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HERE AND THERE

July Active (July 17)

The latest active tournament found Butch Villavieja in a not unfamiliar role, that of tournament winner - his score this time was 4.5/5. Other prize winners included Robert Chow, Jack Cheng, Constantin Rotariu, and Philip Chen. Twenty-one players participated in the event, held as usual at the Vancouver Bridge Centre and organized by Luc Poitras. [standings](#)

Banasque Open (July 7-16)

Vancouver-based IM Leon Piasetski returned to the Pyrenean town of Banasque for the thirty-first edition of this international open (he also played there last year). The tournament attracted over four hundred players, including thirty-one grandmasters. The clear winner was Tigran L. Petrosian (Armenia - no, not the former world champion, he was Tigran V.) with 8.5/10; Leon Piasetski finished in a tie for forty-fifth with 5.5 points. [crosstable](#)

Piasetski, Leon - Marin, Mihail [A30] Banasque op 31st Banasque (3), 09.07.2011

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.Nc3 e6 4.g3 b6 5.Bg2 Bb7 6.0-0 a6 7.d4 cxd4 8.Qxd4 d6 9.Rd1 Nbd7 10.Bg5 Be7 11.Qd2 0-0 12.Bf4 Ne8 13.Rac1 Rc8 14.b3 h6 15.g4 Qc7 16.h4 Ndf6 17.g5 Nh5 18.gxh6 g6 19.Bg5 Nef6 20.Qd4 Rb8 21.Ne1 Rfd8 22.Ne4 Bxe4 23.Bxe4 Nh7 24.Nf3 Bxg5 25.Nxg5 Qe7 26.Nxh7 Kxh7 27.Bf3 e5 28.Qg4 Kxh6 29.Rd2 f5 30.Qg5+ Qxg5+ 31.hxg5+ Kxg5 32.Bxh5 gxh5 33.Rcd1 Rbc8 34.Rxd6 Rxd6 35.Rxd6 b5 36.cxb5 axb5 37.Rd5 e4 38.Rxb5 Rc1+ 39.Kg2 Rc2 40.e3 Rxa2 41.Rb8 1/2-1/2

PanAmerican Youth Championships (Cali, Colombia, July 3-8)

After a forfeit win in round one and the loss given last issue, Dezheng Kong won five games in a row to place himself second after seven rounds in the U12 section of the PanAmerican Youth Championships. Unfortunately he lost his last two games, leaving him with a final score of 6.0/9 and a tie for tenth place out of eighty-nine players. The only other Canadians were Jiaxin Liu (U10G) and Jackie Peng (U14G), who finished with 5.5 and 6.0 points in their respective sections. [Results](#) (click on the appropriate section; games can also be obtained through the same website); another source is the [torneosajedrez](http://torneosajedrez.com) website.

Kong, Dezheng - Cori Quispe, Kevin [D00] Panam YC U12 Cali (7.1), 07.07.2011

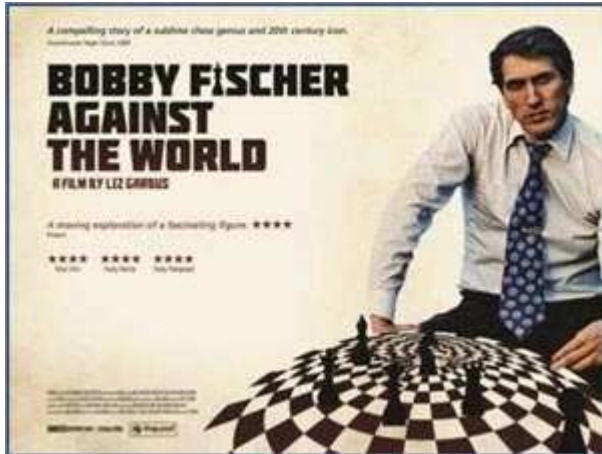
1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bf4 Bg7 5.e3 0-0 6.Be2 b6 7.Ne5 Bb7 8.h4 h6 9.Qd2 Nfd7 10.Nxd7 Nxd7 11.0-0-0 Kh7 12.Bd3 f5 13.g4 e6 14.f3 a6 15.Rdg1 c5 16.gxf5 exf5 17.Qg2 Qe8 18.Rh3 Rf6

19.Rg3 Qe6 20.Be5 Nxe5 21.dxe5 Qxe5 22.Rxg6 Rxg6 23.Qxg6+ Kg8 24.Bxf5 Re8 25.Nd1 d4
 26.f4 Qe7 27.Be6+ Kf8 28.f5 Qf6 29.Qh7 Rxe6 30.fxe6 dxe3 31.e7+ Qxe7 32.Rf1+ Bf6 33.Qxh6+
 Kf7 34.Qxe3 Qxe3+ 35.Nxe3 Kg6 36.h5+ 1-0

CFC website

It has been a long time in coming, but the CFC website has received a complete redesign/ makeover. There have been the usual bugs one associates with such a venture, but at the moment the site is stable and operational. Explorer the CFC's new look at www.chess.ca.

Bobby Fischer Against the World



Liz Garbus's film documentary on the tragic life of Robert James Fischer, the "pride and sorrow of chess" to appropriate a phrase applied to an earlier American champion, is being screened in Vancouver later this month at the Vancity Theatre. The showings are taking place on the evenings of July 22nd, 23rd, 26th, and 28th. Further details can be found at the Vancity website, also Jonathan Berry interviewed the film's director for the Globe and Mail. The host for the July 22nd screening ("VIFF Social Club") will be Nathan Divinsky.

