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VANCOUVER CLASS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2006

This year's event attracted twenty-eight players to the Vancouver Bridge Centre on the weekend of January 13-15. As with previous editions, the tournament was run as a regular one-section Swiss for the first three rounds, then the participants were paired by class for the last two rounds. Or at least that was the intention; in practice there were too few players for this scheme to be viable, so some of the classes were combined for pairing purposes. Even this was problematic when two players withdrew after round four, but matches were found which followed the spirit if not the letter of the class system, and more importantly everyone had a competitive game in the last round.

Name	Rtng	1	2	3	4	5	Total
1 Hendrik Marks	2237	W15	W 7	W 4	W 3	W 6	5.0
2 Lucas Davies	2207	W16	D 8	D 5	L 4	L10	2.0
3 Bindi Cheng	2201	W17	D 9	W 8	L 1	D 4	3.0
4 Dragoljub Milicevic	2109	W18	W12	L 1	W 2	D 3	3.5
5 Paul Burke	2057	W20	W14	D 2	L 6	L 8	2.5
6 Louie Jiang	2033	D21	W22	W 9	W 5	L 1	3.5
7 Gerhard Neufahrt	2028	W23	L 1	L10	L 8	L 0	1.0
8 Noam Davies	2002	W24	D 2	L 3	W 7	W 5	3.5
9 James Chan	1944	W25	D 3	L 6	W10	L 0	2.5
10 Michael Yip	1944	W19	D 0	W 7	L 9	W 2	3.5
11 Tiffany Tang	1815	D 0	D21	D16	D12	L18	2.0
12 Steve Kelso	1812	W26	L 4	L18	D11	D13	2.0
13 Don Monteith	1758	D 0	W28	D 0	L18	D12	2.5
14 Vlad Gaciu	1737	W27	L 5	D19	D16	D15	2.5
15 Stefan Trandafir	1719	L 1	W20	D21	D19	D14	2.5
16 Arie Milner	1635	L 2	W24	D11	D14	L17	2.0
17 Richard Gaulin	1620	L 3	D23	L25	W20	W16	2.5
18 Jorge Prieto	1552	L 4	W27	W12	W13	W11	4.0
19 Stewart Paulson	1520	L10	W26	D14	D15	W20	3.0
20 Berthold Chiang	1415	L 5	L15	W28	L17	L19	1.0
21 Clyde Chen	1385	D 6	D11	D15	D22	L25	2.0
22 Tanraj S. Sohal	1375	D 0	L 6	W23	D21	W26	3.0
23 Alexandra Botez	1368	L 7	D17	L22	W27	W24	2.5
24 Foster Tom	1181	L 8	L16	L26	W28	L23	1.0
25 T. Alex Sabaratnam	1173	L 9	D 0	W17	D26	W21	3.0
26 Dylan Parker	1059	L12	L19	W24	D25	L22	1.5
27 David Choi	995	L14	L18	W 0	L23	D28	1.5
28 Ana Maria Luca	914	D 0	L13	L20	L24	D27	1.0

[The crosstable is sorted by rating rather than final score, with the line breaks reflecting the sectional divisions.]

The overall winner was a newcomer to B.C. chess, Henrik Marks from the Netherlands, who is currently engaged in research at UBC. An experienced tournament player (he took part in the last two World Opens and also played in the Aeroflot Open in Moscow) with a 2237 FIDE rating, he showed his class by dominating the field and taking first with a perfect score. He also receives the title of Vancouver Champion for this year. Three players tied for second: the oldest participant in the tournament, former B.C. champion Dragoljub Milicevic, and two young experts, Louie Jiang and Noam Davies. Each scored 3.5/5. The four-player "A" section was won by Michael Yip with the same score. In the "B + C" section the prizes were won by two of the lowest-rated players, Jorge Prieto and Stewart Paulson, although judging by his performance Jorge is significantly underrated (his 1552 is based on only four games). The lowest section consisted entirely of juniors; Alex Sabaratnam played a strong game in the last round to tie for first with Tanraj Sohal, each having 3 points. Stephen Wright was the tournament director, aided and abetted by Katherine Davies.

