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BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #140

Your editor welcomes any and all submissions - news of upcoming events, tournament reports, and anything else that might be of interest to B.C. players. Thanks to all who contributed to this issue.

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Stephen Wright

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HERE AND THERE

Estonian Championship (March 29 - April 4)

WFM Valeriya Gansvind, co-winner of last year's Jack Taylor Memorial, is qualified for and will presumably play in the finals of the Estonian Women's Championship which begins on Saturday. Further details (for those with a better command of the Estonian language than I have) and potential web coverage at

<http://www.maleliit.ee/index.php?newlang=english>

VICTORIA CHESS FESTIVAL (March 21-24)

The 2008 Victoria Chess Festival comprised three events:

The Grand Pacific Scholastic Chess Tournament; a 5-round Active Swiss in 3 sections for Juniors.
The Grand Pacific Open; the main event. A 6 round FIDE & CFC rated Swiss with a \$2000 guaranteed prize fund.
Open Bughouse Tournament; aka Siamese chess.

In addition, a lecture on Saturday by FM Bindi Cheng was part of the Festival.

Attendance at the Festival exceeded expectations with eighty-three players in the main event, double last year's attendance.

Winners in the main event, the Grand Pacific Open, were:

1st FM Bindi Cheng with 6 points receiving a trophy, \$500, and the qualifying spot for the BC Closed.
2nd (on tiebreak) Roger Patterson with 5 points receiving a trophy and \$200.
3rd-4th FM David R. Bragg and Noam Davies with 5 points receiving \$200 each.

1st under 2000 Kelvin Cletheroe with 4.5 points receiving a trophy and \$300.

2nd-5th under 2000 Jack Cheng (trophy on tie-break), Jingzhou Lai, Tanraj Sohal, and Bill Tate with 4 points receiving \$62.50 each.

1st under 1600 (on tiebreak) Joshua Renaud with 3.5 points receiving a trophy and \$150.

2nd under 1600 Victoria Jung Doknjas with 3.5 points receiving a trophy and \$150.

3rd-7th under 1600 Deron Stewart, Tim Rhodes, Nathan Martin, Jeremy Hui, and Malcolm Bowles with 3 points receiving \$10 each.

1st under 1200 (on tiebreak) Justin Wong with 2.5 points receiving a trophy.

2nd under 1200 Alejandro Torres Lopez with 2.5 points receiving a trophy.

3rd under 1200 Daniel Lee with 2 points receiving a trophy.

Congratulations to all of the winners.

A special prize to the player who traveled the furthest went to Olafur Kristjansson, all the way from Iceland!

A best sportsman award was made to Alejandro Torres-Lopez for being so understanding with an opponent's ferry delay.

Some notable upsets were Joshua Renaud (1452) beating James Chan (2102), Joshua Renaud (again!) drawing IM Lawrence Day (2312), and Jingzhou Lai (1610) beating Glen Morin (2276).

See Wallchart or Standings for the final crosstable.

FINAL STANDINGS POSTED AT THIS LINK:

<http://victoriachessclub.pbwiki.com/2008+GPO+Standings>

FINAL CROSSTABLE AT THIS LINK: <http://victoriachessclub.pbwiki.com/2008+GPO+Wallchart>

CFC RATING CROSSTABLE: <http://chess.ca/xtable.asp?TNum=200803084>

Game Scores: Some of the games are posted here (mostly lower board scores for rounds 2 and 4). All games will be posted as they are entered.

Download some PGN's at the following link: <http://victoriachessclub.pbwiki.com/f/pgo+round+2.pgn>

Photos here. http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/GPO08_photos/index.html

Even more photos here including the award ceremonies.

http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/GPO08_photos2/index.html

TV Video

You can see a TV news report on one of the juniors here (requires Windows Media Player)

http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/videos/chess_champ.asf

Grand Pacific Scholastic Results

K-3 <http://victoriachessclub.pbwiki.com/f/Grades+K-3+Standings.html>

4-7 <http://victoriachessclub.pbwiki.com/f/Grades+4-7+Standings.html>

8-12 <http://victoriachessclub.pbwiki.com/f/Grades+8-12+Standings.html>

Bughouse Tournament Results (to be posted...)