CANADIAN OPEN (July 9 -17)

This year's Canadian Open was held at the same location as last year's event, the Westin Harbour Castle Hotel in Toronto. Conditions were reported as being excellent, with many side events (GM simuls, a junior chess camp, speed chess championship, blindfold simultaneous display by Ben Finegold). The nine-round Swiss was won by GMs Joel Benjamin, Dejan Bojkov, and Walter Arencibia, each scoring 7.0/9. The thirteen-player tie for fourth place included several Canadians, among whom was B.C.'s Bindi Cheng. Bindi also had the satisfaction of achieving his third IM norm with a round to spare (he scored the require 6 points before his last game):

+	WCM	Yelizaveta Orlova	CAN	2050*
+		Tanraj Sohal	CAN	2032
-	GM	Bator Sambuev	CAN	2528
+		Nikita Gusev	CAN	2071
+	FM	Michael Dougherty	CAN	2217
=	GM	Mark Bluvshstein	CAN	2611
+	IM	Kenneth Regan	USA	2409
=	GM	Alexander Shabalov	USA	2577
=	GM	Victor Mikhalevski	ISR	2569

6.5				2340

*raised to the adjusted rating floor for an IM norm

Bindi's previous two norms were achieved at the 2007 Canadian Open and 2009 World Open (see [Bulletin #124](#) and [Bulletin #168](#) respectively; the former also includes a general description of the process of gaining a title). Having amassed enough norms to cover twenty-seven games, the only other requirement is to attain a FIDE rating over 2400 at some point. As a result of this tournament Bindi's rating will surpass 2400 on the next ratings list in September, so all criteria for the title will have been met - congratulations!

The other major B.C. success story was John Doknjas, who was among the leaders in the U2000 Section most of the time and finished in a four-way tie for first place with an undefeated 7.0/9. This result propelled him into the expert class for the first time. Alexandra Botez and Jason Cao also experienced significant rating gains; Alexandra was fortunate enough to win two games on time, against FM Vladimir Pechenkin and IM Lawrence Day respectively, despite the fact the time control included a thirty-second increment. A complete prize list has yet to be made public, but it appears that B.C. juniors Dezheng Kong and Tanraj Sohal tied for the second U2200 prize with 5.0 points. And B.C. champion Jack Yoos played one of the more fun games, a Double Muzio Gambit against Michael Barron in round eight.

Botez, Alexandra - Day, Lawrence [A55] CAN op Toronto (3.33), 11.07.2011

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 d6 3.Nc3 Nbd7 4.e4 e5 5.Nf3 Be7 6.Be2 0-0 7.0-0 c6 8.h3 Re8 9.Be3 exd4 10.Bxd4 Bf8 11.Nd2 a6 12.a3 g6 13.Qc2 b6 14.f4 Bg7 15.Bf2 Bb7 16.Rad1 b5 17.b4 Qc7 18.Bf3 Rac8 19.Qb3 d5 20.c5 Qxf4 21.exd5 cxd5 22.Nxd5 Nxd5 23.Bxd5 Bxd5 24.Qxd5 Nb8 25.Nf3 Nc6 26.Qd6 Ne5 27.Nd4 Ra8 28.Kh1 Red8 29.Ne2 Rxd6 30.Nxf4 Rxd1 31.Rxd1 Nc4 32.Nd5 Be5 33.Nb6 Nxb6 34.cxb6 Kf8 35.Rd7 Ke8 36.Ra7 Rd8 37.g3 Time. 1-0

Regan, Kenneth - Cheng, Bindi [B10] CAN op Toronto (7.9), 15.07.2011

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.c4 c6 4.d4 cxd5 5.Nc3 g6 6.cxd5 Bg7 7.Qa4+ Nbd7 8.g3 0-0 9.Bg2 Nb6 10.Qb3 Bf5 11.Nge2 Bd3 12.d6 exd6 13.Qd1 Ba6 14.0-0 Qd7 15.b3 Rfe8 16.Re1 Qf5 17.Bf4 g5 18.Bxd6 Ng4 19.f3 Ne3 20.Qd2 Nc2 21.Rad1 Nxe1 22.Rxe1 Rad8 23.Ne4 Qd5 24.Bc5 Bxe2 25.Rxe2 f5 26.Nxg5 Rxe2 27.Qxe2 Bxd4+ 28.Bxd4 Qxd4+ 29.Kf1 Qd1+ 30.Qxd1 Rxd1+ 31.Ke2 Ra1 32.a4 Ra2+ 33.Kf1 Nd5 34.Kg1 Ne3 35.Bh3 Rb2 36.Ne6 Rxb3 37.Kf2 Ra3 38.Nd8 b6 39.Nc6 Nc4 40.Bxf5 Ra2+ 41.Kg1 Rxa4 42.Nxa7 Ne5 43.Nc8 Nxf3+ 44.Kf2 Nd4 45.Bd3 Rb4 46.Ke3 Ne6 47.Nd6 Kg7 48.h4 Rb3 49.Kd2 Nc5 50.Bc2 Ra3 51.g4 Ne6 52.Nf5+ Kh8 53.Bd3 Nc5 54.Bc4 Ne4+ 55.Ke2 Ng3+ 56.Nxg3 Rxg3 57.Be6 Rh3 58.h5 h6 59.Kd2 Rg3 0-1