Marks,H - Cheng,B [E97] Class ch Vancouver (4.1), 15.01.2006

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 g6 3.Nc3 Bg7 4.e4 0-0 5.Nf3 d6 6.Be2 e5 7.0-0 Nc6 8.d5 Ne7 9.b4 Nh5 10.Re1 f5 11.Ng5 Nf6 12.Bf3 c6 13.Be3 h6 14.Ne6 Bxe6 15.dxe6 fxe4 16.Nxe4 Nxe4 17.Bxe4 Rf6 18.h4 Rxe6 19.h5 d5 20.cxd5 cxd5 21.Qb3 b6 22.Rad1 Rd6 23.Bxd5+ Rxd5 24.hxg6 Kh8 25.Bc1 Qd6 26.Rxd5 Qxd5 27.Qh3 Ng8 28.g4 Qe6 29.Qh5 Ne7 30.Bxh6 Nxc6 31.Rc1 Rf8 32.b5 Kh7 33.Rc6 Qf7 34.Be3+ Kg8 35.Qxg6 Qxa2 36.Rc7 Rf7 37.Rc8+ Rf8 38.Rxf8+ Kxf8 39.Bh6 Bxh6 40.Qxh6+ Kf7 41.Qh7+ Kf8 42.Qf5+ Kg8 43.Qxe5 a5 44.Qb8+ Kf7 45.Qxb6 a4 46.Qc7+ Kg6 47.b6 Qb1+ 48.Kh2 a3 49.b7 a2 50.b8Q Qxb8 51.Qxb8 a1Q 52.Qg8+ Kh6 53.Qf8+ Kg6 54.Qf5+ Kg7 55.g5 Qd4 56.Kg2 Qb2 57.Qe6 Qd4 58.Qh6+ Kg8 59.Qg6+ Kf8 60.Qf6+ Qxf6 61.gxf6 Kf7 62.Kf3 Kg6 63.Ke4 Kxf6 64.Kf4 1-0

Davies,L - Milicevic,D [B01] Class ch Vancouver (4.3), 15.01.2006

1.e4 d5 2.exd5 Nf6 3.d4 Nxd5 4.c4 Nb6 5.Nc3 e5 6.Qe2 Qxd4 7.Nf3 Qc5 8.Be3 Qa5 9.Bd2 Bb4 10.Nd5 Bxd2+ 11.Nxd2 Nxd5 12.Qxe5+ Be6 13.Qxg7 Rf8 14.cxd5 Qxd5 15.Bc4 Qf5 16.0-0 Nd7 17.Bxe6 fxe6 18.Qd4 Rg8 19.Rac1 0-0-0 20.Nc4 Rxc2+ 21.Kh1 Rxc2+ 22.Kxh2 Qh5+ 23.Kg3 Rg8+ 24.Kf4 Rg4+ 25.Ke3 Rxd4 26.Kxd4 Qc5+ 27.Ke4 Nf6+ 28.Kd3 Qd5+ 29.Ke2 Qe4+ 30.Kd2 Qd4+ 31.Ke2 Nd5 32.Rfd1 Qg4+ 33.Kf1 c6 34.Rd3 Qf4 35.Ne3 Qf3 36.Ke1 Nf4 37.Rd2 Qh1+ 38.Nf1 Qe4+ 39.Kd1 Nd3 40.Rc3 Qe1+ 41.Kc2 Nb4+ 42.Kb3 Nd5 0-1

Neufahrt,G - Davies,N [A48] Class ch Vancouver (4.4), 15.01.2006

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.d4 g6 3.Bf4 Bg7 4.e3 d5 5.Bd3 c5 6.c3 Nc6 7.Nbd2 Nd7 8.h4 e5 9.dxe5 Ndx5 10.Nxe5 Nxe5 11.Bxe5 Bxe5 12.Nf3 Bf6 13.Qa4+ Bd7 14.Qf4 0-0 15.g4 b5 16.g5 Bg7 17.h5 Qb6 18.Ne5 Bxe5 19.Qxe5 Rae8 20.Qh2 Re7 21.0-0-0 Bg4 22.hxg6 fxg6 23.Rde1 Bf3 24.Rhg1 b4 25.c4 Qa6 26.Be2 Qxa2 27.Bxf3 Qxc4+ 28.Kb1 Qd3+ 29.Kc1 Rxf3 30.Qd6 Rxf2 0-1

