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Your editor welcomes any and all submissions – news of upcoming events, tournament reports, and anything else that might be of interest to BC players. Thanks to all who contributed to this issue. To subscribe, send me an e-mail (swright2@telus.net); if you no longer wish to receive this Bulletin, just let me know.

Stephen Wright

HERE AND THERE

Montreal Summer Chess Classic (July 31 – August 4)

Organized for the second year by Lefong Hua, the Montreal Summer Chess Classic consists of an open tournament in three sections alongside an invitational IM norm round robin; Raymond Kaufman is part of the round robin and Alexandra Botez is playing in the Open. Live games can be watched on chess24.com. [Pairings and standings](#)

Kaufman, Raymond – Giannatos, Peter [B03] Montreal Summer Classic IM (1), 31.07.2019

1.e4 Nf6 2.e5 Nd5 3.d4 d6 4.c4 Nb6 5.exd6 cxd6 6.Nc3 g6 7.Be3 Bg7 8.Rc1 0–0 9.b3 Bf5 10.Nf3 d5 11.Be2 Nc6 12.c5 Nc8 13.0–0 Bg4 14.b4 a6 15.h3 Bxf3 16.Bxf3 e6 17.Ne2 N8e7 18.Qb3 Nf5 19.Rfd1 Nh4 20.Bf4 Nf5 ½–½

Biel International Festival (July 22-31)

Leon Piasetski was a participant in the Master division of this year's Biel Festival; he scored plus one in the one hundred and thirty-two player field. The overall winner was Iranian GM Seyyed M. Amin Tabatabaei with 7.0/9, a half-point ahead of a group of ten players tied for second which included Gata Kamsky, Alexander Donchenko, Jeffery Xiong, Eduardo Iturrizaga, and Saleh Salem. Vidit Gujrathi was the winner of the top group, followed by Nodirbek Abdusattorov, Sam Shankland, and Peter Leko. [Standings](#)

Piasetski, Leon D. – Martirosyan, Haik M. [A07] Biel Master op 52nd (1.7), 22.07.2019

1.Nf3 d5 2.g3 Nc6 3.Bg2 e5 4.d3 f6 5.Nc3 Bb4 6.a3 Bxc3+ 7.bxc3 Nge7 8.Rb1 b6 9.Nd2 Be6 10.e4 0–0 11.0–0 Qd7 12.exd5 Nxd5 13.Ne4 Bh3 14.Bxh3 Qxh3 15.c4 Nde7 16.f4 exf4 17.Bxf4 Qd7 18.Kh1 Nd4 19.Be3 Rad8 20.Bxd4 Qxd4 21.Qe2 Qd7 22.Rbe1 Nc6 23.Qg2 Ne5 24.Nc3 c6 25.a4 h6 26.a5 b5 27.cxb5 cxb5 28.a6 b4 29.Ne4 Qc6 30.Rb1 Rd4 31.Rf4 Rfd8 32.Nf2 Qxc2 33.Rxb4 Rxf4 34.gxf4 Nxd3 35.Nxd3 Qxd3 0–1

PNWCC FIDE Open “Summer of Seattle” (July 24-28)

Founded last year, the Pacific Northwest Chess Center based in Kirkland, WA is a non-profit corporation which offers chess lessons and tournaments of various levels. Their monthly FIDE opens generally feature two or more visiting titled players, but this time around the July SOS edition included a total of six grandmasters, most unusual for any event in this part of the continent. Unsurprisingly they all placed at the top of the field, headed by Evgeny Shtembuliak with 7.0/9,

Andrey Baryshpolets and Sergei Matsenko shared second on 6.5, Victor Mikhalevski was clear fourth with 6.0 points, while Canadian Razvan Preotu and Oregon's James Tarjan had to be content sharing fifth place with three other players on 5.5.



