

BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #165

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

First Saturday (June 6-18)

Michael Yip has temporarily relocated to Budapest, Hungary to play in more of the First Saturday tournaments. He is currently scheduled to play in the FM Section in both the June and July events; games and results should be available from the event website, <http://www.firstsaturday.hu/>.

May Active (May 30)

IM Vicente Lee Jr. won the latest active event, played with a time control of game/15 minutes: <http://wcjc.blogspot.com/2009/05/may-active.html>

WA Open (May 23-25)

This year the Washington Open moved eastwards to Spokane; the last time that happened was in 1957. Top-seed IM John Donaldson, no stranger to Washington events, won clear first with 5.0/6, a half point ahead of Steve Breckenridge, Howard Chen, Nick Raptis, and Josh Sinanan. As far as I can tell three B.C. players participated: Changhe Li, Wally Steinke, and Doug Sly (sorry if I missed anyone).

Report, crosstables, and photos: <http://www.spokanechessclub.org/>

34th Paul Keres Memorial (May 15-18)

Lester Yee has provided two galleries of photos from this year's Keres - many thanks: [part 1](#) [part 2](#)

Roman Jiganchine has provided brief commentary on his games: <http://roman-chess.blogspot.com/2009/05/paul-keres-memorial-2009-overview.html>

Canadian Chess Challenge (May 17-18)

A series of photographs taken over the Chess Challenge weekend in Toronto has been uploaded to the internet. The pictures concentrate on the Quebec team (they were taken by one of the

Quebec parents), but several of the images include B.C. players (also in blue) - nos. 41-43 and some of those of the prize-giving ceremony at the end.

Photos: <http://picasaweb.google.ca/hgsleclair/CCC2009#>

BCCF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The BCCF AGM took place between rounds on Saturday, May 16 at the site of the Keres Memorial. The full minutes plus executive reports will be available on the internet shortly, but for the time being here is the new BCCF Executive for 2009-2010:

President: Roger Patterson

Vice Presidents: Luc Poitras (Lower Mainland)

John Niksic (Northern BC)

Wally Steinke (Interior BC)

Secretary: Lyle Craver

Treasurer: Lyle Craver

Junior Coordinators: Ken Jensen

Clubs Coordinator: Len Molden (pending approval)

Tournament Coordinator: Stephen Wright

E-Mail Bulletin Editor: Stephen Wright

Webmaster: Ben Daswani

Members-at-large: Mark Dutton, Paul Leblanc, Jason Lohner, Alfred Pechisker

Immediate Past-President: Stephen Wright

Governors of the Chess Federation of Canada: Lyle Craver, Mark Dutton, Paul Leblanc, Jason Lohner, John Niksic, Alfred Pechisker

The e-mail addresses for these individuals can be found under "Executive" on the BCCF website (www.chess.bc.ca), so if you have any concerns, questions, or comments with regards to B.C. chess, feel free to contact any member of the board - they are here to serve you.

B.C. CHESS BLOGS

Here are the B.C. chess blogs that I'm aware of - apologies if I've missed anyone. Some of these sites are intermittent, stagnant, or defunct, but in most cases there is much archived material - enjoy!

James Chan <http://chesschumpion.blogspot.com/>

Griphin <http://chessbl0g.blogspot.com/>

Nigel Hanrahan <http://gwyddbwyll.blogspot.com/>

Roman Jiganchine <http://roman-chess.blogspot.com/>

Luc Poitras <http://www.wcjc.blogspot.com/>

Dan Scoones <http://dadianchess.blogspot.com/>

1964 B.C. OPEN

This year the B.C. Open will be held in Victoria in July, but forty-five years ago the inaugural tournament took place at the Hungarian Sports Centre, 1818 East 7th Avenue, Vancouver on the weekend of 13-14 June. This was largely due to Hungarian émigré and six-time B.C. champion Elod Macskasy, who was president of the Hungarian Chess Club. The U.S. Open and similar events have been a fixture on the American chess scene since the turn of the last century, but perhaps because of our much smaller population, open tournaments were slow to develop in Canada. The first Canadian Open took place in 1956 (and Macskasy won the second such event in 1958). Local open tournaments began to appear around the same time, but they were largely run by chess clubs; the B.C. Central Interior had offered an open championship for several years before the first full B.C. Open in 1964.



Elod Macskasy

The tournament was held in two sections, each a six-round Swiss; entry fees were \$5 for Section A and \$3 for Section B. The time control was 50 moves in 2 hours, at which point the game would be adjudicated if unfinished; the adjudicator is not specified. Forty-one players entered the tournament, with a large number travelling from south of the border for the occasion. In the twenty-six player Open Section Macskasy tied for first with James McCormick on 5.0 points; they respectively beat Duncan Suttles and Clark Harmon in the last round. Third was Ivars Dahlbergs. There was also a tie for first in the B Section, again with 5.0 points, between Harold Melchior and Larry Kahn, third was Eino Maks.

