

BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #224

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Stephen Wright

HERE AND THERE

September Active (September 18)

Mayo Fuentebella demonstrated the form that enabled him to tie for first in the B.C. Active Championship back in January - he won the September Active with a perfect score, a point clear of the field. Three players scored 4.0 points: James Chan was officially second, Ryan Lo claimed the U2000 prize with a last-round win over Butch Villavieja, while Dejan Radic (1624) lost his first game to Fuentebella and then won four straight to take the U1700 prize. The biggest upset prize went to Nathaniel Know (1208), who beat Alice Xiao (1822) in the first round. Thirty players participated in the event, held as usual at the Vancouver Bridge Centre and organized by Luc Poitras. Watch for the next active, coming up on October 2. [Crosstable](#)

Alonso Zapata Visit

Grandmaster Alonso Zapata of Colombia will be visiting the Vancouver area in early October. He is scheduled to give a lecture, simultaneous exhibition, and participate in the Vancouver Open on the Thanksgiving weekend. Further details can be found at the [EAC](#) website.

VICTORIA OLYMPIAD FUNDRAISER (September 17)

Eighteen players took part in a one day Active Chess event at the Victoria Chess Club on Saturday, September 17th. The event was a fundraiser for Canada's participation in the 40th Chess Olympiad to take place in Istanbul, Turkey in 2012. Ray Wu was the surprise winner; ranked only tenth in the field, he started the tournament with a first round draw against top rated Howard Wu (no relation), then cruised to victory with wins against Mathew Geng, Li Geng, Roger Patterson, and Paul Leblanc. Second place was captured by World Under 10 Champion Jason Cao with a last round win over Mark Dutton. The U1700 trophy was won by Gulf Islands resident Deron Stewart, followed by Nick Peters.

Both Ray and Deron had their VCC ratings adjusted to reflect their outstanding performances. \$203 was raised for the Olympiad Team. Thanks to all those who donated and to all participants.

Organizers: Paul Leblanc, Roger Patterson
TD: Paul Leblanc

Donations: Lynn Stringer, Chris Eve, Ian Cordon, Jimmy Mclean, Ken Forman

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Ray Wu holds the first place trophy and book prize. Chess Club President Roger Patterson looks on. Photo by Mark Dutton.

MICHAEL YIP ANNOTATES

Faluczai,I - Yip,M [C02] Budapest Open (7), 26.08.2011

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Nc6 5.Nf3 Bd7 6.Be2 f6 7.Bf4 Qc7 8.Qd3? cxd4 9.cxd4 Nb4 10.Qd2 Nc2+ 11.Kf1 f5 Keeping the position closed to limit counterplay chances. 11...Nxa1 12.exf6 Qc2 13.Bd3 Qxd2 14.f7+ Kxf7 15.Bxd2 Bd6-+ 12.Nc3 Nxa1 13.g3-/+ Bb4 14.Kg2 Bxc3 Liquidating down too quickly. 14...Rc8! Piling on the pressure is better. 15.Rc1 Qa5-+ 15.bxc3 Rc8 16.Rc1-/+ I missed this. 16...Ne7 17.Qb2 0-0 18.Qxa1



18...b5?!=/+ I thought it was important to stop c4. 18...Be8!-/+ is more to the point. 19.Qb2 Rb8 20.Nd2! Taking aim at c5. 20...Ng6 21.Nb3 Bc6!? 21...Nxf4+ 22.gxf4 Bc6-/+ I did not trust this position for Black has White has a wonderful knight but Black's rooks have a long way to go before having any impact on the position. 22.Bd2 Nh8?!= I thought the knight was worth keeping. 22...f4=/+ is the most logical but then I did not like White's bishop getting active. 23.Nc5 With compensation. Now begins a long maneuvering phase where Black tries to keep options open and leave a full struggle with excellent long term chances based on the ability to play on both wings. 23...Qe7 24.f4 h6 25.Rf1 Kh7 26.Qc2 g6 27.Bc1 Rg8 28.h4 Nf7 29.Rh1 Kg7 30.Ba3 Qe8 31.Bb4



