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on the cover...

Pascal Charbonneau has won the 32-player Canadian Junior Championship in Montreal in a final play-off game over Danny Goldenberg, and just ahead of Stephen Glinert, Yaqoov Vaingoorten, Josh Guo, Justin Gushuliak and Dinara Khaziyeva. An extended report from the organizers with annotated games by the players is planned for the next issue!

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President's Message

The financial year of the C.F.C. ended on April 30th. The news is generally good. It was virtually a break even bottom line. Expenses are continually being cut where necessary, allowing funds to be used for Junior and International travel wherever possible. Combined book, equipment and computer sales were up over last year. I believe that sound financial management has helped us create stability during the last two years. The challenges facing us are still substantial, especially with the Chess Olympiad on the horizon. This always leaves a dent in the finances, and thus member donations are much appreciated.

The Canadian Junior was recently completed in Montreal with 36 of our top Juniors in attendance. The event was an outstanding success, and our congratulations to the organizers are due for putting on a first class tournament. The Canadian Youth Chess Championships to be held in Edmonton in July will also be creating champions to participate in World Championships. The C.F.C.

national junior and youth tournaments are the only events that lead to International and World Championships. We are committed to providing the opportunity for all our young players to have a chance at achieving that goal, and therefore I ask all organizers to assist in running Regional and Provincial qualifying events. The CYCC is a tremendous national undertaking and is growing each year to serve our young chess players at all levels.

On another note, there is a need to increase membership. Dues from members help fuel the organization's projects, and as membership rises the resulting revenue benefits all members in various ways. Therefore, I have authorized a membership drive, whereby current members can receive gift certificates for bringing in new members. Details announced by our Business Office are elsewhere in this magazine. So members, now is your chance to do something for the C.F.C. and yourself. There must be a million chess players who might play more regularly if they were made

aware of the opportunity. So let's start reeling them in.

On a final note, when I attended my first FIDE meeting in Paris last November, and talked to delegates from various countries, and I was struck by the respect that members of the world body have for Canada and the C.F.C. We are a world class organization and although we will always have a few nit pickers, our members can feel justifiably proud of our organization.

To summarize then, sound financial management, a commitment to Junior chess, sales of chess supplies at reasonable prices with fast delivery, a respected voice on the world scene, it does not get much better than this. All of our members can feel good about the C.F.C. I hope to see many of you at the Canadian Open in Edmonton in July. I wish all our members a safe and happy summer.

*Maurice Smith
President
Chess Federation Of Canada*

Letters

London, ON

I've been playing 1.e4 e5 2.♖f3 ♘c6 3.♗b5 f5!? with Black for some time, and that is why the following game caught my attention in *En Passant*, December 1999, page 34.

Notes by
Dan Surlan

Gardner, Robert
Jung, Hans

Brantford CA ch, 2000

Philidor: Counter Gambit C41

1.e4 d6 2.d4 e5!? 3.♖f3

Here White can play for a win without any risk whatsoever with 3.dxe5 dxe5 4.♗xd8+ ♗xd8 5.♖f3 f6 6.♗c4 ♗c5 7.♖c3 c6 8.♗e2± Surlan-Chrolavicius, London 1976.

3...f5!? 4.♗c4 ♖c6!

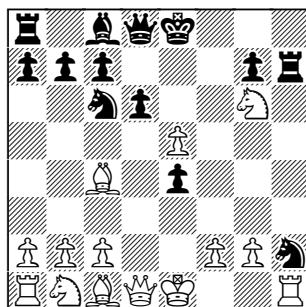
If 4...fxe4 5.♖xe5! (Panov).

5.♗g5 ♖h6 6.♖xh7 ♖g4 7.♖xf8

♖xh2?

Black wins after 7...♗xf8! 8.d5 b5!! 9.♗e2 ♖xh2! 10.dxc6 ♖f3+ 11.gxf3 ♗xh1+ 12.♗f1 ♗e8 since 13.b3 (after 13.♗d5 b4!; or 13.exf5 b4! Black threatens the deadly 14...♗a6) 13...♗xc6 14.♗d5 ♗xc2! leaves White in zugzwang. Alternatives are even less appetizing for White.

8.♗g6 ♗h7 9.dxe5 fxe4??



Also inadequate is 9...♖f3+.
10.♗e3?!

This is a case where the threat is more powerful than its execution. White is scared of ...♖f3+ and fails to notice anything else. Otherwise he would play the decisive 10.♗xh2 ♗xh2 11.♗d5 ♗h1+ 12.♗e2!

10...♖f3+ 11.♗e2 ♖cd4+
12.♗xd4 ♖xd4+ 13.♗d2?

13.♗xd4 wins.

13...♗g5+ 14.♗c3 ♗g4! 15.♗f1 ♗xg6 16.♗xh7 ♗xh7 17.♗xd4 ♗f5! 18.♗c3 ♗xe5+ 19.♗b3 d5??

The losing move. Instead 19...b5! should win, for example 20.♗xb5+ ♗e7 21.a4 a6!! 22.c4 axb5 23.cxb5 d5! 24.♖c3 d4 25.♖xe4 ♗xe4 26.♗e1 ♗e6+ 27.♗a3 ♗c2 28.b3 ♗xb3#.

20.♗e2 ♗e6 21.a4 0-0-0 22.♗a2 d4+ 23.♗c4 d3 24.cxd3 exd3 25.♖d2 ♗xc4+ 26.♖xc4 ♗d5 27.b3 a6 28.♗d1 b5 29.♖b2 d2 30.♗e2 c5 1-0.

Dan Surlan



Membership Drive

The Chess Federation of Canada needs your help. We need to increase membership and are offering a little incentive for all members to join in this campaign. It is with your membership dues that the CFC can create and build programs that promote and improve chess in Canada.

For every **Full Adult** member you sign up, the Chess Federation of Canada will send you a **\$10 Gift Certificate** that can be used toward any future purchase with us. For every **Full Junior** member you sign up, you will receive a **\$5 Gift Certificate** (proof of birth date is required).

All you need to do is include your own name and ID number with the membership fee of the new player, and we'll take care of the rest.

New members are those who have never been with us before, and those whose membership has expired two or more years ago.

What to do?

Who is a new member?

This offer ends on November 30, 2000.

Please note that CFC Affiliates are not eligible.

	Adult			Junior			Jr. Part.			Family		
Annual Membership	CFC	Prov	\$\$	CFC	Prov	\$\$	CFC	Prov	\$\$	CFC	Prov	\$\$
Alberta	33	5	38	22	3	25	10	1	11	16.50	2.50	19
British Columbia	33	12	45	22	3	25	10	3	13	16.50	6	22.50
Manitoba	33	20	53	22	10	32	10	3	13	16.50	10	26.50
New Brunswick	33	3	36	22	2	24	10	2	12	16.50	1.50	18
Newfoundland	33	3	36	22	2	24	10	2	12	16.50	1.50	18
Nova Scotia	33	7	40	22	3	25	10	3	13	16.50	2.50	19
Northwest Territories	33	0	33	22	0	22	10	0	10	16.50	0	16.50
Ontario	33	7	40	22	3	25	10	2	12	16.50	3.50	20
Prince Edward Island	33	0	33	22	0	22	10	0	10	16.50	0	16.50
Quebec	33	0	33	22	0	22	10	0	10	16.50	0	16.50
Saskatchewan	33	10	43	22	7	29	10	0	10	16.50	5	21.50
Yukon	33	0	33	22	0	22	10	0	10	16.50	0	16.50
Foreign	33	0	33	22	0	22	10	0	10	16.50	0	16.50

"Note" The **CFC** column is the amount collected by the Chess Federation of Canada. The **Prov** column is the amount collected by each provincial association. The **\$\$** column is the amount the member must pay.

Adult Memberships are open to anyone over the age of 17. Pay the amount in the Adult \$\$ column.

Junior Memberships are open to individuals aged 17 or less. Pay the amount in the Junior \$\$ column.

Junior Participating Memberships are open to individuals aged 17 or less. These members can play in tournaments, but do not receive *En Passant*. Pay the amount in the Participating \$\$ column.

Family Memberships: the first member pays the Adult fee in the \$\$ column. Each other member at the same address pays the Family fee in the \$\$ column.

Life Membership rates depend on age: 30 & under \$660; 31-40 \$577.50; 41-50 \$495; 51-60 \$412.50; 61 and over \$330. Provincial dues are not included in Life rates. Supply proof of age if over 30.



Coming Events

The Coming Events advertising section is brought to you by the Chess Federation of Canada.

Note: This is free for all CFC-Rated events.

Players: When you enter by mail, include your name, address, CFC number, expiry date, rating and date published (if you are entering your first CFC event, you are probably an unrated player), and birthdate if you are a junior – all with your entry fee.

CFC membership is required in these tournaments except where indicated. If you buy a CFC membership with your entry, obtain a receipt from the organizer. Please bring your chess pieces, boards and clocks. Unless stated otherwise all tournaments are Non-Smoking and No Computers.

Summary

Date: Dates of the event
Place: Location of the event
Rds: Number of rounds
Type: Rating type either Regular or Active and either Swiss or Round Robin (RR)
Times: Round times, “/” = next day
TC: Time Controls, SD means Sudden Death – all remaining moves in fixed time
EF: Entry Fee.
Sec: Sections tournament is broken down into
Prizes: \$\$BEN = Prizes based upon entries, \$\$Gxx = Guaranteed prize of xx
Reg: Registration time instructions
Org: Tournament organizer and contact information
Misc: Other important information

UR Unrated; **Jr.** Junior; **Sr.** Senior, **Cd.** Cadet (under 16) **Bye n** A half-point bye is available in round(s) **n** if requested in advance with entry; **CC** Chess Club; **S** Smoking allowed.

Organizers of CFC-rated events should send notices to: The CFC, 2212 Gladwin Crescent, E-1, Ottawa, ON, K1B 5N1 by the 25th of each even numbered month (e.g., February). Notices must state the name of the organizer and whether smoking is allowed. A prize fund is considered to be guaranteed by the organizer unless explicitly stated otherwise.

A tournament in a small town (under 75,000 population) may qualify for an LTIP grant. Write to the CFC for details of this program.

Ontario

Sarnia Chemical Valley Open

Date: June 2-4
Place: Room A208, Lambton College, 1457 London Road, Sarnia
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 6:30 / 10, 4 / 9, 3
TC: 30/90 SD 60
EF: Open \$40; U2000 \$35; U1600 \$30; less \$10 Jr./Sr.; \$10 late fee after May 31
Sec: Open, U2000, U1600 or adjusted according to entries
Prizes: \$\$BEN
Reg: Cheques to Samuel Carr, 509 Nassau Crescent, Sarnia, ON, N7S 4H8
Org: Samuel Carr (519)383-7202
Misc: Byes 1-4; SWOCL Grand Prix; dorm rooms at \$10/night

Scarborough Youth Tournament #10

Date: June 3
Place: Scarborough Chess Club, Wexford Collegiate, 1176 Pharmacy Ave.
Rds: 5
Type: Active Swiss (open to U18 as of January 1, 2000)
Times: 11:15, 12:20, 1:30, 2:50, 4
TC: G/30
EF: \$10; less \$3 SCC junior members
Prizes: SCC/CFC memberships, trophies, medals
Reg: 10:15-11:00 at site; or cheques payable to Scarborough CC, 250 Cassandra Blvd, Apt #330, Don Mills, ON, M3A 1T9
Org: Bryan Lamb, (416)391-4777 blamb@idirect.com

Scarborough June & July Actives

Date: June 10, July 15
Place: Scarborough Chess Club, Wexford Collegiate, 1176 Pharmacy Ave.
Rds: 6
Type: Active Swiss
Times: 1, 2:30, 3:45, 5:15, 6:30, 7:45
TC: G/30
EF: \$30; less \$5 Jr./Sr.
Prizes: \$\$BEN 75%
Reg: 11:00-12:30 at site; or cheques payable to Scarborough CC, 250 Cassandra Blvd, Apt #330, Don Mills, ON, M3A 1T9
Org: Bryan Lamb, (416)391-4777 blamb@idirect.com

DCC Wednesday Summer Swiss

Date: June 14 to July 19

Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks south of Eglinton, above Chess'n Math, Toronto
Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 6:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: Free with DCC membership
Prizes: N/A
Reg: 18:00-18:30 at site; or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7
Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715
Misc: <http://www.play.at/duttonchess>

Toronto Father's Day Open

Date: June 16-18
Place: Best Western Primrose Hotel, 111 Carlton Street, Toronto
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 7 / 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: \$60; \$20 late fee after June 15; less \$20 Jr./Sr., women, titled players and 2400+
Sec: Open/U2300, U2100, U1900, U1700, U1500/UR
Prizes: \$\$BEN
Reg: 17:00-18:30 at site; or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7 by June 12
Org: Mark S. Dutton, (416)467-9715, DutChess@idirect.ca
Misc: Bye 1-4 max. 2; brings sets, clocks; special rate at Best Western Primrose Hotel 1-800-268-8082

Canada Day Open

Date: July 1-3
Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks south of Eglinton, above Chess'n Math, Toronto
Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss
TC: 40/120, SD/60
Times: 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30
EF: \$60; \$20 late fee; less \$20 Jr./Sr., women, titled players, 2400+; GMs free
Sec: Open, U2000, U1600
Prizes: \$\$BEN
Reg: 08:30-09:30 at site, or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7 by June 26
Org: Mark S. Dutton, (416)467-9715, DutChess@idirect.ca
Misc: Bye 1-5, max. 3; top section

FIDE rated; bring sets, clocks

DCC Saturday Summer Sizzler Swiss

Date: July 8 to August 12
Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks south of Eglinton, above Chess'n Math, Toronto
Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 12
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: Free with DCC membership
Prizes: N/A
Reg: 18:00–18:30 at site; or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7
Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715
Misc: <http://www.play.at/duttonchess>

DCC Wednesday Days of Summer Swiss

Date: July 26 to August 30
Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks south of Eglinton, above Chess'n Math, Toronto
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 6:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: Free with DCC membership
Prizes: N/A
Reg: 18:00–18:30 at site; or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7
Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715
Misc: <http://www.play.at/duttonchess>

Simcoe Day Open

Date: August 5–7
Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks south of Eglinton, above Chess'n Math, Toronto
Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss
TC: 40/120, SD/60
Times: 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30
EF: \$60; \$20 late fee; less \$20 Jr./Sr., women, titled players, 2400+; GMs free
Sec: Open, U2100, U1700
Prizes: \$BEN
Reg: 08:30–09:30 at site, or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7 by July 31
Org: Mark S. Dutton, (416)467-9715, DutChess@idirect.ca
Misc: Bye 1–5, max. 3; top section FIDE rated; bring sets and clocks

Toronto Summer International

Date: August 16–20
Place: Best Western Primrose Hotel, 111 Carlton Street, Toronto
Rds: 9

Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 7 / 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: \$100 by June 1, \$125 by August 1, \$150 thereafter; GMs free
Sec: Open, U2200, U2000, U1800, U1600, U1400/UR
Prizes: \$G15,000
Reg: Cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7
Org: Mark S. Dutton, (416)467-9715, DutChess@idirect.ca
Misc: Bye 1–8 max. 4; top section FIDE rated; brings sets, clocks; special rate at Best Western Primrose Hotel 1-800-268-8082

DCC Saturday Actives #5, #6, #7, #8, #9

Date: August 26, September 23, October 21, November 25, December 23
Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks south of Eglinton, above Chess'n Math, Toronto
Rds: 6
Type: Active Swiss
Times: 12:30, 1:45, 3, 5, 6:15, 7:30
TC: G/30
EF: \$40; \$10 late fee; less \$10 Jr./Sr., women, titled, 2400+
Prizes: \$BEN
Reg: 18:00–18:30 at site; or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7
Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715
Misc: <http://www.play.at/duttonchess>

Toronto Labour Day

Date: September 2–4
Place: Macedonian Community Hall, 76 Overlea Blvd. at Don Mills Rd.
Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 11, 5:30 / 11, 5:30 / 10, 4
TC: 40/120 SD/60
EF: \$60, \$20 late fee; amateur \$20, \$5 late fee; less \$20 Jr./Sr., women, IM
Prizes: \$BEN
Reg: 09:00–10:30 at site; or cheques payable to Macedonian Chess Club, Randy Moyoski, 1580 Warden Ave., Scarborough, ON, M1R 2T2; no phone entries or postdated cheques
Org: Randy Moyoski 449-1447
Misc: Bye 1–5, max. 2; bring sets and clocks; books and equipment on sale

DCC Wednesday Back to School Swiss

Date: September 6 to October 4
Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks south of Eglinton, above

Scarborough Chess Club Tournament Schedule

All events have the following information in common unless noted otherwise.

Place: Scarborough Chess Club, Wexford Collegiate, 1176 Pharmacy Avenue, Scarborough, ON

Club Hours: Sundays 12:30–20:30 (games at 13:00), Tuesdays 18:30–23:00 (games at 19:00), Thursdays 18:30–23:00 (games at 19:00)

Org: Bryan Lamb
(416)391-4777
blamb@idirect.com

Misc: Scarborough Chess Club membership required (\$100/yr Adult, \$75/yr Jr. & Sr.). Events are CFC-rated (CFC membership required). Entry fees to events covered by club membership

Special Events:

Thursday Evening Events

TC: 30/75, SD/30
Times: 7, one game per week

Sunday Afternoon Events

TC: 40/120, SD/60
Times: 1, one game per week

Ongoing Blitz Tournaments

Sundays: G/5, \$10 at 17:00
Tuesdays: G/15, \$10 at 19:00

SCC Thursday Summer Swiss

Date: June 22 to July 27
Type: Regular Swiss
Rds: 6

June/July Actives

Date: June 10, July 15
Type: 6 round Active Swiss
Time: 13:00

SCC Summer Swiss

Date: May 28 to July 9
Type: Regular Swiss
Rds: 5

Chess'n Math, Toronto
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 6:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: Free with DCC membership
Prizes: N/A
Reg: 18:00–18:30 at site; or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910,

Dutton Chess Y2K Toronto Events

All events have the following information in common unless noted otherwise.

Place: Best Western Primrose Hotel, 111 Carlton Street

Rds: 6 **Type:** Regular Swiss

TC: 40/120, SD/60

Org: Mark S. Dutton
(416)467-9715,
DutChess@idirect.ca, <http://www.play.at/duttonchess>

Events:

Father's Day Open
June 16-18; 5 rds.

Canada Day Open
July 1-3; 6 rds.; at DCC

Simcoe Day Open
August 5-7; at DCC

Toronto Summer International
August 16-20; 9 rds.
\$G15,000; FIDE rated

Thanksgiving Open
October 7-9; FIDE rated

Place: Dutton Chess Club,
1681 Bayview Ave., 2nd floor

Misc: Adults \$99, Jr./Sr. \$69;
join anytime with byes!

Mondays:

G/15 Events
6rds.; starting at 19:30; EF \$10

Wednesdays:

40/120, SD/60; starting at 18:30

Summer Swiss
June 14 to July 19

Days of Summer Swiss
July 26 to August 30

Back to School Swiss
September 6 to October 4

Saturdays:

G/5 Blitz Events each Week
7 double rds. Swiss
Times: 13:00 & 16:00 EF: \$10

Summer Sizzle Swiss
40/120, SD/60; 12:00-18:00
July 8 to August 12

Fall Afternoon Swiss
40/120, SD/60; 12:00-18:00
September 9 to October 28

DCC Active Series #5, #6, #7
G/30; 6 rds.; EF \$40
August 26, September 23,
October 21

Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe
Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H
1L7

Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715
Misc: <http://www.play.at/duttonchess>

DCC Fall Saturday Afternoon

Date: September 9 to October 28
Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks
south of Eglinton, above
Chess'n Math, Toronto

Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 12
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: Free with DCC membership
Prizes: N/A
Reg: 11:00-12:00 at site; or cheques
to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910,
Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe
Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H
1L7

Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715
Misc: <http://www.play.at/duttonchess>

Kitchener K-W Fall Active

Date: September 16
Place: Laurentian Hills Christian
School, corner of Westmount
Rd. & Laurentian Dr.

Rds: 5
Type: Active Swiss
TC: G/30
Times: 9:30, asap
EF: \$25; \$10 late fee after
September 9; less \$5 Jr./Sr.
Sec: Open, U1600

Prizes: \$BEN
Reg: 08:30-9:15 at site; or cheques to
Albert Den-Otter, 11 Hermie
Place, Kitchener, ON, N2H 4X9
(519)744-5213;
Org: ardenotter@hotmail.com
Misc: Bye 1-4

Toronto Thanksgiving Open

Date: October 7-9
Place: Best Western Primrose Hotel,
111 Carlton Street, Toronto

Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: \$70; \$20 late fee; less \$20 Jr./
Sr., 2400+, titled & women; free
for GM
Sec: Open, U2200, U2000, U1800,
U1600 & UR

Prizes: \$BEN
Reg: 08:30-09:30 at site; or cheques
to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910,
Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe
Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H
1L7 by October 2
Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715,
DutChess@idirect.ca
Misc: Bye 1-5, max. 3; GTCL
sanctioned event; bring sets and
clocks; special rates at Best
Western 1-800-268-8082

DCC Wednesday Autumn Swiss

Date: October 11 to November 8
Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks
south of Eglinton, above
Chess'n Math, Toronto

Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 6:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: Free with DCC membership
Prizes: N/A
Reg: 18:00-18:30 at site; or cheques
to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910,
Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe
Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H
1L7
Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715
Misc: <http://www.play.at/duttonchess>

Kitchener K-W Fall Open

Date: October 27-29
Place: City Hall, 200 King St. W

Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
TC: 30/90, SD/60
Times: 6:30 / 9:30, 3 / 9:30, 3
EF: Open \$35; U2000 \$30; U1600
\$25; \$5 late fee after October 20
Prizes: \$BEN
Reg: 17:30-18:15 at site; or cheques
to Brian Clarke, 132 Martinglen
Cr., Kitchener, ON, N2E 2A2
(519)742-2423
Org: jbclarke@golden.net
Misc: Bye 1-4; brings sets and clocks

Toronto Remembrance Open

Date: November 10-12
Place: Best Western Primrose Hotel,
111 Carlton Street, Toronto

Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 7 / 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: \$60; \$20 late fee; less \$20 Jr./
Sr., 2400+, titled & women; free
for GM
Sec: Open, U2200, U2000, U1800,
U1600 & UR
Prizes: \$BEN
Reg: 17:30-18:30 at site; or cheques
to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910,
Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe
Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H
1L7 by November 6
Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715,
DutChess@idirect.ca
Misc: Bye 1-3, max. 2; GTCL
sanctioned event; bring sets and
clocks; special rates at Best
Western 1-800-268-8082

DCC Wednesday Club & Class Championship

Date: November 15 to December 20
Place: 1681 Bayview Ave., two blocks
south of Eglinton, above
Chess'n Math, Toronto

Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss

Times: 6:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: Free with DCC membership
Prizes: N/A
Reg: 18:00–18:30 at site; or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7
Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715
Misc: <http://www.play.at/duttonchess>

Toronto Christmas Open

Date: December 26–30
Place: Best Western Primrose Hotel, 111 Carlton Street, Toronto
Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 7 / 7 / 7 / 7 / 10, 4:30
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: \$70; \$20 late fee; less \$20 Jr./Sr., 2400+, titled & women; free for GM
Sec: Open, U2200, U2000, U1800, U1600 & UR
Prizes: \$ \$BEN
Reg: 08:30–09:30 at site; or cheques to Mark S. Dutton, Suite 3910, Leaside Towers, 95 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto, ON, M4H 1L7 by December 18
Org: Mark S. Dutton (416)467-9715, DutChess@idirect.ca
Misc: Bye 1–5, max. 3; GTCL sanctioned event; bring sets and clocks; special rates at Best Western 1-800-268-8082

British Columbia

BC Active Championship

Date: June 17

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 E. Broadway, Vancouver
Rds: 9
Type: Active Swiss
Times: 10:30, asap, break for meals
TC: G/30
EF: \$25, \$18 Jr., Sr. & Masters; 50% off new CFC members
Prizes: \$ \$BEN
Reg: 10:00 at site
Org: BCCF, info at (604)662-3916

UBC Tuesday Night

Date: July 4, 11, 18, 25, August 2
Place: At UBC, tba
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 7 / 6:30 / 6:30 / 6:30 / 6:30
TC: 40/90, SD/60
EF: \$15; \$12 UBC CC members; \$8 Jr.; Masters and new CFC members free
Prizes: \$ \$BEN
Reg: 18:30–19:00 at site
Org: Lyle Craver 980-2040
Misc: Bye 1–4

Alberta

ECC John Tournaments

Date: Monday nights
Place: Edmonton Chess Club
Rds: 4
Type: Active Swiss
TC: G/30
EF: \$2
Reg: 18:30–19:15 at site
Org: John Quiring (403)468-9173

Words Books Active

Date: U2000 1st Saturday of each month; U1700 3rd Saturday of

each month
Place: Words Books and Cappuccino Bar, 1715 17th Ave. SW, Calgary
Rds: 5
Type: Active Swiss
Times: 10–4:30
TC: G/30
EF: \$7
Reg: 9:30–10:00 at site
Org: Tedde Davies, Tedge@Canada.com

New Brunswick

Fredericton Chess Knights

Date: July 1–3
Place: Fredericton Inn, Fredericton
Rds: 6
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 11, 5 / 9, 3:30 / 9, 3
TC: 40/120, 20/60, SD/30
EF: \$25; Jr \$20; free entry for new CFC members
Prizes: Plaques and books
Reg: 9:45–10:45 at site; special book draw for pre-registered players
Org: Charles Graves (506)363-3663, chessknights@crosswinds.net
Misc: Bye 1–5; bring clocks; <http://www.crosswinds.net/~chessknights/>

Prince Edward Island

Charlottetown UPEI Open

Date: August 5–7
Place: Robertson Library Building (UPEI), Charlottetown
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss

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Grand Prix

First, second and third prizes go to the players who accumulate the most points in the Open sections of seven events. Other prizes are won by those accumulating the most points in all events, in any section. Rating category is determined by established rating appearing in the 1999 Annual Rating List. All other (unrated, provisionally rated, not on 1999 list, etc.) are eligible for the Unestablished Rating prize. Best Overall Total is open to all and is in addition to any other prize won.

Grand Prix Schedule

9. Eastern Ontario Open D.Burgess June 10–11

Grand Prix Prizes

First Prize: \$618
Second Prize: \$318
Third Prize: \$217
1950–2199 \$218
1700–1949 \$218
Under 1700 \$218
Unestablished Rating: \$118
Best Overall Total: \$118
Total Prizes: \$2044

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1982-83 Kevin Spraggett; 1983-84 Stephen Ball; 1984-85 Brian Hartman; 1985-86 Gordon Taylor; 1986-87 Brian Hartman; 1987-88 John Armstrong & Glenn Johnstone; 1988-89 Deen Hergott; 1989-90 Deen Hergott; 1990-91 Deen Hergott; 1991-92 Deen Hergott; 1992-93 Deen Hergott; 1993-94 Gordon Taylor; 1994-95 Gordon Taylor; 1995-96 Glenn Johnstone; 1996-97 Deen Hergott; 1997-98 Deen Hergott & Michael Schleifer; 1998-99 Deen Hergott

Times: 12:30, 6 / 10, 4 / 10
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: \$25; \$15 Jr.; \$10 elementary school players (00/01)
Prizes: \$\$BEN
Reg: 11:00 at site
Org: Fred McKim (902)566-8244(w) or (902)894-4171(h)
Misc: Should pre-register because of tourist season: at Holiday Island (902)892-4141, or Garden Gate Motor Inn (902)892-3411, or Inn on the Hill (902)894-8572, or Best Western (902)892-2461, or UPEI Residence (902)566-0568

Charlottetown PEI Open

Date: October 27-29
Place: Colonel Gray High School Library, Charlottetown
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 7 / 10, 4 / 9, 2
TC: 40/120, SD/60
EF: \$30; \$20 Jr.; \$10 elementary school players
Prizes: \$\$BEN
Reg: 18:00 at site
Org: Fred McKim (902)566-8244(w) or (902)894-4171(h)
Misc: Holiday Island (902)892-4141, or Garden Gate Motor Inn (902)892-3411, or Inn on the Hill (902)894-8572, or Best Western (902)892-2461; some billets available

Charlottetown FIDE Invitational

Date: August 1-7
Place: ITEC Theatre, Robertson Library Bldg, University of Prince Edward Island, Charlottetown
Rds: 11
Type: Round Robin
Times: 5:30 / 10, 5:30 / 10, 5:30 / 5:30 / 10, 5:30 / 10, 5:30 / 10
TC: 40/120, SD/60

Prizes: \$\$BEN
Org: Fred McKim (902)566-8244(w) or (902)894-4171(h)
Misc: FIDE rated; UPEI Open held at same location

Charlottetown Chess'n Math FIDE Qualifier

Date: July 1-3
Place: CMA, 3423 St.Denis, Montreal, PQ
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss, must be U20 on January 1, 2000
Times: Qualifier 10, 4:30 / 10, 4:30 / 10; Reserve 12 (July 3 only)
TC: 40/120, SD/60
Sec: Qualifier, Reserve
Org: Larry Bevand (514)845-8352

Nova Scotia

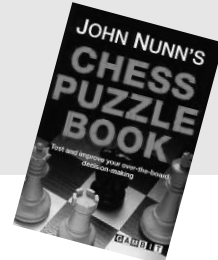
Unama'ki Open

Date: June 30-July 2
Place: Waycobah First Nation High School, Waycobah First Nation
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 7 / 10, 4 / 9, 3
TC: 30/90, SD/60
EF: \$25; \$20 Jr./Sr.
Prizes: \$\$BEN
Reg: 18:00-18:45 at site
Org: Gilbert Bernard (902)756-333, gil.bernard@ns.sympatico.ca
Misc: Bring sets and clocks

Halifax Labour Day Open

Date: September 1-4
Place: Common Room, TUNS University, 1360 Barrington St.
Rds: 8
Type: Regular Swiss
Times: 12, 6 / 11, 5 / 11, 5 / 9, 3
TC: 30/90, SD/60
EF: \$40; \$35 Jr./Sr.; \$25 Cd.; free for first time CFC members; less \$5

with pre-registration
Prizes: \$\$BEN
Sec: Open, U1700
Reg: 10:00-11:00 at site; or cheques payable to Albert Ede, 59 Brook St., Lower Sackville, NS, B4E 1C1
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Misc: Billets available; bring clocks and sets



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Daniel Abe Yanofsky

A Tribute to the first Grandmaster in the Commonwealth

by Cecil Rosner, Irwin Lipnowski, and Kevin Spraggett



Daniel Abraham Yanofsky (1925-2000)

It was the height of the Great Depression, and the media were in search of heroes to spark some optimism in a dispirited population. In Winnipeg, they found an unlikely one. A shy, 11-year-old boy who could beat fully-grown men at chess. It's no exaggeration to say that Abe Yanofsky became a media sensation in Winnipeg. When he was invited to Toronto in 1936 to play at the Canadian National Exhibition, Winnipeg's newspapers could not contain their excitement.

