g4 Nh7 18.Bb2 e5 19.f5 g5 20.fxg6 fxg6 21.Bc1 g5 22.Nf2 Rf7 23.Nh1 Nhf8 24.Ng3 Ng6 25.Nf5 Bf8 26.Nd2 Nf4 27.Nf3 Rf6 28.Ra2 Bc8 29.h4 Rg6 30.h5 Rf6 31.Be3 Re8 32.Rd2 Rf7 33.Bxf4 exf4 34.e5 Nxe5 35.Nxe5 Rxe5 36.Rxe5 dxe5 37.d6 Qd8 38.Bd5 Bxf5 39.gxf5 e4 40.Bxf7+ Kxf7 41.d7 Bg7 42.Rd6 Bd4+ 43.Rxd4 cxd4 44.Qxd4 Bxf5 25.gxf5 Qc8 26.Qg4+ Kh8 27.Kf1 Rg8 f3 45.Qxe4 Kg7 46.Qe5+ Kh7 47.f6 1-0

#### Wright, Caleb - Kulashko, A [A59]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.bxa6 Bxa6 6.Nc3 d6 7.e4 Bxf1 8.Kxf1 g6 9.g3 Bg7 10.Kg2 0-0 11.Nf3 Nbd7 12.Re1 Qb6 13.a4 Qb4 14.Re2 Rfb8 15.Ra3 Nb6 16.Rb3 Qc4 17.Nd2 Qa6 18.Rb5 Nfd7 19.Ndb1 Nxa4 20.Rxb8+ Nxb8 21.Nxa4 Oxa4 22.Oxa4 Rxa4 23.Nc3 Rb4 24.f3 Nd7 25.Nd1 Nb6 26.Rc2 f5 27.exf5 Nxd5 28.fxg6 hxg6 29.Kf2 Rb3 30.Ke2 Ne7 25.Bxe7 Bxe7 26.Qf4 Qd6 27.Ne5 Bf6 Nb4 31.Rc4 Nd3 32.Bg5 Nxb2 33.Nxb2 Rxb2+ 34.Kd3 Kf7 35.Rf4+ Ke8 36.h4 d5 37.g4 c4+ 38.Ke3 e5 39.Rf6 Bxf6 40.Bxf6 d4+ 0-1

#### McLaren, L - Kulashko, A [B22]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.c3 d5 4.exd5 exd5 5.d4 Nf6 6.Bg5 c4 7.b3 cxb3 8.axb3 Be7 9.Bd3 Bg4 10.0-0 0-0 11.Nbd2 Nc6 12.Re1 Rc8 13.b4 a6 14.Qb3 Nb8 15.Ne5 ½-½

#### Kulashko, A - Steadman, M [C05]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nd2 Nf6 4.e5 Nfd7 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Ngf3 Ob6 8.0-0 cxd4 9.cxd4 a5 10.Qa4 Be7 11.a3 g5 12.Nb3 g4 13.Ne1 h5 14.Be2 Qc7 15.Bd2 Nb6 16.Qb5 Bd7 17.Rc1 Qd8 18.Qd3 Nc4 19.Rxc4 dxc4 20.Qxc4 b6 21.Bc3 Na7 22.d5 Bb5 23.Qxb5+ Nxb5 24.Bxb5+ Kf8 25.d6 Bg5 26.Nc2 Kg7 27.Nbd4 Og8 28.f4 gxf3 29.Rxf3 Oh7 30.Rg3 Kh6 31.Rxg5 Kxg5 32.Bd2+ Kg6 33.Bd3+ f5 34.Nxe6 Qb7 35.Nf4+ Kf7 36.e6+ Kf6 37.d7

Rhg8 38.Ne3 Qc6 39.Bc3+ Ke7 40.Nxf5+ Kd8 41.Bf6+ Kc7 42.Be5+ Kd8 43.Bf6+ Kc7 44.Be5+ Kd8 ½-½

#### McNabb, M - Kulashko, A [B83]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 d6 6.Be2 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.f4 Nc6 9.Be3 Bd7 10.Nb3 Qb8 11.a4 Rd8 12.g4 d5 13.e5 Ne4 14.Nxe4 dxe4 15.c3 g5 16.Oc2 gxf4 17.Bxf4 Nxe5 18.Oxe4 Bd6 19.Nd4 Ng6 20.Bxd6 Oxd6 21.Qxb7 e5 22.Nf5 Qc5+ 23.Rf2 Nf4 24.Qf3 28.Qh4 Qxf5 29.Rd1 Nh3 30.Bf3 Rg1+ 31.Ke2 Rxd1 32.Kxd1 Nxf2+ 33.Qxf2 0-1

#### Kulashko, A - Perry, R [A05]

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.b3 g6 3.Bb2 Bg7 4.g3 0-0 5.Bg2 c5 6.0-0 Nc6 7.c4 b6 8.d4 cxd4 9.Nxd4 Bb7 10.Nc3 Rb8 11.Nc2 d6 12.Qd2 Qd7 13.Rac1 e6 14.Rfd1 Rfd8 15.Ba3 Ne8 16.Ne4 d5 17.cxd5 exd5 18.Nc3 d4 19.Nd5 Nf6 20.Nxf6+ Bxf6 21.Ne1 Ne5 22.Bxb7 Rxb7 23.Nd3 Nc6 24.Rc2 28.Qf3 Re7 29.Nd3 Kg7 30.Rc6 1-0

#### Wu, Jason - McLaren, L [B86]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.Bc4 Be7 7.Be3 0-0 8.Qe2 d5 9.exd5 exd5 10.Bd3 Nc6 11.0-0-0 Re8 12.Od2 Ng4 13.h3 Nxe3 14.fxe3 Nxd4 15,exd4 Bg5 0-1