31...Rh8? Careless play and bad technique. White is now back in the game. 31...h5=/+ Sealing up the kingside prevents White's h4-h5 idea. **32.g4?** Right idea but wrongly executed. 32.h5! is what I failed to consider. 32...g5 33.g4! Bd7 34.Bd3+/- would have been an embarrassment for Black. **32...Nd8 33.Kg3** 33.h5!+/- **33...Bd7?!** 33...h5=/+ **34.Rg1?!** 34.h5!/? with compensation **34...Kh7 35.Kh3** 35.h5!/? **35...Nc6 36.Bd3 a5 37.Ba3 b4 37...Rg8=/+ 38.Bb2 Ne7 39.c4 Rf8 40.Qg2? Rg8?** 40...Bc6! 41.Qe2 dxc4 42.Bxc4 Nd5-/+ **41.Qc2 Rc8** 41...fxg4+ 42.Rxg4 Nf5 43.cxd5 exd5-/+ **42.a3** Black has a clear material advantage but no obvious way to cash in that seemed clear enough during the game.



42...Rxc5!? Returning the exchange for positional gains. 42...bxa3 43.Bxa3 fxg4+ 44.Rxg4 Nf5 45.cxd5 exd5 46.Qd2-/+ (46.Qf2? loses. 46...Ne7 47.e6-+ (47.Nxd7 Qxd7 48.Bxe7 Rc3!-+ (48...Qxe7? 49.h5 with compensation)) 47...Rxc5 48.exd7 Qxd7 49.Bxc5 h5-+) **43.dxc5** Now Black's advantage is smaller but the position is easier to play. **43...Bc6** Bb2 will be impotent while Black will get good light square play. **44.g5 h5 45.axb4 axb4 46.Qb3 Qb8 47.Rb1 Qb7 48.Bd4?** Not easy to tell but a3 is weak. Better is 48.Kg3=/+ **48...Rb8?!=/+** Settling for much too little. 48...Ra8!/? The rook belongs on the open file. Now the threat of ...Ra3 should assure Black of a clear advantage. 49.Kg3? (49.Ra1? Ba4 50.Qb2 dxc4 51.Bxc4 Qf3+!-+ ; 49.Be2 dxc4 50.Qxc4 Nd5 51.Kh2 else ...Ra3+.

51...Ra4-+ ; 49.Qd1? dxc4 50.Bxc4 Ra3+ 51.Kh2 Bb5-/+ 49...dxc4! (49...Ra3! 50.Qxa3 bxa3 51.Rxb7 Bxb7 52.cxd5 Bxd5=/+) 50.Qxc4 Ra3 51.Kh2 Nd5-+ ; 48...Rd8! is also strong. 49.Kg3 dxc4 50.Qxc4 Qd7 51.Rxb4 Nd5! Chasing away the defender of Bd4 allows Black to win material. 52.Rb2 Nc7-/+ One of the bishops will be lost. **49.Kg3 Kg7 50.Be3 Kf7?** 50...Qd7! 51.Qd1 d4 52.Bd2 b3!-/+ **51.Bd2 Qd7 52.Bxb4 dxc4 53.Bxc4 Be4?** Well intended but a mistake. 53...Ba8! is correct and White cannot oppose Black's play on the a8-h1 diagonal. 54.Qd3 Qc6 55.Qf1 Nd5!-+ **54.Rb2?-+** Losing immediately. 54.Rd1 Bd5 55.Qa3 Qb7 56.Bxd5 Nxd5 57.Bd2 Ra8!/? The extra pawn is not really a factor as Black coordinates well for counterplay on the light squares. 58.Qd3 Ra2 Black has compensation for the pawn but not much more. **54...Qd4! 55.Bxe6+ Kg7 56.Qc3?** Now there is no defence. 56.Kh2 also loses. 56...Bf3 57.Kg3 (57.Qc3 Qxf4+ 58.Kg1 Nc6-+) 57...Bd5 58.Bxd5 Nxd5 59.Rf2 Rxb4-+ **56...Qg1+ 57.Kh3 Qg4+** This wins but Black also had ...Rxb4 deflection ideas that also win. 57...Rxb4 58.Qxb4 Bf3!-+ ...Bg4# next. **58.Kh2 Qxf4+** 58...Rxb4! 59.Qxb4 Qxf4+ 60.Kg1 Qg3+ 61.Kf1 Bd3+-+ **59.Qg3 Qc1** Threatening ...Qh1#. **60.Qf2 f4!** Taking away g3 as a flight square ends the game. **61.Ba3 Qh1#** A tense battle over the whole board. **0-1**