"Young Chess Wizard Returns Home With Laurels from East," blared the front-page headline in the *Winnipeg Free Press* when 'young Abie' came back with the Canadian senior boys' chess championship. In his spare time, Abe took on and defeated some of Toronto's strong adult players in a simultaneous exhibition. "Hail, the Conquering Hero Comes!" ran another *Free Press* headline, complete with photos of the smiling youngster being greeted at the railway station on his return.

Not to be outdone, the rival *Winnipeg Tribune* commissioned Abe to write a series of articles entitled: "Boy Chess Wizard Tells How." The Trib was clearly delighted with the idea of turning an 11-year-old into a published writer: "He defeated some of the best adult players in the country," the newspaper said. "He was called best of his age in the world. Now, Abie Yanofsky, 11-year-old Winnipeg-born chess champion, tells you about his play in a series of articles exclusive to The Tribune."

Even more ridiculous than the idea of a child writing instructional articles were the actual words in the columns, which had clearly been spruced up by enthusiastic copy editors.

"If my dad had not routed me so completely, even to capturing my queen, the third time I played with him, I might never have learned chess. After he had thrust through my marching line of pawns, dodged my bishops, knights and castles, that should have formed so complete a

protection, and taken my queen, I was so mortified I could not sleep at all that night."

The media love affair with Abe Yanofsky's exploits continued for the next 64 years. When he died on March 5 this year, the story was carried on national television and in newspapers and columns around the world.

What were the ingredients that turned a typical kid growing up in the north end of Winnipeg into a media celebrity and, ultimately, Canada's first Grandmaster?

Abe's parents were Russian immigrants who moved to Manitoba when their son was eight months old. His father had been a college professor in the old country, and took a job as a Jewish teacher in Portage la Prairie, near Winnipeg. The elder Yanofsky was a learned, multi-faceted man. He wrote poetry, directed dramas, played music and was a scholar in Jewish literature and culture. He taught Abe Hebrew at the age of three, and encouraged him to join the Jewish school choir at the age of five after they moved to Winnipeg.

Abe's father also introduced his son to chess, buying him his first set at the age of eight and teaching him the moves. Abe would later recall that his father had been a good player in Russia, but never played seriously in Canada. And he could only wonder whether his father threw some early games to give his boy encouragement along the way.

Recognizing his son's talent, Abe's father took him to the Winnipeg Jewish Chess Club, on the second floor of the People's Book Store on Main Street. He was only allowed to attend once a week so as not to interfere with his studies. For the next two years, he made gradual but qualitative leaps in his playing ability. When U.S. Grandmaster Reuben Fine came to Winnipeg for a simultaneous exhibition, the 10-year-old Abe was one of four players to manage a draw. His first competitive match came in the 1936 Manitoba-Minnesota match, held on neutral territory in Fargo, North Dakota. Though he won on eighth board, Abe's sharpest memory of the event was being left alone in the Gardner Hotel with the Gideon Bible, while his 20-year-old teammates went out for a night on the town.

Abe's early successes have been well documented. He came to the attention of Bernard Freedman of the CFC, who invited him to play at the CNE in Toronto in 1936. He won his first Manitoba provincial title in 1937, placing fourth in the Canadian championship the same year. The biggest break of his young career came in 1939, when he was picked to play on the Canadian team in the 1939 Buenos Aires Olympiad. Throughout it all, the Winnipeg newspapers followed his every triumph, praising and encouraging him every step of the way. And word of the young prodigy's exploits had now spread. The *Washington Post* featured a cartoon drawing of Yanofsky in a feature devoted to individual achievements.

It was pretty heady stuff for the son of struggling immigrant parents. Yanofsky's early memories revolve around the hard times of the Depression, when he and his younger brother shared the same bed, and a special treat involved paying a nickel and sitting through the same movie twice at the Palace Theatre. It was only through the generosity of Joe Dreman, Louis Pullmer and other mainstays of the Winnipeg Jewish Chess Club that Yanofsky could afford to attend any out-of-town events. His most precious recollection was from 1938, when his family organized a party at his Bar-Mitzvah that drew more than 60 people. His loyal Jewish Chess

Club friends bought him a CCM bike, which he kept as a memento for the rest of his life.

"Abie Yanofsky Amazed, Happy – Winnipeg's Youthful Chess Wizard Thrilled by Buenos Aires Selection." Still just 14, Abe was savvy enough to realize his first real international experience would be an important one. Photographers captured the youth in striped shirt and suspenders, smiling broadly and waving to the crowd as he left by train to New York, on his way to the Torneo de Las Naciones. In New York, he entered the American Chess Federation championship and proved his talents were real when he held Reuben Fine to a draw. He eventually won the federation's consolation tournament, and departed for the 18-day ocean voyage.

Yanofsky was especially happy the tournament was in Buenos Aires, as that was the home of the half-brother he had never seen. Israel Yanofsky had emigrated to Argentina in 1922, and there had been no contact with the rest of his family. The tournament was the first meeting between the brothers, who kept in touch thereafter.

On August 24, more than 600 people crowded into the flag-decked Politeama Hall to watch 114 of the world's best players. Some Canadian withdrawals had elevated Yanofsky to second board. Looking around the room he saw many of the legends he had only read about before: Alekhine, Capablanca, Tartakower, Stahlberg, Keres, Najdorf. If he were to make his mark, this was the place.

And he did. Yanofsky played resourcefully and often brilliantly. His breathtaking rook sacrifice against Peruvian champion Alberto Dulanto remains one of the highlights of 20th century chess. Everyone in the hall took notice of the young champion, including Alekhine, who spent time analyzing games with him. He finished with an 85 per cent score and top honors for second board.

But the tournament itself was overshadowed by the outbreak of World War II. Britain withdrew from the event, and French and Polish players refused to face their German counterparts. Many of the European

Jewish players didn't go home. Yanofsky boarded the SS Argentina and returned to a very different world.

His father had died a year earlier, and Yanofsky was practical enough to realize he couldn't let his chess success overwhelm his family responsibilities. In effect, he became the principal breadwinner, dropping out of his Grade 10 day classes at St. John's High School to find a job. He worked from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. as an office clerk at the Atlantic Fruit Company, went home for supper, and then attended night classes from 7-10 p.m. until he graduated from high school at the age of 16. Though he had skipped Grade 8, his working life took a toll on his marks. His dream was to enter medical school, but institutionalized discrimination restricted the number of eligible Jews, and he was denied entry.

Instead, Yanofsky continued working, studying and excelling at chess. He won his first of eight Canadian championships in 1941 at the age of 17. The next year he went on a cross-Canada simultaneous tour, playing 440 people and losing just eight games. On August 30, 1944 he received a letter asking him to report to HMCS Chippawa in two weeks, and instructing him to bring his ration book along. He served in the navy until 1946.

The end of the war saw the resumption of normal chess tournament activity, and Yanofsky's reputation remained strong enough to secure him an invitation to the Staunton Tournament in Groningen. While he finished with an even score in the world-class field, the tournament presented Yanofsky with his greatest chess achievement ever, a victory over eventual tournament winner and world champion, Mikhail Botvinnik. In numerous interviews, Yanofsky repeatedly pointed to the game as the highlight of his career.

It began to dawn on Yanofsky that chess could be more than just a pastime. "The idea of playing for a living came very early on in my teens," he once said. "I started getting into the limelight, there was a lot of publicity. It seemed like an intriguing idea."

After Groningen, he tried his hand at being a chess professional. For the

next two years, he travelled Europe, playing in tournaments, lecturing and giving exhibitions. He was good, but not good enough to try supporting himself and a family.

"I decided then for sure I enjoyed chess much more when I didn't have to depend on it for a livelihood. Besides, the perspective in those days didn't encourage it." Neither did his long-time friend and mentor, Joe Dreman, who convinced Yanofsky that chess should always take a back seat to a proper education and career.

Yanofsky began a career that was to witness many accomplishments. He studied law at the University of Manitoba and continued those studies in Oxford, England. In his spare time, he became British champion in 1953 and published an autobiography called *Chess the Hard Way*. The chess world gave his book good reviews, although one writer complained that the price of the Pitman hardcover, at \$4, was a little high.

Married and with a growing family, Yanofsky returned to Winnipeg to set up a law practice. He eventually specialized in civil litigation, achieving the Queen's Counsel title. His chess friends were always close at hand. Joe Dreman offered him office space and was among his first legal clients.

Yanofsky's love of the limelight encouraged him to run for political office. He was unsuccessful on his first five tries, but eventually convinced the electorate to give him a chance. He served as mayor of the Winnipeg suburb of West Kildonan, then as a Winnipeg city councillor until his retirement in 1986. His politics were both small and capital 'C' conservative, and his approach was always cautious and respectful. Just as his bookkeeping skills helped him at Atlantic Fruit Company, so did his acumen in the city's financial matters. He served as the City of Winnipeg's finance committee chairman for many years.

In chess, Yanofsky played sporadically over the next four decades, but always competently. He played top board for virtually every Canadian Olympiad team, with his best performance coming in Tel Aviv in 1964. He scored 10/16 there, all

against GMs, and earned the GM title himself as a result. He was not only the first Grandmaster in Canada, but in the entire British Commonwealth. He did well at the 1957 Dallas Invitational, and also played in the 1962 Stockholm Interzonal. After Yanofsky's eighth and last Canadian championship victory in 1965, Sammy Reshevsky wrote: "His main strength lies in his accurate vision of long and deep combinations. He is not prone to blunders and is, therefore, a tough competitor for anyone." Bobby Fischer agreed. It took him 112 moves to beat Yanofsky in Stockholm, and then he had to settle for a draw when the two met again in Israel in 1968.

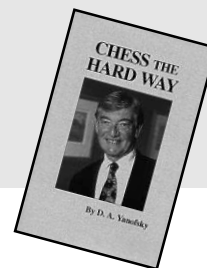
A sentimental event for Yanofsky was the 1967 Centennial Grandmasters Tournament in Winnipeg, a 10-player tournament with Spassky, Keres, Larsen and other world-class players. Though he finished ninth in his hometown, Yanofsky electrified the crowd with a brilliancy against long-time rival Laszlo Szabo. In 1986, Yanofsky made a game attempt to regain the Canadian championship in Winnipeg. The tournament had interesting parallels with his first championship back in 1941. Instead of being the youngest participant, he was now the oldest. In the end, he finished tied for third, and decided not to play a qualifying match which would have given him yet another shot at an Interzonal.

Though he had been banned from playing in Manitoba championships in the early 1940s because no one else would dare compete against him, Yanofsky played his last Manitoba event in 1989, when he finished second in the Manitoba Open.

Like many strong chess players, Yanofsky had a healthy ego. That was evident even at age 11, when he wrote: "How is it I can defeat grown-ups at chess so easily? First of all I have a good memory. Secondly, I am young and able to think more quickly than an older person whose brain must have stiffened a little, like his legs, as his years mounted; then, too, my eyes are better – I can see more clearly and take in the whole board more quickly than one older."

Even when he was older and wiser, Yanofsky tended to embellish his

achievements. He told a magazine reporter in the mid-1980s: "At my peak, I was one of the top five or ten players in the world, and now I'm probably in the first 30 or 40." Such boasting is not untypical for strong players, but in Yanofsky's case it may indicate some regret at not devoting full-time to chess when it seemed he was on the road to significant achievement. He often reflected on how far he might have



Chess The Hard Way

by D. A. Yanofsky

Diagrams: 354 Pages: 236

Catalogue #: 3449

Members Price: \$19.95

Non-Members Price: \$21.95

Chess the Hard Way is about the life and times of a great Canadian Grandmaster. This selection of 129 games gives the reader a picture of the fighting chess he always championed throughout his career. Abe Yanofsky was a child prodigy, Canada's first Grandmaster and the most important Canadian chess personality of the 20th Century. In 1939 he was discovered by the chess world when, at fourteen, he played second board for the Canadian team at the Chess Olympiad in Buenos Aires. He was the youngest player at the event and he achieved a score of 85 per cent. Abe Yanofsky went on to win many tournaments over the years, including a win over the World Champion Mikhail Botvinnik at Groningen in 1946. He was Canadian Champion eight times and British Champion once. In his professional career, Abe Yanofsky was a distinguished lawyer and a Queen's Counsel. He received the Order of Canada for his contributions to chess.

gone had he taken the road of becoming a chess professional. Though he was never in the top ranks of the world's players, he always managed to return to the board after long absences and play credibly and creatively, a sign of extraordinary natural talent.

In 1996, Yanofsky received a unique invitation to return to Groningen, 50 years after his greatest single-game achievement. Seven of the original 20 players were still alive: Smyslov, Najdorf, Guimard, Christoffel, Denker, Szabo and Yanofsky. Despite his mounting health problems, which included diabetes, heart disease and cancer, Yanofsky made the trip. The reunion was an emotional one, and it featured some friendly chess, including a final draw with Laszlo Szabo. It was to be Yanofsky's final tournament.

More than 600 people attended Abe Yanofsky's funeral in Winnipeg, including the mayor, the lieutenant-governor and a wide variety of former politicians of all stripes. The chess community was there in great numbers as well, including his old friend, Joe Dreman. Of all the tributes at the service, the one which had the most resonance was that Abe Yanofsky never lost his temper and remained a gentleman through the many and complex phases of his career.

In the second part of his still-unpublished, updated autobiography, completed in 1996, Yanofsky wrote the following: "I do not know whether my health will ever permit me to participate in tournaments again. However, I do have the satisfaction of having spent over 40 years in national and international chess competitions all over the world, meeting and playing the greatest chess players of all time, and bringing honor not only to myself, but to my country. I hope that my chess career will help inspire more younger Canadian chess talent to go on and represent our country internationally and bring honor not only to themselves, but to Canada as well."

Abe Yanofsky died on March 5, 2000 of complications brought about by cancer and congestive heart failure. He was 74.

Irwin Lipnowski

My association with Abe Yanofsky began 42 years ago, when I was 11 and he was 32. Abe had just returned from the 1957 Dallas International Tournament where he had convincing victories against such luminaries as Samuel Reshevsky, Fridrik Olafsson and Larry Evans. Abe accepted the invitation of a teacher, who happened to be a chess enthusiast, to run a chess club at our school. So a group of about a dozen kids, ranging in age from 11 to 13, met with Abe for several hours every Sunday afternoon at the school. Abe initiated us into the mysteries of recording a position, the en passant rule, English chess notation, and a number of basic mates against the lone king. The king and knight plus bishop was too advanced a topic however, as were the more subtle concepts of gaining the opposition in king and pawn endings, and of zugzwang. I think that Abe shared the philosophy of many renowned players: that the optimal sequence of instruction in chess is to begin with the endgame. Abe played friendly games against the kids, at times in consultation with one of us as his partner. This was a particularly instructive exercise, and I can still recall vividly his suggestion on one occasion that I move my queen from d1 to d2 in order to exploit my opponent's weakness on the Black squares.

My own development as a chess player took a great leap forward the following year when Abe arranged for me to play in the 1958 Canadian Open in Winnipeg. My invitation to participate stemmed in part from the fact that an odd number of players had registered for the event. To make my participation feasible, Abe undertook to drive me to and from the tournament site daily, an act of kindness for which I am still grateful.

When I was 13, Abe presented me with a copy of *Chess the Hard Way* (henceforth *CTHW*), a delightful book which chronicles his chess adventures from his earliest provincial and national successes to his exploits in some British tournaments in 1952.

It is certainly worth mentioning that Abe's intellectual achievements were not confined to chess alone. Abe studied law – a combination first

tried by Paul Morphy – and was awarded the University Gold Medal in Law by the Manitoba Law School in May, 1951 and the Viscount Bennett Scholarship as "the most outstanding law student in Canada" in 1952. He continued post-graduate studies in Law at Oxford University. Among the honors outside of chess that were conferred were Abe's appointment as Queen's Counsel in 1980 and his appointment in 1972 to the Order of Canada.

The updated version of *CTHW*, recently issued by the CFC with the editorial guidance of Gordon Taylor, continues with Abe's decisive victory in the 1953 British Championship with a score of 9.5/11, a full 1.5 points ahead of his nearest rival, a performance in the British championship that was not surpassed for more than 45 years; and ends with Abe's account of the fiftieth anniversary reunion of the surviving participants of the Groningen International Tournament, comprising Smyslov, Najdorf, Guimard, Christoffel, Denker, Szabo and Abe. In his long and illustrious career, Abe crossed swords with chess legends who spanned several generations: a partial sample includes Rubinstein, Tartakower, Botvinnik, Bronstein, Smyslov, Euwe, Petrosian, Spassky, Keres, Kotov, Boleslavsky, Szabo, Bondarevsky, Ragozin, Korchnoi, Reshevsky, Fine, Portisch, Pachman, Larsen, Olafsson, Gligoric, and Fischer.

Abe made his international debut at the age of 14 as a member of the Canadian team at the Chess Olympiad in Buenos Aires in 1939, then called the 'Torneo de las Naciones', and there he encountered such luminaries of the chess world as Alekhine, Capablanca, Keres and Tartakower. Abe's only appearance on board one was against Alberto Dulanto of Peru, and resulted in a sensational victory for Abe that excited no less a spectator than Alexander Alekhine, reigning World Champion, who thereafter took a keen interest in all of Abe's games, analyzing them with him afterward. The game appears in Alexander Alekhine's *107 Great Chess Battles 1939-1945* (Dover Publications, 1992; a reprint of the Oxford University Press, 1980 edition).

Notes by
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**Yanofsky, Abe
Dulanto, Alberto**

Buenos Aires ol, 1939

French: Rubinstein C10

**1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♖c3 ♗f6 4.♗g5
dxe4 5.♗xe4 ♗bd7 6.♗f3 ♖e7
7.♗xf6+ ♗xf6 8.♖d3 c5 9.dxc5**

An important alternative move was played by a child prodigy of a later generation, Alexei Shirov, when he was 11 in his game against Zhuravlev at Riga 1958, recounted in his autobiographical book, *Fire on Board*. That game went 1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♖c3 dxe4 4.♗xe4 ♗d7 5.♗f3 ♗g6 6.♖d3 ♗xe4 7.♗xe4 ♗f6 8.♖d3 c5 9.0-0 cxd4 10.♗xd4 ♖e7 11.♖f4 0-0 12.♖e1 ♗b6 13.♖e5 ♖d7 14.♖e3 ♖fd8 15.♖h3 g6! when Shirov writes: “I expected 15...h6 after which I intended 16.♖g3. However, it does not appear that White stands better after 16...♖e8 since Black has good counterplay in the center and there is no danger of quick mate yet.”

9...♗a5+ 10.c3 ♗xc5

Black’s move order makes it risky for White to embark upon a kingside attack by castling queenside. Thus White’s more modest setup gives him a slight initiative, and Black has to play carefully to equalize.

11.0-0 0-0 12.♖e1 ♖d8

Alekhine suggests 12...h6 “or at the latest, on his next move, eliminating combinations based on the pseudo-sacrifice at h7.” The text leaves f7 unprotected and proves to be a mistake.

Black is afraid to play 12...b6 immediately since 13.♗e5 has many threats, but I now believe that this equalizes. For if 13.♗e5 ♖b7 and now 14.♗xf6 ♗xf6 (not 14...gxf6 because 15.♗h5 f5 16.♖e3 wins) and Black meets 15.♗d7 with 15...♗g5 and easy equality after 16.♖e4 ♗xe4 17.♖xe4 ♖fd8 18.♗xf6+ ♗xf6.

Alekhine had suggested 12.♗e2 to stop 12...b6 because of 13.♗xf6 ♗xf6 14.♗e4 threatening both mate and the ♖/a8. Abe’s 12.♖e1 is less incisive because it allows Black to equalize by 12...b6. Of course, all of this has the benefit of hindsight.

13.♗e5

White plays very naturally.

13...b6? 14.♗xf6

Alekhine describes this move as “Simpler than the strong alternative 14.♗f3.” Abe recounts in *CTHW* that he spent half an hour on this move, calculating beyond the rook sacrifice on move 22, and then played the rest of the game “almost rapid transit”, which translates, in today’s terms, at just over ten seconds per move.

14...♗xf6 15.♗xh7+ ♗f8

Quoting Alekhine again, “Naturally this bishop is untouchable since 15...♗xh7 16.♗h5+ ♗g8 17.♗xf7+ ♗h8 18.♖e3 finishes the game immediately.”

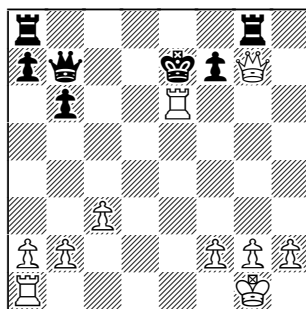
16.♗h5 ♗xe5 17.♖xe5 ♗c7

18.♖e4 ♖b7 19.♗xb7 ♗xb7

20.♗h8+ ♗e7 21.♗xg7 ♖g8

Dulanto probably believed that the young Abe had fallen into a trap.

22.♖xe6+



Alekhine’s comments on this move: “Not complicated, of course, but neat and decisive. The whole little game is characteristic of the incisive style of the young Canadian who was practically the only revelation of the Buenos Aires team tournament.”

In celebrating Abe’s achievement and contribution to chess in Canada, it seems particularly appropriate to characterize this position as Abe’s immortal position. When Dale Kirton undertook an initiative to have Canada Post issue a stamp with a chess theme, and more particularly, to honor the first Grandmaster in the British Commonwealth by depicting Abe Yanofsky at the chessboard, the position in this diagram is the one that Abe indicated he would most cherish. Indeed a portrait of Abe, rendered by the late George Paradny of Winnipeg which appeared in the Commemorative Booklet of the 1994

Canadian Open in Winnipeg features Abe with this position on the board.

22...♗xe6 23.♖e1+ ♗d6 24.♗f6+ ♗c5 25.♖e5+ ♗c4 26.b3+ ♗d3 27.♗d6+ ♗c2

Alekhine’s final comment: “Or 17...♗xc3 18.♖e3+ ♗b2 29.♖e2+ followed by mate in two moves.”

28.♖e2+ 1-0.

No less a personality than Dr. Savielly Tartakower was moved to write the following passage, in an Argentinian newspaper, after Abe’s sensational win: “In all the preceding chess Olympiads new talent was discovered. For example, Hamburg 1930 is associated with the names of Flohr and Kashdan, Warsaw 1935 with Keres and Szabo. Actually at Buenos Aires in 1939, the appearance of the very young Canadian, Yanofsky – only fifteen (Abe was actually fourteen) years old – created a sensation, and his elegant style will lead him to become a great star in chess.”

Abe’s second famous game was played seven years later when Abe was 21 in round 15 of the Groningen International Tournament against Mikhail Botvinnik. In *CTHW*, Abe describes this victory as “the biggest moment of my career.” Despite his loss to Abe, future World Champion Botvinnik finished clear first with 14.5/19, ahead of former World Champion Euwe who was second with 14/19, and future World Champion Smyslov who was third at 12.5/19. Abe recounts Botvinnik’s reply to an Associated Press reporter who asked him: “Did Yanofsky, in beating you, earn the title of Master?” Botvinnik replied “If he beat me, he deserves to be called Grandmaster.”

In his eloquent testimonial to Abe and to Canada in the introduction to the first edition of *CTHW*, former World Champion and FIDE President Dr. Max Euwe wrote: “All chess Masters have welcomed Yanofsky’s entry into the international chess arena with enthusiasm, because he is such a clever player and a fine fellow. But I myself have special reason to be grateful for Yanofsky’s appearance. Besides the great and eternal debt all of us Dutchmen have to our Canadian liberators, I owe a great deal to Yanofsky’s beautiful performance in Groningen, which enabled me to keep the lead in that

tournament for several rounds after Yanofsky had beaten my rival, Botvinnik, in such a remarkable game. Considering his youth and his talent, I have no doubt that Abe Yanofsky will one day belong to the strongest of the strong ones, and many of my colleagues share this opinion."

Abe's sensational victory received front page coverage in Canadian newspapers, and decades later Abe appeared on television in CBC's legendary program Front Page Challenge. Quite by chance, I happened to be watching, and my vague recollection is that the story stumped the panel. The game is deeply annotated by Abe in *CTHW*, so I shall add only a few brief comments, most of which should be credited to Jack Woodbury.

Notes by
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Yanofsky, Abe
Botvinnik, Mikhail

Groningen Int., 1946

Ruy Lopez: Chigorin C99

1.e4 e5 2.♘f3 ♘c6 3.♙b5 a6
4.♙a4 ♘f6 5.O-O ♗e7 6.♞e1 b5
7.♙b3 d6 8.c3 O-O 9.h3 ♘a5
10.♙c2 c5 11.d4 ♞c7 12.♘bd2
cxd4 13.cxd4 ♘c6 14.d5 ♘b4
15.♙b1 a5 16.♘f1 ♗d7 17.♙d2

This move is the only one given by John Nunn in his authoritative Nunn's Chess Openings (NCO), but in 1946, it was unusual.

17...♞fc8 18.♙xb4 axb4 19.♙d3
♙d8 20.♞d2 ♞a5 21.♘e3 b3
22.a3 ♞a4

Reuben Fine wrote, "At this point everyone was sure that Botvinnik would win. But Yanofsky suddenly comes to life." This resourcefulness in positions that most players would assume lost was one of his strengths.

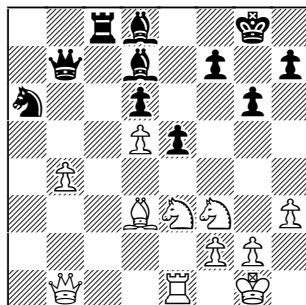
23.♘d1 b4 24.♘e3 bxa3 25.♞xa3
♘xe4 26.♞d1 ♞b4 27.♞xb3 ♞a4
28.♙c2 ♘c5 29.♞c3 ♞b4 30.♞b1
g6 31.♞c4 ♞b7 32.b4 ♘a6

Fine calls this "an obvious and weak move," suggesting instead 32...♘a4 followed by ...♘b6.

33.♞xc8 ♞xc8 34.♙d3!

Abe gives this very fine move an exclamation mark and remarks that at this stage, he had resolved to use

his b/♙ to disrupt the smooth consolidation of his opponent's advantage and adds, "to this end, I was even prepared to sacrifice the pawn."



34...♘xb4?

In Abe's words, "Accepting the bait." What should Botvinnik have done here? Abe claims in his notes to the game that 34...♙b5 (Lajos Steiner) allows White counterplay, while 34...f5 (Alexander) allows White to secure the advantage. Fine suggests 34...♘c7 presumably to blockade White's b/♙ with the knight at b5. Still another move that seems quite reasonable is 34...♞b8 threatening 35...♞xb4 and if 35.♞a1 or 35.♞a2 then not 35...♘xb4 allowing an awkward pin on the b-file, but now instead 35...♙b5.

35.♞e2 ♙a5

Described by Fine as the decisive mistake. He suggests instead 35...♞c3 36.♙c4 ♞a3 37.♞h2 e4 38.♞xe4 ♘a6 with only a small edge for White.

36.♞b2 ♞b8 37.♘d2 ♞a7
38.♘dc4 ♞c5

Fine writes, "38...♙b5 39.♞xb4 ♙xb4 40.♞xb4 ♙xc4 would have lasted a little longer, but with fewer counter chances."

39.♘xa5 ♞xa5 40.♘c2 ♘xd3
41.♞xb8+ ♞g7 42.♘e3 ♞d2
43.♞f1 ♘c5 44.♞d1 ♞c3 45.♞b6
♙a4 46.♞f3 ♞e1+ 47.♞h2 f5
48.♞xd6 f4

Black sets a trap. Now 49.♘g4? is met with 49...♘e4 50.♙a6 ♘d2!

49.♘f5+!

Capturing the knight allows 50.♞h5 threatening mate beginning with 51.♞g5+. If Black replies 50...♘d7 then 51.♞e6 threatens 52.♞e7+ again with mate to follow. Of course 51...♞b4 can only postpone mate slightly, since 52.d6 renews the threat.

49...♞f7 50.♞g4 ♘e4 51.♞h4
gxf5 52.♞xh7+ ♞e8 53.♞g8+ 1-0.

Positional Themes

Rather than tracing chronologically the highlights of Abe's career and his achievements, I want to convey some aspects of his mastery through a few selected games. I believe that Abe's understanding of positional concepts such as 'color weakness' came very naturally to him.

The idea of color weakness is quite advanced and, in my experience, is not necessarily fully understood by players who have attained the rank of Expert. One beautiful game that exemplifies Abe's profound grasp of the concept is his victory against Laszlo Szabo in the 1967 Winnipeg Centennial Tournament, for which he was awarded the brilliancy prize.

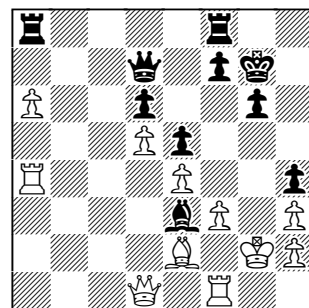
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Szabo, Laszlo
Yanofsky, Abe

Winnipeg Centennial, 1967

King's Indian E70

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 ♙g7 4.e4
d6 5.♘ge2 O-O 6.♘g3 e5 7.d5 c6
8.♙e2 cxd5 9.cxd5 ♘bd7 10.♙g5
h6 11.♙e3 a6 12.O-O b5 13.b4
♘b6 14.a4 ♘xa4 15.♘xa4 bxa4
16.♞xa4 h5 17.f3 h4 18.♘h1 ♘h5
19.b5 ♘f4 20.bxa6 ♙h6 21.♘f2
♘h3+ 22.♘xh3 ♙xe3+ 23.♞h1
♙xh3 24.gxh3 ♞d7 25.♞g2 ♞g7



The exemplary manner in which Abe proceeds to exploit his total domination of the Black squares is worthy of careful study. White's control of the White squares and eventual material superiority is of no consequence as Abe goes after White's helpless king.

