

BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #20

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Stephen Wright

VANCOUVER JUNIOR GRAND PRIX # 8

A total of 45 players took part in the last Grand Prix event of this inaugural season, held as usual at the Vancouver Bridge Centre. Winners in the quads were: Jason Lee and the Davies brothers; Ben Daswani and Lane van Weerdhuizen; Tiffany Tang and Alexander Reid; Lesley Cheng and Jasenko Dzinovic; Thomas Chow, Jack Cheng and Kacper Petrykowski; Laura Harper and Gary Yip; and Louie Jiang, Kevin Au and Charlie Yan. In the swiss the greatly improved Aiden Brant-Briscall took first with 4.5/5; Vlad Gaciu came second with 4, and Neil Atkinson tied for third with Benjamin Huang.

For the Grand Prix, players received points for their results as well as a bonus based on the average rating of the Quad; only a player's six best results (of a possible eight) were included in the calculations. Gavin Atkinson had already won the Grand Prix after event #7, so his mediocre score in event 8 did not hurt him, but Jason Lee's excellent result on sunday catapulted him into second place overall. Despite being considerably lower rated than the other contenders, Lesley Cheng scored consistently well in the Grand Prix events through the year and deservedly took third. The top 15 players, along with prizes awarded, are shown below:

Atkinson, Gavin	26.4	\$300
Lee, Jason	25.1	\$250
Cheng, Lesley	23.9	\$200
Goutor, Valentina	22.6	\$150
Chow, Lo-Ching	22.5	\$100
Davies, Lucas	22.1	\$50
Davies, Noam	21.7	\$50
Dzinovic, Jasenko	21.2	\$50
Kostin, Andrey	21.1	\$50
Reid, Alexander	20.8	\$50
Daswani, Ben	19.1	
Young, Bryan	18.5	
Tang, Tiffany	18.4	
Heppenstall, Lara	18.2	
Yu, Danny	17.2	

There will be a prize-giving ceremony on June 8th at the Year-end event - all juniors are invited to come out and enjoy this chess party!

JACK YOOS AT THE KERES MEMORIAL

Continuing with our Keres coverage from last issue, Jack Yoos has kindly provided us with detailed annotations to all his games - many thanks, Jack! Here are four of them, the remaining three will be in the next Bulletin:

Yoos,J - Niksic,J [C02] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (1.3), 16.05.2003

1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.e5 c5 4.c3 Qb6 5.Nf3 Nc6 6.a3 c4 7.Nbd2 Na5 Although this is solid, it is also very passive. White's uncontested space advantage relegates black to reactive defense. Usually black is left with nothing to play for but blockading the two pawn breaks on b3 and f5. White sometimes loses these positions, but only because he overplays his position. [7...f6 is more lively:

8.Be2 fxe5 9.Nxe5 Nxe5 10.dxe5 Bc5 (10...Nh6?! 11.Nxc4!; 10...Qc7 11.0-0 Qxe5 12.Re1 with an attack) 11.0-0 Ne7 12.b4 cxb3 13.Nxb3 0-0; 7...Nge7? 8.Bxc4; 7...Bd7?! 8.b3!] 8.Be2 [8.g3; 8.h4!?] 8...Bd7 9.0-0 Ne7 10.Re1 Nec6!? [10...h6

11.Rb1 0-0-0 is the main line. 12.Qc2 intending the unraveling maneuver of Bd1, Nf1, Qe2. 12...g5?! I am throwing this into the notes to demonstrate the theme seen in the game. 13.Nf1 Ng6 14.h3 Qb3 15.Bd1 Qxc2 16.Bxc2 Nc6 17.Ng3 Nce7

18.Nh5 Bc6 19.Nh2 Nf5 20.Ng4 Yoos-Gentes, Manitoba ch 1997] 11.Rb1 [11.Qc2 Nb3 12.Nxb3 cxb3 (12...Qxb3 13.Qb1) 13.Qd3 Na5 and maybe white has something on the kingside, but I would think that black is fine.] 11...Nb3!? This interesting idea is new according to my database. By making some exchanges black hopes that it will be less appealing for white to blow open the light squares on the queenside. 12.Nf1 [12.Nxb3 Qxb3 13.Bf4 (13.Qd2 Bxa3 14.Bd1 Qb6 and white does not seem to have anything special for the pawn.) 13...Qxd1 14.Bxd1 Be7 15.Nd2

h5 and black seems okay, as white does not seem to have an appealing way to break open the position.] 12...Nxc1 This seems to make things a bit simpler for white. [12...Nca5 seems like a better try. 13.Qc2 Ba4 (13...Nxc1!?) 14.Bd1

