

BCCF E-MAIL BULLETIN #9

VANCOUVER JUNIOR GRAND PRIX # 4

Forty players participated in Vancouver's first Grand Prix event of the New Year, held at the Vancouver Bridge Centre. Most of the players were placed in Quads and played in three-game Round Robins; the remainder took part in a five-round Swiss. First prize winners in the Quads were: Jason Lee, Lawrence Bau, Tiffany Tang, Alexander Reid, Bryan Young, Max Tikhomolov, Lo-Ching Chow, and Lara Heppenstall. In the Swiss Neil Atkinson came first with 4.0/5, while Mihai Beschea and Inderpreet Singh tied for third a half-point back. Katherine Davies directed, assisted by Stephen Wright .

The current leaders in the Grand Prix are as follows:

Atkinson, Gavin 16.1
Davies, Lucas 14.3
Davies, Noam 13.9
Chow, Lo-Ching 13.6
Cheng, Lesley 12.9
Young, Bryan 12.7
Goutor, Valentina 12.6
Kostin, Andrey 11.9
Yu, Danny 11.4

There are still four more events to go, giving plenty of time for the followers to try to overhaul Atkinson. Remember, you only count your top six results (out of eight events).

JACK TAYLOR MEMORIAL

Thanks to Lynn Stringer, here are a selection of games from the last edition of this event. (Valeriya Gansvind is a Russian woman FIDE master currently sojourning on the Island.)

Crosstable: Jack Taylor 2002

Gansvind,V - Moore,D [D00]
Jack Taylor mem Victoria (3), 23.11.2002

1.d4 Nf6 2.Bg5 d5 3.e3 e6 4.Bd3 Be7 5.Nd2 Nbd7 6.Ngf3 c5 7.c3 h6 8.Bh4 0-0 9.0-0 Qc7 10.Qe2 Re8 11.Rfd1 c4 12.Bc2 Bd6 13.e4 e5 14.dxe5 Nxe5 15.Bxf6 gxf6 16.h3 Ng6 17.Qf1 Nf4 18.exd5 Kh8 19.Qxc4 Qd7 20.Ba4 Nxh3+ 21.Kf1 Qf5 22.Bxe8 Nf4 23.Ne4 Qg6 24.Ng3 Bg4 25.Rd4 Bxf3 26.gxf3 Rxe8 27.Rxf4 Bxf4 28.Qxf4 Qd3+ 29.Kg2 1-0

Lee,J - Moore,H [A57]

Jack Taylor mem Victoria (5), 24.11.2002

1.d4 Nf6 2.c4 c5 3.d5 b5 4.cxb5 a6 5.Nc3 axb5 6.e4 b4 7.Nb5 d6 8.Qc2 Ba6 9.a4
Nbd7 10.b3 g6 11.f4 Bg7 12.Bb2 0-0 13.Nf3 c4 14.Bxc4 Nc5 15.Nd2 e6 16.0-0
exd5 17.Bxd5 Nxd5 18.exd5 Bxb2 19.Qxb2 Bxb5 20.axb5 Qb6 21.Nc4 Qxb5 22.Rxa8
Rxa8 23.f5 Ne4 24.Qd4 Qc5 25.Qxc5 Nxc5 26.fxg6 fxg6 27.Rf3 Ra1+ 28.Kf2 Ra2+
29.Kf1 Ne4 30.Rf4 Ra1+ 31.Ke2 Nc3+ 32.Kf2 Rb1 33.Nxd6 Rxb3 34.Rd4 Rb2+ 35.Kf3
Ne2 36.Rd1 Nc3 37.Rd3 Rb1 38.Nc4 Rd1 39.Rxd1 Nxd1 40.d6 Kf7 41.Ke2 Nc3+
42.Kd3 Ke6 43.Ne3 Kxd6 44.Kc4 Ke5 45.Kxb4 Kf4 46.Nf1 Nd5+ 47.Kc5 Ne3 48.Ng3
Nxc2 49.Kd4 Nh4 50.Kd3 Nf3 0-1

Moore,H - Yoos,J [E51]