"TOUGH AS NAILS" - LEO DUVAL



Duval in 1954

A B.C. historical figure who has largely been forgotten is Leo Manners Duval (April 1, 1888 - February 20, 1976). One of B.C.'s strongest players in the 1940s, he won the B.C. Championship in 1941, 1942, 1943, and 1946, and on the CFC rating list in 1957 he was second in B.C., considerably behind Miervaldis Jursevskis but just ahead of Gerry Neufahrt - this at the age of sixty-nine! More research is needed, as many details of his life remain unknown, but Duval was born in Lake Megantic, Quebec, served in the First World War (where he rose to the rank of lieutenant and won the Military Cross), and worked as a civil engineer. I do not know when he moved to Vancouver, but he took part in a match against Seattle in 1938. Paul Brown remembers playing Duval: "Nigel Fullbrook and I were members of the Kerrisdale Chess Club in the late 60's and 70's. I recall him telling me one evening on the way home that he played this very old player that evening and found him to be quite formidable. He told me that this guy was tough as nails. I played the elderly gentleman the following week and asked Mr. E. C. Boire, the club organizer, what the gentleman's name was. He told me that it was "Mr. Duval." I estimate that he was in his late 80's or early 90's at the time. Although Nigel and I played him several times after that, I don't recall if I was ever lucky enough to beat him."

Apart from his provincial championship wins, perhaps Duval's most prominent result was his showing in the 1945 Canadian Championship. This was only the second time that B.C. had representation at a Canadian championship (the first was John Ewing at Hamilton, 1924); Jack Taylor finished 9th, but Duval was alone in 5th place, and only lost one game - to Taylor!

1945 Canadian Championship, Saskatoon

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	0	1	2	3	
1 Yanofsky, Abe	*	=	=	1	=	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10.5
2 Yerhoff, Frank	=	*	=	1	=	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10.5
3 Divinsky, Nathan	=	=	*	0	=	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9.5
4 Belson, John	0	0	1	*	=	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9.5
5 Duval, Leo	=	=	=	=	*	=	1	1	0	=	=	1	1	7.5
6 Holowach, Walter	0	0	0	0	=	*	=	=	1	1	1	1	1	6.5
7 Helman, Abe	0	0	0	0	0	=	*	=	1	1	1	1	1	6.0
8 Rauch, Joseph	0	0	0	0	0	=	=	*	=	1	1	1	1	5.5
9 Taylor, Jack	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	=	*	=	1	1	0	4.0
10 Neatby, L	0	0	0	0	=	0	0	0	=	*	1	=	1	3.5
11 Haley, Phil	0	0	0	0	=	0	0	0	0	0	*	1	1	2.5
12 Hall, L	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	=	0	*	1	1.5
13 Hegler, H	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	*	1.0

The tournament was largely a battle between the top four finishers, who all scored 8.5/9 against the rest of the field - but the player they all drew against was Duval. These were not grandmaster draws either, as the games below will attest; it should also be remembered that Duval was fifty-seven years old at the time.