Qb5 (14...Nc5 15.Qd2 Bxd1?? 16.dxc5) 15.Qe2 Nxc1 16.Rxc1 Bxd1 17.Rcxd1; white's pieces are untangled, but black still has a grip on things.] 13.Qxc1 Na5

14.Qf4 Be7 15.Ng3 h5 16.Nd2 g5+= Pushing the kingside pawns is a temptation for black, but my experience is that it is rarely good in these closed positions. Now white no longer has to worry about a blockade and the extended black pawns are bound to create square weaknesses. [16...g6 17.b3 A) 17...Nxb3 18.Bxc4!

(18.Nge4 Rc8!) 18...dxc4 19.Nxc4 Qa6 (19...Qb5 20.Nd2) 20.Nd6+ Bxd6 21.exd6 Qc4 22.Qf6+-; B) 17...cxb3 18.c4 Bxa3 19.Qf6 (19.cxd5 exd5 20.Bf3 Be6) 19...Rf8 20.cxd5 offers white good play with the black king being left in the center.]

17.Qe3 h4 [17...g4 is reasonable, but f4-f5 will always be an issue.] 18.Nh5 0-0-0

19.h3 Now black can do nothing about the f4 break. 19...Ba4 20.Rec1 Rhg8

21.Bg4 White is in no hurry to make the break. 21...Nb3 22.Nxb3 Bxb3 23.Qe2 Kb8

24.Rf1 Qc6 25.Kh1 Qa4 26.Rbc1 a5 27.Nf6 I wanted to make sure that the bishop did not come alive when I broke with f4. 27...Bxf6 28.exf6 Qd7 29.Bh5 b5 30.f4+- Unless black has something extraordinary here, he is busted as the kingside is falling apart. 30...Ka7 [30...gxf4 31.Qe5+] 31.Qe5 gxf4 32.Rxf4 Rg3 This looks funny, but black is trying to get his bishop into the game. The rook is going in to set a pick. 33.Rxh4 Rd3 34.Qg5 Qc7 35.Bf3 Kb6 36.Rh7 [36.Rg4 is similar.] 36...Rd7 37.Rg7 Qd6 38.Be2 [38.Bh5 also works.] 38...b4 39.axb4 axb4 40.Bxd3 cxd3 41.Qd2 Bc2 42.Rxc2 [42.cxb4 e5] 42...dxc2 43.Qxc2 Qf4 44.Rg4? I was very upset with myself after this move. Though I was a bit tired, having gone from work to the tournament, I still should have been able to calculate 44.Qb3 properly. [44.Qb3 Qf1+ 45.Kh2 Qf4+ (45...Qxf6 46.Qxb4+ Kc7 47.Rg4+-) 46.Rg3 Rd8 47.Qxb4+ Ka6 48.Qa3+ Kb6 49.c4 dxc4 50.Qb4+ Ka6 51.Qxc4+-] 44...Qxf6 45.Kg1 [45.Qb3 Qf1+ 46.Kh2 Qc4 47.Qxb4+ Qxb4 48.cxb4 Kb5 with counterplay] 45...Ra7 [With counterplay] 46.Qc1 Qf5 47.Qf4 Ra1+ [47...Qxf4 48.Rxf4] 48.Kh2 bxc3? 49.Qd6+ [49.Qb8+ Ka6 50.Rg8! cxb2 51.Qd6+ Kb5 52.Qc5+ Ka4 53.Qc6+ Kb3 54.Rb8+ Ka2 55.Qa4+ Kb1 56.Qd1+ Ka2 57.Ra8#] 49...Kb5 50.Rg8 [50.Qc5+ Ka4 51.Qa7+ Kb3 52.Qxa1 cxb2 53.Rg3+ Kc2 54.Qa4+ Kc1 55.Rc3+ Kd2 56.Rb3 b1Q 57.Qb4+ In my calculations I missed this point.] 50...Kc4 51.Qc5+? [51.Rg3!] 51...Kd3 52.Qxc3+ Ke2 Arrrgh, I let him out. 53.Rg3 Qf4! 54.b4?? Frustrated with my play over the last ten moves I made matters worse with a rash move. [54.Qd3+ Ke1 55.b4+-] 54...Rd1! Black is now back in the game. 55.b5 e5 [55...Rxd4 es easier. 56.b6 Rb4 57.Qc2+ (57.Qd3+ Ke1 58.Kh1 Qf1+ 59.Qxf1+ Kxf1 60.Rf3+ Ke2 61.Rxf7 Rxb6 62.g4 d4 and black is faster.) 57...Ke1 (57...Qd2 58.Qc7 Qb2 59.Qc5 with the initiative Qd2 60.Rf3) 58.Qc3+ Ke2 (58...Qd2?? 59.Re3+) 59.Qc2+ draw] 56.dxe5 d4 57.Qf3+ Qxf3 58.Rxf3 d3 59.Rxf7 d2 60.Rd7 Rb1 61.e6! [61.Kg3 Rb3+ 62.Kf4 Rd3-+] 61...Rxb5 62.Kg3 Re5 [62...Rb3+ 63.Kf4 Rd3 64.e7 Re3 65.h4+-] 63.Kf4 Rxe6 64.h4 [64.g4 Re3 65.Rxd2+ Kxd2 66.h4 Rh3=] 64...d1Q?? Black was in terrible time pressure in the sudden death time control. [64...Re3 65.Rxd2+ Kxd2 66.h5 Re1! 67.g4 Rh1 68.Kg5 Ke3 69.h6 Kf3 70.Kg6 Kxg4 71.h7 draw] 65.Rxd1 Kxd1 66.g4 Now the pawns are too fast. 66...Ke2 67.g5 Kd3 68.Kf5 Ra6 69.g6 Kd4 70.g7 Ra8 71.h5 Kc4 72.h6 1-0