#### Wheeler, B - McLaren, L [B82]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 e6 6.f4 Nc6 7.Be3 Be7 8.Of3 e5 9.Nxc6 bxc6 10.f5 Nd7 11.Bc4 Nb6 12.Bb3 Ba6 13.0-0-0 Nc4 14.Kb1 Qc7 15.Bc1 0-0-0 16.g4 h6 17.h4 Rdf8 18.g5 Qd8 19.Rhg1 hxg5 20.hxg5 Kb8 21.Ka1 Na5 22.Na4 Rh2 23.Qc3 Nxb3+ 24.Qxb3+ Ka8 25.g6 Qb8 26.c4 Qxb3 27.axb3 Kb8 28.Nc3 Kc7 29.Be3 fxg6 30.Rxg6 Bf6 31.Rdg1 Rh7 32.Bg5 Bc8 33.b4 a6 34,Ka2 Bd7 35.Bxf6 gxf6 36.Rg7 Rf7 37.Rxh7 Rxh7 38.Rg6 Rf7 39.Kb3 Be8 40.b5 axb5 41.cxb5 Rf8 42.Rg7+ Bf7+ 43.Kc2 Kb6 44.bxc6 Kxc6

45.b4 Bc4 46.Rg6 d5 47.exd5+ Bxd5 48.Kd3 Bf3 49.Kc4 Kd6 50.Nb5+ Kc6 51.Nc3 Rf7 52.b5+ Kb6 53.Kb4 Bb7 54.Na4+ Kc7 55.Kc5 Be4 56.Nb6 Bxf5 57.Nd5+ Kb7 58.Rxf6 Rxf6 59.Nxf6 e4 60.Nxe4 ½-½

#### Wright, Caleb - McLaren, L **IE811**

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.f3 0-0 6.Be3 c5 7.d5 e6 8.dxe6 Bxe6 9.Qd2 Nc6 10.Bd3 Ne5 11.b3 a6 12.Nge2 Nfd7 13.Bc2 b5 14.cxb5 axb5 15.Rd1 b4 16.Na4 Rxa4 17.bxa4 Nc4 18.Qc1 Bb2 19.Qb1 Nxe3 20.Qxb2 Nxd1 21.Kxd1 Ne5 22.Nf4 Nc4 23.Oc1 d5 24.Ke2 Na5 25.exd5 Bxd5 26.Rd1 Qe7+ 27.Kf1 Bxa2 28.Be4 Rc8 29.Bd5 c4 30.Rel Qc5 31.Qd2? (White needed to recognise that his position is doomed, he needs to look for a killer blow - Qb2 was the move, a possible continuation - idea is to play Qf6, Ne6) 31...Qc7 32.Nxg6 hxg6 33.Oxa2 b3 34.Od2 Qd8 35.Re4 c3 36.Qd4 c2 37.Bxf7+ Kxf7 0-1

#### McLaren, L - McNabb, M [B50]

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bc4 e6 4.0-0 a6 5.c3 Oc7 6.Qe2 b5 7.Bb3 c4 8.Bc2 Nd7 9.a4 Bb7 10.axb5 axb5 11.Rxa8+ Bxa8 12.Na3 Bc6 13.Nd4 Qb6 14.d3 Ne5 15.dxc4 b4 16.Nab5 bxc3 17.bxc3 Nf6 18.Be3 Bxb5 19.cxb5 Nfg4 20.Ra1 Nxe3 21.Ra8+ Ke7 22.Qxe3 Ob7 23.Ra7 Qxa7 24.Nf5+ 1-0

#### Biggest Upset Game

Ten year old Judy Gao playing in the Open Section in practice for the World Youth Festival in Crete a few weeks laters, scored a the big scalp in her game against a weary Bruce Wheeler.

Wheeler, B (2145) - Gao, Judy (706) 1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.f4 exf4 4.d4 Bb4 5.Od3 0-0 6.Nge2 Re8 7.e5 Nd5 8.Bd2 Nxc3 9.bxc3 Ba5 10.Bxf4 Nc6 11.g3 d6 12.exd6 cxd6 13.h3 Qb6 14.Bd2 Qb2 15.Rd1 Qxa2 16.Bg2 Be6 17.d5 Ne5 18.Qd4 Bd7 19.Qh4 h6 20.0-0 Ng6 21.Qh5 Re5 22.Qf3 Bb6+ 23.Kh1 Qxc2 24.Qxf7+ Kh7 25.Oxd7 Rxe2 26.Og4 Rxd2 27.Rxd2 Qxd2 28.Be4 Og5 29.Oe6 Oxg3

30.Qf5 Kh8 31.h4 Qxh4+ 32.Kg2 Qg5+ 33.Qxg5 hxg5 34.Bxg6 a5 35.Bf7 g6 36.Rb1 Kg7 37.Rxb6 Kxf7 38.Kf3 a4 39.Ke4 a3 40.Rxb7+ Kf6 41.Rb1 a2 42.Rf1+ Ke7 43.Ra1 g4 44.Kf4 Kf6 45.Kxg4 Ke5 46.c4 Kd4 0-1

#### Games of the Under 1700 Winner - Jeremy Browne

#### Browne, J - Rider, B [B23]

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 a6 3.f4 Nc6 4.Nf3 e6 5.Be2 d5 6.exd5 exd5 7.0-0 d4 8.Ne4 Be7 9.d3 Nf6 10.Nfg5 h6 11.Nxf6+ Bxf6 12.Ne4 Be7 13.Bg4 0-0 14.f5 f6 15.Qf3 Ne5 16.Qg3 Nf7 17.Bh5 Kh8 18.Bxf7 Rxf7 19.Qg6 Qd5 20.Bd2 Bd7 21.Rf3 Be8 22.Rh3 Bf8 23.Rg3 Rd7 24.Og4 Bf7 25.Bxh6 gxh6 26.Nxf6 h5 27.Qg5 Re8 28.Nxd5 Rxd5 1-0