Chan,J - Yip,M [C97] Class ch Vancouver (4.5), 15.01.2006

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 d6 8.c3 0-0 9.h3 Bb7 10.d4 Na5 11.Bc2 c5 12.Nbd2 Qc7 13.d5 c4 14.Nf1 Bc8 15.g4 Nb7 16.a4 Bd7 17.axb5 axb5 18.Be3 Nc5 19.Ng3 Rfb8 20.Nf5 Bf8 21.Bg5 Ne8 22.Nd2 Qb7 23.Qf3 Rxa1 24.Rxa1 Ra8 25.Rb1 Bc8 26.Be3 Qc7 27.Qg3 Ra2 28.f4 Nd7 29.Nf3 g6 30.N5h4 exf4 31.Qxf4 Bg7 32.Nd4 Qb7 33.Nc6

Ne5 34.Nb4 Ra8 35.Nf3 Qc7 36.Nd4 Bd7 37.Rf1 Nf6 38.Nf3 Be8 39.Bd4 Nfd7 40.Kg2 Nxf3
41.Bxg7 Nh4+ 42.Kg3 Kxg7 43.Kxh4 Qd8+ 44.Kg3 Ne5 45.g5 Kg8 46.Qf6 Qc7 47.h4 Bd7
48.Bd1 Re8 49.h5 gxh5 50.Bxh5 Bc8 51.Nc6 Ng6 52.Bxg6 fxg6 53.Nd4 Qe7 54.Qxe7 Rxe7
55.Nxb5 Rxe4 56.Nxd6 Rg4+ 57.Kf3 Rxg5 58.Nxc8 Kf7 59.Ke4+ Ke8 60.Nd6+ Kd7 61.Nxc4
h5 62.Ne5+ 1-0

Jiang,L - Marks,H [C92] Class ch Vancouver (5.1), 15.01.2006

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 a6 4.Ba4 Nf6 5.0-0 Be7 6.Re1 b5 7.Bb3 0-0 8.c3 d6 9.h3 Bb7 10.d4
Re8 11.Bg5 Nd7 12.Bxe7 Qxe7 13.Nbd2 Na5 14.Bc2 c5 15.d5 Nb6 16.Nf1 Bc8 17.Ne3 Nac4
18.Nxc4 Nxc4 19.b3 Nb6 20.Nh2 Bd7 21.Qf3 a5 22.Nf1 Ra7 23.Reb1 Rea8 24.a3 a4 25.b4 cxb4
26.cxb4 Rc7 27.Rc1 Rac8 28.Qd1 Qg5 29.Qd3 Rc3 30.Qd1 Bxh3 31.Ng3 Bg4 32.Qf1 Rxc2
33.Rxc2 Rxc2 34.Qxb5 Qd8 35.Nf1 Be2 36.Qa5 Rc8 37.b5 Rc5 38.Re1 Bd3 39.Qd2 Bxb5
40.Ne3 Nc4 41.Nxc4 Bxc4 42.Rb1 Bb3 43.Rc1 Qc7 44.Rxc5 Qxc5 45.g4 h6 46.g5 h5 47.Kg2
Bc2 48.Qe2 Qc3 49.Kh2 Qd3 50.Qxh5 Qxe4 51.Kg1 Qxd5 52.Qh3 Qe6 53.Qf3 e4 54.Qe2 Bd3
55.Qd1 d5 56.Qc1 Qg4+ 57.Kh2 Be2 0-1