26.♞b4 ♞ab8 27.♞b3 ♞xb4

28.♖xb4 ♖c8 29.♗b3 ♗a7
30.♖b1 ♖d4 31.♗d1 ♗c5 32.♖h1
♗a3 33.♗d2 ♖c3 34.♖g2 ♖e3
35.♗b2 ♗c5 36.a7 ♖c2 37.a8♗
♖xb2 38.♖e1 ♖g1 39.♖h1 ♗f2
0-1.

The following miniature, played a decade earlier, illustrates the potency of Abe's dark square domination when combined with his opponent's vulnerable king.

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Evans, Larry
Yanofsky, Abe

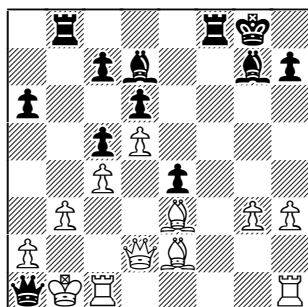
Dallas Int., 1957

King's Indian E80

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 ♖g7 4.e4
d6 5.f3 e5 6.d5 ♖h5 7.♖e3 f5
8.exf5 gxf5 9.♗d2 ♗h4+ 10.♖f2
♗e7 11.g3 O-O 12.O-O-O a6
13.♗b1 ♖d7 14.♖ge2 b6 15.♗c1
♗c5 16.♖d3 ♖d7 17.♖e2 ♖f6
18.h3 e4 19.♖xc5?

Opening the b-file for Black's rook must surely be a mistake. Abe suggests that 19.♖f4 is necessary.

19...bxc5 20.fxe4 ♖xe4 21.♖xe4
fxe4 22.♖e3 ♖ab8 23.b3 ♗e5
24.♖c1 ♗a1+



In *CTHW* Abe gives the finale as
25.♗c2 ♗xa2+ 26.♗d1 ♗xb3+
27.♗e1 ♖b2 28.♖b1 ♖c3.

0-1.

Abe selected the next game as one of his best, and it is annotated by him in his updated autobiography. Here Abe illustrates with superb technique how to exploit his domination of the dark squares for defensive purposes. It is no accident that once again we find Abe on the Black side of his favorite King's Indian Defence, an opening in which Black's pawns are typically fixed on dark squares.

Notes by
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Zaitzev, Lev
Yanofsky, Abe

Montreal Yanofsky op, 1976

King's Indian E70

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 g6 3.♗c3 ♖g7 4.e4
d6 5.♖g5 h6 6.♖h4 ♖bd7 7.f4
♖h5 8.f5

A very double-edged decision that weakens White's control of e5 and the Black squares on the a1-h8 diagonal in order to try and exploit Black's weakness at g6 and along the b1-h7 diagonal. It is instructive to observe how Abe makes the Black squares count for more – not because Black is winning or even has the advantage at his stage, but simply because Abe is commanding the Black army.

8...c5 9.d5 ♗a5 10.♖c1 ♖hf6
11.fxg6 fxg6 12.♗d2 ♖e5 13.♖e2
a6 14.♖f3 ♖xf3+ 15.♖xf3 0-0
16.0-0 g5

Abe bites the bullet. He writes in his comments: "I have to get rid of the troubling pin, realizing that I am opening my king to attack."

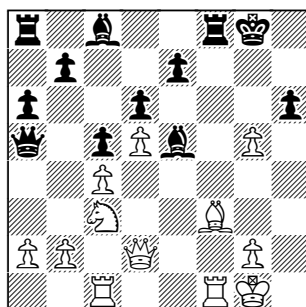
17.♖g3 ♖d7 18.h4 ♖f6 19.e5!
♖xe5 20.♖xe5

White gives up his important dark squared bishop in order to pursue Black's king on the White squares.

20...♖xe5

Forced. If 20...dxe5 21.♗d3 ♖g7
22.♖h5! wins. (Yanofsky in *CTHW*)

21.hxg5



The instructive part of the game begins here, as Abe demonstrates how to use his domination of the Black squares to shield his otherwise exposed and vulnerable king, and slowly goes on the offensive.

21...♖d4+ 22.♖h2 ♖f5 23.gxh6

♖h7 24.♗g5 ♖e5+ 25.g3 ♗d8
26.♖e4 ♗d7 27.♖g2 e6

This move allows Black to reunite and coordinate his forces on the kingside and the queenside.

28.♗h5 ♖xe4

Black's monarch is now perfectly safe at h8.

29.♖xe4+ ♖h8 30.dxe6 ♗xe6
31.♖f5 ♗g8 32.♖f3 b5

After waiting very patiently, Black's counterattack finally begins.

33.♖cf1 ♖f6 34.b3 ♖af8 35.♖h1
bxc4 36.g4 cxb3 37.axb3 ♗d5!

With this powerful pin Black takes over the White squares.

38.♗g5 ♖g8 39.♗h5 ♖b8 40.♗g5
♖g8 41.♗h5 ♖f4

Zugzwang!

42.h7 ♖g8 43.♖g6 ♗b7 44.g5
♖xg5 45.♖g2 ♖f4! 46.♖h3 ♗d7+
47.♖h4 ♗e7

On 48.♖h3 ♗e2 wins.

0-1.

Abe's independent ideas and perseverance might best explain his devotion to the Classical Variation of the French Defense. Despite many notable successes, he did suffer a few setbacks. Perhaps the following thematic loss to Gligoric undermined Abe's confidence in the reliability of variation, for he began to vary his repertoire against 1.e4 afterwards.

Gligoric, Svetozar
Yanofsky, Abe

Dallas Int., 1957

French: Classical C14

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♗c3 ♖f6 4.♖g5
♖e7 5.e5 ♖fd7 6.♖xe7 ♗xe7 7.f4
O-O 8.♖f3 c5 9.dxc5 ♖c6
10.♖d3 f6 11.exf6 ♖xf6 12.♗d2
♖xc5 13.O-O ♖xd3 14.cxd3 ♖d7
15.♖ae1 ♗b4 16.g3 ♖e8 17.a3
♗b6+ 18.♖g2 ♖d4 19.♖e5 ♖c6
20.♖ee1 ♖d4 21.♖xd4 ♗xd4
22.♖e2 ♗b6 23.♗c3 ♖d7 24.♗d4
♗b3 25.♖c1 ♖c6 26.♖g1 ♖b5
27.♖fd1 ♖c6 28.♖f3 ♗a4 29.♖d2
♗a5 30.♖dc2 ♖af8 31.♖e5 ♖e8
32.♗c5 ♗xc5 33.♖xc5 g5 34.♖g4
♖g6 35.♖e5 ♖g6 36.♖c7 gxf4
37.♖xb7 ♖g6 38.♖cc7 fxc3
39.♖g7+ ♖h8 40.♖xg6+ ♖xg6
41.♖xh7+ ♖g8 42.hxg3 a5
43.♖hd7 ♖c8 44.♖dc7 ♖xc7
45.♖xc7 ♖g4 46.♖f3 ♖d4 47.♖e3

g4 48. e7 xg3+ 49. d4 g2 50. b4 f8 51. xe6 a2 52. b5 xa3 53. xd5 xd3+ 54. c6 a4 55. b6 c3+ 56. d7 f7 57. e4 d3+ 58. c7 c3+ 59. b8 a3 60. b7 a2 61. a4 1-0.

The Reshevsky Duel

Abe played an extremely interesting series of games against the legendary American Grandmaster Samuel Reshevsky between 1957 and 1975. Of the eight games played, Abe drew five, won both in Dallas 1957 and Tel Aviv 1964, and lost only once at the Lugano Olympiad in 1968.

The lives of the two Grandmasters had some striking parallels: both were born in Poland; Reshevsky in Ozierkov in 1911, and Abe in Brody in 1925. Both were raised in traditional Jewish homes, and both were proclaimed child prodigies shortly after learning the game. Both families emigrated to the new world when their prodigies were children, and both endured considerable hardship in their youth.

Sammy was taken on simultaneous exhibition tours of European and American cities to showcase his prowess. As Anthony Saidy shrewdly observes in his wonderful book *The Battle of Chess Ideas*, "The spectacle of the small boy walking round and round, mile after mile, in city after city, in simultaneous combat against dozens of grown men, undoubtedly fascinated the public. But what did it do to the child?" Abe's youthful hardships stemmed from the fact that his father died a month and a half after Abe's thirteenth birthday.

Compounding the trauma of Abe's loss was his family's dire economic hardship: "In January of 1940, it became necessary for me to get a job and the next two years were spent at working all day as an office clerk in a fruit wholesaler's and attending night classes to complete my High School education. I found little time for chess until after I graduated from High School in May, 1941."

One important difference between Reshevsky and Yanofsky is that the former was a chess professional par excellence while Abe remained, throughout his life, an exceptional amateur, possibly the strongest amateur chess player in the world. In the double round robin 1957 Dallas

International Tournament, Abe won one game and drew the other against his formidable opponent, although he came close to winning both. In the following game Abe reveals an aspect of his strength which was generally underestimated by many, myself included, in his acute tactical alertness. This is the very quality of Reshevsky's play which has so often been celebrated.

Notes by
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**Yanofsky, Abe
Reshevsky, Samuel
Dallas Int., 1957**

Ruy Lopez: Chigorin C97

1. e4 e5 2. f3 c6 3. b5 a6 4. a4 f6 5. 0-0 e7 6. e1 b5 7. b3 d6 8. c3 a5 9. c2 c5 10. h3 c7 11. d4 0-0 12. bd2 d7 13. f1 fe8 14. e3 g6 15. dxe5 dxe5 16. h2 e6 17. f3 ad8 18. hg4 xg4 19. xg4 xg4 20. hxg4 d7

At the 1958 Portoroz Interzonal, Matanovic equalized against Fischer with 20...c4 21.g3 b7 22.g2 c5 23.h1 f6. Abe's next move brings his rook to the h-file without blocking his queen's access to square h3, as is the case with Fischer's 21.g3.

21. h2 c4 22. h1 d8 23. b4

Directed against Black's attempt to activate his knight with the maneuver ...b7-c5-d3.

23... c6 24. e3 c7 25. g1

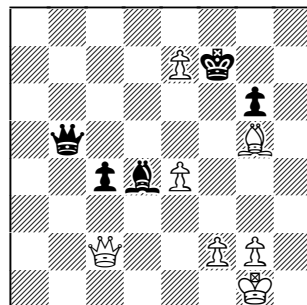
White now has the decisive threat of 26.hh6 and 25...f8 26.hh3 f6 27.g5 gives White a distinct positional advantage. Reshevsky tries a seemingly reasonable alternative.

25... f6? 26. xh7

Abe seizes the tactical opportunity. Now 26...xh7 is met by 27.hh6+ g8 28.xg6+ h8 29.xe8+ and a simple win. Reshevsky mounts fierce resistance, but his effort is futile.

26... f8 27. xd7 xd7 28. f3 e7 29. a4 d8 30. e3 e6 31. d1 f7 32. d5 b8 33. g5 b7 34. gxf6 xb4 38. axb5 axb5 36. g5 f8 37. d1 b4 38. cxb4 xb4 39. d8 xc2 40. xc2 c6 41. d5 c5 42. xe5 d4 43. e7+ xe7 44. fe7 b5

This position is not entirely without technical difficulties. Black is poised to play ...c3 and ...b2 with serious counterplay, but Abe reacts in exemplary fashion.



45. e5!

A powerful pawn sacrifice in order to centralize White's queen and render the e/e7 even more menacing. The immediate threat is 46.e6+ followed either by xg6# or xc4+.

45... xe5 46. e4 d6 47. g4

To prevent Black from meeting 48.f3+ with 48...f5.

47... c3

Abe finishes the game very elegantly. Reshevsky's moves are all forced.

48. f3+ e6 49. f6+ d7 50. e8 e+ xe8 51. e6+ f8 52. h6# 1-0.

Abe's next victory against Reshevsky occurred seven years later at the 1964 Olympiad in Tel Aviv. The game is perhaps Abe's most Kasparov-like effort, as he sacrifices a piece to incarcerate Reshevsky's dark squared bishop, destroys his opponent's center, and exposes Reshevsky's king to a fierce attack.

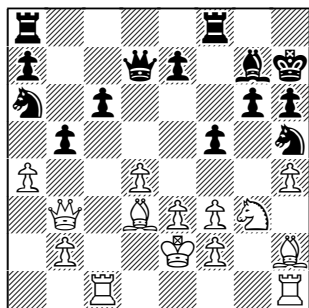
Notes by
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**Reshevsky, Samuel
Yanofsky, Abe
Tel Aviv ol, 1964
Grünfeld D93**

1. d4 f6 2. c4 g6 3. c3 d5 4. f3 g7 5. f4 0-0 6. c1 c6 7. e3 g4 8. b3 xf3 9. gxf3 d7 10. h4 dxc4 11. xc4 h5 12. h2

Abe suggests the alternative 12.e5 instead.

12... a6 13. e4 h6 14. e2 b5 15. d3 h7 16. a4 f5 17. d3



17... ♖f4+!

Abe's only comment on this brilliant move is to add the punctuation.

18.exf4

Has Reshevsky, in his long and illustrious career, ever suffered a more pitiful bishop than this cleric imprisoned by its own infantry? Admittedly, Yanofsky has sacrificed a knight to create this spectacle, but he is only nominally a piece down. Whether Abe is winning or not is left to the reader, and perhaps Fritz6, to decide. We do know that Reshevsky was unable at the board to overcome the challenges that face White in this position.

18... ♖xd4 19.axb5 cxb5 20.h5 ♖c5 21.hxg6+ ♖h8 22.♖xb5 ♖ab8 23.♖xc5 ♖xb5 24.♖xb5 e6 25.♖d1 ♖f6 26.♖c4 ♖xg6 27.♖d6 ♖e8 28.♖b7 ♖f8 29.♖c6 h5 30.♖xa7 h4 31.♖f1 ♖f6 32.♖a2 ♖d4 33.b3 ♖b4

Abe remarks: "About here White offered a draw, which I naturally declined."

34.♖e3 ♖c3

White has no way to control the e1 square, so Reshevsky's king is flushed out of its sanctuary at e2.

35.♖xe6 ♖e1+ 36.♖d3 ♖d8+ 37.♖d5

Unfortunately for Reshevsky, 37.♖c2 is met by 37... ♖d2#.

37... ♖xd5+ 38.♖xd5 ♖xe6 39.♖a8+ ♖g7 0-1.

Before turning to Abe's domination of the Canadian chess scene from 1940 to 1965, I want to showcase just a few more of his international victories. Since these all appear in *CTHW*, I will do so without commentary, in the hope that *En Passant* readers will order Abe's posthumously published book, which is now available from the CFC in Ottawa.

Yanofsky, Abe Olafsson, Fridrik Dallas Int., 1957

Sicilian: Rauzer B67

1.e4 c5 2.♖f3 ♖c6 3.d4 cxd4 4.♖xd4 ♖f6 5.♖c3 d6 6.♖g5 e6 7.♖d2 a6 8.O-O-O ♖d7 9.f4 ♖c8 10.♖f3 ♖a5 11.♖b1 b5 12.e5 b4 13.exf6 bxc3 14.fxg7 ♖xg7 15.♖xd6 ♖c7 16.♖e5 ♖xe5 17.fxg5 ♖g8 18.h4 cxb2 19.♖f6 ♖b7 20.♖h3 ♖c7 21.♖xc7 ♖xc7 22.♖c3 ♖g4 23.a3 ♖a4 24.♖e2 ♖a5 25.♖f3 ♖f8 26.♖xc6 ♖xc6 27.♖xd7 1-0.

Yanofsky, Abe Portisch, Lajos Munich ol, 1958

French: Tarrasch C04

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♖d2 ♖c6 4.♖g3 ♖f6 5.e5 ♖d7 6.♖b3 ♖e7 7.♖b5 O-O 8.O-O ♖cb8 9.c3 b6 10.♖e1 c6 11.♖e2 ♖a6 12.♖xa6 ♖xa6 13.♖g4 ♖e8 14.♖h6 ♖f8 15.♖g5 ♖e7 16.♖h6 ♖f8 17.♖g5 ♖e7 18.♖xe7 ♖xe7 19.f4 f5 20.exf6 ♖xf6 21.♖e2 ♖c7 22.♖f3 c5 23.♖ae1 c4 24.♖bd2 b5 25.♖e5 a5 26.♖f3 b4 27.♖h3 ♖f8 28.♖f2 ♖b5 29.♖h4 ♖d6 30.g4 g6 31.♖df3 ♖de4 32.♖xe4 dxe4 33.♖g5 ♖d5 34.♖xg6 ♖g7 35.♖xf8 ♖xf4 36.♖fxe6 ♖xh3+ 37.♖xh3 ♖d7 38.♖hf4 bxc3 39.bxc3 ♖e8 40.♖g5+ ♖h8 41.♖f6+ 1-0.

Notes by Jack Woodbury

Yanofsky, Abe
Uhlmann, Wolfgang
Stockholm izt, 1962
French: Winawer C18

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♖c3 ♖b4 4.e5 c5 5.a3 ♖xc3+ 6.bxc3 ♖e7 7.♖g4 ♖f5 8.♖d3 h5 9.♖f4

Best is now supposed to be 9.♖h3 which Abe played against Erich Marchand in the 1940s. It prevents 9... ♖h4 because of 10.♖xf5.

9... cxd4?

He should play 10... ♖h4 right away.

10.cxd4 ♖h4 11.♖xh4 ♖xh4 12.♖g5! ♖f5

Black doesn't care for 12... ♖xg2+ 13.♖f1 f6 14.exf6 gxf6 15.♖xf6 ♖f8 16.♖g7 ♖g8 17.♖e5.

13.♖e2! ♖c6 14.c3

This would not be possible without the insertion of 9... cxd4.

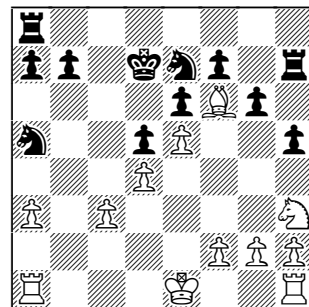
14... ♖a5 15.♖f4 ♖e7 16.♖e2 g6

The point of White's maneuver with knight and bishop: Black's dark squares give free play to White's bishop. However, 16... h4 17.♖h5 ♖f5 18.g4 hxg3 19.hxg3 ♖f8 20.g4 ♖e7 is not attractive for Black either.

17.♖f6 ♖h7 18.♖b5+

An unlikely move, but Abe has an idea. Instead 18.♖h3 allows 18... ♖g8 19.♖g5 ♖xf6 20.exf6 ♖h8 and White has nothing.

18... ♖d7 19.♖xd7+ ♖xd7 20.♖h3



20... h4

Here the sequence 20... ♖g8 21.♖g5 ♖xf6 22.exf6 ♖hh8 leaves Black's ♖f7 loose, so Uhlmann decides to make a square at h5 for his rook. Computers are cruel however, and I now see that after 23.♖xf7 ♖hf8 24.♖e5+ ♖d6 White's position is not good. Interestingly, the game has been widely published elsewhere without anyone noticing this!

21.♖e2 ♖g8 22.♖g5 ♖c8 23.♖d3 ♖c6 24.g3 ♖c4 25.♖xh4 ♖h5 26.f4 ♖e7 27.♖f2 ♖h8 28.♖f6 ♖hc8 29.♖hb1 ♖8c7 30.g4 ♖c8 31.h4 ♖a5 32.♖d1 ♖b6 33.♖a2 ♖a4 34.♖c2 ♖c4 35.♖b3 ♖e8 36.h5 gxh5 37.gxh5 ♖f8 38.♖g2 ♖cb2+ 39.♖xb2 ♖xc3+ 40.♖xc3 ♖xc3+ 41.♖d2 1-0.

The following game comes with an interesting story that Abe recounted at the Winnipeg Chess Centre at a lecture he gave several years ago. It seems that Bobby Fischer was quite upset with Korchnoi for some reason, and so on the evening prior to this game, he knocked on Abe's

door and offered to help him prepare. He showed Abe an opening novelty – the maneuver beginning with 11.♖ce2 to be followed by 12.c4 – which he assessed as slightly better for White at that time. Abe indeed got the upper hand, and claimed in his lecture that he missed a win later in the game.

Yanofsky, Abe
Korchnoi, Victor
Stockholm izt, 1962
Sicilian B47

1.e4 c5 2.♖f3 e6 3.d4 cxd4
 4.♖xd4 a6 5.♖c3 ♖c7 6.g3 ♖f6
 7.♖g2 ♖c6 8.O-O ♖e7 9.b3 O-O
 10.♖b2 ♖d8 11.♖ce2 d5 12.exd5
 ♖xd5 13.c4 ♖db4 14.♖b1 ♖xd4
 15.♖xd4 ♖c5 16.a3 ♖xd4
 17.♖xd4 ♖xd4 18.axb4 e5
 19.♖d1 ♖xd1+ 20.♖xd1 ♖e6
 21.♖f3 ♖b8 22.♖d1 h6 23.♖d3
 ♖c8 24.♖e4 b5 25.c5 ♖xb3
 26.♖d6 a5 27.♖h3 ♖e8 28.♖d7
 ♖c8 29.♖e7 ♖b8 30.♖xe8+ ♖xe8
 31.bxa5 ♖d8 32.♖b1 ♖c4 33.a6
 ♖a8 34.♖a1 b4 35.a7 ♖d5
 36.♖d7 b3 37.c6 b2 38.♖xb2
 ♖xa7 39.♖xe5 ♖c5 40.♖e3 ♖c2
 41.f3 h5 ½-½.

According to Abe the endgame in the following brutal encounter should have been a draw, but it is a far from easy to pinpoint White's decisive error. Bobby's fierce and relentless effort to win, combined with his amazing stamina, ultimately triumph.

Yanofsky, Abe
Fischer, Robert
Stockholm izt, 1962
Sicilian B92

1.e4 c5 2.♖f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4
 4.♖xd4 ♖f6 5.♖c3 a6 6.♖e2 e5
 7.♖b3 ♖e7 8.O-O O-O 9.♖e3
 ♖c7 10.a4 ♖e6 11.f4 exf4
 12.♖xf4 ♖bd7 13.♖d5 ♖xd5
 14.exd5 ♖e5 15.a5 ♖fe8 16.♖b6
 ♖c8 17.♖d3 ♖d8 18.♖xd8 ♖xd8
 19.c4 b6 20.♖f1 ♖b8 21.♖d4
 ♖g6 22.♖f2 ♖e4 23.♖e2 ♖c5
 24.♖xe8+ ♖xe8 25.♖a3 ♖xb3
 26.♖xb3 bxa5 27.♖a3 ♖d8 28.c5
 ♖b4 29.♖c3 dxc5 30.♖xc5 ♖xb2
 31.d6 ♖f8 32.♖c7 ♖xc7 33.dxc7
 ♖c2 34.♖xa5 ♖xc7 35.♖xa6 g6
 36.♖e2 ♖g7 37.♖f3 ♖d7 38.♖f2
 ♖e5 39.♖a3 ♖c2+ 40.♖g3 ♖f6

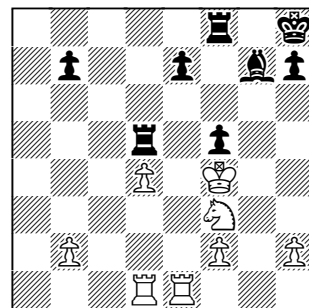
41.♖e4 ♖c4 42.♖f3 ♖g5 43.♖e3
 f6 44.♖e4 ♖c3 45.♖f4 f5 46.h4+
 ♖f6 47.♖a4 ♖d3 48.♖d4 ♖c5
 49.♖d6+ ♖e5 50.♖d5+ ♖e6
 51.♖d4 h6 52.♖f2 ♖d3+ 53.♖e2
 ♖c5 54.♖f2 g5 55.hxg5 hxg5
 56.♖e2 ♖b3 57.♖d8 ♖c2+
 58.♖d1 ♖c1+ 59.♖e2 ♖e5
 60.♖e8+ ♖f6 61.♖f8+ ♖g6
 62.♖g8+ ♖h6 63.♖d5 ♖c2+
 64.♖e3 ♖c3+ 65.♖f2 ♖c5 66.♖f3
 ♖d7 67.♖d8 ♖f6 68.♖d6 ♖g7
 69.♖e2 g4 70.♖b7 ♖h5 71.♖e1
 ♖e3+ 72.♖f2 ♖c3 73.♖e1 ♖e3+
 74.♖f2 ♖b3 75.♖a8 ♖g3 76.♖e1
 ♖e3+ 77.♖d1 ♖a3 78.♖b7 ♖a2
 79.♖d4 ♖h1 80.♖e1 ♖a1+
 81.♖e2 ♖g1 82.♖d6 ♖b1 83.♖a8
 ♖b3 84.♖d3 ♖b2+ 85.♖e1 ♖b8
 86.♖c6 ♖b6 87.♖a8 f4 88.♖d4
 ♖f6 89.♖b7 ♖g6 90.♖d8 ♖e6+
 91.♖d2 ♖f2 92.♖d4 ♖g5 93.♖a8
 ♖f6 94.♖e1 ♖h1 95.♖d8 ♖b6
 96.♖d4 ♖g3 97.♖d2 ♖f1+
 98.♖e2 ♖e3 99.♖d2 ♖h4
 100.♖f2 ♖b3 101.♖e4 ♖a3
 102.♖c6 ♖f5 103.♖b2 ♖a1
 104.♖b4 ♖a2+ 105.♖e1 ♖g3
 106.♖b3+ ♖e3 107.♖e4 ♖h2
 108.♖b4 ♖xg2+ 109.♖xg2 ♖xg2
 110.♖xf4 g3 111.♖g4 ♖f3
 112.♖g8 ♖a1+ 0-1.

Abe's second encounter with Bobby Fischer occurred six years later when Abe finished second behind Bobby Fischer in the Netanya International Tournament of 1968.

Notes by
Irwin Lipnowski

Fischer, Robert
Yanofsky, Abe
Netanya Int., 1968
Caro-Kann: Panov-Botvinnik B14

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.exd5 cxd5 4.c4
 ♖f6 5.♖c3 g6 6.♖b3 ♖g7 7.cxd5
 O-O 8.♖e2 ♖a6 9.♖g5 ♖b6
 10.♖xb6 axb6 11.a3 ♖d8
 12.♖xf6 ♖xf6 13.♖d1 ♖f5
 14.♖c4 ♖ac8 15.♖b3 b5 16.♖f3
 If White captures the pawn with
 16.♖xb5 Black answers 17....♖c2 and
 stands better.
 16...b4 17.axb4 ♖xb4 18.♖e2
 ♖c2 19.♖xc2 ♖xc2 20.♖d3
 ♖b4+ 21.♖e4 ♖d6 22.♖e5 ♖g7
 23.g4 f5+ 24.gxf5 gxf5+ 25.♖f4
 ♖f8 26.♖hg1 ♖xd5+ 27.♖xd5
 ♖xd5 28.♖f3 ♖h8 29.♖ge1



29...♖f6

Abe gives this move a question mark and writes: "After having outplayed Fischer, I now miss a probable win by 29...♖h6+." He demonstrates a win against the weak reply 30.♖g3 but against 30.♖g5 he concludes that "White seems able to hold on."

30.♖e5 e6 31.h4 ♖c8 32.♖f7+
 ♖g7 33.♖g5 ♖xg5+ 34.♖xg5
 ♖c6 35.♖e5 ♖cd6 36.♖xd5 ♖xd5
 37.f4 ♖b5 38.♖d2 ♖b3 39.d5 h6+
 40.♖h5 exd5 41.♖xd5 ♖xb2
 42.♖d7+ ♖f6 43.♖d6+ ♖f7
 44.♖xh6 ♖g2 45.♖b6 ♖g4
 46.♖xb7+ ♖f6 ½-½.

Becoming a Grandmaster

Abe may have reached his peak strength at the 1964 Olympiad in Tel Aviv, where he faced 16 GMs on board one, and scored an impressive 10 points. I would like to share with the readers a portion of the letter I received from Zvonko Vranesic, who describes the crowning achievement of Abe's career, the attainment of his GM title at this event:

"Abe was the established leader of the team and I was a rookie with high hopes. It turned out to be a magical experience for all of us, in spite of the fact that Canada was considered to be a second-tier chess country in those days. Before the era of Swiss-style tournaments, the Olympiad consisted of a preliminary competition in several groups, followed by the final round robin events. The first two teams from each preliminary group played in the 'A' final, the next two in the 'B' final, and so on.

We were placed in a group in which Argentina and East Germany were the top ranked teams, and were expected to make the 'B' finals. As luck would have it, our first match was against East Germany, whose

team consisted of professional, state-supported chess players. In contrast, we were talented amateurs who had nothing to lose; our jobs did not depend on our success at the chess board. I remember Abe telling us that we were much stronger than it appeared on paper, and that we would be in great shape if we beat the Germans. He was to play Wolfgang Uhlmann, who was one of the leading Grandmasters of the time. After surviving an intense struggle, Abe caught Uhlmann in a web of tactics to win the game. And since we managed to split the other three games, the scoreboard showed us on top by a score of 2.5–1.5.

We hung tough in the remaining preliminary matches and finished in second place behind Argentina, but a half point ahead of East Germany. I will never forget the thrill of that moment. It was the first time that Canada made the 'A' final, and Abe became a Grandmaster! Abe's optimism was contagious. He showed us that it was possible to exceed expectations if we failed to be intimidated by the reputations of our opponents." (Vranesic)

Notes by
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**Uhlmann, Wolfgang
Yanofsky, Abe**

Tel Aviv ol, 1964

Grünfeld D99

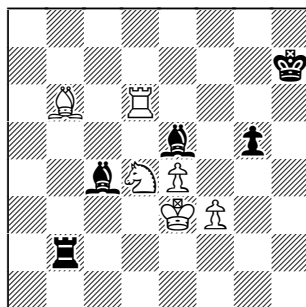
Abe fully annotates this exciting game in *CTHW*.