(photos by Sten Petrov)

The entrants included a number from BC, including Ethan Su, Tristan and Ashton Taylor, Brian Yang, and Aiden Zhou. Aiden scored 5.0 points in the Masters, while Brian was clear second in the Challengers, a half-point behind winner Ryan Min. There were a total of forty-eight players in the nine-round events. [PNWCC website](#) [USCF crosstables](#)

Quebec Open (July 20-27)

Held like last year in Longueuil (situated on the south shore of the St Lawrence River opposite Montreal), the Quebec Open was divided into sections and attracted some one hundred and eighty players, of which two had BC connections - Raymond Kaufman and Alexandra Botez. The "A" Section featured five grandmasters: Alexandre Lesiège, Luis Manuel Perez, Thomas Roussel-Roozmon, Bator Sambuev, and Reynaldo Vera. All except Perez tied for first with 7.0/9; he tied for fifth with 6.0 points, along with Canadian Women's Champion Maili-Jade Ouellet and Hughes Masse. A further half-point back were Kaufman and Botez, among others. [Standings](#)

Botez, Alexandra – Kaufman, Raymond (2301) [A45] Quebec op Longueuil (5.8), 23.07.2019

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bf4 g6 3.e3 Bg7 4.Nc3 d6 5.Be2 Nbd7 6.Nf3 Nh5 7.Bg5 h6 8.Bh4 g5 9.Bxg5 hxg5 10.Nxg5 Nhf6 11.Bc4 d5 12.Nxd5 Nxd5 13.Bxd5 e6 14.Nxe6 fxe6 15.Bxe6 Qe7 16.Qg4 Ne5 17.dxe5 Bxe6 18.Qg6+ Qf7 19.Qxf7+ Kxf7 20.f4 Rad8 21.h3 Bf8 22.Ke2 Bc4+ 23.Kf3 Rd2 24.Rac1 Bc5 25.b4 Bd5+ 26.e4 Rf2+ 27.Kg3 Rg8+ 0–1

Martinez Mulet, Dario L. – Kaufman, Raymond [E15] Quebec op Longueuil (9.8), 27.07.2019

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 b6 4.g3 Ba6 5.Qa4 Bb7 6.Bg2 c5 7.dxc5 Bxc5 8.0–0 0–0 9.Nc3 Be7 10.Bf4 Na6 11.Rfd1 Nc5 12.Qc2 a6 13.b4 Nce4 14.Nxe4 Bxe4 15.Qa4 Qc8 16.Rd4 b5 17.cxb5 axb5 18.Qxb5 Qc3 19.Rad1 Rxa2 20.Ne5 Ra1 21.Qc4 Rxd1+ 22.Rxd1 Qxc4 23.Nxc4 Bxg2 24.Kxg2 Bxb4 25.Bd6 Rc8 26.Nb6 Rc6 27.Bxb4 Rxb6 28.Be7 Nd5 29.Bd8 Rb2 30.Kf3 f5 31.Ra1 Rb8 32.Bg5 Rb7 33.Ra3 Kf7 34.e4 fxe4+ 35.Kxe4 h6 36.Bd2 Rb2 37.Rd3 Nf6+ 38.Kf3 e5 39.Be3 e4+ 40.Kg2 exd3 0–1

New chess club coming to Vancouver this September!

From Liza Orlova: our chess club provides casual & tournament play with occasional lectures. We hope the more popular the club gets we will be able to have a lecture every week before the start of the tournament. The tournaments are 5 or 6 rounds and last 5-6 weeks -- you play one game a week! All sections will be CFC rated. *We are thinking about making the open section FIDE rated if the club takes off!

Starts: Sunday, September 1st!!

Location: 2nd floor, 877 Hamilton Street, Vancouver, BC (BCDance)
360 view of the studio: <https://goo.gl/maps/caREjxTQu7R2>

Dates/times: Every Sunday from 6pm - 12am. Tournament game starts at 7pm.
When we have a lecture, casual play begins at 6:30pm. *we will continue on long weekends unless a weekend chess tournament takes place in Vancouver area.

Food/drinks: Water, tea & coffee will be provided each week. There will be pop, juice, muffins, chips, bars & other snacks for sale. Otherwise, we are located in the heart of downtown - there's a ton of choices around! For the grand opening, we will have some finger food.

PLEASE [RSVP](#) SO WE KNOW HOW MUCH FOOD TO BUY!