Shabalov, Alexander - Cheng, Bindi [A65] CAN op Toronto (8.4), 16.07.2011

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 d6 4.Nc3 g6 5.e4 Bg7 6.Bd3 0-0 7.Nge2 e6 8.h3 Na6 9.0-0 Nc7 10.Ng3 exd5 11.cxd5 Rb8 12.a4 a6 13.a5 b5 14.axb6 Rxb6 15.Ra2 Bd7 16.Bg5 Qe7 17.Qd2 Rfb8 18.f4 h6 19.Bxf6 Bxf6 20.e5 dxe5 21.f5 e4 22.Ngxe4 Bxf5 23.Nxf6+ Qxf6 24.Bxf5 gxf5 25.Kh1 Qd4 26.Qe1 Nxd5 27.Qg3+ Kf8 28.Nxd5 Qxd5 29.Rxa6 Rxa6 30.Qxb8+ Kg7 31.Qf4 Rf6 32.Rf3 Qd1+ 33.Kh2 Qd4 34.b3 Qxf4+ 35.Rxf4 Kg6 36.Rc4 Rb6 37.Rxc5 Rxb3 38.Kg1 Rb2 39.Rc6+ f6 40.Ra6 Rd2 41.Ra4 Kg5 42.Ra5 h5 43.Rb5 Rd4 44.Rb6 Re4 45.Kf2 Re5 46.Ra6 Rd5 47.Ra4 h4 48.Rb4 Rd2+ 49.Kf3 Rd3+ 50.Kf2 f4 51.Rb8 Rg3 52.Rg8+ Kf5 53.Rh8 f3 54.gxf3 Rxh3 55.Kg2 Rg3+ 56.Kf2 Kg5 57.Rh7 f5 58.Rh8 Rh3 59.Kg2 Rg3+ 1/2-1/2

Yoos, Jack - Barron, Michael [C37] CAN op Toronto (8.13), 16.07.2011

1.e4 e5 2.f4 exf4 3.Nf3 g5 4.Bc4 g4 5.0-0 gxf3 6.Qxf3 Qf6 7.e5 Qxe5 8.Bxf7+ Kxf7 9.d4 Qxd4+ 10.Be3 Qf6 11.Bxf4



11...Bc5+ (11...Ne7 12.Nc3 Nf5 13.Be5 Qxe5 14.Qh5+ Kg8
 15.Rxf5 Qe6 16.Qg5+ Qg6 17.Rxf8+ Kxf8 18.Rf1+ Kg7
 19.Qe5+ Kg8 20.Qe7 1-0 Yoos-Kirton, Saskatoon 1994)
 12.Kh1 Ne7 13.Qh5+ Qg6 14.Qxc5 d6 15.Bxd6+ Nf5 16.Qxc7+
 Bd7 17.Nd2 Rc8 18.Qxb7 Qxd6 19.Rxf5+ Kg6 20.Rg5+ Kxg5
 21.Ne4+ Kh5 22.Nxd6 Rxc2 23.Qf3+ Kg5 24.h4+ Kxh4
 25.Qe4+ 1-0

CYCC (July 6-9)

By the end of the Canadian Youth Chess Championships in Richmond Hill, Ontario, five B.C. players had finished in the top three in their sections and thus qualified for the upcoming world event: Luke Pulfer (U08), Harmony Zhu (U08G), Jason Cao (U12), Joanne Foote (U14G), and Loren Laceste (U18). Foote and Laceste won their respective sections, with Laceste's result being particularly impressive: ranked seventh at the start of the tournament, he successfully overcame players rated upto 400 points higher than himself. As with last year's competition there were also awards for those in the initial year of the two-year age groups, five of which were won by Neil Doknjas and Patrick Huang (both U08), Joshua Doknjas (U10), Andrea Botez (U10G), and Tanraj Sohal (U16). Congratulations to these and to all our B.C. representatives! Reports indicate the tournament was well organized and run, but was marred by a dispute on the last day between various members of the organizing committee and the CFC on how surplus prize funds should be distributed. It should be noted that a bid has been presented to hold the CYCC in Surrey next year - the outcome of the bid will likely be known by the end of July.

[Vancouver Sun](#) story on Loren Laceste
[Standings](#) from the official website
 Photos and games from [Monroi](#)

Laceste, Loren - Martchenko, Alexander [E10] CYCC U18 Richmond Hill (5), 08.07.2011

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 e6 3.c4 c5 4.d5 b5 5.a4 bxc4 6.Nc3 exd5 7.Nxd5 Bb7 8.e4 Nxd5 9.exd5 d6 10.Bxc4
 Be7 11.0-0 0-0 12.Re1 Nd7 13.a5 Rb8 14.Bf4 Re8 15.h3 Ba8 16.b3 Nf6 17.Qd2 Rb4 18.Re2 Bf8
 19.Rxe8 Qxe8 20.Re1 Qd8 21.Bg5 Be7 22.Qe3 Kf8 23.Qd3 g6 24.Bh6+ Kg8 25.a6 Rb8 26.Qd2
 Bf8 27.Bf4 Qd7 28.Bg5 Bg7 29.Bxf6 Bxf6 30.Qf4 Bg7 31.g4 Rf8 32.Kg2 Rb8 33.Re4 h6 34.h4 Kf8
 35.Kg1 Rd8 36.Re3 Kg8 37.Kg2 Kf8 38.Kh3 Kg8 39.Kg2 Kf8 40.Nd2 Re8 41.Rxe8+ Kxe8 42.f3 f5
 43.gxf5 gxf5 44.Nf1 Be5 45.Qxh6 Qf7 46.Qd2 Qg6+ 47.Qg5 Qxg5+ 48.hxg5 Kf7 49.Ne3 Kg6
 50.Nc2 Kxg5 51.Na3 Bf6 52.Nb5 Bd8 53.Nxd6 Kf6 54.f4 Ba5 55.Kf3 Bd8 56.Ke3 Ba5 57.Kd3 Bd8
 58.Ke3 Ba5 59.Nc8 Bb6 60.Nxb6 axb6 61.d6 Bc6 62.a7 Ba8 63.Kd3 Bb7 64.Kc3 Ba8 65.b4 Bf3
 66.bxc5 bxc5 67.Bg8 Kg7 68.d7 1-0