1.d4 ♖f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 d5 4.♙f3 ♙g7 5.♙b3 dxc4 6.♙xc4 0-0 7.e4 ♘fd7 8.♙e3 ♘b6 9.♙b3 ♙g4 10.♙d1 ♘c6 11.d5 ♘e5 12.♙e2 ♘xf3+ 13.gxf3 ♙h3 14.♙g1 ♙h8 15.f4 ♙d7 16.h4 c6 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.h5 ♙c7 19.hxg6 ♙e6 20.♙c2 fxg6 21.♘b5 ♙b7 22.♘d4 ♙f7 23.b3 c5 24.♙xc5 ♙ac8 25.♙a5 ♙cd8 26.♙f3 ♙d7 27.♙g4 ♙dd8 28.f3 ♙fe8 29.♙f2 e5 30.fxe5 ♙xe5 31.♘b5 ♙xd1 32.♙xd1 h5 33.♙xa7 ♙xa7 34.♘xa7 ♙a5 35.♙xb6 ♙xa2+ 36.♙g3 hxg4 37.♙xg4 ♙xb3 38.♙d8+ ♙h7 39.♘b5 ♙e6+ 40.♙f4 ♙b2 41.♙d6 g5+ 42.♙e3 ♙c4

Suddenly, Abe threatens 43...♙e2#. 43.♘d4?

Abe suggests 43.f4 instead, and concludes that neither 43...♙b3+ nor 43...g4 (renews the mate threat) leads to a clear win, although 43...♙b3+ confers on Black "a great advantage."

43...♙e5



With the dual threat of capturing the rook and 44...♙f4#.

44.♙d7+ ♙g6 45.♙c7 ♙xd4+ 46.♙xd4

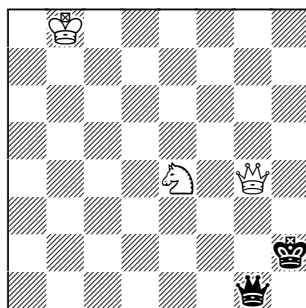
Unfortunately for White, 46.♙xd4 is mate after 46...♙e2#. Thus, Abe wins the exchange and converts his material advantage to a win.

46...♙d2+ 47.♙xc4 ♙xd7 48.♙b6 ♙f7 49.♙d5 ♙xf3 50.e5 g4 51.♙e6 ♙f1 52.♙d7 ♙d1+ 53.♙e7 ♙f5 0-1.

Before turning to Abe's record in Canada, I want to include a tiny fragment of a marathon game that Abe played as White against Harry Golombek at Hastings in 1952.

Notes by
Irwin Lipnowski

**Yanofsky, Abe
Golombek, Harry
Hastings, 1952**



Both players have just queened pawns, and a series of checks from Abe has followed. On move 98 however, Golombek has made a fatal misstep with his king...

99.♙h4+ ♙g2 100.♙g3+ ♙h1

Of course, Black's queen is lost after 101...♙f1 102.♙d2+.

101.♙h3+ ♙h2+ 102.♙g3+

Alas poor Golombek cannot capture the knight and reach a stalemate after 102...♙xg3 103.♙xg3 because his queen is pinned on the h-file.

102...♙g1 103.♙f1# 1-0.

Chess in Canada

Beginning in 1941 when he won the Dominion Championship at the age of 16, until 1965 when he won the Canadian Closed Championship in Vancouver with a score of 10/11 ahead of Lionel Joyner and future GM Duncan Suttles, Abe clearly dominated the chess scene in Canada. He wrote in *CTHW*:

"Although this was the last time I won the Canadian Championship, I draw satisfaction from the fact that I won or tied for the title eight times between 1941 and 1965, a result equalled only once before, by the late Maurice Fox of Montreal." Subsequently, GM Kevin Spraggett has amassed a larger number of Canadian titles, but for one quarter of a century, Abe was clearly the man to beat.

Abe also won the Canadian Open in Edmonton in 1979 and, quite remarkably, tied with Fletcher Baragar for third in the Canadian Closed in Winnipeg in 1986 at the age of 61, behind GM Kevin Spraggett and IM Igor Ivanov.

Abe routinely travelled to eastern Canada on business and to win another Canadian Championship. His chief rival during the 1950s was Frank Anderson of Toronto, who tied for first with Abe at the 1953 Canadian Championship and won a silver medal on board two at the Munich Olympiad in 1958 where he achieved a GM norm. Anderson had a reputation for working hard at improving his game, and perhaps concentrating particularly on refuting Yanofsky's pet openings. Many leading players at the time, including Anderson himself, believed that the following encounter would result in Abe's defeat. Perhaps as a matter of principle, Abe selected the French Defense, which might well have come as a surprise to Anderson.

**Anderson, Frank
Yanofsky, Abe
CA ch, 1959**

French: Tarrasch C06

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.♘d2 ♘f6 4.e5
♘fd7 5.♙d3 c5 6.c3 ♘c6 7.♘e2
♙b6 8.♘f3 cxd4 9.cxd4 f6
10.exf6 ♘xf6 11.O-O ♙d6
12.♘c3 O-O 13.♙e3 ♙d7 14.♙c1
♙ae8 15.a3 a6 16.♘a4 ♙c7
17.♘c5 ♙c8 18.h3 ♙e7 19.♘xa6
e5 20.♙b5 exd4 21.♙g5 ♙d7
22.b4 ♘e5 23.♙xd7 ♘xf3+
24.♙xf3 ♙xd7 25.♙xf6 bxa6
26.♙xd5+ ♙f7 27.♙c4 gxf6
28.♙xa6 ♙g7 29.♙h1 ♙e6
30.♙c4 ♙c7 31.♙xe6+ ♙xe6
32.♙xc7 ♙xc7 33.g3 ♙e2 34.♙d1
♙b6 35.♙g2 ♙a2 36.♙d3 ♙f7
37.♙f3 ♙e6 38.g4 ♙d5 39.h4
♙c4 40.♙d1 d3 41.a4 ♙xf2+ 0-1.

In the early 1960s, Abe's greatest threat came from Zvonko Vranesic, who finished in second place behind Abe in the Canadian Championship of 1963. Other participants included former Canadian Open Champions Elod Macskasy and Laszlo Witt, defending Canadian Closed Champion Lionel Joyner, former Canadian Interzonal representative Geza Fuster, as well as future GM Duncan Suttles.

**Vranesic, Zvonko
Yanofsky, Abe**

Winnipeg CA ch, 1963

King's Indian: Sämisch E87

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 g6 3.♘c3 ♙g7 4.e4
d6 5.f3 e5 6.d5 ♘h5 7.♙e3 O-O
8.♙d2 f5 9.O-O-O a6 10.♙d3
♘d7 11.exf5 gxf5 12.♘ge2 ♘c5
13.♙c2 b5 14.♙dgl bxc4 15.g4
fxg4 16.fxg4 ♘f4 17.♘xf4 exf4
18.♙xf4 ♙f6 19.♙e3 ♘d3+
20.♙xd3 cxd3 21.♙xd3 ♙d7
22.h4 ♙ae8 23.♙h3 h5 24.gxh5
♙xh3 25.h6 ♙f7 26.♙d2 ♙f5
27.♙f1 ♙d4 28.hxg7 ♙h7
29.♙d1 ♙xg7 30.♙g5 ♙xd1+
31.♙xd1 ♙e5 32.♙g4 ♙f5 33.♙a4
♙c8 34.♙c2 ♙f7 35.♙b4 ♙g7
36.♙b8 ♙f5+ 37.♙b3 ♙e4
38.♙c4 ♙g2 39.♙c8 ♙h3 40.♙a8
♙f2 41.♙b3 ♙g2 42.♙xa6 ♙xd5+
43.♘xd5 ♙xd5 44.♙c6 ♙b5+
45.♙c3 ½-½.

The following game is characteristic of Abe's patient style. Witt has a grip

on the position which he is unable to convert to a win, and when he goes 'all out' with 32.gxh5 and 34.f4 his efforts backfire.

**Witt, Laszlo
Yanofsky, Abe**

Winnipeg CA ch, 1963

Sicilian B92

1.e4 c5 2.♘f3 d6 3.d4 cxd4
4.♘xd4 ♘f6 5.♘c3 a6 6.♙e2 e5
7.♘b3 ♙c7 8.♙g5 ♘bd7 9.a4 h6
10.♙e3 ♘b6 11.O-O ♙e7 12.a5
♘c4 13.♙xc4 ♙xc4 14.f3 ♙d7
15.♙d2 O-O 16.♙fd1 ♙ac8
17.♘c1 ♙c6 18.♘d3 ♙d7 19.g4
♙e6 20.♘b4 ♙c6 21.♙e2 ♙fd8
22.♘bd5 ♙xd5 23.♘xd5 ♘xd5
24.♙xd5 ♙c6 25.c4 ♙dc8 26.b3
♙f6 27.♙ad1 ♙f8 28.♙g2 h5
29.h3 ♙e8 30.♙g1 ♙g6 31.♙h2
♙e7 32.gxh5 ♙xh5 33.♙g2 ♙f8
34.f4 ♙h6 35.♙g3 exf4 36.♙xf4
♙f6 37.♙d2 ♙xe4 38.♙g2 ♙c5
39.♙c3 ♙f4 40.♙d3 ♙xg3+
41.♙dxc3 g6 42.♙d3 ♙c8
43.♙gd2 ♙ce8 44.♙g2 ♙e3
45.♙d4 ♙xd3 46.♙xd3 f5 47.♙e3
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55.♙xb7 ♙b4 56.♙b6 ♙d8
57.♙xa6 ♙xb3+ 58.♙g2 g5
59.♙g3 ♙a3 60.♙f2 ♙a2 61.♙f1
c4 62.♙c6 ♙xa5 63.♙xc4 ♙e6
64.♙e3 f4 65.♙xf4 ♙d5 0-1.

Abe's final decisive triumph in a Canadian Closed Championship was in Vancouver in 1965, where he won with a score of 10/11, well ahead of Joyner at 9/11 and Suttles' 8/11.

Notes by

Irwin Lipnowski

**Suttles, Duncan
Yanofsky, Abe**

Vancouver CA ch, 1965

Caro-Kann B17

1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.♘c3 dxe4
4.♘xe4 ♘d7 5.♙c4 ♘gf6 6.♘g5
e6 7.♙e2 ♘b6 8.♙b3 h6 9.♘5f3
c5 10.♙f4 ♙d6 11.♘e5 O-O
12.♘gf3 cxd4 13.♙d1 ♘bd5
14.♙c1 ♙a5+ 15.♙f1 b5 16.♙xd4
♙a6 17.♙g1?

In *CTHW*, Abe states that Suttles considers this the losing move. The improvement suggested by Dr.

Macskasy is 17.c3 in order to reply to 17...b4 with 18.c4.

17...b4 18.♙e1 ♙c7 19.h4?

Suttles' suggestion here is 19.♙h4 "with some chances."

19...♙c5 20.♙d1 ♙ad8 21.♙h2
♘e4 22.g4 ♘df6 23.♙xd8 ♙xd8
24.♙e3 ♙xe3 25.fxe3 ♙c5 26.g5
♘d5 27.gxh6 ♘xe3 28.h7+ ♙xh7
29.♘g5+ ♙g8 30.♘xe4 ♙xe5
31.♙xe3 ♙d1+ 32.♙g2 ♙f1+
33.♙f3 ♙xh2 34.♘g5 ♙g2+
35.♙f4 ♙d2 36.♙xe6 ♙f2+
37.♙e5 ♙e2 0-1.

Abe makes an observation in *CTHW* that demonstrates a high degree of self-confidence, coupled perhaps with a touch of remorse for not having devoted himself to chess as a profession in order to realize his full potential as a highly gifted player. He writes: "Had I in mind a chess career professionally, the 1970s would have been the period that I would have devoted most of my time to studying, practicing and preparing to contest for the World Championship. However, as I had always been taught to approach the game of chess as a hobby, and not as a profession, I concentrated a large part of my time in building up an active law practice with an abundance of appearances in the courts of Manitoba, as well as a number of appearances before the Supreme Court of Canada."

When one considers that in March of 1970, Abe was 45-years-old, his pursuit of Olympian heights in chess at this stage in his life might well have been against insurmountable odds. Admittedly, Abe did play some of the finest games of his career at the Tel Aviv Olympiad in 1964 at the age of 39, but the early 1970s were dominated by Fischer and Spassky, and the next fifteen years by Karpov and Korchnoi. The fact that the latter player defied the odds by reaching the peak of his powers in his forties, is an extraordinary and probably unprecedented feat.

When one considers how small a portion of his time and energies Abe actually devoted to the game in comparison to that allocated by his peers, Abe's achievements are all the more remarkable. One can only speculate about the heights he might have reached had he followed the lure of Caissa...

Kevin Spraggett

Abe always brought out the best in me, and I have never considered it anything but an honor and a privilege to sit down and lock horns with Canada's first Grandmaster. When confronted with a living legend, many players become nervous, start to lose their heads and have difficulty playing to their normal level. I belong to that other group of players who always tries to give just a little more when faced with this situation. Always very conscious of the rarity of such an occasion, as well as its possible historical relevance, I inevitably try to rise to the occasion.

Though the games I am going to present here were played long after Abe had passed his peak, they represent my very best efforts. Even today, as I look back on these memorable confrontations, I am impressed with my enthusiasm and energy of play! Each has a special significance for me, and although the results of these encounters were not as favorable to Abe as they could have been, there can be no doubt about the class, the courage and the uncompromising spirit of struggle that my opponent demonstrated! I have often tried to imagine what it must have been like to be on the other side of the board when Abe was in his prime...

Game One

Calgary, summer of 1975. My first Canadian Zonal Championship and a great opportunity to test myself against the nation's elite! I was a little nervous, but what made this event particularly special was the fact that Abe had decided to participate after an absence of many years from championship play.

My own opportunity to play the man who had personally known both Alexander Alekhine and Jose Raoul Capablanca, and who had beaten the great Mikhail Botvinnik shortly before he became World Champion, came in the second round and with the Black pieces. I very much wanted to make a good impression against Abe, and this was only my second ever game against a Grandmaster. In many ways this game represented the 'new' generation versus the 'established' generation.

Notes by Kevin Spraggett

Yanofsky, Abe
Spraggett, Kevin
Calgary zt (6), 1975
Sicilian B46

1.e4

Abe was a big believer in 1.e4.

1...c5

At the time I knew no other defense.

2.♟f3 e6 3.d4

Abe always strove for active, open play.

3...cxd4 4.♟xd4 ♟c6 5.♟c3 a6 6.g3

This move was popularized by Fischer, and is probably White's best choice in this position.

6...♟ge7

I had already defeated Peter Biyiasis with this move in 1973. Taimanov also often played it, but today I am not so certain about how good it is.

7.♟g2

The most logical move. Later 7.♟b3!? d6 8.a4± came into vogue.

7...♟xd4 8.♟xd4 ♟c6 9.♟d1!

Typical of Abe's practical style of play. The queen can go to other squares, e3 or d3, or d2 as Biyiasis played against me. However, with the queen on d1 White has more options, and the extra advantage of keeping Black guessing. My game with GM elect Peter Biyiasis from the 1973 Quebec Open continued with 9.♟d2 ♟e7 10.b3 0-0 11.♟b2 ♟c7 12.0-0-0 d6 13.♟b1 b5 14.f4 ♟d8 15.♟he1 ♟f8 16.♟e3 ♟b8 17.♟d2 ♟d7 18.♟ed1 b4 19.♟e2 a5 20.f5 e5 21.f6 g6 22.h4 h6 23.♟f3 a4 24.g4 ♟a8 25.♟g3 axb3 26.cxb3 ♟a5 27.♟a1 ♟a7 28.♟e2 ♟b5 29.♟xb5 ♟xb5 30.♟e2 d5! and a big plus for Black, which he soon converted.

9...♟e7 10.0-0 0-0

Black should avoid 10...b5?! 11.a4 b4 12.♟d5 exd5 13.exd5 ♟e5 14.d6.

11.a4 d6 12.♟e3 ♟d7 13.♟e2!

Abe's plan to gain space on the queenside is simple but clear. He tries to make every move count by either improving his own position, or trying to create weaknesses in his opponent's. It is this 'make every

move count' theme that can be found in all of his games.

13...♟c8

After 13...b5!? 14.axb5 axb5 15.♟d2 ♟e5 16.b3 ♟c7 17.h3± White has control of all entry points, and can start advancing on the kingside. The Black ♟/b5 might be a little loose.

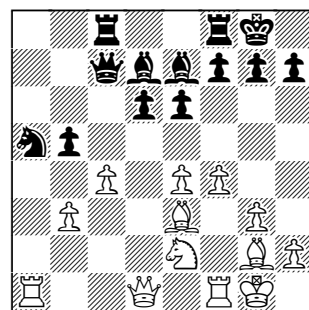
14.f4 ♟a5?!

This doesn't turn out so well. Simpler is 14...♟c7.

15.b3 ♟c7 16.c4 b5

Consistent. At the time I didn't see anything immediately wrong with my choice, but Black is playing with fire and should have tried something else. I wanted to justify my knight sortie to a5.

17.axb5 axb5



18.c5!

A nice touch! I underestimated this move, but fortunately for me Black can hang on.

18...d5!?

I am not certain if the ending after 18...dxc5 19.♟xa5 ♟xa5 20.♟xd7 ♟c7 21.♟d2 ♟xd2 22.♟xd2 c4 23.bxc4 bxc4 24.♟c1± is lost for Black, but Abe would have been able to make his opponent suffer for a long time. The two bishops are a particularly annoying factor in this type of ending.

19.♟h1?!

With this move Abe throws away all of his advantage. After 19.b4! ♟c4 20.♟f2 dxe4 21.♟xe4 White's position is simply better because of the protected and passed ♟/c5. Black's ♟/c4 only appears active, and little by little White should be able to increase the pressure with ♟c2, ♟d4, and eventually ♟a6.

19...b4!

Abe said after the game that he had underestimated this move. It was just

my luck that now the ♖c5 becomes impossible to defend in the long run, and that ♖b3 will require permanent care.

20.exd5 exd5 21.♖c1!?

Probably best, as 21.♗xd5 ♖e6 (maybe 21...♙g4! is better) 22.♗f3 ♖xb3 23.♖ab1 ♖xc5 offers Black some chances; and 21.♖xd5 ♖fd8 hands over the initiative.

21...♙g4!

Black's best option, as he will be able to increase the pressure on White's weaknesses, while tying down his opponent's pieces.

22.♖f3!

Not really a decision that one makes lightly, as now White's king becomes a little exposed. However, 22.♖e1 is very passive, and alternatives are less promising. Looking back on this game, I am quite impressed with Abe's cold bloodedness.

22...♖xf3+ 23.♖xf3 ♗b7 24.♗g2 ♖cd8!?

Is the other rook better? Black's idea is to leave open the possibility of using the e-file for the king's rook.

25.♖d4

This seems like a strange move at first sight, but Abe has a spirited if risky plan in mind: he wants to provoke the advance of the d/♙!

Normal would be 25.♖d4! ♖c6 26.♖xc6 ♗xc6 27.♖d4 ♖fe8 28.♖e3 ♖f8 29.♖xe8 ♖xe8 30.♗d3 ♖e4!?

25...♖c6 26.♖f2!?

All according to plan. 26.♗d3 ♖fe8 27.♖e3 is unclear.

26...d4!

Black has his own ideas about the position! The isolated center pawn indicates that the initiative is very important.

27.♗d3 ♖d5!

Ditto the last remark. Black's ideas now include doubling behind the center pawn and attacking ♖c5. The game is very sharp, and probably in dynamic equilibrium.

28.♗e4!

This is the whole point of Abe's conception. White will reorganize his forces and tie down his opponent's pieces. Certainly White will lose ♖c5 at some stage, but Abe had already decided earlier to get rid of it. Besides, once the pawn is lost the

White pieces will be more active than Black's, and this should be enough to compensate for the small material deficit.

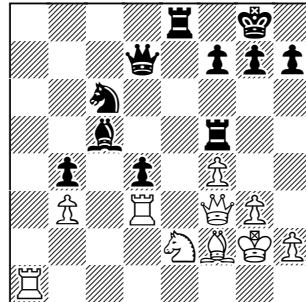
28...♗d7 29.♖d3 ♖xc5

White replies to 29...♖e8! with 30.♗f3.

30.♖a1

Black is up a pawn, but his pieces seem glued to the defense of his extra pawn.

30...♖e8 31.♗f3 ♖f5!



I am very proud of this move. Black seeks active play, and just gets 'stuck' in alternative lines.

32.♖ad1?

This move spoils Abe's whole conception, since now Black wins the exchange, and with it the game. The logical execution of White's plan is 32.♖d2! ♖e5 33.♗e4 ♖c4 (33...♖c6 34.♗f3=) 34.♖a8! ♖fe5! (this is the move that Abe saw during the game that frightened him, but on closer inspection White can hold) 35.fxe5 ♖xd2 36.♖xe8+ ♗xe8 37.♗d5 ♗c8! (Black has some nasty threats in ...♗a6 and ...♗g4 but there is no win) 38.♖xd4 ♗a6 39.♖g1! ♗f1+ 40.♗h1 ♗e1 41.♗g2 ♗e4+?! 42.♗xe4 ♖xe4 43.♖c6 and it is not clear who is better in the endgame!

32...♖e5 33.♖xd4 ♖xd4 34.♖xd4 ♗xd4 35.♖xd4 ♖xf3 36.♖xf5 ♖e1+ 37.♗f1 ♖c2 38.♖d6 ♖d8 39.♖c5 ♖d7!

Now the threat 40...♖c7 is decisive, because White's ♖b3 falls.

40.♖c4 ♖c7 41.♖d6 ♖xc4! 42.bxc4 b3 43.♖e5 ♖e3+

A game filled with interesting ideas! 0-1.

After the game Abe and I analyzed for more than half an hour in front of a big crowd. I was quite excited and,

together with the other players at the tournament, maybe even a little surprised by my victory. The thing that impressed me most about our postmortem was Abe's calm and very detached demeanor. The fact that he had lost to an unknown player did not in any way shake him, and his voice did not betray even a hint of annoyance with himself.

I remember that Abe never lost his sense of objectivity. When analyzing variations he focused on lines of play that had concrete, logical ideas. He wasn't interested in unclear sacrifices or fanciful variations. For Abe the truth in a game of chess was always more important than gaining the point through tricky and perhaps even incorrect play. I have since always tried to emulate Abe's professionalism and complete self control in my own postmortems, though I have to admit that my own efforts have not always been as successful.

Over the next two weeks of the tournament I had many chances to speak with Abe. Many of the players would go out and eat after the game, and for all of us these were very memorable occasions! We would talk about the great players of the past, the present and the future. Abe's knowledge and great experience contributed enormously to my understanding of the chess world. His reminiscences of the great Alekhine and Capablanca, not to mention Botvinnik, Euwe, and Fischer were priceless, and one could easily sense his great respect for chess culture.

Game Two

I didn't have to wait too long for another chance to play against Canada's most famous chess player. In the spring of 1976 Abe was invited to play in a Montreal weekend tournament held in honor of his 50th birthday. The entire Montreal chess community was excited to meet him.

Before the last round I held a half point lead over Abe, and he was once more behind the White pieces in the decisive game. Abe needed to win in order to overtake me, and thus we produced one of the most complex and interesting games of my career!

Notes by
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Yanofsky, Abe
Spraggett, Kevin
Montreal (5), 1976
Sicilian B33

1.e4 c5 2.♟f3 ♟c6 3.d4 cxd4
4.♟xd4 ♟f6 5.♟c3 e5 6.♟db5 d6
7.♟g5

Abe always believed in logical moves. Even though he was not a great opening theoretician – his busy life never permitted him the luxury to spend the required time – he never was afraid of entering the most complicated variations: Abe had strong chess beliefs and never doubted them.

7...a6 8.♟xf6

The critical line. The immediate retreat of the knight to a3 leads to less complex play, and therefore did not suit Abe who needed to win.

8...gxf6 9.♟a3 b5 10.♟d5 f5
11.exf5 ♟xf5 12.♟f3!?

This move is considered dubious today, but I still give Abe an exclamation mark for the courage to force his opponent into entering seemingly unfathomable complications. Today the quiet 12.c3 is considered best. However, as the analysis will indicate, this evaluation is not so clear cut.

12...♟d4!

Virtually forced, since after 12...♟e6?! 13.♟f6+ ♟e7 14.c3 Black is in trouble.

13.♟d1!?

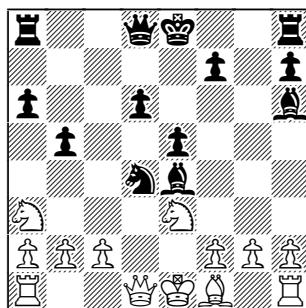
Played after some ten minutes reflection. Today the opening books dismiss Abe's choice; in my opinion too lightly, since it does achieve Abe's objective of drawing fire upon himself while maintaining a very imbalanced position. However, the alternative 13.♟c7+ is not without danger after 13...♟xc7 14.♟xa8+ ♟e7 15.c3 b4! 16.cxb4 ♟b6! and complex play that favors Black. Not advisable is 13.♟f6+? ♟e7 14.♟d5+ ♟e6!

13...♟e4

Black has to do something about c3. I also considered 13...♟e6 but felt that my move was more dynamic. However, to be perfectly honest, I am not sure if my move is better than

the simple retreat 13...♟e6 14.♟e3 d5 15.c3 ♟c6 16.♟h5!?

14.♟e3 ♟h6!?



Better than 14...♟g7?! 15.c3 ♟c6 16.♟d3! with an edge to White.

15.♟g4!?

Abe wants to stop any nonsense involving ...♟h4 excursions, and it is important that Black is winning after 15.c3?! ♟xe3 16.fxex3 ♟h4+ 17.g3 (17.♟d2 ♟f2+) 17...♟f6!

However, the alternative 15.♟d3! may cause a reevaluation of the entire line. White sacrifices a pawn for a very unclear middlegame position after 15...♟xe3 16.♟xe4 ♟h4 (16...♟xf2+? 17.♟xf2 ♟h4+ 18.♟e3!+-) 17.0-0 ♟xe4! (17...♟xf2+ 18.♟xf2 ♟xe4 19.c3 ♟e6 20.♟xd6 with counterplay) 18.fxex3 ♟xe3+ (18...♟g8! 19.♟f2 ♟xe3 20.c3 with the initiative) 19.♟h1 ♟g8 20.c3. Certainly White's position would not be without its advocates.

15...♟g6 16.c3

It now looks as if Black is running out of steam.

16...b4!?

I wanted to keep the White king pinned in the center and open up lines for my two bishops. However, in doing so Black takes big risks, and it seems that Abe's plan is working. He has the position he wants, and my extra half point means very little here. Also possible is 16...♟e6 17.♟d1 0-0 18.♟f5.

17.♟ac4

Abe decides to handle the position in such a way that brings into play his offside knight. This simplicity was also a hallmark of his play. However, it is entirely possible that this move is not best, since the position now loses some complexity! No good is 17.cxd4? bxa3 18.bxa3 ♟a5+ but 17.cxb4! f5 (not 17...♟b6! 18.♟d5 ♟b7 19.♟c4 ♟c8 20.b3)

18.♟h3 (or 18.♟d1 ♟b6 19.♟d5 ♟b7) 18...♟g5!? remains unclear.

17...bxc3 18.bxc3 ♟xe3 19.♟xe3 ♟a5 20.♟c1 d5

I have to do something to prevent the upcoming ♟c4.

21.♟g5! 0-0 22.♟d3?!

Here Abe's intuition fails him, and he gets into trouble trying to force the play. Best may be 22.♟xe5!? ♟c2+ 23.♟xc2 ♟xc2 24.♟g4! ♟fe8 25.♟f6+ ♟f8 26.♟d7+ ♟g8 27.♟f6+ with a draw by perpetual check; while 22.♟g4 is also critical after 22...f5! 23.♟f6+ ♟h8 (23...♟xf6 24.♟xf6 ♟a3 25.♟d1 ♟a4+ 26.♟e1 ♟a3=).

22...♟e6

Another approach is 22...♟fc8!

23.♟xe5

Now Abe has to play dangerously, since 23.♟g3 ♟f4 is much better for Black.

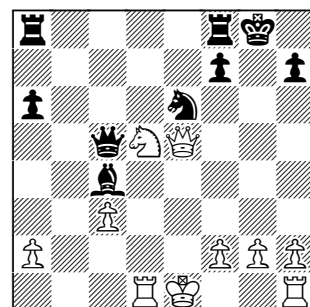
23...♟xd3 24.♟xd5

After 24.♟g4 ♟g7! Black has blocked all of the threats.

24...♟c5! 25.♟d1

Here 25.♟g3+ ♟g6! is clearly insufficient for White.

25...♟c4?!



Fritz6 prefers 25...♟fe8.

26.♟d4! f6! 27.♟xe6+ ♟h8
28.♟b6

The remainder of the game was played in severe time trouble for both players.

28...♟a3 29.♟b4?

This should lose. Better is 29.♟xc4 ♟ae8+ (29...♟ab8 30.0-0!? ♟xb6 31.♟xb6) 30.♟e3 ♟c1+ 31.♟e2 ♟xh1 32.♟d6 with an unclear position.

29...♟c1+ 30.♟d1 ♟ae8+ 31.♟e7

Here, with my flag hanging and only needing half a point, I offered the draw that can no longer be refused. During the postmortem we found a

number of ways for Black to win, and the conclusion may have been something like 31...♖xe7+ 32.♗xe7 ♗xc3+ 33.♖d2 ♖b8 34.f4 (34.♗e4 ♖d8) 34...♖b1+ 35.♗f2 ♗xd2+ etc. ½-½.

I remember that Abe congratulated me after this difficult game on winning the tournament, and he also paid me a compliment by saying that my analysis had improved since our first encounter! We searched for a long time in an effort to reach a conclusion about the opening play, but without coming to any clear conclusions. It is an unfortunate omission that many theoreticians have ignored this game.

I was quite impressed with how fearlessly Abe went into such mind-boggling complications! Part of it undoubtedly was his motivation to exact revenge for his loss to me in our first game; but mostly the truth is that Abe was a very courageous player, and I am certain that this quality was already noticed by Alekhine way back in 1939!

Game Three

Over the next ten years Abe and I were not destined to meet over the board again. We met occasionally, but for the most part Abe played only in tournaments in western Canada, and I rarely travelled that way in those days. I was pleased when I heard that he was to play in the 1986 Canadian Zonal. Abe was by that time retired from his law practice, and played in the event purely for practice and his own diversion. However, as I wrote in my introduction, every opportunity to play Abe brought out my very best. Perhaps the ending in this game is my best achievement in this phase of the game up to that time.

