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Stephen Wright

HERE AND THERE

Victoria Olympiad Fundraiser (September 8) by Paul Leblanc

The Victoria Chess Club held the most recent of its biannual Active Chess fundraising tournaments on Saturday, September 8th. The event was co-sponsored by the Greater Victoria Public Library and held in an attractive room at the central branch. Ray Wu finished clear first, escaping from a difficult position against Roger Patterson in round four and fending off a strong attack from a determined Ed Seedhouse to earn a draw in the last round. Jason Cao finished clear second overall, losing only to Roger Patterson. First Under 1700 was Jill Ding on tiebreak over veteran Bill Tate. First Under 1400 was a three-way tie between newcomer Glenn Kennedy and juniors Patrick Huang and Rowan James. A number of donations were received in addition to the entry fees from the tournament. In all, \$258 was raised for the Canadian Chess Olympiad team. TD: Paul Leblanc
Organizers: Roger Patterson, Paul Leblanc [This report plus crosstable](#)

LANGLEY LABOUR DAY OPEN



Vicente Lee, Yifei Han, Tanraj Sohal (photo courtesy of Michael Lo)

This year's Labour Day Open produced a number of surprises, beginning with the turnout – sixty! The tournament moved to its current Langley site seven years ago and has averaged just over

forty players in previous events, so kudos to Hugh Long, Brian Davidson, Andrew Hoyer and all the others who helped organize and run such a successful event. [In fact a number of events this year have seen record or significantly increased participation, including the Grand Pacific Open, the Keres Memorial, and now the Labour Day Open – coincidence, or a renewal of tournament chess in this province?]

The other major surprise was the number of upsets in the tournament, largely a result of juniors either finding their level or simply having an outstanding event. The prime example of this was Yifei Han; ranked twenty-third with a rating of 1879 in a field which included four players over 2200 and eleven over 2000, Yifei led from start to finish and took clear first with an undefeated 5.5/6 score. After four rounds Yifei and Jack Cheng shared the lead with perfect scores; top-ranked Vicente Lee Jr. had fallen to another junior, Jingzhou Lai, in round two, while Cheng beat Butch Villavieja in round three and Yifei defeated Alfred Pechisker in round four. Round five saw the two leaders meet with Yifei winning, despite an almost three-hundred point rating difference. In the last round Yifei drew with Tanraj Sohal to take the first prize of \$700; Sohal and Lee tied for second with 5.6/6.

The U2000 prizes were split between (former?) Montrealer François Miron and Yifei's brother Yiming Han; both scores 4.5. Alex Lornie, Andrew Hoyer, and junior Robin Yu tied for the U1700 prizes with 3.5 points. And Robin's sister Rinna was awarded the biggest upset prize for her win against Omar Jessa, an 853-point difference. Robin, along with Yifei, was one of the players who benefited from the CFC's new bonus point formula – his pre- and post-event ratings were 1274 and 1527 respectively, while Yifei's new rating is 2173.

[CFC crosstable](#)

 This year marks the fortieth anniversary of the first Labour Day Open in this province. Held in the immediate aftermath of the 1972 Fischer-Spassky World Championship Match (which ended on the previous Monday), the tournament attracted eighty-three players to the Silver Threads building on Fisgard Street. Forty of those participants were in an under-fourteen junior section, a recent innovation at the time. Overall winner of the tournament was then Canadian Champion Peter Biyiasas with 6.5/7 ahead of Jonathan Berry, while the Junior Section was won by Jeff Reeve. While occasionally held in Vancouver, the tournament was largely a fixture on the Victoria tournament calendar until 2006, when it was hosted by the Langley Chess Club – it has remained in Langley ever since.

| | Location | # | Winner(s) | Score |
|------|-----------|----|---|---------|
| 1972 | Victoria | 83 | Peter Biyiasas | 6.5-0.5 |
| 1973 | Victoria | 64 | Duncan Suttles | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1974 | Victoria | 41 | Brian McLaren | 5.5-0.5 |
| 1975 | Vancouver | 84 | Robert Chow, Elod Macskasy, Duncan Suttles, Jonathan Berry | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1976 | | | | |
| 1977 | Vancouver | 52 | Peter Biyiasas, Gordon Taylor, Paul Leblanc | 5.0-1.0 |