Whatcom County Kingmakers

There is a new tournament director in upper Washington State named James Eisert who is organizing a number of different events in Ferndale, Lynden, Bellingham, etc. If these might be of interest to you then take a look at his website for details, <http://jameseisert.com/kingmakers/>

55th CANADIAN OPEN (July 12-18)



This summer the Canadian Open was held in Regina, SK for the first time in its history. It wasn't that long ago that organized chess in Saskatchewan was literally dead, with its provincial association disbanded. Happily that situation has reversed itself, and this chance to host Canada's premier open event and the CYCC was an indication of the rebirth of organized chess in the

province. The tournament had only eighty-four entrants, less than the organizers had anticipated, which resulted in the planned four sections being reduced to just two. A dozen of the players were from BC: Stephanie Gu, Matthew He, Andrew Hemstapat, Patrick Huang, Winston Huang, Kate Jiang, William Jiang, Anthony Li, Tanraj Sohal, Brian Sullivan, Ryan Yang, and Felix Tian Zhou.

The only grandmaster in the field and the only player rated over 2400 was Russian Alexander Cherniaev, who was also a participant in the last three Canadian Opens. The front runner by a wide margin, he lived up to expectations by taking first place with a perfect score – the only other person to achieve that feat was Laszlo Witt way back in 1962. Cherniaev was also a bit of a one-man show, giving a simultaneous exhibition and also a lecture on Harry Nelson Pillsbury. After Cherniaev there was a nine-player tie for second on 6.0/9 which included Andrew Hemstapat, Patrick Huang, and Tanraj Sohal. She didn't win a prize, but Kate Jiang gained almost 200 rating points for her plus one score against consistently higher opposition to become BC's newest expert.



In the U1800 Section Stephanie Gu placed clear second with 7.0/9, but playing the tournament of his life was Matthew He. Rated just 1161, he scored an undefeated 7.5 points to claim first place and gain a whopping 458 rating points, this after gaining 213 points in the CYCC the previous week! And just to demonstrate that it's not just BC juniors who are shooting up in rating, veteran Brian Sullivan also gained 210 points for his 6.0-3.0 score. The dozen BC players picked up over 1500 rating points between them for an average gain of 130 and only two lost points. The moral? BC players should travel out of province more often ...

There are not as yet any publically available games from the tournament; the above pictures are taken from the Queen City Chess Club [facebook](#) page. [Tournament website](#) [Standings](#) [CFC Open crosstable](#) [CFC U1800 crosstable](#)

CANADIAN YOUTH CHESS CHAMPIONSHIPS (July 7-10)



(photo by Victoria Doknjas)

As is often the case, the CYCC was this year paired with the Canadian Open and took place immediately before that event in Regina, Saskatchewan. Despite the number of juniors who chose

instead to compete in the World Open (only Winston Huang played in both) there was a sizeable contingent of players from BC, including Aaron Anandji, Tom Chen, Joshua Doknjas, Neil Doknjas, Joshua Gao, Justin Gao, Veronica Guo, Matthew He, Coen Holmgren, Emilian Holmgren, Patrick Huang, Winston Huang, Joshua Imoo, Kate Jiang, William Jiang, Anthony Li, Anthony Zongyue Li, Mengbai Li, Mengyang Li, Aiden Lu, Erwin Mok, Gillian Mok, Jessica Qian, Andrew Yu Qiu, Peter Yong Qiu, Jayden Qu, Dorsa Shaeri, Eric Shan, Lyvia Shan, Alan Wang, Dennis Wang, Henry Yang, Nathan Yang, Ryan Yang, Ryanbole Yu, Raymond Tangning Zhang, Felix Tian Zhou, and Alex Zou (apologies if I missed anyone).

After seven rounds of competition BC had several prize winners: Erwin Mok placed second and William Jiang was third on tiebreak in the U8 Open; Ryan Yang (U10 Open) tied for second but was third on tiebreak; Veronica Guo and Kate Jiang tied for first in the (U12 Girls) with Veronica taking first on tiebreak; Patrick Huang (U14 Open) was clear second, as was Jessica Qian (U14 Girls); Joshua Doknjas was clear first and Aaron Anandji third on tiebreak in the U18 Open – congratulations to all! The younger players in particular do not have time to rest on their laurels, the World Cadet for U8-U12 takes place in the last third of August in China. [Tournament website](#)
[standings](#)

2019 CANADIAN CHESS HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE by David Cohen

Frank J. Yerhoff Jr., of Regina, Saskatchewan, has been elected to the Canadian Chess Hall of Fame. The induction ceremony took place at the Canadian Open Chess Championship in Regina, Saskatchewan, at the Travelodge, 4177 Albert Street, at 17:40pm on Sunday, July 14, 2019.