Calugar, Arthur - Laceste, Loren [E14] CYCC U18 Richmond Hill (7), 08.07.2011

1.b3 d5 2.Bb2 Nf6 3.Nf3 e6 4.e3 Be7 5.d4 0-0 6.Bd3 b6 7.0-0 Bb7 8.Nbd2 Nbd7 9.c4 c5 10.cxd5
 Nxd5 11.Rc1 cxd4 12.Nxd4 Nc5 13.Bb1 Bf6 14.Ba3 Rc8 15.b4 Nd7 16.Qb3 Rxc1 17.Rxc1 Bxd4

18.Qd3 Qh4 19.Nf3 Ne5 20.Nxh4 Nxd3 21.Bxd3 Bf6 22.Nf3 Be7 23.e4 Bxb4 24.Bxb4 Nxb4 25.Rc7 Ba8 26.Bb1 a5 27.a3 Na6 28.Ra7 Nc5 29.Ne5 f6 30.Nc4 Rd8 31.f3 Bb7 32.Kf2 Rd1 33.Bc2 Rc1 34.Ne3 Kf8 35.Ke2 Ke8 36.Kd2 Rg1 37.Nc4 Kd7 38.Nxb6+ Kc6 39.Nc4 Rxc2+ 40.Kc3 Ba6 41.Nd2 h5 42.h4 e5 43.Bd1 Kb6 44.Re7 Bb5 45.a4 Bxa4 46.Nc4+ Kb5 47.Bxa4+ Nxa4+ 48.Kd3 Nc5+ 49.Kc3 Rg1 50.Nd2 Rc1+ 51.Kb2 Nd3+ 52.Ka3 Rc3+ 53.Ka2 Rc2+ 54.Kb3 Rxd2 55.Kc3 Rd1 56.Rxc2 Nf4 57.Rf7 Rd3+ 58.Kc2 Rd6 59.Kb3 a4+ 60.Kc3 Rc6+ 61.Kb2 Kc4 62.Ra7 Kd3 63.Rxa4 Ke2 64.Ra3 Nd3+ 65.Ka1 Ne1 0-1

SIRALYI QUICKPLAY (Budapest, July 15-17) by Michael Yip

Three players tied for first with 5.5/7 whilst I tied for fourth with 5.0/7 after going into the last round with 5.0/6. I had White against a strong player and went for the win but failed to make the most of my chances and lost in a short sharp battle. I started well with three wins but my round three game was the product of some luck as my opening position was clearly inferior and I had to struggle to make the position only clearly worse as opposed to dead lost. My opponent helped me by sending his queen off to the queenside allowing me to activate my pieces and soon I was rewarded with a winning attack. In the closing ceremony the winners were given modest prizes and we all shared a glass of wine courtesy of the sponsoring company. There were several place prizes too which included music CDs, caps, and bottles of wine. The first place winner also received a little trophy as well for his efforts.

Round 6 was my best game as I defended against 1.b3 and won with a strong attack after White gave up the bishop pair for what seemed like nothing. Black then built up nicely on the kingside and eventually broke through with a massive attack. The win brought me up to 5/6 with two other players and I went all out for first place in the last game. However, my aggressive play did not get me the desired result and I fell to an easy tactic in a lost position.

The local players are used to seeing me now and bilingual players analyze with me. Hungarian-only speaking players now launch in to long one-sided conversations as I politely nod my head and smile not knowing anything being said to me. Another thoroughly enjoyable weekend tournament but no comparison with the recently completed Canadian Open. Overall I played confidently and was reasonably happy with my play.

Rozsa, Zoltan - Yip, Michael [A01] Siraly Quickplay July (6), 18.07.2011

1.b3 e5 2.Bb2 Nc6 3.e3 d6 4.Bb5 Bd7 5.d4 The following Adams game was the only thing I knew about the line. 5.Ne2 (intending f4) 5...a6 6.Bxc6 Bxc6 7.0-0 Qg5! Black exploits the passive position of Ne2 to immediately activate his queen and put pressure on White. (7...Nf6 8.f4+/-) 8.f3!? (8.Ng3?! h5 with attack) 8...Nf6 9.c4 (intending e4, Nbc3-d5) 9...d5! Opening the position for the bishop pair. 10.Nbc3? (10.f4! exf4 11.Nxf4 dxc4 12.bxc4 Bd6 13.Bxf6 Qxf6 (13...gxf6 14.Qe2 0-0-0 15.d4 unclear) 14.Nc3 unclear) 10...0-0-0 Black has taken over by quickly completing an aggressive development scheme and now will open the game up. 11.a4? (11.cxd5 Nxd5 12.Nxd5 Rxd5 13.Nc3 Rd7-/+) 11...dxc4!-+ 12.bxc4 Bc5 Black is dominating and will win the mutual race to attack each other's kings. 13.Kh1 Bxe3 14.Bc1 Bxd2 15.Nb5 Kb8 (15...Bxc1?! 16.Na7+ Kb8 17.Nxc6+ bxc6 18.Qb3+ Ka8 19.Raxc1-/+) 16.Ned4 (16.Nbd4 exd4 17.Bxd2 Qc5) 16...Bxc1 (better is 16...exd4 17.Bxd2 Qc5 18.Bf4 Rd7-+) 17.Nxc6+ bxc6 18.Qb3 (18.Qxc1 Qxc1 19.Raxc1 cxb5) 18...cxb5 19.axb5 Qe3! (19...Be3 20.bxa6+ Bb6 21.c5) 20.Qa4 Bb2 21.Qxa6 (21.Ra2!?) 21...Bxa1 22.Rxa1 Rd1+! The extra rook is returned to allow the queen to return to the defence of the king. 23.Rxd1 Qa7 24.Qc6 Qb6-+ 25.c5 Qxc6 26.bxc6 Re8 27.g4 h6 (27...Re6? 28.Rd8+ Ka7 29.Rd1) 28.h4 g5 29.hxg5 hxg5 30.Kg2 Kc8 ... |e6 0-1 Minasian,A - Adams,M /Debrecen 1992/chT **5...a6**