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Yanofsky, Abe
Spraggett, Kevin
Winnipeg zt, 1986
English A31

1.d4

Abe decides this time to avoid the messy positions that occurred in the first two games.

1...♖f6 2.c4 c5 3.♖f3 cxd4
4.♖xd4 b6!?

At the time I was a big believer in this system.

5.♖c3 ♖b7 6.♖f3!?

This move is not given in any opening books, and it indeed seems strange at first impression. However, it is very logical, especially from Abe's point of view on that day: he only wanted a solid position to make a draw. It is worth pointing out that Abe always played with a realistic attitude. He provoked complications when it suited him, and he played simply if he preferred a calm position on a given day.

6...e6 7.e3 ♖e7 8.♖e2 0-0 9.0-0 d6 10.b3 a6 11.♖b2 ♖bd7

Black is trying for a hedgehog.

12.♖d4!?

This move is characteristic of Abe. He isn't interested in moving his queen just to connect his rooks, and only later decides on what to do. He plans to neutralize my bishop right away with ♖f3 and there is no reason to delay this.

12...♗c7 13.♖f3 ♖ac8 14.♖c1 ♖c5 15.♖xb7 ♗xb7 16.♗e2

The position is now about equal. Decidedly worse however is 16.♗f3?! ♗xf3 17.♖xf3 ♖d3!

16...♖c7 17.♖fd1 ♖fc8 18.♗f3 ♗b8!?

Typical of the hedgehog: Black doesn't care about space! In as much as we later exchange queens I could have done so immediately, but decided to defer such a 'draw offer' until some later time.

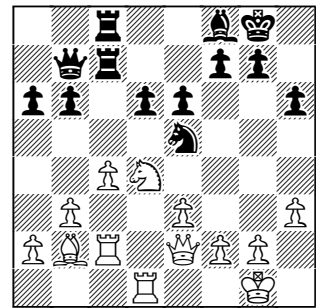
19.♗e2

A gentleman's offer of a draw. Abe coaxes me into returning to the long diagonal with my queen, followed by a repetition with 20.♗f3.

19...♖f8 20.h3 h6 21.♖f3 ♗b7 22.♗h2 ♖e8

This part of the game is typical of the hedgehog also: seemingly aimless maneuvering aimed at provoking the opponent to create weaknesses or sharpen the play.

23.♖e1 ♖fe4 24.♖xe4 ♖xe4 25.♖d4 ♖b8 26.♖c2 ♖bc8 27.♖ec1 ♖c5 28.♖d1 ♖d7 29.♗g1 ♖e5 30.♖cd2



I think this is the point where Abe underestimates my setup. The rook should remain and await the opening of the c-file.

30...♖d7 31.♗f3!?

This move allows Black to strike back on the queenside.

31...b5! 32.♗xb7 ♖xb7 33.cxb5 axb5 34.e4!?

This creates an annoying weakness on e3 and so it was better to play 35.♖e2 d5 36.exd5 ♖xd5 37.a3 with a waiting game.

35...d5 36.exd5

After 36.e5 ♖d7 37.♖e2 Black is also better.

36...♖xd5 37.♖a1

Black gets in after 37.a4 bxa4 38.bxa4 ♖b4.

37...b4 38.♖e2

Black has tied down White's queenside pawns and can now go to work with his mobile kingside majority. He has a clear advantage. Not good at all is 38.a4? bxa3 39.♖xa3 ♖a7.

38...♖e7 39.♖d4 ♖bc7- 40.g3 ♖c2 41.♖ad1 h5 42.h4 f6 43.♗f2 ♗f7 44.f4

White is forced to create more weaknesses in his position, but Abe must stop my creeping advance into his position at some point.

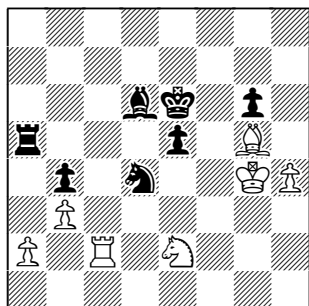
44...g6 45.♗f3 ♖2c6 46.♖h1 ♖c7 47.♖c1 ♖xc1 48.♖xc1 ♖e8 49.♖e2 ♖d6 50.♖b2 ♖f5 51.♖a1 ♖c5!

Soon Black will play ...e5 and create a passed pawn.

52.♖b2 ♖a5 53.♖c1 e5 54.♖c2 ♗e6! 55.fxe5 fxe5 56.♖g5

White's loss is now just a question of time. Hence Abe tries to mix it up a little by confusing the position.

56...♖d6 57.g4 hxg4+ 58.♗xg4 ♖d4



59. ♖xd4+?!

This exchange should be avoided, as my d/♖ will be harder to defend against than my e/♖. Therefore 59. ♖d2 ♜xe2 60. ♖xe2 ♜c5 61. ♖d2 ♜d4 is a little better.

59...exd4 60. ♖f4 ♜f5! 61. ♖xd6 ♜xd6 62. h5

Abe tries desperately to rush his king back to stop my d/♖. Here 62. ♖c8

♜d5 63. ♖d8+ ♜e4 64. ♖g8 d3 is also hopeless.

62... ♖xh5 63. ♜f3 ♖d5

But an extra pawn is an extra pawn!

64. ♖g2 d3 65. ♖xg6+ ♜c5 66. ♖g1 ♜d4

And the king helps slide the pawn all the way home. I am quite proud of my endgame play here, since it wasn't easy to break down Abe's stubborn defense.

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Sometimes one likes to imagine what would happen if two champions were to meet when both are in their prime. Would there be any big surprises? Who would prove himself the better player, and what is the 'absolute' truth? I don't know what would what these answers to these questions are if I were to have met Abe when he was still in his prime. I

do know that I had my hands full when he was far from it! To me there is no doubt that Abe Yanofsky was a great player, and that is what I sensed when I played him.

Abe and I met a couple of times over the next few years at the Canadian Open tournaments in Winnipeg in 1994 and 1997. Abe's health by that time had slipped quite a bit, so he preferred to spectate rather than play. At those times I enjoyed the brief conversations I had with him, and I especially remember the last time I saw him: I had just won a beautiful game against the Icelandic player Johann Hjartarson, and Abe congratulated me on a nice maneuver from that game. We chatted a bit more about what was happening in our daily lives, and then he asked me if I still enjoyed playing chess professionally. I told him that I did, and he said that that was good...

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Chess Tourney Opens Defending Champion Yanofsky

Dalhousie, New Brunswick
June 2, 1943

Saint John man comes fourth in national chess tournament.

In 1938, G. Stuart Grimmer of Dalhousie, New Brunswick, organized the Restigouche Chess Club; three years later, he and Fred Wren, who won the title, promoted the first Maritime Chess Tournament. It was held at Shediac. In 1943, Major Grimmer's efforts resulted in the Dominion Chess Championship being held in Dalhousie.

The round robin tournament was the first national title ever held in the Maritimes; it ran from June second to the tenth. The event was directed by Malcolm Sim of Toronto, and featured 19-year-old defending champion, Abe Yanofsky. Also

attending were Charles Smith, Montreal Champion, and S. B. Wilson, former Montreal Champion.

From Saint John was George Doyle, who in the preceding month had retained the provincial title (he also won in 1941/42) by scoring 2.5-1.5 against fellow Saint Johner, John Lederer who was the Maritime Champion. Also from Saint John at the Dalhousie tournament was Harry McAlary, who played in its longest

game, an eighty-one move loss to Wilson. At the CCF General Meeting, held before the start of the Dominion Championship, Dan A. McAdam of Fredericton, was elected to the board of governors as the representative for New Brunswick.

Dalhousie, Dominion Championship 1943															
##	Player	City	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	Total
1	Yanofsky, Abe	Winnipeg	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11
2	Smith, Charles	Montreal	0	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10
3	Therien	Quebec	0	0	x	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9
4	Doyle, George	Saint John	0	0	0	x	1	=	0	1	1	1	1	1	6=
5	Wilson, S.B.	Montreal	0	0	0	0	x	=	1	1	1	1	1	1	6=
6	McConnell	Halifax	0	0	0	=	=	x	1	1	1	0	1	=	5=
7	Mayfield	Dalhousie	0	0	0	1	0	0	x	1	1	1	0	1	5
8	McAlary, Harry	Saint John	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x	1	0	1	1	3
9	Richardson	Summerside	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	x	1	1	1	3
10	Wren, Fred	Halifax	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	x	0	1	3
11	Balmer	Dalhousie	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	x	0	2
12	Grimmer, Stuart	Dalhousie	0	0	0	0	0	=	0	0	0	0	1	x	1=

Komputer Korner

by Alan Tomalty

Fritz6 and Junior6

The latest releases of both Fritz6 and Junior6 sport an updated user interface that has been further improved with a host of important new features to put it miles ahead of the competition. Fans of ChessBase should note, however, that CB7 actually offers a number of features which are not included here!

And while the two programs have completely different playing engines, it is remarkable how close they are in playing strength. Refinements on the technical side now enable the engines to more efficiently update their hash tables during searches, which is a feature that has been implemented elsewhere for some time. Junior6 has learned to deal with underpromotion possibilities, and is available in multiprocessor versions that require an operating system such as Windows NT 4 or Windows 2000.

The most important improvements to these new program releases are:

1) Access to the Nalimov endgame tablebases, which now include the important five man, and even several six man endgames. This allows both programs to resolve a greater number of endings in practical play. Also supplied is a tablebase generator to 'roll your own', although in many cases this requires a machine with very considerable horsepower.

2) A 'priority analysis' feature imports all of the variations from a specified database to build a customized opening repertoire. In effect, the engine is learning from GM analysis to refine its opening play. Moves can be annotated to

force the program into certain preferences.

3) EPD positions can now be imported into a database.

4) The Windows MDI interface is fully implemented, allowing users to independently open and close parts of the GUI. Custom layouts can be saved for another session.

5) The user can create theme keys and attach them to databases.

6) A 'shootout' feature lets two engines play against each other, which can be used for testing purposes. Many different settings allow users to configure exactly how this happens, and the games are automatically saved.

7) Entire tournaments can be staged and published live on the Internet in a fully automated way, including live game reply via JavaScript. Settings include the ability to update the website automatically at specified time intervals.

8) A pair of search booster files can be created for a given database to speed up searches for specific games or positions, and the program may offer to create these files if it feels that search operations on a large database would benefit.

9) The opening book has grown to over 130Mb in size.

10) A new output window displays additional engine comments.

11) Games and positions can be copied to and from the main board window.

12) An integrated online registration feature allows you to later download any available patches directly from the ChessBase site without leaving the program.

13) The headers of currently loaded games can now be edited directly.

14) The program will now only ask for 'refueling' from the original CDrom under a few special circumstances.

15) Many new print setup features make printing from the program easier, including printing the board in color.

16) The database window has additional configuration options for the display of game headers and moves.

17) New 'fail high' and 'fail low' lights indicate that the engine has found something, but doesn't know yet what it is.

18) So-called 'kibitzer' engines will analyze the position, but only when it is your turn to move.

Any program that packs as many features as the new Fritz interface does is bound to have some flaws, and the following comments apply equally to Junior6 as well as Fritz6:

1) Occasionally, while in 'infinite analysis' mode, the engine window gets out of sync with the board window. This can easily be corrected however by clicking on the '+' and '-' buttons. Similarly, a missing search depth display can be corrected by moving the engine window borders, and a board slowly drawing one square at a time with a couple of flips of the board.

2) There have been some reports of program crashes when many windows are opened and closed repeatedly, or when the program encounters corrupt data in a database file on disk.

3) Some problems in the printouts of diagrams include size and spacing issues, a lack of WYSIWYG with respect to color brightness, and a faulty dialogue box that disables the resizing of diagrams for printing by the user.

4) The engine's 'contempt factor' needs to be reconfigured to a desired custom setting after each program start.

5) Occasionally it is impossible to load an opening book. The only workaround is to restart the program. Nor is it possible to load a 'fbk' book after a 'ctg' book has been loaded. And loading a second 'ctg' book on a slow system can take a very long time.

6) The red arrow button should delete only the selected move, and not all of the candidate moves at that node.

7) The last program layout does not appear automatically the next time the program is started.

8) The engine analysis should be displayed in sparring mode, and 'show opening' does not work in autoplay mode.

9) The 'connect hardware' help menu refers to the wrong help file.

10) Fritz6 should not discard the principal variation in infinite analysis mode when the expected move is played.

11) After changing the time level during a game, the level indicator above the move list does not adjust.

12) Fritz should allow a search on material. This is a common enough feature in other programs.

13) The 3D version of the pieces could look a lot better.

14) There is no way to adjourn a game and to resume it later.

15) There is no way to add new players to an Elo list after it has been created. Thus a tournament that has new player names can't be added afterwards. There also appears to be a limit to the number of players in an Elo list, but this is not documented.

16) The import of PGN games should be more flexible and allow moves such as 'exd' when they occur in unambiguous cases.

17) The program should also display the move history when in tree mode.

18) Fritz6 will sometimes stop analyzing half-way through the game notation in 'full analysis' mode.

19) An index of crosstables would be useful.

20) Occasionally an unnecessary dialogue box appears when a move is executed that is already in the game notation.

21) When 'doubling the stakes' against the program, it would be more useful to trade in Elo points rather than fantasy dollars.

22) It is possible to crash Fritz6 by first changing the contempt factor and then the hash table size.

All of the above flaws are present in the patched version of the program; and although I have not extensively tested the opening trees in Fritz6, I should note that it was easy in Fritz5 to corrupt the trees by adding or deleting too many moves or lines.

But despite the above flaws, the new GUI interface for Fritz6 and Junior6 remains the number one chess playing program interface in the world. Furthermore, the Junior6 engine definitely has one of the most

accurate positional compensation assessments that I have ever seen.

Both programs also provide engines that allow you to analyze in ChessBase. The advantage here is that any pasted engine analysis becomes part of the actual game notation, rather than 'text' as it does in Fritz6 and Junior6.

Users shouldn't be alarmed by the number of flaws I have indicated here, because other programs certainly have them as well. In many cases they are the result of advanced features that will be improved upon. ChessBase is to be commended for consistently adding about 25 new features to their interface every year, and coming very close to the ultimate user wishlist. This is another 'Gold Medal' product!

[Amongst a great deal of controversy the recent Dutch Championship included the entry of 'Fritz SSS' – an experimental version of the program reviewed here – for the first time in any national championship, finishing in a share of third place with 7/11. Several players in fact refused to play the machine, but in my view the crop of games produced by the program does not yet provide us with any conclusive evidence about how worried the top players should be at this point in time. But naturally, time is on the side of silicon! **Ed.**]

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Piket, Jeroen

COMPUTER Fritz SSS

Rotterdam NL ch (1), 2000

Irregular A07

Games like this one, for example, are nothing more than boring attempts by the 'human' to steer clear of the monster's tentacles...

1.g3 e5 2.♗g2 d5 3.d3 ♖f6 4.♖f3 ♜c6 5.0-0 ♗e7 6.c3 a5 7.♖c2 0-0 8.e4 dxe4 9.dxe4 ♗e6 10.♞d1 ♖e8 11.♗g5 ♞d8 12.♜bd2 ♜d7 13.♗f1 ♗xg5 14.♜xg5 ♗g4 15.♜g3 ♖e7 16.h3 ♗e6 17.♜c4 ♖f6 18.♜fd2 ♖h6 19.h4 f5 20.exf5 ♗xf5 21.♗d3 ♗xd3 22.♖xd3 ♖h5 23.♜e3 ♖h8 24.♖c2 ♜c5 25.♜b3 ♞xd1+

26.♞xd1 ♜e6 27.♞d5 ♖f7 28.♖e2 b6 29.♞d1 a4 30.♜d2 ♜c5 31.♜dc4 e4 32.♞d5 ♜e7 33.♞d4 ♖g8 34.a3 ♖e8 35.♜e5 ♜c8 36.♜5c4 b5 37.♜d2 ♜d6 38.♞d5 ♜d3 39.♜xe4 ♜c1 40.♖c2 ♜xe4 41.♖xc1 ♜xf2 42.♞f5 ♞xf5 43.♜xf5 ♜g4 44.♖d2 h5 45.♜d4 c5 46.♜f3 ♖e3+ 47.♖g2 ♖e4 48.♖e1 ♖xe1 49.♜xe1 ♜e5 ½-½.

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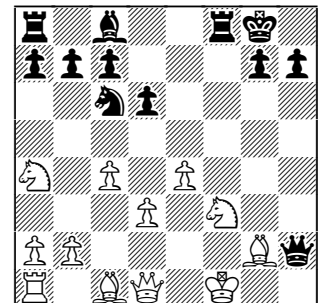
Van den Doel, Eric
COMPUTER Fritz SSS

Rotterdam NL ch (3), 2000

English A22

Tentacles indeed, since accidents like this can happen easily enough.

1.c4 ♜f6 2.♜c3 e5 3.e4 ♗c5 4.g3 0-0 5.♗g2 ♜c6 6.♜ge2 d6 7.d3 ♜g4 8.0-0 f5 9.♜a4 ♜xf2 10.♞xf2 ♗xf2+ 11.♖xf2 f4 12.gxf4 exf4 13.♜g1 ♖h4+ 14.♖f1 f3 15.♜xf3 ♖xh2



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Van Wely, Loek
COMPUTER Fritz SSS

Rotterdam NL ch (7), 2000

English A25

Which is not to say that the shoe cannot occasionally fit the other foot!

1.c4 e5 2.g3 ♜f6 3.♗g2 ♜c6 4.♜c3 ♗b4 5.a3 ♗xc3 6.bxc3 0-0 7.e4 a6 8.a4 d6 9.d3 ♗g4 10.f3 ♗d7 11.♜e2 ♖c8 12.h3 b6 13.f4 ♗e6 14.f5 ♗d7 15.g4 ♜e8 16.♜g3 ♖d8 17.g5 ♗c8 18.h4 f6 19.♖h5 ♜a5 20.♞a3 ♖e7 21.♜f1 ♜c6 22.♜e3 ♖d7 23.g6 h6 24.♜g4 ♞a7 25.♞g1 1-0.

Hertogenbosch: Tournament of the Future

by Deen Hergott

Last year, I was fortunate to participate in a special invitational event in the Netherlands, organized by one of Europe's most ardent chess supporters, Mr. Rene Olthof, chief supervisor of the editorial staff for the *New in Chess* Yearbook series. He assures me that he had the idea of running a tournament to celebrate his 40th birthday for many years, but Rene is one of very few people I know who could summon the time, stamina and financial resources required to actually follow up on his dream. And, naturally, it came off absolutely splendidly.

My last trip to Europe was in 1993, so I looked forward to the challenge of titled opposition and the joy of travelling abroad with much anticipation. I arrived at Schipol Airport in Amsterdam on the morning of November 17th, in body if not in mind. Typically, I have great difficulty sleeping on airplanes, and alcohol, while quite effective in achieving blissful oblivion, has the nasty downside of dehydration and increased jetlag, so I arrived in Europe on substantially less than forty winks. This was an annoyance, but I have dealt with jet lag before and honestly didn't think much about it. It only became clear once the tournament began that this case was much more severe than I had imagined, despite a relatively short six hour flight.

Rene was waiting at the airport for myself and a close friend of his, Pat Moran, flying in from Chicago, and we made the hour train trip to Hertogenbosch together to settle in with our billets.

Hertogenbosch, also Den Bosch, is a medieval town of about 125,000 in the southern province of Brabant, quite famous for the magnificent cathedral of St.Jan, not far from the town center, which dates back to an original Roman style church from the year 1210! The town had changed somewhat in the ten years since I had last been there – for an Interclub match when I lived in Brussels in the late 1980s – most notably the modern reconstruction of the central train station, but the old world charm

of Europe was as unmistakable as ever.

After a quick lunch and a brief walk around town, I made my way to the Nuijten residence, my hosts for the event. The American representative, IM John Donaldson, was already there, and will undoubtedly confirm that our hosts were everything we could have hoped for and more. Cees and Marianne were attentive, kind, and understanding despite the daily intrusion of a chessplayer's schedule into their workday routine. A heartfelt thank you, once again, for your generosity.

The opening ceremonies on the afternoon of the 18th were very well attended and organized. Held at the School voor de Toekomst (School for the Future), a technical college for computer studies, a meeting of about 100 players, guest speakers, journalists and organizers met to kick off the event and determine the pairings via a drawing of lots. GM Genna Sosonko gave a warm welcoming speech, and praised Rene for his initiative and realization of an event of which Sosonko was originally rather skeptical. Certainly, ideas are much easier to come up with than the act of carrying them out, but those who know Rene well know he is not a man easily prevented from achieving what he sets out to do!

The traditional drawing of lots was very cool, as a large auditorium screen was used to flash the participants' photos in a random sequence, along with the pairing

Hertogenbosch: Tournament of the Future				Category VII (2419)												
##	Player		FIDE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	Total		
1	Nijboer, Friso	GM	NED	2559	x	0	1	1	1	1	1	=	1	7.5		
2	Rogers, Ian	GM	AUS	2574	1	x	=	=	=	1	1	1	=	7.0		
3	Van der Sterren, Paul	GM	NED	2535	0	=	x	1	1	1	1	=	1	7.0		
4	Bosch, Jeroen	IM	NED	2433	0	=	0	x	=	=	1	=	1	5.0		
5	Welling, Gerard	IM	NED	2368	0	=	0	=	x	0	1	=	1	4.0		
6	Hergott, Deen	IM	CAN	2396	0	0	0	=	1	x	=	1	=	4.0		
7	Buecker, Stefan	FM	GER	2341	0	0	0	0	0	=	x	1	1	3.5		
8	Span, Paul		NED	2226	0	0	=	=	=	0	0	x	=	3.0		
9	Donaldson, John	IM	USA	2419	=	0	0	0	0	=	=	0	x	1	2.5	
10	Stone, Raymond	FM	CAN	2340	0	=	0	0	=	=	=	0	0	x	1.5	

numbers 1–10. Each player in turn was introduced to the stage, as his name and number was generated by the computer program. I was eighth to be picked, and ended up with pairing number 1. Two Whites in the first two rounds, but also a first round matchup with top seed, Australian GM Ian Rogers.

Three North Americans competed: myself, Canadian FM Ray Stone of Windsor, and American IM John Donaldson, now stationed in San Francisco. All of us were affected by jet lag to some degree, but as I alluded to in the introduction, this trip was personally the worst case I have ever experienced; a sign of advancing age and consequent frailties, perhaps! To be fair, I was diagnosed with a significant B12 deficiency last fall, and although this has since largely cleared up, I think it affected me to some degree as well. Then again, maybe it was simply the fact that I hadn't played in such such a competitive event in nearly eight months. Whatever the reason, my concentration and play were not terribly encouraging for the majority of the event.

My initial loss to Rogers, who now lives in the Netherlands about half the year, was a disappointing one; not so much in terms of the result, but rather in the 'foggyheadedness' which left me with no real chances to survive a four hour session against a hardened professional.

I actually lost on time a full eight (!) moves before time control, but the position was gone by that point in any case. And yet, just a few moves before the forfeit, the position was still quite an interesting one...

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Rogers, Ian

Hertogenbosch (1), 1999

King's Indian E91

1.d4 ♖f6 2.♟f3 g6 3.c4 ♙g7
4.♟c3 0-0 5.e4 d6 6.♙e2 ♟a6!?
7.0-0 e5 8.♞e1 c6 9.♞b1 exd4

9...♞e7?! runs into 10.c5! as in Hergott–Martin del Campo, Linares Mexico 1992.

10.♟xd4 ♟c5 11.f3 a5 12.♙g5
♞e8 13.♙f1 ♙d7

After an hour's thought! Apparently, placing the bishop on g5 is unusual, but 9.♞b1 ensures that Black has no tricks involving ...♞b6, attacking b2 and the diagonal to White's king. Ian had spent a good part of his lengthy cogitation coughing, wheezing, and dealing quite unsuccessfully with a very nasty cold. Over the course of the next few moves it became clear to me that my own thoughts were becoming increasingly muddled, and I remember pondering which was worse: my jetlag-induced fatigue or Ian's cold!?

14.♞d2 ♞b6 15.♞h1 a4 16.♞ed1
♟h5! 17.g4

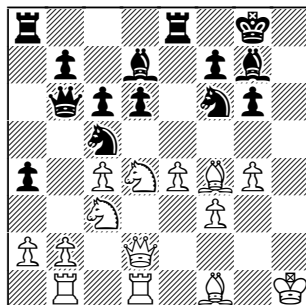
My timing could not have been worse, as I decided to accompany this move with a draw offer; the previous, innocent move would have made a far better choice. White is better, but that means little when one is not thinking too clearly, and unfortunately, I could not convince myself to find a way to avoid this advance. I reasoned that if Black is allowed to play ...♙e5 then it becomes extremely difficult for White to arrange further pressure on the ♙/d6 without f3-f4, and this will always give Black counterplay on the e4 square.

Ian predictably took 17.g4 as a sign of provocation, and played on. Though not a bad move in itself, advancing the g/♙ increases the responsibility for both players to be alert, as it sharpens the position considerably. 17.♙e3 and 17.b4! were decent alternatives.

17...♟f6 18.h3 h5 19.♙f4?!

Better is 19.b4! axb3 20.♟xb3 ♟xb3
21.♞xb3 ♞a5 with unclear chances.

19...hxxg4 20.hxxg4



20...♟cxe4!?

This move sent me reeling, and gave Ian the dayprize for the most spectacular game of the round. Of

course, I knew that Black would attempt a sacrifice at some point, but was not expecting one so soon.

21.fxe4 ♟xe4 22.♞g2 ♙xd4!?

I expected something like 22...♙xg4!? 23.♟xe4 ♙xd1 24.♞xd1 ♙xd4 25.♟xd6 with complex play. White's king is always a source of concern, but nothing is too clear here. Rogers' choice has the practical advantage of putting immediate pressure on White's king position, and increases the chances of a critical mistake.

23.♟xe4 ♞g7

An unpleasant threat to meet. What I now played leads to an unclear position in my opinion, but simply cost me too much time. Black certainly has excellent practical chances for his offer, but whether he is better remains to be seen. I am still unsure of White's best response, but dealing with ♙/d4 seems a good start. Fritz5 suggests 24.♞f3 with advantage to White; perhaps, but would I find the defensive follow-up at the board? I still like the idea of eliminating Black's bishop pair.

24.c5! ♞h8+ 25.♙h2 ♙xc5

On 25...dxc5 26.♞xd4! followed by ♙d3 gives White eventual chances on the dark squares with the ♙/h2.

26.♟xc5 ♞xc5 27.♞bc1 ♞b6
28.♞xd6?!

More sensible are 28.♞d2 or 28.♞g1! A queen trade on d4 leads to an endgame of many pawns for a bishop. Black is indisputably better, but the pawns are a long way from queening still, and I would not be surprised if White can hold on.

28...♙xg4! 29.♙e2?

By this point time pressure was nearly as extreme as my lack of chess vision. It didn't even occur to me that now 29.♞xg4 is possible! There follows 29...♞xh2+ 30.♞xh2 ♞f2+ 31.♞h1! ♞h8+ 32.♙h3 (both of us missed this simple possibility).

Ian had seen, however, that instead 29...♞xh2+ 30.♞xh2 ♞xb2+ and 31...♞xc1 is also possible. Now after the centralizing 32.♞d4+ things aren't very clear, but White's king remains unprotected, and Black's pawn mass must be kept under control to survive. Now the game ends abruptly.

29...♞xh2+! 30.♞xh2 ♞h8+
31.♞g3 ♞e3+ 32.♙f3 ♙xf3 0-1.

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Welling, Gerard
Hertogenbosch (2), 1999
Grünfeld D93

My one and only previous encounter with Gerard Welling was in Nagykanisza, Hungary in 1990 where I made my third IM norm. In that game he played 1.a4!? after jokingly threatening to play 2.h4!? for half the event, so I honestly had no idea what to expect this time!

1.d4 d5 2.♟f3 ♟f6 3.c4 c6

Pretty orthodox stuff so far, but I knew something wild could not be far off. I opted to avoid my usual lines against the Slav in favor of a meek but solid alternative. Both the 4.♟c2 and 4.♟b3 lines have potential to transpose into certain Catalan positions, so I have given them a try from time to time.

4.♟c2 g6 5.♟f4 ♟g7 6.e3 0-0 7.♟c3 ♟e6!?

All played 'a tempo'. The next sequence cost me some time as well, but amazingly Gerard had not only seen it all before, but had played three games with it in 1999, up to move thirteen!

8.♟b3 dxc4 9.♟xb7 ♟b6 10.♟xb6 axb6 11.♟g5 b5

I thought this was forced, but Dutch IM Johan van Mil, commenting on the games for the public, also thought that 11...♟d5 12.e4 h6 13.exd5 hxg5 14.♟xb8 ♟fxb8 15.dxc6 b5 was possible.

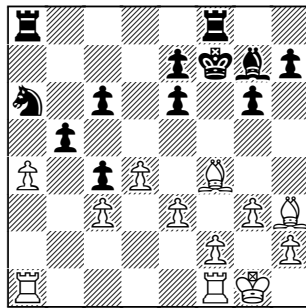
12.♟xe6 fxe6 13.g3

Perhaps 13.♟e5!?

13...♟a6

Welling liked this move, but the press room preferred 13...♟fd7!? intending the obvious ...e5. After a plan like ♟xb8 and f4, Black will concentrate on his other lever ...c5. All in all, it looks as if Black may be quite alright. I thought that White must be better during the game, but it is hard to contain the dynamic potential of Black's crippled structure.

14.♟h3 ♟f7 15.0-0 ♟d5 16.a4 ♟xc3 17.bxc3



17...e5!?

Played after long thought, but quite a clever idea. For his doubled pawn, Black gets the lovely square c5 for his knight, and a chance to make something of his queenside majority.

18.♟xe5

18.dxe5 must be worse because Black's ♟/g7 could yet come to life. Even ...g5 followed by ...♟xe5 and ...♟xc3 looks quite irritating.

18...♟xe5 19.dxe5 ♟c5 20.axb5 cxb5 21.♟xa8

Here I am not sure whether White should keep one or two rooks, but handing Black the a-file is too big a price to pay. Both 21.♟g2 or 21.f4 are more constructive moves. Black has some initiative in the game, but White does after all have an extra pawn and just needs a few moves to consolidate. The onus is on Black to prove something very quickly.