Bindi Cheng

Tournament website: <http://victoriachessclub.pbwiki.com/2008+Victoria+Chess+Festival>

Day, Lawrence - Cheng, Jack [C28] Grand Pacific op Victoria (2.2), 22.03.2008

1.e4 e5 2.Bc4 Nf6 3.d3 Nc6 4.Nc3 Na5 5.Nge2 Nxc4 6.dxc4 Be7 7.Qd3 d6 8.b3 0-0 9.Bb2 a6 10.a4 Bd7 11.Ng3 Re8 12.0-0 Bf8 13.f4 Bc6 14.Kh1 Nd7 15.f5 Qh4 16.a5 Nf6 17.Qf3 Be7 18.h3 h6 19.Nd5 Bxd5 20.exd5 Nh7 21.c5 Ng5 22.Qe3



22...Nxh3 23.gxh3 Qxh3+ 24.Kg1 Bh4 25.Ra4 Bxg3 26.Qe2 Bf4 27.Re4 Qg3+ 28.Kh1 Qh3+ 29.Kg1 Red8 30.cxd6 cxd6 31.Rf3 Qxf5 32.Rb4 Qg5+ 33.Kf1 Rab8 34.Rb6 h5 35.Ba3 Qg6 36.Rc3 Qf6 37.Ke1 Qh4+ 38.Qf2 Bd2+ 0-1

Cheng, Bindi - Kristjansson, Olafur [D02] Grand Pacific op Victoria (3.1), 22.03.2008

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.d4 g6 3.Bg5 Ne4 4.Bf4 d5 5.Nbd2 Nf6 6.h3 Bg7 7.e3 0-0 8.Be2 c5 9.c3 Nc6 10.0-0 Nd7

11.Nb3 c4 12.Nbd2 e5 13.dxe5 Ndx5 14.Nxe5 Nxe5 15.Nf3 Nxf3+ 16.Bxf3 Be6 17.Rc1 Qa5 18.a3 Rfd8 19.Rc2 Qc5 20.Rd2 Rac8 21.Qa4 a5 22.Rfd1 Bd7 23.Qc2 Be6 24.Qc1 Rd7 25.a4 Bf6 26.e4 d4 27.e5 Bxe5 28.Bxe5 Qxe5 29.Rxd4 Rxd4 30.cxd4 Qc7 31.Qg5 Bd7 32.Re1 Re8 33.Rxe8+ Bxe8 34.Qf6 Bxa4 35.d5 Qd7 36.g4 Bb3 37.d6 Ba4 38.Kh2 b6 39.h4 h6 40.Bd5 Kh7 41.Kg3 Bd1 42.f3 Be2 43.Qe7 1-0

Bragg, David R - Cheng, Bindi [B50] Grand Pacific op Victoria (4.1), 23.03.2008

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.c3 Nf6 4.Bd3 g6 5.0-0 Bg7 6.Bc2 0-0 7.h3 Nc6 8.Re1 e5 9.d4 cxd4 10.cxd4 exd4 11.Nxd4 Nxd4 12.Qxd4 Re8 13.Qd1 d5 14.Nc3 d4 15.e5 dxc3 16.Qxd8 Rxd8 17.Bg5 Rd5 18.Bxf6 Rd2 19.Rad1 Be6 20.Be4 Bxf6 21.exf6 Rad8 22.Rxd2 cxd2 23.Rd1 Bxa2 24.Bc2 Bc4 25.Ra1 a6 26.f3 Be2 27.Bd1 Rc8 28.Kf2 Bb5 29.Ra3 Rc1 30.Rc3 h6 31.Bb3 d1N+ 0-1

KALAMALKA SPRING (March 15-16)

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The second of our six Okanagan tournaments for 2008 had only six players, which resulted in a perfect round robin swiss for five rounds.