Frank Yerhoff; Frank's nephew Ken Hoff accepting the award at the Canadian Open

Frank Yerhoff (1918-1999) was Saskatchewan's leading chess master for many years. His accomplishments included winning the Canadian Chess Championship at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, in 1945, tied for first place with future Grandmaster Abe Yanofsky. Yerhoff also competed in the Canadian Championship in 1940 (4th place), 1941 (7th place), 1947 (4th place) and 1951 (8th place). Yerhoff was also a leading player of correspondence chess in Canada. He has the unique distinction of simultaneously being Canadian champion and Canadian correspondence champion. His victories include the 1938 Canadian Correspondence Chess Association Championship (1938); and the Canadian Correspondence Chess Championship (1939, 1940, 1941, 1943, 1945). Of local note is the fact that Yerhoff was many times chess champion of the city of Regina and of the province of Saskatchewan. For many years, he wrote the

chess column in the *Saskatchewan Farmer*.

The Canadian Chess Hall of Fame was founded in 2000 to honour members of the Canadian chess community and to promote chess in Canada. The Canadian Chess Hall of Fame is hosted by Chess'n Math Association at its Montreal headquarters. [Canadian Chess Hall of Fame web site](#)

Yerhoff, Frank J. – Fillery, W.E. Frank [D27] J15 Provincial ch Western Division, 1938
[Yerhoff]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Nf3 Nf6 4.Nc3 c5 5.e3 e6 6.Bxc4 a6 7.0–0 b5 8.Bb3 Bb7 9.Qe2 c4 This gives up the pressure on White's centre and cannot be recommended. **10.Bc2 Qc7 11.e4 Be7 12.Bg5 0–0 13.e5 Nd5** A fatal mistake, 13...Ne8 is the only move. **14.Qe4 g6 15.Qh4 Bxg5 16.Nxg5 h5**



17.Nge4! 17.Nce4 looks more 'automatic' but is not as strong here. By the text move the N vacates several squares that are useful for the White Q. **17...Nd7** If 17...Nxc3 18.Nf6+ Kg7 19.Nxh5+ gxh5 20.Qg5+ and mates. **18.Nxd5 Bxd5** If 18...exd5 [a] probable continuation would be 19.Nf6+ Nxf6 20.exf6 Rfe8 21.Qg5 Re6 22.Rae1 Qd6 23.Bxg6!

19.Nf6+ Nxf6 If 19...Kg7 20.Nxh5+ again. **20.exf6 Qd8** To prevent Q-g5–h6. **21.Qg5 Ra7 22.Bxg6** was threatened. **22.Rae1 Ba8** Or 22...Re8 23.Re5 Ba8 24.Bxg6 fxg6 25.Qxg6+ Kf8 26.Rxh5 etc. **23.Re5 Rd7 24.Bxg6 fxg6 25.Qxg6+ 1–0** [CCCA *Bulletin*, June 1939]

Yerhoff, Frank J. – Goodman, C. Frank [D10] Canadian Corres ch, 1945
[Yerhoff]

1.d4 d5 2.c4 c6 3.Nc3 Said to be inferior to 3.Nf3. But the following variation does not prove it. **3...dxc4** We cannot recommend this capture for Black while in an undeveloped state. Correct is 3...Nf6 forcing White back into the main line, in which Black achieves equality. **4.e4 e5 5.Nf3 exd4 6.Qxd4** Recommended by Alekhine, and played in the match Keres vs. Euwe, White winning. The fact that White is three tempi ahead in development seems to automatically refute Black's strategy. Although, of course, not completely so, with the queens off the board. **6...Qxd4 7.Nxd4 b5 8.a4 b4 9.Nd1 Nf6 10.f3 Bb7 11.Bxc4 Nbd7 12.Bf4 g6 13.Nf2 Bg7 14.0–0–0 Rc8 15.a5! 0–0?** The necessity for 15...a6 stands out like a sore thumb. Firstly it prevents a6; secondly it threatens c5; and thirdly the ensuing combination would then be impossible.