#### Zhang, M - Browne, J [C18]

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Qc7 7.Bd2 Nc6 8.Nf3 Nge7 9.Bd3 Bd7 10.0-0 c4 11.Be2 0-0-0 12.a4 Qa5 13.Qb1 h6 14.Qb2 g5 15.Rfb1 b6 16.g3 Nf5 17.Qc1 Nb8 18.Rb4 Na6 19.Rbb1 Bxa4 20.g4 Ng7 21.Ne1 b5 22.Qa3 Rdf8 23.Rb2 Ne8 24.Ng2 Kd7 25.Ne3 Nb8 26.Rb4 Nc6 27.Rb2 f6 28.exf6 Rxf6 29.Ng2 Nd6 30.f4 Ne4 31.Be3 Oxc3 32.Oxc3 Nxc3 33.Bf3 gxf4 34.Bd2 Ne4 35.Bxe4 dxe4 36.Bxf4 Rhf8 37.Be3 Ne7 38.c3 Nd5 39.Bd2 Rg8 40.h3 Rf3 41.Re1 Rxh3 42.Rxe4 Nxc3 43.Bxc3 Rxc3 44.Rbe2 Re8 45.d5 Rc1+ 46.Kh2 e5 47.Rxe5 Rxe5 48.Rxe5 c3 49.Re6 c2 50.Ne1 Rd1 51.Nxc2 Bxc2 52.Ra6 Rxd5 53.Rxa7+ Ke6 54.Ra6+ Rd6 55.Ra2 Bg6 56.Rb2 Rb6 57.Kg3 b4 58.Kf3 b3 0-1

#### Browne, J - Cruden, N [B01]

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Oxd5 3.Nc3 Oa5 4.d4 e5 5.dxe5 Nc6 6.Bf4 Bb4 7.Qd2 Bg4 8.Bb5 Nge7 9.Nge2 0-0 10.0-0 Qxb5 11.f3 Qb6+ 12.Kh1 Be6 13.Ng3 Rad8 14.Qe1 Nd5 15.Qe4 Nxf4 16.Qxf4 Rd4 17.Nce4 Be7 18.Nh5 Oa5 19.c3 Rxe4 20.Qxe4 Qxe5 21.Qxe5 Nxe5 22.Nf4 Bc4 23.Rfe1 Bf6 24.Nh5 Nc6 25.Nxf6+ gxf6 26.b3

Be6 27.Rad1 Kg7 28.Kg1 f5 29.f4 Kf6 30.Kf2 Ne7 31.c4 Ne8 32.Re3 Nd6 1/2-1/2

#### Browne, J - Taylor, R [B03]

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.c4 Nb6 5,exd6 cxd6 6.Nc3 g6 7.h3 Bg7 8.Nf3 Nc6 9.Be2 0-0 10.0-0 e5 11.Be3 exd4 12.Nxd4 d5 13.cxd5 Nxd5 14.Nxd5 Oxd5 15.Bf3 Oc5 16.Nxc6 bxc6 17.Bxc6 Rb8 18.Bxa7 Rxb2 19.Rc1 Qc7 20.Bd4 Rd8 21.Re8+ Rxe8 22.Bxe8 Bxd4 23.Oxd4 Rc2 24.Bb5 Bb7 25.a4 Ba8 26.Rel Rcl 27.Rxcl Oxcl+ 28.Kh2 Oc7+ 29.Kg1 Qc1+ 30.Bf1 Bb7 31.Qc4 Qe1 32.Qb5 Qe4 33.a5 h6 34.a6 Bd5 35.f3 Qd4+ 36.Kh1 Qd1 37.a7 Kh7 38.Qd3 Qa1 39.Qxd5 Qxa7 40.Bc4 Kg7 41.Qc5+ Kh7 42.Qf6 1-0

#### Pelle, D - Browne, J [A85]

1.d4 e6 2.c4 f5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Nf3 b6 5.g3 Bb7 1-0 6.Bg2 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.a3 Qe8 9.b4 a5 10.Rb1 axb4 11.axb4 Qh5 12.Qb3 Ng4 13.h3 Nf6 14.Bd2 Ne4 15.Bf4 d6 16.Nxe4 fxe4 17.Nd2 Nc6 18.g4 Nxd4 19.Qe3 Qf7 20.Bxd6 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Bb4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 Nc2 21.Qc3 Bxd6 22.Qxc2 Qf4 23.f3 e3 24.Rf2 Qh2+ 25.Kf1 Qg3 26.Ne4 Bxe4 0-1

#### Three Other Games from Open

#### McNabb,M - Wheeler,B

[C03] 1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.Nd2 Be7 4.c3 c5 5.Ngf3 Nf6 6.Bd3 Nc6 7.0-0 cxd4 8.cxd4 dxe4 9.Nxe4 0-0 10.Bg5 Nxd4 11.Nc3 Nc6 12.Qe2 a6 13.Rad1 Qc7 14.Bb1 h6 15.Bh4 b5 16.Qc2 Nb4 17.Qe2 Bb7 18.Ne5 Rfd8 19.Rc1 Nc6 20.f4 Rd4 21.Kh1 Rad8 22.Nf3 R4d7 23.f5 e5 24.Rfe1 b4 25.Bxf6 Bxf6 26.Ne4 Qb6 27.Nc5 Re7 28.Nxb7 Qxb7 29.Be4 Rc7 30.Rc5 Rdc8 31.Rec1 Qb6 32.Qc4 a5 33.Rxc6 Rxc6 34.Bxc6 Qe3 35.Re1 Qb6 36.Rc1 Qe3 37.Qf1 e4 38.Re1 Qc5 39.Bxe4 Bxb2 40.Qe2 Bf6 41.g3 a4 42.Nd2 Qc3 43.Nb1 Qd4 44.Qe3 Qb2 45.Re2 Qe5 46.h4 Rc7 47.Kg2 a3 48.Qb6 Rc4 49.Nd2 Rd4 50.Kf3 h5 51.Qc6 Rd6 52,Qc2 Qd4 53,Nb3

Qg1 54.Rg2 Qf1+ 55.Rf2 Qh1+ 56.Ke2 Qh3 57.Qc5 Qxg3 58.Qxb4 Bxh4 59.Qb8+ Bd8 60.Qb5 Bf6 61.Qe8+ Kh7 62.Qxf7 Qg4+ 63.Bf3 Oxf5 64.Oxh5+ Oxh5 65.Bxh5 g6 66.Bg4 Rb6 67.Kd3 Bb2 68.Nd2 Kh6 69.Nc4 Rb4 70.Bd1 Kg5 71.Bb3 Rxb3+ 72.axb3 a2 73.Rfl a1O 74.Rxal ½-½