Dave Moore sliced through the field with a perfect 5/5, and Grant Rice also had an excellent result of 4/5.

Despite the small number of players, it was another enjoyable event, and we are undeterred and optimistic for a substantial turn-out for next month's Apple Blossom (April 19, 20). The April event has history, excellent weather and travel conditions, as well being a date which provides an excellent opportunity to tune-up for BC's showcase event, the Keres. Come and try the Okanagan chess scene!

CFC crosstable: <http://chess.ca/xtable.asp?TNum=200803078>

CHESS ON THE EDGE BOOK LAUNCH (March 15)

The Suttles book by Bruce Harper and Yasser Seirawan was officially presented to the world at this well-attended event at the Vancouver Bridge Centre:

Comments by Larry Bevand: <http://www.suttlesbook.com/book-launch.html>

Pictorial report by Rusty Miller: <http://chessville.com/News/SuttlesBookLaunch.htm>

The BCCF also took the opportunity to present Lynn Stringer with a lifetime achievement award "in recognition of her many years of selfless service on behalf of the chessplayers of B.C. and elsewhere."



Website, including new material: <http://www.suttlesbook.com/>

Simul games: http://www.suttlesbook.com/suttles_games/suttlesseirawantandemsimul.htm

Parker, Dylan - Seirawan/Suttles [B06] Tandem simul - Seirawan/Suttles Vancouver, 15.03.2008

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Nc3 c6 5.Be2 b5 6.a3 a6 7.Be3 Nd7 8.Qd2 Bb7 9.g4 h6 10.h4 Ngf6 11.g5 hxg5 12.Nxg5 c5 13.f3 cxd4 14.Bxd4 Rc8 15.0-0-0 Qc7 16.Rde1 Nh5 17.Bxg7 Nxg7 18.f4 Nb6 19.Bg4 Nc4 20.Qd4 e5 21.fxe5 dxe5 22.Qf2 0-0 23.Bxc8 Rxc8 24.Rhf1 Nxb2 25.Qxf7+ Qxf7 26.Rxf7 1-0

Yee, Andy - Seirawan/Suttles [A41] Tandem simul - Seirawan/Suttles Vancouver, 15.03.2008

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.c4 e5 4.dxe5 dxe5 5.Qxd8+ Kxd8 6.Nf3 f6 7.Nc3 Be6 8.Be2 c6 9.0-0 Nd7 10.Rd1 Nh6 11.h3 Nf7 12.b3 Kc7 13.Bb2 a5 14.Rd2 Bh6 15.Rdd1 Nc5 16.Bc1 Rhd8 17.Bxh6 Nxh6 18.Rxd8 Rxd8 19.Rd1 Rxd1+ 20.Bxd1 Nf7 21.Bc2 Nd6 22.Nd2 b5 23.cxb5 cxb5 24.Kh2 b4 25.Nd5+ Bxd5 26.exd5 Nd7 27.Ne4 Nxe4 28.Bxe4 f5 29.Bd3 Nf6 30.Bc4 Kd6 31.Kg3 Nxd5 32.Bxd5 Kxd5 33.Kh4 h6 34.g4 f4 35.f3 Kd4 36.g5 h5



37.a3 bxa3 38.b4 a2 39.bxa5 a1Q 40.a6 Qe1# 0-1

UPCOMING EVENTS

Junior events

Apr. 19 INTERMAT, New Westminster

Apr. 26-27 BCYCC, New Westminster

UBC Thursday Night Swiss

6:30 pm, **Thursdays**, Henry Angus Building room 417, University of British Columbia

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Apple Blossom Open

April 19-20, Vernon

Details: <http://chess.bc.ca/events3.html#Apple>

33rd Paul Keres Memorial

May 16-19, Vancouver

Details: <http://chess.bc.ca/events3.html#KeresMemorial>