Jack Taylor mem Victoria (4), 24.11.2002

1.d4 d5 2.c4 Nc6 3.Nc3 e6 4.Nf3 Bb4 5.e3 Nf6 6.Bd3 0-0 7.0-0 dxc4 8.Bxc4 Bd6
9.e4 e5 10.d5 Ne7 11.Qb3 Ng6 12.Re1 a6 13.Bf1 Qe7 14.Nd2 Bc5 15.Nc4 b5 16.Ne3
b4 17.Na4 Nxe4 18.Nxc5 Qxc5 19.f3 Nd6 20.Bd2 a5 21.Rac1 Qd4 22.Red1 Qa7
23.Kh1 Bd7 24.Qc2 Rac8 25.Qc5 Qa8 26.Nc4 Nxc4 27.Bxc4 Kh8 28.a3 bxa3 29.bxa3
a4 30.Ba5 c6 31.d6 Rb8 32.Bb4 f6 33.Bd3 Nf4 34.Bb1 Rbe8 35.Rc4 Ne6 36.Qf2 g6
37.Qh4 Kg8 38.Qh6 Rf7 39.Rh4 Rg7 40.Ba2 Qa6 41.Bc4 Qa7 42.f4 Kh8 43.fxe5 fxe5
44.Bxe6 Bxe6 45.Re4 Bd5 46.Re3 Rf7 47.Bc3 Kg8 48.Rg3 Ref8 49.h4 Rf1+ 50.Kh2
Qg1+ 51.Kh3 Qh1+ 52.Kg4 Be6+ 0-1

Yoos,J - Gansvind,V [B06]

Jack Taylor mem Victoria (5), 24.11.2002

1.e4 g6 2.d4 Bg7 3.Nc3 d6 4.Be3 c6 5.Nf3 b5 6.Bd3 a6 7.Qd2 Nd7 8.a4 Bb7 9.0-0
h6 10.Ne2 Qc7 11.h3 Ngf6 12.Ng3 Kf8 13.c3 Kg8 14.Nh4 e5 15.axb5 cxb5 16.Rae1
Qd8 17.Nf3 Rc8 18.Qe2 Qe7 19.Bc1 Kh7 20.h4 Rhe8 21.h5 Nf8 22.hxg6+ fxg6
23.Qd1 N6d7 24.Bb1 Ne6 25.d5 Nef8 26.Be3 Rc7 27.Nd2 Bc8 28.Bd3 Nc5 29.Be2
Nfd7 30.Qb1 Rf8 31.Rc1 Bf6 32.b4 Na4 33.c4 Bg5 34.Bxg5 Qxg5 35.Nf3 Qe7
36.cxb5 Nc3 37.Qb2 Nxe2+ 38.Qxe2 Rxc1 39.Rxc1 Nb8 40.bxa6 Bxa6 41.b5 Bb7
42.Qe3 Qd8 43.Nd2 Rf7 44.Ngf1 Nd7 45.Nc4 Nf6 46.f3 Ne8 47.Qb6 Qxb6+ 48.Nxb6
Rc7 49.Ra1 Kg8 50.Ra7 Kf8 51.Ne3 Ke7 52.Nec4 Kf6 53.Kh2 Kg5 54.Na5 Bxd5
55.Rxc7 Nxc7 56.Nxd5 1-0

AND THE ANSWERS ARE . . .

With the tournament listings just after Christmas I presented two unorthodox chess problems - here are the solutions.

Selfmate in 4: White to play and force Black to deliver mate with his fourth move.
(WK a8, WQ c5, WP d7 e7 f7 g7 h7, BK h6, BR c7 d3)

1.h8/Q+ Kg6 2.g8/R+ Kxf7 3.e8/B+ Ke6 4.d8/N+ Rxd8#

Yes, that's right, White promotes four times in a row, to successively weaker pieces!

Maximum Take Puzzle: place the missing eight pieces back on the board (in a legal position) with Black to play, such that Black's only possible legal moves are all captures, but also so that Black should have the maximum number of possible captures.
(WK h1, WQ a2, WR e1, WB f2, WP 4th rank, BK f3, BQ c3, BR e2, BB e3, BP 5th rank)

The solution looks like this:



Black has 47 possible captures, although you are welcome to see if you can come up with a position which has more . . .

30 YEARS AGO . . . by Bruce Harper

Were Canada's juniors better 30 years ago than they are today? That question is impossible to answer, but it is interesting to look back at the results of the 1972 Canadian Junior Championship.

The tournament was won by John MacPhail, an interesting character who has since disappeared from the Canadian chess scene, as far as I'm aware. Second was Kevin Spraggett, who later became a Grandmaster and won the Canadian Championship a number of times. Tied for third and fourth were Jonathan Berry and me (neither of whom became Grandmasters or won the Canadian Championship). Jean Hebert, who became an International Master and Canadian Champion, trailed.