Cheng,B - Milicevic,D [A36] Class ch Vancouver (5.2), 15.01.2006

1.e4 g6 2.c4 Bg7 3.Nc3 c5 4.g3 Nc6 5.Bg2 e5 6.Nge2 d6 7.d3 Bg4 8.f3 Be6 9.a3 Qd7 10.Nd5
Bxd5 11.cxd5 Nce7 12.h4 h5 13.Bh3 f5 14.b4 Nf6 15.bxc5 dxc5 16.Bb2 Qd6 17.a4 0-0 18.0-0
b6 19.Qc2 a6 20.Rfc1 Nd7 21.Ba3 Rac8 22.Qc4 Bh6 23.Rf1 Be3+ 24.Kg2 Ra8 25.Rab1 b5
26.Qb3 b4 27.Bc1 Bxc1 28.Rbxc1 a5 29.g4 fxg4 30.fxg4 Rxf1 31.Rxf1 hxg4 32.Bxg4 Nf6
33.Rxf6 Qxf6 34.d6+ Kg7 35.dxe7 Qxe7 36.Qe6 Qxh4 37.Qxe5+ Kh6 38.Qf4+ Kg7 39.Be6
Qxf4 40.Nxf4 Kf6 41.Bc4 Rb8 42.Bb3 g5 43.Ne2 Ke5 44.Kg3 Rd8 45.Bc4 b3 46.Kg4 b2 47.Nc3
Rb8 48.Kxg5 b1Q 49.Nxb1 Rxb1 50.Kg4 Rb4 51.Bb5 Rb3 52.Kf3 Rb1 53.Ke3 Rh1 54.Bd7 Rh2
55.Bb5 Rh3+ 56.Kd2 Kd4 57.Kc2 Rh2+ 58.Kb3 Rh7 59.Kc2 Rb7 60.Kd2 Rg7 61.Kc2 Rg2+
62.Kb3 Rd2 63.Bc4 Rxd3+ 64.Bxd3 Kxd3 65.e5 c4+ 66.Ka2 c3 67.e6 c2 68.e7 c1Q 69.e8Q
Qc4+ 70.Ka3 ½-½

Burke,P - Davies,N [B23] Class ch Vancouver (5.3), 15.01.2006

1.e4 c5 2.Nc3 e6 3.g3 g6 4.Bg2 Bg7 5.f4 Ne7 6.Nf3 d5 7.e5 a6 8.0-0 Nbc6 9.d3 b5 10.a3 0-0
11.Bd2 f6 12.Re1 Qc7 13.b4 cxb4 14.axb4 fxe5 15.Kh1 exf4 16.gxf4 Bd7 17.Rb1 Qd6 18.Ne2
Nf5 19.c3 e5 20.fxe5 Nxe5 21.Bf4 Ne3 22.Bxe3 Nxf3 23.Ng3 Nxe1 24.Bc5 Qe6 25.Bxf8 Nxf2
26.Bxg7 Ne3 27.Qf3 Kxg7 28.Re1 Re8 29.Nf1 d4 0-1

Yip,M - Davies,L [E66] Class ch Vancouver (5.4), 15.01.2006

1.Nf3 Nf6 2.g3 g6 3.Bg2 Bg7 4.0-0 d6 5.d4 0-0 6.c4 c5 7.Nc3 Nc6 8.d5 Na5 9.Nd2 a6 10.Qc2
Rb8 11.b3 b5 12.Bb2 bxc4 13.bxc4 e5 14.Rab1 Bh6 15.f4 Ng4 16.Nd1 exf4 17.gxf4 f5 18.h3
Rxb2 19.Qxb2 Bg7 20.Qa3 Nf6 21.Nf2 Re8 22.e3 Nh5 23.Rfe1 Qc7 24.Bf3 Nf6 25.Kg2 Ne4
26.Nfxe4 fxe4 27.Bg4 Bf5 28.Bxf5 gxf5 29.Kh2 Kf7 30.Rg1 Bf6 31.Qa4 Rh8 32.Rg2 h5
33.Rbg1 Rb8 34.Qd1 Rh8 35.Qc2 Qe7 36.Qa4 Qc7 37.Rg6 Qd8 38.Qa3 Rh7 39.Rg8 Qc7
40.Qa4 1-0

JANUARY SUNDAY/JUNIOR OPEN

Forty-one players took part in the first Sunday/Junior Open of the new year, held at the Vancouver Bridge Centre on January 8. Half of these players participated in the mixed Sunday Open, which was split into two smaller sections because of the numbers. In Open 1 Noam Davies

and Michael Yip tied for first with 2.5/3, while Open 2 saw Clyde Chen, David Pash (from Washington State) and Joe Roback take the prizes. In the Junior Open Tanraj Sohal, newcomer David Luo from China, and Hafiz Dhanani were the prize winners in the U1500 section. Michael Levine and Kyle Zheng tied for first in the Booster section with 5/6, and twins Karson and Quincy Welch tied for third. The next event is February 12.