Wu,H - Yoos,J [B06] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (2.3), 17.05.2003

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.Nf3 Bg7 4.Nc3 c6 5.Be3 This is a very tough system for black to meet. 5...b5 6.Bd3 Qc7!? [6...Nd7 is a more normal move order.] 7.0-0 Nd7 8.Qd2 [8.a4; 8.d5 b4 9.dxc6 bxc3 10.cxd7+ Bxd7 11.bxc3 Qxc3 12.Rb1 Qa5 Is fine for black.] 8...Bb7!? [8...Ngf6 9.Bh6 0-0 has been played lots of times before. I think that white is a bit better. 10.Rfe1 e5] 9.Rad1 [9.a4 A) 9...a6 10.axb5 cxb5 (10...axb5 11.Rxa8+ Bxa8 12.Ra1 Bb7 13.d5 b4 14.dxc6 bxc3 15.cxd7+ Qxd7 16.bxc3+= Adams) 11.Nd5 Qd8 (11...Bxd5 12.exd5 Qb7 13.Qa5) 12.Qa5 Rc8 13.Qxd8+ Kxd8 14.Nb4 Adams-Dunnington, Hastings 1995 (by transposition); B) 9...b4 10.Ne2 c5 11.Ng3 (11.c3 c4 12.Bb1 b3 xBb1) 11...Ngf6 and black seems fine to me.] 9...a6 10.Ne2 c5 11.c3 Ngf6 12.Ng3 0-0 [12...Ng4 13.Bg5 h6 14.h3 hxg5