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|-------------|------------------------|-----|--|---------|
| 1978 | Victoria | 40+ | Jeff Reeve | 5.5-0.5 |
| 1979 | Vancouver | 31 | Gordon Taylor, Ross Cameron | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1980 | Vancouver | 40 | Bob Zuk | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1981 | Not held | | | |
| 1982 | Vancouver | 22 | Paul Brown | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1983 | Victoria ¹ | 58 | Ray Fasano | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1984 | Victoria | 30 | Dan Scoones | 6.0-0.0 |
| 1985 | Victoria ² | 50 | Jonathan Berry | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1986 | Victoria | 35 | Harry Moore, Gary Basanta, Lionel Joyner | 4.5-1.5 |
| 1987 | Vancouver ³ | 48 | Gary Basanta | 5.5-0.5 |
| 1988 | Victoria ⁴ | 40 | Leon Piasetski | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1989 | Victoria | 31 | Dan Scoones | 5.5-0.5 |
| 1990 | Victoria ⁵ | | Jonathan Berry | 6.0-0.0 |
| 1991 | Victoria | 28 | Dan Scoones | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1992 | Victoria | 30 | Harry Moore | 5.5-0.5 |
| 1993 | Victoria | 42 | Ed Seedhouse, Ian Martinovsky | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1994 | Victoria | 30 | Saif Kanani, Howard Wu, Gerhard Neufahrt | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1995 | Victoria | 29 | Francisco Cabanas, Dave Herder | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1996 | Victoria | 21 | Gary Basanta, Harry Moore | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1997 | Victoria | 29 | Harry Moore | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1998 | Victoria | 24 | Jim Ferguson, Harry Moore | 5.0-1.0 |
| 1999 | Victoria | 33 | Dan Scoones, Jim Ferguson, Harry Moore | 5.0-1.0 |
| 2000 | Victoria | 19 | Gerhard Neufahrt | 5.0-1.0 |
| 2001 | Victoria | 21 | Paul Leblanc, Howard Wu, Dan Scoones, Harry Moore | 4.5-1.5 |
| 2002 | Victoria | 34 | Jack Yoos | 5.0-1.0 |
| 2003 | Victoria | 31 | Harry Moore | 5.0-1.0 |
| 2004 | Victoria | 25 | Dan Scoones | 5.0-1.0 |
| 2005 | Victoria | 17 | Bindi Cheng | 5.0-1.0 |

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|------|---------|----|------------------------------------|---------|
| 2006 | Langley | 41 | Brian McLaren | 5.5-0.5 |
| 2007 | Langley | 44 | Vicente Lee Jr. | 5.5-0.5 |
| 2008 | Langley | 40 | Brian McLaren | 5.5-0.5 |
| 2009 | Langley | 39 | Sean McLaren and Daniel E. Salcedo | 5.0-1.0 |
| 2010 | Langley | 44 | Ian Mackay | 5.5-0.5 |
| 2011 | Langley | 43 | Alfred Pechisker | 5.5-0.5 |
| 2012 | Langley | 60 | Yifei Han | 5.5-0.5 |

¹ B.C. Open

² MacAdam Centennial

³ Vancouver Open

⁴ MacAdam Memorial

⁵ B.C. Open

Biyiasas, Peter - Kerr, Ray [B01] Labour Day op Victoria, 09.1972

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.Nf3 Nxd5 4.d4 g6 5.c4 Nb6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.Nc3 Bg4 8.h3 Bxf3 9.Qxf3 Bxd4 10.c5 Bxe3 11.fxe3 N6d7 12.Qxb7 c6 13.0-0-0 0-0 14.Be2 Nxc5 15.Qxa8 Qb6 16.Nd5 cxd5 17.Qxd5 Nc6 18.Kb1 Rb8 19.b3 e6 20.Qc4 Na5 21.Qc3 Ne4 22.Qc2 Nf2 23.Rhf1 Nxd1 24.Bxd1 Qc6 25.Bf3 Qxc2+ 26.Kxc2 Rc8+ 27.Kb2 Kf8 28.Rc1 Rxc1 29.Kxc1 e5 30.Kd2 Ke7 31.Kc3 Kd6 32.b4 Nc6 33.Bxc6 Kxc6 34.Kc4 f5 35.b5+ Kb6 36.Kb4 f4 37.exf4 exf4 38.a4 g5 39.a5+ Kc7 40.Kc3 h5 41.Kd3 g4 42.h4 Kd6 43.Ke4 f3 44.gxf3 gxf3 45.Kxf3 Kc5 46.Kf4 1-0

Berry, Jonathan - Williams, Brian [B09] Labour Day op Victoria (5), 03.09.1972

1.e4 d6 2.d4 Nf6 3.Nc3 g6 4.f4 Bg7 5.Nf3 0-0 6.Bd3 c6 7.0-0 Nbd7 8.Qe1 Qa5 9.e5 Nd5 10.Nxd5 Qxd5 11.c4 Qe6 12.Qh4 f6 13.f5 gxf5 14.d5 cxd5 15.cxd5 Qf7 16.Bxf5 Qxd5 17.Qxh7+ Kf7 18.Qh5+ 1-0

BUDAPEST OPEN (August 18-26) by Michael Yip

IM To (HUN) took clear first with 7/9.

