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## LOCAL GOES UNDEFEATED by Peter Kerek

Ben Kruger of Kamloops upset the top seeds in the Kamloops Fall Classic Chess Tournament to tie for first. Kruger was ecstatic, jumping in celebration after defeating Kelowna's Mike Lepsoe in the final round to secure at least a tie for first. Expert David Moore of Sicamous went 5 - 1 to share first with Kruger. Kruger, a former expert, hasn't performed as well in recent years but certainly pulled it together this weekend.

Lepsoe was a surprise winner of the under 1700 section. Lepsoe hasn't competed in a CFC tournament in four years and was the lowest rated player to enter. "I was shocked. He actually requested a bye in the fourth round so he could go partying Saturday night at Harvest-fest in Celista - most players are pretty focused during the weekend of a tournament," said Kerek. "I thought he'd be rusty, but he must have been keeping up by studying or computer play - he'll be one to watch for in upcoming tournaments."

Organizer Peter Kerek would like to extend a big thanks to the BCGEU for donating the use of the Russ Saarich Room to host the tournament. "The venue's just right for our tournaments and allows most of the entry money to go right back into the prize fund," said Kerek.

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## OCTOBER SUNDAY OPEN/JUNIOR OPEN

#	Name	1	2	3	Total
1	Lucas Davies	W12	W 6	D 3	2.5
2	Vaclav Sladek	W13	W 7	D 4	2.5
3	Noam Davies	W10	W14	D 1	2.5
4	Michael Yip	W15	W 5	D 2	2.5
5	Bindi Cheng	W11	L 4	W13	2.0
6	Andrey Kostin	W16	L 1	W14	2.0
7	Tiffany Tang	W18	L 2	W15	2.0
8	Stoyan Petrov	W17	L 9	W12	2.0
9	H G Pitre	L14	W 8	D10	1.5
10	Aviv Milner	L 3	W17	D 9	1.5
11	Vlad Gaciu	L 5	L15	W18	1.0
12	Eugen Trandafir	L 1	W16	L 8	1.0
13	Richard Huang	L 2	W18	L 5	1.0
14	Jack Cheng	W 9	L 3	L 6	1.0
15	Tsutomu Furukawa	L 4	W11	L 7	1.0
16	Clyde Chen	L 6	L12	W17	1.0
17	Stefan Trandafir	L 8	L10	L16	0.0
18	Michael Wee	L 7	L13	L11	0.0

The Sunday Open for October attracted eighteen players, one less than the September event. Draws on the top two boards in the last round resulted in a four-way tie for first, between Lucas Davies, Vaclav Sladek, Noam Davies, and Michael Yip; each scored 2.5/3. Stoyan Petrov won the U1800 prize, Aviv Milner continued his good results of late by placing second.

The U1500 junior section was won by newcomer Jorge Prieto with a perfect score, second was Alexandra Botez (3/4); the U1100 prize was split between Foster Tom and Dylan Parker. And for the first time in many a moon, the Booster section did not require tiebreaks to decide the allocation of the three trophies available: they went to David Choi (4.5/5), Alejandro Torres-Lopez (4), and Janak Awatramani (3.5) respectively.

Forty players in total took part in the three sections, held at the Vancouver Bridge Centre on October 20.

U1500 crosstable: <http://www.chess.ca/xtable.asp?TNum=200510165>

Booster crosstable: <http://www.chess.ca/xtable.asp?TNum=200510188>

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### **RETHINK THE COOL FLEX** by Vas Sladek

Alfred Pechisker outclassed his opponents with 7/8 points to claim the \$100 first prize, a copy of Shredder and plastic tournament chess pieces. Andrey Kostin was second with 4.5/8, James Kerry came third with 4/8.