15.hxg4 Nf6 16.Qxg5 Bh6 17.Qh4 Bg7 18.Qg5 Bh6=] 13.Bh6 e5 14.Bxg7 Kxg7 15.Qg5
 I have played this idea from the white side many times. It is not that white is going to
 checkmate black here; rather the hope is that black gets tied down enough with defense
 that he becomes vulnerable to a quick shift of focus to another part of the board. 15...Ng8
 16.Nf5+ Kh8 17.N3h4 Ndf6 [It is worth considering opening some lines first, but it is
 definitely more dangerous for black also. 17...exd4 18.cxd4 c4 19.Bc2 Ndf6] 18.Ng3
 Rae8 19.dxc5 dxc5 20.Nhf5+= White is a little bit better, but black should be able to hold
 without significant problems. The problem for me was how do I try to win here against a
 much lower rated opponent. 20...Rd8 21.Nh6 Ne8 22.Nxg8 Kxg8 23.Nf5 f6 24.Qg3 Kh8
 25.Ne3
 c4 26.Bc2 Ng7 27.Qg4 Qc6 28.Rxd8 Rxd8 29.Rd1 Rxd1+ 30.Qxd1 Ne6 31.Ng4 Kg7
 32.Qd2 Nf8 33.Qd8 Qe6 34.h3 [34.Qc7+ Qf7] 34...h5 35.Ne3 Qd7 36.Qb6 Ne6 37.b3
 cxb3 38.Bxb3 Nf4 39.Bd5 Bxd5 40.exd5 [40.Nxd5] 40...Ne2+ I had less than a minute
 left on my clock on this last move of the time control. I have to admit that I felt very
 macho making this decision in such circumstances. 41.Kf1 Nxc3 42.d6? [42.Qc6 Qxc6
 43.dxc6 Ne4 44.Nd5 Nd6 45.Nb6 I have to admit that in my original calculations, I
 missed this idea of a repetition. (45.Ne7 Kf7) 45...Ne8 46.Nd5=] 42...Ne4 43.Qxa6
 [43.Qc7 Qxc7 44.dxc7 Nd6 45.Nd5 Nc8 46.Nb4 a5 47.Nc6
 Kf7 48.Nxa5 Ke7-/+] 43...Nxd6-/+ Since the queen and knight combination is a
 notorious attacking combo, it is natural that this will turn into an attacking fight.
 However, because of black's extra pawn white will be reluctant to trade queens and so he
 will in effect be fighting without the full use of one arm.
 44.g4 Ne4! Heading for f4. 45.Qa8 Ng5 46.Kg2 Ne6 47.Qe4 Nf4+?! [47...h4! The black
 king would be untouchable on g5, nestled cozily where he can take a nap until the
 fighting is done.] 48.Kg3 hxg4 49.hxg4 Qc8 50.Nd5?? [50.Ng2] 50...Qc6
 0-1

Yoos,J - Milicevic,D [C38] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (3.3), 17.05.2003

1.e4 e5 Big surprise. I guess Drago did not feel like debating the Scandinavian this time.
 [1...d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Nxd5 4.c4 Nb6 5.Nf3 g6 6.Nc3 Bg7 7.Be2 0-0 8.0-0 Nc6 9.d5
 Ne5 10.c5 Nbd7 11.Be3 Nxf3+ 12.Bxf3 Ne5 13.Be2 Drago and I have been debating this
 position since I moved to Vancouver. I think that white is just better here, but I am sure
 that Drago doesn't agree with me.] 2.f4
 exf4 3.Nf3 g5 I would guess that Drago was inspired by my game against Bobby Meng
 from the Kits FIDE RR several weeks ago, where Bobby drew me in this line [See
 Bulletin # 17]. 4.Bc4! Best [4.h4 g4 5.Ne5 All you have to do is look at what the GMs
 have been playing recently to see that this has not been working for white.] 4...Bg7!
 [4...g4 5.0-0 is just a very complicated draw. The problem is that black has to know a
 thousand times the amount that white does to be able to play the ensuing positions. As a
 result it is just recklessly dangerous to play this outside of correspondence chess.] 5.d4
 [5.h4 If I am going to play a Philidor Gambit, I usually play this move order since it is
 more forcing.
 However, since Drago is not experienced in this line, I thought I would tempt him to play
 g4 for one more move.] 5...d6 Of course this position and the whole King's Gambit is
 probably unsound and lots of Classical players over the centuries have taken pleasure in

saying so. However, as any King's Gambit player can tell you, this is not a very relevant point. The real question (as it is with many other openings) is whether white has good practical chances when faced with strong opposition and I would say the answer to this is most certainly yes. 6.h4 The Philidor Gambit. Since Drago is inexperienced in this line, I thought I would opt for the sharper stuff. [6.g3 g3 being the Hanstein Gambit is the main alternative and is probably more stable than the Philidor. In my opinion it is best to play it right away, since Bh3 does not have the same impact and white retains the possibilities of Nc3 and/or 0-0-0.] 6...h6 7.c3 c6