5...Qg5!? Immediately exploits the lack of minor piece development on the kingside. 6.Nf3 Qxg2 7.Rg1 Qh3 8.Rg3 Qh6 A strong defensive position for the queen. 9.dxe5 dxe5 10.Bxc6 Qxc6 11.Nxe5 Qh1+ 12.Ke2 Qxd1+ 13.Kxd1 Be6= Black is counting the bishop pair and better structure for long-term endgame chances. 14.Nc3 Ne7 15.Nb5 0-0-0+ 16.Ke2 f6 17.Nd3 Nf5 18.Rgg1 Bd7 19.a4 a6 20.Nd4 Nxd4+ 21.Bxd4 Bf5 22.Rac1 Rd7 23.Bc5 b6 24.Bxf8 Rxf8 25.f3 g5! This neutralizes the pressure on the g-file, takes away f4 from the knight and grabs useful kingside space. 26.e4 Bg6 27.h4 h6 28.hxg5 hxg5 29.Rh1 Rd6 30.Rh6 Bf7 31.c4 Rfd8 32.Rc3 f5 33.Rxd6 Rxd6 34.c5 bxc5 35.exf5 c4 36.Ne5 Rf6= 37.b4 Rxf5 38.Nxf7 Rxf7 39.Rxc4 Rf5 40.Rc5? Entering a lost K+P ending. 40...Rxc5 41.bxc5 Kd7 White's c-pawn is too far advanced and does not have adequate support. 42.Kd3 c6 (42...Ke6! Also wins. 43.Ke4 c6! The right move in the tempo battle as now White cannot infiltrate via d5. 44.a5 Kf6 45.Ke3 (45.f4 g4-+) 45...Ke5-+ All White's pawns are loose now that Black has established dominant king position.) 43.Kc3?? (43.Ke3 Ke6 44.Ke4 a5-+ The tempo move gains Black the opposition.; 43.Ke4 Ke6 44.a5 White plays his last reserve tempo move to gain the opposition but Black's pawns take away infiltration squares and Black wins all the same. 44...Kf6 45.Kd4 Kf5 46.Ke3 Ke5! Taking the opposition for the win.) 43...a5-+ 0-1 Fernandez Aguado,E - Pomes Marcet,J /Spain 1995 **6.Bxc6 Bxc6 7.d5 Bd7 8.Ne2 f5** Black takes space which is always useful in a maneuvering game. 8...Qg5!? is possible but I would prefer to make this aggressive queen move only after White commits his king with 0-0. **9.c4 Nf6 10.Nbc3 Be7** Black is content to develop quietly and let the struggle be decided in a middlegame where Black has the bishops in return for conceding the central point d5. **11.0-0 0-0 12.f3=/+** Now Black needs a logical plan and chooses to focus on the kingside. 12.f4 is the optimal defensive move which limits the scope of Black's light bishop but this advance is dangerous for White as his own kingside will be vulnerable without a light bishop to defend the squares around the king. **12...Qe8** Black's plan is simple-bring every piece to the kingside for an attack. 12...b5!?=/+ Opening up the position on the queenside also has merit as the bishop pair needs an open board to operate at peak effectiveness. **13.a4** Not really useful although ...b5 is prevented. **13...g5** The kingside is where the action is. **14.g3?!=/+** Now the light squares around the king are looking very inviting. 14.Qd3= **14...Qg6=** Black's buildup is very simple. The pieces line up behind the pawns and support their advance. Hopefully one or two pairs of pawns will be exchanged to open lines and Black's pieces will invade to mate White's helpless king. 14...Qh5 15.Qd2 c5=/+ **15.Qd3 Rae8!?=/+** Final preparations are ready. 15...e4! Pushing immediately is very strong. 16.Qd2 (16.fxe4 fxe4 17.Qc2 Bh3-+) 16...exf3 17.Rxf3 c5! =/+ Black uses his pawns in typical fashion to take away key outposts from White's knights. **16.Qc2**