#### **Kerry,J (1954) - Kostin,A (1907) [D50] Rethink the Cool Flex, 15.07.2005**

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.Bg5 c6 5.e3 dxc4 6.Bxc4 b5 7.Bd3 a6 8.Nf3 c5 9.0-0 Nbd7 10.d5 h6 11.dxe6 hxg5 12.Nxg5 Ne5 13.exf7+ Ke7 14.Be4 Qxd1 15.Rfxd1 Rb8 16.Bd5 Bb7 17.Rac1 c4 18.e4 Rh5 19.f4 Nd3 20.Bxb7 Rxb7 21.e5 Ng4 22.Nd5+ Kd8 23.Ne6+ Kc8 24.Rxd3 Rxf7 25.Nb4 Bxb4 26.Rd8+ Kb7 27.h3 Ne3 28.Kf2 Re7 29.Kxe3 Rxe6 30.Rd7+ Kc6 31.Rxg7 Bf8 32.Rf7 Bc5+ 33.Ke4 Rg6 34.Kf3 Rh8 35.Rd1 Rhg8 36.g4 Rh6 37.Rf6+ Rxf6 38.exf6 Rh8 39.Rh1 Bd4 40.g5 Bxb2 41.Kg4 c3 42.g6 c2 43.g7 Rg8 44.Kf5 Ba3 45.Kg6 c1Q 46.Rxc1+ Bxc1 47.f7 Rxg7+ 48.Kxg7 Bb2+ 49.Kg8 Ba3 50.h4 Kd5 51.h5 Ke6 52.h6 1-0

#### **Pechisker,A (2244) - Kostin,A (1907) [D43] Rethink the Cool Flex, 22.08.2005**

*[Sladek,Vaclav]*

1.d4 d5 2.c4 e6 3.Nf3 c6 4.Nc3 Nf6 5.Bg5 h6 6.Bh4 dxc4 7.e4 g5 8.Bg3 b5 9.Be5 Nbd7 10.d5 exd5 11.exd5 Qe7 12.Qe2 Nxe5 13.Nxe5 b4? [13...Nxd5 14.Nxc6 Qxe2+ 15.Bxe2 Nxc3 16.bxc3 Bb7-+] 14.Nxc6 Qxe2+ 15.Nxe2 Bc5? [15...Nxd5 16.0-0-0 Bd7] 16.Ned4 Bxd4 17.Nxd4 Nxd5 18.Bxc4 Nc7? [18...Bb7] 19.Rc1 0-0 20.f3 Ne6 21.Nc6 Nf4 22.Kf2 a5 23.g3 Ng6 24.Rhe1 Bb7 25.Ne7+ Nxe7 26.Rxe7 Ba6 27.Bd5 Rad8 28.Rc5 a4 29.Ke3 Rd6 30.Ke4 Rfd8 31.Ke5 Be2 32.Bxf7+ Kf8 33.Rcc7 Bxf3 34.Be6 Bh5 35.Rh7 1-0

#### **Kostin,A (1907) - Pechisker,A (2244) [B06] Rethink the Cool Flex, 24.08.2005**

1.e4 d6 2.d4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.Be3 Nd7 5.Qd2 e5 6.d5 f5 7.f3 f4 8.Bf2 Ngf6 9.g3 g5 10.0-0-0 Nf8 11.gxf4 gxf4 12.Bh3 Ng6 13.Bxc8 Qxc8 14.Nge2 a6 15.h4 Nh5 16.Rdg1 Bf6 17.Rg4 Qd7 18.Qe1 Kf7 19.Ng1 Ne7 20.Nh3 h6 21.Kb1 Rag8 22.Rhg1 Rg6 23.Qf1 Rhg8 24.Qg2 Ng3 25.Rxg6 Rxg6 26.Qh2 Nh5 27.Ng5+ hxg5 28.hxg5 Bxg5 29.Qxh5 Bf6 30.Rxg6 Nxg6 31.Qh7+ Bg7 32.Kc1 Qc8 33.Kd2 Qh8 34.Qxh8 Bxh8 35.Ke2 Bf6 36.Kf1 Ke7 37.Nd1 b5 38.Kg2 Nh4+ 39.Bxh4 Bxh4 40.b3 b4 41.Kf1 Kd7 42.Ke2 c6 43.c4 bxc3 44.Nxc3 Bd8 45.Kd3 Ba5 46.dxc6+ Kxc6 47.Nd5 Kb5 48.a3 Be1 49.Nc7+ Kb6 50.Ne8 Kc6 51.Kc4 a5 52.Nf6 Bd2 53.Nd5 Be1 54.a4 Bd2 ½-½

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## A RECENT GAME

### Davies,N - Harris,P [C42] BC op Vancouver (6.3), 10.10.2005

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nf6 3.Nxe5 d6 4.Nf3 Nxe4 5.d4 d5 6.Bd3 Be7 7.0-0 0-0 8.c4 Nf6 9.Nc3 Bg4 10.cxd5 Nxd5 11.Be4 Nxc3 12.bxc3 c6 13.Rb1 Qc7 14.Qb3 b6 15.c4 Nd7 16.Bb2 Nf6 17.Bc2 Bh5 18.Rfe1 Rfe8 19.Rbd1 Rad8 20.Bb1 Bd6 21.h3 Re7 22.Rxe7 Bxe7 23.d5 cxd5 [23...b5 24.Bxf6 Bxf6 25.cxb5 cxd5 26.Rxd5] 24.cxd5 Nd7 25.Qe3 Bd6 26.Qg5 Bg6 27.Bxg6 hxg6 28.Nd4 Bf4 [28...Re8]