[7...Nc6 is more usual. 8.0-0 Bg4 (8...Qe7; 8...Nf6)] 8.0-0 White's idea in these positions is that black will have trouble developing in particular his kingside, because of the pressure on g5. If black rolls the kingside pawns forward, he most likely will lose one or more of them and white's darksquared bishop will come alive. So in the meantime, white can continue developing with an eye to assaulting the black king either in the center or on the queenside. 8...Nd7

9.a4 Nb6 [9...a5 I was expecting this instead. 10.b3!? intending Ba3 at some point.] 10.Bd3 Be6 11.Nbd2 g4 12.a5 Nd7 13.Ne1 This often looks scary for white, but it will be hard for black to succeed in a direct assault on white's king with just a queen and a pawn. [13.Nh2 f3 (13...g3 14.Nhf3 unclear xf4) 14.g3 and white's pieces are clumsy (14.gxf3 g3-/+).] 13...Qxh4 14.Rxf4 h5 [14...Ngf6

15.Nc4 Bf8 16.Ne3 Nh5 17.Nf5 Bxf5 18.Rxf5 Ng3 gets messy - 19.Rf4 Qh1+ 20.Kf2 Nh5 21.Qxg4 Nxf4 22.Bxf4 0-0-0 23.Nc2 f5 24.Qxf5 Qh4+ 25.Kg1 Be7 26.a6 b6 27.e5 Rhf8 28.Qe4 Nb8 (28...d5 29.Qg6 Nb8 30.Bf5+ Kc7 31.g3+-) 29.g3 with the idea of Ne3 and white has reasonable compensation. For example 29...Qh3 30.Ne3 d5 31.Qh7 Rxf4 32.Bf5+ Rxf5 33.Nxf5 Re8 34.Nxe7+ Rxe7 35.Qxe7 Qxg3+ 36.Kf1+-] 15.Nc4 Qe7 16.Ne3 Ngf6 17.N1c2 Bh6 18.Rf1 0-0-0 19.a6 b6 20.Nb4 Nb8 21.d5! xb6.

I think that white is clearly better now. 21...c5 Several people told me that they thought that this was a big mistake, but as you can see by the notes, it is probably the best move. [21...cxd5 22.exd5!? A) 22...Bxe3+ 23.Bxe3 Nxd5

24.Nxd5 Bxd5 25.Bxb6 Rd7 (25...axb6 26.Bf5+-) 26.Bf5 Be6 27.Bxe6 fxe6 (27...Qxe6 28.Bxa7) 28.Qd4 Re8 (28...e5 29.Qc4+) 29.Qc4+ Rc7 30.Bxc7 Qxc7 31.Qxc7+ Kxc7 32.Rf7+ Nd7 33.Rh7+-; B) 22...Bd7 23.Nc4 with the initiative Ne8 24.Nxb6+]

22.dxe6 fxe6 23.Nbc2 Nc6 [23...Nfd7 24.Nc4 Ne5 (24...Bxc1 25.Rf7 Qh4 26.Nxd6+ Kc7 27.Nb5+ Kc8 28.Nxa7+ Kc7 29.Nb5+ Kc8 30.a7 g3 31.a8Q Qh2+ 32.Kf1 Qh1+ 33.Ke2

Qxg2+ 34.Ke1+-) 25.Bxh6 Rxh6 26.Qd2 Rhh8 27.Nxb6+ Kc7 28.Nc4 is messy, Qxg2+ but I

am confident that this is good for white.] 24.Nc4 Nd7 [24...Bxc1 25.Qxc1 d5 (25...Ne5 26.Nxe5 dxe5 27.Qg5) 26.exd5 Nxd5 (26...exd5 27.Qg5 Rhf8 28.Rae1 Ne4 29.Qxh5 Rxf1+ 30.Rxf1 dxc4 31.Qf5+-) 27.N2e3 Qh4 28.Nxd5 exd5 29.Bf5+ Kb8 30.Qf4+ Ka8 31.Qc7+-; 24...Ne5 avoids the tactic on the next move, but since the h4-d8 diagonal is not open, white will have time to consolidate.] 25.Bxh6?