From here on, Black only plays on the kingside and is unable to use the whole board to his advantage. **16...Qh6!?=/+** Putting all the emphasis on the ...f4 push. 16...c5! =/+ Black wants to play ...e4 and wants to deny White d4. 17.Nd1 (17.dxc6?! bxc6 18.Rae1 Rb8 Black has a second front to work with to stretch out White's defences.) 17...Qh5 18.Nec3 e4 19.fxe4 Ng4 20.Qe2 Rf6 21.Ra2 Rh6, **17.Qd2 Nh5=** Putting single minded emphasis on ...f4 but losing most of Black's advantage. 17...c5=/+ is again good. **18.Nd1 f4!?** The problem with this aggressive advance is that White gets to use e4 as an outpost. **19.exf4 gxf4 20.g4** Trying to keep the kingside closed but now Black gets an easier target to work against. **20...Nf6=/+** Really tame. 20...e4! never crossed my mind. This line opening

breakthrough opens up the kingside for the attack and the whole position for the bishops. 21.Nd4 **a) 21.gxh5?** The knight cannot be taken. 21...Bh3 22.Nf2 (22.Rf2 e3-+) 22...e3 23.Qe1 exf2+ 24.Qxf2 Bf6! (24...Kf7=+) 25.Bxf6 Qxf6 26.Nd4 Kh8!-+ ; **b) 21.fxe4? Bxg4-+ ; 21...Qg6 22.Kh1 Ng7=/+ 21.Nf2 Bd8?** Black misjudges the pace of the game and makes an unnecessary additional

preparatory move to get ...Re8 more scope. Luckily White does not exploit the slip. 21...Qg5! is more forceful. 22.Kh1 h5 23.Nh3 Qg6=/+ **22.Nc3 Kf7?! Black is playing much too casually.** 22...Rf7 23.Kh1 Qh4= **23.Nce4?! A natural move but White could have made life much more difficult with a couple of other moves.** 23.Kh1! unclear; 23.c5!? makes the game murky. **23...Nxe4 24.Nxe4 Rg8 25.Rf2?-/+** This is a natural defensive move that anticipates the assault on the g-pawn and plans Rg2 to bolster the kingside. 25.Qg2 Qh4=/+



25...Qg6?! Black plays for a break through normal chess but misses a couple of better choices.. 25...Qh3!-/+ is the same idea but much more aggressively executed. 26.Qe2 h5 White is on the verge of collapse.; 25...Bxg4! wins spectacularly due to some subtle tactical points. 26.fxg4 Rxc4+ 27.Kh1 (27.Rg2 Rxc4+ 28.Kxc4 Qg6+! The point of the combination is to pick off the loose Ne4. 29.Ng3 h5--+) 27...Rxc4 28.Raf1 Qg6 29.Qe1 Ke8! A quiet move that prepares ...Bh4. 30.Rf3 Getting out of ...Bh4 pin trouble but allowing a winning invasion. (30.c5 Bh4--+) 30...Rg2! Threatening ...Rxc2+ with mate and ...Rxb2. 31.R3f2 Bh4--+ **26.Rg2 h5 27.h3 Rh8 28.Ra2--** This contributes nothing to the defence of the kingside but I can't find any move that helps White. 28.a5 Ignoring the kingside

loses without a fight. 28...hxc4 29.hxc4 Rh3 30.Qe2 Re8 31.Nf2 The knight is a key defender and holds the kingside together. 31...R3h4! (31...R3h7 32.Qe4 Qg7 33.Kf1! Bh4 34.Nd3 Bg3 35.Ke2 Qg6=/+ White escapes the worst but remains under pressure.) 32.Rd1 **a)** 32.Qe4 Qh6--+ ; **b)** 32.Kf1 Rh1+! 33.Nxh1 Rxh1+ 34.Rg1 Qh6 35.Qf2 (35.Qg2 Rh2--+) 35...Rh2 36.Rg2 Qh3--+ ; 32...Qh6--+ ; 28.Rf1 Bringing the rook over to the kingside also loses. 28...hxc4 29.hxc4 Rh3 30.Qd3 Re8 31.Kf2 Rh2 32.Rfg1 R8h3 33.Rxc2 Rxc2+ 34.Rg2 Qh6 35.Qf1 Rh1 36.Rg1 Qh2+ 37.Qg2 Bh4+ 38.Kf1 Rxc1+ 39.Qxc1 Qxb2--+ ; 28.Rc1 hxc4 29.hxc4 Rh3 30.Qe2 Re8 31.Nf2 Rg3 32.Ne4 Bg5! 33.Nxc3 fxc3 34.Rxc3 Qh6!--+ ; 28.c5 hxc4 29.hxc4 Rh3! 30.Qe2 Re8 31.Nf2 Rg3! 32.Ne4 Rhh3--+ ; 28.Nf2 This at least stops the immediate ...Rh3. 28...hxc4 29.hxc4 Rh4 30.c5 Re8 31.Kf1 (31.Qe2 Qh6--+) 31...Rh2 32.Bc3 Qh6 33.Rxc2 Qxc2--+ **28...hxc4 29.hxc4 Rh3! Winning a tempo for doubling on the kingside. 30.Qe2 Re8 There is no defence now. 31.Bc3 Rh1+ 32.Kf2 Bh4+ 33.Ng3 Bxc3+ 33...Bxc3+ 34.Rxc3 R8h2+! 35.Rg2 Rxc2+ 36.Kxc2 Qh6 37.-- Qh2# 0-1**

CANADIAN CHESS HALL OF FAME



Povilas (Paul) Vaitonis (1911-1983) is the 2011 inductee to the Canadian Chess Hall of Fame, founded in 2000 by David Cohen to celebrate and promote Canada's chess heritage. Vaitonis was born in Uzpaliai, Lithuania and was one of the many refugees who chose to emigrate to the New World after the Second World War, rather than remain under the Soviet sphere of influence:

Vaitonis fled Russian rule of his native Lithuania in 1944 because "all the time you're afraid. Even if you don't do anything wrong you never know when they'll arrest you." He was scheduled to go to Sweden in a small boat, but this boat and his proposed companions were blasted by bombs in a raid. Vaitonis managed to get aboard another ship, scheduled to run the high-explosive gauntlet, and successfully reached Sweden. He married there in 1948 and came to Canada the following year. After a year's work on a farm he took up cost accounting. He has played chess since he was five, but has no real love of tournament chess. "I like better to play a good game with my friends," he says. [*Daily Province*, Tuesday, September 4, 1951]

Despite this apparent preference for social play Vaitonis was Lithuanian champion on multiple occasions and represented his country in the olympiads at Folkestone (1933), Warsaw (1935), Munich (1936), Stockholm (1937), and Buenos Aires (1939). He won the championship of his adopted country twice, in 1951 and 1957 (both times held in Vancouver), and represented Canada at the Saltsjobaden Interzonal (1952) and the Amsterdam and Munich olympiads (1954 and 1958). Vaitonis was awarded the IM title in 1952 and at one point wrote a chess column for the *Hamilton Spectator*, Hamilton being the city where he settled.

A fuller list of accomplishments can be found at the [Canadian Chess](#) website. A plaque honouring Vaitonis's induction was presented to his family by the Lithuanian Ambassador to Canada, Ginte Damusis, at the Canadian Open, along with a lecture by Lithuanian GM Eduardas Rozentalis.

Petrovs, Vladimirs - Vaitonis, Paul [D34] Folkestone ol (Men) Folkestone (13.2), 1933

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c5 4.cxd5 exd5 5.Nc3 Nc6 6.g3 Nf6 7.Bg2 Be7 8.0-0 0-0 9.h3 Be6 10.Be3 b6 11.Ne5 Nxe5 12.dxe5 d4 13.exf6 Bxf6 14.Bxa8 Qxa8 15.Kh2 dxe3 16.fxe3 Be5 17.Qe1 h5 18.h4 b5 19.a3 b4 20.axb4 cxb4 21.Nd1 Qe4 22.Rf4 Bxf4 23.exf4 Bd5 24.Qf1 Re8 25.e3 Rc8 26.Nf2 Rc2 0-1

Thorvaldsson, Einar - Vaitonis, Paul [A57] Munich ol (Men) Munich (21), 1936

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 e6 5.Nc3 exd5 6.Nxd5 Bb7 7.Nc3 d5 8.e3 d4 9.Nb1 Bd6 10.Nf3 Bxf3 11.Qxf3 Nbd7 12.exd4 0-0 13.dxc5 Bxc5 14.Qd1 Qe7+ 15.Be2 Ne5 16.0-0 Rad8 17.Qb3 Neg4 18.Bxg4 Nxg4 19.Bd2 Qe2 20.Qf3 Qxf1+ 21.Kxf1 Nxh2+ 22.Ke2 Nxf3 23.Kxf3 Rfe8 24.Bc3 Rd3+ 0-1

Trompowsky, Octavio - Vaitonis, Paul [D00] Buenos Aires ol (Men) f-A Buenos Aires (14), 1939

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 d5 3.Bxf6 exf6 4.e3 Bd6 5.c4 dxc4 6.Bxc4 0-0 7.Qh5 Nd7 8.Nc3 f5 9.Nge2 Nf6 10.Qf3 Re8 11.0-0-0 c6 12.Ng3 Qa5 13.Nh5 Nxh5 14.Qxh5 Be6 15.d5 cxd5 16.Bxd5 Rac8 17.Bxe6 Rxc3+ 18.Kb1 Rxe6 19.bxc3 Qxc3 20.Qe2 Bc7 21.Qc2 Rb6+ 22.Kc1 Qa3+ 23.Kd2 Rb2 24.Rc1 Rxc2+ 25.Rxc2 Ba5+ 26.Ke2 g6 27.Rhc1 Qd6 28.g3 Kg7 29.Kf1 Bd2 0-1

Vaitonis, Paul - Bohatirchuk, Fedor Parfenovich [A41] CAN ch Vancouver (13.2), 31.08.1951

1.d4 d6 2.c4 Nd7 3.Nf3 e5 4.Nc3 g6 5.e4 Bg7 6.g3 Nh6 7.Bg2 0-0 8.0-0 c6 9.b3 f6 10.h3 Nf7 11.Be3 Re8 12.Kh2 Nf8 13.Qd2 Ne6 14.d5 Nc7 15.Ng1 c5 16.Nge2 Bd7 17.Rab1 b6 18.a3 f5 19.b4 f4 20.gxf4 Qh4 21.f3 exf4 22.Bxf4 Be5 23.bxc5 Bxh3 24.Bxe5 Bxg2+ 25.Kxg2 Rxe5 26.f4 Rh5 27.Rh1 Qg4+ 28.Ng3 Rxh1 29.Rxh1 bxc5 30.Rf1 Rb8 31.e5 dxe5 32.Nce4 Ne8 33.fxe5 h5 34.e6 Nfd6 35.Rf4 Rb2 36.Rxg4 Rxd2+ 37.Nxd2 hxg4 38.Nge4 Nb7 39.Kg3 Kg7 40.Kxg4 Ned6

41.Kf4 Kf8 42.a4 Nf5 43.Kg5 Kg7 44.Nb3 Nfd6 45.Nxd6 Nxd6 46.Nxc5 Nxc4 47.Ne4 Kf8 48.Kf6 Ke8 49.e7 1-0