16.Ne6!? fxe6 If 16...Rfe8 17.Ng5 Rf8 18.Bd6. **17.Bxe6+ Rf7 18.Bd6! Bf8?** The only defence was 18...c5 because if then 19.e5 Ne8 20.Ne4 Bxe4 21.fxe4 Nxd6 22.exd6 (best) 22...Kf8 and White can start getting alarmed, despite his two passed pawns. **19.e5! Ne8** Or 19...Nd5 20.Ne4 wins. **20.Bxb4 Nb8 21.Bxc8 Bxb4** Or 21...Bxc8 22.Rd8 Bxb4 23.Rxc8 wins. **22.Rd8 Kf8 23.Be6 Re7** If 23...Na6 24.Bxf7 Kxf7 (24...Bxa5 25.Rxe8+) 25.Rd7+ and wins. **24.Rxb8 Bxa5 25.Bc4 c5 26.Bb5!** And, since more material was about to go, Black struck his colours. **1–0** [CCCA *Bulletin*, November 1946]

Muir, Walter G. – Yerhoff, Frank [A09] CAN corres ch, 1945
[Yerhoff]

1.Nf3 d5 2.c4 dxc4 3.Qa4+ Nc6 4.Qxc4 e5 5.d3 Nf6 6.g3 Be6 7.Qa4 Qd7 8.Bg2 Nb4 9.Qxd7+ White must lose a pawn, for if 9.Qd1 e4! 10.dxe4 Qxd1+ 11.Kxd1 0–0–0+, etc. **9...Nxd7 10.Na3 Bxa2 11.Bd2 c6 12.0–0** The bishop at a2 is immune, for after 12.Bxb4 Bxb4+ with check. 13.Bxb4 is now threatened. **12...Bd5!** An immediate 12...Be6 would be answered by 13.Ng5 followed by an exchange, leaving bishops on opposite colours and a probable draw. White must, and does, continue aggressively or Black will consolidate and win without too much trouble. **13.e4 Be6 14.d4 Bg4! 15.Nxe5 Nxe5 16.f3 Be6!** As will be seen, this retains the extra pawn and does not leave White with a powerful centre, as would be the case after 16...Nxf3+. **17.Bxb4 Bxb4 18.dxe5 Bc5+** The point of 16...Be6. Black regains the pawn with a good position. **19.Kh1 Bd4 20.Nc2** There is no time for 20.f4 Bxb2, which will win immediately. **20...Bxe5** Or 20...Bxb2 21.Rab1 Bxe5 22.Rxb7. This line may have been better for Black. **21.f4 Bc7 22.Nd4 Bd7 23.Rfd1 g6 24.Rd3 Ke7 25.Nf3 Rhd8 26.e5 Bh3 27.Rxd8 Bxg2+ 28.Kxg2 Bxd8 29.Ng5 h6 30.Ne4 b6 31.Rc1 c5 32.Kf3 Ke6** Black intends to bring his king over to support the queenside pawns on a steamroller march. White makes this task as difficult as possible. **33.Nd6 Be7 34.Nb5 Kd7 35.Ke4 Kc6 36.Nd4+ Kb7 37.Nf3 Rd8 38.g4 b5 39.f5 gxf5+ 40.gxf5 a5 41.f6 Bf8 42.Rg1 a4 43.Kf5 b4 44.Rg7** An ingenious attempt to draw. Black, however, had foreseen this possibility. **44...Bxg7 45.fxg7 a3! 46.bxa3 bxa3 47.Nd2 a2 48.Nb3 Kc6! 49.h4 h5! 50.Kf6 Kd5! 51.Ke7 Ra8 52.Kf6 Kc4 53.Na1 Kd4!** Placing White in zugzwang and gaining an all-important move.