[25.Rf7!] 25...Rxh6 26.Qd2 [26.Rf7] 26...Rhh8 27.N2a3 [27.Rf7] 27...Nce5 28.Be2 Rdg8 [28...Nxc4 29.Nxc4 Ne5 30.Nxe5 dxe5 31.Qe3+-] 29.Qxd6 Qxd6 30.Nxd6+- Kb8 31.Nac4 Rh7 32.Nxe5 Nxe5 33.Nc4 Ng6 34.Rad1 e5 35.Ne3 Nf4 36.Bc4 Re8 37.Nd5 Rf8

38.g3 Nh3+ 39.Kg2 Rhf7 40.Rxf7 Rxf7 41.Rf1 Rxf1 42.Bxf1 Ng5 43.Nf6 Kc7 44.Bd3 Kc6 45.Nxh5 c4 46.Bc2 Kb5 47.Nf6 Nf3 48.Kf2 Kxa6 49.Nxg4 Ng5 50.Nxe5 b5 51.Nf3 Ne6 52.g4 Kb6 53.g5 a5 54.g6 Kc5 55.Nd4 Ng7 56.Nf5 Ne6 57.g7 1-0

Teplitsky,Y - Yoos,J [A29] Keres mem 28th Vancouver (4.2), 18.05.2003

1.c4 It wasn't always the case that Yan and I would play such peaceful games. Our first five encounters, one in the 1996 Canadian Championship and four more in a 1997 match, were all extremely bloody. However since then we seem to have lost the desire to try to kill each other. Here is another one of our recent riveting games - 1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 d6 5.Be2 0-0 6.Nf3 Na6 An attempt to avoid his pet line in the Petrosian System. (6...e5 7.d5 a5 8.h4 is Yan's pet line.) 7.0-0 e5 8.Qc2 Nb4 9.Qd1 Nc6 Aha! 10.Be3 Re8 11.dxe5 Sigh
11...dxe5 12.Qxd8 .5-.5 Teplitsky-Yoos, 1997 Keres Tournament. 1...e5 2.Nc3 Nf6 And another - 2...d6 3.g3 Nc6 4.Bg2 g6 5.e3 Bg7 6.Nge2 f5 7.d3 Nf6 8.Rb1 a5 9.a3 0-0 10.b4 axb4 11.axb4 Ne7 12.f4 c6 13.0-0 Be6 14.b5 Bf7 15.h3 .5-.5 Teplitsky-Yoos, 1999 Keres Tournament 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.g3 d5 5.cxd5 Nxd5 6.Bg2 Nb6 7.0-0 Be7 8.d3 0-0 9.a4 a5 10.Be3 Be6 -

ENGLISH BAY FIDE (April 25-27) by Vas Sladek

This event was a personal project of sorts - I wanted to see if we could stage more FIDE events beyond the Keres and the BC Closed. My ultimate goal is to: 1) give BC chess players a chance to get their international ratings (I got my own modest rating thanks to the Keres Open!), 2) to give tournament directors norms towards their FIDE arbiter and International Organizer titles (event sponsors should, at least in theory, be more receptive when approached by titled International Organizers); and 3) broadcast the games live on the Internet using DGT technology with TOMA license purchased by Chess First! Enterprises.

Jack Yoos played well as usual and his participation was much appreciated. He received cash and a brand new copy of Fritz 8 for his efforts. Fanhao Meng ran into trouble in round five when he met Nigel Fullbrook, who saved his best for last (convincing Nigel to give up bridge for one weekend wasn't easy!). Brazilian Eduardo Moura was his usual steady self and should by now be well known in Vancouver. Dragoljub Milicevic received yet another gift when he drew against me in round five. Play the board kids! Coaches looking for a horrific example of when NOT to agree to a draw can contact me.

All players received one issue of ChessBase magazine. Thank you to SPEC: Society Promoting Environmental Conservation - Home for providing a great, quiet site for the event. Several more FIDE rated events are planned for the fall: some have already been posted. Interested players with published FIDE ratings and unrated ambitious players with CFC ratings over 2000 please e-mail Vas Sladek, chessfm@shaw.ca or call 604-787-4553.