Standing: Canon Roy, Divinsky, Hall, Belson, Neatby, Taylor, Haley, Yerhoff, Rauch, Holowach
Seated: MacAdam, Hegler, Duval, Helman

Those with a B.C. connection: Roy (CFC president) and MacAdam both moved here in later life, Taylor and Duval were provincial champions, Divinsky and Helman played as Manitoba representatives in this event, but both moved to Vancouver. Helman was B.C. champion in 1947 and 1948 before dying suddenly in 1952, Divinsky is alive and well and living at UBC.

Rauch,J - Duval,L [D93] CAN ch Saskatoon (1), 1945

1.d4 Nf6 2.Nf3 g6 3.c4 Bg7 4.Nc3 d5 5.Bf4 0-0 6.e3 c6 7.Qb3 b6 8.Be2 Bb7 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.Rfc1 e6 11.a4 Re8 12.a5 dxc4 13.Bxc4 b5 14.Be2 a6 15.Ne5 Nxe5 16.Bxe5 Qe7 17.Bxf6 Bxf6 18.Ne4 Bg7 19.Nc5 e5 20.Nxb7 Qxb7 21.dxe5 Rxe5 22.Bf3 Rc8 23.Rc2 Qd7 24.Rd1 Qe8 25.Rd6 c5 26.Rxa6 c4 27.Qb4 Bf8 28.Qd2 Bc5 29.Bb7 Rxe3 30.Kf1 Rd8 31.fxe3 Rxd2 32.Rxd2 Qxe3 33.Ra8+ Kg7 34.Rad8 b4 35.Bf3 b3 0-1

Duval,L - Belson,J [A19] CAN ch Saskatoon (2), 1945

1.c4 Nf6 2.Nc3 e6 3.e4 c5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.d4 cxd4 6.Nxd4 e5 7.Nf5 d6 8.Ne3 Be7 9.g3 0-0 10.Bg2 Ne8 11.0-0 g6 12.Ned5 Bg5 13.f4 exf4 14.gxf4 Bh6 15.f5 Qh4 16.Bf4 Bxf4 17.Rxf4 Qh6 18.Qf1 g5 19.Rg4 Ne5 20.Rg3 f6 21.Ne7+ Kh8 22.Rh3 Qg7 23.Ned5 Bd7 24.Rd1 Qf7 25.Qe2 Rg8 26.b3 g4 27.Rg3 Qh5 28.Nf4 Qh6 29.Qd2 Qh4 30.Qe3 Ng7 31.Rxd6 Rae8 32.Qf2 Bc6 33.Ncd5 Bxd5 34.Rxd5 Nh5 35.Nxh5 Qxh5 36.Kh1 Qg5 37.Qd2 Qg7 38.Qf4 h5 39.h4 Re7 40.Qd2 Kh7 41.Rd6 Rc7 ½-½