#### Wright, C - Perry, R [D87]

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 Bg7 7.Bc4 c5 8.Ne2 0-0 9.0-0 Nc6 10.Be3 Bd7 11.Rb1 a6 12.dxc5 Na5 13.Bb3 Qc7 14.Bd4 e5 15.Be3 Bb5 16,Qc2 Nc4 17.Bxc4 Bxc4 18.Rb4 Bb5 19.c4 Bc6 20.Nc3 f5 21.f3 f4 22.Bf2 g5 23.Nd5 Qf7 24.Qe2 Kh8 25.Rd1 Rae8 26.Rb2 Rg8 27.Nb4 Bf8 28.Nxc6 bxc6 29.Rb6 Re6 30.Rd8 Reg6 31.Qb2 Qf6 32.Re8 g4 33.Oxe5 Qxe5 34.Rxe5 gxf3 35.g3 fxg3 36.hxg3 Rg5

#### Steadman, M - Wheeler, B [C18]

Bxc3+ 6.bxc3 Ne7 7.Og4 0-0 8.Bd3 f5 9.exf6 Rxf6 10.Qh5 g6 11.Qg5 Rf7 12.Nf3 Nbc6 13.h4 c4 14.Be2 Rf5 15.Qg3 Bd7 16.h5 Qe8 17.Nh4 Rf6 18.Bg5 Nf5 19.Oh2 Rf8 20.Nxg6 hxg6 21.hxg6 Qxg6 22.Qh8+ Kf7 23.Rh7+ 1-0

#### Did you know.....

Books and particularly magazines collected over a period of years can be quite valuable. but families sometimes don't recognise that fact. Brian Foster of NZ Chess Supplies recently heard that following the death of a keen player at an advanced age, who had an extensive library built up over many years, the family cleaned out and dumped the lot. One of the biggest donations to Chess Friends has been the proceeds of the library of an average player who wished to remain anonymous. It took Chess Supplies two years to dispose of the collection, but Chess Friends benefited by \$2000.

#### Correspondence Chess

by Gordon Hoskyn

#### Profile of Bevan J. Edwards

I was born December 1968 in Auckland and have lived here all my life. I've made a few trips to the South Island and various Islands off the coast of the North Island, but that's about the extent of my travels. I taught myself how to play chess around the age of 7 and was soon able to beat my uncles - I didn't know anybody else who played chess at the time. I attended Dilworth Boarding School in Epsom for my Form 1 to Form 3 years and often played chess against some of the other students.

#### Chess at School

By the end of my Form 3 year I was able to beat my regular opponents most of the time. From Form 4 to Form 7 I attended Papatoetoe High School. I joined the chess club in Form 5 and won the Papatoetoe High School Chess Competition in Form 6 - there were less than 10 regular players, but enough to make up a team for the Auckland School Chess Competition. In Form 7 I lost the School Chess Championship to a new Form 5 student. That year (1986) I was captain of the Papatoetoe High School Chess Team and we convincingly won the schools B-grade competition - most matches were won 5-0, with one result of 4-1. We then had to play the team that we lost the single game against in the final, and we won 5-0. At the beginning of my Form 7 year we moved to Howick, and I joined the Howick Chess Club - my game improved significantly during my brief membership there. I left the club in 1988 due to lack of time. I attended Auckland University from 1987 to 1992, graduating with a BSc (Computer Science), DipCom (Information Systems) and MCom (Operations Research).

#### Chess since School

I have worked for myself as a computer programmer since about 1991. Now I do everything from computer repairs, building computers, network installation/configuration, web development, and almost anything else computer related.

I met my wife (Sharon) in 1994 and we got

married in March 1997. We have a daughter (Samantha) born at the beginning of 1999, who is now showing a keen interest in chess - but I think that's more because it has horses in it than anything else! I recently got "Fritz & Chesster" for Samantha and she plays it regularly. We also attempt to play at least one game a week, so there's hope for her yet! I first joined the NZCCA in 1995 when I was told about it by a friend of a friend. I was in TT Class 3 at the time and enjoyed being able to play regular chess again. My best result so far was 1998/1999 when I won the TT Class 3 tournament. I now play in the Reserve Champs in 2004/2005. In 2003 I missed the Trophy Tournament entry date, so I started playing in some NZCCA Handicap and Certificate competitions. I currently have about 20 games in progress in the NZCC. In the late 1990's, when the internet and e-mail had started to become firmly rooted in our society, I joined the IECG and IECC online e-mail

chess clubs. I am currently playing in an IECG Tournament - after finishing second in my group for the first round, I've made it to the second round for the first time ever. I mostly play Pyramid Challenge games in the IECC, having recently completed and lost a defence and have just challenged another player. The 2004 year has been my busiest chess year and at one point I had about 30 games in progress! I also occasionally play on FICS and Yahoo!, but I find that most people on those sites are only interested in lightning and blitz chess.

Over the last few years I have invested heavily in chess books from Amazon and now have a good selection of books on my favourite openings, tactics/strategy and positional play. My endgame library is still lacking, so that's what I will be concentrating on next.

I also have a small collection of different chess sets, including a few different 3D versions and the Star Trek chess set. Although we don't have room to have all of these on display at once, I like to have at least one out, rotating

them monthly. I also like to study GM games and leave the current chess set setup in an interesting position.

I am currently in the process of designing/writing my own chess engine, possibly with Bb6 21.a4 c4 22.f4 Bc4 23.Ne3 Bxe3 24.Rxc3 the idea of developing an associated database as well. I would also like to write a chess engine to play the Star Trek 3D chess game and have it Rxf4 33.g3 Rff2 34.Rge1 Rh2+ (0-1) learn as it plays - I know it's ambitious, but it's a long-term goal. As a more attainable short-term goal for my programming, I will be developing a Windows screen saver that will play through a 1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 e6 4.Nbd2 Be7 5.e3 user-defined list of games, hopefully with configurable board and pieces (perhaps it won't be so short-term after all).

As for my chess, the immediate aim (within the next 2-3 years) is to bring all of my ratings (NZCC, IECC, IECG, and FICS) up to 1800+. I Kf8 24.Rxc8 Rxc8 25.f4 Qc5 26.exd4 Qd6 would also like to join a club again and start playing some OTB chess, but I'm not sure how that will fit into my schedule.