Crosstables:

http://www.bjdy.com/juniorchess/sunday_open_4.txt

<http://www.chess.ca/xtable.asp?TNum=200601047>

<http://www.chess.ca/xtable.asp?TNum=200601056>

PASCAL CHARBONNEAU, INTERNATIONAL GRANDMASTER



He has been of the requisite strength for some time now, but Canadian Champion (and one-time B.C. resident) Pascal Charbonneau has finally earned the third norm necessary for his grandmaster title. He achieved it in style, too, winning a ten-player Robin Round in Chicago with an undefeated 6/9. Congratulations, Pascal!

Event information, games, and photos:

<http://www.fidechessinchicago.com/Winter06.htm>

Pascal's tournament summary:

<http://members5.boardhost.com/ChessTalk/msg/1137306353.html>

Perelshteyn,E - Charbonneau,P [B78] Winter FIDE inv Chicago (3), 10.01.2006

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 d6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 Nf6 5.Nc3 g6 6.Be3 Bg7 7.f3 Nc6 8.Bc4 0-0 9.Qd2 Bd7 10.0-0-0 Rb8 11.Bb3 Na5 12.g4 b5 13.Nde2 b4 14.Nd5 Nxb3+ 15.cxb3 Nxd5 16.exd5 Qa5 17.Kb1 Rb5 18.Nf4 Bc8 19.Bd4 Bh6 20.Rhe1 Re8 21.Bf6 Qd8 22.Qe2 Rb8 23.Rd4 Qb6 24.Qd2 Bxg4 25.fxg4 exf6 26.Rxe8+ Rxe8 27.Qxb4 Qxb4 28.Rxb4 Re1+ 29.Kc2 Rh1 30.h3 Rh2+ 31.Kc3 Kg7 32.Ra4 Bxf4 33.Rxf4 Rxh3+ 34.Kc4 g5 35.Rd4 h5 36.gxh5 f5 37.b4 g4 38.b5 Rxh5 39.a4 g3 40.Rd1 Rh4+ 41.Kd3 Rxa4 42.Ke3 Rg4 0-1

Charbonneau,P - Goletiani, R [B43] Winter FIDE inv Chicago (9), 13.01.2006

1.e4 c5 2.Nf3 e6 3.d4 cxd4 4.Nxd4 a6 5.Nc3 Qc7 6.Bd3 Bd6 7.Qd2 Nc6 8.Nxc6 dxc6 9.Qg5 f6 10.Qh5+ Qf7 11.Qe2 e5 12.0-0 Ne7 13.Rd1 Bc5 14.Na4 Ba7 15.Be3 b5 16.Nb6 Bxb6 17.Bxb6 0-0 18.a4 Be6 19.Qe3 Ng6 20.b3 Nf4 21.Bf1 Qg6 22.Rd6 Rac8 23.Kh1 Rfe8 24.g3 Nh5 25.Re1 f5 26.exf5 Qxf5 27.c4 bxa4 28.bxa4 Nf6 29.Kg1 Bf7 30.a5 e4 31.h3 c5 32.Red1 Be6 33.g4 Qg6 34.Kh1 Qf7 35.Bxc5 Bxg4 36.hxg4 Nxc4 37.Qg3 Rxc5 38.Qxg4 Qxf2 39.Bh3 e3 40.Rf1 e2 41.Rxf2 e1Q+ 42.Rf1 Qe5 43.Re6 1-0

DANIEL ALEXANDER MACADAM



This weekend Lynn Stringer will run her annual tournament dedicated to the memory of Dan MacAdam. For those not familiar with this gentleman, we reproduce the following article, written by Philip Jurgens and published in *En Passant* in 1985:

On May 30, Dan MacAdam will be celebrating his 100th birthday. His name may not readily be associated with chess in the minds of many. Normally, we tend to remember the exceptional players, rather than the exceptional organizers. It must be remembered that talented masters do not emerge out of a vacuum! The hardworking individuals who lay the foundations to ensure that there is support for the players at all levels are instrumental in stimulating interest in the game.