29.d6 Bxg5 [29...Bxd6 30.Nb5 Bf4 31.Qe7] 30.dxc7 Rc8 31.Nf3 1-0

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## EMANUEL LASKER IN SEATTLE, 1926

In the spring of 1926 former world champion Emanuel Lasker visited the Pacific northwest; it was hoped he would present a simultaneous display in Victoria, but these plans fell through. Instead, he gave two displays in Seattle; the second of these was refereed by Thomas Piper of Victoria (see Bulletin #5 for biographical information). The following report appeared in the *Victoria Daily Colonist* chess column on March 28, 1926 - Piper was the editor:

"Dr. Lasker may say with Caesar, Veni Vidi Vici, anant his thiry-board simultaneous display at the Elks, Seattle, on March 18, for, as already reported, he won twenty-four, lost two and drew four. Mr. T.H. Hall, president of the Elks Chess Club, organized the match and elicited the admiration of all Seattle and visiting chessists for the perfect working of his arrangements.

Chess is played in Seattle at the Faculty Club, University of Washington, Seattle Chess Club, Assembly Hotel, Elks Club, College Club, Masonic Club and the Y.M.C.A.; all seven loyally supported him with their best players, and such solid financial backing that a surplus remains after paying Dr. Lasker \$140, \$15 more than he charged.

The chapel of the Elks, a noble apartment, with a beautiful organ, lit by radiation of concealed lights gave eclat to the seance.

Dr. Lasker was conducted from his hotel to the chapel by the referee, and received a tremendous ovation. The president announced that the laws of chess would be strictly enforced by the chess editor of *The Colonist*; this was accorded a loud cheer. No player to touch a piece until the performer faced the board, and no consultation, but Dr. Lasker would rather lose a good game than win a bad one, and at this suggestion consultation was allowed.



The Master is about five feet, six inches high and about 160 pounds in weight, the face like those of the original conjurers of Palestine, a very large nose, eyes which almost fascinate, with a fierce glare when playing, but relax into a most kindly smile when conversing, the leonine glare becoming a peaceful, friendly, intellectual contemplation.

On fifteen boards lasker moved first, on the other fifteen his opponents attacked. He lost a Vienna to Maltby, and Arvid Johnson defended a Ruy Lopez with classical accuracy, winning in thirty-two moves and three hours fifteen minutes. Maltby, the other winner, took three hours forty-five minutes.

Hulback, of the Elks, defended splendidly, and drew by perpetual check. Storkmarrs, who drew with Dr. Lasker in Copenhagen, drew in Seattle; Sheets and C.B. Bagley, of the S.C.C., also drew; the latter played scores of games with the writer in 1889-93, and at eighty-two years of age plays with the freshness and vigor of

nineteen-year youths like Johnson, Storkmarrs and Sheets, who will go far. Baseler, ace of the Elks, was the last to lose of the twenty-four victims of the chess Moloch.

An air of well-bred decorum prevailed the chapel, much like the St. George's C.C., the club of the peers.

Lasker moved swiftly, never more than a few seconds at a board as a rule, but at the Maltby and Johnson games he arched his eyebrows, tugged at his ample locks, and spent two minutes at a move, evidently exerting all his great power.

The organizer was heartily congratulated, and new members joined both the Elks and the S.C.C."

"Maltby, a veteran, was awarded the honor of playing the best game of the evening after a consultation between Dr. Lasker and Mr. Thomas Piper, of Victoria, who acted as referee:"