I have decided to give three good wins from the 37.Ne7+ Kg7 38.Rb6 Rxb2 39.Rxb7 (1-0) 1998/1999 season (I chose that season because I won the TT Class 3 that year). I think that's also Trophy Tourney Progress the year I realised that I could offer a draw - up Here are the games:

#### Bevan Edwards - Alan Fletcher NZCCA TT3 1998/99

1.d4 d5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Bg5 c5 4.c3 Ne4 5.Bh4 Qb6 6.b3 e6 7.e3 Nc6 8.Bd3 cxd4 9.exd4 h6 10.Bxe4 dxe4 11.Nfd2 g5 12.Bg3 f5 13.Nc4 Qb5 14.Bd6 Kd7 15.Nba3 Qd5 16.Bxf8 Rxf8 21.d5 exd5 22.Nxd5+ Kb8 23.b4 Bf7 24.Nde3 Ng8 32.Rad1 Rd8 33.Rxd8 Rxd8 34.Rxd8 Kxd8 G.E. Lovelock 0.5/4 35.Nd6 Ne7 36.Nxb7+ Kc7 37.Nc5 Kc6 38.Nb3 Latest results: WELSH beat Lovelock, drew Kd5 39.Na5 f4 40.Kf1 g4 41.c4+ Ke5 42.b5 f3 43.c5 Ke6 44.b6 axb6 45.cxb6 Kd7 46.Nc4 Kc8 TT2 (Double Round): J.W.H. Atkinson 4/5; 47.Nd6+ Kd7 48.Nxe4 Kc6 49.a5 (1-0)

#### Barney Sullivan - Bevan Edwards NZCCA TT3 1998/99 1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 e5 5.Nf5

d6 6.Ng3 Nf6 7.Bb5 a6 8.Ba4 Bg4 9.f3 Bc6 10.Nd2 Be7 11.c3 0-0 12.Ndf1 d5 13.exd5 Qxd5 14.Ne3 Qxd1+ 15.Bxd1 Bc5 16.0-0 Nd5 17.Re1 f5 18.Kh1 Nxe3 19.Bxe3 Bxe3 20.Nf1 a5 25.b3 Be6 26.h3 Rad8 27.c4 Rd2 28.Re2 Rfd8 29.Re1 Rf2 30.Rg1 Rdd2 31.h4 h6 32.Bh5

#### Bevan Edwards - Alan Hignett NZCCA TT3 1998/99

Nc6 6.Bb5 0-0 7.0-0 Bd7 8.c4 dxc4 9.Bxc4 h6 10.Bh4 a6 11.Rc1 Ne8 12.Bxe7 Oxe7 13.Bd3 Nf6 14.a3 Rac8 15.Bb1 Rfd8 16.Qc2 Na7 17.Ne4 Bc6 18.Nxf6+ Qxf6 19.Ne5 Bb5 20.Rfd1 c5 21.Ng4 Qg5 22.h3 cxd4 23.Qh7+ 27.Qh8+ Ke7 28.Qxg7 Qxf4 29.Qxh6 Qxh6 30.Nxh6 f5 31.Re1 Kf6 32.d5 Kg7 33.Rxe6 Rc1+ 34.Kh2 Rxb1 35.Nxf5+ Kf8 36.Rf6+ Kg8

As at 29 December, 2004

until then I think I had played most of my games 71st Championship: G.A. Iloskyn 6.5/12; W.R. out to the bitter end, sometimes to my detriment Smillie 5.5/7; P.B. Goffin 5.5/10; M.L. Dunwoody 5/6; R.E. Gibbons 4.5/6; E.G.A. Frost 4.5/10; H.P. Bennett 3.5/5; R.J. Weston 3/8: R.S. Mitchell 2.5/6; M. Wigbout 2.5/7; T.J. Doyle 2/5; D.R. Whitlock 1/5; P.J. Voss 1/8 Latest results: SMILLIE drew Frost. GOFFIN beat Mitchell, GIBBONS beat Voss, WES-TON beat Whitlock. MITCHELL beat Frost. WIGBOUT beat Frost. DOYLE beat Wigbout. 17.0-0 Kc7 18.Ne3 Qd8 19.Nac4 Bd7 20.a4 Be8 Reserve Championship: C. Welsh 4.5/5; G.D. Putt 4.5/8; W. Anderson and P.E. Rossiter 3/5; Bxc4 25.Nxc4 Qf6 26.Qd6+ Qxd6 27.Nxd6 Kc7 D.I. Bell and K.G. Reed 2.5/4; D.E. Dolejs 2/3; 28.Rfd1 Rad8 29.Nc4 Rde8 30.Rd5 Ne7 31.Rd6 B.J. Edwards and G.H.Mills 1/4; A.D. Cook and

Bell. PUTT beat Cook, drew Mills.

A.W. Hendry 4/6; A.C. Winship 3/5; S.A. Holdaway 2/2; S.R. Chowdhury 0/8

Latest results: ATKINSON beat Winship, Chowdhury. HENDRY beat Winship, Chowdhury. WINSHIP beat Hendry.

#### New Zealand News

Howick-Pakuranga Chess Club Tournament Paul Spiller reports on the Booth Shield 7 round Swiss club tournament:

The Howick-Pakuranga Chess Club with its burgeoning junior chess section has now decided to actively encourage junior participation in its senior events. This gives these players valuable experience and also keeps the senior players on their toes. The club has also decided to make a shift of its clubrooms next year to larger and more comfortable premises at the All Saints Anglican Church in Selwyn Road, Howick. This is not far from where the club originally started under the guidance of NM Richard Sutton in the late 1960's early 1970's. The club has also just run a very successful coaching series with North Island Champion Leonard Mclaren giving an excellent presentation to an enthusiastic group of players on Sunday afternoons. This will hopefully become a regular feature of the club's more proactive stance to popularise chess in the Howick-Pakuranga area. More junior coaching is also planned.