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|---|--------------------|------|-----|-------|
| 1 | To, Nhat Minh (IM) | 2287 | HUN | 7.0/9 |
| 2 | Orosz, Andras | 1948 | HUN | 6.5/9 |
| 3 | Szepes, Tamas | 2227 | HUN | 6.5/9 |
| 4 | Jacso, Adam | 2224 | HUN | 6.5/9 |
| 5 | Carvajal G,J | 2153 | CRC | 6.5/9 |
| 6 | Toth, Sarolta | 2192 | HUN | 6.5/9 |
| 7 | Yip, Michael | 2072 | CAN | 6.0/9 |
| 8 | Farkas, Richard | 2116 | HUN | 6.0/9 |
| 9 | Ruck, Robert | 2009 | HUN | 6.0/9 |

Jacso, Adam - Yip, Michael A41 II. Budapest Open (6), 23.08.2012

1.d4 d6 2.c4 e5 3.Nf3 e4 4.Ng5 f5 5.g3 Nf6 6.Bg2 6.Nc3 h6 7.Nh3 g5 8.f3 Thematically challenging the pawn wedge. 8...Bg7 9.Bg2 0-0 10.fxe4 Nxe4 11.Nxe4 fxe4 12.Nf2 Bf5 13.0-0 Qe7 14.Be3 Nd7 15.Rc1 Nf6 16.b4 d5 17.c5 Rf7 18.a4 Raf8 19.b5 Qe6 20.Qb3 Kh7 21.a5 Kg6 22.Qa2 Re8 23.Qa4 h5 24.h3 Ref8 25.Qb3 Rh8 26.Kh2 Bf8 27.Bd2 Qd7 28.Kg1 c6 29.b6 a6 30.Kh2 Bg7 31.Nd1 h4 32.g4 Bxg4 33.hxg4 h3 34.Bh1 Nxg4+ 35.Kg1 Bxd4+ 36.e3 h2+ 37.Kg2 Nxe3+ 0-1 Karttunen,M - Solak,D /Mallorca 2004 **6...h6 6...g6 7.Nc3 Bg7 8.0-0 0-0 9.Rb1 Nc6!?** Putting the knight on c6 rather than a pawn is the clear trend. 10.d5 Ne5 11.b3 h6 12.Nh3 g5 13.f4 exf3 14.exf3 Ng6 15.f4 g4 16.Nf2 h5!/? With the obvious attack plan of pushing the h-pawn. 17.h4 gxh3 18.Nxh3 Ng4 19.Ne2 Re8 20.Qd3 h4 21.Ng5 c6 22.Bf3 Qb6+ 23.Kg2 Ne3+ 24.Bxe3 Rxe3 25.Qd2 Bd7 26.dxc6 Bxc6 27.Bd5+ Kf8 28.Rf3 Re7 29.Ne6+ Rxe6 30.Bxe6 h3+ 31.Kxh3 Bxf3 32.Bxf5 Ke7 0-1 Fenollar Jorda,M - Al Sayed,M /Caleta ENG 2012 **7.Nh3 g5 8.0-0 Bg7 9.Nc3** 9.f3 exf3 10.exf3 0-0 11.f4 g4 12.Nf2 Nc6!/? 13.Nc3 h5 The standard attacking plan. 14.Be3 h4 15.d5 Ne7 16.Re1 c5 17.dxc6 bxc6 18.Qd2 Qd7 19.Rad1 Rb8 20.Qxd6 Qxd6 21.Rxd6 Rxb2 22.Bc5 Nd7 23.Bd4 Bxd4 24.Rxd4 Kf7 25.Nd3 Rc2 26.Rc1 Rxc1+ 27.Nxc1 h3! Fixing the h-pawn. 28.Bh1 Nc5 29.Nb3 Ne6 30.Rd6 Rd8 31.Rxd8 Nxd8 32.Kf2 Ba6 33.Na5 Ke6 34.Ke3 Kd6 35.Kd3 Nc8 36.a3 Nb6 37.Ne2 Nxc4 38.Nxc4+ Kc5 39.Kc3 Bxc4 40.Nd4 Bf1 41.Bxc6 Nxc6 42.Nxf5 Be2 43.Kd2 Bf3 44.Kc3 Kd5 45.Ne3+ Ke4 46.Nc4 Be2 47.Nd6+ Kf3 48.Kd2 Ba6 49.f5 Ne5 50.Kc3 Kg2 51.Kd4 Nd7 0-1 Tyrtania,M - Kovalev,A /Germany 1995/GER-chT2 **9...c6** 9...0-0 10.f3 Qe7 11.Nf2 Nc6 12.e3 exf3 13.Bxf3 Bd7 14.Bd2 Rae8 15.b4 Kh8 16.Nd5 Nxd5 17.cxd5 Nd8 18.Rc1 c6 19.dxc6 Bxc6 20.Re1 Qe6 21.a4 Bxf3 22.Qxf3 Qa2 23.Qd1 Ne6 24.Qc2 Qxc2 25.Rxc2 f4 26.Rd1 d5 27.Bc1 fxe3 28.Bxe3 Nd8 29.Ng4 Re4 30.h3 h5 0-1 Kantorik,M - Solak,D /Sarajevo 2010 **10.d5 c5** 10...0-0 unclear. **11.f3 exf3 12.exf3 0-0 13.Re1 Na6 14.Be3 Nc7 15.f4**