### **Lasker,E - Maltby,F [C50] Simul Seattle, 18.03.1926**

1.e4 e5 2.Nc3 Bc5 3.Nf3 Nc6 4.Bc4 Nf6 5.d3 d6 6.Bg5 h6 7.Bh4 Bb4 8.Nd2 g5 9.Bg3 Be6 10.h4 Kd7 11.hxg5 hxg5 12.Bxe6+ fxe6 13.Rxh8 Qxh8 14.Nf1 Rf8 15.a3 Ba5 16.f3 Nh5 17.Bf2 Nf4 18.g3 Nh3 19.Be3 Qf6 20.Nh2 Nd4 21.Bxd4 exd4 22.b4 dxc3 23.bxa5 Qe5 24.Nf1 Ng1 25.Kf2 Nxf3 26.Qxf3 Rxf3+ 27.Kxf3 Qxa5 28.Ne3 b5 29.Kg4 Qb6 30.Re1 Qc5 31.Nd1 a5 32.Rh1 b4 33.axb4 axb4 34.Kf3 b3 35.Ne3 b2 36.Nc4 Qb4 0-1

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## **2006 BRITISH COLUMBIA CORRESPONDENCE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP**

*Presented by Chess First! Enterprises, BC's online chess store*  
[www.northshorechess.com](http://www.northshorechess.com)

Start date: January 1, 2006

Format: round robin for upto 15 players, BC residents only

public access

Membership: Canadian Correspondence Chess Association (CCCA) membership is NOT required but players are encouraged to support the CCCA by joining!

Ratings: the event is ICCF rated; unrated players will be assigned provisional ratings

Entry fee: \$20 (\$18 covers CCCA fees for webserver events)

Prizes:

1<sup>st</sup> \$50 + ChessBase training CD

2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> one copy each of ChessBase magazine Extra

Tournament Director: ICCF Arbiter and IM Valer Eugen Demian

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Canadian Correspondence Chess Association (CCCA): <http://correspondencechess.com/ccca/>

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## **2005 BC JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP**

Date: November 11-13, 2005

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

Rounds: 5

Sections:

Championship (1500 and above)

Reserves (1000 - 1500, or at T.D.'s discretion)

Times: November 11, 6 pm; November 12 and 13, 10 am and 3 pm

Type: Regular Swiss

Time Control: 30/90, SD/60

Entry Fee: Championship Section \$35, Reserves \$25; \$10 discount for additional players from same

family

Prizes:

Championship Section: financial support in connection with the Canadian Junior  
Reserves: cash prizes

Registration: in advance (recommended - e-mail the organizers) or at site 5:15 - 5:45 pm

Tournament Director: Stephen Wright

For more information please contact the organizers:

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Stephen Wright: 604-221-7148; e-mail: [swright2@telus.net](mailto:swright2@telus.net)

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **Junior Events**

Nov. 11-13 BC Junior Championship, Vancouver

Nov. 20 Island Junior Open #3 (Victoria)

Nov. 20 Vancouver Junior Open

Dec. 10 BC -WA Scholastic Match, BCIT

Dec. 11 Greater Victoria City Championship

See <http://www.chess.bc.ca/juniorevents.html>

### **UBC Tuesday Night Swiss**

Date: Tuesdays - the next cycle will start on November 8

Location: Room 211, Student Union Building, UBC

Format: 5-round Swiss

Time control: 2 hours sudden death

Time: 6:30 sharp

Entry fees: \$15 for adults, \$12 for juniors and UBC club members, \$10 under 1100 (excluding unrated)

TD info.: Aaron Cosenza, 604 327-4714, [xramis1@yahoo.ca](mailto:xramis1@yahoo.ca)

### **Silver Star Classic (BC Open Qualifier)**

Date: November 11-13

Site: Best Western Vernon Lodge 3914 32nd St. 545-3755

Type: 6 round Swiss

Fee: \$35, \$30 sen., \$25 junior. (must be CFC member or pay \$15 extra).

First time ever players can play for reduced entry.

Time: 30/90 SD/60

Start Times: 11:00 am, 4:00 pm; 10:00 am 4:00 pm; 10:00 am, ASAP.  
Registration: 10:00 - 11:00 Friday Nov. 11.

TD & Org. Wally Steinke 250.545. 6677

The Vernon Lodge site has a great closed inner courtyard which makes it ideal for a family holiday as well as a pleasant place for a chess tournament. Room rates at the Vernon Lodge are \$81 up to 4. Next door at the Hillside (ph 549-1211) and the Midway (ph549-1241), rates are \$49 single, \$59 double.

### **Jack Taylor Memorial**

Date: November 26-27

Site: Victoria

### **WA Class Championships and Chess Festival, Bellevue**

Date: November 26-27

[http://www.nwchess.com/calendar/WA\\_Class\\_flyer\\_2005.pdf](http://www.nwchess.com/calendar/WA_Class_flyer_2005.pdf)