The Booth Shield proved to be a tremendous success for young 10 year old Andy Chen. Andy has only been playing for about a year and has shown fantastic improvement and is very talented. He plays confidently and quickly and set the early pace in the tournament notching up 5 wins in his first 5 games. his victims included club champion Tony Booth, Dominic Pelle and Paul Morten. It must be said that Paul did miss a win in their individual game, but Andy put him under a lot of time pressure. This left a top of the table clash in round 6 against Paul Spiller who was on 4/5 after having to default his first round game. The game was a hard fought draw with Andy gaining the upper hand early on but Paul managing to complicate things enough to equalise in the end. Andy's last round draw with Clive Wilson was enough to win by a margin of one point after the two Pauls (Spiller and Morten) split the point in their individual last round clash. They were joined in second place by Tony Booth after

his last round win.

An impressive result for Andy after his good showing earlier in the year in the NZ Junior and North Island Championships. Another Howick junior, Stephen Yang, has also been playing some impressive chess and the future of NZ Chess looks very bright with players such as these.

#### Round 6 game:

P.Spiller - A.Chen 1 f4 d5 2 b3 Nf6 3 Nf3 Bf5 4 e3 e6 5 Bb2 Be7 6 Be2 0-0 7 0-0 Nc6 8 Ne5 Nxe5 9 fxe5 Nd7 10 Bg4 Bxg4 11 Qxg4 c5 12 d4 Rc8 13 c3 Ob6 14 Kh1 f6 15 Nd2 fxe5 16 Nf3 Oa6 17 c4 dxc4 18 d5 Rf5 19 dxe6 Qxe6 20 e4 Rf6 21 Qxe6 Rxe6 22 Rad1 Nf6 23 bxc4 Nxe4 24 Bxe5 Bf6 25 Bxf6 Rxf6 26 Rd7 Rh6 27 Kg1 Rb6 28 Re1 Nf6 29 Rd2 h6 30 h3 Rcc6 31 Rd8+ Kh7 32 Red1 Ne4 33 Ne5 Rd6 34 R(1)xd6 Rxd6 35 Rb8 Rb6 36 Nd7 Rb1+ 37 Kh2 h5 38 h4 a6 39 Re8 Nd6 40 Re5 Nxc4 41 Rxh5+ Kg8 42 Rxc5 Ne3 43 Rg5 Rb2 44 h5 Rxa2 45 h6 Rxg2+ 46 Rxg2 Nxg2 47 hxg7 Nf4 48 Nc5 a5 49 Nxb7 a4 50 Nc5 a3 51 Nb3 a2 52 Kg3 Ne2+ 53 Kf2 Nd4 54 Na1 Kxg7 .5-.5

An exciting NZ vs. Australia Junior match up will take place on Wednesday 02<sup>nd</sup> February at 5.00 pm when Andy will take on Australian (former kiwi) 9 year old Raymond Song. Raymond recently finished in a tie for first place at the World Under 10 Youth Championships in Crete. Andy and Raymond will play two Rapid Chess games as part of supporting events at the 2005 Oceania Zonal Championships at the Waipuna International Hotel. There will also be an Oceania Blitz Championship which is scheduled to take place at the same time. Information on the Zonal can be obtained from the website: www.globalchessenterprises.co.nz

Waitemata Chess Club 2004 Prize-winners: Club Champion – Bob Smith (5.5/6) 1, – Othmar Storchenegger (4.5) 2.

The finalists were: Smith, Othmar, Mark Brimble, Brett Rider, Alen Machina,(3), Eric Book (1.5), Mike Currie (0.5).

Reserve Champion – Victor Portougal (6/7) 1, Neville Easterlow (5) 2.

Most Improved Player – Brett Rider. Championship Preliminaries (Bob Smith seeded through) – Alen Machina & Brett Rider (6/7) 1=.

Junior Cup – Eric Book.

Winter Cup – R. Smith (5.5/6) 1, M. Brimble (5) 2.

Summer Cup – R. Smith (6/6) 1, Paul Godfrey (4.5) 2.

Under 400 Tournament – Roy Harish & Devon Smith (5/6) 1=.

Round Robin A – R. Smith (5/5) 1, John Robinson (3.5) 2.

Round Robin B – N. Easterlow (4.5/5) 1, Bruce Pollard (3.5) 2.

Round Robin C – B. Rider (5/5) 1, Jon Shields & Eachen Chen (3.5) 2=.

Arnold Cup – R. Smith (5/5) 1, P. Godfrey & M. Currie (4) 2=.

Half Hour Tournament – R. Smith (5/6) 1, P. Godfrey & O. Storchenegger (5/6) 2=. Smith won a play-off.

Five Minute Tournament – R. Smith (10/10) 1, P. Godfrey (6) 2.

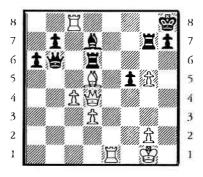
This was the game between the club champion and the Most Improved Player:

#### Smith,R - Rider,B

Notes by FM Bob Smith

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 e6 3.f4 d5 4.Nf3 d4 5.Ne2 Nc6
6.d3 Nf6 7.Ng3 Be7 8.Be2 Qc7 9.0-0 0-0
10.c3 Bd7 11.c4 Ne8 12.e5 f6 13.exf6 Rxf6
14.Ng5 Nd6 15.Bf3 Rff8 16.N5e4 Nf5
17.Nxf5 exf5 18.Ng5 Bxg5?! 19.Bd5+ Kh8
20.fxg5 Ne7 21.Bf4 Qb6 22.Bf3 Ng6
[22...Qxb2 23.Rb1 Qxa2 24.Rxb7©] 23.Qd2
Nxf4 24.Qxf4 Rae8 [24...Qxb2 25.Qd6©]
25.Rae1 a6 26.b3 Bc8 27.h4 Qd8?! 28.Re5
Qa5 29.Qxd4! Qxa2 [29...cxd4 30.Rxa5 Re3
31.Rd1 b6 32.Rd5 Bb7 33.Rxd4 Bxf3 34.gxf3

Rxf3 35.Rf1+-] 30.Rxc5 Qxb3 31.Rc7 Rg8 32.h5 Rd8 33.Bd5 Rd6 34.h6 Bd7 35.Re1 Qb6?! 36.Qxb6 wins a piece for white, but he has better. 36.hxg7+ Rxg7 37.Rc8+



37...Bxc8 38.Re8# 1-0

#### **OLYMPIAD APPEAL 2004**

An update by NZCF President, Bob Smith The response to this appeal can only be described as disappointing. Surely chess-players throughout the country want to see New Zealand represented at this important international event. Do you not think our national representatives deserve some support?

