

BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #167

Happy Canada Day!

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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HERE AND THERE

World Open (June 29 - July 5)

B.C. players Bindi Cheng and Richard Huang were preregistered to participate in what is traditionally the largest Swiss on the American circuit, but as of the time of writing internet coverage had been slow to materialize. Standings and some live games should eventually be available, courtesy of Monroi.

<http://www.worldopen.com/>

Philadelphia International (June 25-29)

A number of B.C. and Canadian players took part in this nine-round norm tournament, held immediately before and in the same location as the above World Open. Three norms were achieved, by Americans Alex Lenderman and Samuel Shankland (GM norms) and Indian Siddharth Ravichandran (IM). The best Canadians were Bindi Cheng, Louie Jiang, Keith MacKinnon, and Karoly Szalay, who all finished with 5 points; a half point back were Eric Hansen, Gary Ng, and Ruokai Li. Currently only three games are available from the event, presumably more will subsequently become available.

<http://www.philadelphiachess.com/>

RUBINSTEIN RULE

As previously reported in these columns, the new FIDE Laws of Chess come into effect today, July 1st. The most controversial change has been the elimination of the so-called Rubinstein rule (the 60 minutes that late players had to arrive at the chessboard), now replaced with a zero-tolerance default, albeit one that can be altered by individual events. The BCCF executive recently voted to retain the traditional Rubinstein rule via the following motion:

Motion: that regular time control events in the province of British Columbia retain a 60 minute default period for the late arrival of players, an option provided for under article 6.7 of the FIDE Laws of Chess, unless the rules of the competition specify otherwise. In a blitz or active event the default period shall be the time control unless the rules of the competition specify otherwise.

Thus for B.C. tournaments, the late arrival grace period is still one hour by default. However, it should be noted that individual competitions are free to adopt the zero-tolerance policy or another default of their own choosing if they so wish - check the tournament announcement or information of the event you are entering for clarification.

SUMMER PREVIEW

Summer is upon us, and it brings a number of local and national events in its wake. The next few weeks will see the Canadian Open, Closed, Women's, Junior, and Youth championships taking place, along with the B.C. Open. Particularly noteworthy is the Victoria Summer Chess Fest, July 20-28, including but not limited to the CYCC, B.C. Open, and Canadian Junior.

Most of these events will have a web presence, including live games, so take part in one or more of these events, as a player, spectator, or web viewer.

Canadian Open (Edmonton, July 11-19)

<http://monroi.com/2009-canadian-open-chess-championship-home.html>

Registered B.C. players include Jack Yoos, Leon Piasetski, Lucas Davies, Eduardo Moura, Noam Davies, Ben Daswani, Edward Tang, Richard Huang, and Dezheng Kong

Canadian Youth Chess Championship (Victoria, July 21-24)

<http://cycc2009.pbworks.com/FrontPage>

B.C. Open (Victoria, July 24-26)

<http://bcopenchess.pbworks.com/FrontPage>

Canadian Junior Championship (Victoria, July 25-28)

<http://cycc2009.pbworks.com/Canadian-Junior>

Canadian Women's Championship (Kitchener, July 30 - August 3)

http://www.chessfest.ca/chessfest09/can_womens.htm

Canadian Closed Championship (Guelph, August 7-16)

<http://www.chess.ca/misc2009/2009%20Canadian%20Closed.pdf>

VANCOUVER CLOSED

After the breakdown of the 1974 B.C. Championship (see last issue) the players who withdrew, along with a few others, were invited to a separate event, the Vancouver Closed. Ironically, no Victoria players could participate in the original B.C. Championship due to its week long one-round-a-day schedule, but the Vancouver Closed, with its rounds on several consecutive weekends, was more palatable.

Vancouver Closed June 1-23, 1974

| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 0 | |
|----|------------------|------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------|
| 1 | Berry, Jonathan | 2149 | * | = | = | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | + | 8.0 |
| 2 | Harper, Bruce | 2194 | = | * | 0 | 1 | = | 1 | 1 | 1 | + | 7.0 |
| 3 | Hill, Alan | 2128 | = | 1 | * | 1 | = | = | = | = | + | 6.5 |
| 4 | Fullbrook, Nigel | 2020 | 0 | 0 | 0 | * | 1 | 1 | = | 1 | = | 5.0 |
| 5 | Morin, Glenn | 1672 | 0 | = | = | 0 | * | = | 0 | = | + | 4.0 |
| 6 | Swanson, Laird | 1672 | 0 | 0 | = | 0 | = | * | 1 | = | = | 4.0 |
| 7 | Kruger, Benjamin | 1966 | 0 | 0 | = | = | 1 | 0 | * | 0 | = | 3.5 |
| 8 | Reeve, Jeff | 1828 | 0 | 0 | = | 0 | = | = | 1 | * | 0 | 3.0 |
| 9 | Chow, Robert | 2071 | 0 | - | - | = | - | = | = | 1 | * | 2.5 |
| 10 | Scoones, Dan | 2059 | - | - | - | 0 | 0 | - | 0 | = | 1 | * 1.5 |