The Canadian Junior Championship was different then. It was a 10-player round

robin, and was held only once every two years. Now it is a Swiss which seems to be held about every two months.

Anyway, it was a tough tournament. Here is one of the winner's games, against Jonathan Berry.

MacPhail-Berry, London, 1972

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bb5 Qe7!?

This move, which was christened the "incredible defence" (for obvious reasons), was invented by Suttles. He used it once, against Matulovic, and was smashed. It is unlikely that its surprise value outweighs its objective shortcomings, since White can obtain an advantage by normal play, and there is no obvious unsound attempt at a refutation.

4.0-0 Nd8 (the idea) 5.d4 c6 6.Ba4 d6 7.b4!

MacPhail played with great confidence. He is quite right to attack on the queenside immediately, before Black finishes (or perhaps more accurately, even starts) his somewhat cumbersome mobilization.

7...g6 8.b5 Nf6 9.bxc6 bxc6 10.Ba3 Qc7 11.Re1 Be7 12.Nbd2 Bg4 13.h3 Bxf3 14.Nxf3 0-0 15.Rb1c5

Jonathan, resourceful as always, realizes that things have gone wrong and tries to fight back. But White's position is pleasantly sound, and there is no way for Black to create pressure to compensate for his positional weaknesses.

16.c3 Ne6 17.Bb3 exd4

Anti-positional, but White's two bishops give him a lasting advantage, so Black rolls the dice tactically. Not surprisingly, he craps out.

18.cxd4 c4 19.Rc1!

This looks winning, but Black has some tricks...

19...Qa5!? 20.Rxc4 Qxa3 21.Ra4 Qb2 22.Re2 Qc3 23.Rc2



23...Nxe4!?

Black presumably saw this when he played 17...exd4. Although his queen is trapped, after 24.Rxc3 Nxc3 and 25...Nxa4, he gets two rooks for it. Has White overreached?

24.Bd5!

It turns out everything's under control! There's no rush to take the queen, as it has no escape. And after 24...Rac8 25.Bxe4, the e4-bishop defends the c2-rook. It's actually amazing the way everything works for White in this position. Queen traps on open boards are hard to visualize at the best of times, but moves like 24.Bd5! are even harder to see.

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DANIEL ALEXANDER MACADAM

On January 18th and 19th, 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 Montreal - 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 on November 15, 1985, at the age of 100.]

UPCOMING EVENTS

Many great events to choose from, so get out there and support your tournament organizers!

Upcoming junior events:

January 12 Island Junior Open #4
January 26 BCIT Junior Open
February 1 Elementary Team Championship
February 9 Island Junior Open #5
February 16 Vancouver Grand Prix #5
February 22 Secondary Team Championship

For details visit [British Columbia Chess Federation](#) or [Greater Victoria Junior Chess](#)

UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - January - February 2003

Dates: January 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, February 4th
Place: UBC Student Union Building, Room 212
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.

Dan MacAdam Memorial Tournament

Date: January 18th and January 19th 2003
Type: 5 Round Swiss
Entry Fee: \$35 Regular, \$25 for Juniors
Prize Fund: 100% of EF minus Expenses
CFC Rated
Time Control 40/90 minutes - SD/1 Hour
Location: University of Victoria, Human & Social Development Building, Room A-260
Registration: January 18th 8:30AM at the site.
Organizer & TD: Lynn Stringer
Contact: Lynn Stringer at lynnstringer@shaw.ca ; Tel (250) 658 5207

Saturday Winter Chess Fever

Date: January 18, 25, Feb 01, 08, and 15

Location: at the Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway, Vancouver
Rds: 5
Type: Regular Swiss, 2 sections Open and Under 1700
Time: Games start at 5:00 p.m.
Time Control: 30/90 G/60
Entry Fee: \$25, \$20 for Juniors and Masters
Prizes: \$\$ BEN
Org: James Kerry 604-438-7666 and Luc Poitras 604-438-0496

January Open Bughouse Tournament

Date: Sunday, January 19, 2002.
Location: Vancouver Bridge Centre (2776 East Broadway at Kaslo St).
Registration: 9:00-10:00 AM.
Entry Fee: \$10 for adults, \$5 for juniors and seniors.
Rounds: TBA. Minimum of 36 games.
Time Controls: 3 min/sd.
Partners: Players enter as individuals, and are assigned different partners each round. No partner is needed to enter.
Contact: Ben Daswani Çô devil1331@hotmail.com or phone 604-596-1606.