Haley,P - Duval,L [A48] CAN ch Saskatoon (3), 1945

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.b3 g6 3.d4 Bg7 4.e3 c5 5.c3 Qc7 6.b4 b6 7.Na3 cxd4 8.Nb5 Qd8 9.cxd4 Nc6 10.a3 0-0 11.Be2 Bb7 12.Bb2 d5 13.0-0 Ne4 14.Nd2 f5 15.Nxe4 fxe4 16.f3 exf3 17.Rxf3 Qd7 18.Rxf8+ Rxf8 19.Bg4 e6 20.Rc1 Qe7 21.Rc2 a6 22.Nc3 Qf7 23.Qf3 Qe7 24.Qg3 Qf6 25.Rf2 Qxf2+ 26.Qxf2 Rxf2 27.Kxf2 Kf7 28.Na4 b5 29.Nc5 Bc8 30.h4 Ke7 31.Kf3 a5 32.Bc3 a4 33.Kf2 Kd6 34.Be2 Na7 35.Bg4 Bf6 36.g3 h5 37.Bh3 Nc6 38.Bf1 Na7 39.Bh3 Bd7 40.e4 dxe4 41.Nxe4+ Ke7 42.Nxf6 Kxf6 43.d5+ Ke7 44.dxe6 Bxe6 45.Bg2 Kd6 46.Ke3 Bd5 47.Bf1 Bc4 48.Bxc4 bxc4 49.Kd4 Nb5+ 50.Kxc4 Nxa3+ 51.Kd3 Kd5 52.Bb2 Nb5 53.Ke3 Kc4 54.Kf4 Kxb4 55.Kg5 Kb3 56.Ba1 Nd6 57.Kxg6 Nc4 58.g4 hxg4 59.h5 Nb2 60.h6 g3 61.Bxb2 Kxb2 62.h7 a3 63.h8Q+ Kb1 64.Qb8+ Kc2 65.Qxg3 a2 66.Qc7+ Kb2 67.Qe5+ Kb1 68.Qb5+ Ka1 69.Qf1+ Kb2 70.Qe2+ Kb1 71.Qd1+ Kb2 72.Qd2+ Kb1 73.Qb4+ Kc2 74.Qe1 Kb2 75.Qd2+ Kb1 76.Qb4+ Kc2 77.Qa3 Kb1 78.Qb3+ Ka1 ½-½

Duval,L - Yerhoff,F [A27] CAN ch Saskatoon (4), 1945

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 f5 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.d4 e4 5.Nd2 Nf6 6.e3 Be7 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 d6 9.f3 exf3 10.Bxf3 Bd7 11.Nd5 Nxd5 12.cxd5 Nb8 13.Qb3 b6 14.Nc4 Bf6 15.Qd3 Qe8 16.Bd2 Bb5 17.b3 Nd7 18.Rac1 Bg5 19.a4 Ba6 20.Rf2 Qf7 21.Rcf1 Qe7 22.Re1 Rae8 23.e4 Bxd2 24.Qxd2 fxe4 25.Rxe4 Qd8 26.Re6 Nf6 27.Qg5 Bc8 28.Rfe2 Bxe6 29.dxe6 d5 30.Ne3 h6 31.Qg6 Ne4 32.Nxd5 Qxd5 33.Qxe4 Qxe4 34.Rxe4 Rf6 35.d5 Kf8 36.Rc4 c5 37.Kf2 Ke7 38.Ke3 Kd6 39.Rg4 Rxf3+ 40.gxf3 Kxd5 41.Rxg7 Rxe6+ 42.Kf4 a6 43.Rd7+ Kc6 44.Ra7 Re2 45.a5 Kb5 46.axb6 Kxb6 47.Rd7 Rxh2 48.Ke4 h5 49.f4 Rh3 50.Rd8 Kc7 51.Ra8 Rxb3 52.Rxa6 c4 53.Kd4 c3 54.Kd3 h4 55.Rh6 h3 56.Kc2 Ra3 57.Rxh3 ½-½

Helman,A - Duval,L [B21] CAN ch Saskatoon (7), 1945

1.e4 c5 2.f4 Nc6 3.Nf3 g6 4.Bc4 Bg7 5.0-0 e6 6.Qe2 Nge7 7.c3 d5 8.Bb3 dxe4 9.Qxe4 0-0 10.Rd1 Qb6 11.Kh1 Nf5 12.Na3 Nd6 13.Qe3 Na5 14.Bc2 Qc7 15.d4 c4 16.Ng5 a6 17.h4 h6 18.Nf3 b5 19.Ne5 Bb7 20.Qh3 Nf5 21.h5 Kh7 22.Qg4 Bxe5 23.fxe5 Qe7 24.hxg6+ fxg6 25.Kg1 Rf7 26.Rf1 Rg8 27.Qh3 Rgg7 28.Rf4 Kg8 29.Bd2 g5 30.Rxf5 exf5 31.Bxf5 g4 32.Qh5 Rxf5 33.Qxf5 Qh4 34.Qe6+ Kh7 35.Qf5+ Kg8 36.Rf1 Bxg2 37.Qf8+ Kh7 38.Rf7 Qh1+ 39.Kf2 Qf1+ 40.Ke3 Rxf7 0-1