Meng,F - Moura,E [B22] English Bay inv Vancouver (1), 25.04.2003

1.e4 c5 2.c3 d5 3.exd5 Qxd5 4.d4 Nf6 5.Nf3 Bg4 6.Be2 e6 7.0-0 Nc6 8.Be3 cxd4
9.cxd4 Bb4 10.Nc3 Qd7 11.Qb3 0-0 12.Rfd1 Nd5 13.Nxd5 exd5 14.h3 Bxf3 15.Bxf3
Rad8 16.Bg5 f6 17.Bf4 Ba5 18.Rac1 Bb6 19.Rc5 Bxc5 20.dxc5 Ne7 21.Bd6 Rfe8
22.Bh5 Ng6 23.Qxd5+ Qf7 24.Bf3 Ne5 25.Qxf7+ Nxf7 26.Bxb7 Nxd6 27.cxd6 Re2
28.b4 Kf8
29.a4 Re6 30.d7 Rb6 31.Bc8 Rxb4 32.a5 Rb5 33.a6 Ke7 34.Re1+ Re5 35.Rb1 Rd5
36.Rb7 R8xd7 37.Bxd7 Rxd7 38.f4 Kd6 39.Rb2 Kc5 40.Kf2 g6 41.Rb7 Kc6 42.Rb2 Kc5
43.Rb7 Kc6 44.Rb2 -

Fullbrook,N - Meng,F [B00] English Bay inv Vancouver (5), 27.04.2003

1.e4 b6 2.d4 Bb7 3.f3 e6 4.c4 d5 5.Nc3 Nf6 6.e5 Nfd7 7.cxd5 exd5 8.f4 c5
9.Nf3 cxd4 10.Nxd4 Bc5 11.Be3 0-0 12.Bd3 Re8 13.0-0 f6 14.Qh5 Nf8 15.Rae1 Nbd7
16.Nf5 g6 17.Nh6+ Kg7 18.Qh3 d4 19.b4 Nxe5 20.fxe5 Rxe5 21.bxc5 dxe3 22.Ng4 Rg5
23.Be4 Ba6 24.Qh6+ Kh8 25.Nxf6 Bxf6 26.Qxg5 Qd4 27.Qxe3 Qxf6 28.Bxa8 1-0

[See Bulletin # 17 for other games]

Crosstable and photos: English Bay FIDE inv

30 YEARS AGO . . . by Bruce Harper

Players have had 30 years to work on the problem republished in the previous Bulletin, but to date no one has sent in a correct (or any) answer. Maybe this one will be easier:



White to play and draw. Another study by F.M. Simkovitsch.

YANOFSKY MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

"Vas Sladek is looking for a chess player to share travel and/or hotel room costs in Winnipeg for the August 29-Sept.1, 2003 FIDE-rated Abe Yanofsky Memorial tournament. Please call 604-787-4553 or e-mail Vas at chessfm@shaw.ca."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Please note the following CHANGE OF VENUE for the weekly Sunday chess tournament in Vancouver. The Tournament is moving from Esquires Coffee House to the Croatian Cultural Centre, 3250 Commercial Drive, Vancouver, B.C. Start time Sundays @1:00 PM. 5 rounds, 30 min. time control. Contact Robert Topic, tel: (604)298-0543, e-mail: bernardtopic@shaw.ca

Individual Chess Matches

Players interested in participating in rated individual chess matches with other players of comparable or dissimilar ratings can contact Luis E. Azmitia at: azmitia@interchange.ubc.ca

Please make sure to include in the e-mail: your name, your rating, type of game preferred (i.e. active), and the rating range of possible opponents. Note that the games will be held in the Vancouver area.

Upcoming junior events:

June 8 Vancouver Year-end Event

For details visit British Columbia Chess Federation

Solstice Saturday Chess Fever

Date: May 24, June 07, 14, 21 and 28 (No games on May 31)

Location: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway

Rds: 5

Type: Regular Swiss

Time: Games start at 5:00 p.m.