54.Nb3+ Kc3 0-1



Canadian Championship, Saskatoon 1945

Standing: Canon Roy, Divinsky, Hall, Belson, Neatby, Taylor, Haley, Yerhoff, Rauch, Holowach

Seated: MacAdam, Hegler, Duval, Helman

Yerhoff, Frank J. – Taylor, Jack [D85] CAN ch Saskatoon (5), 07.06.1945

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 d5 4.cxd5 Nxd5 5.e4 Nxc3 6.bxc3 c5 7.Nf3 Bg7 8.Bc4 0-0 9.0-0 Nc6
 10.Bd5 Qc7 11.Ba3 cxd4 12.cxd4 Re8 13.Rc1 e6 14.Bxc6 bxc6 15.Qa4 Bd7 16.e5 c5 17.Qc4 Bf8
 18.Bxc5 Rec8 19.Nd2 Bxc5 20.Qxc5 Qb6 21.Qxb6 axb6 22.Ne4 Kg7 23.h4 Bb5 24.Rxc8 Rxc8
 25.Nd6 Bxf1 26.Nxc8 Bc4 27.a4 b5 28.Nd6 f6 29.Nxc4 bxc4 30.Kf1 fxe5 31.dxe5 1-0

Yerhoff, Frank J. – Jursevskis, Miervaldis [C13] CAN ch Vancouver (13.7), 31.08.1951

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 dxe4 5.Bxf6 Qxf6 6.Nxe4 Qd8 7.Bd3 Nd7 8.Qe2 c5 9.d5 Ne5
 10.Bb5+ Bd7 11.dxe6 Qa5+ 12.Nc3 Bxb5 13.Qxb5+ Qxb5 14.Nxb5 Ke7 15.exf7 a6 16.Nc3 Rd8

17.Rd1 Rxd1+ 18.Nxd1 Kxf7 19.Ke2 Be7 20.Nf3 Nxf3 21.Kxf3 Rd8 22.Ke2 Bg5 23.Ne3 Bxe3
24.fxe3 Ke6 25.Rd1 Rf8 26.c4 Rc8 27.a4 b5 28.cxb5 axb5 29.a5 Ra8 30.Ra1 Kd5 31.Kd3 Ra7
32.a6 Kc6 33.Ke4 Re7+ 34.Kf5 Kb6 35.a7 Rxa7 36.Rxa7 Kxa7 37.Ke5 Kb6 38.Kd5 c4 39.e4 h5
40.e5 h4 41.e6 Kc7 42.Kc5 g5 43.Kxb5 Kd6 44.Kxc4 Kxe6 45.Kd4 Kf5 46.Ke3 Kg4 47.Kf2 Kf4
48.b4 g4 49.b5 g3+ 50.hxg3+ hxg3+ 51.Ke2 Ke5 52.Kf3 Kd5 53.Kxg3 Kc5 54.Kf4 Kxb5 55.Ke5
Kc6 56.Ke6 Kc7 57.Ke7 Kc6 58.g4 1–0

POWELL RIVER OPEN

In chess journalism we tend to concentrate on the high and mighty, but of course chess playing and tournaments can also occur far from large urban centres, given the right circumstances and sympathetic and dedicated individual organizers. One such event was the Powell River Open which ran, as far as we can tell, 1985-1989. Below are the tournament reports which appeared in the contemporary issues of *Counterplay*:

March 2-3, 1985

BC chess players can now look to a new chess hot spot: downtown Powell River on the Sunshine Coast. Carl Rost and Kent Cronin organized the first annual Powell River Open and produced twenty-two players with minimal advertising. Next year the second annual will be held on the first weekend in March. Kent Cronin was victorious in five rounds to win the tournament and the above-1600 section. Tom Treakle and Gordon Clark tied 4-1 to take the “C” section. Helmut Vossler won the “D and unrated” section just as he did Comox in February. Next year will be better, so watch for the ads and come and meet these fine people. TD and Report: Ric Vanthournout

Cronin, Kent – Ward, John [B90] Powell River op (5), 03.03.1985

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 a6 6.Be3 e5 7.Nb3 Be6 8.f3 Be7 9.Qd2 b5 10.a4
Bxb3 11.cxb3 Qa5 12.Nd5 Qxd2+ 13.Bxd2 Nxd5 14.exd5 bxa4 15.Rxa4 0–0 16.Bc4 Nd7 17.Ke2
Nb6 18.Rb4 Rfb8 19.Ra1 Nxc4 20.bxc4 Rxb4 21.Bxb4 f5 22.Bc3 Kf7 23.b4 Bd8 24.c5 dxc5
25.bxc5 Bf6 26.Kd3 Ke8 27.Kc4 Kd7 28.c6+ Kc7 29.Ba5+ Kd6 30.Bb4+ Kc7 31.Bc3 Kd6 32.Rb1
Ra7 33.Bb4+ Kc7 34.Bc5 Ra8 35.Rb7+ Kc8 36.d6 a5 37.Bb6 1–0