21...♟xa8 22.♟b1 ♟b3?! 23.♟g2 ♟c8

Better looks 22...♟a3 but is Black's c/♟ enough for the pawn deficit?

23.♟g2 ♟c8

A very tough decision. Gerard thought he might be better after 19...♟c5 (optimistic I think, although not very clear) and now spent a lot of time trying to find a line to back up his evaluation! Certainly 23...♟d2!? is tempting, but 24.♟d1 ♟a2 (on 24...♟d8 25.♟e4! planning 26.♟c2 is good) 25.♟c6 b4 26.cxb4 c3 fails to 27.♟d5+ and 27...♟xa2. Black suffers from the tactical weakness of his king on f7 in many lines.

24.f4 e6 25.♟b2!

An important move, now that Black is ready to advance with his c/♟. White must be prepared to blockade the pawn on c2 or c3.

25...♟d8?! 26.♟c6 ♟b8 27.♟f2 b4 28.cxb4 ♟xb4 29.♟c2 ♟e7 30.♟f3 ♟c5 31.♟e1 ♟b1+!?

Forces White's king where it wants to go. Black has lost the thread and this only compounds his problems.

32.♟d2 ♟b4?

Black may as well go active behind the lines, though after the loss of the c/♟, White wins fairly handily.

33.♟c3 ♟a4 34.♟c6 ♟a3+? 35.♟b4 1-0.

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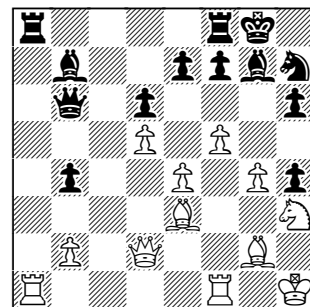
Welling, Gerard
Rogers, Ian
Hertogenbosch (3), 1999
Sicilian: Closed B24

My game was a short, wimpy draw, despite an interesting pawn sacrifice in a topical line of the Modern. Instead, for your enjoyment, witness the antics of the tournament's two chief advocates of the avant-garde:

1.e4 c5 2.♟c3 g6 3.g3 ♟g7 4.♟g2 ♟c6 5.d3 ♟b8 6.♟h3

Played in the style of Day and Suttles. Gerard is a big fan of these 'Canadian' systems.

6...b5 7.0-0 b4 8.♟e2 d6 9.f4 ♟d4 10.♟xd4 ♟xd4+ 11.♟h1 ♟g7 12.f5 ♟f6 13.g4 h6 14.a3 a5 15.axb4 axb4 16.c3 g5 17.d4 cxd4 18.cxd4 0-0 19.♟e3 ♟b7 20.♟f2 ♟a8 21.♟d2 ♟b6 22.h4 ♟h7 23.♟h3 gxh4 24.d5!



White has a nice advantage here, but Rogers is a tricky defender and just finds a way to stay afloat in the coming complications.

24...♟b5 25.♟xh6 ♟xa1 26.♟xa1 ♟a8 27.♟xa8+ ♟xa8 28.♟xg7 ♟xg7 29.g5 ♟c4 30.f6+ exf6 31.gxf6+ ♟g6 32.♟f4 ♟d4 33.♟f5+ ♟h6 34.♟f4+ ♟g6 35.♟g4+ ♟xf6 36.♟xh4+ ♟g7 37.♟g4+ ♟h6 38.♟h4+ ♟g7 39.♟g3+ ♟h8 40.♟xd6 ♟xb2

Try as he might, White just doesn't have enough to net the Black king.

41. ♖b8+ ♖g7 42. ♖g3+ ♖f8
43. ♖b8+ ♖g7 44. ♖g3+ ♖f8
45. ♖b8+ ♖g7 46. ♖g3+ ♖f8
47. ♖b8+ ♖g7 48. ♖g3+ ½-½.

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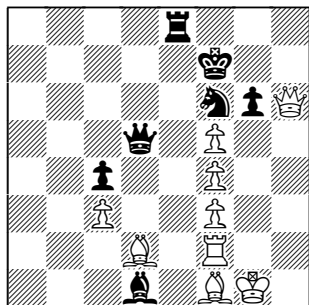
Donaldson, John
Buecker, Stefan
Hertogenbosch (3), 1999
Dutch A81

1. ♖f3 f5 2. g3 ♖f6 3. ♖g2 d6 4. d4
♖c6 5. d5 ♖e5 6. 0-0 ♖xf3+
7. exf3 g6 8. c4 ♖g7 9. ♖c3 0-0
10. ♖e1 c6 11. f4 ♖d7 12. ♖b3 c5
13. ♖xb7 ♖b8 14. ♖a6 ♖b4
15. ♖xa7 ♖g4 16. h3 ♖xc3
17. bxc3

Afterwards, John regretted allowing such a fixed pawn structure. Buecker excels in exploiting such weaknesses in long, maneuvering battles. Indeed, the position reminds me of many of my own games after 1. d4 g6 2. c4 ♖g7 3. ♖c3 c5 4. d5 ♖xc3+!? when the loss of a pawn is often of little long-term importance.

The remainder of the game is an up and down struggle, but one senses that Black is much more comfortable, despite his two pawn deficit.

17... ♖a4 18. ♖b7 ♖f6 19. ♖d2 ♖f7
20. ♖eb1 ♖a5 21. ♖b6 ♖a8
22. ♖b2 ♖a3 23. ♖f1 ♖a4 24. f3 h5
25. ♖d3 ♖a8 26. ♖e1 ♖a6 27. ♖b8
♖a5 28. ♖h8 ♖a8 29. ♖h6 ♖g8
30. ♖e2 ♖d8 31. ♖d2 e6 32. dxe6+
♖xe6 33. ♖ae1 ♖c8 34. ♖c1 ♖a7
35. ♖g5 ♖d7 36. a3 ♖c7 37. ♖e3
♖c6 38. ♖f1 ♖e7 39. ♖d2 ♖xe2
40. ♖xe2 ♖e8 41. ♖d3 d5 42. ♖f2
♖e6 43. cxd5 ♖xd5 44. ♖f1 c4
45. ♖h6 ♖d7 46. a4 ♖xa4 47. g4
hxc4 48. hxc4 ♖d1 49. gxf5



49... ♖g8 50. ♖g2 ♖xf3 51. fxc6+

♖e7 52. ♖g5

A miscalculation in time trouble. 52. ♖g5 is still fine for White after 52... ♖xg2 53. ♖xg2 ♖xg5 54. fxc6 followed by 55. ♖d5 and 56. ♖xc4.

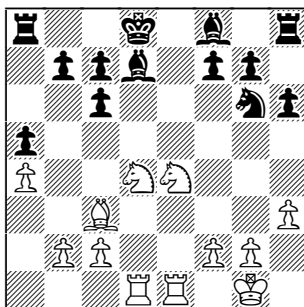
52... ♖xd2 53. ♖e5+ ♖d8 54. ♖g5
♖d6 55. ♖c5? ♖xg6! 0-1.

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Nijboer, Friso
Hergott, Deen
Hertogenbosch (5), 1999
Ruy Lopez: Berlin C67

In the previous round I drew with housemate Donaldson, in a line from his *Accelerated Dragons* monograph. He had spent a disturbingly small amount of time getting to move fifteen, and I couldn't see much in my position despite having the White pieces. Today however, I was mercilessly destroyed by the tournament leader, GM Friso Nijboer, even after spending the better part of a day preparing a line in the Berlin Defense to the Ruy Lopez.

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 ♖e8 10. h3 ♖e7 11. ♖d2
♖g6 12. a4 a5 13. ♖e4 h6 14. ♖d4
♖xe5 15. ♖fe1 ♖d8 16. ♖ad1 ♖d7
17. ♖c3 ♖g6??



A huge improvement is 17... ♖c8 or 17... ♖f6 though White still has the edge. Nijboer was of the opinion that taking the e/♖ is too risky for Black. Of this I'm not entirely convinced, but after the text it is hard to argue in defense of Black's position.

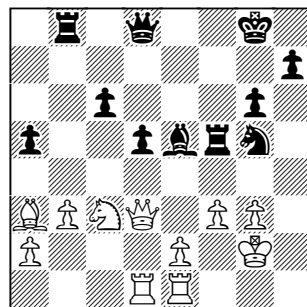
18. ♖f5! ♖c8 19. ♖xg7 f5
20. ♖xd7! ♖xd7 21. ♖f6+ ♖d6
22. ♖ge8+ ♖c5 23. ♖d7+ ♖c4
24. ♖xh8 ♖e7 25. ♖d1 ♖xh8
26. ♖xc7 ♖g8 27. ♖e6 c5 28. ♖b6+
♖b4 29. ♖d5+ 1-0.

The dayprize, chosen by the Dutch public, went to Gerard Welling for his unbridled aggression in, you guessed it, a Dutch Defense!

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Donaldson, John
Welling, Gerard
Hertogenbosch (5), 1999
Dutch A04

1. ♖f3 f5 2. g3 b6!? 3. ♖g2 ♖b7
4. 0-0 ♖f6 5. d4 g6 6. c4 ♖g7
7. ♖c3 ♖e4 8. ♖xe4 ♖xe4 9. b3 0-0
10. ♖b2 e6 11. ♖d2 ♖f6 12. ♖e1
♖xg2 13. ♖xg2 ♖c6 14. ♖ad1
♖d8 15. ♖c2 ♖f7 16. c5 c6 17. ♖f4
bxc5 18. ♖xc5 ♖fb8 19. ♖d3 ♖d8
20. ♖c2 a5 21. ♖c5 ♖e7 22. ♖fe1
♖f8 23. ♖a4 f4 24. ♖c5 ♖d8
25. ♖g2 ♖b8 26. ♖c3 ♖g5 27. ♖a3
♖f5 28. ♖c4 d5 29. ♖d3 e5
30. dxe5 ♖xe5 31. f3 fxc3 32. hxc3



32... ♖xg3 33. ♖xg3 ♖xf3

The double minor piece sacrifice is what sold the audience, but here Donaldson could actually still make a fight of it with 34. ♖xf5 to kill the attack by returning the queen. John was in pretty lousy form as well this event, and this oversight was typical of his missed chances.

34. exf3 ♖g5+ 35. ♖f2 ♖h4+
36. ♖e3 ♖f4+ 37. ♖f2 ♖h2+
38. ♖e3 ♖e8+ 39. ♖e4 ♖xe4+ 0-1.

Notes by
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Hergott, Deen
Van der Sterren, Paul
Hertogenbosch (6), 1999
Semi Slav D45

Essentially, I was very pleased with my effort today, but once again I 'fell asleep' to find myself with about one

minute for the last half dozen moves. The position wasn't exceptionally difficult, but the pressure took its toll, and a very silly mistake quickly turned a likely draw into a definite loss. Clearly this was not my tournament, but when you look at the final standings, there were a number of players performing well below par.

1.d4 ♟f6 2.♟f3 d5 3.c4 e6 4.♟c3 c6 5.e3 ♟bd7 6.♟c2 ♟d6 7.♟e2 0-0 8.0-0 e5

Not only did Van der Sterren succeed in avoiding most of my preparation by not playing his usual Queen's Gambit, but he also chose one of the only lines in the Semi-Slav which I have not studied in much depth.

9.cxd5 cxd5 10.♟b5 ♟b8 11.dxe5 ♟xe5 12.♟d2

I spent too much time here trying to work out the nuances of 12.♟d2 vs. 12.b3 followed by ♟b2, and finally just opted for development and known theory.

12...♟g4 13.♟bd4

It would be nice to maintain control of c7 and d6, but it did not seem prudent to allow a fracturing of the kingside pawn structure with so many Black units able to make their way to the kingside so easily.

13...♟d6 14.♟xe5 ♟xe5 15.f4?

Positional suicide, true, but White gains some valuable time to force the issue over the next few moves. Naturally, White must keep the initiative, as the e3 and e4 squares have been very seriously weakened. The alternative 15.g3 looks safer, but it also creates some holes to exploit. Somewhat surprisingly, the text comes very close to achieving a concrete edge.

15...♟e7 16.♟xg4

Another idea is to maintain some control over e4 with 16.♟d3?

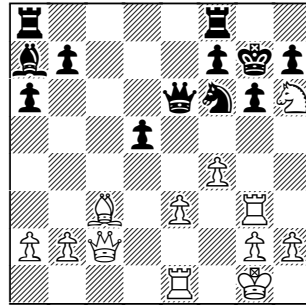
16...♟xg4 17.♟ae1

The immediate 17.♟f3 to target g7 was tempting, but the lack of an immediate threat gives Black the time to play ...g6 intending ...f5! The text intends e3-e4 and forces Black's hand.

17...♟f6 18.♟f5 ♟e6 19.♟c3 a6! 20.♟f3 ♟a7

Defensive nerves of steel. Black will be just in time with a disruptive ...d4 in many lines.

21.♟g3 g6 22.♟h6+ ♟g7



23.♟g4

I took forever on this move, and this ultimately caused my later error. Here 23.f5! is highly tempting, but after 23...♟c6! 24.fxg6 fxg6! 25.♟f5+ ♟f7 I couldn't see anything. Ian Rogers suggested 24.♟xf7! in this line, but Black seems to be fine in the complications here as well.

23...d4! 24.exd4 ♟xd4+ 25.♟h1

Unfortunate, but here 25.♟f1 allows the rejoinder 25...♟c4+.

25...♟b6 26.♟xf6

During the game it seemed to me that White's initiative was now over. If so, then Black is somewhat better and therefore I started to steer the game towards a draw. I really had hoped to make some trick like 26.♟b3! ♟xb3 27.♟xd4! or some such line work, but 27...♟fe8!! quickly dispels any such illusions.

26...♟xf6 27.♟xd4 ♟xd4 28.♟c3

Rogers thought trading queens was not right, but at the time it seemed the simplest solution with time running short. Black stands well centralized with queens on in any case.

28...♟fd8 29.h3 ♟ac8 30.♟xd4+ ♟xd4 31.♟e7! b5 32.f5! ♟f4 33.fxg6 hxg6 34.♟a3??

Moves 31 and 32 were on the right track by forcing a Black queenside weakness and liquidating my own, but the latest move is absolutely terrible. White must play 34.♟a7 ♟c6 35.♟h2! when 36.♟f3 followed by ♟g3 should be a fairly safe draw.

Black can do slightly better here by keeping the ♟c8 free to infiltrate with the alternative 34...♟f6! This time 35.♟f3 is somewhat unpleasant

after 35...♟xf3 36.gxf3 ♟c2! because White's king is cut off, but after 35.b4! ♟c2 36.a3 I do not see a way for Black to make progress.

Why did I play 34.♟a3? Hard to say, really, but it's clear that I lost my concentration for a moment when I noticed that the ♟f3 idea did not work in one line, and without much time to rework my thinking, I just gave up on the idea altogether. But in any case 34.♟a3 can never be right, because White needs at least one rook to keep the kingside glued together.

34...♟c2!

Naturally. Now I played on to time control, but I was quite sure that I would lose now.

35.♟xa6 ♟f1+ 36.♟h2 ♟ff2 37.♟aa7 ♟xg2+ 38.♟h1 ♟gf2 39.♟g1 ♟xb2 40.a3 ♟g2+ 41.♟f1 ♟bf2+ 42.♟e1 ♟f3 43.♟ab7 ♟h2 0-1.

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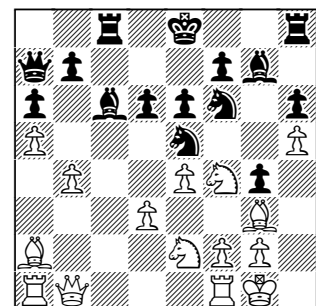
**Buecker, Stefan
Stone, Ray**

Hertogenbosch (6), 1999

Sicilian B20

Ray was having a tough event, but some players were at their most inspired against him. Buecker had yet to succeed with his antique 2.♟c4 treatment of the Sicilian, but an avalanche of sacrifices brought him the full point in this game.

1.e4 c5 2.♟c4 ♟c6 3.♟c3 g6 4.d3 ♟g7 5.♟g5 h6 6.♟h4 g5 7.♟g3 d6 8.h4 g4 9.h5 a6 10.a4 ♟b8 11.♟ge2 ♟f6 12.♟f4 ♟e5 13.♟a2 e6 14.♟ce2 ♟a5+ 15.c3 ♟d7 16.♟b1! ♟c8 17.0-0 ♟c6 18.b4 cxb4 19.cxb4 ♟b6 20.a5 ♟a7



Here, a move like 21.♟c1 yields a small White advantage. Buecker,

never one to duck a challenge, instead decides to sacrifice while Black is still uncastled. While ultimately probably unsound, Black never succeeds in organizing the defense, and Stefan scores his first White win and the dayprize to boot.

21. ♖xe6!? fxe6 22. ♖xe6 ♖c7
23. ♖b3 ♖xh5 24. d4 ♖xg3
25. ♖xg3 ♖f7 26. ♖xf7+ ♖xf7
27. ♖xd6

Again, Black cannot castle. The pressure of defense proved too much for Ray, and time pressure eventually causes a fatal mistake. In some ways, this game reminds me of some of Mikhail Tal's early efforts. White played not so much for the correctness of the sacrifices in this game, as for the practical difficulties they pose.

27... ♖d7 28. ♖g6+ ♖d8 29. e5 ♖b5
30. ♖f4 ♖xf1 31. ♖c1 ♖e8
32. ♖e6+ ♖xe6 33. ♖xe6 ♖c7??
34. ♖g8+ 1-0.

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Van der Sterren, Paul
Welling, Gerard
Hertogenbosch (7), 1999
Reti A12

I made a correct, but uninspired draw with the Black pieces today against Ray Stone. The three GMs continued their rampage, with Nijboer extending his first place lead to a perfect 7-0! I'm sure these two have played each other on several occasions, but this time Van der Sterren literally dismantles poor Gerard's position:

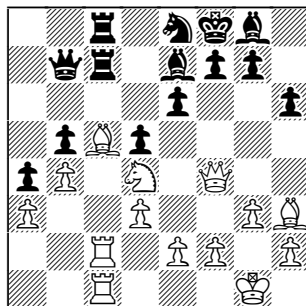
1. c4 c6 2. b3 d5 3. ♖b2 ♖f6 4. g3
♖f5 5. ♖g2 e6 6. ♖f3 h6 7. 0-0
♖e7 8. d3 0-0 9. ♖bd2 ♖bd7
10. ♖c2 a5 11. a3 ♖h7 12. ♖c3 b5
13. cxb5 cxb5 14. b4 a4?!

Black unwittingly denies the use of square a4 for his pieces, and subsequently has trouble finding sufficient counterplay.

15. ♖b2 ♖b6 16. ♖e5 ♖xe5
17. ♖xe5 ♖ac8 18. ♖f3 ♖fd8
19. ♖ac1 ♖e8 20. ♖h3 ♖f8
21. ♖d4! ♖b7 22. ♖c5 ♖d6
23. ♖c2

The ♖/c5 serves as a shield for White to increase the pressure on the board's only open file.

23... ♖c7 24. ♖fc1 ♖dc8 25. ♖e5
♖e8 26. ♖d4 ♖g8 27. ♖f4!



1-0.

Notes by
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Hergott, Deen
Span, Paul
Hertogenbosch (8), 1999
Queen's Indian A13

1. ♖f3 ♖f6 2. c4 e6 3. g3 b6 4. ♖g2
♖b7 5. 0-0 ♖e7

As expected, local player Span chooses the Queen's Indian. I was very tempted to play the Pomar Gambit 6. d4 0-0 7. d5!? for its surprise value, especially since I have a fair bit of experience with it, but thought that he could easily have prepared something from the database.

6. ♖c3 0-0 7. ♖e1?!

This line is also a bit unusual and suits my needs well. Both the Hedgehog and the isolani or hanging pawns after 7... d5 8. cxd5 exd5 are positions I enjoy playing for White.

7... c5 8. e4 d6 9. d4 a6?!

I expected 7... d5 but the text shows a likely lack of experience in these positions. Of course, normal is 9... cxd4 10. ♖xd4 with a typical Hedgehog formation.

10. d5 e5

In one sense I regretted closing the position so early, but it seemed the best choice by far. White's space advantage should always be worth something.

11. ♖h4 ♖c8 12. ♖f5!? ♖xf5
13. exf5

Rogers thought that 12. ♖f5 might be a bit early, but what play does Black have in this position? Other than ... b5 there seems little to do for Black but shuffle pieces. The e4 square will

always be a useful toy in the middlegame as well, and White indeed profits greatly from it later.

13... ♖bd7 14. a4 ♖e8 15. h4

White prevents ... ♖g5. I had my regrets about giving up on the idea of using the majors to attack on the h-file, but containment is the best policy here. Black is cramped and should not be allowed to exchange pieces if possible.

15... ♖c7 16. ♖a3 ♖e8 17. ♖e4! ♖f8
18. ♖g2 ♖b8 19. ♖b3 ♖f6 20. ♖c2
♖d7 21. g4!

Finally, White gets the majority rolling. Some spectators thought that rather than play for ... b5, Black would have done better to adopt a defensive setup with ... h6, ... ♖h7, and perhaps ... ♖df8!? True, this would be tough to break down, but White has all the time in the world to prepare his breakthrough. The main problem with Black's position is that there is basically nothing to do.

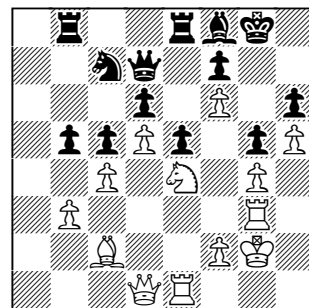
21... g6 22. ♖g5 ♖g7 23. ♖xf6
♖xf6 24. ♖e4 ♖g7 25. f6 ♖f8
26. h5 h6

The greedy 26... ♖xa4 is punished by 27. hxg6 ♖xc4 (27... fxg6?? 28. f7+ +-; 27... hxg6 28. ♖h3 with 29. ♖eh1 to come) 28. gxh7+ ♖h8 29. ♖g5! +-.

27. ♖g3 b5 28. axb5 axb5 29. b3

It may be possible to dispense with moves on the queenside and just blast away with g4-g5, but I decided to safeguard the other flank and keep Black's knight contained.

29... g5?



A mistake, but Black can hardly hang on in the long run. I expected 29... bxc4 30. bxc4 ♖b4 31. ♖d3 when Black is still hard pressed to find something satisfactory.

30. ♖xc5! dxc5 31. ♖d3 e4
32. ♖xe4 ♖e6

Fortunately my head seemed to be working tonight. I had seen to here... and the next move as well!

33.♖d4!

An unusually attractive move. After 33.♖xe6? fxe6 guards h7, but the text continues to defend f4 and again threatens mate on h7.

33...♙g7 34.♖h7+ ♕f8 35.dxe6 ♖b7+ 36.♙e4

The triumphant return of White's bishop. Black is quite lost.

36...♙xf6 37.♙xb7 ♖xb7 38.♖d7 1-0.

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**Buecker, Stefan
Hergott, Deen**

Hertogenbosch (9), 1999
Bird's A03

My last round game provided a fitting end to a poor tournament. My health has not been the best lately, and this tournament was a good sign to take note of a few things and work on some improvements! I recently joined a gym again, and am hoping to get back into decent shape this year.

I had done a reasonable amount of preparation in the past month for the event, but simply did not have the energy or stamina for most of the games. Still, it was a great event, and I enjoyed it thoroughly. Once again, hats off to Rene, and to all of his friends, family and helpers for making the tournament a smashing success.

Today's effort was unfortunately more of the same, as my alertness failed me once again at the critical moment, and a winning position incredibly turned into a near loss in a mutual time scramble! At least it was an exciting way to finish the event.

1.f4!?

Known for his original treatment of openings, I was expecting another 1.e4 c5!? 2.♙c4!? from Herr Buecker, as in his three previous efforts with White. Instead, a different beast...

1...d5 2.e3 ♘f6 3.♙e2 g6 4.b3 ♙g7 5.♙b2 c5 6.♘f3 0-0 7.0-0 ♘c6 8.♘e5 ♘xe5

Soltis gives either 8...♖c7 or 8...♙d7 as the principal moves. The capture looks interesting to me.

9.fxe5 ♘d7 10.d4 f6!? 11.♙f3 e6 12.exf6 ♙xf6 13.♘d2 cxd4 14.exd4 b5!

I was quite pleased with my choice, though the commentary room was apparently baffled and suggested that I must be 'ill' or 'desperate' to play such a move! It seems quite logical to me: White would like to play c2-c3 to support the center as economically as possible and to free his pieces, particularly the blocked ♙/b2 for other tasks. Black's ...b5 advance prepares the development of his queenside pieces, but also keeps an undermining ...b4 in the air should White's ♙/d4 ever require defense with c3.

15.♖f2!? ♖b6 16.♘f1 ♙b7 17.♖d3 ♙g7 18.♖d1 b4 19.♖e3 ♖ae8 20.♖h1 ♘f6 21.a3 a5 22.axb4 axb4 23.♖e1 ♖f7!?

I was unsure of the consequences of 23...♙e4!? as Black's two bishops could be a powerful force after the capture, but White may also profit from the use of the e3 and c4 squares with his knight to safeguard the queenside, notably c2. The text is a waiting move, maybe to double on the f-file, or perhaps ...♖c7 as the game dictates.

24.h3 e5!? 25.♙e2

The weakening of square g3 allows Black's shot. Buecker was of the opinion that taking on e5 is impossible, and after 25.dxe5 ♖xe3 26.♖xe3 (forced) 26...♙e4 27.♖fe2 it certainly looks like ...♙a6 or ...♙h6 would be strong in some positions.

25...e4

Opening the e-file to pin the ♙/e2 is tempting, but there is no immediate follow-up and White will be happy to free his queen's bishop at last. Black should be pleased in any case to have his pawn on square e4 rather than e6.

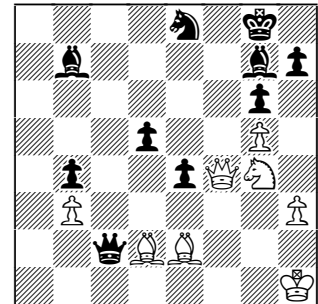
26.g4 ♖ef8 27.♘h2 ♖c7 28.♖ef1 ♘e8 29.♖xf7 ♖xf7 30.♖xf7 ♖xf7 31.g5!? ♖xc2

I couldn't believe my eyes when Stefan allowed this capture, but White was playing confidently, quickly and strangely (!) in the developing time scramble. Surely the file can't be worth two pawns?

32.♙c1 ♙xd4 33.♖f4+ ♖g8?! 33...♖g7

is much safer and avoids many of the possible checks from either White minor piece that may appear on the vacated square g4. But still, Black is quite clearly winning with the correct continuation.

34.♘g4 ♙g7 35.♙d2



35...♖c7?!

Not that bad, as I desperately wanted queens off the board, but the line-opening shot 35...e3!! found in the analysis room, is absolutely killing. On 36.♖b8!? ♖e4+ is simple enough, and even 36...♙c6 should suffice if I fail to find the queen check. And all captures on e3 are bad. I just know that when I give this position to Fritz5, it will flash this possibility at me in about two nanoseconds!

36.♖f1 e3??

One move too late, and now it is not nearly as strong.

37.♘xe3 d4+ 38.♘g2 ♖g3 39.♙g4

I had simply overlooked this, and now panicked by trading into a very suspicious looking ending. Some extra pawns are better than others! With a bit more time, I'm sure I would have found the cool 39...♖xb3! to guard ♙/b4 and defend the sensitive light squared diagonal to my king. Black keeps his winning advantage, as it turns out, but I had no idea the endgame was going to be as poor as it turned out.

39...♙xg2+? 40.♖xg2 ♖xg2+ 41.♖xg2 ♙f8 42.♙e6+ ♖g7 43.♖f3

Only now in the calm following the storm of time trouble did I realize how far I had fallen. Black must be extremely careful to avoiding losing the game.

43...h6!?

Passive defense such as 43...♖c7 44.♙c4 (tesuji!) 44...♙c5 45.♗e4 ♗f8 46.♗e5 looks doomed to failure in view of the coming ♙c1-b2, so the text is an attempt to liquidate the kingside pawns and provide another route for the knight via g7 or f6 in some lines.

44.gxh6+

Criticized in the commentary room, but 44.h4 hxg5 45.hxg5 ♙e7! is not so easy either. After 46.♗e4 ♖d6+ 47.♗xd4 ♖b5+ Black plans to defend as in the game, when the isolated ♙/g5 provides some counterplay for Black at the critical moment.

Instead, White heads for a pawn up endgame, but now the h/♙s provide Black with the additional defensive idea of 'bishop and wrong rook pawn' endgames.

44...♗h7 45.♗e4 ♖d6+ 46.♗xd4 ♖b5+ 47.♗d3 ♖c3!

A key idea. Now after 48.♙xc3 bxc3 49.♗xc3 ♗xh6 50.b4 ♙xb4! is a draw, because White cannot prevent Black's king from shuffling between h8, h7 and g7, and there is no way to force Black to advance the g/♙ for a chance to 'promote' White's h/♙.

48.♗c4 ♖e4 49.♙e3

Again 49.♙xb4 ♙xb4 50.♗xb4 ♖d2! is a draw as above.

49...♙xh6 50.♙b6

Trading bishops followed by ♗xb4 again allows ...♖d2. Another key position occurs with dark squared bishops removed and Black's knight on a2 defending ♙/b4. This is also a draw, because an attack on Black's knight with ♙b1 to win ♙/b4 allows Black to gain a tempo on the bishop with ...♖c3. Likewise, if White's king comes to b2, Black simply responds with ...♖c3 and the shuffle continues. An interesting defensive motif.

50...♙f8 51.♗d5 ♖c3+ 52.♗c6 ♗h6 53.♗d7 ♖e4!

Again centralizing the knight. Black's threats are ...♖c5+ and ...♖f6+ to cut off the White king.

54.♙e3+ ♗h5 55.♙g4+ ♗h4

Absolutely not threatening 56...♖g5?? 57.♙f2#!

56.♙d4 ♙c5! 57.♙e5

With a heavy heart, drawless Buecker offered his hand in peace, and since 57...♖f2 58.♙f6+ ♗g3

59.♙e5+ ♗g2 60.♗e6 (planning ♗f6) is nothing, I agreed.