Downwinders Invitational

Date: January 24-26, 2003
Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway, Vancouver, BC
Rds: 5
Type: regular 6-player RR
Times: 6:30/10, 3/10, ASAP
TC: FIDE 90+30
EF: \$30
Prizes: 1st \$130 plus ChessBase magazine CD
Reg: interested players e-mail chessfm@shaw.ca
TD & Org: Vas Sladek, 604-982-0611
Misc: no smoking, CFC membership required
Sponsors: Polaris Water Company www.polariswater.com and Chess First! Enterprises www.northshorechess.com

Raising the Roof Active Chess Tournament

Date: Saturday, 1. February 2003
Place: Parkgate Branch, North Van District Public Library
The Enid Dearing meeting room, 3675 Banff Court, North Vancouver, BC
Rds: 6-player, 5 RR
Type: Active, CFC-rated
Times: 10 a.m. start

TC: G30

EF: \$15 for CFC members, non-members add \$10

Prizes: 1st ChessBase magazine CD; all players receive one 'Raising the Roof' toque

Reg: interested players must pre-register by e-mail: chessfm@shaw.ca

Org/TD: Vas Sladek, chessfm@shaw.ca, 604-982-0611, www.northshorechess.com

Misc: bring sets, digital clocks provided, additional 'Raising the Roof' toques will be available for sale at \$7 each; all proceeds help Vancouver's homeless. (www.raisingtheroof.org)

Kelowna Winter Fest

Dates: Feb. 8 & 9, 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 - February - March 2003

Dates: February 11th, February 18th, February 25th, March 4th, March 11th

Place: UBC Student Union Building, Room 212

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

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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.

Deviant Leisure Invitational

Date: February 21-23, 2003

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway, Vancouver, BC

Rds: 5

Type: regular 6-player RR

Times: 6:30/10, 3/10, ASAP

TC: FIDE 90+30

EF: \$30

Prizes: 1st \$130 plus ChessBase magazine CD

Reg: interested players e-mail chessfm@shaw.ca

TD & Org: Vas Sladek, 604-982-0611

Misc: no smoking, CFC membership required

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Enterprises www.northshorechess.com

UBC Tuesday Night Swiss - March - April 2003

Dates: March 18th, March 25th, April 1st, April 8th, April 15th

Place: UBC Student Union Building, Room 212

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.

Kitsilano Beach FIDE tournament

Date: March 28-30, 2003

Place: SPEC, 2150 Maple Street, Vancouver, BC

Rds: 5

Type: Regular 6-player RR, CFC & FIDE rated

Times: 6:30pm/10am, 4pm/10am, ASAP

TC: FIDE 120+30

EF: \$40 FIDE rated, \$50 FIDE unrated

Prizes: 1st \$140 plus FREE entry into Keres Open and Fritz 8 software, all players receive CB CD prizes

Reg: interested FIDE rated players and ambitious unrated players please e-mail: chessfm@shaw.ca

TD & Org: Vas Sladek, 604-982-0611

Misc: no smoking

Sponsors: Polaris Water Company www.polariswater.com and Chess First!

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SPEC www.spec.bc.ca

Empires Fall Invitational

Date: April 4-6, 2003

Place: Vancouver Bridge Centre, 2776 East Broadway, Vancouver, BC
Rds: 5
Type: regular 6-player RR
Times: 6:30/10, 3/10, ASAP
TC: FIDE 90+30
EF: \$30
Prizes: 1st \$130 plus ChessBase magazine CD
Reg: interested players e-mail chessfm@shaw.ca
TD & Org: Vas Sladek, 604-982-0611
Misc: no smoking, CFC membership required
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Enterprises www.northshorechess.com

English Bay FIDE Tournament

Date: April 25-27, 2003
Place: SPEC, 2150 Maple Street, Vancouver, BC
Rds: 5
Type: Regular 6-player RR, CFC & FIDE rated
Times: 6:30pm/10am, 4pm/10am, ASAP
TC: 120+30
EF: \$40 FIDE rated, \$50 FIDE unrated
Prizes: 1st \$140 plus FREE entry into Keres Open and Fritz 8 software, all
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Kelowna Summer Fest

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Times: 9/2/7; 9/asap
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