Time Control: 30/90 G/60

Entry Fee: \$25, \$20 for Juniors and Masters

Prizes: \$\$ Ben CFC Rated

Org: James Kerry 778 773 2761 and Luc Poitras (604) 438-0496

UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - June - July 2003

Dates: June 3rd, June 10th, June 17th, June 24th, July 8th (N.B. no chess July 1st)
Place: UBC Henry Angus Building, Room 421
Rounds: 5 round Swiss System (one round per week)
Time: Round 1; a.s.a.p. after 7pm, Rounds 2-5 6:30pm Time Control: 40 moves / 90 minutes, game / 60 minutes Entry Fee: \$15, \$12 UBC CC members (available at site), \$8 juniors, \$Free to masters and those joining CFC/BCCF for the first time
Registration: 6:30 - 7 pm before round 1
Prizes: Based on entries (\$\$BEN)
Org & TD: Lyle Craver (604) 980-2040
Misc: half point byes available for rounds 1-4 when requested at least 24 hours before game time (in person or by phone only please - no e-mail bye requests!) Please bring sets, clocks, etc.

Active Chess at the Little Mountain

Dates: Wednesdays June 18, June 25, and July 2nd
Time: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Location: Little Mountain Neighbourhood House, 3981 Main St. Vancouver (near King Edward Ave.)
Type: Active Swiss
Rounds: 6 in total, 2 per day
Time Control: 40 minutes per game
Categories: Open CFC rated, U1700 CFC rated, Open non-rated, Junior non-rated Entry fee: Juniors and Seniors always pay \$5. Others pay \$20 before June 18 and \$30 on June 18. Register at the front desk of the Neighbourhood House.
Prizes: 1st Open rated (fritz 7 + digital chess clock) 1st U1700 rated (digital chess clock) 1st Open non-rated and 1st Junior (chess set + free CFC membership) Medals and cash prizes BEN
Organizers: Eduardo / Luis Azmitia 604 582 5586 e-mail: azmitia@interchange.ubc.ca
Carmen Miranda 604 582 5586
Misc: bring sets and clocks.
Note: The tournament is organized thanks to the support of Little Mountain Neighbourhood House (<http://www.littlemountainneighbourhoodhouse.bc.ca/>) and Chess First! Enterprises (www.northshorechess.com)

Kelowna Summer Fest

Dates: July 5 & 6, 2003
Type: 5 Round Swiss
Times: 9/2/7; 9/asap
Place: Sandman Inn Kelowna B.C. 2130 Harvey Ave across from Orchard Park Mall (250) 860-6409
Entry: \$25, \$20 Seniors, \$15 Juniors Non CFC pay entry + \$12
Prizes: BEN

TD & Org Lynn Stringer Wally Steinke & Ian Higgs wsteinke@sd22.bc.ca ph (250)
545-6677 ianofski@cablelan.net

UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - July - August 2003

Dates: July 15th, July 22nd, July 29th, August 5th, August 12th

Place: UBC Henry Angus Building, Room 421

Rounds: 5 round Swiss System (one round per week)

Time: Round 1; a.s.a.p. after 7pm, Rounds 2-5 6:30pm Time Control: 40 moves / 90 minutes, game / 60 minutes Entry Fee: \$15, \$12 UBC CC members (available at site), \$8 juniors, \$Free to masters and those joining CFC/BCCF for the first time

Registration: 6:30 - 7 pm before round 1

Prizes: Based on entries (\$\$BEN)

Org & TD: Lyle Craver (604) 980-2040

Misc: half point byes available for rounds 1-4 when requested at least 24 hours before game time (in person or by phone only please - no e-mail bye requests!) Please bring sets, clocks, etc.

BC Open

Dates: August 2-4, 2003

Location: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway

Rounds: 6 round Swiss

Times: 10 / 4 ; 10 / 4 ; 10 / asap

Time Control: 40 moves / 120 minutes, game / 60 minutes Entry Fee: \$30, \$20 for masters, juniors, and seniors

Registration: 9:30 - 9:50 am before round 1

Prizes: Based on entries (\$\$BEN)

TD: Stephen Wright

Misc: half point byes available for rounds 1-5.

Information:

Stephen Wright (604) 221-7148; stphwrg@aol.com Katherine Davies (604) 266-5842;
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