Anderson, Frank - Vaitonis, Paul [B37] Training Match Hamilton CAN (1), 15.06.1952

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 g6 5.c4 Bg7 6.Nc2 Nh6 7.Bd2 d6 8.Be2 0-0 9.Qc1 Ng4 10.f3 Nge5 11.0-0 f5 12.Nc3 Be6 13.b3 Rc8 14.Bh6 Qb6+ 15.Kh1 fxe4 16.Bxg7 Kxg7 17.Nxe4 d5 18.Ng5 Bg8 19.f4



19...dxc4 20.fxe5 Rxf1+ 21.Qxf1 cxb3 22.axb3 Nxe5 23.Bc4 Nxc4 24.bxc4 Rxc4 25.Na3 Ra4 26.Nc2 Rxa1 27.Qxa1+ Qf6 28.Nd4 Bd5 29.Nde6+ Kg8 30.Qxf6 exf6 31.Nc7 Bxg2+ 32.Kxg2 fxc5 33.Kf3 Kf7 34.Ke4 a5 35.Ke5 a4 36.Nb5 h5 37.h3 g4 38.hxg4 h4 39.Kf4 g5+ 0-1

Fuster, Geza - Vaitonis, Paul [D36] CAN ch Vancouver (9.3), 31.08.1957

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 d5 4.Bg5 Be7 5.e3 Nbd7 6.Qc2 0-0 7.cxd5 exd5 8.Nf3 c6 9.Bd3 Re8 10.0-0 Nf8 11.Rfb1 g6 12.b4 Ne6 13.Bh4 Ng7 14.b5 Nd7 15.Bxe7 Rxe7 16.Rc1 Re6 17.Qb3 Ne8 18.Rc2 Nb6 19.bxc6 Rxc6 20.Bb5 Rc7 21.Bd3 Be6 22.a4 Nd6 23.Nd2 Rac8 24.Rac1 Nbc4 25.Bxc4 Nxc4 26.Nxc4 Rxc4 27.Nb5 Qa5 28.h3 a6 29.Nd6 Rxc2 30.Rxc2 Rxc2 31.Qxc2 b5 32.axb5 axb5 33.Kh2 Qb6 34.Qc5 Qxc5 35.dxc5 b4 36.Nb5 b3 37.Na3 Kf8 38.g4 h5 39.f3 hxg4 40.hxg4 b2 41.Kg2 f5 42.g5 f4 43.e4 d4 44.Kf2 Ba2 45.c6 Ke7 46.e5 b1Q 0-1

2011 BC Open

Date: July 30 - Aug. 1

Location: Executive Airport Plaza Hotel, 7311 Westminster Hwy. Richmond, BC V6X 1A3

Format: 6 six round CFC rated Swiss

Sections: Open, U1800

Time Control: Game/80 + 1 minute increment>

Round Times Sat. July 30: 12:00 noon, 5:pm; Sun July 31 10:00am, 3:00pm, Mon. Aug.1 10:00am, 3:00pm

Entry Fee: \$60 (Early Bird on or before June 24), \$65 (not so Early Bird on or before July 26), \$70 on site; \$20 to play up a section

Prizes: \$1000 Guaranteed: Open Section:\$300, \$150 U2100 \$150 Top BC finisher qualifies for BC Closed. U1800 Section: \$175, \$100 U1500 \$75 Top Unrated (any section) \$50

Accommodation: Executive Airport Plaza Hotel, 1-800-663-2878, \$119/night single/double, Free parking for hotel guests Reservation code is 'BCopen'. Please book by June 30.

Transportation: - by car; parking \$10/day (must purchase ticket from organizer) - by Skytrain to Brighouse station, then ~10 minute walk.

Misc: - Parking free for hotel guests. \$10 otherwise (purchase ticket from organizer on site). Some

parking on local streets may be available. - BCCF dues included in entry fee. - All equipment provided. - Unrated players not eligible for class prizes. - BC tournaments use a 1 hour grace rule for players late for the game before forfeiting.

TD: Stephen Wright

Registration: Online (will be set up May 1), email to: victoriachessclub@gmail.com , mail (*Make cheques payable to:* [Roger Patterson](#) 4381 Wildflower Lane, Victoria BC, V8X 5H1), onsite from 10:30am-11:30am Sat. July 30.

Organizing Committee: Roger Patterson: bccf.president@gmail.com Brian Raymer, Paul Leblanc

UPCOMING EVENTS

Junior

<http://www.bcjuniorchess.com/calendar/>

<http://victoriajuniorchess.pbworks.com/Tournament-Schedule>

UBC Thursday Night Swiss

Thursdays, 6:30 pm, Irving K. Barber Learning Centre room 157, 1961 East Mall, University of British Columbia entry fee \$20 Contact Aaron Cosenza, xramis1@yahoo.ca

B.C. Open

July 30 - August 1, Richmond

Details: <http://victoriachessclub.pbworks.com/w/page/35682117/BC-Open>

3rd Bishops of Bowser Tournament

August 14, Bowser, Vancouver Island

Details: <http://bowserchess.pbworks.com/w/page/40199252/2011-Tournament>

Portland Chess Club Centennial Open

August 12-14, Portland, Oregon

Details: http://www.nwchess.com/calendar/PCC_Centennial_Open_201108.pdf

Labour Day Open

September 3-5, Langley

Details: <http://www.langleychess.com/2011-Open.htm>

Active Olympiad Fundraiser

September 17, Victoria

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

September Active

September 18, Vancouver

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