#	Name	City	Rd 1	Rd 2	Rd 3	Rd 4	Rd 5	Rd 6	Tot
1	Macskasy, Elod	Vancouver	W19	W10	D4	D7	W8	W5	5.0
2	McCormick, James	Seattle	W24	W16	D3	D5	W7	W4	5.0
3	Dahlbergs, Ivars	Portland	W6	W11	D2	L4	W17	W10	4.5
4	Harmon, Clark	Renton	W13	W20	D1	W3	D5	L2	4.0
5	Suttles, Duncan	Reno	W18	W9	W8	D2	D4	L1	4.0
6	Campbell, Jim	Seattle	L3	W25	D12	W18	W9	D7	4.0

7	Potter, Brian	Vancouver	W14	D23	W17	D1	L2	D6	3.5
8	Rostoker, Gordon	Vancouver	W15	W24	L5	W16	L1	D9	3.5
9	Schulz, Fred	Nanaimo	W26	L5	W23	W11	L6	D8	3.5
10	Nelson, Terry	Seattle	W25	L1	D18	W12	W16	L3	3.5
11	Wuntschek, Fred	Vancouver	W12	L3	W19	L9	D13	W17	3.5
12	Jenquin, Dennis	Portland	L11	W15	D6	L10	W23	D14	3.0
13	Moore, Deane	Portland	L4	L17	W22	W20	D11	D15	3.0
14	Aykroyd, Colin	Vancouver	L7	W21	L16	W19	D15	D12	3.0
15	Kaltenecker, Joe	Port Alberni	L8	L12	W25	W24	D14	D13	3.0
16	Vitanyi, Leslie	Vancouver	W22	L2	W14	L8	L10	D18	2.5
17	Hickey, Pat	Seattle	D20	W13	L7	W23	L3	L11	2.5
18	Anderson, Timon	Vancouver	L5	W22	D10	L6	D21	D16	2.5
19	Johnston, Lyman	Olympia	L1	W26	L11	L14	W24	D21	2.5
20	Eddy, Buz	Kent	D17	L4	D21	L13	D22	W26	2.5
21	Ackermann, Gustav	Vancouver	L23	L14	D20	W25	D18	D19	2.5
22	King, Don	Terrace	L16	L18	L13	W26	D20	D24	2.0
23	Jurisich, Dargo	Calgary	W21	D7	L9	L17	L12	U---	1.5
24	Karell, Leif	Portland	L2	L8	W26	L15	L19	D22	1.5
25	Kindret, Mike	Vancouver	L10	L6	L15	L21	L26	W---	1.0
26	Lewis, Charles	Vancouver	L9	L19	L24	L22	W25	L20	1.0

Only one game is readily available from the tournament, courtesy of Brian Potter; time trouble appears to be a problem as the players approach move fifty:

Macskasy, Elod - Potter, Brian [E90] BC op Vancouver (4), 14.06.1964

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Nf3 Nbd7 6.e5 Ng8 7.exd6 exd6 8.Bg5 Ngf6 9.Bd3 Qe7+ 10.Be2 c6 11.Qd2 Nb6 12.0-0 0-0 13.Rfe1 Bf5 14.d5 c5 15.a4 a6 16.a5 Nc8 17.Nh4 Qd7 18.Bd1 b5 19.Nxf5 Qxf5 20.Bc2 Qd7 21.Bh6 Na7 22.Bxg7 Kxg7 23.Re3 Rfe8 24.Rh3 h5 25.b3 Re7 26.Re3 Rae8 27.Rae1 Rxe3 28.Rxe3 Rxe3 29.Qxe3 Nc8 30.cxb5 axb5



31.Qd3 Na7 32.Bd1 Qb7 33.Be2 b4 34.Nb5 Nc8 35.Bf3 Qa6 36.h3 Qxa5 37.Be2 Qa1+ 38.Kh2 Qe5+ 39.g3 Nxd5 40.Bf3 Nc3 41.Nc7 Ne7 42.Ne8+ Kf8 43.Nxd6 Ned5 44.Qa6 Kg7 45.Nc4 Qd4 46.Kg2 h4 47.Qb7 Ne4 48.Bxe4 Qxe4+ 49.Kh2 hxg3+ 50.Kxg3 Qf4+ 51.Kg2 Qg5+ 52.Kh2 Qf5 53.Kg3 g5 54.Qb8 1/2-1/2

JUNE ACTIVE

Date: Saturday/Sunday June 13-14, 2009

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway (at Kaslo), Vancouver

Rounds: 5

Time Controls: G/50 or G/40 + 10 sec. increment

Entry Fee: \$30

Schedule: Saturday Rds 1-3 noon, 2:15, 4:30 pm, then Sunday Rds 4-5 noon and 2:15 pm.

Type: Regular Swiss.

Prizes: First Prize \$200 2nd \$150 Best U2100 \$100, Best U1850 \$100 and Best U1600 \$100

Based on 30 entries.

Registration: On site from 11:00 am or contact Luc Poitras at (778) 846-0496 email

queluc@lynx.net

Bring your chess set and clock. Not CFC Rated.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Junior events

July 21-24 CYCC, Victoria

UBC Thursday Night Swiss

Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Irving K. Barber Learning Centre room 191, 1961 East Mall, University of British Columbia

Contact Aaron Cosenza, xramis1@yahoo.ca

June Active

June 13-14, Vancouver Bridge Centre

Details: <http://chess.bc.ca/events.shtml#JuneActive>

July Active

July 11, Vancouver Bridge Centre

Details: <http://chess.bc.ca/events.shtml#JulyActive>

Summer Chess Fest, including B.C. Open

July 20-28, Victoria

Details: <http://summerchessfest.pbwiki.com/FrontPage>

B.C. Open: <http://bcopenchess.pbwiki.com/>

2009 Langley Chess Club Open

September 5-7 (Labour Day long weekend), Langley

Details: <http://www.langleychess.com/>