½-½.

Notes by Deen Hergott

Nijboer, Friso
Rogers, Ian

Hertogenbosch (9), 1999

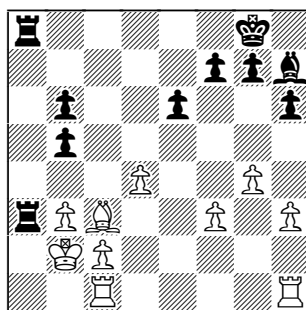
Scandinavian B01

GM Friso Nijboer, after clinching first place in the penultimate round, finally falls to the top seed in the last round. As the tournament crosstable indicates, the three Grandmasters certainly lived up to their advanced billing in this event!

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 ♗xd5 3.♖c3 ♗a5 4.d4 ♖f6 5.♙c4 c6 6.♙d2 ♙f5 7.♖f3 e6 8.♗e2 ♙b4 9.0-0-0 ♖bd7 10.♗b1 ♖b6 11.♖e5 ♙xc3 12.♙xc3 ♗a4 13.♙b3 ♗b5!? 14.♗xb5 cxb5 15.♙a5 ♖bd5 16.h3 b6 17.♙d2 ♖e4 18.♙e1 h6 19.f3 ♖ef6 20.♙d2 ♙c8 21.♙c1 ♙h7 22.a4 a6 23.axb5 axb5

The a-file proves to be White's undoing, so the plan with 22.a4 was probably a misguided one.

24.g4 ♙c7 25.♖d3 0-0 26.♖b4 ♙a8 27.♙xd5 ♖xd5 28.b3 ♖xb4 29.♙xb4 ♙ca7 30.♙c3 ♙a3! 31.♗b2



31...b4! 32.♙xb4 ♙a2+ 33.♗b1 ♙xc2+ 34.♙xc2 ♙a1+ 35.♗b2 ♙8a2+ 0-1.

As a final note, I would just like to add my wishes for a continuation of this event in the future. Not enough can be said about Rene's efforts; Chief Arbiter Cathy Rogers did a superb job of running a smooth and appeal free tournament, and the numerous volunteers and spectators all added to a great experience.



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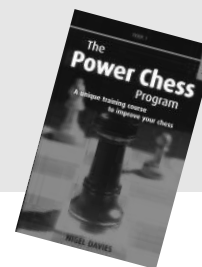
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Across Canada



BC

British Columbia

Victoria Took Invitational

In preparation for the upcoming Provincial Chess Challenge, a select group of ten Victoria elementary school students were invited to what was a hotly contested tournament on April 9. First place on tiebreak went to our Grade 2 champion **Zachary Aylward**, who also won last year. **Sean Rycroft** finished in second and also scored 4/5, followed by **Max Jeong** with 3.5/5. Showing great promise were Kristijan Gorgevik and brothers Elliot and Evan Raymer. Special thanks again to Arto and Pam Arslanyan of Took's Bakery Cafe for hosting this event.

TD: Tim Bethell; Rep: Justin Aylward



AB

Alberta

Calgary CC Spring Open

Notes by
Arthur Milne

Milne, Arthur
Miller, Brian

Calgary CC Spring op, 2000

English: Symmetrical A39

1.c4 c5 2.d3 d6 3.d4

The timing of the break from symmetry in the c4/c5 English is very important for White.

3...cxd4 4.dxd4 d6 5.d3 g6

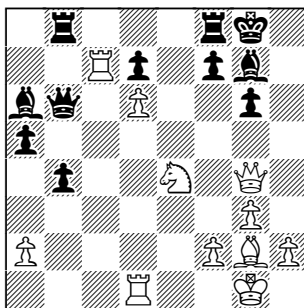
6.g3 Qg7 7.Qg2 0-0 8.0-0 a6
9.Qg5! h6 10.Qxf6 Qxf6 11.e3!
Qxd4 12.exd4 Bb6

Accepting White's pawn offer entails difficulties for Black on the dark squares, which is odd since he hasn't parted with his dark squared bishop.

13.Bc2 e6 14.d5 Bb8 15.Qe4
Bxb2 16.Bc3

White wins back the pawn with interest; the threat is 17.Ba7.

16...Qd4 17.Bxh6 Qg7 18.Bc3
Bd4 19.Bc2 exd5 20.cxd5 b5
21.Bad1 Ba7 22.Bc1 b4 23.d6 a5
24.Bc7 Bb6 25.Bd1 Qa6 26.Bg4



White walks straight into a fork!

26...Bfd8

[It's not clear to me at all why Black avoids 26...f5 27.Bxg6 fxe4 28.Bxd7 (28.Qxe4 Bxf2-+) 28...Bxf2+ 29.Bh1 Bf7 with a dead end for White. Ed.]

27.Qc5 Qb5 28.Bxd7! f5

28...Bxc5-+ (Howard Wu).

29.Bxg6 Bxd7 30.Qd5+ 1-0.

TD: Jim Daniluk



MB

Manitoba

Winnipeg Easter Open

Kevin Gentes finished clear first in the Manitoba Chess Association Easter Open held April 21-23. Fourth ranked Jason Repa played well to

draw Gentes in the second round, but faltered later in the event. Dan Federkevic played a more consistent tournament, and only lost to Gentes in their critical third round encounter after several missed opportunities to draw in sudden death.

Rep: Derek Bays



ON

Ontario

K-W Winter Open

In the Open Section **Milorad Dimitrijevic** and **Frank Pushkedra** finished on top with 4/5, in the U2150 Steve Demmery won with 3.5/5, Mahmud Hassain and Jarmo Puiras shared the U2000 with 4/5, John Duralia and Wylon Wong topped the U1800 at 2.5/5, Ted Termeer took the U1600 with 4.5/5, and finally Doug Hoch and Jan Draak shared top honors in the U1400 Section.

Rep: Albert Den-Otter

Toronto Open U1500/UR

The U1500 and Unrated Section saw Danforth Tech student **Cameron Phung** score 5.5/6, followed by Martin Lukacs, John Hardy, Kenneth Callaghan and Peter Mackrael in a share for second place. Ramesh Ramnarine won Top Unrated.

TD/Org/Rep: Mark S. Dutton

Peel Chess Club Championship

The first championship of the Peel Chess Club concluded with a 3.5-5 match win by **John R. Brown** over Maurice Smith. The club convenes year-round and at various locations in the Greater Toronto area, allowing players to fit their games into busy schedules.

TD/Rep: John R. Brown

Kingston Open

IMs **Deen Hergott** and **Tom O'Donnell** shared first in the Open Section with 4/5, while 12-year-old Sebastian Predescu claimed the U2100 prize with 3.5/5. Robert Webb finished clear first in the U1950 at 4/5, while Ralf MacGrady scored 3.5/5 in the U1750. Fabio Vivas and nine-year-old recent arrival Raja Panjwani tied for top spot in the U1600 Section.

Notes by
Frank Dixon

**Simic, Dusan
O'Donnell, Tom**

Kingston op (4), 2000

Semi-Slav: Noteboom D30

1.♠f3 d5 2.d4 e6 3.c4 c6 4.♗f4?!

Normal moves here are 4.♗c3, 4.e3, 4.♗c2, and 4.g3. Perhaps White is aiming for the currently popular ♗f4 variation of the Queen's Gambit Declined after 4...♗f6 5.♗c3 ♗e7 although Black is by no means obliged to play this way. IM Tom O'Donnell instead heads for an active Noteboom formation. Black snaps a pawn and is often able to keep it, while the move ♗f4 for White doesn't fit well with this Black approach.

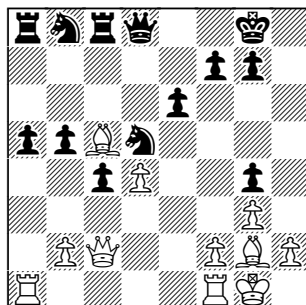
4...dxc4! 5.a4 b5 6.axb5 cxb5 7.♗c3 ♗b4 8.♗d2?!

It is often vital to know which variations in fact do not transpose, as I can attest after receiving harsh punishment from IM Deen Hergott in this event for a similar misjudgment in another opening. As a normally loyal 1.e4 player in the process of broadening my repertoire, I once stumbled into a very similar line in Dixon-Barankin, Kingston 1995 which went 1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.♗f3 ♗f6 4.♗c3 e6 5.♗f4?! dxc4! (= NCO) 6.a4 ♗b4 7.e3 ♗d5 8.♗c2 b5 9.axb5 cxb5 and White decides to at least recover his pawn with 10.♗xb8 ♗xb8 11.♗xa7 ♗b6 12.♗a1 ♗b7 13.♗e2 0-0 14.0-0 ♗d6! 15.♗xd5 ♗xd5 16.e4 ♗b7=. White ultimately lost this encounter, and surely this is not the sort of game White hopes for at the start of the game.

Returning to our main game, White has now transposed into a more typical Noteboom formation with his bishop on d2 at the cost of an extra

tempo. These lines are already satisfactory for Black, particularly as White has not even forced Black to exchange on c3 for recapturing on b5, as is normally the case. Perhaps here White should recover his pawn immediately with 8.♗xb8 ♗xb8 9.♗xa7 ♗b6 10.♗a1 and a tenable position in spite of the loss of the bishop pair. Black now plays incisively to take over the initiative.

8...♗b6! 9.g3 ♗b7 10.♗g2 ♗f6 11.0-0 0-0 12.♗e4 ♗xe4 13.♗xb4 ♗c8! 14.♗h3 a5 15.♗c5 ♗d8 16.♗g5 ♗d5 17.♗c2 h6! 18.e4 hxg5 19.exd5 g4 20.♗g2 ♗xd5



White has the bishop pair, but with two extra pawns in the box Black has a dream Noteboom position.

21.b3 c3! 22.b4 ♗c6! 23.bxa5 ♗xa5 24.♗xd5 ♗xa1 25.♗xa1 ♗xd5 26.♗xc3 e5!

Decisive.

27.♗c1 ♗xd4 28.♗xd4 ♗xc3 29.♗xc3 f6 30.♗b4 ♗b3 31.♗d6 b4

We have reached time control, and Black's queen easily escorts the b/♗ home.

0-1.

Notes by
Frank Dixon

**Predescu, Sebastian
Struthers, Matthew**

Kingston op (4), 2000

King's Indian: London A46

1.d4 ♗f6 2.♗f3 d6 3.♗f4 g6 4.e3 ♗g7 5.♗e2 0-0 6.h3 ♗bd7 7.0-0 c5 8.c3 a6

Black plays passively and without a positive plan in the center; this often leads to slow strangulation in Queen Pawn openings. A more aggressive approach to challenge White's

strongpoint on d4 was seen in the earlier game Predescu-Simic, which went 1.d4 ♗f6 2.♗f3 g6 3.♗f4 ♗g7 4.e3 c5 5.c3 0-0 6.h3 cxd4 7.exd4 ♗d5 8.♗h2 ♗c6 9.♗bd2 d6 10.♗d3 e5 11.dxe5 dxe5=.

9.a4 b6 10.♗bd2 ♗b7 11.♗h2 ♗c8?! 12.b4 cxb4

Better is 12...♗e8 to prepare 13...e5. Instead Black starts a pattern of losing valuable time with poor queen moves, but never finds a useful role for his lady. Predescu, a 12-year-old newly minted Candidate Master, still has the somewhat naive opening repertoire typical of junior players, but here he certainly shows that he knows how to play chess. Elsewhere in this event he beat Manon Leger with tactics, Geoff McKay in a patient endgame, and Struthers with sustained pressure.

13.cxb4 ♗d5 14.♗b3 ♗f6 15.♗fc1 ♗e6?!

More lost time. Better is 15...♗d7.

16.♗c4 h6 17.♗e1 ♗d7 18.e4! ♗c7 19.e5! ♗fd5 20.♗e4 b5

Black has failed to equalize, and White is able to utilize his central control to gradually build up a powerful initiative.

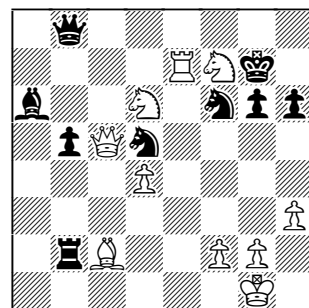
21.axb5 axb5 22.♗xa8 ♗xa8 23.♗d3 ♗a4 24.exd6 ♗xb4 25.♗c2 exd6 26.♗xd6 ♗c6 27.♗e2! ♗a6?!

Better is 27...♗a8. Not only does White have the better position, but he also had a 40-minute lead on the clock at this point in the game.

28.♗e5! ♗d7 29.♗xg7 ♗xg7 30.♗e5+ ♗f6 31.♗c5±

Black is unable to shake White's grip on the position.

31...♗b3 32.♗e5! ♗d8 33.♗exf7! ♗b8 34.♗c2 ♗b2 35.♗e7 ♗cd5



36.♗e1

Crushing is 36.♖a7! ♖a2 37.♙b3!
♖a1+ 38.♗h2 when White wins at
least a piece.

36... ♗f8 37.♙e4 ♗e7 38.♙e5
♙b7 39.♙xg6 ♗g8 40.♙f7+ ♗h7
41.♗a3! ♙f4

Also hopeless is 41...♗d2 42.♙f3! ♖e2
43.♗d3+ ♗h8 44.♖xe2 ♗xd6 45.♗g6
♗f8 46.♙e5.

42.♗xb2 ♗xd6 43.♗b1+ ♗g7
44.♗xb5 ♙xg2 45.♖e3! ♙xh3
46.♖g3+ ♗f8 47.♗h2 ♗xd4?
48.♗b8+

Black loses his queen after 48...♗e7
49.♙c6+. An impressive game for a
12-year-old!

1-0.

Rep: Frank Dixon

Peterborough CC Championship

The 29th annual Peterborough
YMCA Chess Club Champion for
2000 is **Mike Beatty**, who went
undefeated and just edged out
second place winner **Alex Strojevs**
by half a point.

TD/Rep: Wayne Vandervoort

Hamilton Super Active Team Challenge

The day before the big football
game, eight teams from five cities
across Southern Ontario competed in
the Hamilton Super Active Team
Chess Challenge. The final tallies
were Hamilton A = 11.5; Hamilton Z
= 11; St.Catharines = 10; Brampton =
8.5; Kitchener = 7; Benggawan = 6.5;
Hamilton B = 5.5; and Brantford = 4.

The event was decided in the last
round when Hamilton A overtook
Hamilton Z to squeek out a narrow
victory margin. Zvonko Obrovac,
Kirk Brewster and Matt Thomson all
posted perfect 4/4 scores on the day.

TD/Rep: Steve McGrahan

Toronto DCC Wednesday Spring Swiss

Chris Benson won the final round
showdown with Michel Magnan to
win our Wednesday night event with
a score of 5/6. Magnan had the lead
after a draw with Sam Haziprodromu
and three consecutive victories over
Experts Peter Boross-Harmer,
Warren Dutton and Ignac Vucko.

TD/Org/Rep: Mark S. Dutton

Scarborough CC Thursday Spring Swiss

The Thursday night events at the
Scarborough Chess Club continue to

be popular, and the most recent
event was no exception when 36
players took part. **Jim Paterson, Joe
Bellomo** and **Lukas Beaudry** all
tied at 4.5/6 to share first place. The
U2000 prize went to Tom Bozinowski
with 4/6, Allan Cai and Guido
Bortolotti split the U1800 prize at 4/
6, Guenter Sperling won the U1700
at 3.5/6, and the U1500 prize was
captured by Brooke Friendly and
new club member Brandon Wong
with 2.5/6.

TD/Org/Rep: Bryan Lamb

Scarborough CC Sunday Millennium Swiss

Thirty players took part in the first
Sunday Swiss of the year and found
new club member **Stefan Nastase**
on top of the crosstable with a 4.5/5
final score. Close behind in a tie for
second at 4/5 were Joe Bellomo,
Bryan Lamb and Lukas Beaudry,
who won the U1800 prize. The
U1600 prize was shared by Saeed
Hosseini and Cecil Canham at 2.5/5.

TD/Org/Rep: Bryan Lamb

Guelph Spring Open

IM **Tom O'Donnell** won the 45
player event with a little help from
Amanda Benggawan, whose fifth
round draw with Frank Pushkedra
left Frank a half point behind Tom in
the final standings. Ignac Vucko
shared the U2000 prize with David
Flitton, while Joseph Boronka drew
with Richard Riedstra in the final
round to share top spot in the
U1700. Juston McDonald, a talented
8-year-old, took home the Unrated
prize and a 1430 rating.

Rep: Hal Bond

Scarborough March Active

34 players came to contest a large
prize fund, but had to concede
victory to **Igor Zugic** and **Srdan
Zlobec**, both with 5/6. Just below at
4.5/6 were Michael Buscar, Jura
Ochkoos, Andrew Peredun and
David Southam. Arash Asghari-
Shekhy won the U2000 with 4/6, and
John Friendly, Shan Iqbal and Kevin
Teh split the U1600 prize money.

TD/Org/Rep: Bryan Lamb

Scarborough April Active

Clear first place in a strong and
competitive field of 24 players was
taken by **Milan Mitrovic**, while
Mark Bluvshstein and **Richard Ruiz**

tied for second with 4.5/5. The
U2000 prize went to Stephen
Fairbairn, followed in a tie for
second by Allan Cai, Christian
Stevens, Stefan Nastase and Vasile
Mustafa. Bojana Mitrovic took home
the U1800 prize, and Ted Termeer
captured the U1600 bounty.

TD/Org/Rep: Bryan Lamb

SCC Active Championship

The Scarborough Chess Club Active
Championship resulted in a tie
between the two highest rated
players **Bryan Lamb** and **Vasile
Mustafa**, who were arguably also
the two luckiest players! Both
finished with 5.5/6, drawing only
with each other. Mustafa narrowly
escaped defeat at the hands of
Richard Tursman and third place
finisher Phil Haley. Meanwhile Bryan
also had his hands full against Haley
and Mike Douglas, who came close
to defeating him in a last round blitz
time scramble. Phil Haley was the
recipient of the U1800 prize for the
event, while Mike Douglas and
Gajana Srinivasan split the U1600
prize.

Rep: Bryan Lamb

Scarborough Youth #8

Ten keen young hopefuls attended
this youth event at the Scarborough
Chess Club. Topping the field at the
end of regulation play were **David
Hier** and **Mahmoud Hossain** at 4.5/
5; with David winning the playoff.
Congratulations to both players for a
strong performance! Youri Kaplan,
Hazel Smith and William Chong all
shared third place with 3/5.

These events are designed for young
players with ratings generally in the
800–1600 Elo range. Both
newcomers and CFC members are
welcome to participate and gain
valuable tournament experience in a
friendly and relaxed atmosphere.

TD/Org/Rep: Bryan Lamb

Scarborough Youth #9

Fourteen attended the ninth event of
our youth chess series, with fully half
of the participants made up of
newcomers. **Gajana Srinivasan** and
Nimalan Thavandiran dominated
the tournament with final 5.5/6
scores; and in a lengthy playoff
Gajana eventually won the decisive
game. Third place was taken by Cliff

Francispragasam at 4/6, his best showing yet, and good results were also registered by first time players Smiyamalen Thavandiran and Liam Henry at 3.5/6.

TD/Org/Rep: Bryan Lamb

Toronto DCC Saturday Swiss

Warren Dutton put together an undefeated 4.5/6 score to top the field in our Spring Fever Saturday Afternoon Swiss tournament at the Dutton Chess Club on Bayview.

TD/Org/Rep: Mark S. Dutton

Ontario CYCC Championships

The CYCC Ontario finals were held in London on April 30 with an excellent turnout of 250 boys and girls from across Ontario playing through five rounds to determine their age category champions. The organizers did a wonderful job to ensure a smoothly run event, despite the huge numbers and a very late finish due to playoffs involving the top four contenders from each of the U10, U12, U14, U16, and U18 categories. **Raja Panjwani** of Kingston scored a major upset over top rated Irakli Vadachkoriya of Toronto to capture the U10 title.

Notes by

Panjwani & Dixon

**Vadachkoriya, Irakli
Panjwani, Raja**

*London CYCC Ontario U10,
2000*

Sicilian: Grand Prix B23

1.e4 c5 2.♟c3 ♟c6 3.f4 g6 4.♟c4 ♟g7

The Grand Prix Attack has been a successful weapon of mine in recent events, and I want to keep my options open for the best possible central pawn formation.

5.♟f3 e6 6.0-0

The sharp 6.f5!? terrorized players twenty years ago, but has been defused in more recent encounters. A key game is Wedberg–Harlov, Haninge 1992, which continued 6...♟ge7 7.fxe6 fxe6 8.d3 d5 9.♟b3 b5 10.exd5 exd5 11.0-0 (11.♟xb5 was refuted in Sudan–Gallagher, Geneva 1993 with 11...♟a5+ 12.♟c3 c4! when White loses a piece) 11...c4 12.dxc4 dxc4 13.♟xd8+ ♟xd8! ♣.

6...♟ge7 7.d3 0-0 8.♟e1 d5

Irakli prefers this slower system, although Black's resources are adequate here as well. The more commonly played line 9.♟b3 ♟d4 10.♟xd4 cxd4 11.♟e2 a5 12.a4 dxe4 13.dxe4 d3!? 14.♟c3 ♟c6 was seen in was seen in Badjarani–Akopian, Dubai 1999, with better chances for Black, who went on to win.

9.exd5 exd5 10.♟b3 ♟e8= 11.♟h4!? ♟e6

Black prepares for ...♟f5 and completes his queenside development at the same time.

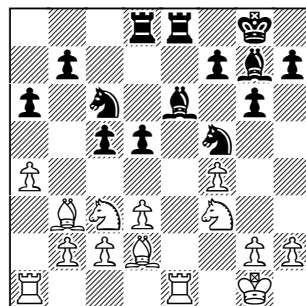
12.♟e1

In an earlier round I played 12.♟g5 h6 13.♟xe6 fxe6 14.♟e1 ♟f5 15.♟xd8 ♟axd8 16.♟d2 a6 with a small edge to Black. I later got the advantage, but in time pressure had to take a draw.

12...♟f5 13.♟xd8 ♟axd8 14.♟d2 a6

Black is a bit better after 14...♟fd4 since White's pieces are passive and 15.♟xd5? ♟xb3! doesn't work.

15.a4?!



The sharp try 15.♟xd5!? ♟cd4! 16.♟xd4 ♟xd4 17.♟c7 ♟xb3 18.axb3 ♟xb2 19.♟xe8 ♟xa1 20.♟xa1 ♟xe8 looks about equal.

15...♟fd4! 16.♟xd4 ♟xd4 17.♟ad1

The alternative 17.♟ac1 leads to 17...♟xb3 18.cxb3 ♟f5 19.♟xe8+ ♟xe8 20.♟xd5 ♟xb2 21.♟e1 ♟xe1+ 22.♟xe1 ♟xd3 ♣.

17...♟xb3 18.cxb3 d4! 19.♟e4 ♟xb3 20.♟c1 ♟xa4 21.♟xc5 ♟xe1+ 22.♟xe1 ♟c8 23.♟d2 ♟b5! ♣

Black wants to exchange his ♟b7 for White's ♟d3 in order to increase his central control and take advantage of the passed d/♟.

24.♟xb7?

Despite his troubles, White may hold on with 24.♟f2 ♟f8 (24...b6 25.♟b3!) 25.♟b3! (of course not 25.b4? ♟xc5 26.bxc5 ♟xd3) since after 25...♟xc1 (withdrawing concedes the c-file to White) 26.♟xc1 defends ♟d3.

24...♟xc1+ 25.♟xc1 ♟xd3 26.♟f2 f5 27.b4 ♟f7 28.♟b2 ♟b5 29.♟d6+?

White is clearly in trouble, but better here is 29.♟c5.

29...♟e6 30.♟xb5 cxb5 31.♟e2?

This mistake loses immediately, but after 31.♟e1 ♟d5 32.♟d2 ♟c4 Black also wins easily.

31...d3+

I really enjoyed the opportunity to play two games in this Ontario U10 championship event with Irakli, who is currently Canada's top rated U10 player. I would also like to express my thanks to my coach, Frank Dixon, for his guidance over the past few months.

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Rep: Dilip Panjwani



NB

New Brunswick

Fredericton Snowflea II

Steve Saunders won the event with 4.5/5 points, followed by Jonathan MacDonald, Richard Bowes, Bob Larmer and Yvon Leger in a tie for second at 3.5/5. Top U1600 was shared among Raymond Doucette, Miguel Pelletier, James Livingstone, Eric Tremblay, Justin Deveau, and David Taylor with 2.5/5 scores. The latter three also won Top U1400.

TD/Org/Rep: Chris Maund

Saint John Easter Open

Most of the participants had originally planned to participate in the New Brunswick Closed, but since that event was scuttled at the last minute, an unusually strong Open tournament resulted.

Julian Bermejo took first with half a point to spare, despite suffering his

first loss in Canada to none other than Jonathan MacDonald. Second place and Most Improved prizes were split by **Neil Davis** and **Ronak Kapadia** 3.5/5.

Org: Richard Bowes; TD/Rep: Fred McKim



PE

Prince Edward Island

Prince Edward Island Championship

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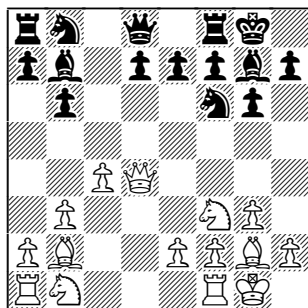
Anthony Howarth

Howarth, Anthony
Gulati, Justin

PEI ch (1), 2000

English: Symmetrical A30

1.♟f3 b6 2.g3 ♘b7 3.♙g2 ♜f6
4.O-O g6 5.b3 ♙g7 6.♘b2 O-O
7.c4 c5 8.d4 cxd4 9.♙xd4



9...♜h5?!

A dubious decision. Black exchanges his dark squared bishop for no good reason, and in the process misplaces his knight. Better is 9...d6 followed by 10...♜bd7 while 9...♜c6 is met by 10.♙f4 or 10.♙h4.

10.♙d2 ♙xb2 11.♙xb2 ♜f6
12.♙d1 d6 13.♜c3 ♜bd7
14.♙d4!?

White plans not only to double rooks on the d-file, but wants to make his rook available for potential transfer to the kingside along the fourth rank.

14...♜c5 15.♙ad1 a6

This dainty move accomplishes little. Maybe 15...♜e6 is better, when I was looking forward to some fun with the impulsive 16.♙h4?

16.♜g5!?

I wanted a wholesale exchange of minor pieces on e4, when the build-up ♙d2, ♙h4, ♙h6 is a serious threat, especially if Black can be provoked into a weakening of his kingside with ...h6.

16...♙xg2 17.♙xg2 ♜e6

This unnecessarily creates a weakness for White to focus on.

18.♜xe6

An interesting sacrificial idea is 18.♜ge4 ♜xd4! (better 18...♜xe4) 19.♜xf6+ exf6 20.♙xd4 with tremendous pressure for White, who plans ♜d5 and ♙f4 next.

18...fxe6 19.♜e4

White threatens to tie his opponent to the defense of square e6 with 20.♜g5 and is not worried about exchanging the last pair of minor pieces, as he has plenty of targets in Black's assorted pawn weaknesses.

19...♜xe4?!

Better is 19...e5 20.♜xf6 ♙xf6 21.♙e4 with two extra tempi for Black.

[White's assessment of the position in the last note is perhaps a little too optimistic. In exchange for his pawn weaknesses Black can make use of the long diagonal via ...♙d7-c6, as well as the half-open f-file for counterplay with his rooks. And an exchange of queens on d5 after Black has played ...e5 leads to an endgame that offers nothing to White. The only reason Black gets into trouble later is because of an ill-conceived maneuver that misplaces his queen's rook, and his failure to activate his queen. **Ed.]**

20.♙xe4 ♙f6 21.♙d4

White brings the queen to a more active square and plans ♙e3 under the right circumstances.

21...♙c8 22.h4

The alternative 22.♙e3 ♙f7 23.♙h6 ♙h8 does not look like much of an improvement. After the text White plans ♙g4, h5, and ♙h1.

22...♙c5 23.b4 ♙cf5

This idea doesn't amount to much after White cramps the rook with his next move.

24.f3 h5 25.g4 hxg4 26.♙xg4 e5?!

Black weakens the light squares at the wrong time and opens the position for White's more active pieces.

27.♙d5+ ♙h7 28.♙b7!

Not played with pawn pinching in mind. The main point to this move is the pin on Black's ♙/e7 together with the threat to advance White's c/♙.

28...♙f4??

The beginning of the end.

29.♙xf4 ♙xf4 30.c5

White threatens 31...♙xd6.

30...bxc5 31.bxc5 ♙d4

Black can try 31...♙h6 but 32.c6 ♙c4 33.♙d7 ♙b8 (on 33...♙b6 34.♙e8 wins) 34.♙xe7 ♙xc6 35.h5! ♙c7 36.♙f6 ♙g7 37.♙e6! with a clear advantage to White.

32.♙xd4 exd4 33.c6 1-0.



NS

Nova Scotia

Lunenburg County Championship

Glenn Charlton of Halifax won the Lunenburg County Championship for the second time, ahead of **Jim Mathers** of Halifax County. In the U1800 Section Jason Mercer of Lunenburg County tied with Phil Boyle and Robin Lindsay of Halifax for first, while young Curtis Roberts took the U1400 prize.

TD/Org/Rep: Steve Saunders

Atlantic Native Closed

After the delegation from Eskasoni failed to show, only six players came out to contest for the title and the privilege of hosting the event for the year 2001. **Gilbert Bernard** of Waycobah First Nation went undefeated to score 4.5/5, yielding only a draw to 1998 winner Gary Phillips of Dartmouth, and finishing ahead of defending champion, Fred Phillips Jr. of Annapolis Valley First Nation. See you next year!

Rep: Gilbert Bernard

Olympic Fund Update

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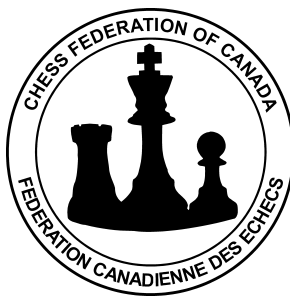
At last year's Canadian Open in Vancouver, the organizers decided to collect \$1.50 from every entry as a contribution to the Olympic Fund, thus presenting the CFC with a much appreciated donation of nearly \$300.