Dan MacAdam is such an individual. He was born in St. Paul, Minnesota on May 30, 1885. He pursued a varied and somewhat nomadic lifestyle, finally settling down in Fredericton, New Brunswick in his late twenties. His job as an express messenger for the Canadian Pacific Railway suited him well, enabling him to travel throughout Canada until his retirement in 1950.

The Montréal - St. John route was MacAdam's last major run with the CPR. He found himself with spare time in St. John and learned to play chess from his brother-in-law. Shortly thereafter, he began organizing chess clubs and tournaments. He was responsible for the rejuvenation of chess throughout the Maritimes, notably in Fredericton, Moncton and Halifax. He helped organize and run several high school clubs in New Brunswick.

Indeed, he was one of those who saw that chess was a sport for the young. He understood that the future lies with junior chess, and he was elected Chairman of the Maritime Youth Committee on more than one occasion. He coordinated interscholastic chess meets and was even involved in the construction of demonstration boards for the school clubs.

Dan MacAdam did not restrict himself to the Maritimes: he served as a Governor and later Vice-President of the Chess Federation of Canada, being active nationally through the 1940's and early 1950's.

He raised substantial money to support Canadian tournaments and to sponsor foreign tours for Abe Yanofsky, Lionel Joyner and Paul Vaitonis.

Within Canada, he organized numerous simultaneous exhibitions. He travelled across Canada several times to foster continued public interest in chess.

Without question, one of his most enduring contributions to Canadian chess lay in the founding of a national chess magazine. In 1947 he started the *Maritime Chess Chat* which eventually developed into the official bulletin of the Chess Federation of Canada, *Canadian Chess Chat*.

Under his aegis, the magazine grew from a 2-3 page mimeographed format into a full 45-60 page magazine with photographs, feature stories, Canadian and international news, a problem section, annotated games and both Canadian and US advertisers. Throughout his 9 year term (1947-1956) as editor, his bubbling enthusiasm for chess was evident in every issue. His good humour and friendliness shone forth. For MacAdam, the magazine was a labour of love. He did all the mimeographing, layout and binding himself, often working late into the night. He also absorbed the publication deficits, a reflection of his unselfish dedication to the cause of Canadian chess.

[Editor - Dan MacAdam passed away in Victoria on November 15, 1985, at the age of 100.]

UPCOMING EVENTS

Junior Events

Jan. 22 Annual Junior Open, BCIT

Jan. 28 Elementary School Team Championship, St. John's School

Feb. 5 Island Junior Open, University of Victoria

Feb. 12 Junior Open, Vancouver Bridge Centre

Feb. 25 School Team Championship Finals, WPGA

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

For full details for the events below, see www.chess.bc.ca

UBC Tuesday Night Swiss

Date: Tuesdays - next cycle begins January 10, 2006

Location: Room 213, Student Union Building, UBC

Format: 5-round Swiss

Time control: 2 hours sudden death

Time: 6:30 sharp

Entry fees: \$20 for adults, \$15 for juniors and UBC club members, \$12 under 1100 (excluding unrated)

TD info.: Aaron Cosenza, 604 327-4714, xramis1@yahoo.ca

Dan MacAdam Memorial

Dates: January 21-22, 2006

Place: University of Victoria

Type: 5-round Swiss

Chess First! Flex I

Dates: February 1, 8, 15, 22, March 1, 2006,

Place: North Vancouver

Details at www.chessfirst.com

Kelowna Winterfest

Dates: February 11-12, 2006

Place: Best Western Inn, Kelowna

Type: 5-round Swiss

February Sunday Open
Date: February 12, 2006
Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre
Type: 3-round Swiss