Jonathan Berry coasted to first place after winning his first six games; Harper was unable to catch him after a loss to Hill, who "put a great deal of effort into his games, but Hill's misfortune was not due to lack of ambition, but extreme accuracy on the part of all his opponents." [Jonathan Berry in *Chess Canada*, September-October 1974]

Fullbrook, Nigel - Scoones, Dan [B40] Vancouver Closed Vancouver (1), 01.06.1974

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.Nc3 a6 4.d3 b5 5.g3 Bb7 6.Bg2 d6 7.0-0 Nd7 8.Qe2 Ngf6 9.Bd2 b4 10.Nd1 Qc7 11.Nh4 Be7 12.f4 0-0 13.Ne3 Nb6 14.Rae1 Rfe8 15.f5 e5 16.Nf3 Bd8 17.g4 d5 18.g5 dxe4 19.Nh4 exd3 20.cxd3 Nfd5 21.Nxd5 Nxd5 22.Qh5 Qd7 23.g6 fxe6 24.fxe6 hxe6 25.Nxe6 Nf6 26.Qh8+ Kf7 27.Nxe5+ Rxe5 28.Rxe5 Bxe2 29.Bh6 Qd4+ 30.Re3 gxe6 31.Qh7+ Kf8 32.Qxe6+ Kf7 33.Kxe6 Qxb2+ 34.Kh1 Qd4 35.Qh7+ Kf8 36.Qh8+ Kf7 37.Qe8+ Kg7 38.Rg3+ 1-0

Morin, Glenn - Berry, Jonathan [B57] Vancouver Closed Vancouver (4), 02.06.1974

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.Bc4 Qb6 7.Nxc6 bxc6 8.0-0 e6 9.Re1 Be7
10.e5 dxe5 11.Rxe5 0-0 12.Bb3 Rd8 13.Qf3 Bb7 14.Be3 c5 15.Qh3 Rac8 16.Bg5 c4 17.Ba4 Rc5
18.Rxc5 Bxc5 19.Bxf6 Bxf2+ 20.Kf1 gxf6 21.Qg4+ Kh8 22.Qxc4 Rd4 23.Qb3 Rb4 24.Qa3 Bc5 0-1

Reeve, Jeff - Harper, Bruce [A00] Vancouver Closed Vancouver (8), 1974

1.a3 g6 2.g3 Bg7 3.Bg2 d6 4.d3 Nc6 5.Nc3 e5 6.e4 Nh6 7.Nge2 Be6 8.Bd2 f5 9.exf5 gxf5 10.f4 0-0
11.fxe5 dxe5 12.h3 Qd7 13.Be3 Kh8 14.Qd2 Nf7 15.0-0-0 Nd4 16.Kb1 c5 17.Ng1 Rab8 18.Nf3 b5
19.Ng5 Nxg5 20.Bxg5 b4 21.axb4 cxb4 22.Ne2 Nxe2 23.Qxe2 b3 24.Rc1 Qa4 25.cxb3 Qxb3
26.Rc2 Rfc8 27.Qd1 Qa2+ 28.Kc1 Rxb2 0-1

Berry, Jonathan - Fullbrook, Nigel [C48] Vancouver Closed Vancouver (9), 10.06.1974

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Nf6 4.Nc3 Bc5 5.0-0 d6 6.d4 exd4 7.Nxd4 Bd7 8.Nf5 Bxf5 9.exf5 Qd7
10.Re1+ Kf8 11.Qf3 Re8 12.Bg5 Nd4 13.Rxe8+ Qxe8 14.Qxb7 Nxb5 15.Qxb5 Bxf2+ 16.Kxf2 Ne4+
17.Kg1 Nxg5 18.Qxe8+ Kxe8 19.h4 h6 20.hxg5 hxg5 21.Re1+ Kd8 22.Re4 a6 23.Ra4 Re8 24.Re4
Rh8 25.Nd5 Rh6 26.Ra4 c6 27.Ne3 d5 28.Rxa6 d4 29.Ng4 1-0

JULY ACTIVE

Date: Saturday July 18, 2009

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

Rounds: 5

Starting Time: noon.

Type: Regular Swiss.

Time Controls: G/30.

Entry Fee: Adults \$15, Masters/Seniors and Juniors \$12.

Prizes: First Prize guaranteed (\$80), and rest based on entries. If 25 entries then 2nd \$60

Best under 1900 \$40, Best under 1600 \$40

Registration: On site at 11:30am or contact Luc Poitras at (778) 846-0496 email queluc@lynx.net

Bring your chess set and clock if you have one. 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

July Active

July 18, 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.pbworks.com/FrontPage>

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

2009 Langley Chess Club Open

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

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

September Active I

September 13, Vancouver Bridge Centre

Details: <http://chess.bc.ca/events.shtml#SepActive1>

September Active II

September 27, Vancouver Bridge Centre

Details: <http://chess.bc.ca/events.shtml#SepActive2>