15...g4 15...Ng4!/? deserves consideration. **16.Nf2 Bd7** 16...h5 is also possible with the plan of prying open the h-file. **17.Qc2 a6 18.Rab1 b5 19.cxb5 Nxb5 20.Nxb5 axb5 21.b4** 21.a3 Qe8 22.Bd4 (22.Bxc5? Qc8-/+ ; 22.Qd3 Qf7=/+) 22...Qc8 23.Be3 Qb7=/+ Now the d5-pawn is vulnerable. **21...cxb4** 21...c4 22.Rbd1 h5=/+ **22.Nd3 Rc8 23.Qf2 Rc4 24.Bb6** Not really useful. 24.Nxb4 Qa8 25.Nc6 Ne4 26.Bxe4 Rxe4 27.Qc2 Rc4 28.Qb3 Bxc6 29.dxc6 Qxc6 30.Qxb5 Qxb5 31.Rxb5 Rc2= **24...Qb8** 24...Qa8 25.Nxb4 Ne4 26.Bxe4 fxe4 27.Be3 Qa4 28.Nc6 Bxc6 29.dxc6 d5-/+ ; 24...Qc8 25.Nxb4 Ne4 26.Bxe4 fxe4 27.Red1 Bc3 28.a3=/+

25.Rxb4 Better is 25.Nxb4 Ne4 26.Bxe4 fxe4 27.Red1 Rfc8=+



25...Ne4! Now Black dominates the position. **26.Bxe4 fxe4 27.Rxc4 bxc4 28.Nc1 Qb7 29.Rxe4 Qxd5 30.Re7 Rf7 31.Re1 Bc6!** The light square attack cannot be opposed. **32.Kf1 Rb7 33.Be3 c3 33...Bc3—+ 34.Nb3 Re7 35.f5 Qh1+ 35...c2!—+** is very strong. **36.Qxc2 Bc3 37.Rc1 Qh1+ 38.Bg1 Qf3+ 39.Qf2 Bb5# 36.Ke2 Qe4 37.Kf1 Qd3+ 38.Kg1 Qd5 39.Kf1 Rf7 40.Bf4 Rxf5** Now the win is straight forward. **41.Re7 Qd3+ 42.Ke1 Bf3 43.Qa7 Bf8 44.Re8**



44...Re5+! 0-1

1st [Enrico Winery](#) Open Chess Tournament

Mill Bay (Vancouver Island), September 15-16

- in conjunction with the Bishops of Bowser
- venue at the winery during the [Cowichan Valley Wine Festival](#)
- casual chess on Saturday and 4 round tournament on Sunday
- prizes offered include same chess equipment offered at the Bowser tournament
- all chess equipment will be provided
- tournament times and rules will be the same as the Bowser tournament
- early registration before September 9 is \$20, after September 9 is \$25 and \$30 at the gate on September 16
- registration is payable to Robert McFetridge at mcfetridge@shaw.ca

EAC 15

Date: Saturday-Sunday, September 15-16

Location: 14524-91B Avenue, Surrey

Rounds: 5

Time Control: 65 Min / 30 Sec. Delay OR Increment

[EAC 15](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

For details of the following see www.chess.bc.ca

Enrico Winery Open

September 15-16, Mill Bay (Vancouver Island)

EAC #15

September 15-16, Surrey

September Active

September 30, Vancouver Bridge Centre

Vancouver Open

October 6-8, UBC

October Active

October 21, Vancouver Bridge Centre

Jack Taylor Memorial

November 10-11, Victoria