March 1-2, 1986

Gerhard Neufahrt won with 4.5 points and local stalwart Dennis Kleinsteuber with four points edged out Robert Nelson for second prize. Ric Vanthournout swept the “B” class with four points and Keith Rycroft and Philip Dockerill won the “C” class honours with three points each. Andrew Martin and Dan Kobus shared first in the under 1400 Section with 2.5 points each.

Thanks to Ric Vanthournout's help everything went as planned (even Peter Stockhausen's luggage arrived before the end of the tournament). Kent Cronin and Tom Treakle took it easy this time, but watch out for them next year! A perpetual trophy – as suggested by Gerhard Neufahrt – is promised. Special thanks to Powell River Leisure Services for an excellent tournament site. TD and Report: W.C. Rost

Neufahrt, Gerhard – Kleinsteuber, Dennis [B22] Powell River op (3), 01.03.1986

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.d4 cxd4 5.cxd4 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bg4 7.Be2 e6 8.0-0 Nf6 9.Nc3 Qa5
10.Re1 Be7 11.h3 Bh5 12.Ne5 Bxe2 13.Nxc6 Qxc3 14.Nxe7 Bxd1 15.bxc3 Bc2 16.Ba3 Rd8
17.Re2 Bd3 18.Re3 Bg6 19.f4 Nd5 20.Nxd5 Rxd5 21.g4 Kd7 22.Bc5 b6 23.c4 bxc5 24.cxd5 cxd4
25.dxe6+ fxe6 26.Rd1 d3 27.f5 exf5 28.Rdxd3+ Kc6 29.Re6+ Kc7 30.Re7+ Kb8 31.Rdd7 fxg4
32.Rb7+ Ka8 33.Rxa7+ Kb8 34.Reb7+ Kc8 35.Rxg7 Kb8 36.hxg4 Rd8 37.Kh2 Rd3 38.Rae7 Rc3
39.a4 Rc6 40.a5 Bd3 41.g5 Rc5 42.Kg3 Ba6 43.Rg8+ Bc8 44.Rxh7 Rxa5 45.Rhh8 1-0

March 7-8, 1987

Brad Booker came home to take the trophy from Gerhard Neufahrt. Philippe Desquieu returned to active chess after several years of retirement to win the "B" class prize with a 4-1 score. Dennis Kleinsteuber, Gil Gaudry and Rusty Deshmukh scored 3.5-1.5 each. Best unrated player was Ron Qually with 3-2. Twenty-six players participated, including a fine group of juniors from Quadra Island. TD and Report: W.C. Rost

March 5-6, 1988

The Powell River trophy was won by Harold Brown with five points out of five games. Second place went to last year's winner, Brad Booker, as well as Philippe Desquieu and Dennis Kleinsteuber with four points each. Dennis Snow won "B" class honours with 3-2. First "C" was shared by Tom Treakle and Chris Hinrichsen, also with 3-2. Jeff Winter and Brett Buholzer were first "D" and unrated. Eleven-year-old Eric Hinrichsen of Quadra Island gave most of his opponents a good scare but failed to win a prize. He'll be back next year! TD and Report: W.C. Rost



The current and previous winners at the end of the 1988 event: Harold Brown, Brad Booker, Gerhard Neufahrt, Kent Cronin

March 4-5, 1989

Nineteen players competed for the Powell River Trophy, among them all four of the previous winners. Harold Brown won again with 4.5-0.5. Local talent Dennis Kleinsteuber was second. First "B" was shared by Peter Cronin and Tom Treakle. The top under 1600 was Rudi Stribny, followed by eighty-year-old Gabor Gaiter. TD and Report: W.C. Rost

UPCOMING EVENTS

New West Summer Open

August 3-5, New Westminster

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Langley Open

August 31 – September 2, Langley

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Jack Taylor Memorial

October 25-27, Victoria

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Banff Open

November 9-11, Banff, AB

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