Duval,L - Yanofsky,D [A29] CAN ch Saskatoon (8), 1945

1.c4 e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.g3 d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Bg2 Be6 7.d3 Be7 8.0-0 Nb6 9.Be3 0-0 10.Na4 Bd5 11.Bc5 Nxa4 12.Bxe7 Nxe7 13.Qxa4 Ng6 14.h4 Re8 15.e4 Bc6 16.Qc4 Qd7 17.Rfd1 Qe6 18.Qc3 Qe7 19.Rac1 Rad8 20.Bh3 Bd7 21.Bg2 Bc6 22.Re1 Qf6 23.Re3 h6 24.b3 Nf8 25.a4 a6 26.Nd2 Ne6 27.Rf1 Nd4 28.Qb2 g5 29.hxg5 hxg5 30.Nf3 Kg7 31.Nxd4 exd4 32.Rf3 Qh6 33.Rf5 f6 34.f4 g4 35.Kf2 Qg6 36.Rh1 Rh8 37.Rxh8 Kxh8 38.Qc1 Kg7 39.Qc5 Rd6 40.Qc2 Qe8 41.Rc5 Kf8 42.e5 Re6 43.Bxc6 Rxc6 44.Rxc6 Qxc6 45.Qxc6 bxc6 46.exf6 c5 47.a5 Kf7 48.Ke2 Kxf6 49.Kd2 Ke6 50.Kc2 Kf5 51.Kb2 c6 52.Ka3 c4 ½-½

Eac Chess-Arts Club Tournament 9

Date: September 24-25

Place: 14524 - 91b Ave. Surrey

Format: 5 Rounds: Swiss System

Time Control: 65 Mins with 30 Secs Delay or Increment

Round Times: Saturday 10 AM, 1:30 PM, 5 PM and Sunday 10 AM, 1:30 PM

Type: Regular Swiss, CFC Rated (CFC Membership Required)

Entry Fee: \$35/40

Prizes: Based on Entries

Registration: Pre-registration or at the club - contact Alonso Campos (Orgz & TD) 604-767-5153 or email him at: ac-777-ac-888@live.com

Misc: Bring your own clock if you have one. No Club Membership Required

October Active

Date: Sunday October 2

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

Rounds: 4

Round Times: RD1: Noon Rd2: 1:30 Lunch Rd3: 3:30 Rd4: 5:00

Type: Regular Swiss.

Time Controls: G/30 + 10 sec. increments or G/35.

Entry Fee: \$15

Prizes: 1st \$100 2nd \$90 BU1800 \$100 Upset \$10 based on 30 entries. The Vancouver Active rating will be used or the CFC regular.

Registration: On site at 11:30am or contact Luc Poitras at (778) 846-0496

Email: lucque@shaw.ca

Bring your chess set and clock if you have one. No membership required

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 158, 1961 East Mall, University of British Columbia

entry fee \$21 adult, \$16 junior

Contact Aaron Cosenza, xramis1@yahoo.ca

EAC Chess Arts Open #9

September 24-25, Surrey

Details: <http://eacchess.com/eac-tournaments/eac-chess-arts-club-rated-tournament-9/>

October Active

October 2, Vancouver

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

Vancouver Open

October 8-10, Surrey

Details: <http://eacchess.com/eac-tournaments/2011-vancouver-open-chess-tournament>

EAC Chess Arts Open #9

October 29-30, Surrey

Details: <http://eacchess.com/eac-tournaments/eac-chess-arts-club-rated-tournament-10/>

Jack Taylor Memorial

November 12-13, Victoria

Details: <http://victoriachessclub.pbworks.com/w/page/27982406/Jack%20Taylor%20Memorial>