It was their hope to set an example for other organizers and other events to follow suit in helping raise much needed revenues for our Olympic program, and we plan to publish the names of the organizers and events that do so in future editions of the magazine.

Thank You!

Every two years the Chess Federation of Canada sends our very best players to represent Canada at the Chess Olympiad. Among all of the national and international events funded by the CFC each and every year, this is the most prestigious and by far the most expensive. The Olympiad is frequently hosted in distant locales, and thus funding travel expenses for our teams represents a considerable burden for such a small organization.

We can all be proud of our successes at the Olympiads, and we should also be grateful to those individuals who have lent their support by making a donation to our Olympic Fund. It is with your help that we are able to continue to fund our international participation and programs!

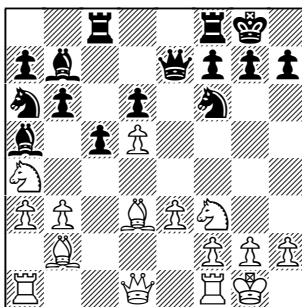


**Lesiege, Alexandre
Sokolov, Ivan**

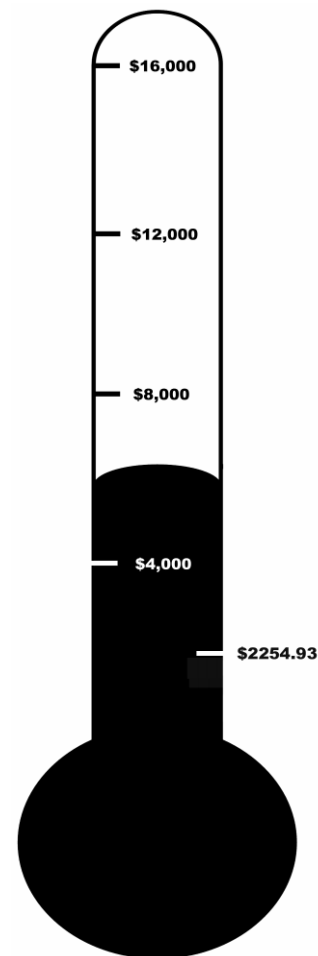
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Queen's Indian E43

1.d4 ♘f6 2.c4 e6 3.♘c3 ♙b4 4.e3
b6 5.♙d3 ♙b7 6.♘f3 0-0 7.0-0 c5
8.♘a4 ♘a6 9.a3 ♙a5 10.b3 ♖e7
11.♙b2 ♞ac8 12.d5 exd5 13.cxd5
d6



14.♘h4 ♘xd5 15.♘f5 ♖g5 16.h4
♖xg2+ 17.♖xg2 ♘xe3+ 18.♖h2
♘xd1 19.♞axd1 1-0.



Top Rating Lists

These lists include current members that have been rated in a CFC event within the last twelve months

Top Canadians

1. Spraggett, Kevin	ON	2653
2. Lesiege, Alexandre	PQ	2615
3. Teplitsky, Yan	ON	2546
4. Nickoloff, Bryon	ON	2514
5. Linskiy, Oleg	PQ	2506
6. Hergott, Deen	ON	2494
7. Livshits, Ron	ON	2494
8. Hebert, Jean	PQ	2491
9. Cummings, David	ON	2467
10. Day, Lawrence	ON	2459
11. Zugic, Igor	ON	2453
12. Schulte, Oliver	AB	2453
13. O'Donnell, Tom	ON	2449
14. Yoos, John C.	BC	2446
15. Teodoro IV, Eduardo D.	ON	2441
16. Ross, David	PQ	2439
17. Duong, Thanh Nha	PQ	2433
18. Schleifer, Michael	PQ	2433
19. Pelts, Roman	ON	2433
20. Mikanovic, Goran	PQ	2420
21. Khassanov, Marat	PQ	2413
22. Milicevic, Goran	ON	2412
23. Hamilton, Robert	ON	2397
24. Gravel, Simon	PQ	2392
25. Basanta, Gary	BC	2389
26. Allan, Denis	ON	2386
27. Charbonneau, Pascal	PQ	2379
28. Berry, Jonathan	BC	2378
29. Spraggett, Grant	ON	2378
30. Levitchouk, George	PQ	2373
31. Leveille, Francois	PQ	2368
32. Hua, Lefong	PQ	2368
33. Lipnowski, Irwin	MB	2361
34. Milat, Marcel	BC	2357
35. Djerkovic, Miladin	ON	2355
36. Ochkoos, Jura	ON	2355
37. Gusinjac, Gzim	ON	2353
38. Taylor, Gordon	ON	2353
39. Olszewski, Piotr	ON	2352
40. Ristic, Nenad	AB	2346
41. Milicevic, Dragoljub	BC	2345
42. Fuentesbella, Mayo	BC	2344
43. Bermejo, Julian	NB	2343
44. Pacey, Kevin	ON	2341
45. Reeve, Jeff	PQ	2338
46. Glinert, Stephen	ON	2338
47. Valdizon, Armando	ON	2337
48. Fullbrook, Nigel	AB	2337
49. Teichmann, Erik	NS	2336
50. Pushkedra, Frank	ON	2335
51. Crisan, Ioan	ON	2332
52. Sasata, Robert	SK	2330
53. Gentes, Kevin	MB	2330
54. Filipovich, David	ON	2328
55. Huber, Gregory	AB	2324
56. Goldenberg, Danny	PQ	2321
57. Kiviah, Robert	ON	2321
58. Williams, Paul D.	ON	2317
59. Dougherty, Michael	ON	2315
60. South, Robert	AB	2312
61. Baiguilaine, Ilias	ON	2310
62. Vujic, Branimir	ON	2310
63. Neven, Knut	SK	2309
64. Gardner, Robert J.	AB	2305
65. Odachowski, Arthur	AB	2304
66. Mitrovic, Milan	ON	2303

67. Saleh, Maher	ON	2302
68. Moffat, Andrei	ON	2302
69. Scoones, Dan	BC	2302
70. Peredun, Andrew	ON	2301
71. Storey, Carl	BC	2300

Top FIDE

1. Lesiege, Alexandre	PQ	2582
2. Spraggett, Kevin	ON	2529
3. Hebert, Jean	PQ	2462
4. Kapetanovic, Armin	ON	2449
5. Teplitsky, Yan	ON	2442
6. Marantz, Michael	ON	2420
7. Suttles, Duncan	BC	2420
8. Nickoloff, Bryon	ON	2420
9. Pelts, Roman	ON	2417
10. Linskiy, Oleg	PQ	2412
11. Yanofsky, Abe	MB	2410
12. Hartman, Brian	ON	2405
13. Teodoro IV, Eduardo D.	ON	2401
14. Zugic, Igor	ON	2396
15. Hergott, Deen	ON	2390
16. Alipayo, Rodolfo	ON	2380
17. Duong, Thanh Nha	PQ	2380
18. Yoos, John C.	BC	2371
19. Ross, David	PQ	2368
20. Cummings, David	ON	2367
21. Barbeau, Sylvain	PQ	2365
22. MacPhail, John	ON	2365
23. Teichmann, Erik	NS	2365
24. O'Donnell, Tom	ON	2362
25. Schleifer, Michael	PQ	2360

Top Women

1. Belc, Daniela	ON	2194
2. Bryskine, Marina	ON	2118
3. Charest, Johanne	PQ	2111
4. Mitrovic, Bojana	ON	2079
5. Chu, Stefanie	ON	2076
6. Leger, Manon	PQ	2035
7. Shishkina, Olya	ON	2026
8. Apostolov, Penka	PQ	2022
9. Chiroiu, Patricia	ON	2002
10. Kagramanov, Dina	ON	1991

Top U20

1. Zugic, Igor	19	ON	2453
2. Charbonneau, Pascal	17	PQ	2379
3. Hua, Lefong	18	PQ	2368
4. Glinert, Stephen	16	ON	2338
5. Goldenberg, Danny	20	PQ	2321
6. Peredun, Andrew	20	ON	2301
7. Golts, Roman	18	ON	2291
8. Bluvshstein, Mark	12	ON	2282
9. Vaingorten, Yaaqov	19	ON	2253
10. Voloaca, Mihnea	19	ON	2237

Top U18

1. Charbonneau, Pascal	17	PQ	2379
2. Hua, Lefong	18	PQ	2368
3. Glinert, Stephen	16	ON	2338
4. Golts, Roman	18	ON	2291
5. Bluvshstein, Mark	12	ON	2282
6. Gurevich, Artem	17	ON	2231

7. Divljan, Igor	14	ON	2229
8. Hacat, Kevork	17	ON	2212

Top U16

1. Glinert, Stephen	16	ON	2338
2. Bluvshstein, Mark	12	ON	2282
3. Divljan, Igor	14	ON	2229
4. Reddy, Tyler	16	NS	2185
5. Xu, Sheng-Jun	16	ON	2154
6. Gottlieb, Jonathan	16	PQ	2143
7. Rolfe, Warrick	16	ON	2139
8. Zambo, Viktor	15	ON	2132

Top U14

1. Bluvshstein, Mark	12	ON	2282
2. Divljan, Igor	14	ON	2229
3. Gushuliak, Justin	13	MB	2097
4. Roussel-Roozmon, T.	12	PQ	2088
5. Predescu, Sebastian	12	ON	2062
6. Buscar, Michael	13	ON	2061
7. Wang, Hao Yuan	14	ON	2055
8. Kagramanov, Dina	14	ON	1991

Top U12

1. Bluvshstein, Mark	12	ON	2282
2. Roussel-Roozmon, T.	12	PQ	2088
3. Predescu, Sebastian	12	ON	2062
4. Vadachkoriya, Irakli	10	ON	1796
5. Roncal, Justin	12	ON	1760
6. Peterson, James	10	BC	1753
7. Davies, Lucas	12	BC	1742
8. Goutor, Valentina	11	BC	1689

Top U10

1. Vadachkoriya, Irakli	10	ON	1796
2. Peterson, James	10	BC	1753
3. Jacobs, Chaim-Akiva	10	ON	1606
4. Smith, Hazel	9	ON	1501
5. Davies, Noam	9	BC	1473
6. Sviridovitch, Alina	8	ON	1411
7. Hier, David	6	ON	1410
8. Dembowsky, Mitchell	9	ON	1398

Top Active Ratings

1. Teplitsky, Yan	ON	2576
2. Nickoloff, Bryon	ON	2535
3. Day, Lawrence	ON	2504
4. Schleifer, Michael	PQ	2495
5. Livshits, Ron	ON	2445
6. Teodoro IV, Eduardo D.	ON	2402
7. Milicevic, Goran	ON	2400
8. Basanta, Gary	BC	2386
9. Dougherty, Michael	ON	2368
10. Mitrovic, Milan	ON	2367
11. McTavish, David	ON	2360
12. Crisan, Ioan	ON	2358
13. Allan, Denis	ON	2341
14. Zugic, Igor	ON	2320
15. Ochkoos, Jura	ON	2303
16. Huber, Gregory	AB	2303
17. Fullbrook, Nigel	AB	2292

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Regular Ratings

Alberta				
CFC#	Name	Rtg	High	
127463	Alarakya, Kaiz	600	7	
127464	Alarakya, Raia	501		
102887	Alderton, Peter	1585	1762	
103801	Anderson, John	1674	1730	
123306	Anderson, Ashton	1834	1839	
120610	Belleau, David	1882	1929	
103443	Bentley, Bill	1903	2000	
104584	Bjornson, Jonathan	1582	1671	
121267	Bow, Shandy	xxxx	21	
120375	Booths, Ted	xxxx	1682	
102719	Butendyk, Theo	1701	1703	
125876	Campbell, John	1425	9	
127472	Carr, Stephen	934	4	
127473	Carr, David	614		
108292	Chi, Jonathan	1239	1239	
102956	Chiba, James	1750	1671	
112298	Chukma, Colin	1774	1851	
125761	Clark, Casey	1633	16	
120745	Clark, Alan	2002	2026	
101228	Climenhaga, Harold	1938	1995	
125775	Cole, Mark	1287	16	
105066	Daniuk, Jim	2088	2193	
109618	Davies, Robert	1681	1748	
121149	Dean, Tim	1853	1963	
106163	Deimert, Eloy	1713	1729	
123560	Deimert, Cor	1582	1813	
108124	Dewindt, Cor	1582	1813	
127391	Dodds, Mike	1361	9	
121620	Eshleman, Lucas	600	7	
121190	Eshleman, Brandon	1277	1328	
127462	Fernandes, Laurin	300	7	
102103	Flemming, James	2002	2056	
103643	Fullbrook, Nigel	2337	2373	
108323	Gardner, Robert J.	2305	2373	
127205	Giesbrecht, Garry	1136	9	
103563	Gomboc, Dave	1991	2144	
102428	Gomes, Alan	1946	1973	
112476	Haessler, Dale	2245	2310	
105644	Hansen, Steve	1766	1855	
122495	Haynes, Nicolas	1835	1835	
121097	Hinds, Riana	1295	1331	
106102	Hinds, Dr. Ronald	2049	2100	
109674	Huber, Gregory	2324	2385	
109502	Hughey, Micah	2061	2133	
121765	Jeserich, Tobias	1636	1741	
110040	Johnson, Dean	1557	1557	
127504	Juke, Jason	1449	4	
127461	Kaminski, Victor	501	7	
122426	Kazakevich, Alexander	1773	1794	
121625	Kazakevich, Anastasia	1668	1668	
101953	Kuczaj, Chris	2075	2111	
127128	Kuwar, Martin	xxxx	9	
125942	Lacroix, Peter	1404	1433	
102095	Lactin, Derek	1705	1720	
121783	Lapides, Paul	1636	1753	
122675	Lapides, Andrew	2272	2326	
105577	Lateralwald, Phil	1524	1600	
103595	Lefkowitz, Kurt	1731	1800	
127465	Lies, Michael	200	4	
103945	Lovi, Aaron	1708	1806	
127470	Lowry, William	419	5	
107443	Ludwig, David	1671	1700	
111831	Luyben, Norm	1676	1753	
124765	Macdonald, Asher	1546	16	
101115	Macfarlane, Don	1428	1570	
111989	Macfie, Bob	1627	1738	
110787	MacInnis, John	1710	1738	
110784	Matlin, Keith	1514	1514	
125092	Matias, Mark	1147	2	
120785	Mazurek, Andrew	1799	14	
106162	McGinnis, Paul T.	1666	1666	
101022	McKay, Tom	1690	1697	
120092	McMaster, Carolyn	1600	1630	
122547	Miller, Brian	1893	1909	
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108506	Naish, Scott	1765	1692	127606	Produnak, John	580	5	123780	Sol, Young	xxxx	20	111795	Van Adel, Steven	1992	2145	127513	MacLeod, Nicholas	375	5
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125451	Parra, Victor	xxxx	14
110740	Percecovich, Jonathan	xxxx	23
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122023	Ramaswamy, Kishor	1525	23
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125448	Rodriguez, Aaron	xxxx	9
122701	Rousseau-Rozoom, T.	2088	2088
127197	Safar, Daniel	927	5
126803	Scantland, Patrick	1650	1650
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107078	Senecal, Jean-Pierre	1603	1817
111541	Soudre, Nicolas	xxxx	2183
104735	St Pierre, Benoit	xxxx	16
125745	Strassman, Swante	2088	18
123738	Tessier-Desrosiers, O.	xxxx	24
102205	Thibault, Milor	1877	1978
110232	Trotter, Julie	1918	1918
112806	Van Dusen, Eric	1908	1942

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108707	Knapper, Brian	2050	2067

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104564	Farley, Dr. Rawle	1828	1935
123331	Fernandez, Lorenzo	1842	1842
123330	Fernandez, Daniel	xxxx	2242
103437	Gustafson, Dale	1970	2031
120055	Hathaway, John	2129	18
101337	Imai, Toshio	1652	1807
110329	Morabito, Matthew	1869	2003
123157	Pratt, Donald	1768	1768
123169	Winns, Michael	2078	11

Regular Events

200005065	Ontario High School Ch.	40
200005064	Ontario High School Ch. Int.	85
200005063	Ontario High School Ch. Beg.	87
200005062	London Spring Thunder	2
200005061	Wiseman vs Tsui	15
200005060	Charlottetown Open Junior	18
200005059	Charlottetown Open	15
200005058	Charlottetown Open matches	4
200005057	Burns Lake Adult	11
200005056	Brantford Open 2000	23
200005055	Amrior Open	30
200005054	Scarborough May Youth	14
200005053	Scarborough Thursday Spring	36
200005052	Scar Joint Players Choice RR	6
200005051	St Bernard School CC	28
200005050	Weston Club Championship	4
200005049	Sudbury Quad A	4
200005048	Easton Open	14
200005047	Alberta Womens Championship	19
200005046	Alberta Womens Club	6
200005045	Alberta Closed Championship	8
200005044	South Fraser Valley Grade 8	12
200005043	South Fraser Valley Grade 9	9
200005042	South Fraser Valley Grade 12	5
200005041	South Fraser Valley Grade 11	12
200005040	South Fraser Valley Grade 10	6
200005039	London Spring Swiss	10
200005038	Cambridge Open	10
200005037	Cambridge Open U1700	7
200005036	Spring Fever Saturday Swiss	13
200005035	Bathurst vs Saint John Match	11
200005034	BC Open	29
200005033	BC Closed	10
200005032	Durham Spring Break 2000	16
200005031	DCC Spring Wednesday Swiss	32
200005028	April TNT	10
200005025	John Easter Open	9
200005024	Eastler 4 x 4	14
200005023	2000 Toronto Open Under 2100	27
200005022	2000 Toronto Open Under 1900	31
200005021	2000 Toronto Open Under 1700	21
200005020	2000 Toronto Open Under 1500	22
200005019	2000 Toronto Open Ch.	46
200005018	RA April Tandem Swiss	29
200005017	Pawn Storm 2000	8
200005016	BCIT Wed April 2000	20
200005015	Bluenose CC Winter Sect. A	6
200005014	TSSCL High School	18
200005013	Hamilton PreEaster	21
200005012	PBO YMCA CC Championship	7
200005011	North Shore Open	11
200005010	CYCC NB Provincial U18	2
200005009	CYCC NB Provincial U16	5
200005008	CYCC NB Provincial U14	12
200005007	CYCC NB Provincial U12	8
200005006	CYCC NB Provincial U10	17
200005005	CYCC Qualifier Chatham Kent	6
200005004	UBC Tuesday Night Mar Apr	14
200005003	RA Spring Frost	44
200005002	Guelph Spring Open Addendum	3
200005001	March of Kings	23
200004133	Victoria Spring Open	13
200004132	Guelph Under 2000	17
200004131	Guelph Under 1700	18
200004130	Guelph Spring Open	10
200004129	Rouge Valley CCC Group B	10
200004128	Calgary Club Championships	23
200004127	Surrey Open	20
200004126	CYCC PEI Ch. U18 Playoff	2
200004125	CYCC PEI Ch. U10 match	2
200004124	Ch. Invitation de Montreal	8
200004123	Tooks April Junior	10
200004122	M Elbridge vs B Armstrong	2
200004121	Lunenburg Ch. U1800	11
200004120	Lunenburg Championship Open	10
200004119	London April Junior	8
200004118	CYCC PEI Prov Champ U18	3
200004117	CYCC PEI Prov Champ U14	8
200004116	CYCC PEI Prov Champ U12	11
200004115	CYCC PEI Prov Champ U10	2
200004114	CYCC Calgary Qual U14	5
200004113	CYCC Calgary Qual U12	6
200004112	CYCC Calgary Qual U10	8
200004111	CYCC BC Provincial Champ U18	5

200004110	CYCC BC Provincial Champ U16	13
200004109	CYCC BC Provincial Champ U14	18
200004108	CYCC BC Provincial Champ U12	26
200004107	CYCC BC Provincial Champ U10	28
200004106	BCIT Wednesday Nite March	17
200004105	Edmonton CC March Open	25
200004104	NW Ontario Closed	6
200004103	CYCC Kamloops Qualifier	6
200004102	Rouge Valley CCC Group A	8
200004101	Dieppe Bathurst 2nd Round	10
200004099	Dave Clarkson Saint John Open	9
200004098	CYCC Scarborough Qual U16/18	7
200004097	CYCC Scarborough Qual U14	7
200004096	CYCC Scarborough Qual U12	15
200004095	CYCC Scarborough Qual U10	12
200004094	SJCC Class Tourm Playoff B	2
200004093	SJCC Class Tourm Playoff A	2
200004092	March TNT	11
200004091	Wilson vs Marks	20
200004090	SJCC Class Tournament Sec 4	4
200004089	SJCC Class Tournament Sec 3	9
200004088	SJCC Class Tournament Sec 2	8
200004087	SJCC Class Tournament Sec 1	8
200004086	Scarborough Millennium Swiss	30
200004085	Halifax Open	19
200004084	Halifax Open U1800	8
200004083	Scarborough Youth 8	10
200004082	St John vs Fredericton	10
200004081	Cole Harbour High School	9
200004080	Cole Harbour Elementary	17
200004079	March Swiss	8
200004078	Durham Winter 2000	16
200004077	PEI March Break Finals Quad C	4
200004076	PEI March Break Finals Quad B	4
200004075	PEI March Break Finals Quad A	4
200004074	Championnat du C E Hull	6
200004073	RA Spring Open Extra Games	4
200004072	PEI March Break Prelim Quad C	4
200004071	PEI March Break Prelim Quad B	4
200004070	PEI March Break Prelim Quad A	4
200004069	Vancouver Spring Open	20
200004068	RA Spring Open	18
200004067	RA Spring Open U2100	18
200004066	RA Spring Open U1850	20
200004065	RA Spring Open U1600	12
200004064	CRCC 2000 1	12
200004063	London Championship Sec C	9
200004062	London Championship Sec B	9
200004061	London Championship Sec A	9
200004060	Campus View Intermediate	19
200004059	Campus View Advanced	19
200004058	Cabin Fever Wed Swiss	20
200004057	Calgary Closed Champ Sec 5	6
200004056	Calgary Closed Champ Sec 4	6
200004055	Calgary Closed Champ Sec 3	8
200004054	Calgary Closed Champ Sec 2	8
200004053	Calgary Closed Champ Sec 1	8
200004052	Snowflie 2	19
200004051	Doucet vs Duivenvoorden	28
200004050	Trevors vs King	4
200004049	Last Moncton Winter	19
200004048	BCIT Wed Night Feb Mar	16
200004047	UBC Tues Night Feb	16
200004046	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 9	5
200004045	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 8	5
200004044	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 7	5
200004043	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 6	23
200004042	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 5	23
200004041	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 4	32
200004040	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 3	21
200004039	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 2	17
200004038	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 1	12
200004037	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 12	11
200004036	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 11	11
200004035	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 10	4
200004034	Vancouver Chess Chall. Gr 9	19
200004033	Deep Freeze Open	18
200004032	CYCC Quebec Prov Ch. U18	8
200004031	CYCC Quebec Prov Ch. U16	8
200004030	CYCC Quebec Prov Ch. U14	5
200004029	CYCC Quebec Prov Ch. U12	6
200004028	CYCC Quebec Prov Ch. U10	6
200004027	Atlantic Native Closed	6
200004026	Sudbury Quad 2	4
200004025	March Break Tournament	8
200004024	Fraser Valley Chess Chall. Gr 7	19
200004023	Fraser Valley Chess Chall. Gr 6	20
200004022	Fraser Valley Chess Chall. Gr 5	26
200004021	Fraser Valley Chess Chall. Gr 4	29
200004020	Fraser Valley Chess Chall. Gr 3	9
200004019	Fraser Valley Chess Chall. Gr 2	8
200004018	Fraser Valley Chess Chall. Gr 1	5
200004017	Fraser Valley Chess Chall. Gr 1	5
200004016	Fraser Valley Chess Chall. Gr 1	5
200004015	Last Chance	4
200004014	Peel Chess Club Champ	2
200004013	Kilton vs Gentles	2
200004012	New Millennium U1700	5
200004011	Edmonton Reserves	16
200004010	Edmonton Closed	16
200004009	Northern Alberta Open	28
200004008	CYCC Duncan U14	2
200004007	CYCC Duncan U12	9
200004006	CYCC Duncan U10	6
200004005	CYCC NW Ontario Qual U18	17
200004004	CYCC NW Ontario Qual U16	38
200004003	CYCC NW Ontario Qual U14	95
200004002	CYCC NW Ontario Qual U12	30
200004001	CYCC NW Ontario Qual U10	30
200003057	Windsor March Swiss	7

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103801	Anderson, John	1623	6
125093	Bell, John	772	12
102375	Borowski, Ted	xxxx	1609
122776	Boyd, Doug	1547	1551
102719	Butendyk, Theo	1571	17
126458	Burak, Sophia	xxxx	13
101519	Campbell, Stephen	1369	1531
120411	Canal, Richard	1639	1650
108292	Chi, Jonathan	1226	1327
112298	Chrumka, Colin	1713	1828
107487	Day, Jonathan	1764	24
121149	Dean, Tim	1768	24
127207	deMoissac, Marcel	599	9
127206	deMoissac, Matt	622	10

108124	Dewindt, Cor	1559	1600
103726	Doo, Alvin	1614	1614
121190	Eshlamer, Brandon	1600	1427
103643	Filbrook, Nigel	2292	2315
121636	Gallusha, Robert	1756	1756
127637	Gitterman, Daniel	xxxx	5
123872	Hudson, Richard	xxxx	1458
109502	Huehly, Micah	1847	24
121765	Jeserich, Tobias	1625	15
121625	Kazakevich, Anastasia	1400	1400
125235	Krasek, Mirol	1307	11
124459	Kucharski, Evan	xxxx	710
125942	Lacroix, Peter	1519	9
121303	Li, Zhuoran	1396	1402
123462	Lui, Matthew	1099	1099
121931	Lybden, Noman	1601	1736
121917	Martin, Charles	1231	1
120785	Mazurek, Andrew	1803	1803
125668	McDonald, Luke J.	651	651
121022	McKay, Tom	1627	1705
106147	Merali, Alim	1358	1358
102547	Merrill, Brian	1631	1667
101874	Milne, Arthur	1932	2127
123323	Milward, Dave	1623	1623
127494	Molavi, Bob	1589	10
121343	Ng, Mitchell	xxxx	1065
126459	Ng, Myron	xxxx	14
120812	Nobleman, Josh	xxxx	1060
120671	Nystrom, Kurtis	1981	2100
104728	Ottosen, David	1995	1995
127551	Pat, Matthew	1091	5
125943	Rack, Dawn	1116	8
125942	Shukuda, Jason	926	926
127190	Smorshchok, Daniel	742	14
101473	Thompson, Kevin	1653	1653
114133	Van Ieperen, Taco	1855	1900
105520	Verlik, Val	1566	1637
127208	Wang, Amanda	555	14
121618	Ward, Kevin	1633	1633
123461	Williamson, Ben	973	973
124417	Wu, Douglas	xxxx	1662
126101	Yngvason, Daniel	421	16

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122210	Alipour, Iraj	1420	16
126653	Alipour Birgani, Farhad	1474	5
126652	Alipour Birgani, Farokh	1755	7
122964	Armatage, Kyle	918	941
124220	Aylward, Zachary	xxxx	4
100238	Barnes, Mark	1576	1633
120237	Basanta, Gary	2386	2403
124308	Bates, Darren	1416	10
124072	Batisse, Norman	960	9
124355	Beddoes, Richard	1665	3
120651	Bosse, Marc	1443	7
120552	Carlisle, Michael	1867	1867
126033	Chiang, Berthold	1360	20
106001	Chranowski, Rick	1930	1955
125947	Chu, Jimmy	1249	5
126424	Deline, Toni	1803	1808
104911	Feng, Jason	1645	1700
123040	Forman, Ken	1428	18
121234	Fowler, Stephen	1401	1401
111013	Gemmell, Ian	xxxx	3
125089	German, Wade	1054	5
110906	Goldstein, R	1853	5
101879	Hallam, John	2195	2195
103261	Hamanishi, Neils	1658	1774
125609	Hajaks, Aleksandr	1976	5
123793	Jiang, Xin	1782	5
120077	Jose, Mariorito	1746	1772
127561	Jung, Mike	xxxx	5
123041	Kerry, James	1701	11
106295	Keshet, Joshua	1632	1643
126308	Landers, Dale	1259	6
123876	Le, Jamie	242	242
126467	Ledwith, Philip	1633	3
106064	Lee, Jason	1501	1501
108084	Lester-Smith, Stephen	1073	5
126516	Manrique, Joel	1472	10
101550	Medalen, David	1570	1572
120075	Milicevic, Dragoljub	2078	2172
123881	Miller, Rene	456	456
110536	Miller, Amy-Marie	1012	18
126395	Molloy, Dimitri	1581	1581
106767	Monteith, Don	1682	1652
122396	Morgan, Steven	1569	15
120059	Nguyn, Vinh	594	594
100318	Niksic, John	1998	17
127151	Parchomchuk, Jason	200	6
125408	Pearce, Kenneth	963	3
123885	Posselt, Marc	200	200
111132	Remedios, Russell	1868	1884
106541	Sadoway, Steven	1894	1894
122021	Saunders, Dan	2200	2195
103873	Seid, Hee	2036	2196
126515	Shirazi, Ali	1422	10
123432	Sokourinsky, Sergei	2063	15
102833	Spears, Nicholas	2112	2200
110554	Stanford, Mike	1645	1645
120436	Sum, Peter	1224	16
123723	Tang, Edward	1587	10
100325	Taylor, James	1629	24
107829	Taylor, Nicholas	1854	17
120079	Turgeon, Guy	1776	6
126317	Vanderleeden, Han	1478	4
126137	Whitwell, Adam	381	18
123863	Wilson, Scott	993	9
105433	Wu, Howard	xxxx	2001

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107246	Arsenault, Normand	1476	1554
100253	Burn, Jacques	1629	1772
123224	Dejuge, Benoit	1169	1176
105843	Grover, Brian	1620	1620
107785	Haggarty, Don	935	935
121367	Johnson, Ghislaine	1138	1175
120429	Johnson, Kyle	1516	1550
126076	Johnson, Serge	859	12
121684	Laforest, Gilles	1347	1407
104837	Riordon, Jason	1682	1682
126348	Robichaud, Martin	1660	1660
120994	Robinson, Nick	1362	20
104629	Woodman, George	1730	1826