This time New Zealand chess players didn't really demonstrate that.

However a big thank you to Howick-Pakuranga Chess Club, which donated \$500 towards the Olympiad appeal. The other donors were Upper Hutt Chess Club \$100 and Quentin Johnson \$30.

Thanks to them all. Also thanks to clubs which supported their individual Olympiad representatives (I know at least Auckland Chess Centre and Waitemata Chess Club did so). It should be noted that NZCF was also very successful in securing grants for

team members from the Southern Trust, the Lion Foundation and the NZ Community Foundation. Their support was crucial and was very much appreciated.

However sending teams to an Olympiad is an expensive undertaking, and it should be noted that team members still had to find around \$1000 each.

Hopefully we can do better next time!

#### Wanganui

Wanganui CC results of the 2004 Rapid Club Championships:

A Grade, President's Shield: Chris Burns 6.5/8, Prince Vetharaniam 5/8, Barry Williams 4.5/8, Ivan de Farias and Martin Post 2/8 A Reserve, Club Captain's Shield: Gordon Hoskyn 6.5/9, John Wilson 6/9, Tony Coady 5/10, Waata Hipango 2.5/7, Kelly Forrest 2/6, Dilbagh Sangha 2/7

*B Grade*, Life Member's Shield: Ross Maxwell 6/6, Bernard Nicholson 4/6, Dan Hurley and Graham Kane 1/6.

C Grade, Committee Member's Shield: Naaman Winduss 2/2, Caleb Keene 0/2

#### Dunedin Christmas Rapid Tournament - 18 December

Vsiting International Master Ben Martin took out this impromptu event organised by the Dunedin Junior Chess Academy with a perfect 5 points out of 5 score, from a healthy field of 22. Being oriented towards junior players with little or no tournament experience, there were numerous prizewinners, but particular standout performances were by Ben Dowden, Jonathan Favel, Muhammad Saib, Josie Burrows, Patrick Dawson and Alexander Ming-Wong.

2004 Otago Chess Club Championship

Richard Sutton defended his 2003 title in fine style, winning his final game against Bill Petch to finish with a combined score of 12/13 - 3.5 points ahead of Duncan Watts and Quentin Johnson who were tied for 2nd. Petch finished in clear 4th on 7.5.

2nd leg final scores:

A Grade: Sutton 5.5/6; Johnson 4; Watts, Petch 3.5; Hamish Gold 2; Geoff Aimers 1.5; Graham Haase 1.

B Grade: Alistair Newbould 5/6; Brent Southgate 4.5; Terry Duffield 3.5; Sandeep Chandra 3; Craig Bourne 2.5; David Reid 2; Terry Ebeling 0.

C Grade: Violet Baird, Matthew Burgess 6; Jonathan Favel, Simon Mayer 4; Muhammad Saib, Meret Reifler 3; Tania Bracey-Brown, Josie Burrows 2; Stephen rebilco 1; Jake Pascoe 0.

D Grade: Cameron Vercoe-Groenen 4; Ashleigh Brewer, Caleb Lesa, Praveen Sivapalam 2.5; Lily Burrows 1; Alannah Townshend 0.5; Nabeelah Saib 0.

#### Watts - Sutton

Otago CC Chp 2004 (Notes Tony Dowden)

1 d4 e6 2 Nf3 c5 3 c4 cxd4 4 Nxd4 Nc6 5 Nxc6—A tame line of the English Opening. More aggressive are 5 e4 or 5 Nc3 Nf6, 6 Ndb5.

5 — bxc6 6 Nc3 Nf6 7 g3 Be7 8 Bg2 0-0 9 0-0 Bb7 10 b3 d5 11 cxd5 cxd5 Black has a comfortable game with reasonable chances of gaining an advantage due to his central pawn majority.12 Bb2 Qa5 13 Qd4 Rfd8 14 Rac1 Rac8 15 Qa4?! Qxa4 16 Nxa4 Ba6! Black obtains enduring pressure along this diagonal. 17 Bf3 Nd7 18 Rfd1 Bf6 19 Bxf6 gxf6! 20 Kf1 Kf8 21 Ke1 Ke7 22 Bh5?—Perhaps the critical moment of the game. A more constructive plan was 22 e3 followed by Be2 which contests the d4 square and aims to neutralise Black's bishop.

22 — f5! 23 Rxc8 Rxc8 24 Kd2 Nf6 25 Bf3 e5

Black has a sizable advantage yet it is hard to believe White lacks defensive resources. 26 h3 d4 27 Rc1?!—White's best practical chance was to keep one of the pair of rooks on the board. Watch how Black masterfully corrals White's remaining pieces into touch and at the same time manoeuvres his own pieces on to threatening squares. 27 — Rxc1 28 Kxc1 e4! 29 Nc5 Bb5 30 a4 Bc6 31 Bg2 Kd6 32 b4 a5 33 b5 Bd5! 34 Na6 Nd7! 35 Kc2 Nb6 36 Nb8 d3+ 37 Kd1 Bb3+ 38 Kd2 Nc4+ White cannot stop the march of the d-pawn. 0-1

#### **Book Wanted**

Michael Stevenson asks if any reader has a copy of 'Winning with the King's Indian' by Andrew Martin that they wish to sell you can email him at chessbooksnz@hotmail.com

by Michael Stevenson

Hello to you all - and this is the last issue of NZ Chess for 2004! As I haven't featured a 'highly recommended' column for quite a while, I'll be concentrating on some books and CDs in this column that I would rate as highly recommended.

### The ABC of the Ruy Lopez and The ABC of the King's Indian

by Andrew Martin (ChessBase)

In the last column I wrote about the new multimedia and DVD series that ChessBase has started to use. Some of the most interesting and enjoyable DVDs to come out so far have been penned and presented by Andrew Martin. He had this to say about the above in an email:

"The DVDs that I have made for Chessbase are designed for players of all levels. Even the strongest players could discover some new material or some ideas which will help them extend their repertoire. I tried to present the material in a simple way.

Working with the Chessbase team one cannot help but admire the professionalism with which they go about their tasks. The Ruy Lopez and the King's Indian are both among the more complicated and interesting of opening systems, but I do feel that they are accessible to the average player. A challenge to be sure, but one which, if overcome, can certainly improve one's understanding and enjoyment of our game.

So...there will be more DVDs I hope and I'm pleased that they seem to be popular"

#### The Colle - Koltanowski System

by Valerij Bronznik (Schachverlag Kania)
Schachverlag Kania are very successful German language chess publishers who have just started to publish their books in English.
Valerij's other book 'The Chigorin Defence', and Harald Keilhack's 'The Left Knight 1.Nc3', will be published in 2005.
Valerij's hardback book on the Colle will

change your mind if, like many players around, you have the misguided idea that this opening is dull and boring. Right from the very first page the author inspires you that this opening can be played by many different types of players at any level. I can do no better than quote John Watson writing about this book: "Excellent treatment of the Colle".

#### Test your Chess with Daniel King

by Daniel King (Batsford)

To readers of past review columns and/or readers of Daniel's hit column in the Magazine Chess (Monthly) it will come as no surprise as to why Dan's new book is in this highly recommended column. Just to remind you, Daniel annotates games of some of the biggest names in chess. The reader covers the moves of the game with a sheet of paper and tries to guess or work out the moves as the game is played. Most moves are awarded points and sometimes bonus points, so at the end the points can be added up to find out the score. (Grandmaster down to unlucky.) By reading and playing through the twenty well-chosen games in this book readers will not only improve their chess but, at the same time, will be entertained by Dan's most amusing writing.

#### The English Attack

by Tapani Sammalvuo (Gambit).

The English Attack, based on the moves Be3 and f3, is played mainly against the Najdorf Sicilian, but can be used against some other Sicilians. The author has put a lot of time and trouble into his book as he has covered not only the standard way of playing this opening but also the new move-orders and the unusual sidelines. Weighing in at a hefty 270 plus pages, if you already play or want to start playing this opening, then you can't go past this book. A word of warning to players of the Najdorf Sicilian, get ready for

the English attack!

#### Chess for Children

by Murray Chandler and Helen Milligan (Gambit)

As a group, chess players may not agree that 1 c4, 1 d4 or 1 e4 are the best way to open a game but the one thing that we can all agree on is that it is good for children to learn to play chess! If parents want to encourage their kids to play chess, then this book is for them. Murray and Helen start off with the help of Kristy the pet alligator by going back to the basics like the way to set up the board, the way the pieces move, practicing checkmates and finishing off with some of the openings. This is a kid-friendly book - a great way for kids to learn chess. See Gambits website www.gambitbooks.com for information on Murray's other books 'How to beat your Dad at Chess' and 'Chess Tactics for Kids' - both excellent books to carry on with after reading 'Chess for Children'.

#### Chess (Monthly) Magazine

by Chess & Bridge Ltd

In their December issue Carmen Kass, president of the Estonian Chess Federation and super model, was the special guest at the Mainz chess classic, where she played friendlies against women's world champion Antoaneta Stefanova and also Vishy Anand. GM Daniel King asks once more 'How Good is your Chess?' in his excellent column. IM Andrew Martins writes about one of his new DVDs in 'ABC of the Ruy Lopez'.

#### New in Chess Magazine

On the front cover of the latest issue of NIC, Sergey Karjakin, chess prodigy, appears to have suddenly grown up in front of the eyes of the chess world. The Calvia Olympiad is covered in great detail, with game and notes by Vasily Ivanchuk, Sergey Karjakin and Vishy Anand. Vladimir Kramnik, the present world champion, is interviewed on many different topics as well as on his recent world championship match against Peter Leko.

#### **Chess Friends Update**

Chess Friends moves into coaching action
The past year marks the transition of Chess
Friends of New Zealand Inc to action after a long
period of steady growth and preparation reports
the chairman, Ted Frost.

The Hamilton Chess Club, under the guidance of William Lynn, has taken positive initiatives which have greatly helped the progress made by Chess Friends, adding to the funds through a levy on entry fees in their junior tournaments, and conducting a coaching clinic at the conclusion of the 2004 NZ Junior Championships.

Feedback on the coaching clinic has been positive and the fact that 32 junior players took part (11 with tournament experience and 21 in the beginners to intermediate category) shows that demand is there, with potential for ongoing development. We also thank William (basies, art of checkmates, tactical play) and Peter Stuart (endgames) for their contribution as coaches for this initial clinic. Chess Friends provided \$300 towards the coaching costs of the clinic.

#### Clinic after 2005 Zonal

Paul Spiller of Howick-Pakuranga Chess Club has approached Chess Friends with a proposal for visiting Australian Champion, Gary Lane IM, to conduct simultaneous exhibitions and a coaching clinic early in February, after the zonal tournament to be held in Auckland. This is a valuable and significant progressive move, and Chess Friends is contributing \$500 towards the costs of the clinic. The trust's income reached \$1359.59 in 2003-04. with donations of \$660 and interest \$699.59. The donations plus more than half the interest income have been added to the past year's term investment of \$13,700, lifting this year's term investment to \$14,500. Interest rates have also increased and this year's investment is at 6,55%, which will yield tax-free income just under \$950. The donations received during the year were: Wanganui CC \$100.00, Hamilton CC, \$50.00, W Lynn \$100.00, A L Aldridge \$300.00, T Gothorp \$3.00, E Frost (sale of books) \$100.00, J W & C P Wayman \$50.00, Waitemata CC (sale member's books) \$92.90.

At least until the invested capital reaches \$20,000 a conservative policy is being followed to ensure that additional term investment provides for real capital growth, over and above the inflation rate. At the same time the investment growth (helped meantime by higher interest rates) is enabling a steady but continuous increase in expenditure on coaching.

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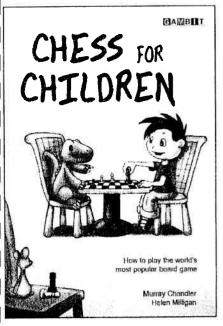
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